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### THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is with a great deal of pride and humility that I accept the honor you have bestowed upon me in electing me to the high office of President of the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents. This is particularly trying when I contemplate succeeding Bill Stuppel and try to fill his shoes.

It shall be the purpose of this administration to continue the emphasis on golf as set up by the former administration, to lend all possible assistance in the realization of our turf research experimental project, and to continue our educational program as set up during the past. As improvements can be made in these projects, we will make them as we go along.

It is with a great deal of relief that I am able to announce that Bill Stuppel will continue as Editor of The Bull Sheet and that the financial condition of the publication is in good shape. We know that with Bill at the helm we will have better and better Bull.

The ultimate success of any project depends on the active participation of the membership and I ask each of you to take part in the activities of OUR association. Our monthly meetings are YOUR meetings and will be planned for your education and entertainment.

This issue of the Bull Sheet will reach you before the National Conference at Columbus and all who attend will greatly profit from the meeting. I suggest that you plan to come.

Yours for better turf.

Ray Davis, President

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### MIDWEST ELECTION RESULTS

At our Annual meeting held at the Sherman Hotel, Chicago, the following officers were elected for 1952.

*President* - Ray Davis, Medinah Country Club.  
*1st Vice President* - Robert Williams, Beverly C. C.  
*2nd Vice President* - Bert Rost, Park Ridge C. C.  
*Secretary* - Al Johnson, Indian Hill C. C.  
*Treasurer* - Walter Kilmer, Ravisloe C. C.  
*Directors* - Henry Lange, Matt Bezek, Amos Lapp, Herman Woehrl, William Stuppel.

Dr. O. J. Noer was present at the meeting and gave us his usual very interesting "Annual Report To The Superintendents."

The annual reports of the Treasurer and Secretary indicates that the organization is in excellent condition in every way and that we can look forward to ever increasing strength in our association.

### GEORGE A. DAVIS, INC. OPEN HOUSE

George A. Davis, Inc. will have open house for Golf Course, Park, Cemetery customers on Thursday, February 21, all day. As usual representatives of manufacturers whose merchandise the Davis organization distributes in the Chicago district will be on hand. Every effort will be made to show the latest turf maintenance equipment and supplies. Of course, the usual refreshments and entertainment will be on tap, with door prizes for the lucky numbers. If you do not get your invitation, come anyway. All Superintendents will be heartily welcomed.

C. O. Borgmeier

### A MESSAGE FROM OUR NATIONAL PRESIDENT

Welcome to our 23rd National Turf Conference and Show.

The Golf Course Superintendents Association of America together with the host association, the Central Ohio Golf Course Superintendents Association, extend to you a most cordial invitation to attend the 23rd National Turf Conference and Show at the Neil House, Columbus, Ohio, February 4-8, 1952. This is the only national event of this type dedicated to more efficient and economical maintenance of turf.

Be sure to avail yourself of this opportunity to attend this annual combined equipment and educational program. It behooves everyone interested in turf culture, especially golf course superintendents and greens committeemen, and those who are concerned with other phases of turf maintenance to attend all lectures and visit all exhibits. Manufacturers will display all kinds of new labor-saving equipment as well as maintenance materials and supplies. I urge all of you to mark this date on your calendar.

A diversified educational program covering all phases of turf culture has been arranged by the educational committee and is one of the best yet. It will be a red-letter day in your life when you attend this Conference.

Anticipating renewing old friendships and meeting new friends, I am

Sincerely yours,

W. H. Johnson, President

*Golf Course Superintendents Association of America.*

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### INSECT CONTROL IN SHRUBBERY PLANTINGS

The control of insects in shrubbery plantings is not usually a difficult problem.

Many scale insects may be controlled with a dormant oil spray (½ pint in 2 gallons of water) applied before growth starts and when the temperature is above 40 degrees F. Oyster shell scale on lilac and other shrubs is difficult to control with dormant sprays. A better method is to use ½ pint of 25 percent DDT emulsion in 2 gallons of water applied during the early summer when the young crawler scales are active and moving about over the plants.

Plant lice or aphids may be controlled with 3 teaspoonsful of 40 percent nicotine sulphate in 2 gallons of soapy water or with the new Lindane sprays or dusts used according to directions.

Beetles, caterpillars, slugs, leafhoppers and plant bugs may be controlled with DDT sprays or dusts. Use a 5 percent DDT dust or spray made with 6 teaspoonsful of 50 percent wettable DDT powder in 2 gallons of water. Twenty-five percent DDT emulsions can also be used according to directions on the container.

Lead arsenate is also effective against many beetles and caterpillars. It should be used at the rate of 12 teaspoonsful in 2 gallons of water. It will kill bagworms if applied while they are still small.

Many shrubs, especially evergreens, are susceptible to red spider damage. If water pressure is available, spray plants frequently to destroy some of the spiders. Dust if necessary with fine dusting sulphur or spray with wettable sulphur at the rate of 12 teaspoonsful in a gallon of water.

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