

Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents



PAUL VOYKIN Superintendent Calumet Country Club

THE APRIL MEETING

CALUMET COUNTRY CLUB

CALUMET, ILL.

TUESDAY, APRIL 7th, 1959

DINNER 6:30 P.M.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

IMMEDIATELY AFTER DINNER

Educational Speaker
Dr. W. H. Daniel
Department of Agronomy
Purdue University

Spring Dinner Dance - Butterfield Country Club, May 1, 1959

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our March 10 meeting held at the Evanston Golf Club is one that will be remembered for a long time to come. The hospitality displayed by Joe Dinelli, the Grounds Superintendent, was extraordinary, and our many thanks go to Joe and Mr. Woxberg, the club

manager.

The April 7th meeting will be held at the Calumet Country Club. Paul Voykin, Grounds Superintendent will be our host. This meeting should be very educational. Dr. Daniel from Purdue University, who always has a very interesting message, will be with us. Calumet Country Club has done considerable construction work on the golf course due to the toll road taking part of the course. It was necessary to build several new greens, tees, fairways, sand traps and a new lake. By the time of this meeting the progress in the construction of a new equipment building should be well under way. I hope to see all of you at this meeting.

On March 14th the Chicago District Golf Association held a meeting at the Oak Park Country Club. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the electric golf cart problems. Over one hundred members and about 30 superintendents from private clubs attended. I am sure all of us who attended learned a great deal

about the use of electric golf carts.

The Midwest Association research committee held a meeting on March 13th and discussed plans for a program that we have been talking about for many years. You will receive more information about this

at a later date.

It won't be long before our spring dinner and dance. It will be held this year at the Butterfield Country Club on May 1st. So start making plans and bring the good wife or the best girl friend for an evening of fun before the long hard summer starts.

We are sorry to hear of the illness of Mrs. Ed Stewart of River Forest Golf Club. We will be looking forward to seeing her at Butterfield C.C. on May 1st.

Peter Bild is away for a couple of weeks getting him-

self in condition for the spring rush.

When some of us go fishing it becomes necessary to purchase a can of sardines on our way home. I have been informed that this was not necessary for a couple of our Midwest Association members who did some fishing down Florida way during the month of February. For futher information I suggest you write to the Editor who, I understand, is an authority on the subject of Ichthyology.

Ray Gerber, President



BULL SHEET EDITOR RESIGNS

Receives Organizations High Award a "Ferdinand" Bill Stupple, who was editor of the Bull Sheet for ten years from 1948 to the last issue of 1958, resigned at the year end. Ten years ago the Bull Sheet was without advertising as a revenue. It just may be that Bill's reputation with a buck recommended him to the Association Officers at that time. Anyway, he soon had the Bull Sheet on an even keel, and thenceforth, it has enjoyed prosperity, respect, and influence.

With editorial and news items, he was an alert censor and critic ever anxious to be fair and impartial. With the advertisers, he was a tough customer. He could never be tempted to spend a cent of Bull Sheet

money for promotion or otherwise.

At the first opportunity on Bill's return from a Florida winter vacation, the Association at its regular March meeting paid tribute to the ex-editor with an award in the form of a Bull and a citation read by Joe Dinelli as follows:

"In organizations such as ours, there is a lot of work and a big burden is placed on one man's shoulders. Very often we don't give recognition, just take a job well-done for granted. For the last ten years, our Bull Sheet has come out regularly and on time. It has grown in size, in reputation, and in influence. The man who has been doing this job is Bill Stupple. It is therefore only fitting that on his retirement as Editor of the Bull-Sheet, we recognize his service to our organization with a fitting gesture.

In behalf of the Midwest Golf Course Superintendents Association, I present you with this Bull—the emblem of our publication. Thanks for a good job well done."

HEALTH FOR TREES IN TROUBLE By ELDRED GREEN

Consultant, Midwest and Chicago Horticulture
Trees do not die—though they are killed. Trees, like
many plants, are immortal. Each year they create a new
set of tissues and organs. Each year new buds, branches,
wood, bark, and roots are formed. These create, each

year, a new set for the succeeding year and so on and on. Why then do trees perish—there are many reasons but the main ones are malnutrition, drowning, accidents and disease. It must be remembered that a tree is im-

mobile and must stay in a fixed position; each year it

grows and increases in height and spread. Thus, girth of stem and bulk increases steadily without public com-

For instance, the following charts the growth of the many American Elm planted across the United States under good growing conditions. And, most "city tree populations" show how they have become overgrown by the following:

When planted out a three year old tree is an eight

to ten foot sapling.

When it has become a 12 year old it is 36 times larger; 24 year old, 144 times larger; forty year old, 1150 times

larger; eighty year old, 2300 times larger.

Starvation often comes from overplanting or having become overgrown. Too many trees compete for sunlight, and the ones less well situated or slower growing are crowded out by the taller, faster-growing ones. Planting in holes or pockets of good soil: in time a tree may exhaust the soil in the pocket, then it is left to seek minerals being a much larger tree. And, the nearby soil, which in the city, is likely to be rubbish and rubble, also allows starvation to result.

Drowning often takes the life of many trees, especially young thriving Elm which require plenty of oxygen during peak growing time of the summer. The trouble is most common on stiff soils. Generally a pocket of loose soil is made for tree planting. This lets the water drain down around the roots and in clay the drainage stops, which leaves water standing, causing them to drown. A pocket of good soil in clay may be literally a well. This is particulary true if excessive wetness comes

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when the young roots are growing and most sensitive to lack of air, as in late spring and summer.

Disease is accepted by the many as the main cause of death of trees. Yet, disease requires mainly, a plant out of condition; the cause-fungus, mold, virus, insects, etc. All these must work together to cause a disease to take hold. Break the chain and their will be no disease.

The way to break the chain of disease is to keep the plants healthy with proper food, moisture, cultivationall of which builds resistance-spray to keep off the pests that carry disease. The ABC's of trees in trouble evidence that disease is not the great reaper.

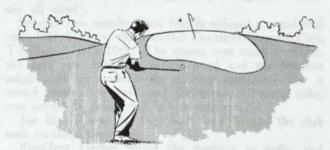
The information here assembled is for the helping of Elm trees in trouble. Other trees in trouble are also affected from being over-grown and over-populated, or from starvation, water whether too much or too little, and pests and plagues too are predicated mainly by the condition of each tree and its rooting area.

Provide the factors that allow the trees to stay healthy

and your trees will be immortal.

Frandsen Bros. Lawn and Garden Supply Co. of Grayslake Ill. were hosts to the north side Golf course superintendents, Friday, Mar. 13th, where they visited and had lunch in the fine new sales building and warehouse. The new structure is of brick and steel construction, has a total floor area of 10,000 sq. ft., one area of 50' x 62' is used as a show room, another area

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Paul Voykins of Calumet C C is to be our host Tuesday, April 7th. Paul came to Calumet C C in

February of 1958.

He was born in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada in 1931, spent two years with "Pop"s Brinkworth at Jasper National Park, went there as Assistant Supt. to the Lethbridge C C at Lethbridge, Alberta, Canada for two more seasons, then worked with Gordon Brinkworth at the beautiful Olympia Fields Country Club until he came to Calumet.

Construction caused by the building of the toll road has kept Paul busy and by the time of the meeting we should be able to see the new \$10,000.00 addition to the

work shed well under construction.

Paul and Mrs. Voykin are expecting their second

child any day.

Frank Dinelli of Northmoor C C was presented with the 1958 Seniors Champion Ship Trophy at the Evanston meeting. Frank won the championship in 1930 and twice since then.

Emil Mashi won the 1st prize Class A trophy. Chuck Daugherty won the Class C trophy.

After Bill Stupple got thru shuddering at the cost of entertainment of the ladies, he asked "Did they all have a good time?". When he received an affirmative answer, he commented, "Then it's all right".

Joe Dinelli and the Midwest presented Bill Stupple a beautiful gold Bull in recognition of his services as Editor of the Bull Sheet for the past 8 years. Bill is very proud, this being the 1st time his powess as a bull thrower has been recognized, and in such a shining manner. We are all proud of Bill.

After Nels Johnson finished his talk on Tree Spraying, Frank Mastroleo said "There is one thing for sure, since the village of Geneva has been spraying the trees we have had no robbins digging up the greens. They

are all dead".

Seventy two members and friends enjoyed a wonderful roast beef dinner at the beautiful Evanston Country Club Tuesday, March 10th. The dinner was truly excellent. the beef just right, the service good and the portions ample. As we entered the dinning room, we saw a model green on a table, and this green, a banana cake, was served as desert and it was delicious.

Joe Dinelli was our host Supt. and he and the club

took excellent care of us.

President Gerber called the meeting to order and presented Chairman Al Johnson who presented Nels Johnson, a member who is in the business of caring for trees. Nels talked on Malpractice on trees and showed slides to illustrate the points he was making, then discussed the Dutch Elm Disease problem. He gave an excellent talk and advocated the use of several varieties of trees instead of concentration on the Elm in the replanting program.

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CLIPPINGS

Bob Williams, formerly the Grounds Superintendent at Beverly Country Club, has assumed the Superintendent's responsibility at Bob-O-Link Golf Club on the north side of Chicago.

Ted Woehrle, a protege of Bob Williams, has transferred his allegiance from Point O'Woods Country Club to Beverly Country Club where he was formerly

employed.

Norman Kramer, formerly the Superintendent at Silver Lake Golf Club, has moved to Point O'Woods Country Club in Michigan.

We wish them the best of luck at their new clubs.

El Pruess Superintendent, Bartlett Hills Country Club is building a New equipment building 35' x 70' using concrete block construction. Also constructed new putting greens last fall. Hariett has extensive plans for remodeling the club house.

Paul Voykin proud father of new baby girl born

March 16th. Cigars April 7th, Paul?

Albie Staudt to Geneva Country Club with Frank

Mastroleo.

The Illinois Lawn Equipment Inc. of Orland Park, Ill. were host to the south and west side golf course superintendents Tuesday, March 17th. The purpose of the meeting was to acquaint Supt's, with the Case tractor line which Bob Johnson has taken on for distribution in this area. Case makes a complete line of wheel and crawler type tractors which can accomodate many attachments which can be used in golf course maintenance and construction work. Bob had a nice lunch set up in the Legion Hall and a good time was had by all. Frank Schickle of the Rock Island Country Club won an electric drill as a door prize. The Rock Island Club will not open this spring, it is being pushed under by a new highway. Bob says he knows what it means to be "shook up". Friends invited Bob and Mrs. Johnson to Florida via a beachcraft four seater, took them three days going and four returning, shook up good, better take a Case tractor next time Bob, they ride real good.

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