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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As I look out my window this morning of May 12, I can see frost on our Number 8 green, the sun is also shining so perhaps we will have some golf weather this week end. According to the news reports various courses in the Chicago district are having the same difficulties we are — to much rain and too cold.

About 80 members and guests were present at our May meeting which was held at the Calumet Country Club with Paul Voykin as our host. The speaker Mr. Shoemaker, whose topic was Irrigation, was introduced by Ted Woehrle our program chairman. This was a most fitting topic at this time and no doubt proved very helpful to most of us.

Following Mr. Shoemaker's talk a Question and answer period followed with Mr. Frank Dinelli who always does an A-1 job as moderator. Programs of this type always seem to be of interest to all and we can derive much information and practical knowledge from them.

Paul had the jump on some of us — his course was well groomed and I am sure that those who played golf enjoyed the course. Many thanks to Paul for his hospitality.

It was gratifying to see so many at the meeting, however, if members could arrive earlier at the meeting so that we might have our dinner not later than 6:30 P.M., then our meetings would not have to last until so late, in this way members living at a distance could arrive home earlier. I believe this would help our attendance quite a little and we would like to have all our members attend our monthly meetings. If we plan our work ahead we should all be entitled to one day a month off. Every meeting we attend is worth our while and there is always something new to learn and we never get through learning.

The June meeting will be held at John Coghills Silver Lake Golf Club on June 7th, Tuesday with Dudley Smith as host Superintendent.

Sincerely Emil Cassier, President

CLIPPINGS —

Gearld Dearie of Medinah Country Club reported that his crew at Medinah has planted 300 trees, all maples, that the courses are all fertilized and leaded and that he is having a hard time getting the grass cut. The lake is running full but Gearld hopes to start a weed control project to clear the lake of weeds this summer. The fish planted there the season before last are growing.

Emil Cassier at Sycamore Park District has had a very hard time all season long. The back nine of the course has been under water all season long, and the rain of this week flooded it again.

Ed Shoemaker, an engineer of the Rainy Sprinkler Sales Co. of Peoria, Ill., gave the talk for the Educational Committee at the May meeting. Ed brought out the possibility of changing sprinkling practices so that water could be supplied without displacing all the air in the soil. It was a most interesting talk.

Frank Mastroleo who recently resigned from the Geneva County Club, plans a trip to California to visit Dave and his family. Dave is doing well and working hard at his new course.

Deloris Jean Coutre, daughter of John and Mrs. Coutre of the Itasca Country Club, has made the Deans list at the Catherine Gibbs School in Boston, for two semesters. John and Mrs. Coutre are justly proud.

Course problems — The weather has been the best we have had, but compared with other years, has not made the job of the Superintendent too easy this year. Greens and tees and fairways are saturated, tractors slip, and grass cutting is getting behind. Disease has set in in some places. Help is definitely a problem, many of the experienced men have left and those who have taken their places have not yet learned the jobs. It is however, still too early for the new crop of ulcers to show up.

Ray Runfeldt of the Winnetka Park District, has had a busy season too. They are building a new par 3 course, a new half way house, 6 new football fields with the New Trier High School, and three new baseball diamonds. However, Ray plans to continue his boating on Lake Michigan when the weather settles down.

Don Smith formerly with Walter Fuchs at Glen Eagles Country Club, is now Superintendent at Southmoor Country Club.

Mrs. Eddie Wohlenberg, wife of Eddie Wohlenberg of the Gary Country Club, gave the following account of a most interesting week at Crete, their home town—
Crete families played host to 30 foreign guests from International House on the University of Chicago campus on April 29, 30th and May 1st. The guests were graduate students from India, Sweden, Norway, Indonesia, Japan, England, Germany and South Africa. It was an experiment in international relations that proved to be a mutual feeling of enjoyment and satisfaction.

Al and Sussie Johnson are expecting — another grand child.