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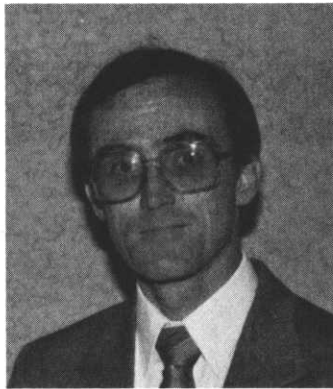
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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

DALE CALDWELL

As many of you are no doubt aware by now, the Hazeltine National Golf Club has found and confirmed C-15 bacterial wilt on their putting greens. Hopefully, you are also aware that our guest-member event in September is scheduled to be held at the Hazeltine Golf Club. It has been the decision of the Executive Board of M.G.C.S.A. to retain this event at the Hazeltine site. The fact remains that Hazeltine is one of the ultimate tests of golf in this area if not in the entire country. I'm sure that everyone is still looking forward to playing Hazeltine as much as I am. Chris Hague will no doubt have his course in fine condition despite the unfortunate circumstances.

This year much of the proceeds from this event will be contributed to turfgrass research. This is something we have been trying to set up for the last two years. It is rather ironic that this first year of designating proceeds to research, that this problem of C-15 decline has become evident at the Hazeltine National Golf Club, the site of the event.

This tournament is to be named the Harold Stodola Research Tournament. This is to honor one of our local former superintendents who is legendary not only in this area, but nationally as well. Harold is a former superintendent at the Mendakota Country Club, Keller Golf Club, Tucson Country Club and Firestone Country Club. He was president of our national organization, G.C.S.A.A. through the war years of 1941-1945.

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