Nematode Diseases, Weed Control on Program of North Carolina U. Pesticide School, Jan. 10-11

A plant pathology session is to be included in North Carolina State University's Pesticide School, being held Jan. 10-11 on campus in Raleigh.

To set the tempo of the class and focus attention on the growing importance of the use of pesticides in today's society, the university staff has engaged Dr. Nyle Brady, to address the school; his subject will be "Pesticides In Our Environment." Dr. Brady is director of research with New York State College, Cornell University. He has also served two years in Washington, D. C., as director of science and education with the United States Department of Agriculture.

Lead-off speaker in the pathology session will be D. E. Ellis who will discuss "Origin and Purpose of Pilot Project on Nematode Assay Service." Several other experts will emphasize control procedures for this blight.

According to Howard R. Garriss, Extension Professor in Charge, Plant Pathology Extension, and Chairman of the 1966 Pesticide School, it is impossible to cover all aspects concerned

Green Lawn Expands

New expansion of facilities at Green Lawn Laboratories now makes it possible for this formulator and packager of private label products to economically service the needs of small independent dealers and distributors.

Company president, Donald J. Arenberg, announced recently his firm is now fully equipped to handle formulating and packaging of a full line of lawn and garden products. Included are insecticides, fungicides, herbicides, fertilizers, selective weedkillers, soil conditioners, etc.

Formulations can be adjusted, Arenberg claims, to meet special product needs of particular areas.

For further information, write Green Lawn Laboratories at 4844 Main St., Skokie, Ill., 60076. with chemical and other methods of plant disease control. It is planned to emphasize fungus diseases and fungicides in the 1967 school.

Of special note is the subject by J. B. Weber: "General Considerations of Herbicide Residues in Soils," which should add more light on a question that has attained considerable importance.

Those in the sod industry have not been overlooked by the university staff. Dr. G. C. Klingman reports on "Status of Sod Planting—Research", and C. K. Martin will further amplify the subject with sod demonstrations.

Other categories of the school include discussions of entomology, zoology (wildlife) and agricultural engineering.

Registration is scheduled for 8:15 am, Monday, Jan. 10, Union Bldg. lobby.

More Mechanization Up for Study at Calif. Conference

An unreliable labor supply, which is turning the contract applicator's attention toward more mechanization, will be a major topic of discussion when weed specialists meet for the 18th Annual California Weed Conference in San Jose, Calif., January 18-20, at the Sainte Claire Hotel.

Industrial weed control specialists will be particularly interested in a report on new methods developed by the California aircraft industry.

Also scheduled for review before the assembly are the many problems associated with, or that have been created by, Federal and local regulations. These will be aired for general consideration and solution.

To accommodate San Francisco Bay area nurserymen and landscape architects, a panel will discuss weed control on ornamentals and ground-covers.

More details will appear in next month's issue of Weeds Trees and Turf.

-Trimmings-

Between Seasons Income. Ray Leary, president of Arrow Tree Spraying Service in Commack, Long Island, N.Y., has found a way to earn extra income in between the spring and fall spraying seasons. He rents thatching machines, aerators, lawn roto-tillers, etc. Wonder how long it'll be before he'll be using this equipment himself by expanding his own services?

lowa Nurserymen in Washington. Nursery firms in southwest Iowa recently presented an oil painting to Congressman John R. Hansen, of the State's 7th District, in a ceremony on the Capitol steps in Washington, D. C. Bob Lederer, executive associate of the American Assn. of Nurserymen, made the presentation. The painting depicts a typical southwest Iowa nursery farm, and Congressman Hansen now has it hanging in his offices where all visitors can become aware of the industry's importance in his District. Guess so! It employs over 1500 people and has a better than \$3 million payroll.

Figure Skating Hort Man. New face on the Purdue campus is that of James E. Browning who's just joined the university's department of horticulture. A native of Indianapolis, the Michigan State graduate is a figure skating champion. Jim will assist in the direction of the school's new four-year program in landscape architecture. He'll have plenty of thick ice to skate around on in Lafayette this winter. We know, we've slipped our way, and frozen our ears many a time on the Hoosier's campus during those "delightful!?" below-zero months at P.U. conferences.

No Stranger. Dick Morrow, field representative for Cal-Turf, large turfgrass growers in Camarillo, Calif, tells us everyone seemed to know him on a recent eastern trip he made. Even strangers. He wrote us: "The wide impact of your publication in the turf industry was recently brought home to our group on a tour of turf installations in the East, and when we attended the Florida Turf Conference. I wish I could tell you how many times people mentioned reading about our Field Days in Weeds Trees and Turf, as we would introduce ourselves. Let me express our deep appreciation for the fine exposure to a young industry in the West." Thank you, Dick, for letting us know how thoroughly WTT is read from coast to coast.

Problems the Same All Over. Have just been reading of opinion differences operators are having up in Canada. They raise the question about just how much a treeman or sod grower or nurseryman or anyone else who plants something for his customer is expected to guarantee its future health when they have no control over watering, weather, etc. They wonder at the logic of guaranteeing something which is completely in the hands of nature and the consumer. Sound familiar?