Minnesota Golf Course Superintendents Association



DECEMBER 1962

After putting in over 1000 feet of asphalt golf car paths this past fall, the following "<u>Meditorial</u>" strikes me as very appropriate for the times:

"Here were decent godless people: Their only monument the asphalt road and a thousand lost golf balls." These are the words of the wind in T. S. Eliot's <u>Choruses</u> from the Rock.

from the Rock. Some critics have felt that Eliot's evaluation of contemporary society is too severe. The poem cited was written more than 25 years ago. That quarter century has witnessed the greatest growth of golf.convenience, leisure, and pleasure in the history of the world. Eliot's questions then are pertinent now. "Where is the Life we have lost in living? Where is the wisdom we have lost in knowledge? Where is the knowledge we have lost in information?" Asphalt roads and golf balls have a secure place in the good life. At best, however, they are only means, never ends in themselves. The modern error arises when our "People of Plenty" confuse the good things of God with the God of good things. Pleasures, recreation, diversion and entertainment are necessary ingredients in the good life. But so is

necessary ingredients in the good life. But so is exercise which is necessary for health and the ability to evolve a better man,

DRIVING WISDOM--When Joe turned to look - At Emil's clover - His car left the road - That's Joe all over!

MENTAL EXERCISE IN ECONOMICS--What will be the price of Kentucky Bluegrass? According to Seed World (July 27, 1962), production of common or naturalgrown Kentucky bluegrass seed this year in the North Central District and the Kentucky District is forecast at 19,500,000 pounds of cured seed which is 30 per cent larger than last year's crop of 14,870,000 pounds. This will produce approximately 9,000,000 pounds of clean seed from the 1962 crop compared with 5,560,000 produced last year.

GOLF COURSES SUPERINTENDENT - Responsible technical and supervisory work the directing the operation, care and improvement of municipal golf courses. Responsible for planning and directing the work of subordinate supervisors and exercises general supervision over the maintenance, repair, improvements and construction of city golf courses, greens and watering systems. Salary \$708 - \$916 per month, fringe benefits \$200 per month (the City's portion creditied to pensions, industrial insurance, leaves, medical and other benefits.) Age 30-55 (age limit 60 for veterans with honorable discharge from war-time service). Considerable supervisory experience in golf course maintenance and care, including experience in horticulture or landscaping work; graduation from a four-year college or university with specialization in horticulture, agronomy or agriculture, preferably including courses in landscape architecture. Contact: Personnel Department, City Hall, 324 West Washington, Phoenix, Arizona.

ANNUAL SPRING CONFERENCE--February 20-22, Lowry Hotel, St. Paul. Make plans now to attend. Committees are as follows: Entertainment, Edward Nohava; Educational Program, Jack Kolb; Nominating Committee, Dick McLaughlin; By-laws Committee, Irv Fuller.

CONGRATULATIONS--to Tom Hopf who has been recommended to the regular membership as a Regular Member.

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