

**YOUR HOST SUPERINTENDENT - William Smith**

Bill was in the Marines from 1952 to 1955. He took a job at Castlewood as a temporary job, but this temporary job lasted for 18 years. He was foreman for one and one-half years under George Fynnin and superintendent for the past year. Bill is 40 years old and has one boy 9 years of age. He also attended Asilomar last March.

**ABOUT CASTLEWOOD COUNTRY CLUB** - There are two regulation 18-hole courses on the premises - Valley course - Hill Course.

Some interesting facts on both courses:

#4 on the Valley course you must shoot across an arroyo.

#16 on the Hill Course, Bill says there is a big oversized puddle in front of the green. Its use is for fire protection of the main building.

All greens and tees on the Hill course plus 7 fairways are under automatic control for irrigation. The remaining 11 fairways are manually watered.

During the summer months Bill says they pump 1,300,000 gallons of water per day just for the Hill course alone. They are considering using creek water which is effluent, but not until they get the results back on the pH of the water and determine if it is good for irrigation.

They have 4 tennis courts and olympic swimming pool

The original clubhouse was the home of Randolph Hearst, Sr.

Bill lives on the grounds approximately 50 yards from his shop--is also very fortunate to be living in Mrs. Hearst's guest cottage which contains 4 bathrooms.

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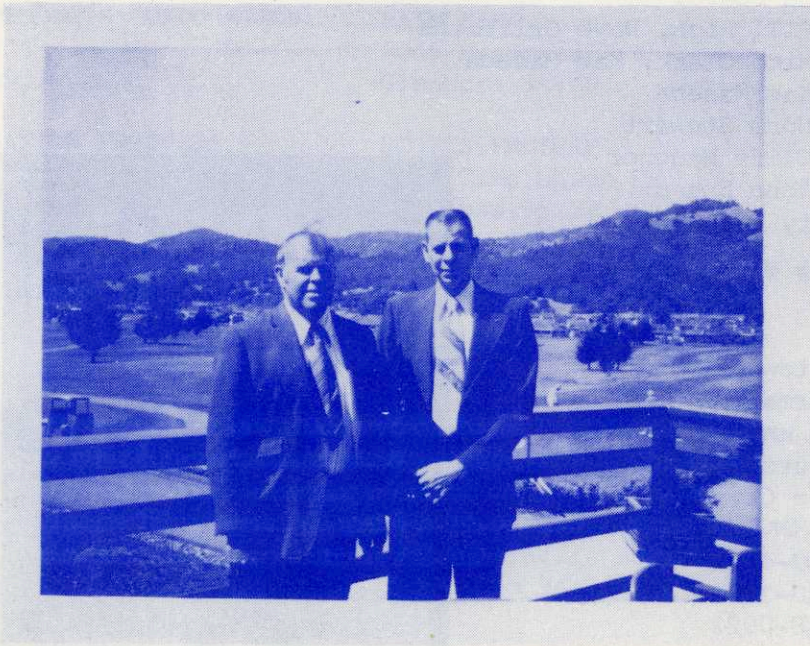
Thank you - Those of us who were in attendance at Oakmont want to thank Mr. Joe Shoemaker of the California Department of Food and Agriculture for his talk on Pesticides and also to Mr. Harry McCracken, Sonoma County Agricultural Commissioner.

There were 10 worker safety regulations that they stressed that applied more to us than the 23 listed.

1. Employees who mix or load pesticides with the signal word "Danger" or "Warning" shall not be under 18 years of age.
2. By January 1975, employees who will work with pesticides shall have had adequate instruction and training in the use of the pesticides unless they are to be provided with close supervision.
3. Arrangements for emergency medical care for employees working with pesticides shall be made in advance and the places to obtain this care shall be posted prominently at the work site. (workmans compensation will do)
4. Employees who work for more than 30 hours in a 30-day period with pesticides that contain organo-phosphates or carbamates that carry the signal word "Danger" or "Warning" shall be provided with appropriate



- medical supervision that includes periodic cholinesterase blood tests.
5. Employees working with pesticides carrying the signal word "Danger" shall have periodic contact with another person at least once every hour at night and at least once every two hours during daylight hours.
  6. A place shall be provided for employees to change clothing and wash after working with pesticides that carry the signal word "Danger" or "Warning".
  7. Facilities for personal washing shall be available at the site where the pesticides are mixed or loaded when a label carries the signal word "Danger" or "Warning"
  8. Employers shall provide all necessary safety equipment. Employers shall also provide clean outer clothing daily for employees who work with pesticides carrying the signal word "Danger" or "Warning".
  9. Employers shall advise each employee of the necessary safety procedures he should follow and the safety equipment that he should use in accordance with requirements on the label.
  10. Pesticide mixing, loading, and application equipment by employees shall be safe to use. This equipment is subject to inspection at anytime.



Speakers at Oakmont - Mr. Joe Shoemaker and Mr. Harry McCracken



Our Guest speaker for our June meeting will be Mr. Ronald W. Fream of Harris, Thompson, Wolveridge, Fream and Storm. This group of gentlemen are golf course architects and also in development and construction of golf courses.

Mr. Fream will describe his experiences and show his vast expanse of slides. Mr. Fream stated that the entire group is now working in 16 countries at this time. H.T.W.F.S. from California is constructing courses in the countries of Tunisia, St. Kitts, Trinidad, Portugal, Indonesia and Japan.

Prior to forming their own company he worked with architects Robert Muir Graves and Robert Trent Jones. He is a member of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America, New Zealand Institute for Turf Culture, American Society of Landscape Architects, Sierra Club, Southern California Turfgrass Council, Northern California Turfgrass Council, Northwest Turfgrass Association and the Western Canada Turfgrass Ass'n.

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President Larry Feliciano appointed the following committees with the approval of the board.

- Program - Bill Nigh, Dave Griffiths
- Membership - Mike Clark, Kaz Maseba
- Golf - Kaz Maseba
- Editor - Norm Stewart
- Affairs - Cliff Wagoner
- Awards - John Engen
- Christmas Party - Jim Ross

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Editor Norm Stewart W A N T S all kinds of information and bits of news--let him know what is going on at your course. Contact him 907 Bainbridge Ct, Sunnyvale, CA 94087

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Memberships

The GSCA of Northern California board agreed all transfers from other Associations subject to examination if eligible for Class A or B.

Subject to 30-day waiting period

- Terry Dugan, Class D
- Dave Elliott, Class D
- Lindsay Jennison, Class F
- Richard Scangarella, Class F
- Donald Schnedl, The Dymax Group

New Members - add to your roster

- Jack Dierberger, Class D  
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- Norman Kirby, Class F  
Kirby Equipment Co., 45405 Industrial Rd  
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California Federation Golf Course Superintendent Associations - Mike Clark reported on the Federation meeting held in San Diego. Howard Fisher was elected president and Mike Clark is secretary-treasurer. The next annual Federation meeting will be hosted by Northern California. A meeting site is being sought. The month of May is preferred.

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Howard Fisher, Mike Clark and Larry Feliciano will represent GCSA of Northern California on the Federation board for the coming year.

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SPECIAL INVITATION TO CLASS F MEMBER

Dear Class F Member:

A meeting will be held between the Golf Course Superintendents Association of Northern California board of directors and Class F members to discuss matters related to the annual Christmas meeting.

If you are interested, please select one person to represent your firm. The meeting will be called to order following the educational program at the regular meeting on June 13th at Castlewood.

If you have items other than the Christmas meeting you would like to discuss, please submit them to Larry Feliciano, 744 Turner Road, Lodi, CA 95240, prior to the meeting.

We hope you take this opportunity to officially aid this organization by expressing yourself either in person or a representative.

Thank you.

Board of Directors

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Definitions

Transpiration--The giving off of water vapor by the plant. Evaporation of water through the stomata.

Wilt--Loss of freshness and drooping of leaves of plants due to inadequate water supply or excessive transpiration, or to a vascular disease which interferes with utilization of water by a plant or to a toxin produced by an organism.