



A nine-acre bag of fertilizer and a 30-ft. spreader were near shop stoppers for Michigan sod growers who participated recently in a "fly-in seminar" at O. M. Scotts & Sons, Marysville, Ohio. The one-day, pow-wow seminar is new for Scotts. While growers and golf course superintendents and landscape architects had been coming to seminars, this was the first one-day, fly-in affair. The plane picked up growers at Lansing and redeposited them there at a decent hour in the evening after the men had experienced a day packed with facts, questions and answers, color slides and tours, and a dinner at Timber Trails Country Club near Marysville. The 10 growers from seven communities were: Jack and Ted Bosgraaf of Blue Grass Sod Farm, Inc., Hudsonville; Lyle Young of Halmich Sod Farm, Lansing; Russ Craft of Halmich Sod Farm, Brown City; Ed Vidosh and Allen Awalt of Green Acres Turf Farm, Mason; Jack Bower of Jack Bower Sod Farm, Bath; Leo DeBuck of DeBuck Sod Farm, Inc., Davison; Wallace Huggett of Huggett Sod Farm, Marlette; and George Beck, Beck Sod Farm, Palms.

At left, Dale Kern (center, hand on chin) of Seed Technology, Inc., shows methods of analyzing seed samples to determine content. In addition to seeing Scotts fertilizer, seed and research facilities, the growers toured some 800 acres of grass plots containing more than 1,500 selections of grass from 44 countries.

Keel Re-Elected President Of NW Turfgrass Assn.

An estimated 300 persons attended the 24th annual Northwest Turfgrass Association conference recently in Salishan.

Tom Keel, director of Douglas County Park Department, was re-elected president. Other officers are: Vice-president—Dick Schmidt of Renton, Wash.; executive secretary—Dr. Roy Goss, of Puyallup, Wash.; and treasurer—Dick Haskell of Seattle, Wash. Directors are Dick Mitchell of Vancouver, B.C.; John Harrison of Hayden Lake, Idaho; John Zoller of Eugene, Ore.; Dick Malpass of Portland, Ore.; Art Elliott of Seattle; Al Blair of Seattle; and Ron Proctor of Federal Way, Wash.

Conference delegates voted a

\$2,000 grant to Puyallup Research Center.

The Association draws membership from Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, and British Columbia. The 25th conference will be Sept. 22-24 in Yakima, Wash.

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