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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our May 4th meeting held at the beautiful Hinsdale Golf Club is one that those of us who attended will remember for a long time to come. It was one of our best meetings. The golf course, under the supervision of Bill Schwantz, was in excellent condition. Bill has been with the club for about forty years. The manager, Mr. Mathesen, is to be congratulated on a wonderful dinner and the manner in which it was served. Our many thanks to both of these men. We were very happy to have with us at this meeting Mr. Yomine, the chairman of the Grounds and Greens committee, and the pro, Mr. Greenwald, who contributed some very nice golf prizes. The educational part of this meeting consisted of a question and answer period. The moderator, Frank Dinelli, and his panel did a wonderful job.

The Midwest Association dinner and dance held at Butterfield Country Club on May 1st was well attended. It was a very enjoyable party and the entertainment committee is to be congratulated. Marvin Gruening, the committee chairman, gave away several door prizes. The following commercial houses contributed toward these prizes. Geo. A. Davis Co., Illinois Equipment Co., Frandsen Bros., Kahn Bros., Paul E. Burdett, Roseman Mower Co., Mr. Benson of Swift Fertilizer Co., Mr. Smith of Fertilade Fertilizer Co., Warrens Turf Nursery and Al Schaper from the Sod Nursery. In behalf of all the ladies who attended I want to thank Al Kempf from the Morris Distributing Co., Hinsdale, Ill., for the wonderful corsages each lady received.

Our next meeting will be held at the Midwest Golf Club on Tuesday, June 2nd. Our host will be Superintendent Marvin Gruening.

Dr. Gene C. Nutter, G. C. S. A. Executive Director, will be our guest speaker. His subject is "New Horizons". This will be a very interesting meeting.

This is the time of year when those of us who are responsible for the condition and beauty of the golf course and club grounds think of the remarks made by Vice-President Mr. Nixon during his visit to the G. C. S. A. Turf Conference and Equipment Show in 1958 at the Shoreham Hotel. He said his golf score is not too important, but what is most important is that while he is on the golf course he is on some of the most beautiful real estate in America. I feel sure that if all golfers felt that way they would not be throwing litter all over the grounds. This includes caddies and workmen. Usually on the grounds one will find containers to deposit all small types of debris. However, it usually finds its

place somewhere between the tee and the green; in the shrub beds, in the rough, on the fairway and on the tee or green. It could consist of most anything; such as beer bottles, pop bottles, candy wrappers, empty cigarette packages, gum wrappers, cocktail glasses, paper cups, golf ball wrappers and paper of all kinds. Why does this sort of thing happen? It is obvious that most people do not share the same attitude as Mr. Nixon. If they did, this rubbish would find its way into one of the litter receptacles found on the grounds.

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