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golf course superintendents all over the U.S. who received
their start in Burt's classes. His book "Turf Management"
sponsored by the U.S. Golf Ass'n. has been the "bible"
for turf students for years. His early weed-control work has
had far-reaching effects to say nothing of his breeding work
with bluegrasses. The benefits to turf users were not confined
to Pennsylvania but have been spread out over the world.
Now we are trying to make sure that his kind of dedication
will be perpetuated.

The Musser Foundation is building its Turfgrass Research
Fellowship Fund in several ways:

1. Free-will contributions, all tax-deductible, IRS approved.
   Among those who have helped are: Penncross Bentgrass
   Growers, Tee-2-Green Corp., Golf Course Architects, Golf-
   Associations, Rudy-Patrick Seeds, Midwest Sod Producers,
   and many individuals.

2. Turfgrass Benefit Tournaments. There have been five
   in Ohio, four in Oregon and three in Delaware, all annual
   affairs. Now we look forward to an annual event in this
   area, co-sponsored by the Mid-Atlantic Ass'n of G.C. Super-
   intendants and The Maryland Turfgrass Council. It is planned
to divide the proceeds so that half goes to support turf work
in the Mid-Atlantic area and half to the MITF Fellowship
Fund.

3. Memorial Gifts. When a loved one dies their memory
can be kept alive with a gift to a fund that will be perpetual.
Flowers fade quickly but a Memorial Fund goes on forever.
Five such funds now exist in the Musser Foundation.

   Frances Holyoke Grau, Fred's wife,
   Irene Grau Boettger, Fred's sister,
   George E. Osburn, MITF director,
   Inez Dunning, wife of Director Bob Dunning,
   Gerald Ross, husband of Virgie Ross, golf course
   manager.

4. Trusts. We have an expert who can help arrange a
   TRUST that will provide a life-time income with provision
   for the remainder to build the Fellowship Fund.

5. Turfgrass Research Fellowships. Two have been esta-
   blished to date.
   a. The Penncross Bentgrass Association,
   b. Fred V. Grau,

   Yes, I have put my own money into this INVESTMENT
   IN THE FUTURE because I believe in higher education as
   the pathway to success. Everyone is invited also to assert
   his or her belief in the turfgrass industry in the same way.

   Leaflets describing the various ways in which we are trying
to support research and education are available upon re-
quest. As the Turfgrass Research Fellowship Fund grows,
and we expand our aid to promising graduate students, we
will honor not only the memory of Professor Musser but also
the work of other "pioneers" in the turfgrass world.

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V.P.'s Report

Ron Hall

As of this writing, 3/1/79, we still have open dates in our
meeting schedule; hopefully, by the time you are reading
this, those open dates will have been filled. The reason I am
mentioning this is because, occasionally "whispers" can be
heard about meeting sites and dates. No association is per-
fect, and in many cases some dissent inspires worthwhile
change; this meeting selection problem is a prime example
of minor items that cause unrest amongst fellow members.
It should be a task of turning down interested superintendents
that have pride in hosting a meeting, instead of having to
seek out volunteers. It's well understood the impossibility
some courses have in hosting a meeting, but there are plenty
of courses that are possibilities, only lacking the initiative of
the superintendent. Come on fellow members, participation
is the key to success of any association.