GCSAA tournament to be played at the convention site at least every other year.

Another comment on the Boston show was the fact that exhibits would be held on two floors, instead of in one big hall. Although this might create a second-class image such as the Professional Golfers’ Assn. is trying to overcome with their two tent system, I don’t think this argument is valid in view of the attitude and attention that superintendents gave manufacturers this year. They are spending more time seeing everyone, and not just concentrating on some of the “giants” booths.

The smoothness and success of the show can be credited to the hard work done by the GCSAA executive committee. The educational sessions started and ended on time. Although several competitors were placed side by side and some manufacturers had to hide in the shadows of bigger exhibitors or in remote corners, the intense attention exhibitions are receiving from superintendents should eliminate these problems almost entirely in future shows.

VANDALISM cross-country skiing and snowmobiling in particular. Ice skating on the club lake or pond, under controlled access conditions, might also be considered. Sledding also, as mentioned previously, can be destructive and costly. It need not be, however. When the ground freezes solid and a heavy layer of snow puts the fairways to sleep for the season, advantage could be taken to involve the young people in the life of a golf course. Any layout with a decent hill can become a winter paradise for the family sledding crowds.

Vandalism, possibly today’s most difficult problem for superintendents will always be a source of frustration and destruction.

The percentage of dollar impact on maintenance cost will always include a share for vandalism.

Meeting the vandalism problem head on with specific preventive measures is a necessity. It might also be wise to look into long-range planning as a way of cutting down the overwhelming percentages.

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