FROM THE NEW PRESIDENT

It is a great honor to be elected President of the Mid-Atlantic Association and I wish to thank all fellow members for their confidence in me.

Another Mid-Atlantic Turf Conference has gone by and I had many people come to me and express their thanks for having such a successful meeting. This credit should go to all those who worked to make it so.

In today's world of constant change, today's Golf Course Superintendent is no exception. Things are coming in our direction so fast that if the old routines are continued, many will drop by the wayside. This is the time of year to recharge and plan for the coming season so that we can cope with the demands of Space Age Golfers.

Here's hoping all members from our Association will attend as many Educational Conferences as possible, especially the NATIONAL at Houston.

Russell W. Kerns

PAST PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As president (Lame Duck) I would like to express my appreciation to the directors and members for making this a successful year for the Mid-Atlantic Association. The directors performed well in the execution of their normal duties and also recorded our past progress in order to better plan for the future.

Thanks also to the many members that helped make this association move ahead and special thanks to the members who were our hosts for our regular meetings this year.

A word for all of us in the new year, let us not be DIFFIDENT in our association matters.

It has been with great pride that I have served as your president, I look forward to helping our new president Russell Kerns in anyway I can.

Bob Milligan

BALTIMORE CONFERENCE

Well, another year beginning and another very successful conference in Baltimore. There were 187 members and guests in attendance and from all the remarks heard and overheard, all was complimentary.

The main comment seemed to be that everyone was pleased with the balance of superintendents versus the university and technical people.

A note of thanks goes out to all the people who participated in the programs, the sponsors of the social hour, the U. of Md. who worked on various parts of the program, to the program committee, Dr. Langford and George Thompson.

WASHINGTON – NEXT YEAR?

There has been discussion and thought of moving the Mid-Atlantic conference to Washington, D.C. next year. The main thought behind this is that by the program being in D.C., we might pick up some people who don't or can't make the trip to Baltimore. The conference would not be held permanently in Washington, but rather be alternated between there and Baltimore every other year. Facilities are much more available and suitable in D.C. and some investigation has been made along these lines. Discussion will no doubt be heard on this, but consider all the aspects before forming an opinion.

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