

Thus, cooperation toward a common need and a common goal is in the final stages of accomplishment for superintendents in central and eastern Pennsylvania. The Central Pennsylvania GCSA is to be commended for its initiative in taking the first step in requesting what has become a unique cooperative endeavor between their Chapter, GCSAA and state authorities in pesticide certification.

Has your Chapter considered and suggested such an approach to the certifying agency in your state? GCSAA stands ready to cooperate with any Chapter or Chapters considering such an approach or other plans for satisfying state certification requirements.

IRRIGATION SEMINAR by George W. Bell, Irrigation Consultant, Millbrae

The third annual Irrigation Seminar sponsored by the Northern California Turfgrass Council was held recently at Asilomar. There were about 65 people registered for the week end session. Many comments referred to the fact that this was the best seminar ever attended and that the speakers were the finest in the entire irrigation industry.

The program started on Friday afternoon with a party sponsored by the American Society of Irrigation Consultants. The featured speaker for the session was Mr. Tom Mascaro of Safe-T-Lawn Sprinkler Company in Miami, Florida, who gave an excellent talk on "Dew".

The Saturday Session started with Mr. Sheldon Pooley Of Irrrometer Co. in Riverside who spoke on the several uses of moisture sensing equipment as used in an irrigation system. Mr. Donald Schnedl of Dymax in Pleasanton spoke on the variations of introducing fertilizer, chemicals, etc. into the irrigation system ("Fertigation"). Mr. Carlyle Regele of Rainbird Sprinkler Co. in Glendora gave an excellent presentation on "Specialty Valves" and their wide range of application in irrigation systems.

After lunch, Mr. Charles Putnam of Telsco Industries in Dallas, Texas spoke of the several methods used in the selection of your contractor and the ramifications of each. Mr. Chet Sarsfield of Irrigation Technical Services in Lafayette gave a fine talk on "Specifications". Mr. Donald Metcalf, an attorney from Concord talked about contracts and lien laws. A party sponsored by the Suppliers and Manufacturers of irrigation equipment ended the session.

The final session started on Sunday morning with a talk by Mr. George Bell, Irrigation Consultant of Millbrae who was also the chairman for these seminars. He gave a presentation on the introduction to the Metric System. Mr. Robert Wilson, Superintendent of Parks for the City of Sunnyvale spoke from the owners point of view. Bob related several of the short-comings from not only manufacturers, but also design, contracting, service and also the owner. The final speaker was Mr. W. H. Benguey-

field, Western Director of the UNITED STATES Golf Association. Bill gave a summary of all the papers presented at the entire session and as usual, did a job which was just slightly short of a miracle. Bill has been the "Anchor Man" for all of these Seminars to date and lends a final touch of excellence to the whole proceedings.

Speaking of proceedings, the proceedings for the seminar will be completed with all papers within the next several weeks. Copies will then be available from the NCTC office at P. O. Box 268, Lafayette, CA 94549. The price will again probably be \$5.00 per bound copy.

The session for 1976 will be held at Asilomar on October 1-3. The progressing theme will be "The Evolution of an Irrigation System, Phase IV". This session will be concerned primarily with the SERVICE aspect of irrigation both preventative service and operational service.

RIDING ALONG WITH 97 - by Frank J. DeCarli, Pen-Gro Sales Company,
South San Francisco

Vandals at Palo Alto Hills Country Club on the loose after a weekend tournament. The golf carts left outside to be picked up during the night by the golf cart company were picked up by vandals instead, reports NORM STEWART, Superintendent. The total damage--2 greens, 2 carts in the lake, more damage down in the canyons and around the course.

MANUEL CORDOZA, Superintendent of Cypress Point Golf Club is sporting a new maintenance shop. The building is 35' wide, 100' long and the construction is of a Butler type building. It has showers, bathroom facilities and also a lunch room. Outside wash rack even has hot water to wash the equipment. A first I've seen in the industry! Also read in the paper that President Ford played at Cypress Point Golf Club a couple of weeks ago!!!!

Pen-Gro Sales Company has just completed their move from 212 Ryan Way to 233 Ryan Way - just down the street.

"THE WIFE'S LAMENT"

The weeds are rank, the shrubs are dead.
Our manse looks like it's owners fled.

The shingels fall from up above,
On bended knee I beg, my love.

Help save our home from such a bleak end.
Fore sake your golf for just one weekend.

Always remember, make work a pleasure and everything shall come easy for you.