thirty days past the due date and only a little over 50% of the membership has paid. According to the Bylaws the membership shall cease if not paid by March 31, 1976. If you are in doubt as to whether or not your dues have been paid, you can clear up the situation by calling the M.S.C.S.A. office at 612/927-4643.

Dick DeSplinter reported on the candidates for office to the National Association, both the officers and directors as well as the bylaws amendments. The following announcement was made regarding caucusing before the final vote. The pre-election caucus for the M.G.C.S.A. will be held at poolside in the Normandy Motor Inn on Wednesday, February 11 at 11:00 a.m. Our chapter will decide at this time how its delegates will vote on new officers and on the proposed amendments to the bylaws. All members of the M.G.C.S.A. are urged to attend this important and informative meeting so that your delegates may vote as the true voice of their chapter.

Larry Vetter reported that the solicitation of the associate members for help in purchasing leisure suits for the International Conference had fallen short of its goal and that possibly the members would have to be asked to contribute a small amount toward the purchase.

Dick DeSplinter reported that his Annual Conference Committee is considering an alternative site outside the Twin Cities for the December 1976 Conference. He is collecting cost figures for the purpose of comparison and will present them at a future meeting. The possibility of polling the membership on this attitude of going outside the Twin Cities was also discussed and taken under advisement.

George Jennrich reported that he is working on an exciting plan for the March meeting which will be announced in the next issue of HOLE NOTES.

The meeting was followed by a really fine catered dinner of chicken divan plus all the trimmings. If you didn't go away satisfied, there was no one to blame but yourself!

THREE MINNESOTA MEMBERS JOIN THE QUARTER CENTURY CLUB.

Three long time members of the M.G.C.S.A. are among twenty-five superintendents who have become eligible for the G.C.S.A.A.'s Quarter Century Club by having been a member of G.C.S.A.A. for twenty-five continuous years. These new members will be honored during the Annual Membership Meeting which is a part of the International Conference and Show. Besides other honors, they will also be presented with a Quarter Century Club pin. The three M.G.C.S.A. members are Oscar Bergman, Parkview Golf Club; Pat Johnson, Life Member living in Bradenton, Florida; Herman Senneseth, Life Member living in St. Paul. Congratulations to these members who have been a part of the National Association for twenty-five years.

CHLORDANE AND HEPTACHLOR BAN ANNOUNCED.

The Environmental Protection Agency has indicated that effective December 24, 1975 any Chlordane or Heptachlor manufactured after July 29, 1975 cannot be used. It is our understanding that material manufactured <u>prior</u> to July 29 may still be used. It is suggested that you contact your local supplier if you are unable to determine the manufactured date of your material.

FORMER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR HOSPITALIZED.

We are very sorry to report that Al Wareham was admitted to Northwestern Hospital the week of January 6. He was discharged January 15. We all wish Al a complete and speedy recovery. With the coming of the nice weather this spring, we certainly hope that Al will be able to attend a monthly meeting and visit with all his old friends.