

## Meeting Dates



- Southern Shade Tree Conference**, John Marshall Hotel, Richmond, Va., Mar. 12-15.
- Iowa Turfgrass Conference**, Hotel Savery, Des Moines, Mar. 13-14.
- Michigan Turfgrass Conference**, Kellogg Center, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Mar. 15-16.
- Western Weed Conference**, Westward Ho Hotel, Phoenix, Ariz., Mar. 15-17.
- Northern California Turfgrass Exposition**, Strybing Arboretum, San Francisco, Calif., Mar. 22-23.
- West Virginia Weed Control Association, Annual Meeting**, Holiday Inn, Morgantown, Mar. 28-29.
- New England Chapter, International Shade Tree Conference Annual Meeting**, Sheraton-Eastland Hotel, Portland, Maine, Mar. 30-31.
- Nebraska Program on Selection and Handling of Pesticides**, University of Nebraska, East Campus, Lincoln, Apr. 3-4.
- Western Aerial Applicators Short Course**, Landis Auditorium, Riverside City College, Riverside, Calif. Apr. 3-4.
- Western Aerial Applicators Short Course**, Caravan Inn, Sacramento, Calif., Apr. 5-6.
- Canadian Chapter, International Shade Tree Conference, Annual Convention**, Holiday Inn, Ottawa, Ontario, Apr. 27-28.
- Florida Turfgrass Trade Show**, Diplomat Hotel, Hollywood By The Sea, Fla., Apr. 27-29.
- Western Chapter, International Shade Tree Conference, Annual Meeting**, Hotel Coronado, San Diego, Calif., Apr. 30-May 3.
- Florida Nurserymen and Growers Association, Annual Convention**, Robert Meyer Motor Inn, Orlando, May 25-27.
- The Hyacinth Control Society, Annual Meeting**, Holiday Inn, Fort Myers, Fla., June 18-20.
- American Association of Nurserymen, Annual Convention**, Americana Hotel, Bal Harbour, Fla., July 8-13.
- International Shade Tree Conference, 43rd Annual Convention**, Marriott Motor Hotel, Philadelphia, Pa., Aug. 27-31.



Newly elected officers of the New York State Arborists Association gather for a group portrait. Edward Johnson (seated center), of Parr and Hanson, Inc., Hicksville, N.Y., was elected 1967 president. Directors and officers standing are (left to right) Dr. A. M. S. Pridham, Cornell University, Ithaca; Frederick R. Micha, Monroe Tree Surgeons, Inc., Ontario; Fred Donovan, Donovan Tree Service, Inc., Mechanicville; Jack Schultz, Schultz Nurseries, Merrick; George Callaway, secretary-treasurer, of Lenroc Tree Experts, Inc., Argyle; and Walter Sturmer, ABC Tree Service, Inc., Yorktown Heights. Flanking president Johnson at the table are directors Carl Lundborg (left), Bartlett Tree Experts, Westbury; and Peter Bartholomew (right), Parks Department, Lockport.

## "Bulldozer Blight" Countered by Arborist Activities, N.Y. Treemen Hear at Concord

Ways to counter "bulldozer blight," the transformation of rural areas into urban areas practically overnight, were described for a record attendance of 170 arborists, wives, and exhibitors at the recent 1967 annual meeting of the New York State Arborists Association, which took place at the Concord Hotel, Monticello, N.Y.

Paul A. Lutz, Cooperative Extension Agent for Rockland County, described the change from rural, historic Hudson River country into an urban area in a single year, an experience already felt in Nassau and other New York counties. Only by creating public awareness has an informed citizenry been able to effectively moderate the change brought on by construction of three major thruways and numerous housing units within county limits.

Concern over the loss of shade trees led to Arbor Day plantings around the Rockland County Court House and other locations in the city. With editorials in local papers adding to public interest, some 20,000 trees have been planted in four years of cooperative effort. Many communi-

ties in the county have followed up by appointing shade tree commissions to function as advisors on community tree resources. Lutz also cited the "Priceless Heritage" project, in which large trees of different species have been located and reported by citizens to provide an inventory of historic trees in the county.

Also emphasizing Rockland County's drive to save and enhance its natural resources was Joseph St. Lawrence, county assemblyman, who addressed the association's annual banquet. Bulldozer blight and suburban sprawl have been curtailed and channeled into planned activities, St. Lawrence said. Rockland County's Conference on Natural Beauty, organized a year ago, has been instrumental in getting many citizen organizations to highlight the importance of trees and park woodlands, as well as water resources and open land for public activity. Congratulating arborists on their participation in these activities, the assemblyman concluded that such necessary and timely measures will promote a healthy environment for modern living.