

NATIONAL GSA GOLF TOURNAMENT AT AKRON THIS FALL.

Golf Course superintendents from all sections of the country will get together this coming October 3rd & 4th at the Firestone Golf Club, Akron, Ohio, to participate in the Annual NGSA Golf Tournament. Mal McLaren and Bill Lyons are co-chairmen of this event, and in view of their past record it should be an interesting arranged tournament. Bill Lyons expects 50 delegates from the midwest area, write to Bill at 1843 Glen - mount Avenue, Akron 1, Ohio for further information concerning reservations.

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2ND ANNUAL MIDWEST PICNIC TO BE HELD IN KANKAKEE.

On August 8th the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents will hold its 2nd Annual Family Picnic at Kankakee Valley Golf Club, Kankakee, Illinois. It will be a basket type picnic. There will be games and prizes. Events will start at 3:00 P.M. If you care to fish a little during the picnic, bring along your tackle as the river is close by. Herman Woehrle invites each member and family to come for a most enjoyable time. Getting away from some of your hot weather troubles for a few hours will help brighten up the forthcoming days of the golf season.

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The Question Box

- Q. Would you like to know what results some of the boys have had with liquid fertilizer?
- A. For the past three years, I have used Liqua Vita fertilizer on my greens during the mid-summer period with satisfactory results. The rate of application has been one (1) gallon of Liqua Vita per six thousand (6000) square feet. Don Strand
- Q. What would you suggest concerning the watering of greens during this humid weather? Would you advise greens to be on the wet or dry side?
- A. Definitely on the dry side.
- Q. Has anyone tried to control crabgrass, and if so, with what success?
- A. Some satisfactory control has been reported by the use of lead arsenate at the proper time of the year.
- Q. What is the best method of maintaining poa annua in putting greens during the mid-summer period.
- A. From general experience, light topdressing of well prepared soil mixtures has given good results in preventing poa annua from thinning out during the summer.
- Q. Is poa annua affected by the use of lead arsenate at any time of the year?

A. It will discourage poa annua but equally important is the high humidity and temperature.

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DID YOU KNOW THAT - -

Dr. Fred V. Grau, USGA Greens Section will visit a number of Chicago district clubs early in August..

Mel Johnson is now consulting grounds superintendent at the Woodridge Golf Club, Lisle, Illinois..

Oak Park Country Club has constructed a putting clock for its caddies..

Fred Ingwerson is making a speedy recovery from a recent operation..

Superintendents in the Chicago area are in hopes that the breezes will come from the north real soon..

The Martins will be heading southward about August 10th.

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INTERESTING PUBLICATIONS TO READ

OAK WILT
by S. M. Dietz and Ray A. Young
Iowa Agr. Exp. Station
Bul. P. 91, 1942

ACCIDENTAL POISONING OF AMERICAN ELMS BY ARSENICAL HERBICIDE

by Horace V. Webster National Capital Parks Parks & Recreation 31: May, 254-259, 1948

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ELM DISEASE BULLETIN

The Identification and Control of Elm Phloem Necrosis and Dutch Elm Disease, by R. M. Swingle, Senior Pathologist, Division of Forest Pathology, U.S.D.A.; and R. R. Whitten, Senior Entomologist, Division of Forest Insect Investigations, U.S.D.A.; and H. C. Young, Ohio Agri-cultural Experiment Station. Special Circular No. 80, Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station, Wooster, Ohio. (This 11 page circular gives the distribution of elm phloem necrosis and Dutch elm disease, elm species affected, identification of the two diseases, insect carriers, and makes specific recommendations for their control. The circular may be obtained by writing the Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station.)

FOREST PATHOLOGY
by G. S. Boyce
Yale University
2nd Edition.
McGraw - Hill Book Co.
New York 18, N. Y.

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CHEMISTRY AND USES OF INSECTICIDES

By E. R. DeOng, Consulting Entomologist and Agricultural Technologist. Reinhold Publishing Corp. New York 18, N. Y.

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF TWO UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN CENTENNIAL SYMPOSIA

1. MINERAL NUTRITION OF PLANTS. . . . September 1, 2, 3, 1949

II PLANT GROWTH SUBSTANCES. September 5, 6, 7, 1949

The symposia will consist of invitational papers and discussions which will review and integrate present knowledge dealing with both the scientific and practical aspects in the respective fields

Room and board will be available to participants and guests for \$5.00 per person per day for the period August 31 to September 8, 1949.

For information about accommodations, and reservations, please write to R. F. Lee, Division of Residence Halls, Slichter Hall, University of Wisconsin, Madison 6, Wisconsin.

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NEW MEMBERS

Arthur Lee Old Orchard Golf Club Mt. Prospect, Illinois

Thomas F. Strobel 2300 S. 2nd Avenue North Riverside, Illinois

Frank Wedel 133 Stolting Road Park Ridge, Illinois

Robert W. Wander 814 Warren Avenue Downers Grove, Illinois

F. C. Docter
McHenry Country Club
McHenry, Illinois

A. Wyman
Danville Country Club
Danville, Illinois

Thomas Fletcher Rochelle Country Club Rochelle, Illinois

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CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

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August 8th - Midwest Association Annual Picnic Kankakee Valley Golf Club Kankakee, Illinois

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August 22-26 25th National Shade Tree Conference - Lord Biltmore Hotel Baltimore, Maryland

September 1-7 University of Wisconsin Centennial Symposia Madison, Wisconsin

September 9 Executive Committee Meeting - Midwest Association
of Golf Course Superintendents - Beverly Country
Club, Chicago, Illinois

September 12 Midwest Association Meeting McHenry Country Club McHenry, Illinois

September 13 Woodhill Golf Tournament Minnesota Greenkeeper's Assn. - Wayzata, Minnesota

October 3-4 National GSA Tournament Firestone Golf Club Akron, Ohio

October 11 Annual Midwest Tournament Idlewild Country Club Flossmoor, Illinois

October 24-28 American Society of Agronomy - 1949 Annual Meeting Milwaukee, Wisconsin

November 7 (tentative)

Midwest Association Meeting - Armour & Company
Chicago Heights, Illinois

December Annual Midwest Dinner & Dance Party

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Association of Official Agricultural Chemists (of North America).

Analytical chemists connected with the U. S. Department of Agriculture, or with any State, provincial or national agricultural experiment station or agricultural college, or with any State, provincial or national institution or body in North America charged with official control of fertilizers, soils, cattle feeds, dairy products, human foods, medicinal plants, drugs, and other materials connected with agricultural industry, shall be eligible ex officio to active membership. Analytical chemists connected with municipal laboratories charged with control of any of the materials named above shall be eligible ex officio to associate membership.

The objects of the association shall be:

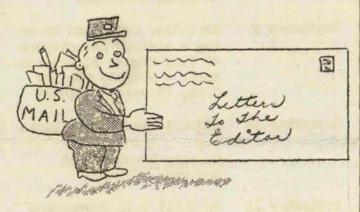
(1) To secure uniformity and accuracy in the methods, results and models of statement of analysis of the materials mentioned.

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(2) To afford opportunity for the discussion of matters of interest to agricultural chemists.

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July 19, 1949

Hello Norm:

Trying to catch up with some of our back must do's. Yes, I'm interested in reading the B. S. I think its a wonderful publication and you boys in the Chicago District deserve a big hand.

How's the weather around there? We did all right until the latter part of June then ten days with the temp. 90 degrees or better really fixed us. The poa just walked off. A little hard to take because it's one month early, giving us one more month to look at dead poa.

One thing nice, we know it will be back.

Bye now,

Colin Smith Shaker Heights Country Club Cleveland, Ohio

July 9, 1949

Dear Sir:

Received my "Bull Sheet" yesterday, and noticed the honor roll sheet for the "National" but only saw my name once for Thursday. Give credit where credit belongs. I spent two full days at Medinah. On thursday, I wan on the lith green, and on Friday, I was on the 12th green from early morning till 7:30 in the evening of each day.

Yours truly,

Jay See ?

Editor's Note:

Was my face red when you informed me of the mistaken identity. I really did not intend to leave you off the Friday shift, Jay See. Will you let me off easy this time, and I will not let it happen again. I certainly appreciated your cooperation, which was A-Plus.

TALKING SHOP

THE NAIL HAMMER

The nail hammer, often called a claw hammer, is used for driving and drawing or pulling nails. When using it to hammer, grasp the handle firmly and near the end. According to the force of the blow to be struck, force is applied through the wrist, elbow or shoulder. A light force is delivered by wrist action. A combination of wrist and elbow is used for more force, and wrist, elbow and shoulder action are used for a blow of maximum force.

To drive a nail, hold it between the thumb and forefinger, rest the hammer on the head of the nail, then draw the hammer back and give the nail a light tap to start it. Resting the hammer on the nail before drawing it back increases the accuracy of your aim.

To use the hammer to pull or draw a nail, the head of the nail must be exposed. Slip the claw of the hammer under the nail head and pull until the hammer is almost vertical or straight up.

Then to relieve unnecessary strain on the handle and to increase leverage and make it easier to completely draw the nail, use a block of wood under the head of the hammer.

RIPPING BAR

The wrecking bar, sometimes referred to as a ripping bar is a useful tool for uncrating and other prying jobs. The tip of the hook or goose neck end is shaped like the claw of a hammer and can be used to pull nails, the hook serving as the fulcrum of the lever. To enter the claw under a board on a box and thus get a purchase to pry the board loose the back of the hook can be struck with a hammer.

Note: - TOOLS NEED CARE. NO MATTER WHAT KIND OF TOOL IT IS, IT SHOULD BE KEPT IN SHAPE.

Keep your hands and tools wiped clean while you are using them. Be sure your tools are clean before you put them away. Store them in such a manner that they will not suffer harm while they are not in use. Such a procedure will pay dividends whether applied to a complete set of expensive tools or to a dime store screwdriver.

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