

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The forecast for 1980 is an increase of five percent in the number of golfers.

In 1979 There were 11,966 golf courses, 12,870,000 golfers, and an estimated 346,000,000 rounds of golf in the United States, according to the National Golf Foundation.

There were also 598,000 motorized golf cars and unknown millions of hand carts to add to our problems.

There are approximately 1,286,000 acres devoted to golf with an estimated capital investment of \$4,860,000. The cost of maintenance for all this was estimated at \$870,000,000 in 1979.

There are only 342 golf facilities under construction so each one of us can expect more than a five percent increase.

All this adds up to increased problems for the superintendent.

Has your budget kept up with inflation?

I am sure most have not. We may get by for the near future, however inflation and the increased

number of golfers dictates that the cost of maintaining these facilities must also increase.

It is important that each of us keep a close eye on our budget and also find ways of saving on our maintenance.

One way you may learn of short cuts or different methods of maintenance is to attend W.G.C.S.A. meetings. See how your fellow supers are maintaining their courses.

The very least you can expect is a day of relaxation looking at someone else's problems. That will give you a better outlook on your own job.

See you at the next meeting April 21, 1980 at Tusculumbia.

Woody Voigt

## HEADQUARTERS FOR

## TURF MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT & SUPPLIES

# "Serving N.E. Wisconsin & Upper Michigan"

Distributing

## JACOBSEN TURF MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT

For Mowing, Aeration and Sweeping Large Turf Areas.

Over 50 Years of Leadership.

# HORST DISTRIBUTING, INC.

444 North Madison Street

Chilton, Wisconsin 53014

"Service is Not Our Motto, It's Our Business"