International Turf-Grass Conference Scheduled for Cleveland, Feb. 7-12

More than 40 speakers, an exhibition of equipment, supplies and services occupying a 33,000-square-foot exhibition hall, will be major attractions when the 36th International Turf-Grass Conference and Show is held in Sheraton-Cleveland Hotel, Cleveland, Ohio, Feb. 7-12.

Advance registrations exceed those of previous years and indicate that a record-breaking attendance will be realized at the forthcoming event.

"We really look forward to being in Cleveland," said Dr. Gene C. Nutter, executive director of the sponsoring Golf Course Superintendents Association of America. "It is fitting that GCSAA again takes its conference and show to Cleveland for it was there in 1923 that GCSAA really had its beginning with the birth of the Cleveland Greenskeepers Association. Appropriately, too, the Northern Ohio Chapter is host. Every member of this chapter is also a GCSAA member making it the largest 100% chapter in North America."

John J. Spodnik, superintendent of the Westfield Country Club courses, LeRoy, Ohio, is cochairman with Dr. Nutter. Serving with Spodnik as co-chairman of the host committee is Malcolm E. McLaren, superintendent of the Oakwood Club in Cleveland.

Officials are enthusiastic over the outstanding array of speakers chosen to address the superintendents during the 5-day educational program. They include superintendents, educators, researchers, golf course architects and other turf experts. There will be six educational assemblies.

While the conference and show is primarily for superintendents and others involved in the care and maintenance of turf, those who are interested may attend upon payment of registration fees. Information may be obtained from the Golf Course Superintendents Association of

America, Box 1385, Jacksonville Beach, Fla. 32050.

Further details on this important meeting will be given in the January issue of this magazine.

"Water-In" Tests Successful

Recent tests conducted with "Water-In," a product that is said to eliminate waterlogging due to a tendency of water to remain in soil capillaries, have been reported as successful by "Water-In," Inc., Altadena, Calif. The most recent test was conducted by Soil & Plant Lab, Inc., Orange, Calif.

In one test, roses growing in hard compacted or adobe soils tend to have waterlogged roots. With a treatment of "Water-In" the soil was aerated and the plants fed and watered at regular intervals with no ill effect.

Other tests in various areas of the Los Angeles City Recreation and Parks Department have proven likewise satisfactory. At the Sepulveda golf course, half of a green treated with "Water-In" remained open and aerated, while the untreated half remained compacted with water runoff.

Further details are available from "Water-In," Inc., by writing to P.O. Box 421, Altadena, Calif.

IMC Opens West Coast Office

A fertilizer sales office was recently opened by International Minerals & Chemical Corp. as part of its West Coast expansion program.

A company spokesman reports that successful completion of IMC's potash mine at Esterhazy, Canada, enables the company to expand its activities. The new office is located at 16 E. Third Ave., San Mateo, Calif.





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