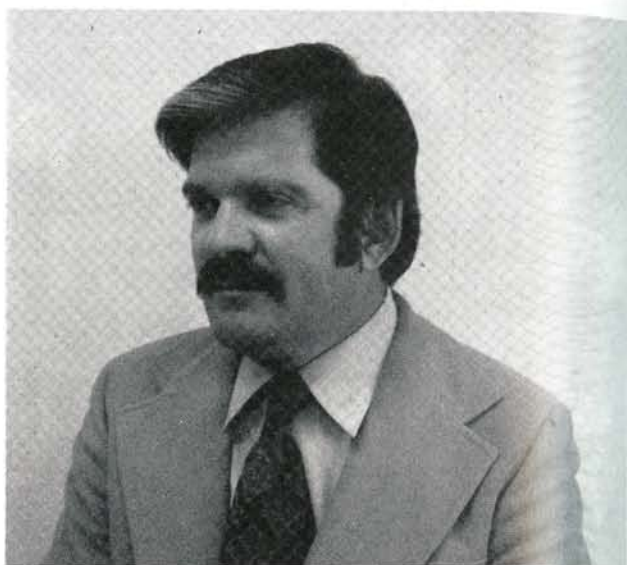


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### *The President's Message*

It's turf clinic time again this November at Medinah Country Club and this educational seminar is always one of the best in the Midwest. Co-Chairman Denis Straus and Roger LaRochelle and their committee have an excellent program lined up for us and we expect another record turnout. This is one educational clinic that is famous for participation by superintendents. Some of the best speakers in our profession had their oratorical beginnings here. Don't miss it.

We take a lot of things in our Midwest Association for granted. One of them is a golf course superintendent offering his course to us for golf, business meetings, education, dinner dance or clinic. Some superintendents, sad to say, never offer their golf course. Why? With this question in mind I would like to thank all the fellows that do offer their clubs to us. And some, like Walter Pieper, Adolph Bertucci, the Meyer family, Dudley Smith, Ed Stewart and a few other kind individuals have given us their courses more than just once in the past years. They are to be commended for their hospitality. Particularly my thanks to John Jackman and his chairman Don Johnson. Each fall John hosts us for the two day Midwest Clinic at his club and the welcome mat is always out. It's an annual effort tremendously appreciated by all of us. The hospitality extended us is genuinely warm and because of this the November turf clinic at Medinah has become a tradition. Our sincere thanks go out to John Jackman and his wonderful green chairman Mr. Don Johnson.

We received a very good response to our September President's message. I was delighted by all the phone calls, personal conversations and letters. The response was overwhelmingly positive. Here are excerpts from some of the letters received.

Miss Carol McCue, Executive Director, Chicago District Golf Association. "I enjoyed your column in the recent "Bull Sheet" on the term "Green-Keeper" — and the dignity and importance of the job. It's so true of all fields that people wish to inflate egos with fancy titles."

Mr. W. M. Bengeyfield, Western Director, United States Golf Association. "Have just finished reading your president's message in the September Bull Sheet. It's a masterpiece. I would like to use it in the November issue of the Green Section Record."

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Mr. Jim Bertoni, Superintendent, Knollwood Country Club. "Thank you, Paul, for writing these feelings for me to read. You have helped me to further my original goal and to stay on a straight line to achieve it. I am certain now that I can be a better 'Greenkeeper', because I have an advantage over 99 percent of the competition. I know where I am going without meaningless tangents."

Mr. Richard W. Malpass, National Director, Golf Course Superintendents of America. "One of the better Chapter publications that I receive is the Bull Sheet. And one of the best, thought provoking, honest, editorials I have read anywhere, in a long time, is the one you wrote for the September issue. May I offer you my sincere congratulations for speaking out as you have."

Mr. Herb Graffis, Golfdom Magazine. "The part of your story beginning, "There is something I must tell you," ... is one of the finest things in golf in years. I am sending it to Vince Pastena, editor of Golfdom."

Mr. Walter R. Boysen, Past President GCSAA. "I am forwarding copies of this letter and your message to the GCSAA Editorial Committee Chairmen with the guarded optimism that your fine article may be included in the future issue of the Superintendent."

— And the letters are still coming in. Thank you for response.

Paul N. Voykin, President

The October 10th meeting held at Briarwood Country Club was one of our better meetings. Golf was played on a beautiful course maintained under the supervision of Superintendent Paul Voykin, Midwest Association president. The fall color of the recently planted trees plus many of the older ones were at their best, making it a magnificent picture. This proves that a good planning program produces results.

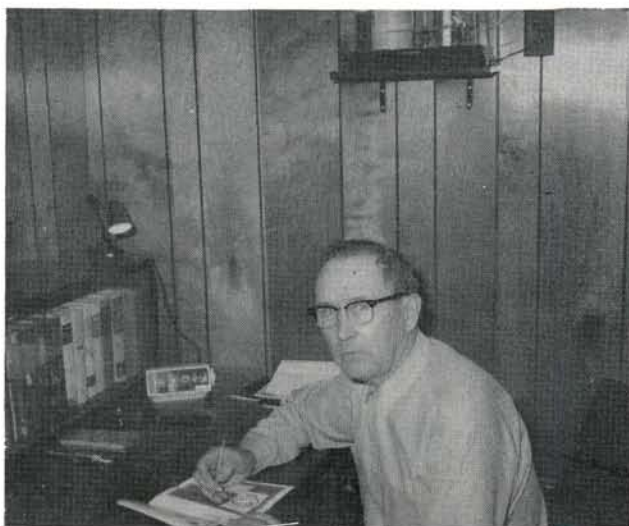
There were 75 members for a wonderful dinner. Fifty-four played golf. The winners were:

Harry Nielsen, Art Clesen, John Kirly, Kieth Fuchs, Denny Straus, Mike Bavier, Dom Grotti, Ben Kronn, Paul Voykin and Jim Bertoni.

There is a product on the market which contains an absolute chemical soup! Ingredients include acetone, methyl acetate, furan, diacetyl, butanol, methylfuran, methylbutanol, isoprene, caffeine, oils, methanol, acetaldehyde, methyl formate, thenol, dimethyl sulfide and propionaldehyde. Instructions call for soaking the stuff in hot water, throwing the remains away, and then drinking the water. If you get nervous palpitations at the prospect, don't drink the coffee. This long list of chemicals is in that cup!

A worse-sounding label lists actomyosin, myogen, nucleoproteins, peptides, amino acids, myoglobin, lipids, linoleic acid, oleic acid, lecithin, sucrose, cholesterol, adenosine, triphosphate (ATP), elastin, collagen, glucose, creatine, pyroglutamic acid, sodium chloride, sodium nitrate, sodium nitrite, and sodium phosphate. Some names are familiar as essential nutrients or as chemicals your own body makes, but isn't it scary? Until you find out that this chemical parade is that old favorite sugar-cured ham! And not a man-made chemical added.

(Adapted from: "Are Chemicals Poisoning Our Food?" by Ronald M. Deutch, **Family Circle Magazine**, 1972.)



Editor

## Editorial

The editor thanks the Midwest Superintendents Association members Peter Bild, Mike Bavier, Joe Dinelli, Ben Kronn, Paul Voykin, Bob Williams, and Bob Wilkins for their cooperation in the survey made by John Ebel on conditions in the summer of 1972 in the North and the Northwest areas of Chicago. When one gives John Ebel a job to do he can be relied on that it will be done. I also want to thank Tom Gilman, Superintendent at Riverside Golf Club, for his report on conditions this past summer on golf courses on the west side areas of Chicago.

It's cooperation such as this that makes the Midwest Superintendents Association one of the best in the country. I am sure if every golf course superintendent in this area would pledge that he is going to contribute more toward the betterment of our association we could have not one of the best associations, but the best. A little effort on the part of each one besides attending meetings, I believe will do it. Let us all give it a try. If it is printable, send it to the Bull Sheet. The editor will make sure it reaches the membership.

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