SPREADING IT THIN

Ray Didier, in a serious discussion of the cost of sand trap maintenance said, "I put two men in the sand traps on May 15 and on October 15 I bring them in for the winter."

Ray Davis discussing Bermuda grass, "Like Norm Johnson says, you stand too close to it on a hot day and it climbs up your leg."

We noticed three of our Supts. poring over a map of Florida using one pair of dime store glasses with one ear hook off between them. They found what they were looking for, however.

Joe Jemsek of St. Andrews and Coghill, left late in September to fly to England to watch the Walker Cup matches.

Mel Warnecke has really reached a new level. He is now the Master of a pack of Cub Scouts. His son, Skip, is a Cub, the pack needed a Master and Mel answered the call. He is heart and soul in the movement and his fondest desire is to promote a series of golf lessons for his Cubs. We hope he will be able to produce a pack of topnotch golfers.

A number of Superintendents were the guests of Vic Kadish on September 30 at Tripoli Country Club in Milwaukee, Wis. Orval Decker is the Superintendent at Tripoli and had the course in beautiful shape. The men played golf in the afternoon and were treated to a wonderful steak dinner that evening. Needless to say, a good time was had by all.

Bill Krafft says he has played Tam O Shanter every year for many years but this year it was the most beautiful he has ever seen it.

Gerald Dearie's son Gerald F., is home from the air force to stay. He will work with his father at Edgewater.

Some dozen Wisconsin superintendents, led by Howard Gabbey, Wisconsin President, attended the meeting at Tam O Shanter.

Frank Dinelli says his Zoysia looks beautiful and that he is going to sod it into a tee next spring if all goes well. Mrs. Dinelli just bought Frank a 35 mm camera, projector and screen. Frank is going to have a lot of fun with them.

Remember to make plans for the National Conference in Miami.



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Encouraging words by Al Rauch, "I played pretty good for a change at Tam O Shanter."

Ray Didier, our host at Tam looked very well after quite a siege during the summer but went back to the hospital for a short time the day following our meeting. We hope you are feeling better, Ray, and take it easy.

Park Ridge Country Club under the supervision of Bert Rost, Supt., is rapidly completing a 65,000 square foot lake designed by Scotty Stewart, irrigation engineer, to hold 2,000,000 gallons of water as a reserve supply to meet summer watering needs. The pond will be served by two 15 inch tiles draining a wide area, and a 4 inch lead from the city water mains. A new pump house, water lines and much other work remains to be done but the hole is dug and Bert wants rain. The lake will create two new water holes on the course. The work was done in record time, just two weeks after the start of construction. about October 1, the major construction was completed. 13,000 yards of soil was moved.

As might be expected Bert is a most popular guy right now with a lake like that. Bert is busy studying the most approved method of stocking the lake with the proper proportion of bass, bluegills and crappies to insure good fishing. He is interviewing fishing applicants at the service gate. The Mole got a spot under a burning bush on the east side.

Ray and Mrs. Davis are not all excited about going to Florida. Ray says, "I can't see any fun in setting in the back of a boat going back and forth all day long trying to hook a fish big enough to feed a good sized boy." Maybe Ray doesn't get excited, but you should see he and Martha go into action at P.T.A. meetings. Martha gets the books up to date for the treasurers report and Ray tunes up his voice to sing in the five man quartet and they really have a time. Last year the P.T.A. raised \$750.00 on one ham dinner.

Bob Williams and Don Strand left for Manhattan. Kansas, to attend the meeting of the Heart of America Golf Course Superintendents Association the week of October 17. We understand that Bob was to be on the program.

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