

While they were eating dinner, the lights would be heading straight for them, then they would disappear as the units turned around. One day this will be standard practice.

Fairway bunkers had to be mown with sickles and scythes. Mowers to accomplish this had not yet been developed, so it took about three weeks to complete the job. So — you can bet for two weeks these bunkers were real hazards.

During the thirties the picture changed rapidly. Sprinkling systems were being installed on many golf courses, better and more efficient sprinklers were being produced and more up-to-date and larger gangs of mowing units were being used. Tractors with more horsepower and better traction made it easier to maneuver and pull the seven gangs so that fairways could be mown three times a week, making conditions more favorable for the players.

Arsenicals were being used by some. In some cases, where good judgement was used, fair results were obtained. Milarsenite was produced by the Milwaukee Sewage Commission with sometimes not too satisfactory results as it was discontinued after a fair trial.

Research was going on during those years. The golf clubs are indebted to the U.S.G.A. and their Green Section for the fine work they were doing, especially with weeds, as I am sure you will be briefed by the next speaker on this subject. The U.S.G.A. has been very fortunate, since inaugurating the Green Section, in having very outstanding men on research. We can go way back to find such men as Drs. Piper, Oakley and Carrier, followed by Dr. John Montieth, whose ability as a scientist was outstanding and then Fred Grau, who worked untiringly in his efforts to make conditions for better turf.

I have no doubt there are many more important happenings which I have not covered, however, I am sure many of the practices will be interesting to our young

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## DON SWENSON PASSES AWAY

We regret to report the death of Don Swenson who passed away Monday, March 20, 1961. He was formerly the Superintendent of Round Lake Golf Club and more recently the Superintendent of the new Vernon Hills Country Club where we had our November Meeting last fall.

Time brings us a change and leaves us fretting;  
 We weep when every comrade goes -  
 Perhaps too much - perhaps forgetting  
 That over yonder there are those  
 To whom he comes and whom he knows.

We wish to express our deepest sympathy to the immediate family.

men here today, who were not born at that time and many more who were attending school.

## SPREADING IT THIN

Bob Williams reports that about 30 members visited his new maintenance shop before going to our last meeting at the Villa Moderne Motor Hotel. He had refreshments served before, during and after his personally guided tour. Thank You! Bob for being such a fine host.

Dick Hedburg, representative of the International Minerals and Chemicals Corporation reported that about 20 members toured their administrative center and research laboratories before attending last months meeting. Thank You! Dick, for your time and effort.

## COMING EVENTS

The April Meeting will be held at the St. Charles Country Club in St. Charles, Illinois on April 4. This is a Tuesday. Dinner will be served at 6:30 P.M. immediately followed by a two part educational program.

John Ebel tells us that the guest speaker will be Mr. Carl Mosser the owner of Glendale Nursery. His subject is a very timely one - "Woody Type Plants - Their place and care." After the speaker we will have a short presentation on a controversial subject of Liquid Fertilizers vs. Dry Fertilizers. Bob Williams and Frank Dinelli will talk on Liquid fertilizers and Ed Stewart and Warren Bidwell will talk on Dry fertilizers. This should be very interesting.

The May meeting will be held at the Beverly Country Club. Plan to play golf and have a good time.

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