

NW Turf Meet, Sept. 22-24, Studies Winter Damage

"Winter Damage and Disease Control Problems" headline the Northwest Turfgrass Association's Sept. 22-24 conference at the Hayden Lake Golf and Country Club, Hayden Lake, Idaho. James Beard, Michigan State University, and Dr. V. C. Brink, University of British Columbia, head the speakers roster with their talks on ice and winter damage to turfgrass.

Conference chairman Dr. Roy L. Goss, Extension Specialist in Agronomy at the Western Washington Experiment Station, summarizes current research at his station, including weed control and "What Happens to Fertilizer Elements After They Have Been Applied to Turf." Alvin G. Law, Washington State University,

views *poa annua* control and Dr. C. J. Gould, WSU plant pathologist, discusses disease control problems.

Other speakers and their topics include Ken Morrison, Washington Extension Agronomist, on bluegrass varieties; Jack Daniels of the Washington Association of Ground Sprayers, on "Control of Insects and Diseases in Ornamental and Shade Trees"; and Bill Bengeyfield from the U. S. Golf Course Association Green Section, Garden Grove, Calif., on "Are You a Good Boss?"

Reservations for the conference are available from Goss at the Western Washington Experiment Station, c/o Washington State University, Puyallup, Wash. 98371.

"Water" FT-GA Conference Theme, Oct. 5-7

With drought and near-drought conditions in South Florida and many other areas of the nation, "Water" is a timely theme for the 500 turf professionals expected for the 13th annual Florida Turf-Grass Management Conference, Oct. 5-7, at the Ramada Inn, Gainesville. The "Water" theme, of continuing interest to turfmen, will be explored by speakers discussing water resources in Florida, soil and water relationships, water functions and requirements, and relationship of water and turf disorders to insects, nematodes, diseases, and fertilizers.

Many out-of-state experts have been invited to join two dozen Florida turf professionals and researchers as speakers. Roger Thomas of Jacobsen Manufacturing Co., will discuss "Preventive Equipment Maintenance"; turf consultant O. J. Noer, speaks on "Diagnosing Problems on Golf Courses"; and James Watson of the Toro Manufacturing Co., describes "Soil and Water Relationships."

"Equipment for Turf Maintenance" is theme for the Industry Hour when exhibiting firms outline the latest developments

and improvements in turf equipment currently on the market.

Elections and a business meeting follow the Industry Hour. Outgoing officers of the Association are Gene C. Nutter, president; James L. Blackledge, vice president; and L. N. Clark secre-

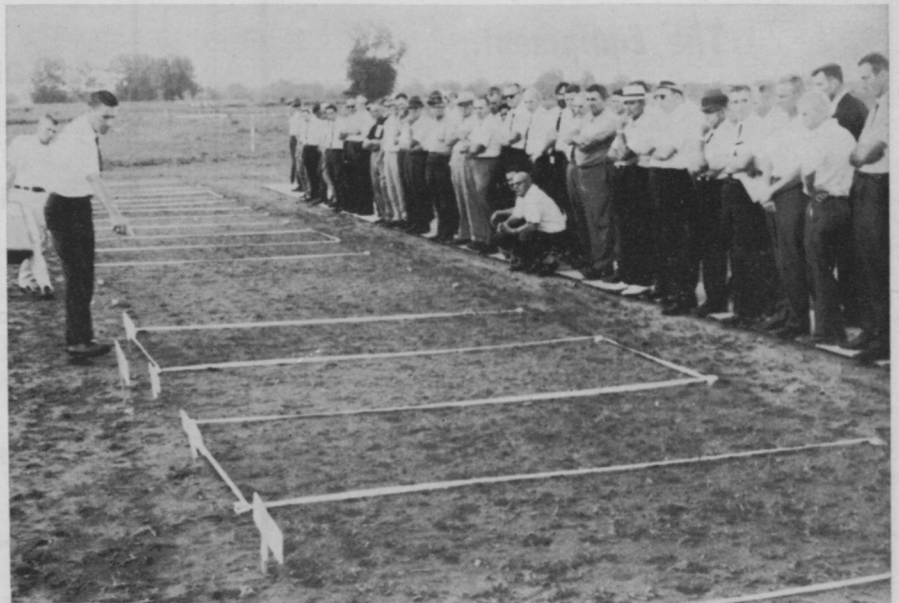
tary-treasurer. All three are completing their second term.

Directors retiring from the Board are William O. Ballantine, Charles P. Johnson, and Berrian W. Rouse.

FT-GA members will vote on changes in the association's by-laws recently recommended by the Board of Directors. These changes are designed to expand representation for Florida turf interests by adding five members to the Board of Directors.

Professional Management Workshops continue the "Water" theme as participants break into four concurrent sections to study items of particular interest: "Golf," "Industrial Sites, Athletic Fields, Parks, Cemeteries, and Sod Growing," "Horticultural Spraying and Lawn Service," and "Retail Dealers and Garden Supply." Each section features topics about irrigation systems and equipment of particular value to that field.

Research tours to turf projects conclude the conference being coordinated by Dr. G. C. Horn, associate turf technologist at the University of Florida, and Walter Anderson, FT-GA Executive Secretary. Anderson has information about registration and accommodations, and can be reached at 4065 University Blvd. North, Jacksonville, Fla. 32211.



Mississippi Turfgrass Conference members watch Dr. Cy Ward (left) point out the results of an establishment study for bermudagrass, zoysia, centipede, and St. augustine. This event, part of the group's recent seminar at the Mississippi State University campus, preceded business and education sessions. Topics at these meetings included management of bermudagrass, golf greens, turfgrass nutrition, and nematode research. A panel discussion studied "Overseeding Golf Greens and Recreation Areas." The Conference holds its fall meeting in Jackson, Sept. 14.