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PRESIDENT' MESSAGE

THE IMPACT OF DOING BUSINESS

This year's activities (dealing with inflation) will have a great impact on all of us during 1982. In the next few months the new Federal Administration (President Reagan) is planning budgetary cuts of 2% from all government agencies. Cutting budgets by 2% does not sound like much, but we are dealing with billions of dollars. What impact can this have on our golf business? With cut backs of these sums of dollars you can believe it that sooner or later the impact of all of this will be felt by all Americans.

To consider solutions to our economic problems is only short term. The Turf industry has to develop the means for which we can continue to have fine groomed golf courses using fewer budget dollars. We must all join together in successfully supporting Turfgrass research locally, statewide, and nationally. Continue to upgrade our preventive maintenance programs for equipment and turfgrass. To manage our budget dollars is going to be of greater essence in staff organization and communications.

The area in which all of our clubs feel the greatest impact from our daily management decisions is the decision to support turfgrass research and development. The next time a statement comes across your desk for \$50.00 from turfgrass research do something positive with it. For as little as it cost us now, ten years down the road could mean thousands of dollars in saving in our budgets only to be spent for more capital expenditures.

Len Berg

NO CARRYING CHARGE

Once there was a superintendent who never joined the MAGCS. All his life he took the benefits won for him by the other members of the society, but he refused to join. Then on his deathbed he told his wife: "Dear, please do something for me. I want six MAGCS members to be my pallbearers."

"But you never belonged to the MAGCS" his wife said. "Why do you want MAGCS members to be your pallbearers?"

"Honey" he replied, "they've carried me this far ... they might as well carry me the rest of the way."

Charles E. [Scotty] Stewart