

LETTER TO FRED INGWERSON - -

February 24, 1950

Fred Ingwerson
Shoreacres Country Club
Lake Bluff, Illinois

Dear Fred:

This old organization is going to fall apart if you don't attend some of these meetings pretty soon. You know, it is some of you older boys who have kept this group alive for a good many years. The younger group of men need fellows like you, MacGregor, Pirie, and some others who have been the pillars of our Association foundation during the lean years.

Soon it will be spring again, and all of us hope that you will be with us once more to enjoy the familiar sounds of the tractors and mowers cutting that fresh grass, you know how sweet it smells in the spring o' the year, and of course the players help make the picture more complete with their slicing and cussin' and blamin' the greenkeeper for all those missed putts and mis-placed divots and what have you.

Yes, Fred, we really have missed you during the past few months but we all hope that it won't be long before you are up again and at it. Just as it use to be - you little hunk of Swedish gobbledygook.

Come on Fred, get cuttin' - -

From all the boys,

MIDWEST ASSOCIATION OF
GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENTS

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DID YOU KNOW THAT -

Ray Didier did a good job as delegate at Boston regardless of the outcome of the election.

NGSA National Turf Conference and Equipment Exhibit will be held in Columbus, Ohio in 1952.

Matt Bezek, a veteran greenkeeping superintendent in the Chicago area, is available to a club needing a top-drawer man.

Don Strand has developed a commercial sod nursery which consists mostly of C-15 bent.

Mr. and Mrs. Didier left for an extended vacation in Florida following the conclusion of the turf conference in Boston.

John "Crabgrass" Sellers has a remarkable record as a "skeet-shooter."

Mr. and Mrs. William Stuppel are among the sun worshipers in Florida during the latter part of February.

Fred Halloran is becoming a very formal salesman by sporting a "shiny" new cane.

Bert Rost is quite a "cutie" on ice skates.

The Association's official photographer for the year will be Paul Burdett.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Borgmeier just returned from a wonderful trip through the deep south.

All members who attended the monthly meeting at Exmoor Country Club last month wish to express their appreciation for a wonderful time to our president, Bill Stuppel and the club officials.

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TALKING SHOP

Cleaning Dirty Grindstone: Here's a fast and easy way to clean dirt and steel off your grindstone. Just hold a piece of ice against the stone as you turn it slowly. The coat of dirt comes off quickly.

Wax Door Latches: Take a tip from the automobile makers about door latches. Never oil them because the oil catches dirt and soils clothing. Use paraffin wax, hard stick grease or graphite on the latch and strike plate. The latch will work smoothly and easily.

Waterproofing Boots: Leather boots and work shoes can be kept nearly waterproof and pliable by rubbing them with the inside of bacon rind. If you plan to polish the shoes don't apply the bacon because they won't polish after that treatment.

Protect Your Padlocks: An old inner tube will protect your padlocks used on the outside of buildings from rust and freezing. Just cut a piece from the old tube and tack it over the door handle so that it hangs over the padlock.

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MIDWESTERN CANDIDATES DEFEATED FOR NGSAs OFFICES AT BOSTON.

A landslide vote cast by eastern greenkeeping organizations for their candidates on the NGSAs slate helped pave the way for a decisive victory over midwestern nominees at the annual meeting in Boston. The only survivor from the midwest to taste the fruits of victory was Ray Gerber who was elected president for the year 1950.

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The NGSAs Executive Committee presented Carl A. Bretzlaff, retiring president, with a beautiful gold wrist watch as a token of appreciation for the job well done.

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