

ROY NELSON Nominee for GCSAA President

# GCSAA 1963 ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS AT SAN DIEGO

The Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents are once again being represented in the National Association by a Nominee for the office of President. In the past we were honored to have such outstanding men from our area as John MacGregor, the 2nd President of our Association, Ray Gerber, President in 1950, Norman C. Johnson who was a long time member of our local and then moved to Florida where he became President in 1954, Bob Williams in 1958 and Ward Cornwell who recently came to our local from the Detroit area. Ward was President in 1956.

All of these men were leaders in their time and they all continue to play an important part in our local organization and in our National organization simply by showing their interest and being available for consultation and guidance. These men layed the ground work that was so important for the rapid growth of our National association in recent years. They gave us a purpose for continuing and growing.

Now we have another such person running for office. He too has a great desire to carry on the fine example of leadership that the men before him have displayed. He certainly is well qualified. Roy Nelson has been a member of the Executive Board of the GCSAA for the past three years serving as a Director and most recently as the Vice President; additional responsibilities have been the chairmanship of the Editorial, Advisory and Educational Committees. He recently was re-elected as the Secretary-Treasurer of our local Association.

At our next monthly meeting which will be held at the River Forest Country Club on Tuesday, January 15th, 1963 we will discuss the merits of the remaining nominees on the slate of Officers and Directors of the National. We should all give this a great deal of thought before the meeting and then come up with some definite instructions for the Delegate to the National Convention. We should attempt to pick out the best men for the

job so the new Board will remain strong and aggressive. Each man selected should be a potential President. In the past we have had some weak men elected and it certainly has shown through the years in the results that were obtained. Fortunately in recent years the Boards have been strong and the Association has grown to become one of the finest Professional organizations in the world.

Bob Williams deserves a great deal of credit for our most recent advances because of his wise selection of Dr. Gene Nutter as our Executive Director. He certainly has done a great deal to strengthen the organization. Dr. Nutter has been responsible for much of our growth. Along with the guidance of the fine Boards during the past four or five years we now have an Association that we can be proud of.

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