

SOUTHERN TURF EXPERTS MEET AT MEMPHIS

Jim Hamner, Memphis (Tenn.) CC supt. was elected pres., Southern Turf Assn., at the association's annual meeting held at Colonial CC, Memphis, April 8. Reg Perry of Choctaw, Inc., sponsors of the meeting, was elected sec.-treas. Vice-presidents elected: Bill Davis, Gadsden, Ala.; Charles Danner, Nashville, Tenn.; Ed Mattson, Hopkinsville, Ky.; Charles Brown, Chickasaw, Memphis; Fred Knight, Little Rock, Ark., and John Cochran, Greenville, Miss. Bill Perry, supt. of Cherokee CC, Memphis, conducted demonstrations of his aerating equipment and staged field demonstrations of other equipment. On the lecture program were Dr. Glenn Burton of Tifton, Tom Mascaro of West Point, Prof. H. B. Musser of Penn State and J. L. Marzak of Mallinckrodt. The organization was formed in 1947 and now has 125 members. It got going strong after Reg Perry of Choctaw, Inc. attended one of its meetings four years ago at the University of Tennessee. Reg got his company to sponsor following meetings at which leading turf authorities have been on the programs. The association works closely with the Tifton (Ga.) Experiment Station and contributes financially to the Tifton research.

WINTER WORK

1. Check tools needed for complete equipment repairs — stock bolts, greases, and all supplies needed for shop work.

2. Get paint and all repair parts stocked so the machinery repairing can be done with a minimum of time.

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3. Snow clearing and road repairs.

4. Haul manure and organics to fair-

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5. Interior painting, etc.

6. All machinery, tractors, mowers, tools, flag poles, benches, markers, etc., should be thoroughly cleaned, repaired, and painted if needed.

Water pumps, sprinklers, etc., should be checked and necessary repairs made.

Superintendent should attend Turf Conferences and catch up on back reading of bulletins, etc.

International Harvester Co. widely circulated magazine "Harvester World" in April carries feature story on "The Golf Superintendent: Man With a Thousand Jobs", describing work of men responsible for course maintenance. Ivy M. Luke, supt., Augusta (Ga.) National GC figures prominently in the piece.

Golf Psychology in Landscaping

The average superintendent concentrates so much on his greens and fairways that he is firmly convinced there is nothing else on the golf course.

There are many clubs where only 50% of the members play golf, and to those who only play a little tennis or swim, there is nothing more relaxing than well landscaped grounds around the clubhouse, and regardless of what your landscape architect recommends, there is nothing more relaxing than color.

A careful selection of trees and other shrubs can provide color the whole season, and for an investment of \$100 to \$200 and the care of one acre of land, enough rooted material can be planted to eventually take care of the whole course. By planting tight and thinning out as required, a minimum of space and maintenance makes it possible for even the most undermanned course to take care of part of this work.

Most of the shrubs can stand reasonable shade — in fact some prefer it, and the initial planting is the thing that