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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

My dictionary says that the word NATURE is "a power or set of forces, thought of as controlling the universe; as Mother Nature".

Looking back over my shoulder at this past growing season makes me feel that Mother Nature really put on quite a spectacular show. Starting as far back as the month of April she started with her string of adverse conditions and never let up. It made me truly feel that the complete control of my turf does not always lie solely within the palm of my hand. To be humbled by Mother Nature is when you feel for certain that you have tried everything humanly possible and still she has the final say.

Many wonderful and rewarding occasions have made my year as your President a great one. Thank you to all of you and always remember one thing; no other area in the entire world has a higher number of **truly great** golf courses than right here in your own back yard.

Carl G. Hopphan

