

Houston, Texas.

Why Interfere With Our Golf? - V. J. Pazzetti, Jr., Saucon Valley CC, Bethlehem, Pa. - George Hurd, Green Chairman, Saucon Valley CC, Bethlehem, Pa. - Adm. Jack Phillips, Green Chairman, Army-Navy CC, Arlington, Va. —Three Superintendents to be selected.

Question and answer periods will occur after each speaker
Summary of Day's Program - Dr. Fred V. Grau, Director, USGA Green Section, Beltsville, Md.

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President Davis appointed the following committee chairmen for 1953: Research, Bert Rost; Editorial William H. Stupple; Membership, Amos Lapp; Entertainment, Geo. Roloff; Golf, Dom Grotti; Educational, Bob Williams.

A delicious steak dinner was enjoyed by the members and a social hour followed.

FIELD DAY PLANNED AT PURDUE

Dr. Daniel announced that plans were being made to have a Midwest Regional Turf Foundation Field Day at Purdue on August 3. More details will be forthcoming in a later issue.

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Many members who do not usually attend meetings came out for the Annual Meeting Monday the 12th. It was good to see these old faces and a pleasure to welcome them. President Davis would really like to know what the association can do to make you become "old Regulars" in attendance.

Ray Davis, who was reelected president, had just gotten in from three weeks in Florida where he saw his Chairman, Norman Johnson and Bob Duguid, did some fishing and altogether had a good time with his family. The color of his skin showed he brought some of the Florida sunshine up with him.

Amos Lapp has been serving on the Jury. Amos got all the crooks in Jail so he could attend the meeting.

Bert Rost and his wife left January 13th, the day after the meeting to visit Key West and try to hook the pelican that got away last year.

Ray Gerber and Mrs. Gerber left January 13th for two weeks in Florida. They plan to try to find Don Strand and his wife who are in the Winter Haven district and Frank Dinelli and Mrs. Dinelli who are some wherer in the Naple area.

It looks like our Illinois Turf Conference for a 1 day meeting is proceeding very well. Before he left for his well earned vacation in Key West, Chairman Bert Rost was able to announce the meeting was about set for March 14th at the Drug and Horticultural Experiment Station at Downers Grove and at the Morton Arboretum at Lisle Ill. The final details are being worked out by Dr. Voight of the Station who gave the report and hopes to have university confirmation any day. Plan to attend and to bring your chairman.

A lot of confusion arose over who is a member of the National and who is not. As matters stand, people who had not paid up by January 1st were no longer members but Buzz Brown secretary of the National said that the men who got their money in at once would be accepted as members although their insurance cov-

erage would not begin until the 1st of the month following the time their dues were paid.

Al Shaper of the Sod Nursery, Bloomingdale, Ill. made application for membership in the Midwest. Al has worked with Bill Matthies at the Sod Nursery for many years and was selected by Bill to carry on. We wish him "good luck".

It was reported that John MacGregor had undergone an operation and was now at home and doing well. Get well quick, John.

Frank Mastroleo, who was reported ill at our last meeting was not at this meeting, but it was reported that he was feeling better and that he was planning to take a vacation in Florida and also to attend the Conference and Show at Atlantic City.

Bill Smith and Ed. Fifield, Supt. of Gary Park Dept. spent two weeks in Florida early in December. Bill says they saw Bob Duguid and Norm Johnson at Jacksonville and that he and Ed pulled out of Florida just in time to avoid the big freeze.

Gordon Brinkworth is the new Superintendent at Brookwood Country Club. Gordon was formerly Golf Course Superintendent in the St. Paul-Minneapolis area.

August Hassberger who was foreman at Calumet Country Club for thirty years passed away January 3.

We were very happy to have at our meeting ; number of visitors. Among them were Carl Bretzlaff of Indianapolis, Les Verhaalen, Howard Gabbey, Charley Shiley and John Stampfl of Milwaukee and of course Drs. Daniel, Noer and Voight. mas Holidays and are planning to return to the south again for another stay before attending the meeting at Atlantic City.

President Davis was reelected by a unanimous vote. Bert Rost withdrew as a candidate and moved that the Secretary cast one unanimous ballot for Ray. Needless to say we are very happy to have Ray as our prexy for another year. He is doing a fine job.

Some of the boys tried to entice Dr. Daniel and Joe Kelly into a Hearts game. However, these two gents allowed that they weren't having any. A sad experience in the past is said to be the reason.

Sambo's seems to have become the Association's winter headquarters. The February and March meetings are scheduled to be held there.

Neither Bob Williams nor Frank Dinelli was present at our meeting. They had both left on that very same day for Florida.

We feel sorry for this poor guy. He doesn't take one Florida vacation, but two. Paul Burdette and Mrs. Burdette spent several weeks in Florida over the Christ-

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Dr. Noer says that the unusual condition is the troublesome condition.

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