THE MEETING AT CHICAGO GOLF

October's bright blue weather. That certainly was the definition for the weather on October 15, the date of our October meeting at Chicago Golf Club at Wheaton, Illinois. It was a gorgeous day. Nels Lundblad was our host and he was ably assisted by Alex Stupple, Pro, and Mr. Weber, club Manager. 59 golfers teed off in the afternoon to tour the widespread acres of the course. It is a marvelously laid out course with huge, undulating greens and very severly sand trapped. It was a real test of golf and scores in general were a little high. In addition to golf there was the usual putting contest for non-golfers. This was our annual fall tournament and George Roloff, Tournament Chairman did himself proud with his selection of golf prizes.

In the evening we were served a delicious roast beef buffet dinner. Regular business procedure of the meeting was dispensed with and the meeting turned over to Alex Stupple who showed a very interesting sound movie entitled, "Famous Fairways", showing scenes on famous golf courses of the United States. After the showing of the film and distribution of golf prizes, the meeting was adjourned and a social

hour followed.

Golf prizes were donated by John MacGregor of Chicago Fence and Equipment Co., Paul Burdett, Bob Marbury, of Alliance Hose and Rubber Co., and

Geo. A. Davis, Inc.

Prize winners were: 1st low net and winner of the Midwest Championship, Bert Rost; 2nd, Chuck Daugherty; 3rd, Joe Canale; 4th, Al Pruess; 5th, Dom Grotti; 6th, Bob Williams; 7th, Jock MacIntosh; 8th, Emil Mashie; 9th, Bill Stupple; 10th, Dick Buchen; 11th, Norm Cramer; 12th, Charles Vann; 13th, Ray Runnfeldt; 14th, Ed Muzik; 15th, Bill Saielli; 16th, Jim Service; 17th, Frank Dinelli; 18th, Bob Chamberlin; 19th, Earl Staten; 20th, Andy Dunn; 21st, Bill Malpede; 22nd, Julius Goffo; 23rd, Pete Stewart; 24th, Amos Lapp; 25th, Bill Rueck; 26th Geo. Roloff; 27th, Ray Gerber; 28th, Frank Mastroleo; 29th, Lawrence Marczinski; 30th, John Coghill; 31st, Warren Roseman; 32nd, Jerry Transier; 33rd, Oscar Borgmeier. 1st Blind Bogey, John Carlson; 2nd, Jerry McNamara; 3rd, Lewis Clarahan, 4th, Harold Teasdale; 5th, Bill Golden; 6th, M. Carney; 7th, J. Houdek; 8th, D. Mastroleo; 9th, Bob Breen; 10th, Walter Killmer; 11th, J. Slepicka; 12th, O. Daniel. High gross, Peter Bild. Putting contest, 1st, Geo. Davis; 2nd, Alex Stupple.

WEDDING BELLS

Miss Marilyn Humphreys, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Humphreys, 304 Palmer Ave. Highwood, and Joseph Dinelli, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dinelli, 1302 Clavey Rd., Highland Park, were married Saturday, October 6, in Highland Park.

Joe is an apprentice member of the Midwest

Association of Golf Course Superintendents.

We wish the young coouple the best of luck and happiness.

It looks as though we will have to organize a ladies auxillary to the Midwest. Mrs. Bob Chamberlin has attended the last two meetings. Mrs. Stan Arendt has also been present at several of our meetings this summer. Mrs. Ray Gerber, Mrs. Bert Rost, Mrs. Ralph Voigt, Mrs. Don Strand and Mrs. Paul Burdett held a meeting of their own while the research committee met on September 27.

THE GRASS WIDOW

PRACTICAL MAINTENANCE HINTS

Here is another use for your power sprayer.

When the season is over and you are about ready to put away your machinery until such time as you will do your repairing, painting, etc., fill the tank of your power sprayer with hot water and, using a tree gun or other similar type nozzle, at a pressure of 4 or 5 hundred pounds, go over the machinery and you will find that there will be very little additional washing to be done. It will knock off all dirt and grease and even some of the paint. You will find that by this method you will save yourself many hours of disagreeable work. You will be surprised at the comparitively small amount of hot water needed and the saving in man-hours.

Hot water has been found to be much more

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effective than cold and no soap is needed.

ANNUAL FALL DANCE

Our annual Fall dance will be held at Benhart's Hall, Roselle, Illinois, on Saturday evening, November 17. Continuing our policy of last year, this will also be an informal dance with plenty of square dancing and we can promise you a wonderful time. As you probably remember, our two attempts to hold the dance in the early winter of last year resulted in our being snowed under. We figure to beat the weather by holding the dance at an earlier date and also to make it more attractive by having it on a Saturday night instead of Thursday as we have in the past. The dance will be followed by a buffet supper and drawing of door prizes. Tickets will be the same as last year, \$2.50 per person, which includes dancing, buffet supper, and door prizes.

Ray Davis, Entertainment Chairman.

OUTLOOK FOR SUPPLIES AND MACHINERY

The new tax bill includes an excise levy of 10% at manufacturer's level on gasoline and electrically powered lawn mowers. This, together with increased labor and material costs will mean higher prices of at least 10% on all power lawn mowers for 1952. The effective date will probably be November 1, 1951. This will be just before mowers go out from factories, and consumers will be unable to beat the tax. The production of all large equipment or institutional model mowers has been drastically reduced, about 30-35%. An additional cut of 10% has been ordered for the first quarter of 1952. That means a very limited supply and availability. It behooves everyone to conserve his equipment for at least a season until the steel situation improves.

There will be a squeeze on nitrogen again next spring during the planting season. Sulphur, of course, remains in short supply. However it now looks as if the supply of most chemicals, insecticides and fungicides

will be undisturbed.

In the seed field, Fescues and Bents are short and higher in price. Blue Grass and Red Top are lower than last spring.

While there might be some change in the outlook by spring do not look for an improvemnt. The betting would be on the other side.

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