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Illinois Turfgrass Field Day and Open House

The 1970 Illinois Turfgrass Field Day and open house will be held September 11th, 1970, commencing at 10:00 o'clock. The meeting will be at the turf plots on Lincoln Avenue (one mile south of Florida Avenue) in Urbana.

Lunch will be on your own.

The meeting will get underway with a discussion of the turf problems that occurred in 1970. Specialists in turf management, plant pathology, entomology, weed control, etc. will lead the discussion and answer your specific questions.

Specialists will conduct a tour of the turf plots giving a short summary of the work being conducted at each stop. The specialists will remain at the different plots to visit with those with special interest in his work.

Be sure to come and bring along your fellow turf workers so that we can make this the biggest and best field day yet.

Dorothy H. Carey, Exec. Secy. Illinois Turfgrass Foundation



The President's Message

The following, from "Changing Times Magazine", is interesting. The article is "What People Want From Their Jobs." Listed below are the twelve top motivators, identified in various studies, in the order of importance workers gave them.

- 1. Security
- 2. Interesting Work
- 3. Opportunity for Advancement
- 4. Recognition
- 5. Working Conditions
- 6. Wages
- 7. Supervision
- 8. Social Aspects of the Job
- 9. Opportunity to learn or use ideas
- 10. Hours
- 11. Ease of Job
- 12. Fringe Benefits

You notice that wages are half way down the list and fringe benefits were last. I wonder if any golf course laborers were interviewed? I think that wages create security, interesting work, etc. for the average working man. It is up to the Superintendent to form his own crew to the best of his knowledge. We are the ones who have to install security, interesting work, opportunity for advancement, etc., for our own employees. Well, I felt that this was a good guidline for us to go by in forming good employer-employee relationships.

Many thanks to Willard Berlou at Highland Park Golf Club for the use of his fine golf course and facilities for our June Meeting.

> Sincerely, Dick Treverthan



Editorial

THOUGHTS

On June 15 I attended the Michiana Superintendents Association at Silver Lake. The program headlined Paul Voykin and Ted Wohrle discussing the pros and cons of certification. It seems to my confused mind that there is much to talk about here. The education which is supposed to accompany the program is on the plus side but when there is talk of this (aid) being mandatory, it begins to turn me off. Are we talking about bargaining power or an upgrading of the profession. Are we taking into account the position of the club board of directors who hire us? If they are considering some experienced superintendent who has a good reputation do they really give a damn if he is certified? I wouldn't.

While at the meeting, I discussed the Bull Sheet with two members of the Midwest Association. In effect, they said that the newsletter should be in a lighter vien and not concern itself too much with technical or environmental problems confronting us. They suggest general B.S. and gossip. Maybe they have a good idea. I'm not sure just who reads the enclosed information anyway. The May issue included a subscription renewal card and stated in bold (check it) print that Midwest Association members need not reply because their subscription was automatic. So far I have received about 50 cards from members.

In this issue, I am trying samething new. It is an honest contest and I won't even charge for the plane ride. If anyone has any thoughts or comments or ideas, good or bad, I would be glad to receive them. It will make me feel needed.

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- 4. No cheating!

- 5. First lucky guess wins.
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Hint: All shots were taken from the west.

Now for a warm up. The four pictures below are trials. Answers are on the next page.



This treeless wonder is straight west of the loop.
 Notice the pond in the center.



Long and narrow. A waterman's dream. Notice how open the country is when you get this far southwest.



3. Near a tri-state oasis, need I say more.



This is only part of it. The traps are a give-away.
 If they aren't, the size should be.

THE REAL THING

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Insect Pests of Oaks

by Stanley Rachesky Entomologist, University of Illinois

We live in an area of the country where Oak trees grow tall and are an important part of our landscape. However, insects also must live and the oak tree affords the insect a place to feed. Following is discussed some of the insect problems your oak trees may be battling this summer.

Borers will weaken oak trees as they will other species of trees. Helping a borer attack are conditions of transplanting shock, dry weather, poor environment, etc. The carpenter worm and the flat-headed apple tree borer are frequent visitors in the wood of this tree. Last year, before restrictions were imposed on DDT, recommending a chemical for borer control was simple. This year I could only guess at using possibly Cygon (dimethoate) in early May for the flat-headed apple borer and in June for the carpenter worm.

Oak kermes is of special importance on bur oak but is occasionally found on other species. This insect is closely related to scale problems. It overwinters on the bark of twigs but quickly migrates to a growing new shoot. They distort and kill new growth. For control before the buds swell to kill the adults apply an oil spray while the plant is dormant; to kill the crawlers apply malathion about the first weeks of July.

Leaf miners can be the larvae of small beetles, twig moths, flies or sawflies. They feed between the upper and lower surfaces of the leaves of oaks and a great variety of other shade trees where they produce blisters and blotches on the leaves. For control use either malathion or diazinon. The foliage should be sprayed thoroughly when miners are first appearing. This treatment should be repeated in 10-12 days.

Galls always seem to cause alarm to people concerned for the welfare of trees. The galls appear in many shapes and sizes and are no cause for alarm. The gouty oak gall, the wool-sower gall and the oak apple gall are the most prevalent seen. Damage to oaks by galls is rarely serious enough to even consider spraying. Galls provide insect protection and you must know the life cycle of the perticular species of gall to gain control. Sprays are applied when the insects or mites that cause the gall are in crawling stage and left unprotected on the trees. Either diazinon or malathion would then be applied.

Check your area for exact timing of sprays. From north to south Illinois timing must differ by 3-4 weeks.

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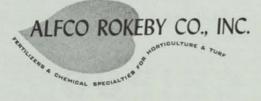


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