

## greens' clippings

Milt Wiley of the M. T. Wiley, Inc. has given us some interesting information in regard to various Turf Research programs. In 1958, in memory of O. J. Noer, a few friends of Mr. Noer met without his knowledge to formulate plans whereby he would be honored beyond his lifetime. The result of this meeting was the formation of the O. J. Noer Research Foundation, Inc. A very fitting tribute to America's "Mr. Turf." Through 1973 this Foundation has contributed in excess of \$74,000.00 and are now contributing annually \$12,000.00 for turfgrass research. These funds primarily are derived from income on investment of donations. Distributors of Milorganite, of which Milt Wiley is one, are substantial contributors. The MGCSA congratulates these people. Turfgrass research is a very worthy cause. Some of the recipients are Iowa State University, Michigan State University, Pennsylvania State University, Texas A & M University, the University of Florida, and the University of Wisconsin. These research programs are more important now than ever due to so many of the materials having been legislated out of use for use on golf courses.

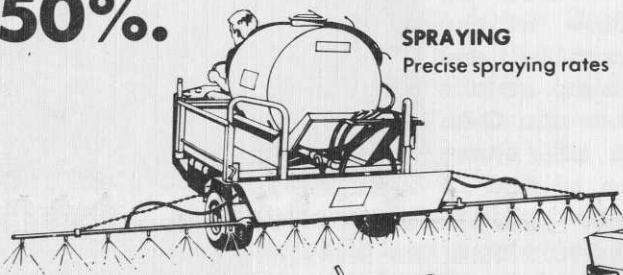
The 1974 Golf Tournament season is about over and the remarks and comments of the players in the various tournaments and also the officials in charge are very flattering. The courses have been in excellent condition regardless of weather conditions and that requires real interest on the part of the Superintendents and their Staffs. We will not try to name the Superintendents for more than one reason, first, space does not permit it and then there is always the possibility of unintentionally missing one or more, and that we do not want to do. But you know who you are, the players know who you are and the officials in charge of the various events know who you are and all concerned are deeply grateful for the condition of the courses and the great cooperation given by the Superintendents.

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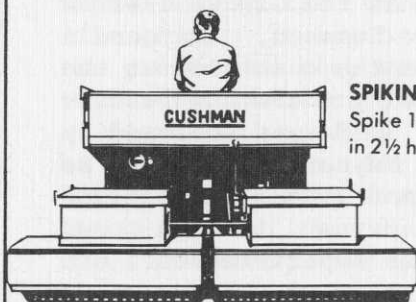
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As a Golf Course Superintendent and member of the Minnesota Golf Course Superintendents' Association you receive three copies of our "Hole Notes" each month. They are intended, one copy for you, one for your Club President and one for the Chairman of the Greens Committee of your Club. I have been contacted several times lately, both by phone and in person, by either the President of a Club or a Greens Chairman saying they understood you have a monthly publication and to please put them on your mailing list. When I receive one of these contacts I am embarrassed because they should have been getting them right along. This indicates that not all of the Superintendents are making proper distribution of the "Hole Notes." This is unfortunate as the message regarding research and other important matters are not getting to the people that should be getting them. Also there is the matter of cost, paper is going up every day, postage, printing etc. is increasing. For example when we mail three copies it costs 24¢, one copy 10¢ so if we send a Superintendent three copies and he does not distribute them and we are required to send an additional copy to his President or Greens Chairman or both, you can readily see how our cost is increasing. If you are not going to distribute them, please let us know and we will cut the mailing down to one copy. Then there undoubtedly are some who are not getting three copies, and should be; so if they will notify the Editor we will see that additional copies are received in the future.

In talking to Bob Nordstrom, Pro-Manager of the Hiawatha Golf Course in Minneapolis, he informed me that Burt Joramo, the Superintendent at Hiawatha, who has been seriously ill for a couple of years, is doing well and gets over to the course about once a month to visit with the present Superintendent and Staff and that Burt also played golf all summer in a league on one of the par 3 courses. That is good news and indicates that Burt has the proper attitude and determination. We are pulling for you Burt, and hope you can make one of the meetings soon.

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