

## N.G.S.A. NEEDS DISTRICT COOPERATION

In 1951 the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents will be the host Association to the largest of all turf conferences, THE NATIONAL TURF CONFERENCE AND EQUIPMENT SHOW to be held at the Sherman Hotel, Chicago, Illinois. The success of the conference rests on the districts promotional activity and the results of these efforts to increase interests in attendance and the sale of exhibit space.

From the beginning, we have been confronted with the National membership problem. Under the impetus of each annual conference there has been some increase in new N.G.S.A. members, and there has also been decreases throughout the year. I am aware that many of the committees handling the district responsibilities of the forthcoming conference are already functioning very well, and others are ready to step in and play their part in a creditable manner. However, I am somewhat disturbed to note that there is no Midwest Committee actively engaged in promoting district membership interest in the National organization. I would suggest that some consideration be given to appointing such a committee to accomplish the task of making our greenkeeping-superintendents' organization here in the midwest a 100 percent affiliated district of the NGSA.

The Philadelphia group has achieved this goal, and others are also turning in this direction. The National needs your 100 percent cooperation of strong, enthusiastic members. In the next issue of this bulletin I will discuss the value of the National organization to you as an individual.

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## THE FAMILY ALBUM

### By and for The Grass Widow

MRS. WALTER KILMER is maintaining a 1/3 acre garden plot—these ambitious people.

The burning question now asked by the Greenkeepers' wives is—"What happens at the monthly meetings to detain the men until the wee hours when the official minutes of the meeting state that the meeting closed in good order at an early hour?"

We wives are looking forward with eagerness to the National meeting to be held in Chicago next January. We want to be sure the visiting ladies have as good a time here as we had in Los Angeles, Boston and New York, and all the other places visited in recent years.

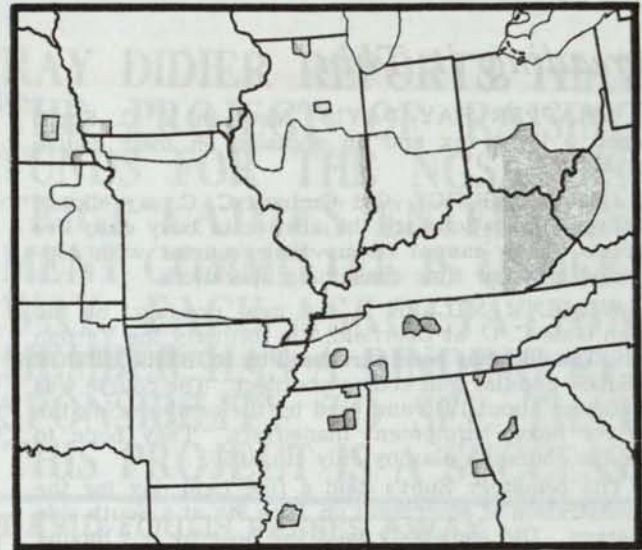
The GERBERS are very proud these days, as well they should be in view of the fact that their son, Gerald has recently been awarded a scholarship by Northwestern University.

FRANK DINELLI is a bachelor now that MRS. DINELLI is on a well deserved vacation in the southern part of the state.

## GOLF, GOLF, GOLF

is a game in which a ball one and a half inches in diameter is placed on a ball 8,000 miles in diameter. The object is to hit the small ball but not the larger.

**SYNTHESIS**—A compounding of detailed bewilderment into a vast and comfortable confusion which offends no one.



General distribution of phloem necrosis.

Many thousands of American Elms are being killed annually by Phloem Necrosis in midwestern states. The above sketch will show the boundaries of the infestation at this time. The cultivated varieties of Elm, which have been reported to be uniformly susceptible to Phloem Necrosis are Moline and Vase Elms.

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## COMMON ARBORICULTURAL TERMS

**DIAGNOSTICIAN.** One who diagnoses the nature of plant troubles and commonly prescribes treatment for them.

**INTOLERANCE.** Inability of a woody plant to grow well in a particular environment. Commonly used in reference to trees that cannot endure heavy shade.

**MYCELIUM.** A mass of thread-like strands (hyphae) composing the body of a fungus.

**PHLOEM.** The inner living bark tissue active in the translocation or transfer of food, principally downward. The portion of the bark adjacent to the cambium.

—Arborist News.



"The important thing about a greenkeeping organization should be the spirit of sincere cooperation among all its members."