These two clubs have one thing in common. The greens were not built in a slipshod way. Good workmanship took place at all times. The greens have good drainage; are finished with ten to twelve inches of the best top soil man could make; and were planted with a good strain of grass on a smooth surface. Good planning and construction work done with pride will yield dividends in future years.

If you do not agree with the statements that I have made, letters to the editor are welcome.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



CHLOROSIS - KILLER OF PIN OAKS

Courtesy Nels J. Johnson

A tree or plant with abnormally yellow foliage could be in serious trouble. If the veins remain green while the rest of the leaf is yellow the plant is suffering from chlorosis, generally caused by lack of available iron.

Among plants most sensitive to chlorosis are the various oak species with pin oak the most severely affected. Sugar maple, sweet gum, tulip tree, birch, quince, rhododendron, heather often are also chlorotic.

One of the peculiarities of chlorosis is that one tree may exhibit severe pallor while a neighboring tree of the same species will be normally green.

Treatment of trees, suffering from chlorosis caused by iron deficiency, varies with local conditions. Alka-line soils "tie up" the iron, making it unavailable to the plants. It is commonly known that many trees and plants do best on acid to neutral soils. Correcting chlorosis then becomes a matter of changing the "ph", making the soils more acid. This is done by adding iron sulfate, powdered sulfur, aluminum sulfate and ammonium sulfate. Lately, chelated iron, a complex chemical compound has also been successfully used.

Teacher: "Claude, this is terrible writing. Why can't you write so I can read it?"

Claude: "Sure I can, but then you'd complain about my spelling."



Walter Pieper

The Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents will hold their September meeting at Flossmoor Country Club on September 18. Walter Pieper will be host Superintendent.

Walter has been employed at Flossmoor Country Club for the past forty years. Eighteen of these years as Superintendent. His son has been with him at Flossmoor for fifteen years and is his assistant. This sounds like a good deal for Walter, Dale and also the club.

Flossmoor Country Club is south of Chicago at Flossmoor, Illinois. Check your road map for correct directions.

The sympathy of the Midwest Golf Course Superintendents Association is extended to Mrs. William Brenner and family at the death of Mr. Brenner. Bill was a member of the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents and a golf course superintendent for many years. He will be missed by his many friends.

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