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AMONG THE AILING GET WELL BOYS!

Walter Kilmer of Ravisloe Country Club spent several days in the hospital as a result of a fall from a ladder. We missed his usually efficient financial report at the Annual Meeting. However, we hope he will soon be able to be around and be counted among those present.

Frank Dinelli was also confined to the hospital early in January undergoing an operation. Frank wondered why it was so hard to get a bed in a hospital since that was one place where people so disliked to spend their time. We all hope to see Frank around real soon.

A MESSAGE FROM THE N.G.S.A. PRESIDENT

Ever since the Stone Age, men have gotten together to exchange ideas, enjoy companionship, and unite for mutual protection.

With this in mind it was only natural for the founders of the N.G.S.A. twenty-five years ago to plan and prepare an annual get-together for their members. There is probably no group in the world who need these get-togethers more than the men in our profession. During the year there are some who lead a very isolated life as far as making contacts with other men in the same profession.

This year's show in Chicago promises to be a huge success. Our sale of exhibit space is greater than in past years. Chicago is considered a convention city, and the area around Chicago is considered to be one of the finest golfing areas in the country. This should register a favorable impression and should focus the attention of golfers throughout the world on our show and its activities.

I hope all of you who are interested in turf and equipment, and the materials that are essential in maintaining good turf will attend this worthwhile meeting. EVERYONE IS WELCOME.

Ray Gerber, President National Greenkeeping Supts. Ass'n.

THE PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Our Association has the privilege and the honor of acting as hosts to the National Greenkeeping Superintendents Association's Equipment Show and Turf Conference at the Sherman Hotel, Chicago, January 29, 30, 31, February 1 and 2, 1951. It is our desire to do everything possible to help make it a great success. This year's Show and Conference should be most valuable to the Greenkeeping Superintendent in these troubled times and as a preparation for the difficulties which we are bound to encounter in the future. Ideas on new and improved machinery and tools and new ideas in education will do much to help us in our advancement and in the uphill battle we have been fighting for so many years—the improvement of the greenkeepers status.

It is most appropriate that the meeting be held in Chicago on this the Silver Anniversary of the N.G.S.A. and also the Silver Anniversary of the Host Association, the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents. It is also appropriate because the National President is a member and past President of the Midwest—Ray Gerber. Ray has been a faithful member of our Association for many years and has done an outstanding job for the National Association and it is our hope that we can help to add further to his honors by getting behind him and making this meeting the best ever. May the two Associations grow and prosper together as they have in the past and go on together to a greater and more glorious future.

Let me cordially invite you to join us at the Sherman Hotel and I assure you that we will do everything in our power to assist you in making your stay in Chicago as enjoyable and profitable as possible.

William H. Stupple, President.