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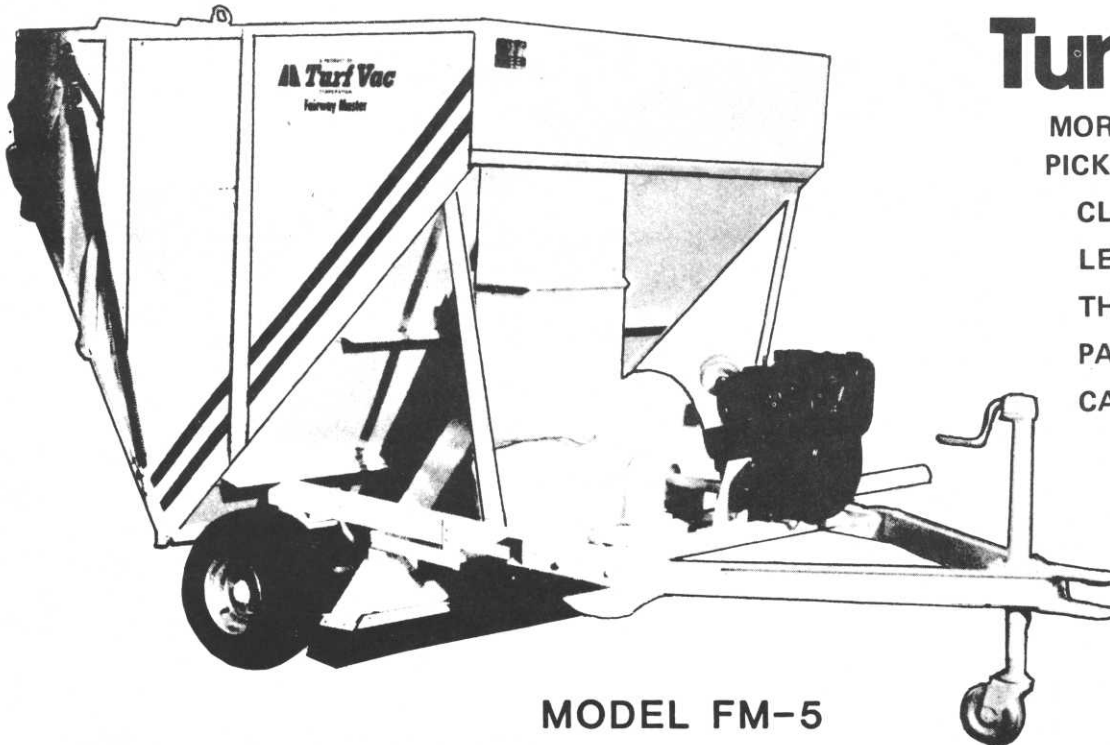
## IT'S YOUR RESEARCH FUND

During March research invoices were mailed to your golf clubs. In many instances it is the superintendent's responsibility to see that this invoice is presented to the proper official at the club. All too often that invoice is set on the superintendent's desk or lost in the shuffle of his paperwork and it ends up in the circular file.

Over the years more and more clubs have contributed to the Research Fund. In 1971 only twelve courses participated. In 1981 forty-three clubs donated \$6,000.00 to the Research Fund. In this day and age, research is a valuable asset to the superintendent who has many alternatives available to him. Those alternatives properly researched will benefit the golf course which is our main objective.

This summer Dr. Taylor will return to the Twin Cities. Our Research Fund will help purchase equipment and supplies so Dr. Taylor can continue with the sand program for greens. Many superintendents who use sand or have questions concerning sand usage for problem greens are encouraged to use Dr. Taylor and the U of M Extension Services. He will also be available at our monthly meetings and will possibly have HOLE NOTES articles so please don't hold back comments or questions. Dr. Stienstra will continue his excellent work with winter and summer disease control. He has asked for areas on fairways for disease comparison where he could make plots. If any superintendents have available areas I feel Dr. Stienstra would be interested in hearing from you. How lucky our association is to have such a professional person as involved as Dr. Stienstra to keep us notified of vital facts concerning our golf courses.

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### **USGA NAMES GREEN SECTION NATIONAL DIRECTOR**

William H. Bengueyfield, who joined the United States Golf Association staff in 1954, has been named National Director of the U.S.G.A. Green Section.

Bengueyfield, formerly Technical Director of the Green Section and Editor of the Green Section Record, assumed his new duties on February 1. He replaces Alexander M. Radko, who retired November 30, 1981 after thirty-five years of service.

"Bill Bengueyfield is probably the most eminently qualified person in the country for this position", said U.S.G.A. Senior Executive Director Harry W. Easterly, Jr. "We consider ourselves most fortunate to have a man of Bill's stature in this vital position."

Bengueyfield will continue to serve as Green Section Record Editor. In his new duties, he will supervise the U.S.G.A.'s twelve-man Green Section staff and will have overall responsibilities for course preparations at U.S.G.A. Championships. He will be based in the Green Section's Western Region office in Tustin, California.

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Let's face it, we, as superintendents, face a challenge daily in our work. I feel many so called top professionals (doctors, lawyers, etc.) look up to a superintendent because of his confidence, skill of handling employees, variety of talents and his overall ability to please a large number of people who play his golf course. These top professionals also rely on research.

We do not feel our donation requests are outrageous. They are inexpensive for such valuable information and personal contact we acquire during the year. In closing, I would like to remind all members to give me or the Board of Directors any comments or ideas for future research programs. Everyone's idea is important so please let us know what you think.