

ILLINOIS TURFGRASS FOUNDATION EXECUTIVE SECRETARY DIES

From the Office of Dorothy Carey, Acting Executive Secretary — 349-7766.

Dr. Frederick F. Weinard, 74, passed away suddenly January 1, 1968 at Urbana, Ill. Dr. Weinard held the position of Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the Illinois Turfgrass Foundation since 1963.

Dr. Weinard was born Dec. 2, 1893 at Lincoln, Nebraska. He graduated from the University of Nebraska with a degree in forestry and botany. He received his AM in botany in 1917 at which time he joined the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture as field assistant in the office of forest pathology. He served in the U.S. Army's Medical Dept. during the First World War. He joined the University of Illinois faculty as an assistant in botany and received his PhD in plant physiology and plant pathology and agronomy in 1922. He was associate in floricultural physiology until he was promoted to assistant professor in 1927. He was associate professor and associate chief of the experimental station from 1929 to 1951 at which time he was named professor of floricultural physiology.

His professional affiliations include Gamma Alpha, scientific social fraternity; Gama Sigma Delta; Phi Sigma; Pi Alpha Xis, which he served as a national officer; American Association for Advancement of Science; American Society of Plant Pathologists; American Society for Horticultural Science; Illinois State Academy of Science; American Association of University Professors, and Sigma Xi.

Dr. Weinard was commissioner on the Urbana Park District Board and served as the board president 1954-59 and 1965-66. He was a member of the board of directors of the Illinois Association of Park Districts and served as vice president. He was president of the State Assn. 1961-62. Dr. Weinard had been a member of the Urbana Plan Commission since 1954 and was current president of the Champaign County Camera Club. He was secretary of the Illinois State Florists Assn. since 1950, belonged to the Illinois Sportsmen's Club and was active in the Isaac Walton League, Polliwog Assn. and Audubon Club.

Along with his many accomplishments he was one of the nation's foremost floriculturists and the University of Illinois emeritus in floricultural physiology. Dr. Weinard was the author of eight Illinois agricultural experiment publications and some 200 scientific articles. He served as editor of the Illinois Florists Association Bulletin.

In May 1967, Dr. Weinard was enrolled in the Urbana Exchange Club's Book of Golden Deeds. A member of the club since 1947, Dr. Weinard was honored for his "community service, civic leadership, professional competence, personal integrity and steadfast friendship."

The Illinois Turfgrass Foundation sent a wreath and the President, Robert G. Johnson along with Vice President Ben Warren and Theodore Woehrle attended the Mass and Funeral of a truly great man.

POSITION OPEN

WANTED: GOLF COURSE GREENSKEEPER

Working greenskeeper. New 18 hole course under construction to open summer 1968.

Qualifications: At least 3 years head greenskeeper and supervisory position.

Sent resume and picture to:

Frank Strainis, General Manager

Lake Bluff Park District

P. O. Box 83, Lake Bluff, Illinois 60044



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ILLINOIS TURFGRASS FOUNDATION ELECTION OF OFFICERS

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Mr. Robert G. Johnson of the Illinois Lawn Equipment Inc. in Orland Park was elected President of the Illinois Turfgrass Foundation, Inc. at the December meeting of the Foundation held in Urbana, Illinois. Ben Warren of Warren's Turf Nurseries in Palos Park was elected Vice President.

The Board of Directors are John Coghill, Silver Lake Country Club; Harold Frederickson, Edgewood Valley Country Club; Vernon Verstraete, Kewanee Park District; Leon Short of Leon Short & Sons Inc. in Keokuk, Iowa; Oscar Miles, Olympia Fields Country Club; George Bottoms of DuPage Forest Preserve District and Basil Hurr, Landscape Contractor.

The Illinois Turfgrass Foundation membership is composed of homeowners, parks, cemeteries, golf clubs, sod growers, suppliers, and other individuals or groups interested in the establishment and maintenance of turfgrass.

The purposes of the Illinois Turfgrass Foundation are to encourage research on turfgrasses in Illinois, and to co-operate in the dissemination of knowledge among persons concerned with the establishment and maintenance of turf grass areas.