

bers of our association. This situation can exist for only two valid reasons. Either the non-member superintendent does not feel the need for associating with our organization or he is reluctant to make an application because he has not been invited. Which is it? We intend to find out. If the former reason is the prevailing one, maybe we, as an organization, should do a bit of self-examination. Does the Midwest Association fulfill the needs of those in the maintenance phase of the golfing world which is growing larger year by year? Have we become so self satisfied with our lot that we no longer feel the need to dig for new ideas? Are we resting on our laurels?

In recognition of the need to make a search for some of these answers and in further recognition of the fact that the Chicago District is much too large an area for any one man to cover, three Board Members have agreed to divide up the huge area and get started on 'Project Membership'. This will be a continuing effort, one in which all classes of membership can participate. We will be counting rather heavily on our Class E Members who get around and 'beat the bushes'. If you know of a non-member superintendent in the Southern area of the Chicago District tell Dudley Smith about it. If in the West or Central area tell Tony Meyer and if in the North or Northwest area, then John Ebel should hear from you. These three Board Members have equal status as Chairman of Membership. Give them the benefit of your information on non-member superintendents in the area.

At the regular meeting in January, May and August, special recognition will be given our new members. They will gather at a special table, properly identified, and will be introduced after the dinner hour by one of the above Chairman who will act as their Host for the evening. If they have talents that can be put to work in association affairs we will know about it before the evening is over.

The function and procedure of the Benevolence Committee will be published MONTHLY in The Bull Sheet. Al Johnson will handle this phase of our work. This will be set up to give proper and timely consideration to our members or the immediate family when sickness or sorrow occur.

Walter Fuchs, as Chairman of the Entertainment Committee, will abide by the membership wishes and will schedule only one dance for next fall. This is one project that needs total support of all our members. And, the nice part about it; you can have loads of fun, a nice meal and an evening of fellowship.

In our Midwest Association at the present time we have about six superintendents out of work. This should be the concern of each and every member.

If you know of a job opening or are in need of a job, get this information into the hands of Bill Stupple and Adolph Bertucci. They will be heading up the Committee on Placement and Consulting.

It is generally understood that, at one time, the Consulting Committee did a timely and excellent service for those members who had need of advice from qualified turf men. Very simply it works like this. If I am having trouble with my 3rd green on the North Course and feel that I have exhausted my ideas on the nature of the problem and believe that a Consultation with some fellow superintendents is desirable, I would call Bill and Adolph to request a

visit from the Consulting Committee. Such a request will only be honored when it comes from the superintendent—no one else. This can, once again, become an important piece of service to our membership. During the term of office of the present Officers and Board of Directors, this Committee will function within the framework of the highest of professional ethics. This is my personal pledge.

The Bull Sheet will remain in the capable hands of our fine Editor, Ted Woehrl. He will continue his double duty as Publicity Chairman and will get timely news items into the leading papers when the occasion presents itself.

May the Year of 1964 bring you Good Health, Good Luck and Good Fortune.

Warren Bidwell, President

THE MOLE

Howard Baerwald started a new green the last day of November. Howard knows that he is taking quite a gamble on the weather but believes that he can get it under sod within something less than two weeks and that it will be playable this spring. C. D. Wagstaff is supervising the design and they sure were working fast. Hope the snow keeps away till everyone gets done.

The unusual weather seems to have tempted everyone to try to do just one more project. Ed Stewart put in a few more valves in the green he was completing, Don Strand of Westmoorland is working on a second new lake and Bert Rost is almost thru with the new one at Butterfield. Walter Fuchs at Glen Eagles put in some 2000 ft. of new waterline and is working against snowfall on several tees, George Dahlman is rejoicing in the splendid stand of grass that will go into the winter on the last new course. It has been quite a summer for George.

Time to remember that the time is fast approaching that this is a great job. Remember how often we told ourselves during heat and humidity of the past summer that "it is a great job in the winter". Many of the bull sessions at the Olympia conference centered on how many gallons of water were used during the past summer, and where did it come from. The amount is amazing.

In the midst of fall work, vacation plans crop up - Walter Hoyt and his wife are to drive a new Ford to Florida for the last half of January and most of February; Al and Susie Johnson of Park Ridge C.C. will take the Daughters home for Christmas in New Orleans; Ed Stewart and family will take off for Florida before Christmas; Marv Grunning and his family want to go but have not quite decided where; Bill Leith of Elgin C.C. and his wife will see the national show for their vacation.

Amos Lapp of St. Andrews C.C. rebuilt and built 18 tees and a putting green this fall. Some of the tees are 150 feet long. He used c15 on the putting green.

The story of the month was the return of Gerald Dearie Jr from his 3 year stay with his family in Mexico. He and all the family talk Spanish as fast as natives. They loved their stay, but were sure glad to get back. When Gerald was asked what he liked best when he did get back he said "a good old U. S. hamburger". The kids were most happy to be in school with English speaking friends. The happiest to have them back was their daddy and

grandfather, Gerald Sr. He missed them all.

Julius Albaugh who is with Don Strand at Westmoorland, is the father of an eight pound 10 ounce boy born late in November. Julius came from Indianapolis, graduated from Purdue in AG, majoring in turf, under Bill Daniels and is now assistant to Don.

The University of Illinois now has professional men, four graduate students plus adequate labor on the turf staff. The enthusiasm of the combined staff promises the University will gain national leadership in turf in the near future. The short course comes 1st week in December.

THE MOLE,



AL JOHNSON
1st Vice-President

NEW POLICY SET FOR BENEVOLENCE COMMITTEE

Because of the difficulty involved in spreading the news of members that are sick or have died the Board has adopted a new policy. In the future all members are requested to call the Chairman of the Benevolence Committee, "Al" Johnson, as soon as they have heard news of one of our members, or of the immediate family of one of our members, being hospitalized or passing away. The telephone number to call is TA 5-3809, TA 3-8682 or TA 3-3101. Al will in turn do what is appropriate for the occasion.

The success of this new program depends on all of us cooperating with Al in this endeavor. This is the only way possible to give all members the same service.

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NEW COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN APPOINTED

During a recent Board Meeting of the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents, held at the Woodridge Country Club, President Warren Bidwell appointed the following men as chairmen of the various Committees:

Education and Research — "Al" Johnson and Tony Meyer

Arrangements — Wm. Stuppel and Adolph Bertucci

Entertainment — Walter Fuchs

Golf — Kenneth Lapp

Membership — John Ebel (North)
Tony Meyer (West)
Dudley Smith (South)

Consulting and Placement — Adolph Bertucci and Wm. Stuppel

Publicity — Ted Woehrle

By-Laws — John Ebel

Benevolence — "Al" Johnson

Attendance — Ted Woehrle, Bill Saielli

ATTENDANCE AT ALL MAGCS FUNCTIONS TO BE TAKEN

A new Committee has been appointed by the Board for this year to note the attendance of all our functions. Ted Woehrle and Bill Saielli have been appointed Co-Chairmen of this Committee and they will be responsible for recording attendance. This is being done to help control the attendance as stated in our policy set last year requiring that a guest make only one appearance per year.

In cases of question a member will be required to show his membership card. Be prepared to show your card upon request. This committee will be stationed at the first tee during golf events and at the entrance to the dining room during dinner.

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