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Newman, Worf Retire from Active Roles in State Turfgrass Industry

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Professors Robert C. Newman and Gayle L. Worf will have diminished roles in the turfgrass industry from this time forward. As of August 1st, Bob Newman has been in the "officially retired" status at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Gayle Worf expected to find himself in similar circumstances on July 1st, but has graciously agreed to continue on as the CALS dean of extension. He expects to continue in this administrative role until July of 1992.

Both men have nearly classic backgrounds of many faculty members in the College of Agricultural and Life Science at the UW-Madison.

Newman comes from a farm background in Kenosha County; Worf was raised on a Kansas farm. Both were educated and spent their entire careers at land grant institutions. Worf received his B.S. and M.S. degree from Kansas State and a Ph.D. from Wisconsin. In addition to Wisconsin, he also served a stint on the faculty at Iowa State University. Newman received all of his education from Wisconsin and has been a faculty member since 1960.

Similarities don't end there, either. Both professors worked at other positions in agriculture. Gayle was a county agent in Arkansas for three years. Bob worked for Northrup King Seed Co. for four years and was manager of the Ashland Experiment Farm for two years.

During their careers, each man had considerable responsibilities with University of Wisconsin Extension. Both were versatile faculty members, serv-



ing our industry very well while at the same time working with other crops and plants for various times since the 1960s.

Despite the parallels and similarities in their faculty careers, they were distinctively different in personality. Each man had a highly individualistic approach to his responsibilities, a fact that has served their constituents well.

For many WGCSA members, the retirement of Worf and Newman marks the end of an era, an era that also included Dr. Jim Love. Those three, along with Chuck Koval, were synonymous with the golf course industry's ties to the University of Wisconsin for

decades. For many of us, there is a certain sadness in seeing them leave their faculty positions.

But they are not disappearing completely. Gayle will continue to write for *THE GRASS ROOTS* and consult with us as his time as a dean will allow. I am guessing Bob will continue to help see the NOER CENTER to a full speed operation.

It is with a deep sense of gratitude and the most sincere form of loyalty that we congratulate two outstanding individuals and wish them the best that life can bring to the future.