

Editor

## Midwest Breezes

Happy birthday to Amos Lapp on April 1st. After 48 years as a golf course superintendent and twentyeight of those years superintendent at St. Andrews Golf Club, Amos has decided to retire as a golf course superintendent. His love for the outdoors and the greenery found on a golf course does not permit him to devote his entire time to a rocking chair.

There are occasions when one hears of a golf course superintendent becoming a pro or a club manager. This is not the case of Amos Lapp. He will become the Green Chairman for the golf courses operated by Joe Jemsick, which consist of two eighteen holes at St. Andrews Golf Club; one eighteen at Fresh Meadows Golf Club; four eighteen holes at Coghill Country Club; one eighteen holes at Glenwoodie Golf and Country Club. This should keep him out of the rocking chair most of the day.

Amos has two sons that are golf course superintendents: Kenneth, formerly of Fresh Meadows moves to Coghill Country Club; John, formerly of Glenwoodies Golf Club takes the superintendent's position at St. Andrews Golf Club. Robert Hansen, one of Amos' assistants, moves to Fresh Meadows as superintendent; Dan Brown, another assistant of Amos', takes the superintendent's job at Glenwoodie Country Club. This about takes care of the Lapp family transition. Good luck to all of you.

Fred Opperman, superintendent at Glen Oak Country Club, has completed a new $36^{\prime} \times 90^{\prime}$ storage building with five inch reinforced concrete floor and 8 inch reinforced aprons.

The June issue of the Bull Sheet 1973 will be the 26th anniversary of our publication.

The editor would appreciate hearing from you in regards to what you think of your publication. How can it be improved, or do you feel it is O.K. as is? How does the Bull Sheet compare with other superintendents' publications?

The editor knows that a little effort on your part would make it more interesting. Surely there is some happening in your locality that others would like to hear about. How about some words of wisdom for the next issue. Deadline May 10, 1973.

## ATTENTION MIDWEST BREEZES

This is a reply to a previous short story by the editor concerning Tom Byrne, superintendent Addison Golf Club.

The story about the quail hunting involved 4 persons (not just himself) and only 241 birds were bagged. It was not mentioned that these birds were pen raised and had never flown more than 50-75 yards. They were also turned loose in the area before the hunt started.

As for some of Tom's friends who have made several trips to the field they did get some shooting in. They also had a very nice game dinner with what they bagged. Some of Tom's quail were also served at this dinner.

> Just telling the facts,
> Anonymous
P.S. Along with this reply the editor received a box of feathers the friends picked up blowing around their back yards. (Ed. note, Hawk feathers.)

Bill Hargrave, one of our former Chicago area superintendents, who now lives in Georgia, sends his best regards to all his brother superintendent friends.

Frank Dinelli, retired superintendent at Northmoor Country Club, sent me the following, in regards to the birth of the Midwest Golf Course Superintendents Association. The first meeting was held at the Sherman Hotel in Chicago in February, 1926. Officers elected were: John MacGregor, President, Chicago Golf Club; Fred Krueger, Secretary, Olympia Fields Country Club; Alex Bennie, Director, Shore Acres Country Club; Peter Stewart, Director, Knollwood Country Club; Edward Dearie, Director, Oak Park Country Club; Fred Sherwood, Treasurer, Northmoor Country Club.


