

Corp., became treasurer; and Donald S. Mayer, Premier Peat Moss Corp., took the secretary post.

Elections for officers of the 1400-member AAN saw Thomas B. Kyle, Sr., move into the presidency after 4 years on the AAN Board of Directors. J. E. "Ted" Korves, Plumfield Nurseries, Inc., Fremont, Nebr., was elected to the vice presidency. Walter M. Ritchie, Ritchie's Garden Center, Colonia, N. J., was returned as an AAN trustee.

Directors for new two-year terms are William Flemer, III, Princeton Nurseries, Princeton, N. J.; Kenneth Altorfer, McKay Nursery Co., Waterloo, Wis.; and Martin W. Usrey, Monrovia Nursery Co., Azusa, Calif.

Howard P. Quadland, retiring AAN director of public relations, was honored for his long service to the Association. Hugh Stevenson, Forest Keeling Nurseries, Ellsberry, Mo., represented the Association during a ceremonial presentation to the pioneering publicist. Wayne H. Dickson has been named as Quadland's successor and assumed duties in July as AAN's public relations director, moving the PR office from New York to Association headquarters in Washington, D. C.

AAN Garden Writer's Award went to Victor H. Ries, garden editor of the Columbus, Ohio, *Citizen Journal* and author of numerous horticultural books and articles.

Dr. Paul Betjer, research plant physiologist at the U. S. Department of Agriculture's regional laboratory at Wenatchee, Wash., won the Norman Jay Colman Award. The plaque, presented annually to an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to horticultural progress through research, is named for the first U. S. Secretary of Agriculture, Norman Jay Colman, often called "The Father of the Experiment Stations."

Dr. Richard P. White, who has directed the Horticultural Research Institute since its inception in 1962, was honored upon his retirement for outstanding contributions to HRI.

Elmer Palmgren, Palmgren Nursery Supply, Chicago, served as General Chairman for this year's AAN meeting.

Vice Chairman was Alfred L. Fiore, Charles Fiore Nurseries, Inc., Prairie View, Ill. Besides the business and educational sessions, the convention featured a trade show which included 110 exhibitors and active ladies and "junior nurserymen" programs. Supplementing official sessions were tours to outstanding horticultural establishments and fine residential plantings in the Chicago area.

Northwest Turfmen Meet at Oregon Coast, Oct. 26-28

Oregon's seacoast and sand dunes serve as the background for the 20th Annual Northwest Turfgrass Conference to be held Oct. 26-28, at the Salishan Lodge in Gleneden Beach, Ore.

Program arrangements are nearly complete and will include talks on "Frost Protection for Turfgrasses," by Dr. Jim Watson, Turf and Toro Co., Milwaukee, Wis.; "Public Relations for Turf Managers," by Warren Nunn, assistant to Oregon's governor; "Winter Injury to Turfgrasses Caused by Low Temperature," by Dr. V. C. Brink and associates, of the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, B. C., Canada; "Weed Control in Turfgrasses," by Dr. A. J. Renney, University of British Columbia; "The Action of Herbicides in the Control of Weeds," by Dr. Appleby of Oregon State University, Corvallis, Ore.; "The Effects of Salts on Turfgrasses," by Charles G. Wilson, Milwaukee Sewerage Commission; "Ornamental Weed Control," by Arthur Myhre, Western Washington Research Center, Puyallup, Wash.; and "Research Progress Reports," from staff researchers of Washington State University.

Panel discussions will include "The Control of Turfgrass Diseases," and "Establishing New Turfgrass Areas." Dr. Roy Goss, executive secretary of the Northwest Turfgrass Foundation, at Washington State University, Western Washington Research

and Extension Center, Puyallup, Wash. 98371, has further registration details.

Mich. State University Begins New Turf Course

A special 18-month course in turf management, beginning Sept. 29 at Michigan State University in East Lansing, will study the identification, establishment, and maintenance of turfgrasses for various uses. Other topics include soils and fertilizers, landscape construction, drainage and irrigation, operation and maintenance of mowers and power tools, and insects and diseases of turfgrasses. Courses in written and spoken communications, business records, and personnel management are also on the program.

Including two quarters of on-the-job training in the spring and summer of 1967, the course will run from Sept. 29, 1966 to March 22, 1968, with four quarters of on-campus study. Additional information and application forms are available from the Short Course Department, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Mich. 48823.

Right-of-Way Group Sees Spray Gear, Sept. 12-15

All types of right-of-way spray equipment will be demonstrated when members of the Mountain Lake Right-of-Way Maintenance Conference gather at the Tinker Mountain Motor Lodge in Roanoke, Va., for their Sept. 12-15 annual meeting.

Included in the Sept. 13 equipment show will be hydraulic rigs, mist blowers, and other ground items, as well as representative helicopter-mounted spray gear. Results of commercial applications for brush control, tree inhibition, and soil sterilization will also be shown. Formal presentations on some problems of right-of-way maintenance, and a tour of experimental brush control plots at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute will close the technical portion of the meeting.