

and many foreign countries attended the annual event.

Wagoner has previously served as GCSAA secretary-treasurer.

Golf Course Superintendents are the men responsible for the everyday maintenance of thousands of golf courses in the United States and other countries. Their job has been called "the most sophisticated form of agriculture."

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The following letter has been sent to Mr. C. W. Weatherton in regards to the UNITED STATES OPEN 1972 - June 12-18, Pebble Beach, California

"During the week of the 1972 U.S. Open Championship, we will be happy to extend the courtesy of the grounds and clubhouse facilities to the members of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of Northern California.

Would you please be kind enough to notify your members that, on presentation of their current cards, at the "WILL CALL" booth, located just inside the Carmel Hill Gate (off Route#1), they will be given daily clubhouse tickets?

We regret that, in view of the huge crowds which we are anticipating, we will be unable to extend this privilege to their wives.

Nancy Jupp, Tournament Manager

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It's time again to start correlating programs for the turf maintenance season. Budget, fertilization, weed control programs must all be brought into focus, because it won't be long before we see the Sun again and the work will start in earnest. I am sure that all of the turf managers in the Central Valley are anxious for the chilling fogs to leave so that we may begin to prepare our courses for the long hot Summer. "OH", to see green grass again. With the heavy Spring schedule just ahead, Superintendents face the problem of getting their work done satisfying Club members, keeping happy employees, and holding their budgets in line. Your labor force is probably your most valuable asset or deficit depending on the situation. It seems to be getting more difficult to find good people from the work force. I found last year by working with a smaller crew, but compensating these people when ever I could, I ended with my most successful season. When the work showed signs of falling behind, I worked these people overtime. They were averaging many overtime hours each week which meant fatter pay checks and smiling faces. Of course you must have a nucleus of good employees who are versatile. Having ended 1971 well under budget with a happy membership, I am hoping that I can follow the same guidelines for a successful 1972.

- - - Larry Fellciano, Director GCSANC - -