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### *The President's Message*

The trouble with having a conscientious editor is that when he asks you to meet a deadline, he expects you to make it with no excuses. . . So here I am at the JOLLY ROGER Hotel in Sunny Fort Lauderdale trying to do just that for Ray Gerber, while brother Peter is playing golf and my old traveling companion of many years, Dudley Smith, is demonstrating "Jack-knife" dives off the high board to a blond from Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Since I always water to be a Travel Reporter, I am going to write banalities about our trip. We started from Chicago and traveled about ten miles before encountering about the worst traffic jam-up that Sergeant Ed Peterson of the helicopter weather patrol has even experienced . . . a ten car smash-up at the Indiana border. After waiting two hours for the police to clear up the jam, we proceeded through dangerous rain and sleet to Nashville. In Nashville we immediately commenced to conduct a fact finding investigation of the famous Printers Ally night life and ended the night by hearing the beautiful Serendipity Singers at Roger Miller's, King of the Road Hotel, before retiring.

We left the rain in Nashville and went through some very beautiful country with nothing eventful happening except a frequent craving for Dr. Pepper and southern fried chicken every hundred miles or so. In Tifton, Georgia, we had to leave the super highway to make direction for Tallahassee, Florida. It was while driving through a little deep south town of Moultrie, Georgia, that we saw a sight that delighted our eyes. Happy and smiling, black and white children were coming home from school except noticeably there was one significant difference from previous years. They were all coming home from the **same school.**

In Tallahassee we called superintendent Bill Schoenfield who gave us a warm welcome and gladly arranged an early morning game for us at his beautiful Killearn Golf Club. After an unsteady 18 holes and losing about a dozen golf balls, we arrived in Sarasota late that night, crawling snail-like through the restaurant franchise architecture of Tampa and St. Petersburg with our car. In Sarasota, the weather was gorgeous, and we spent two fun-filled days helping my youngest brother Rodney and his beauti-

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ful bride spend their honeymoon. It's great having friends who are in charge of Holiday Inns and nice members who own fishing boats. We went fishing, dining, golfing, and if you ever get to Sarasota, there's a great place for afternoon Schnapps on the harbor called Marina Jack's.

We drove a route to Fort Lauderdale that took us through fields of sugar cane and heavy orange groves. We were almost tempted to stop a couple of times and pick some oranges, but a friend of mine once tried that and got hit with buck shot by an angry farmer who was guarding his fruit groves from tourists.

The JOLLY ROGER Hotel is a nice managed hotel that has an inviting charm about it that other newer and more expensive hotels will never acquire. This is my fifth time here (second for Peter and Dudley). The weather is gorgeous and we swim and golf almost every day. Even with that exercise we are rapidly putting on weight because of the many excellent restaurants in Fort Lauderdale area. We have been to Dania at night to watch Jai-alai, and saw some great horses run at Gulfstream last Saturday. Man, what a life. I'll never complain about growing grass again — at least not until summer.

Wish you were here...

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Editor

## LOCAL HAPPENINGS

The Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents March meeting will be held at the Pheasant Run Country Club on March 15.

Amos Lapp, golf course superintendent at the St. Andrews Golf Club for the past 26 years and has a total of 47 years as a golf course superintendent was presented a quarter century G.C.S.A.A. pin at the January meeting of the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents by Ray Gerber. Forty-seven years as a golf course superintendent is one to be proud of and we congratulate him.

Rodney Voykin, the youngest brother of the Voykin's, was married on January 22, 1972. He also has been appointed golf course superintendent effective February 15 by the Deerfield Park District. Congratulations Rodny.

The Midwest Regional TurfConference will be held at the Memorial Center, Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana on March 6, 7 and 8. See program for full details.

The Flower Show will be held at McCormick Place in Chicago on March 18-26, 1972. This is a show worth seeing. You should not miss it.

The Chicago District Golf Association will hold their annual green seminar at River Forest Golf Club on Friday, April 28, 1972. The topic will be Ecology. The final program will be mailed to you at a later date.

Ed Stewart and wife from River Forest C. C. has returned home after vacationing in Florida.

Don Gerber from Chicago C. C. and wife Lynn have also returned home from a trip to Florida and Durham, N. C., where he visited his brother, Gerald and family.

Another traveler, Ted Sokolis and family from the Village Links G. C. traveled to Denver, Colorado. Ted checked the skiing hills where the 1976 Olympics are to be held.

Bill Saielli, Superintendent at Indian Hills C. C. is vacationing in Florida. Hurry home.

Roy Nelson checked out early from the conference in Cincinnati due to a mishap by his wife. Hope it is not too serious.



A couple of our boys from the Midwest Association, Frank Jemsick and Jim Bertoni won a book given away by Milorganite Co. Education is always on the move.

Jim Burdett has a new hair do. HE CHANGED BARBERS.

Walter Fuchs Jr. won a 19 inch color T.V. in Cincinnati. I am sure the family will get a lot of enjoyment from it. Congratulation.

This is the time of the year to make a list of the various type of flowers you are planning on planting this coming year. You should get your order in early. Contact your Florist, so that he has ample time to grow the plants that you will be happy with. When making your selection of flowers, be sure to order the highbred all American variety. The cost is probably the same and you will be much happier with the results.

The Cincinnati Golf Course Superintendents Association can feel very proud. They sure did a marvelous job in regards to the G.C.S.A.A. conference in Cincinnati. The party on Monday night was outstanding. I sure don't know how they did it for the small charge. It proves that where there is a will, there is a way.

The father and son luncheon, sponsored yearly by Golfdom is a fine affair. I am sure I can speak for every one who attended and say we always appreciate it.

The new G. C. S. A. A. officers for 1972 are Robert Mitchell, Pres., Cliff Wagner, Vice Pres., Palmer Maples, Director, Carlton Gipson, Director, Theodore Woehrl, Director.

The total attendance at Cincinnati was 4,053, an all time record.

National Golf Foundation reports there will be 425 new golf courses built in the United States in 1972.



Henry Lange

### HENRY LANGE RETIRES

Henry Lange has retired as superintendent of the Glen View Club after fifty years of faithful service. You will note by the picture that Henry can still smile after all of these years because he is proud and confident that his performance, for the Glen View Club, has been outstanding.

Mr. Lange has been more than the Golf Course Superintendent at the Glen View Club, during these past fifty years. He was also responsible for the maintenance operation of many other departments within the club.

Henry has been a member of the Midwest Golf Course Superintendents Association for many years. He was a director in 1950 and served on various committees during these years.

I have known Henry for approximately thirty-seven years during this time I have always felt that it was my privilege and honor to have associated with a man who is a true gentleman with high professional standards. I hope our friendship will continue for many more years. I am sure that the members of the Glen View Club will agree with me, and they will welcome Henry as part of their club for many years in the future.

Ray Gerber  
Editor

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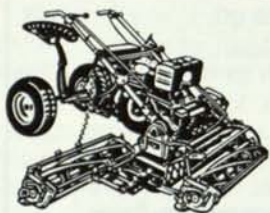
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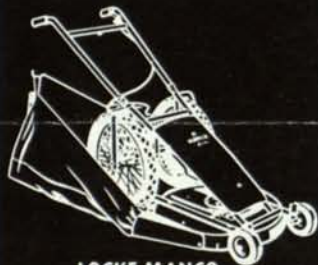
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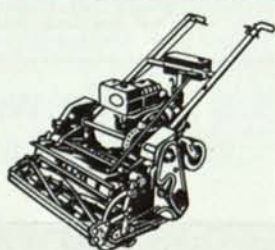
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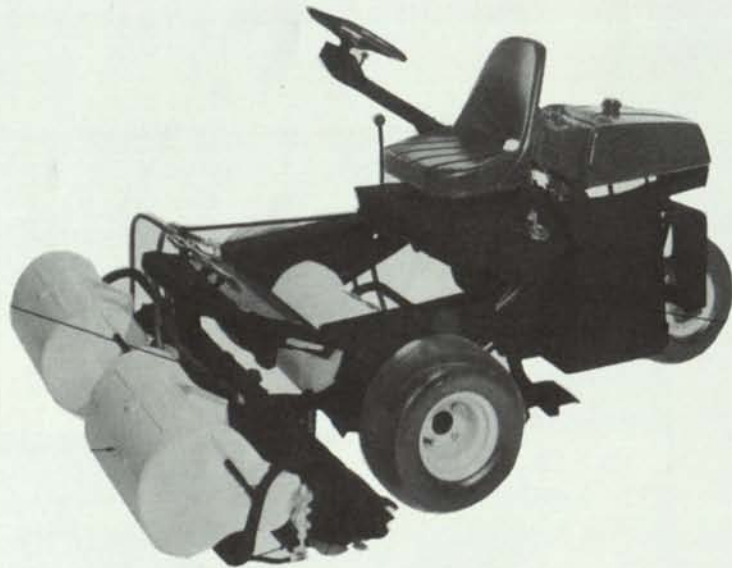
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Sokolis has a theatre background and has been involved in set construction, stage management, lights and sound. He has performed in many of the Guild's monthly meetings and was chosen for the role of the producer in "The Lottery," and constable in Tom Jones, and is presently playing the part of Albert Arbuckle in the Guild's traveling road show, "The Income Tax."

He is the superintendent of the Village Links and resides in Glen Ellyn with his wife, Rochelle, and two sons.

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Henry Lange to retire as superintendent of Glen View Club after 50 years of service.

Bruce Sering, formerly of the Evanston Golf Club, accepts position of superintendent at Glen View Club. William C. Douglas III hired as superintendent at Evanston Golf Club.

Ray Gerber called me last week and asked if I would write a few paragraphs for the Bull Sheet on the above changes and how it felt to move from Evanston to Glen View Club.

Henry Lange will be employed by the Glen View Club 50 years, as of July 5, 1972. I have been working with Henry for the past several weeks learning his operation as superintendent and have learned quite a few valuable ideas from his many years of experience.

Many of us younger superintendents do not know Henry Lange since he more or less stopped coming to Mid-West meetings because of the long illness of his wife. It has obviously been a great loss to the association not to have Henry's expertise and common sense at our meetings. What can I say without becoming maudlin. It's a real education being able to work with Henry and very enjoyable. If any of you younger superintendents get the chance to better yourselves by going to a different club and are able to work with a man with Henry Lange's experience, I advise you to do it.

By the way, the answer to Ray's question on how it feels to make the move from one club to another — It feels great and I hope I can be here as long as Henry Lange has worked at Glen View.

William C. Douglas II is the new superintendent at Evanston Golf Club and had been my assistant while I was superintendent. He is a graduate of Penn State, is 24 years of age and worked a total of 12 years at Evanston.

## Isn't It Funny!

**Isn't It Funny** — when the other fellow takes a long time to do something, he's slow. But when I take a long time to do something, I'm thorough.

When the other fellow doesn't do it, he's too lazy. But when I don't do it, I'm too busy.

When the other fellow goes ahead and does something without being told, he's overstepping his bounds. But when I do something without being told, that's initiative!

When the other fellow states his side of a question strongly, he's bull-headed. But when I state a side of a question strongly, I'm being firm.

When the other fellow overlooks a few of the rules of etiquette, he's rude. But when I skip a few of the rules, I'm being original.

When the other fellow does something that pleases the boss, he's polishing the brass. But when I do something that pleases the boss, that's cooperation.

When the other fellow gets ahead, he sure had the lucky breaks, but when I manage to get ahead, man! It was hard work that did it!

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