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The President's Message

Weather, the superintendent's dilemma.

A year ago April, by some coincidence, our meeting was again held at Sportsman Country Club and the talk was dry weather, superintendents turning on water with snapped valves, heaved pipe and an extreme need for water. This year, who needs water yet?

This is one of those extreme years when golfers are ready but are we?

I can't help but think that most of us as Superintendents are well off that we don't have rivers running through our course on top of tree damage from ice, late season, exceptionally wet and a need for about a hundred men one of these days. Those with rivers and streams, I hope for better days ahead.

During the past few years, we have been going from one extreme to another, so be prepared with that water system because the last of April and the first of May could be a different story.

The officers and directors sincerely appreciate the fine attendance at our meetings the last couple of years. We seem to be growing in attendance for some time and we appreciate the fine effort of the Arrangement Committee and sincere appreciation to the managers and their staffs where meetings are held for their fine support of our association.

Al Johnson, President

OOPS

In listing the Past Presidents of the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents in last month's issue we inadvertently forgot to list the President of 1936. He happens to be one of our most active members, and we are certainly sorry for this error. None other than Frank Dinelli was president that year. 1936 was a big year for our Association and we certainly are thankful for such members as Frank.

NEXT MEETING

The May meeting will be held at Hickory Hills Country Club on May 4, 1965. Director, Ed Braunsky will be our Host for the day. This will be the first Golf Outing of the season, weather permitting. Dinner will be served in the newly constructed Four Seasons Banquet Room. This is one of the most beautiful dining rooms in the Chicago Area.

Dudley Smith has arranged to have Dr. Jack Butler of the University of Illinois to appear on our Educational Program to discuss weed eradication for fairways.

APRIL MEETING

The April Meeting of the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents was held at the Sportsman Country Club. After a delicious dinner we heard from R. Paul Kohler of the Brookside Laboratories, New Knoxville, Ohio. He presented a program discussion dealing with soil testing and its benefits. One comment that stuck in my mind, "Plant life comes from the soils" — we forget this — most of our budget as far as materials are concerned deal with curing troubles, which are usually related to soils, rather than spending money to prevent troubles through good soil testing. One may even have his topdressing and irrigation water analyzed. These two items can change soil reaction over a period of time.

More Past Presidents Honored

President Al Johnson passed out six more Past President Pins at our April meeting during a short ceremony. Past Presidents honored were Frank Dinelli, 1936; George Roloff, 1954; Ray Davis, 1953; Bill Stupple, 1950-51; Bob Williams, 1956 and Amos Lapp, 1957.

BOWLING CHAMPS

After the Educational program at our last meeting Chairman of the Committee, Ed Braunsky and his assistant Howard Baerwald passed out prizes to the members participating in the Bowling Championship.

There were 23 members participating in the event with the following results:

High Game — Dan Taggart
High Series — Don Theesfield
2nd High Game — George Weidner
2nd High Series — Gary Bayer
3rd High Game — Ron Rosset
3rd High Series — Jim Holmes
4th High Game — Dale Habenicht
4th High Series — Dick Trevarthan
Low Game — Bill Brady
Low Series — John Karley
Most Open Frames — John Ebel
Most Strikes — Bob Winter