

SPREADING IT THIN

Walter Hoyt of Timber Trails Golf Club, engineer of the Pleasant View Fire District, reports that the winter has been a quiet one as far as fires are concerned: "We lost a bedroom about Dec. 1. It was so hot before we got there the windows broke because of the heat. We had about a dozen prairie fires, but have had no real property loss all winter". Walter reports.

Ed Stewart of Acacia C. C. is busy getting six new greens and fairways in shape. They are growing nicely when the weather is warm. The new greens are Washington Bent.

John Henry of Maple Crest is working hard on the new par 3 course south of Western Springs. John plans to open the course for play late in April, and the lights may be ready for evening play in early June.

Carl Habenicht of the H. & E. Nursery reports that his two acres of B27 blue grass, planted late last fall, is doing well and should be ready for sale this fall.

Eddie Wollenberg of Navajo Fields C. C. got so badly sunburned the first warm day that he had to put on a shirt "that I picked up on Iwo Jima". Eddie said a navy man gave him several light shirts worn in the tropics.

The sudden storm the last Saturday in April brought a flash flood and winds so high they broke flag poles at Longwood C. C. at Dyer. Mel Warnecke at Idlewild reported that two shelter houses were completely demolished. La Grange C. C. reported 2 inches of rain in one hour, and Indian Head, south of La Grange, reported that the water was six feet deep over the lower part of the course and that enough tin cans were washed down on the course to fill an eight yard truck body.

The 2-4-5T treated fairways at Skokie C. C. for clover control last fall are quite free from clover infestation. Al Gehring feels the treatment was a big success.

Winter kill in greens, particularly in the northern area of the district, seems to be more widespread than was first thought. Many low spots have failed to come back although daily examination shows white root activity.

Ralph Wymer has leased the Glen Eagles C. C. at Lemont to John and Edward McNulty, owners of the Steel and Tank Mfg. Co. It is planned that the club be operated on a semi-daily fee basis. Ralph Wymer, Jr. continues as Supt. of Grounds, and James Almand, of Tampa, Florida, is Asst. Supt.

Golf course labor, or rather the lack of it, is definitely bothering many of our Superintendents. In many cases the crews are less than half full, and in some cases the Superintendent and one or two men are the whole crew. In that case the work lasts till dark with the hope that they can last till school lets out and the boys are again available. Some are successful in working school boys after school and all day Saturday. Some have kept half a crew all winter, and are patting themselves on the back now.

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