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The sympathy of the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents is extended to Mrs. Stanley A. Arendt and family due to the death of Mr. Stanley Arendt, 252 W. Kenilworth, Palatine, Illinois. Stan was the pro and golf course superintendent at Inverness Country Club for 36 years. He retired nine years ago. Inverness Country Club was his second home. He enjoyed playing golf and visiting with his many friends at the club. He continued in his favorite sport until a short time before passing away on June 21, 1972. Stan contributed much toward the game of golf, not only to the player but also to the maintenance on the golf course.

He will be missed by all of his friends, which there were many.

GROWTH RETARDANTS

By John Jackman

Superintendent at Medinah Country Club

For the past two seasons, I have been using growth retardants to reduce hand trimming on my golf course. I have treated along creek banks and around trees with great success. The materials used were: CF 125 and Maintain 3, National Chemsearch, and Retard (Malic hydracide). All materials have performed satisfactorily when put down at the recommended rate.

When spraying around trees, how do you calculate area?

This is something that needs to be worked out in each case because different persons spray differently.

I put one gallon of material per every 200 gallons of water and operate at 40-60 lb. pressure on the gauge, spraying to run off. With those conditions, I cover approximately one-half acre.

The grass is off color after spray is down for one week or so. If growth is not reduced, rate was light. If rate is too heavy, some turf may be thinned. By using these materials last season in areas sprayed, I mowed once before spraying and once in August. In other words, twice each season. We must remember that last summer was dry. It will be interesting to see how materials perform if we get normal rainfall during the season.

Up to now, I have had control in most areas. Some areas at this date (July 10th, 1972) are going to have to be mowed. I still feel in my case, the materials have been a saving in labor and I have used this in other areas.

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