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ED STEWART

THE NOVEMBER MEETING
MOHAWK COUNTRY CLUB
Bensenville, Illinois
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7
AL HINTZ, OUR HOST
GOLF IN AFTERNOON
DINNER 6:30 P. M.
BUSINESS MEETING
NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT
EDUCATIONAL MEETING
MR. GAGER T. VAUGHAN, Guest Speaker
QUESTION BOX

MR. VAUGHAN WILL SHOW THE SOUND MOVING
PICTURE ENTITLED "THE STORY OF MERION
BLUE GRASS". THIS SHOULD BE A VERY IN-
TERESTING MEETING. BETTER NOT MISS IT.

ALSO, BE SURE NOT TO MISS OUR DINNER DANCE
AT RIVER FOREST, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5.

ANNUAL FALL DINNER DANCE, RIVER FOREST COUNTRY CLUB, NOVEMBER 5

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OUR FALL TOURNAMENT AND OCTOBER MEETING

We met at John Coutre's Itasca Country Club on October 3 for our Annual Fall Tournament and regular meeting. It was a beautiful day and 58 golfers turned out to play for the beautiful and numerous prizes provided for us by our Golf Committee. In addition to our regular prizes, prizes were also donated by Frandsen Brothers, Kahn Brothers, Illinois Lawn Equipment, Paul Burdette and Allied Industrial Coatings. Refreshments on the course were by Geo. A. Davis, Inc. We want to thank them all for contributing to a wonderful day.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The frost is on the pumpkin and the Washington Bent shows sign of frost discoloration, at least it will when it thaws out in the morning as this is written on the coldest night of this fall and the thermometer is expected to get well below freezing. We will not have many days to finish up the fall construction work so heave to you slow pokes and get the job done.

Our next meeting will be with Al Hintz at Mohawk C. C. and Al promises that he will have the course open if the weather is such that we can enjoy a golf game. Maybe the weather will be nice and we can get in one more round before the winter snow closes down on us for good.

Peter Bild our Education Chairman has advised us that Dr. Voight will be on hand with the final draft of the Program for the Annual Turf Clinic to be held at the U. of I. Pharmacy building December 7th and 8th, 833 South Wood Street, Chicago. Dr. Bernard Greenberg, a staff member, is putting on the clinic and Insects will be the subject.

Ed Stewart of the River Forest Country Club has announced the Fall Dinner Dance at the River Forest Country Club for Saturday, November 5th, so keep that date open and make the plans to attend. We always have a good time at River Forest.

A phone call from Chairman Peter Bild advises us that Mr. Gager Vaughan, manager of the Grass Seed Department of Vaughan's Seed Store Chicago will be the speaker for our next meeting. The subject will be "Production of Merion Blue Grass". Mr. Vaughan has handled a considerable pack of the entire production of Merion Blue Grass and is well qualified to discuss this subject. Have your questions ready.

See you all Saturday, November 5th at River Forest C. C. for our Dinner Dance and Monday the 7th at Mohawk C. C.

Geo. Roloff, President

COMING EVENTS

Annual Fall Dinner Dance, River Forest Country Club, November 5.

The November meeting, Mohawk Country Club, November 7.

Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents Fall Clinic, December 7-8.

THE FALL CLINIC

Our Educational Committee Chairman, Peter Bild, announces that our Annual Fall Clinic will be held on December 7 - 8 at the College of Pharmacy of the University of Illinois, 833 Wood Street, Chicago. The general theme of the program will be Insects. The program of the first day will be a discussion of a general knowledge of insects in the morning and a life history of the same in the afternoon. The second day will consist of a general program and discussion, the details of which will be announced later.

It promises to be a very interesting session and one which you will not want to miss. All sessions will be under the supervision of Dr. Ralph Voight of the College of Pharmacy.

After a very nice dinner that evening, the Golf Committee announced that Dom Grotti, Al Pruess and Bob Williams had tied for the Association Championship. It was decided that the winner should be decided by cutting cards and Grotti cut the Ace of Clubs to become our new champion. Other prizes were distributed and the Educational Committee Chairman, Peter Bild, introduced our speaker of the evening, Nels Johnson, who gave us a very interesting talk on trees and their care with slides to illustrate his lecture. Nels, who was injured in an automobile accident last spring had a pretty tough time of it this summer, but is now getting around pretty well and hopes soon to be completely recovered. Our sincere hopes for Nels, he is a great guy and a real help to our association.

It was a real surprise for the non-golfers to hear that they, too, would receive a prize as well as the golfers. Pete Simmons of Allied Industrial Coatings and Doug Strutz and Chet. Polad of Fence Coaters, announced that they had a door prize for one and all. The prize turned out to be a box containing 6 highball glasses, which were appreciated by all. Our many thanks to these gentlemen.

After the distribution of the prizes, the meeting was adjourned until our next meeting at Mohawk. Our many thanks to Ray Erickson and John Coutre for a most delightful day.

PRIZE WINNERS

1. Dom Grotti, movie camera, 2. Bob Williams, toaster, 3. Al Pruess, radio, 4. Jock MacIntosh, 5. Ben Kronn, liquor case, 6. Ray Erickson, clock, 7. John Coghill, 8. Joe Canale, caddy cart, 9. Charley Shiley, clock, 10. H. Borgman, clock, 11. Julius Buchen, Senior's Prize, 12. Stan Arendt, 13. Al Staudt, golf bag, 14. Dick Buchen, umbrella, 15. Al Knight, shirt, 16. Bill Saielli, golf bag, 17. Ed Muzik, shirt, 18. Dave MacIntosh, flash light, 19. Adolph Bertucci, umbrella, 20. Al Weitacha, sweater, 21. Marv Gruening, shirt, 22. Frank Dinelli, roast holder, 23. Fred Barnes, shirt, 24. Floyd Sander, shirt, 25. Dick Johnson, shirt, 26. Les Verhaalen, shirt, 27. Frank Mastroleo, lighter, 28. Carter MacIntosh, flash light, 29. Norman Kramer, wind breaker, 30. Jerry Transier, bottle of bourbon, 31. Ed Burke, shirt, 32. George Davis, box of candy, 33. Cliff Rasmussen, box of candy, 34. Bob Brean, golf balls, 35. Bill Malpede, golf balls, 36. Mike Downey, golf balls, 37. Chuck Daugherty, golf balls, 38. Pete Simmons, golf balls, 39. Emil Mashie, lighter, 40. Al Bertucci, lighter, 41. Dave Mastroleo, scarf, 42. Ray Gerber, necktie rack.

Word reaches us that Don Gerber, son of Ray, is to be the new Superintendent at Chicago Golf. Nels Lundblatt is retiring after 36 years of service.

Floyd Sander, formerly assistant to Bob Williams at Beverley Country Club is the new Superintendent at Ridge Country Club.



NELS JOHNSON

THE NOVEMBER MEETING

Our regular meeting will be held at Mohawk Country Club, Bensenville, Ill., on Monday, November 7. There will be golf in the afternoon, weather permitting, dinner at 6:30 P. M. and the meeting to follow. The Nominating Committee will submit its report to the meeting. Following the meeting there will be a Question Box. Al Hintz will be our host.

CASTS A FISHY EYE ON WINTER; IT'LL BE COLD

Mathon Kyritsis, Waukegan restaurant operator and fishy weather forecaster, made his annual forecast yesterday and — hang on to your old fur coats, ladies — it looks like a severe winter.

Kyritsis, president of the Illinois Commercial Fishermen's association, was ready with his prediction when his two fishing boats returned with their first sizable catch of perch of the season. They were netted from the lake off Waukegan.

Based on Depth

He bases his forecast on the depth at which the perch are found. If they are deep it means they think the winter will be severe, Kyritsis contends. If they are in relatively shallow water, they think it will be mild.

Kyritsis and his crew had placed two three mile sets of nets. One set was two to five miles from shore at a depth of from 42 to 60 feet. From these nets he took approximately 100 perch. The other set, 10 to 13 miles out and 140 to 180 feet deep, produced more than 2,500 pounds of perch.

"Pray that I and the fish are wrong," said Kyritsis, "but it sure looks like a rough winter."

By thinking like a fish, Kyritsis has compiled a brilliant record as a winter weather forecaster in recent years.

WISCONSIN NEWS

The September meeting of the Wisconsin Greenkeepers Association was held on September 19th at Tuckaway Country Club, Milwaukee, Wisc. The changing of the name of the Wisconsin association was discussed. It was then regularly moved and seconded that the name of the Wisconsin Association be changed to WISCONSIN GOLF COURSE SUPERINTEN-

DENTS ASSOCIATION. So that the Wisconsin association name, would conform to the names of the National, as well as too other district associations. The 30 regular members at the meeting voted unanimous in favor of the new name.

Sy. Graham and Charlie Wilson of the Milwaukee Sewerage Commission showed some slides and gave a very interesting and thought promoting talk on turf and golf course problems. Mr. Graham compared this year with some of the troublesome years of the past, and said he considered this year to be the worst since 1931, and probably as bad as 1928. After this very interesting talk by Sy. & Charlie, Mr. John Crew and his committee, which had done a most outstanding job in obtaining the prizes for this fall tournament meeting distributed the prizes. Mr. Joe Knize won the association championship. Joe shot a very nice 74. Over 60 members and guests played golf thru a light rain. We have waited most of the summer for rain, the moisture is needed and was appreciated but every one agreed that the timing was very poor. After the distribution of the prizes, which left very few unrewarded, the meeting was adjourned.

Immediately after the meeting Lester Verhaalen, John Stampfl, and Sy Graham left for Lafayette Indiana to attend the field day of the Midwest Regional Turf Foundation.

THE BADGER

TO PRESIDENTS AND SECRETARIES OF ALL DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS

Will you please advise the membership of your organization that the Nominating Committee has prepared the following slate for the election to be held at the time of the Annual Membership Meeting in Long Beach next February.

President — To be elected for term of one year.

Ward Cornwell (Michigan & Border Cities Golf Course Supts. Assn.)

Lochmoor Club, Grosse Pointe, Michigan.

Vice-President — One to be elected for term of one year

John Gormley (Northeastern Golf Course Supts. Assn.)

Wolferts Roost CC, Newtonville, N. Y.

Paul Weiss (The Philadelphia Assn. of Golf Course Supts.)

Lehigh CC, Allentown, Pa.

Directors — Three to be elected for two-year terms.

Elmer Border (Golf Course Supts. Assn. of N. California). Olympic Club, San Francisco, California.

L. E. Lambert (Heart of America Golf Course Supts. Assn.) Oakwood Golf & CC, Dodson, Missouri.

Henson Maples (Carolinas Golf Course Supts. Assn.) Pinehurst CC, Pinehurst, N. C.

John McNamara (Golf Course Supts. Assn. of W. Penna.) Chartiers CC, Crafton, Pa.

Samuel S. Mitchell (Golf Course Supts. of New England). Ponkapoag Golf Course, Canton, Mass.

Roy Nelson (Minnesota Golf Course Supts. Assn.) Golden Valley Golf Club, Minneapolis 16, Minn.

In compliance with the By-Laws, additional nominations for all offices may be made from the floor at the proper time.

Voting for this election as well as upon all matters coming before the Annual Meeting can be done in person, by proxy, or by the delegate of a District Association having the required 60% National membership strength. Proxy forms will be sent to all members in sufficient time for use.

Very truly yours,
AGAR M. BROWN, Secretary

SPREADING IT THIN

Our annual tournament was played on a beautiful autumn day at the well kept Itasca Country Club. John Coutre had the course in excellent shape, the greens fast and true and according to Amos Lapp "they putted well". Amos walked around 10 greens. Geo. Roloff sank a sharp 30 footer on the 18th but some of the boys played everywhere but on the fairways. Norm Kramer approached the 18th green from the putting green on the north instead of from the east down the fairway. John Coghill played from trap to trap. The whole day was in sharp contrast to the wet soggy day of the '54 Tournament at Evanston.

Ed Stewart of River Forest C. C. did not play but brought a complete train schedule for the Olympian Hiawathian for the Long Beach trip, by way of Seattle and home via Los Vegas. Ray and Mrs. Gerber took that train trip the last time the meeting was in California and reported they enjoyed the trip thoroly. The cost going one way via the Milwaukee thru Seattle and down the coast and returning by another route is no greater for rail fare than for going both ways over the same railroad.

In the lengthening shadows of the long afternoon, foursome after foursome came toiling down the 18th, some with a slow tired motion, others swinging along with pep and vigor. All stopped after the final putt to total the scores and discuss favorable shots and unfavorable errors and all of a sudden a jet plane split the sky from south to north. Dinelli made a marvelous putt, bagged his club and headed for the locker room, with a "Oh golly, am I tired".

In spite of the beautiful day and wonderful course only 58 played golf, the rest came later trying hard to get the fall work well advanced while the weather is still good.

Marv Gruening on the winning team warned his opponents "That beer was just a figure of speech-I'm not settling for beer"

Al Pruess of Bartlett Hills reported to the mole that he had entered a "Hole in One" contest at the Socko Driving Range" and won a Century Buick. He got his hole in one on the 22nd ball at 175 yards. It was a \$4200.00 car.

Mr. DeCardy, Chairman, and Gerald Dearie of Medinah C. C. attended the meeting.

Al Davis a new member from the Chicago Heights C. C. attended the meeting.

98 members and guests sat down to a delicious Roast Beef dinner with apple pie. The service was good, the beef rare and the pie delicious. What more could a man ask?

Dr. Voight of the University of Illinois Drug and Horticulture Station attended the meeting.

Nels Johnson, Tree Surgeon from Evanston Ill., and a long time friend of our organization gave a most comprehensive talk on the care of trees and the diseases, insects and injuries that destroy them.

Mel Warneke is leaving Evanston Country Club to become the Superintendent at The Country Club of Indianapolis. Joe Dinelli will succeed Mel as Evanston's Superintendent. The best of luck to both.

Gordon Brinkworth is now with the Olympia Fields Country Club. His new home address is 702 Cedar Lane, Chicago Heights, Ill.

Immediately on taking over at Olympia Fields, Gordon started an extensive fall program and reworking the service building. He now has an attractive office and the balance of the shop is being cleaned up and

rearranged. Things look nice there, and Gordon seems very happy.

Dave and Frank Mastroleo visited the Kraffts at the Valparaiso Golf Club, and played 18 holes on the 9 hole course. They had a fine day and evening with the Kraffts and report the course to be in fine shape and that Bill and his family are very happy in their new location.

Frank Mastroleo day at the Geneva Country Club was a real success with about 50 golfers and 150 for supper in the evening. It was held early in October Frank says it was a very good day.

Amos and Mrs. Lapp are proud to announce that they are now Grandparents. Their Grandson, Kevin Arthur York, 11 pounds 3 ounces arrived on October 18th. It took several phone calls to get the complete story from the proud but flustered grandfather but the Mole is now convinced that the above information is substantially correct.

Peter Bild and Dr. Ralph Voight have almost completed the final arrangements for the Annual Turf Clinic. Peter is Chairman of the Educational Committee and Dr. Voight is head of the Drug and Horticultural Experiment Station of the University of Illinois and is on the Staff of the College of Pharmacy of the Medical College of the University of Illinois in Chicago.

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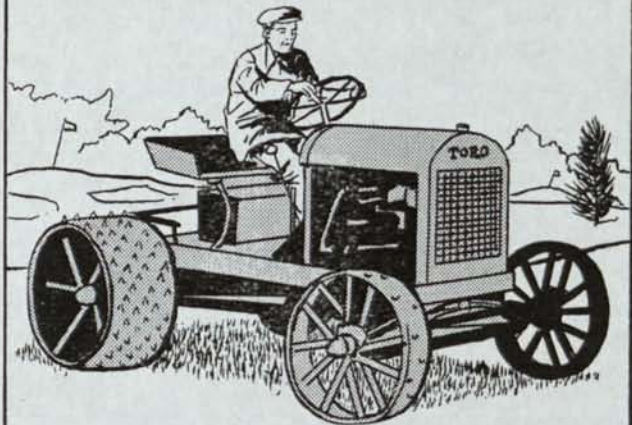
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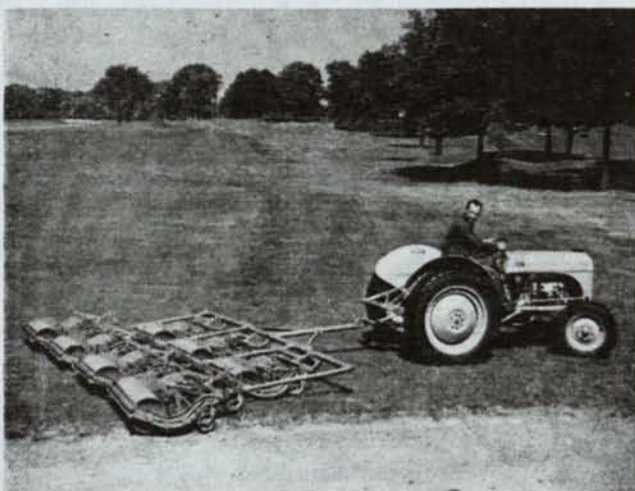
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