Broad Program, Florida Sunshine, Beckon Nation's Arborists to Meeting Feb. 14-16

A program of informative subjects to be presented by field specialists and industry representatives has been prepared for delegates to the 1965 winter meeting of the National Arborist Association, assembling Feb. 14-16 near St. Petersburg, Fla. Headquarters for this annual event is the Guy Lombardo Port O-Call Inn, Tierra Verde.

Initial business functions will be held Sunday with a meeting of the association board and finance committee. The rest of the day will be dedicated to an informal get-together as delegates arrive.

The program for the discussion periods of the next two days includes the following topics:

"Shade Tree Insect Research on New Approaches to Control," by Russell R. Whitten, chief, Division of Forest Insects, U. S. Forest Service, Central States Forest Experiment Station, Columbus, Ohio.

"A Diversified Tree and Landscape Service," will be presented by Edwin and Jane Smith, of Smith Tree and Landscape Service, Lansing, Mich.

"Safety, an Everyday Problem for the Tree Company," is the

Southern Turfgrass Conference Meets Feb. 22-23

"Better Turf Through Better Maintenance," will be the theme of the 1955 Southern Turfgrass Conference meeting in the Hotel Peabody, Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 22-23.

Discussion programs are designed to provide the best information on all phases of better turf maintenance. Ten noted speakers will present the most recent developments in turf maintenance and related functions. A question and answer period will follow each talk.

A banquet, entertainment and other activities are included in the conference program. subject offered by a representative of the Blume System Tree Experts, Houston, Texas.

Something new in equipment is explained in the talk, "A New Tree Mover," by Carl E. Boat, of Vermeer Mfg. Co., Pella, Iowa.

"Report on Association Advertising," by John Duling, Duling Tree Expert Co., Muncie, Ind., and "Trees and Gardens of Foreign Lands," by Lenore and Henry Vaughn Eames, Stockton, N. J., are other topics to be presented to the delegation. Maple tree disease problems and effects of drought, and what the utility company expects of the contractor are also on the agenda.

A panel discussion focused upon "Costs and Pricing of Tree Operations," is composed of the following: "Tree Moving and Planting," William Rae, Frost & Higgins Co., Arlington, Mass.; "Pruning and Fertilizing," Edwin E. Irish, Chas. F. Irish Co., Detroit, Mich.; "Spraying, Cabling and Rodding," William P. Lanphear III, Forest City Tree Protection Co., Cleveland, Ohio.

Winston E. Parker, Moorestown, N. J., president of the association, says that owners and managers of all tree service companies are welcome to attend the meeting.

Midwest Regional Turf Conference To Assemble at Purdue, March 1-3

An extensive program for turf managers in every field, including golf courses, sod nursery producers, and general landscape and lawn maintenance, has been keyed to "space-age thinking" for the Midwest Regional Turf Conference scheduled by Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind., March 1-3.

To amplify the conference theme, "Space for Growing Turf," the following seven talks are slated: "Space and Turf Growth—An Introduction," by F. V. Grau; "The Particles of Soil—Clay," J. L. White; "The Space Between Particles," H. O. Kohnke; "The Size of the World Today," E. L. Butz; "Infiltration and Soil Surfaces," J. V. Mannering; "Moisture Storage and Delivery," D. Wiersma, and "Turf—The Integrator of Space and Water," J. R. Watson.

Bluegrass Interest High

"Bluegrass Research Progress," a talk by C. Berry, will give up-to-date information about this highly popular species. Looking to the future, John Long will present his topic "Bluegrasses—Today and Tomorrow," to give those present a perspective of what is in store in the years ahead. To those associated with golf courses, discussions on development of bluegrass on fairways, protection from competition, from damage and from drouth will be presented by several specialists.

Sod nurserymen will also hear a bluegrass topic directed to them: "Bluegrasses — Varietal Performance," by J. Long. Another talk by B. Warren will cover good seed or vegetative varieties.

Turfmanagers can compare their experiences with those who will present talks based on experience with unwatered areas, manually watered areas, and automatic operations.

Advance Registration Urged

For the last four years, attendance at the Midwest Regional Turf Conference has averaged over 600. Officials request advance registration, but those who are uncertain whether they will be able to attend can register the morning of March 1.

Complete information, a copy of the program, and registration, may be obtained by writing to W. H. Daniel, Department of Agronomy, Purdue University. Lafayette, Indiana.