



TOM IVERSON
 Guest Speaker at Calumet

LAST MONTH'S MEETING

The May meeting of the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents was held at the Calumet Country Club on May 11th. Over 30 members enjoyed the beautiful day on the course, and 81 sat down to a delicious chicken dinner. Donald "Jack" Smith was the host Superintendent and Mr. Roth was the Manager. They both did an excellent job of supplying us with excellent facilities and service.

The golf prizes for the Peoria System event were donated by the Calumet Country Club and one of its members, Mr. Kickert, the owner of the carts. All the income from the carts for the day was turned in by Mr. Kickert and the Club, and prizes were purchased. Contributions such as these are always welcomed and deeply appreciated by the Association. Thank You.

Our after dinner speaker on the Educational Program was our good friend Tom Iverson of the Garfield Park Conservatory here in Chicago. Tom gave us an insight into the numerous problems facing him in his work with flower beds and their arrangements throughout the parks. If any of you have ever seen his excellent work you will realize what an outstanding job he does.

We were happy to see some of our friends back with us after their illness. Oscar Borgmeier, John Coghill and Paul E. Burdett were with us once again. Glad to see you all feeling well and looking so good.

POINTERS FROM TALK GIVEN BY TOM IVERSON AT CALUMET COUNTRY CLUB

Flower pots made of Sugar Cane Surplus are better for planting than Peat pots because of better water movement. — A good poison bait for cut worms is made of Paris Green plus Sorghum or Molasses plus Bran.

Some Highlight from the talk at Calumet C. C.

Among some of the outstanding colored slides shown by Tom Iverson last month, were some showing the Bark Beetle responsible for the Dutch Elm Disease. Several shots included the beetle in its burrows with several eggs that were visible. The females lay clusters of five to seven eggs and they hatch progressively over a period of 10 to 14 days. This is why a dormant spray is so effective.

Tom also pointed out that aphids bare living young. These all seem to be females until in September when she also bares some males which will breed with all the females that have preceeded them.

He showed some pictures of the Pine Shoot Moth, Long Horned Beetle and a selection of spiders, pointing out that spiders are our friends and that we should not be afraid of them. Tom also pointed out that the Laced Wing Fly is beneficial because it hatches into Aphid Lions which help to control aphids. He showed a picture of a Caterpillar Killer which was perhaps the ugliest of them all.

Some of Tom's favorite varieties of flowers included: Pink Satan Petunias, St. John's Fire Salvia, White Magic and Popcorn White Petunias. Some good color combinations are Red Geraniums and White Petunias. Don't make the mistake of trying to grow Petunias in the shade. By all means do not over water them either. They like dry conditions.

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