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payroll, payroll taxes and benefits, course supplies and contracts, repairs to course equipment, the buildings, water and drainage systems and "all other expenses." The Harris-Kerr & Forster report gives a basis for every club to compare their own financial story with that of other clubs in their localities. And make that comparison before the officials do—the smart superintendent does. He might find a hunch for improvement and he's better qualified to do that than anybody else if he's really good.

Competent management of a golf course is above money these days. The worst managed club I've seen in years had spent last year more than $120,500.

At the Golf Course Superintendents Assn. Conference and Equipment Show, Cincinnati Exposition Center, February 13th to 18th, labor recruiting and training will get considerable study despite what you read about the job shortage. Superintendents are inclined to believe that many men cannot work because they don't want to work. In some areas college students are part-time workers, but haven't responded to urgent invitations from superintendents. Superintendents are wondering if they shouldn't pay more per hour and maybe get better results. But the policy would screw up all clubs in the area.

Eugene Maples became superintendent at Pinehurst's five courses when his father, Henson, resigned. Henson had been superintendent there for 30 years. Eugene's grandfather, Frank, who preceded Henson in the job, started at Pinehurst when Donald Ross was pro and architect there. When Frank was there greens were oiled sand. The Maples family has had great influence in upgrading grooming of southeastern golf courses.

Conventions and conferences

Club Managers Assn. of America's 45th Annual Convention at the Regency Hyatt House, February 14th to 19th promises to be the most intensely business-like conclave that organization has had. Part of the conference time will be taken up by the National Club Assn. tax clinic. This clinic will survey a complex situation that threatens the existence of private clubs, regardless of what their members consider to be their constitutional rights. NCA recently reviewed an IRS ruling which allows clubs to hold major established championships and retain private club not-for-profit status. Tax situations on other tournaments are so hazy that big money tournaments conducted as advertising stunts may be restricted to fee courses.

Managers now face the problem of dwindling membership rolls, a reversal of a trend which saw for 18 years increasing memberships, according to a report by Harris-Kerr-Forster & Company.

That statistical review of 75 country clubs for fiscal year through June 30, 1971, shows net course maintenance expenses were 8.8 per cent greater this year than last and that over the last 15 years maintenance costs have risen more than 86 per cent.

The club auditing specialists reported that over-all average cost per hole was $4,924; for Eastern clubs the figure was $5,318; Southern clubs, $4,441; midwestern, $4,505 and Far Western, $5,383.

The figures cover 75 clubs selected from 200. Logically larger and efficiently operated clubs would use this sort of specialized accounting service. The auditors can't get the figures to tell the story of conditions governing maintenance or the character of management; only the figures in payroll, payroll taxes and benefits, course supplies and contracts, repairs to course equipment, the buildings, water and drainage systems and "all other expenses."
Bent resistance to snow mold


This paper summarizes the relative susceptibility of 16 bentgrass varieties to *Typhula* blight, which was the predominate snow mold causing organism identified on the experimental area. The ratings were taken March 15th at the Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center following a winter in which the temperature and precipitation were ideal for snow mold infection. The bentgrass plot area had a maintenance history involving two cutting heights of 0.25 and 0.5 inch. Each variety was replicated four times.

Bentgrass varieties exhibiting the least snow mold, ranked in order from least to greater infection, were Congressional, Pennpar, Astoria, Exeter and Nimisila. The varieties most severely infected with snow mold were Evansville, Springfield and Cohanseay, ranked from most to less severely infected. Varieties ranked intermediate were Penncrest, Seaside, Toronto and Highland.

An additional general observation from the experimental area was that the incidence of *Typhula* blight was greater on the bentgrass varieties when cut at 0.50 inch compared to the lower 0.25 inch cutting height. Comments: *Typhula* blight (*Typhula itoarana*) or gray snow mold results in grayish-white, circular patches of dead turf ranging in diameter up to 24 inches. When active, a light gray mycelium can be observed on the turfgrass leaves. It is most conspicuous immediately after the first spring thaws. The disease may cause turfgrass damage any time during the late fall, winter or early spring period when environmental conditions are favorable. Disease development usually occurs under conditions of high atmospheric humidity plus air temperatures in the range of 33° to 40°F. This is a condition that frequently occurs under a snow cover, particularly when the soil is not frozen.

It is quite evident from this research report and earlier observations that considerable variation in susceptibility to *Typhula* blight does occur among the bentgrasses.

Thus, relative *Typhula* blight susceptibility should be considered in selecting the particular variety to be used. This is more important on turfgrass areas where it is not economical or practical to apply a preventive fungicide.

The reduced incidence of disease at the 0.25 inch cutting height versus the 0.50 inch cutting height suggests that this cultural practice should also be considered in minimizing the incidence of *Typhula* blight on bentgrass turfs.

This discussion covered the *Typhula* blight winter disease only. There are several other organisms which can cause serious injury to turfs that are included in a general grouping of the snow mold diseases. The most common is *Fusarium* blight (*Fusarium nivale*) which produces similar circular patches of up to 24 inches in diameter but has a characteristic pink mycelium when the casual organism is actively growing. This latter disease is commonly known as pink snow mold. It may respond differently in terms of relative bentgrass varietal susceptibility, fungicide control and effects of cultural practices compared to the responses discussed in this article for the *Typhula* blight disease.
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This term may seem unfamiliar to many readers, partly because it is not in general use. "Just what does it mean?" you may ask. To be blunt and direct, we interpret it to mean "the degree of acceptance of modern methods that enhance the profession."

Each turfgrass manager can best evaluate his own PP by rating his performance in several categories, each of which is part and parcel of his professional standing.

1) Turfgrass conferences and field days. The latest findings and progress reports are distributed and shown at these events. Not attending means that the vital information must be gathered second-hand. Delays in acquiring and using up-to-date data can be costly to the professional turfgrass manager and to his employer. Ten points for each event attended—a big fat zero if you didn't attend any.

2) Use of improved turfgrasses that have been released and are available on the market. Research institutions are very conscientious about thoroughly testing a new grass before it is released and increased for general usage. Turfgrass managers would do well to be equally conscientious in acquiring seed or stolons of the new releases to plant in a nursery for observation side by side with the ones currently in use. Ten points for a nursery plot of each new grass; five points for each tee, each fairway and each green in a new improved grass.

3) Use of new efficiency machines that release labor for other tasks and which contribute to better turf for the user. Aerating machines still count even though the first one was built in 1946—25 years ago. Recent developments include scarifier-seeders, three-gang putting green mowers with vertical mower attachments, hydroseeders, sweepers, core shredders and trap rakes, among others. Ten points for each modern machine in use.

4) Self improvement efforts. One is never too old to learn. There are courses offered in ecology, letter-writing, public speaking, accounting, business administration, plant protectants and many others. Some can be self-acquired by private reading, others may be obtained through non-credit courses at universities, community colleges or private schools. Ten points for each bona-fide effort in this direction.

5) Library. Books on turfgrass management and related subjects are essential to one's professional standing. An education is measured not so much by what one knows as by knowing where to find information when it is needed. Five points for each book on the shelf in the superintendent's office.

6) Communications. The professional man writes letters proficiently, dresses well, speaks well and welcomes opportunities to address gatherings of superintendents, home owners and others. He cultivates a friendly telephone voice and writes reports for his newsletter, for the local sports scribe and for his employer. He prepares a professional brochure on himself in case of an offer to move and to better himself, and he keeps it up-to-date. Ten points for the brochure, ten each for each speaking engagement and written report.

7) Certification is the latest device designed to place the superintendent on a true professional basis. The Golf Course Superintendents Assn. of America is to be commended for the effort that it has expended in developing the details of this worthwhile project. We hope for widespread participation.

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