

CLIPPINGS

Betty Grotti, Susie Johnson, Lotte Rossette and Ann Lang took a trip to the Wisconsin Dells the last week end in July. The girls had a real good time and they are not telling on each other yet.

Rube Thode will retire as Greenkeeper of the Chicago Park District within the next twelve months. Rube has been in charge of the Chicago Park District Golf Courses for the past thirty years and has had many experiences. It is still too early for Rube to have made any plans for activity, but Rube is ready to pass along all the knowledge the many years have taught him.

The third of August was rainy and cloudy all day, cool in the morning and warming in the afternoon. In spite of the weather, 76 members and guests sat down to dinner at White Pines and it was truly a delicious dinner, Fillet mignon, baked potatoes, peas, a good salad, rolls and trimmings. It sure was a good dinner. It was a wonderful day Emil; we all thank you.

Frank Dinelli was in charge of the talks at the meeting and handled the program very well.

Jim Holms gave a report on his idea of what happened to greens last winter, based on his observations as he traveled around.

John Coghill spoke on Calcium arsenate, and described the extreme difficulty with them this spring, how it was necessary to reseed with Penncross and that the new seeding mostly passed out, and reported that the greens look good but that they are as much pot annua as anything else. It was a hard winter and spring. John believes that Calcium Arsenate is possibly a very good product but that the application possibly has not been too well worked out.

Al Johnson thinks that Arsenate of Lead may be the cheaper material to use in spite of the lower cost of Calcium Arsenate. Calcium Arsenate may and has backfired.

Bill Stupple suggested lighter more frequent applications of the materials as a way to avoid damage.

Rube Thode reported that the Chicago Park District played 400 a day regularly and were still able to keep greens.

Howard Baerwald has an excellent knife to play with during meetings. It has several blades and a sissors too and Howard does all right with it.

Don Gerber of Chicago Golf reported that he had used aqua grow successfully. Al Johnson and Ray Davis described in detail their fertilizing practices and Don Grotti and Bill Stupple described their fairway watering practices.

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