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\$1.25 an hour and the caddies got about the same, including the tip . . Waddya mean "the good old days?"

Jim Dempsey is pro-superintendent at the new par-3 nine of Boar's Head Inn at Charlottesville, Va. ... The course was designed by Ray Loving, golf director of Farmington (Va.) CC . Dempsey formerly was pro at the U.S. Navy course, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba . . .

Paul Bell is another of the veteran pros who resigned a job he'd had for years (at Beach Club, Naples, Fla.) and after a year's vacation returned to work at a resort course for the summer season (Lake Morey Inn Hotel & GC, Fairlee, Vt.) . . . Small clubs, resort courses especially, are getting marvelous instruction and service bargains in employment of highly competent veteran pros who wanted to lighten their work load at big membership clubs . . . Henry Picard, Roland Wingate and Billy Burke are three other older stars.

Annual meeting of the Golf Writers Association is held the Wednesday prior to the Masters, in the Tournament Committee building . . The place and time are indicative of the writers' feeling of co-sponsorship of the tournament . . . Dudley (Waxo) Green, Nashville Banner, was elected president, succeeding Dana Mozley, New York Daily News

Charles Bartlett, Chicago Tribune was re-elected secretary, an office he has held since the founding of the organization 18 years ago . . . John Bibb, Tennessean, Nashville, was elected treas-As the association now has urer . more than 500 members there's too much detail in the combined job for a working newspaperman so the load was split.

Max Elbin, PGA president, was presented the William Richardson memorial award by Lincoln Werden, New York Times, the Writers' board chairman . . . The Richardson trophy goes to a man who, in the golf writer's judgment, has done an outstanding job for golf

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Spring holds special significance for golf superintendents in the northern parts of the country It is a time of reawakening for grass, trees, flowers and—most important—golfers. There are those who rushed the season and found the going rather "squishy."

Superintendents diligently will inspect and assess winter damages such as weather's ravages, rodent activity, early play on dormant turf that was too soft, vandalism, winter sports, disease and so on. Rarely do these things occur in a pattern that admits of a standard organized approach. Each season demands a fresh individual study of causes, effects and remedies.

Freezing and Thawing — Alternate freezing and thawing is normal for spring in the North but few appreciate fully just what it does to soils and turf. Dense compact soils are loosened and aerated. Shallow-rooted plants are heaved out of the ground where they dessicate unless they are firmed into place by rolling.

Turf freezes at the surface during cold nights. When frozen solid enough to support golfers and their equipment, it is perfectly all right for play to proceed with minimum damage expected. But, when the sun waxes warm and the surface thaws, the soil assumes a loosened, wet (mushy) condition.

Play at this time can be ruinous. Traffic pressures will cement soil particles together, roots will be torn, footprints and wheelmarks will affect late play and the superintendent will be hard pressed to repair the damage.

### In Memoriam

Marshall E. Farnham, 70, for 38 years superintendent at Philadelphia CC, died March 31 1967. The turfgrass profession has lost an articulate voice which has helped guide the destiny of this industry in many ways.

He held charter memberships in the GCSAA and the Philadelphia sections the Penn. Turf Research Advisory Committee, the Turfgrass Section of the American Society of Agronomy, the Delaware Valley Turfgrass Association and the Penn. Turfgrass Council. He also served as president of the national and Philadelphia GCSA'S. He served on the USGA Green Section Committee.

Marshall was one who, with remarkable accuracy and foresight, brought into being the Turfgrass program at Penn. State. Soon he also stimulated action which developed into a strong turfgrass extension program in Pennsylvania, the first in the world.

Marshall leaves his gracious wife, Jane, two sons and five grandchildren —and uncountable friends and associates, all of whom held him in the high esteem he so well deserved.

(Note: A Resolution of Tribute and Regret was entered in the minutes of the Pennsylvania Turfgrass Council Proceedings at its annual meeting as Mr. Farnham was laid to rest.)

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of thatch is promoted. Grass seed mixed with the compost germinates quickly and changes brown to green, especially if the seed has been pregerminated. Fertilizers, especially the quick hot kinds, act more gently when mixed with topdressing. Just a thought — is *your* topdressing absolutely weed free?

**Reseeding** — Frost-cracked soil provides favorable lodging places for seeds long before tillage tools can be operated.

Hydraulic seeding is effective and permits simultaneous fertilization. Equipment can be left on service roads, reaching seeding areas with hose or nozzle pressure. Found on only a few courses, hydraulic seeders deserve consideration not only for seeding but also for fertilizing, liming (especially hydrated lime for summer), insecticides and fungicides.

Fine seeds such as bentgrass may be sown through regular power sprayers with all screens removed, using an adjustable garden nozzle for distribution.

Thatch Removal — Grass must be growing well when this operation is performed so that new shoots quickly can fill voids left by thatch removal. Incidentally, new shoots are highly resistant to most diseases.

For depth and severity of machine operation there is no standard gauge. This is up to the judgement of the superintendent, guided by the manufacturer's recommendations, the type of turf involved and by past experience.

Cultivation — Grass must be growing actively so that holes can fill and scars can heal. While holes are open it is time to topdress with a mixture designed to improve the physical condition of the soil.

It is a time to introduce slow-release long-lasting nitrogen materials so that they reach the root zone and are in intimate contact with soil bacteria which are essential for releasing the nutrients.

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