

THE BULL SHEET, official monthly publication of the MIDWEST ASSOCIATION OF GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENTS.

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This is my last message as President of the Midwest. It is time now that I thank all of you for giving me the privilege of serving you and especially to thank those members of the board and heads of committees that have done such a fine job for the Midwest during my two terms.

The last two years have seen a level of activity in the Midwest that I believe has never been reached before. Our Research Committee under Bert Rost of the Park Ridge Country Club successfully initiated our first Short Course in conjunction with the University of Illinois. It is my hope that next March we will have another, better and with greater attendance. Our membership under Amos Lapp as chairman has reached a new high. The activities of our Educational Committee under Robert Williams of the Beverly Country Club have moved ever forward in quality and interest until they will reach a fitting climax in the Plant Disease Clinic Dec. 17th and 18th. Dom Grotti as chairman of the Tournament Committee has staged tournaments that have set new records with each succeeding event and our Entertainment Committee, first under Norm Kramer and then under George Roloff, have staged dances that have drawn our greatest crowds. The Bull Sheet under the control of William Stupple of the Exmoor Country Club has expanded its circulation, increased its financial position and is now an institution.

It has been a privilege to have served with such committees, and to every member of those committees, to every member of my Board of Directors and to every member of the Association, I extend my thanks. I feel I have gained most in the serving.

Now while I step out of office, the work of the organization goes on. The Educational Committee is holding its first Plant Disease Clinic at the Medinah Country Club Dec. 17th and 18th. Some of the talks planned I have been privileged to preview and the whole program is planned with the characteristic thoroughness of its chairman Robert Williams to review and refresh our basic knowledge of the plants and predators in which we are most interested. The member who misses this Clinic will miss an opportunity to rejuvenate his thinking. Thanks again.

Ray Davis, President

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Gordon Brinkworth, Supt. at Brookwood Country Club, suffered a painful injury to his left shoulder when he fell while getting out of his truck at the club. Gordon says that he tore the ligaments loose and that it couldn't have been any worse even if he broke his arm. We hope that Gordon is feeling much better at the present time.

OUR DECEMBER MEETING

Our December meeting will be held at Brookwood Country Club on Thursday, Dec. 3. Gordon Brinkworth will be our host. Gordon has gone to a lot of pains to make this a good meeting and is especially anxious that we have a good turnout. This will be our Annual Meeting and election of officers. The plan is for the men to get together in the afternoon for a social gathering, have dinner at 6:00 p.m., and the meeting at 7:30. If the weather is good some of the boys might want to play golf. The Education Committee has invited C. E. (Scotty) Stewart to give us a talk on irrigation. Scotty really knows about irrigation and his talk should be especially interesting after the long drouth of this year.

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PLANT DISEASE CLINIC
MEDINAH COUNTRY CLUB, KING COLE
ROOM, DEC. 17 & 18, 1953.

For Members of the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents.

THURSDAY DECEMBER 17th

- 9:00 a.m. Meeting called to order by the President.
9:15 Introduction: Robert Williams, Chr.
Education Committee:
9:30 Botany (higher plants) Dr. Ralph Voigt
Director of University of Ill. Horticultural Experiment Station Lisle, Ill.
Origin, structure and function of green plants.
11:30 Lunch: Grill Room
1:00 p.m. Fungi (lower plants), Dr. William Klomprens; Plant Pathologist, Upjohn Co.
Definition, description and illustration of bacteria and fungi by means of slides and sketches.
3:30 Adjournment

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18th

- 9:00 a.m. Disease Dr. William Klomprens
Definition, description, discussion and illustration of turf disease and disease of ornamentals found on golf courses.
11:30 Lunch: Grill Room
1:00 p.m. Disease Control, Dr. William Klomprens
Theory and functioning of chemical control plus a discussion of maintenance practices aiding control.
3:00 Summarization: Panel of superintendents and agronomists.
D. James Watson, Toro Manufacturing Co. Dr. William Daniel, Midwest regional turf foundation. William Stupple, Sup't Exmoor Country Club. Bert Rost, Sup't. Park Ridge Country Club William Kraft, Sup't. Southmoor Country Club. Moderator: Raymond Gerber, Sup't. Glen Oak C. C.
3:45 Closing of Meeting: President.

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NEW MEMBERS

We welcome the following new members into the association.

Henry A. Stoltze, Huntley, Ill.; Donald Peter Stewart, Downers Grove, Ill.; Alfred C. McIntosh, Chicago, Ill.; Aloysious John Wietecha, Chicago, Ill.; Theddor William Woehrle, St. Anne, Ill.; Theo. O. Meland, Chicago, Ill.; Robert W. Freske, Chicago, Ill.;