



## MIDWEST BREEZES

The late **Col. Sanders**, the Kentucky Fried Chicken man, made a statement some time ago that went like this: "Keeping busy is good for a person. One will rust away sooner by being idle rather than wearing out by being active".

If this is true and should it pertain to being active in the M.A.G.C.S. publication **The Bull Sheet**, there are many that are rusting away by this time. Many of the members of this association have never contributed toward this publication. The editor is asking for articles, either personal news or on the educational side. Who wants to rust away?

**Dan Murray**, assistant Superintendent at Glen Oak C.C., has resigned and taken the #1 Superintendent position at Kishwaukee C.C., DeKalb, Ill. A nice way to start a new year!

**Ed Fischer**, former Superintendent at Oak Brook C.C., has taken the Supt's position at Old Elm Club at Ft. Sheridan, Ill. **Al Bertucci**, Supt. at Old Elm for many years, has decided to hang up his spurs.

**Adolph Bertucci**, Superintendent at Lake Shore C.C., has spread the word that his father is ninety-nine years of age and his uncle **Elmer**, former Supt. at Old Elm Club is ninety-five. Both of the brothers are still active in doing many things around the home. This proves, keep busy. Don't let yourself rust away!

One of our regular attending members, **Vaclay Zolman**, has been in the hospital for surgery. Reports are he is back home and doing fine. This is sure good news and we all hope to see him at our M.A.G.C.S. monthly meetings again.

Our M.A.G.C.S. Jan. 5 meeting held at Arrowhead G.C. was a very interesting meeting. Fifty-seven attended and enjoyed an excellent lunch. We all thank our host, **Bob Breen**, who leaves nothing undone.

Our March 9th meeting will be held at Nordic Hills C.C. **Dave Meyer** will be our host. This should be a very interesting meeting. The speaker will bring you up to date on taxes. As you know, it is income tax time. Nordic has many facilities for your enjoyment. Come early and enjoy them. Nordic is near Itasca, just off old route 53.

M.A.G.C.S. March meeting has been changed from March 2nd to March 9 at Nordic Hills C.C. **Dave Meyer** reports there is available for your enjoyment after 1 p.m. bowling, swimming and racquet ball. Come and enjoy yourself.

Dear Ray;

It's not unusual at this time of year, to find the blahs and anxiety joining hands, to antagonize us into the dilemma some call Spring Fever.

### "WINTER ANXIETY"

The Holidays have spent themselves,  
Winter's in full view.  
Evergreens peer through the ice and snow,  
To flaunt their green and blue.  
All of Nature swells with desire,  
To bloom and do their thing.  
But patiently must endure,  
Winter's yearly fling.  
Superintendents with the blahs to quell,  
Lose them on vacation.  
Others attend conferences,  
And further their education.  
Reluctantly we listen to,  
The tune that Winter sings.  
Waiting for Nature to open the garden gate,  
We all know as Spring.  
Hang in There!

Superintendently,  
**Kenneth R. Zanzig**  
Green Garden C.C.

## USGA'S NEW TURF BOOK SCHEDULED FOR '81 RELEASE

The current state of the art and science of turfgrass culture will be the subject of an upcoming book entitled **Turf Management for Golf Courses**, by Dr. James B. Beard, professor of turfgrass science at Texas A&M University.

Prepared under the sponsorship of the United States Golf Association, it is a comprehensive reference and "how to" book on the culture and management of turf for golf courses. It emphasizes the application of basic turfgrass principles to golf course turfgrass culture.

The subject has been organized into 12 chapters: The Golf Course, Building a Golf Course, The Putting Green, The Tee, The Fairway, The Rough, The Bunker, Equipment, Irrigation System, Pests and Stresses, Management, and Associated Aspects. Hundreds of photographs and illustrations are included.

The appendix includes vegetative and seed identification of turfgrasses, species and cultivar characterization, fertilizer characteristics and conversions, and drainage design specifications.

The USGA has sponsored two other turf-related books: **Turf for Golf Courses**, by Charles V. Piper and Russell A. Oakley, in 1917, and **Turf Management**, by H. Burton Musser, first published in 1950 and revised in 1962. Both books had a tremendous impact on turf management when they were published.

**Turf Management for Golf Courses** is not a revision of the earlier books. It will be available early in 1981 from the Burgess Publishing Company, 7108 Ohms, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55435, and the USGA, Golf House, Far Hills, New Jersey 07931.

## WHISKY

While Charles E. (Scotty) Stewart was on a trip to Scotland recently he was given the following advice by a native and which he passes on to the readers of the **Bull Sheet**.

"If a body could find oot the exac' proper proportion that ought be drunk every day, and keep to that, I verily believe that he would live for ever, without dying, and doctors and cemeteries would go oot o' business."