

## EDITOR'S CORNER



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By now most of us have our courses pretty well put to bed for the season. For most of us the question really is, "Where has the 1983 season gone?" For me, it surely passed quickly. It seems such a short time ago that plans for the upcoming season were being formulated. Now it's over. Most of us will remember this season with some agony. Mankato Golf Club had a mere .05" of rain for a seven week period during July and August. Then, when it did rain, we couldn't shut it off. Needless to say, the courses with heavy infestations of POA suffered.

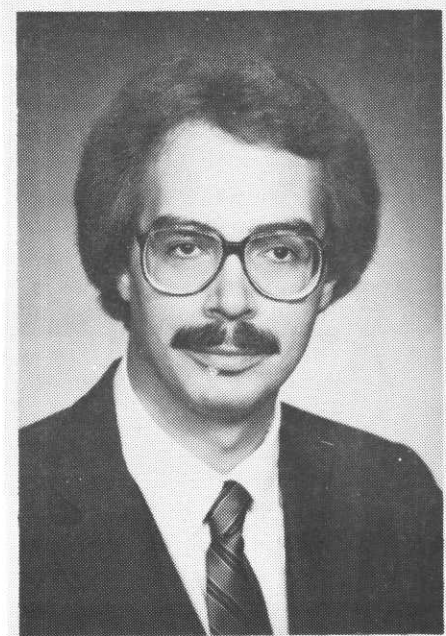
As I look back over the 1983 season, I must reflect upon the changes in our crew. To start with, Mary Sisson left to take over the Ironwood Golf Course in Mankato. During the season, five very capable crew persons left, some to other jobs, others to travel and still others to school. No loss could be more painful than the loss which ended the season. When Fred Taylor decided to go back to school, and temporarily retire from the Mankato Golf Course crew, the loss is more than just what he put into the operation with his knowledge. Fred possessed so many skills, and freely shared his talents. But even more, he brought a sense of togetherness that will be hard to replace. I have taught school for seventeen years, been superintendent at Mankato for eight years, spent four years in the U.S. Air Force and have worked with countless people. I have never worked with anyone that could even begin to compare with Fred. The rapport was unbelievable. He will be missed, no question. I have said many nice things to Fred

personally. Now I want the entire Association to know. Fred is tops. I wish him the very best in school. Perhaps some day he might return to the golf course industry. But for now, hats off to a super guy, a true professional, but more than that, a true friend.

A special treat this month is an article from an old friend, Jim Anderson, now of Wichita Falls, Texas. Please read it. He always has an interesting story to tell.

The December conference is almost here so get your reservations in. But before that, don't forget the Hanson House. Hope to see lots of you there.

## SCHILLING NEW GCSAA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



President Robert W. Osterman, CGCS, recently announced that John M. Schilling has been promoted to the position of Executive Director of GCSAA effective September 7, 1983.

Schilling, who was promoted to the position of Associate Executive Director last May, has been employed at GCSAA since 1978. He replaces James E. McLoughlin whose resignation was accepted earlier in the year. The decision on Schilling's appointment as Executive Director was made last week in New York City, at a specially called meeting of GCSAA's Executive Committee.

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