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Dean Sime's Presidential Message

As we enter the New Year, we must all feel an air of excitement as we prepare to host the 1976 National Conference. Our Co-Chairmen, Larry Vetter and Jerry Murphy, have been extremely active in organizing committees and making the final arrangements. We all owe them our thanks for a job well done.

The theme for the 47th International Conference and Show is "Spirit of Progress". Aspects of turfgrass management will be covered by seventy speakers throughout the week. Concurrent sessions will be in progress, allowing you the choice of topics which you feel are relevant to your individual golf course. The equipment show is entirely sold out. Approximately 2 1/2 acres of floor space will accommodate 160 different firms in presenting nearly 8 million dollars worth of equipment. Surely a golf course that does not send its superintendent to this one is missing the boat. It is obviously lacking the "Spirit of Progress".

Keith Scott has been appointed chairman of a Post Conference Ski Trip. Arrangements have been made with a local travel agency to handle the planning and the financial aspects involved. The trip involves five nights at the Radisson Hotel in Duluth and four days of skiing at Spirit Mountain. A bus will leave Friday, February 13 and will remain with the group to provide daily transportation. All this for an amazingly low price of $121.00 per person. Anyone interested in this package should contact Barbara Christenson, Travel 76, at 472-5747.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for giving me the responsibility to serve the M.G.C.S.A. in 1976. Our new directors, Dick DeSplinter and John Lightfoot, will add new enthusiasm and dedication to our Board. With these two new people and our experienced existing Board, I have every confidence that we are in for a successful and rewarding New Year.

Two New Directors Elected

Dick DeSplinter, left, of Village Golf, New Hope and John Lightfoot, right, Cloquet C.C. were elected to two year terms over a strong field of eight nominees. These two outstanding men will join directors George Jennrich and Clem McCann and the new officers on the 1976 Board of Directors. Each is expected to chair an important committee as soon as appointments are named by President Sime.

The Annual Meeting was followed by a stag cocktail hour and dinner. The after dinner entertainment was delightfully introduced by Milt Wiley of Toro, assisted by Gordy Miller of Gould's. It turned out to be an hilarious evening that was enjoyed by all.
Dollar Spot Trial 1975

**BENTGRASS** - *Agrostis palustris*  
'Denncross'

**DOLLAR SPOT** - *Sclerotinia homoeocarpa*

The investigation reported here was conducted at the University Turf Research Area. 'Denncross' creeping bentgrass was maintained at 1/4 inch height of cut under putting green conditions. Experimental design was a randomized complete block with four replications. Each fungicide plot measured 4 x 11 ft. Fungicides were applied in 5 gal of water per 1000 ft² using a carbon dioxide powered, wheel mounted, boom sprayer at 40 PSI pressure. Fungicides were applied July 29, August 12 and September 2 on a curative basis after the appearance of dollar spot symptoms in mid-July. The plots were evaluated weekly and data as number of infection centers are reported for September 2 and 16.

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One Day Turf Conference Packs Them In

A standing room only crowd of extremely interested Minnesota Golf Course Superintendents attended the 48th Annual Turf Conference and Business Meeting at the Normandy Motor Inn on December 4, 1975. Six informative speakers, each an expert in his field, covered subjects from hardy grasses to soil mixtures for golf greens at the morning session. The afternoon session was highlighted with a preview of the 1976 International Conference to be held in Minneapolis and a "bull session" where all members were allowed to speak their minds on various subjects.

ACTIVE REGISTRATION DESK. Typical of the day's activity was this crowd at the entrance to the conference room.

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Green Clippings

CLIP 1: LAST CALL FOR NATIONAL CONFERENCE ROOMS AT THE NORMANDY! The committee cannot hold reserved rooms much longer. You have all received the complete information. Act on it now! It is hoped that all Minnesota attendees will stay in this one place.

CLIP 2: The Willmar Golf and Country Club is accepting applications for the position of greens superintendent. This is a semi-private Country Club of 18-Holes with approximately 400 members. The greens superintendent is responsible for maintenance of the clubhouse grounds, swimming pool and golf course. Salary and terms of contract are negotiable. Turf School and three to five years experience are required. Send letter of application and resumes to: Willmar Golf Club, Inc., Box 344, Willmar, Minnesota 56201, Attn: Golf and Greens Committee.

CLIP 3: U.S.G.A. Green Section slates Annual Conference on Golf Course Management. The subject of the Conference will be "Getting the Most From the Club Dollar in 1976". The Conference will be held at the Biltmore Hotel, Madison Avenue and 43rd Street, New York City on Friday, January 30, 1976.

CLIP 4: Applicant for Assistant Golf Course Superintendent: Mr. Rodney Johnson, Box 301, Osseo, Wisconsin 54758, Phone 715/597-2341. Rod has a two year Associate Degree in Horticulture Production from the Gateway Technical Institute in Kenosha, Wisconsin. He has served as head superintendent at an executive type course in Crivitz, Wisc. Prior to that he had five years' experience as a laborer on golf courses including the Eau Clair Country Club.

CLIP 5: Best Wishes for a most successful and HAPPY NEW YEAR in 1976 from the staff of HOLE NOTES, Warren Rebholz, Tom Magne and Mrs. Anita Hight.

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Woodhill Site of January Meeting

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