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POSITION WANTED: GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT or ASSISTANT. Age: 22, Single, four years experience on an 18 hole course. B.S. degree in turf from Hometown University.

How many of these ads have we all seen over the past years? Have you noticed how many you have seen just in the past year? If you have noticed, there has been a great increase in these "Position Wanted" ads. And all for a good reason. The enrollment of most of the "turf schools" has been up. More and more students have been coming out of these schools with a B.S. degree or with the two year certificate then ever before in our history. It seems too that every "Hometown University" has a curriculum in turf management. It is my opinion that we are getting an over abundance of personnel coming into the turf field WITH NO PLACE TO GO!

It isn't that we don't need or want these college trained students, we just don't need the vast numbers that are being flooded on the job market. We do need people trained in turf, we do need the young people coming from college trained in all the latest in turf research. We do need specialists in our field. But we don't need so many that once they graduate they become disillusioned when they can't find a job and then they go off into another field. That means that research and scholarship money has been wasted. In this day and age with many state grants being cut off to the schools and the little there is to go around makes this into a double waste when the student that the school turns out does not produce.

In the January 1976 issue of "The Golf Course Superintendent" in their "Turf Talk" article it goes on to say: "A random check of the 1968 GCSAA scholarship recipients would indicate that a good percentage do continue in the field. Forty-one scholarships were awarded in 1968. Today, 18 recipients are active in the profession and are members of the GCSAA. Another is a turfgrass researcher. Seven of the 41 recipients were either sons or brothers of superintendents members of the GCSAA". In my opinion 46% is not a good percentage. I think something above 75% would be a good percentage.

In fields outside the turf industry the specialized schools start to cut back enrollment when the job market starts to dry up. I think that it is about time that our own turf schools should give a second look to what is happening once their students leave their campus. Just what is the percentage of students going into the

turf field? How many continue in what they were taught? How many go into unrelated jobs and waste all the research and scholarship money that is so hard to come by.

THE EDITOR SAYS

The 47th G.C.S.A.A. conference and show is in its past history. But our memory will linger on for a long time in the future. The exhibits get more interesting each year possibly because one can find some of our long time friends working in these booths. What more can one wish for, then setting on a chair having a friendly conversation with one of these men. It would be impossible to mention all of them. There are those that I have associated with at different times during my past thirty-eight years of attending and they have always been high quality men, no high pressure, and they probably are responsible for more sales than those that are the opposite. Just to mention a few; men like Bob Miller, Leo Cleary, Stan Frederiksen, Ben Warren, Jim Hoffman, Warren Roseman, Dr. Jim Watson, Russ Reed, Babe Brinkworth, Bob Johnson, Peter Vandercook, Charlie Wilson, Jim Latham, Harold Glissman, and I am sure there are many others. Also a few of my long-time Supt. friends such as Mike Sopko, John Spodnik, Larry Wolf, Sherwood Moore, Dr. Fred Grau, Clarence Wolfrom, Ted Roberts, Chet Mendenhall, Harold Stodola, Elmer Border, Jim Brandt, Charles Baskin and one of our past Bull Sheet editors who has discarded over one hundred lbs. of weight — "Douglas Jabaay".

It is always a pleasure for me to have a chat with personnel of the United States Golf Associations Green Section. It is certainly an honor to have men like Carl Schwartzhopf, Al Radko, W. H. Bangeyfield and James Moncrief attending our conference.

The M.A.G.C.S. members that devoted their time to the hospitality room are to be commended for taking care of the many details. A glass with liquid in it along with something to chew on is relaxing after a long day. We all thank you.

The G.C.S.A.A. turfgrass conference and show draws attendance from many different countries. This editor would like to see the flag of all nations that are being represented displayed during the conference.

The conference in Minneapolis gave this editor the feeling some one was missing. After a short reminiscence, I solved what was bothering me. The Graffis Bros. were not present. This left a vacant spot in the attendance. I hope this does not happen again and that they will be present at the 50th anniversary celebration on Sept. 13, 14, 15 at the Sylvania C.C. in Ohio.

On Sunday, Feb. 29th, during the Golf Tournament at Inverrary C.C., Lauderhill, Florida where Larry Weber is Supt., Chris Schenkel, A.B.C. Sports Commentator, had many kind words of praise for all the knowledge that is required to be a good golf course Supt. He named many of their required duties. It would be wonderful if all the golf course Supts. would send a letter of thanks to Mr. Schenkel. The **Bull Sheet** did just that. It does not happen very often that the golf course Supt. gets world wide praise for his work. Send it to Chris Schenkel, A.B.C. Sports, 1330 Avenue of the Americas, N.Y., N.Y. 10000.

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