

SPREADING IT THIN

Our annual tournament was played on a beautiful autumn day at the well kept Itasca Country Club. John Coutre had the course in excellent shape, the greens fast and true and according to Amos Lapp "they putted well". Amos walked around 10 greens. Geo. Roloff sank a sharp 30 footer on the 18th but some of the boys played everywhere but on the fairways. Norm Kramer approached the 18th green from the putting green on the north instead of from the east down the fairway. John Coghill played from trap to trap. The whole day was in sharp contrast to the wet soggy day of the '54 Tournament at Evanston.

Ed Stewart of River Forest C. C. did not play but brought a complete train schedule for the Olympian Hiawathian for the Long Beach trip, by way of Seattle and home via Los Vegas. Ray and Mrs. Gerber took that train trip the last time the meeting was in California and reported they enjoyed the trip thoroly. The cost going one way via the Milwaukee thru Seattle and down the coast and returning by another route is no greater for rail fare than for going both ways over the same railroad.

In the lengthening shadows of the long afternoon, foursome after foursome came toiling down the 18th, some with a slow tired motion, others swinging along with pep and vigor. All stopped after the final putt to total the scores and discuss favorable shots and unfavorable errors and all of a sudden a jet plane split the sky from south to north. Dinelli made a marvelous putt, bagged his club and headed for the locker room, with a "Oh golly, am I tired".

In spite of the beautiful day and wonderful course only 58 played golf, the rest came later trying hard to get the fall work well advanced while the weather is still good.

Marv Gruening on the winning team warned his opponents "That beer was just a figure of speech-I'm not settling for beer"

Al Pruess of Bartlett Hills reported to the mole that he had entered a "Hole in One" contest at the Socko Driving Range" and won a Century Buick. He got his hole in one on the 22nd ball at 175 yards. It was a \$4200.00 car.

Mr. DeCardy, Chairman, and Gerald Dearie of Medinah C. C. attended the meeting.

Al Davis a new member from the Chicago Heights C. C. attended the meeting.

98 members and guests sat down to a delicious Roast Beef dinner with apple pie. The service was good, the beef rare and the pie delicious. What more could a man ask?

Dr. Voight of the University of Illinois Drug and Horticulture Station attended the meeting.

Nels Johnson, Tree Surgeon from Evanston Ill., and a long time friend of our organization gave a most comprehensive talk on the care of trees and the diseases, insects and injuries that destroy them.

Mel Warneke is leaving Evanston Country Club to become the Superintendent at The Country Club of Indianapolis. Joe Dinelli will succeed Mel as Evanston's Superintendent. The best of luck to both.

Gordon Brinkworth is now with the Olympia Fields Country Club. His new home address is 702 Cedar Lane, Chicago Heights, Ill.

Immediately on taking over at Olympia Fields, Gordon started an extensive fall program and reworking the service building. He now has an attractive office and the balance of the shop is being cleaned up and

rearranged. Things look nice there, and Gordon seems very happy.

Dave and Frank Mastroleo visited the Kraffts at the Valparaiso Golf Club, and played 18 holes on the 9 hole course. They had a fine day and evening with the Kraffts and report the course to be in fine shape and that Bill and his family are very happy in their new location.

Frank Mastroleo day at the Geneva Country Club was a real success with about 50 golfers and 150 for supper in the evening. It was held early in October Frank says it was a very good day.

Amos and Mrs. Lapp are proud to announce that they are now Grandparents. Their Grandson, Kevin Arthur York, 11 pounds 3 ounces arrived on October 18th. It took several phone calls to get the complete story from the proud but flustered grandfather but the Mole is now convinced that the above information is substantially correct.

Peter Bild and Dr. Ralph Voight have almost completed the final arrangements for the Annual Turf Clinic. Peter is Chairman of the Educational Committee and Dr. Voight is head of the Drug and Horticultural Experiment Station of the University of Illinois and is on the Staff of the College of Pharmacy of the Medical College of the University of Illinois in Chicago.

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