

MIDWEST REGIONAL TURF FOUNDATION FIELD DAY AUGUST 3.

Since 1950 the turf research program has been developed around the experimental plots at the Purdue Agronomy Farm, 7 miles northwest of Lafayette on Highway 52, and the experimental putting green on the Agricultural Campus. Some of these plots are now three years old so that they will show very well the amount of turf remaining after two complete years of management, and the comparison of the many grasses sold for turf purposes.

The 1953 Field Day is scheduled on Monday, August 3, as it is believed that most golf courses will still have their summer help on the course and will not be in any process of renovation at that time. Also, by selecting Monday those who must travel a considerable distance may do so on Sunday. They will be able to return home Monday afternoon and evening which would require them to be away from their course only one day.

The program will start at 9:15 A. M. on the experimental green, Purdue Campus, where 15 varieties of bentgrass, Bermudas and nitrogen fertilization of bent will be discussed. From there we will go to the Lafayette County Club at 10:30 to observe the experimental green with soil conditioners, Poa annua control, crabgrass control and zoysia plantings in No. 8 fairway.

After lunch the Field Day continues at the Agronomy Farm, starting at 1:15 P.M. where zoysias, lawn grass seedings and bentgrass fairways will be shown, as well as clover control and cyanamid renovation of turf. The program will close there at 3:15, which would complete the tour for those who arrive in the early morning. Those from Chicago and Indiana may prefer to drive down Monday morning, and arrive at the Agronomy Farm northwest of Lafayette at 1:15 to see the turf plots there. Then we will travel to the campus to see the experimental putting green from 3:30 until 4:30 and then go to the Lafayette County Club from 5:00 to 6:00 P.M. This would allow those to then drive home in the evening, having dinner somewhere on the way home.

August 3 will be busy for all people, but these are the results of the clubs support of the Midwest Regional Turf Foundation, and we anticipate having a large group to see the results and apply them to their problems.

Dr. William H. Daniel

SPREADING IT THIN

Sixty nine tired and hungry men sat down to a delicious roast beef dinner at Lake Shore on June 8. The dinner was the culmination of a beautiful day, golf over a perfect golf course, a wonderful, perfect dinner with superlative service, Really, one runs out of adjectives.

Our Educational Chairman, Bob Williams, provided an excellent speaker, Dr. William Klomparsen, who has just received his degree at Michigan State and has gone to work for Upjohn. Dr. Klomparsen gave an excellent talk on fungi and the method of growth. It was a well spent afternoon and evening.

Some of the boys who went to visit Ray Didier at the West Suburban Hospital reported that they could not get in to see him due to the press of other visitors.

Oscar Borgmeier of Geo. A. Davis, Inc., furnished the refreshments at Lake Shore. It was a warm day and it is said that the boys did away with 15 cases of the amber brew. Oscar says it was all right with him as Lake Shore is a dry club and he didn't want the boys going around with their tongues hanging out.

Bill Krafft is the new superintendent at Southmoor Country Club. Bill goes to Southmoor after 24 years at Fox Lake Country Club as Pro-Superintendent. We wish Bill the best of luck on his new job.

Dom Grotti says its a long road that has no turning and every thing comes to him who waits. Long-suffering Dom had a big day at Lake Shore, he and his partner finally "took" Dinelli and Saielli after tryin for almost two years. However, it won't be so easy next time says Dinelli. "Wait till I get a little time to practice." When's that gonna be, Frank?

Zoysia plantings in the district are doing excellently. The grass is spreading at a great clip this warm weather. We noticed this especially on the plot at Northmoor where Z-73 was planted in new ground with no competition from other grasses.

Joe Kiddle, big bicycle man from Lake Forest, has planted some Z-73 in his front lawn. Joe wonders if Zoysia will make a better turf for his croquet court that the creeping bent he now has. Better leave it as is, Joe, these croquet players are pretty particular.

We were very happy and pleased to have as our guest at our meeting at Lake Shore, Ward Cornwell, President of the Michigan and Border Cities Golf Course Superintendents Asociation. Ward flew into Chicago the day of the meeting and was planning to fly back the same night. That was the night they had the tornado in Michigan and we hope that Ward got home safely.

Due to the downs of the card game at Lake Shore, Joe Klem was not sure whether he or some other player had the next payment on the furniture. Joe plans to marry Miss Joan Smith of Chicago next September 19. Joe is with Ray Rolfs at Riverside Country Club.

Dean Searles of the College of Pharmacy of the U of I got an honorary degree from South Dakota State College on June 8.

Al Johnson reports that he has lost six big trees due to high winds this year.

George Roloff is getting back on his feet after his recent attack of sciatica.

After watching Mel Warnecke of Evanston Country Club hit the ball there can be no doubt that he is in fine shape again after his recent operations.

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