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New Mexico body elects Serna

The New Mexico Turfgrass Association recenty elected Julian A. Serna of Albuquerque president; Duane Walker of Albuquerque, vice president, and C. E. Watson of New Mexico State University,

Las Cruces, secretary.

The election highlighted a two-day event. The program included tours of the University of New Mexico golf course where a new hydro-seeder was demonstrated and the Sandia military base where Russian olive trees have been used successfully with minimum care for the trees.

Gordon Watts, head of the department of botany and entomology at New Mexico State U., reported that the frit fly, an insect that has been known in the U. S. for years, recently attacked grasses at golf courses at University Park and El Paso. So far, he said, it has not been reported as a problem in northern New Mexico.

The tiny insect, about the size of a common fruit fly, or smaller, has been a problem to European farmers for many years, but so far it has not attacked crops in the U. S.

Watts suggested that resistance to the frit fly has been bred out of the grasses used for turf and added that a mutation may have occurred in the insect. But he stressed that these are only speculations without scientific proof.

Since the frit fly can travel great distances, local control measures would have only brief effect because the grasses could become reinfected from migrations. Watts said that the use of a safe insecticide such as malathion might be used as a stop-gap.

Charles E. Cypert, Plainview, Tex., area representative for Geigy Chemical Company, urged basic education in pesticide usage as a means of assuring con-

tinued control explorations.

"The development of resistant crop pests must be countered by continuing development of chemical and biological controls," he said. "The research incentive for new pesticides must not be discouraged by restrictive legislation."

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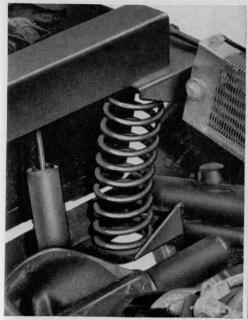
Gordon Cunningham resigns as pro at Dubuque, Ia., Bunker Hill municipal course where he's been for 13 years, to go into golf course irrigation business with Peter Beaves . . . They call their company Midwest Irrigation Co. and already have installed a half dozen systems in Iowa and Illinois . . . Course proposed at Rhinelander, Wis., with FHA financing . . . Johnson County Golf Corp. Continued on page 80

W. A. Cleary dead at 68; pioneered golf chemicals

William A. Cleary, president of the W. A. Cleary Corporation, New Brunswick, N. J., and Lecithin Products (Canada) Ltd., Belleville, Ont., died suddenly last month in Belleville, Ont. He was 68 and a resident of New Brunswick.

Mr. Cleary was also president of W. A. Cleary (Canada) Ltd., Belleville, and the Cleary Trading Corporation. He pioneered the use of PMAS and other chemicals in the golf course industry, and operated Tara Greens, a combined ninehole regulation, pitch and putt, and driving range. His business interests included the baking and confectionery fields, to which he introduced the use of Soya Lecithin. He served on the board of directors of St. Peter's Hospital in New Brunswick and was active in civic organizations.

He is survived by his wife, Mary (Edler) Cleary; four daughters, four brothers and eight grandchildren.

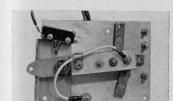


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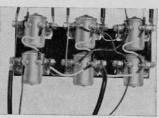


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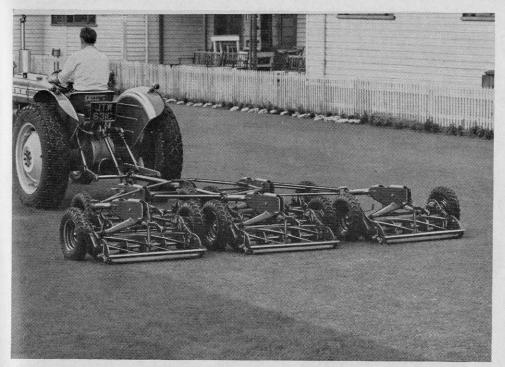


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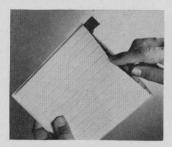
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Lawn & Utility Turf Course, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N. J., Jan. 17-19.

PGA Business School, Jack Tar Harrison Hotel, Clearwater, Fla., Jan. 17-21.

Golf & Fine Turf Short Course, Rutgers U., Jan. 20-21.

National Merchandise Show, PGA Nat'l G.C., Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., Jan. 22-25.

Virginia Turfgrass Conference, John Marshall Hotel, Richmond, Va., Jan. 25-26.

Rocky Mountain Regional Turfgrass Conference, Colorado State U., Fort Collins, Colo., Jan. 26-27.

USGA Green Section Conference, Biltmore Hotel, New York, N. Y., Jan. 28.

PGA Business School, Center of Adult Education, U. of Maryland, College Park, Md., Jan. 31-Feb. 4.

Illinois Turf & Park Conference Short Course, College of Agriculture, U. of Illinois, Jan. 31-Mar. 11.

PGA Business School, 21 Tropicana Park Motel, San Antonio, Texas, Feb. 7-10 or 11.

Club Managers Association of America, National Conference, Statler Hilton, Detroit, Feb. 8-12.

37th International Turfgrass Conference and Show, Golf Course Superintendents Association of America, Hotel Muehlebach, Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 13-18.

PGA Business School, Pomona Valley Inn, Pomona, Calif., Feb. 14-17.

19th Annual Cornell Turfgrass Conference at Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., Feb. 21-24.

PGA Senior Teachers' Trophy Tournament, PGA Nat'l Golf Club, Feb. 24-27.

Southern Turfgrass Conference, Hotel Peabody, Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 28-March I.

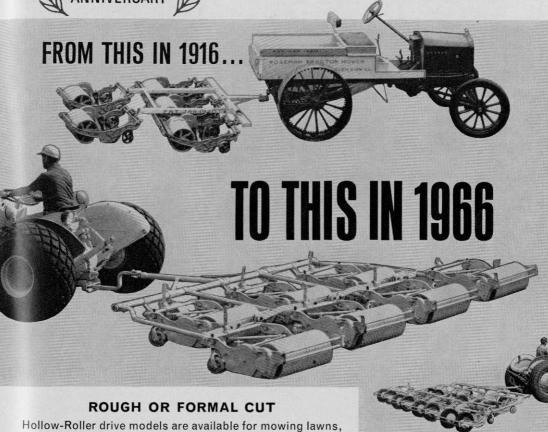
University of Massachusetts Turf Conference, Amherst, Mass., March 3-4.

Second annual Detroit Golf Show, Light Guard Armory, 440 East Eighth Mile, Detroit, Mich., March 4-6.

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plans to build course at Wrightsville, Ga., financed by \$85,000 FHA loan . . . Hope to open Oakdale C. C., Menomonee Falls, Wis., 18 early this summer.

Bobby Fannin now pro at McKenzie Memorial course, Montezuma, Ga., succeeding Vasco Landrum . . . Jerry Barber wasn't on the job long as pro at Griffith Park, Los Angeles, before proposing the Los Angeles Open be moved to the Wilson course of Griffith Park's two 18's (Harding is the other.) . . . Barber says the Wilson course is a better, more exciting test of golf than Rancho where the L. A. Open has been played for some years . . . Barber succeeded Paul Scott, for 30 years pro at Griffith Park and now suffering from heart trouble . . . Scott was a pioneer in giving public course players shop service and instruction of the private club type . . . Gratitude and tributes were expressed to Scott in a big "Day" at Griffith Park in November.

Open Wedgewood G. C., near Winston-Salem, N. C. . . John Shouse is pro . . . Wedgewood makes Forsyth County's ninth course of 18 holes or more . . . Vasco Peeples and others to build Charlotte C. C. to plans of Albert Anderson at Punta Gorda, Fla. on site of old Charlotte Harbor course abandoned some years ago . . . Toftrees, community being built north of State College, Pa., to have 18 designed by E- Ault.

Boca Rio G. C. being built west of Delray Beach, Fla., near Sunshine Parkway . . . Arnold Kurzinger, William Shipley, Aleon Deitch, Henry Rudin and others active in winter golf around Boca Raton are charter members of the deluxe layout with course designed by Bob Hagge and clubhouse by Ray O. Peck . . . Tommy Armour has been signed as Boca Rio's pro . . . Plan to open first nine this winter was revised on Armour's advice to get the whole job completed and in perfect condition before play . . . Heavy rain during construction made the Silver Scot's advice easy to take.



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