

## GOLF PRIZES

1, Low Gross, Jock McIntosh. 2, Al Pruess. 3, Peter Voykin. 4, Norm Kramer. Low Net, 1, Ken Lapp. 2, Gerald Dearie, Jr. 3, Ed Burke. 4, Russ Reed. 5, Roy Nelson. 6, Mike Polacci. Guest Prize, Don Swenson, Jr.

## DOOR PRIZES

1, Bill Smith. 2, Wes Updegraff. 3, Mike Coyne. 4, Herman Woehrl. 5, Nels Frandsen. 6, Roger Brown. 7, Dick Hedberg.

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Refreshments on the course were by courtesy of Armour Fertilizer Works represented at the meeting by Ed Muzik. Our many thanks to Armour and to Ed for contributing to a pleasant day.

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## TURF EXPERTS?

It seems there are more angles to being a turf expert than are generally accepted. There is the familiar aspect of growing fine turf for golf courses and then there is the angle that has to do with Okie Dokie, Capital Lady, No Pushover, and Loan Me Five. Under the pretense of inspecting the grass, a group of south side superintendents hid themselves on a beautiful June afternoon recently, to Washington Park. Seeing thru the excuse clearly the "Ball and Chains" came along to protect the grocery fund, but this turned out to be a mistake, as this feminine instinct melted rapidly under the stress and strain of photo finishes.

All the boys were fully charged with tips by the experts from the various clubs. There are no better turf experts than the locker-room boys, bartenders, dishwashers, and tractor drivers, at the Country Clubs. They have attained this august distinction from years of experting on this mysterious profession, so much affected by a knowledge of astronomy, alchemy, and astrology. In fact, these experts generally ascribe their proficiency in dishwashing, etc., to their eminence in the turf expert field. It took quite a while to compare notes, and reduce all the tips to a useful purpose. So confusing was all this advice, that it was considered wise to throw out the tips, and substitute pure chance, by pulling the winning numbers out of a hat. This system paid off, and can be highly recommended as it resulted in two members of the party holding winning tickets for the daily double. Lucky this was, as by five o'clock the B C's were out of money, that is the grocery money for the next week, but the party could and did eat high on the hog that evening, by forcing the winners to disgorge their loot for the common defense against hunger and thirst.

The meeting was called ostensibly to transact some necessary business having to do with professional matters, but these good intentions went out the window and were heard of no more. It just doesn't work to get the two phases of the turf business mixed up together.

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Chuck Daugherty recently made a fishing trip to the wilds of Canada and from all reports has been landing record catches of Wall-eyes, northerns, muskies, bass, etc. It wouldn't be surprising if we were all invited to a fish fry on Chuck when he returns.

A number of Superintendents are planning to inspect the Lake County Poor Farm on July 15. It is near Adler Park where we are going to have our picnic.

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## WISCONSIN NEWS

Ronald Verhaalen, son of Lester, is now superintendent of Ozaukee Country Club Milwaukee district. Replacing Ken. Hubble who has moved to a new course in the Nashville, Tenn. territory. Best of luck to both Ronald and Ken we know you will do a top job at your new locations.

June meeting of the Wisconsin Golf Course Superintendents association was held at the Lawsonia Golf Course at Green Lake. Dominic Blinkiewicz, Host Superintendent, extended an invitation to the ladies to join us at this meeting for a tea party and tour of the grounds while the superintendents played golf in the afternoon. Lawsonia was the fabulous estate of Mr. and Mrs. Lawson, built soon after the turn of the century and now owned and operated by the American Baptist Assembly. The estate has over 14 miles of road, with many vantage points overlooking beautiful Green Lake and other scenic points on the estate. Wild deer were seen feeding at the edges of wooded areas. Dinner was served in the hotel on the grounds, and our meeting was held in one of the assembly houses. Dominic showed us some pictures (color slides) that he had taken in the fall and winter of the grounds, tree colors, and scenery were beautiful. Everyone enjoyed themselves and Mr. and Mrs. Blinkiewicz are to be commended for their ability as host and hostess.

Wisconsin weather continues to be dry with a rain deficiency of about 45% since January 1, 1958. Bright sun and high winds have added to the drought condition. While we have had warmer than normal days, nites have been cold, with frosts severe enough to freeze tree buds and even the bent of our greens. There was a shortage of rainfall last year, very little snow thru the winter and now a dry spring leaves the subsoil very dry, which may cause the graying of some superintendents hair (if he has any left).

CHARLES SHILEY

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Jim Holmes, agronomist for the Mid-Western District of the United States Golf Association Green Section has been making his Regional Turf Service visits to clubs in this area. He recently visited Exmoor and gave us some dope on some disease trouble we had been having with turf under trees. For a number of years this disease has been noted in the form of reddish spots occurring principally under the shade of trees on greens and tees and showing up during the month of June, after which time it seems to disappear until the following June. Jim informs us that it is a leaf spot disease caused by a combination of Helminthosporium, Ascochyta and Fusarium. Treatment is with Parzate or Dithane Z-78 at the rate of 2 ounces per Thousand square feet, plus one ounce of iron. If turf does not respond to this treatment, Jim says that Kromad at the rate of 4 ounces per thousand should be used and repeated in 5 days. The best time to treat is right after mowing and do not water in.

We overheard Joe Canale telling Dave Mastroleo his method of applying fertilizer to fairways without missing any turf or overlapping. It seems that Joe sets a man on his spreader with a broom and a can of white wash and every few turns of the wheel the man slaps a dash of white wash on the wheel and that leaves a mark on the turf. According to Joe, "It takes a little labor and is a little messy, but it leaves a mark on the fairway that even I can't miss and makes it a whole lot easier for me to see where I am going."