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On April 4, 1961, fifty-four members of the Mid-Atlantic Association of Golf Course Superintendents met at Woodholme Country Club in Pikesville, Maryland. The day was cold with a bitter wind blowing, but, in spite of adverse weather conditions, a large number of golfers traversed the well-manicured course. Superintendent, Carroll Hitchcock, had his C7 greens in excellent condition. His newly sodded Merion collars made a striking contrast to the lighter Cohansey greens.

Following dinner Mike Burkholder awarded golf prizes to the following: Charles Lynch, Dick Stedman, Scot Morris, Bob Martino, Woodrow Pitman, Stanley Zontek, and George Cornwell.

The meeting consisted of a suggestion discussion led by Buck Whetsell, followed by slides shown by Bob Wiley on the use of his Aero-Thatch. The new power take-off Aero-Thatch showed some very good results where it was used prior to over-seeding fairways where the undesirable grasses had been killed by the use of sodium arsenate. Jim Reid, Superintendent of the Suburban Country Club of Baltimore, also showed slides on the verticutting of Bermuda tees just as they break dormancy.

#### Five years ago:

The May meeting was held at Farmington Country Club in Charlottesville. Forty-nine members and guests were present. Superintendent, Marcus Pleasants, had the course in fine shape. Of the golfers, Bob Hopkins had the low gross of 72, and Bill Schrieber had the low net. So that John Connelly will not get the idea that George Cornell is always an easy mark, we will remind him that George beat him by 8 strokes five years ago.

The Greater Washington Chapter of the Mid-Atlantic Association of Golf Course Superintendents held their first meeting on April 18 at the Mount Vernon Country Club. Charley Hallowell gave a fine talk on the advancements in the field of turf grass culture, and stressed the fine work being done at many of our universities. They are a big help to the superintendent and his club, and so let's stay right behind them with our help and our support.

#### New members:

John J. Hurley, DuPont Co.  
Scott R. Kezer, Swift & Co.