

## News from the Conferences

F. L. Timmons should have an interesting story to tell on his return from India. He is studying the possibilities of chemical controls for Kans grass (*Saccharum spontaneum*), a species of wild sugar cane that has taken over several million acres of land in central and north central India. The World Bank has loaned the Indian Government ten million to combat the pest. He will travel under the Point IV program of the office of Foreign Agricultural Relations.

The Western Canadian Weed Control Conference met in Vancouver, B. C. on November 27 and 28, 1951, with 136 registered attendance. Their program covered a wide range of topics, including fundamental research and control measures for weeds in grains, range lands, horticultural crops, etc. At the banquet, F. L. Timmons was guest speaker.



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New officers of the Northeastern Weed Control Conference

*Left to right: R. H. Beatty, Vice-Pres., C. E. Minarik, Pres., W. C. Jacob, Sec'y.-Treas., H. L. Yowell, WEEDS Editorial Board.*

The North Central Weed Control Conference will move north of the border to Winnipeg for its 1952 meeting. At their Oklahoma City meeting in December they voted to support a national weed meeting, and to continue their regional conference on an annual basis. Dr. K. P. Buchholtz, their president for 1952 has appointed Dr. R. S. Dunham, Agronomy Department, University of Minnesota, as the WEEDS Editorial Board representative for the North Central Conference.

At the Hotel New Yorker early in January the Northeastern Conference held its sixth annual meeting. Registered attendance was about 375. This represents another year in which attendance increased over that of the previous conference. The consensus of opinion seemed to be that the brush part of the program was the most popular from the standpoint of those in attendance. Dr. C. E. Minarik is the new president.