ATLANTA:

Manage Your Time

The most exciting city in the South offers a diversified variety of activities for all age groups. Plan your time carefully between the Civil War past and the 21st century future

Atlanta, "first city of the South," offers a wide variety of activities and scenic sights for the family during the Club Managers Assn. of America Annual Conference February 14-19. The average precipitation for February is 4.5 inches. The temperature normally reaches a high of 54 degrees and a low of 38 degrees in February. Dress for women ranges from tailored pants suits and dresses in the downtown area to tailored and cocktail evening wear. The winter months are cold enough for heavy woolens and a warm coat. A coat and tie for the men is a must in most of Atlanta's lounges and restaurants.

Underground Atlanta

Underground Atlanta, Hunter St. and Central Ave., S.W., 524-0461, is a \$5 million restoration of a four-block section of Old Atlanta around the turn of the century. About 125 shops, restaurants and entertainment centers capture the mood and atmosphere of the nineties. Some are listed below.

Night life

The Apothecary Lounge, 577-7664. Popular jazz.



The Bank Note, 522-4011. New Orleans jazz.

Belle Watling's Music Hall, 524-3842. Entertainment from the lady of fame from "Gone With the Wind."

The Burning of Atlanta Bar, 524-3842. Intimate room re-creates the burning of Atlanta.

Dante's Down the Hatch, 577-5150. Fondue, wines and cheeses featured aboard an old pirate ship tied to a pier.

P.J. Kenney's Saloon, 577-3355. Re-creation of the area's most memorable saloon.

Ruby Red's Warehouse, 577-2748. Roaring Twenties complete with banjo band.

Scarlet O'Hara's, 524-8011. Las Vegas type entertainment.

Sgt. Pepper's, 523-8862. Rock music and dancing.

Dining

The Blarney Stone Restaurant, 577-7068. Authentic Irish cuisine.

Binnacle Bay, 523-3428. Specializing in fresh seafood.

Chessboard, 577-9418. No menu, dinner served with seven courses, including three or more entrees, fine wine at modest *prix fixe*.

Crêpes de France, 688-4516. Specialty crêpes.

W.D. Crowley, 688-2693. Hearth-charcoaled steak and lobster.

The Butter Bean, 523-5690. Country cooking, family style.

Grandma's Biscuits, 524-0909, Giant hot biscuit sandwiches.

Rue de Paris, 523-6252. French cuisine.

Shaheen's, 688-1188. Lebanese cuisine.

Spanish Village, 523-5120. Mexican cuisine.

The Old Spaghetti Mill, 524-6571. Inexpensive, Italian food.

Dining in Atlanta

French or French-Continental cuisine

The Abbey, 669 Peachtree, N.W. Transformed neo-Gothic church, entertainment.

Chateau Fleur de Lis, 2470 Cheshire Bridge Rd. Expensive, dancing in lounge.

John Escoe's, 3143 Peachtree Rd., N.E. Decor of turn-of-the-century New Orleans.

Justine's, 3109 Piedmont Rd., N.E. Georgian plantation architecture. (Continued on page 100)

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The most sought after public speaker in America, Ralph Nader, will provide the opening fireworks for the 43d annual Golf Course Superintendents Assn. of America International Turfgrass Conference and Show in Cincinnati, Ohio, February 13 to 18.

Nader, whose investigations on behalf of consumers has focused critical attention on practices within American industries, most noticeably the automotive and food ones, will speak on some aspect of golf.

Two possible areas of Nader's talk could be the preferential assessment of country clubs (see April, 1971, GOLFDOM, "What's Behind Nader's Attack on Golf?" p. 53). In a Letter to the Editor in July, 1971, Nader discusses the question of preferential assessment of green spaces at exclusive clubs and has emphasized to GOLFDOM that he is not against golf, but what he feels are some of the inequities which surround the taxation of country clubs. Another possible topic for Nader could be the area of pesticide usage and regulation.

It's a very positive step by the GCSAA to invite a critic of portions of the golf industry. The meeting

could open dialogue and clear up some of the misunderstandings, and possibly find some solutions toward correcting problems.

Comparison of the educational program this year as opposed to last year shows GCSAA's committment to tackle some of the major problems plaguing golf course superintendents. A complete day, Monday, February 14, will be devoted to environmental issues. The topics of golf turf chemicals and legislative regulations should provide an insight into the chemical controversy. Tuesday morning features the opening of the exhibits. The afternoon session is devoted to management, including accounting procedures, record keeping, training techniques and communications.

A surprising addition to the educational program is the Wednesday session, which is devoted entirely to golf cars.

The Thursday morning session deals with progress in mechanization in golf course maintenance, motivation and effective use of manpower. The afternoon session discusses GCSAA research grant reports. The final session on Friday morning is a panel discussion on the thinking superintendent.

On the show side of the conference, golf course irrigation innovations feature the total automatic system. Centrally located systems with push button control and low maintenance and installation emphasize flexibility and availability to the superintendent, as well as reduced manpower over manual systems. Among capabilities touted by manufacturers are: the ability to syringe dried out areas, use in conjunction with chemical applications, and the ability to wash off dew. The ability to water the entire course, or one hole at a time is also an advantage of the new irrigation systems. Manual systems can be converted to automatic with little disruption.

Another significant area of the GCSAA show will be in the golf car and battery section. The introduction of total power systems for electric golf cars takes some of the guessing out of battery charging. Battery charger packages that determine the condition of the battery and then automatically charge for the proper amount of time (thus elim-*(Continued on page 35)*



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