

The metropolitan area was growing and it wasn't long before the farm pastures became golf courses. In 1956 when they needed more space they built a new building just a little west on Highway 12. They also expanded their employees to twelve.

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EDITOR'S CORNER

by DOUG MAHAL
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It looks as though we may finally get some warm weather. Much of the Poa annua I saw in May didn't grow at all. Mother Nature certainly can be unpredictable from year to year or even day to day. What makes the superintendent's job a real challenge is coping with the unpredictability and still maintaining a predictable golf track. The turf managers in Minnesota do this as well as anyone in the world. It's a great accomplishment! Keep those channels of communication with the pro, manager and committee chairmen free and open. It can only improve your management tasks.

It was a beautiful day for our monthly meeting at Hastings Country Club. Steve Schumacher had the course finely tuned and in great shape. It was a real pleasure to play. Thanks to Steve and the entire club

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staff for a super day. We also appreciate the time Dr. French from the U of M could spend updating us on current tree concerns. His sincerity and frankness are always welcome.

And speaking of frankness, thanks to our HOLE NOTES contributors for last month, Roger Kisch, Jeff Markow and John Hopko. Very timely subject matter, fellas. Remember, if anyone has a thought they would like to share with the membership, get it on paper and shoot it down to Anita in the M.G.A. office or myself.

Plan to attend our monthly meeting on June 11 at Forest Hills in Forest Lake. Superintendent Lyle Olson will discuss his 55,000 ft. drainage tile project. What an undertaking. It should be interesting to hear Lyle's comments.

Keith Scott who is the M.G.C.S.A. representative for the first annual Green Expo Show is still looking for volunteers to help with this huge endeavor. The date for the Expo is Wednesday, June 13 and will be held at Anoka Vo-Tech, Rum River campus site. You all should have received a special mailing on the event. Get those in

and give Keith a call if you can help him with some of the work.

On a sad note, Superintendent Jerry Weyrens of Angushire Golf Course in St. Cloud died recently while in Arizona. As a gesture expressing our gratitude for Jerry's dedication to the profession, M.G.C.S.A. has sent flowers to his wife, Mary Ellen, and family. Our condolences go out to them.

Most of us have our full compliment of seasonal employees now. We can now begin putting on the fine touches which make upper midwest golf courses some of the best. Have a great month of June and see you on the 11th and 13th, hopefully.

ALL ABOUT TREES

by JOHN BALL UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
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The most important golf course plants are grasses, no question; but the dominant plants on most courses are trees. By dominant, we are referring to their size. Trees stand above the horizon, define

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