

Helping close down the meeting the morning of March 5 was Dr. W. H. Daniel, MRTF extensionist and researcher, with a description of the 4-year turf management curriculum offered at Purdue. Dr. Wilson gave another talk, this time on how people with turf trouble could help themselves by asking at the right places. Dr. R. B. Alderfer, Pennsylvania State College soil technologist, presented the results of extensive experiments showing the effects of soil compaction on the loss of rainfall by runoff.

The discussion on weeds in turf was particularly interesting. Dr. O. C. Lee gave a very up to date talk on chemical crabgrass control in turf. A great deal of work has been done along this line and it looks like real progress is being made. Chemical Poa Annu control by Lawrence Munzenmaier was of great interest to those of us who have been stressing the necessity of research on Poa. Much of his work dealt with pre-emergence kill of the grass. Dr. Noer spoke on how management affects weeds. Dr. Noer has always contended that poor turf management is the greatest contributing factor to weedy turf.

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INFORMATION AND PLACEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

The policy of the Information Committee is to carry out its duty in such a way that there will be no embarrassment on the party asking for its service.

The Committee will not visit a Club unless they are invited to do so by the Superintendent in charge of the course. He must also be a member of our Association.

If the Superintendent wishes and weather permits, he may arrange for a game of golf, and inspection of the course can be made at this time. If he also wishes, he may invite his chairman to join in the game or the tour of the course. After arriving back at the Clubhouse or any other place the Superintendent chooses, the inspection can then be discussed and recommendations made.

When properly handled, no other employee or member of the Club will know the purpose of the visit made by the Information Committee.

Any member wishing this service, will notify the chairman, he in return will ask two or three other members of our Association, depending on the location of the Club where the visit is to be made.

No part of any visit made to a Club by the Information Committee will be permitted for publication.

The Placement Committee has been asked by the Chicago District Golf Association to help find a man capable of taking care of the nine-hole golf course and the practice putting green at Hine's Hospital and also to make an inspection about every other week at Great Lakes. Other than this he will be expected to give his full time at Hines. He will be employed from April 1st to October 1st. The salary to be determined at time of interview.

Make application to the Chicago District Golf Association, LaSalle Hotel, Room 241, Chicago 2, Illinois.

Ray Gerber, Chairman

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President Davis, speaking of his plans for next winter's vacation, says, "I like the East coast of Florida better than the Gulf coast, but either one is better than being up here froze to death."

MIDWEST REGIONAL TURF FOUNDATION ELECTS

Midwest Regional Turf Foundation members on March 4 re-elected Mal McLaren of Oakwood Club, Cleveland, president. Elected to vice-president was Taylor Boyd of the Camargo Club, Cincinnati. Dr. Kenyon T. Payne, Purdue plant geneticist, was re-elected treasurer and Dr. W. H. Daniel, Purdue turf specialist, was elected executive-secretary.

Directors elected were Taylor Boyd, Camargo Club, Cincinnati; Carl Bretzlaff, Meridian Hills Country Club, Indianapolis; William Stuppel, Exmoor Country Club, Highland Park, Illinois; Les Verhaalen, Brynwood Country Club, Milwaukee, and Ward Cornwell, Lochmoor Country Club, Detroit.

To provide better distribution among the various in-state subdivisions of the foundation, the executive-secretary, the treasurer and Dr. Fred V. Grau, director, U. S. Golf Association Green Section, Beltsville, Md., were all made ex-officio directors. They were replaced by 3 of the elected directors, raising the total number of directors to 12 instead of 9.

Directors continuing unexpired terms include Edward Fifield, Gary, Indiana, Municipal Golf Courses; Joe Graffis, GOLFDOM magazine, Chicago; Al Linkogel, Westwood Country Club, St. Louis, and Mal McLaren of Cleveland.

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M. R. T. F. CONFERENCE AND MEETING

The Midwest Regional Turf Foundation Conference and meeting at Purdue University on March 3-5, had an attendance of 275. It was, I believe, one of the most successful to date. Dr. Daniel and Dr. Payne are to be congratulated on the fine job done.

The Turf Conference went over in fine style, especially the simplified method of splitting up the various sessions. Especially interesting to many was the report of work being done on Poa Annu control. It begins to look as though we are beginning to get somewhere along the line of Poa Annu control. The rest of the program was also tops and all who attended were well satisfied and glad to have been there.

At the banquet on Monday night, we again had the privilege of being entertained by the Purdue University Glee Club under the direction of Mr. Al Stewart. They are truly wonderful.

It was found that of the total attendance, slightly over half were members of the Foundation. Dr. Daniel is doing a splendid job, but he can only do so much with the money now available. The amount received each year is about half what is really needed. They have the ball rolling, so lets get behind and keep it going. If anyone has any doubt as to where to apply for membership, the address is, Dr. W. H. Daniel, Executive Secretary, Midwest Regional Turf Foundation, Purdue University, West LaFayette, Indiana.

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The Editor wishes to thank Al Johnson and Bert Rost for taking over the editorial duties and getting out the March issue of The Bull Sheet while said Editor was loafing in Florida.

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One hundred and thirty-eight Greenkeeping Superintendents attended the 18th Annual Greenkeepers and Turf Short Course at Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa, March 10-11-12. It was a spirited meeting covering all phases of turf maintenance on courses and football fields.