

MID-ATLANTIC NEWS LETTER

JUNE 1962

Court House Country Club, Fairfax, Va. was the setting for the May meeting. Forty two members and guests were present. Our President introduced the Host Superintendent, Charlie Schalestock. Charlie welcomed the group and introduced the Officials of Court House Country, Mr. Quade Gill, President, Mr. Kelly, Greens Chairman, Mr. C. Lynch, Assistant Greens Chairman, and Mr. M. Rowe, Pro. Mr. Gumm then introduced our Speaker, Dr. Fred V. Grau, and his guests Father Miller and Mr. Benkin from Gate of Heaven Cemetary in Ohio. Other guests introduced were Mr. R. Freska and Mr. E. Cook of Tantelen Country Club, Mr. C. Ewing guest of Hy Tayler, and J. LaSalle of Cedar Crest Country Club.

After some comments on Dr. Grau's Magazine Articles in 1959, the meeting was turned over to Dr. Grau who spoke on various subjects, Microbial Activity in Soils, Hyde Seeding, and New Grasses. Fred also showed some prominent Turf Men in his slides.

Golf prizes were awarded by our Golf Chairman, Mike Burkholder. Of the 28 golfers who entered the blind bogie the 5 winners were Robert Milligan, C. Lynch, Scott Morris, Gil Shapiro and Walter Glenn.

Bob Shields reported on National Affairs, most of the figures that Bob quoted can be found in the April 1962 G.C.S.A.A. NEWS-LETTER. Our President read a letter from Dr. Bert Musser thanking us for our letter to him in reference to his article in GCLFDCM. After a rising vote of thanks to our Hosts, the meeting was adjourned.

Apology from the President: At the May meeting at Court House Country Club in introducing Dr. Fred V. Grau, I referred to the excellent speech he had presented at Bethesda Country Club in April 7, 1959, on Fertilization. I further mentioned the Newsletter Extra on Dr. Grau's speech and mentioned Bob Shields as editor, and gave no recognition to James E. Thomas. The Newsletter was under both of these gentlemen as co-editors. My humble apology to you Jim.

National Golf Foundation Field Service. As Eastern Regional Director for the National Golf Foundation, Harry C. Eckhoff is available for consultant services within his territory (Maine to Florida - which includes 17 eastern states and the District of Columbia) seriously considering the development of new or additional golf facilities, whether they be private clubs, commercial or municipal.

The Foundation - a non profit corporation founded in 1936 by America's major manufacturers of golf equipment - was organized to meet the need for a national clearing house for information essential to the planning, construction, operation and maintenance of facilities for playing golf and to increase public interest in the game. Harry C. Eckhoff, Colonel USAF retired, joined the National Golf Foundation staff as Director of the Eastern Region following his retirement from the service in 1957. Call on him if he may be of assistance. His address, 1500 Arlington Boulevard, Arlington 9, Virginia. Telephone Jackson 8-4336.

Agriculture Yearbooks. The following list of Books are recommended for reading and for reference as textbooks, to the Golf Course Supt. They are available from, Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D.C. for the small sum of \$1.50 to \$4.00 or free of charge, by writing to your Senator or Congressmen. 1938, SOILS AND MEN - 1940, FARMERS IN A CHANGING WORLD - 1941, CLIMATE AND MAN - 1947, SCIENCE IN FARMING - 1948, GRASS - 1949, TREES - 1950, MANUAL OF GRASSES OF U.S. (available, not a Yearbook) - 1952, INSECTS - 1953, PLANT DISEASES - 1955, WATER - 1956, ANIMAL DISEASES - 1957, SOILS - 1958, LAND - 1959, FOOD - 1960, POWER TO PRODUCE - 1961, SEEDS.

To All Members Seeking Employment. Sr. Luis Galvez, President of the Maracaibo Country Club in Maracaibo, Venezuela, is seeking an interested and qualified Superintendent for a period of two years. The desired qualifications are for a man who can place in operation a system of maintenance while at the same time training a Venezuelan employee as a replacement to operate the course at the termination of his two year contract. The applicant must be familiar with all aspects of golf course planning, maintenance operation, equipment, soils, chemicals, and fertilizers. A knowledge of Spanish would be a great benefit. Salary: Salary will be negotiated; however, a minimum salary of \$700. plus living allowance is estimated at this time. The living allowance will be on the order of \$300. per month. A round-trip air passage for applicant and wife will be furnished. Inquiries: Applicant should submit a complete resume of experience and letters of recommendation. The letters of recommendation should include character reference as well as experience. Inquiries should be directed to: Mr. M.S. Wise, Jr., Texas Petroleum Co., Apartado 516, Maracaibo, Venezuela, South America.

Mr. John D. Williams, General Manager of Augusta Country Club, Augusta, Georgia, is seeking an interested and qualified superintendent. Salary: Salary will be in the \$7,000, plus house, bracket.

Experience: Superintendent must have experience in this part of the country and with Tifgreen bermudagrass especially. If interested contact: Augusta Country Club, P.C. Box 3166, Augusta, Georgia. Mark envelope "Application for Superintendent, Confidential".

June Meeting. Ocean City Golf and Yacht Club is honored to host at Ocean City, Md., the Mid-Atlantic Association of Golf Course Superintendents meeting on June 5, 1962, the schedule is as follows: GOLF - All Day, DINNER - 6:00 P.M., MEETING - 7:00 P.M., SPEAKER - Mr. Charles K. Halliwell.

Directions. Rt. 50 towards Ocean City, turn right on Md. Rt. 611 (Stephen Decatur Highway) which is  $\frac{1}{4}$  of a mile from Ocean City Bridge and continue 3 miles to club.

As many have indicated they would like to bring their families along or would like to stay overnight at the shore. George Gumm has secured a discount of \$2.00 at the Surf & Sands Motel which is on the boardwalk at 22nd street. This motel has a beautiful beach, swimming pool and coffee shop. Their rates are: 2 Double Beds \$11.00, Twin Beds \$9.00, Single Room \$7.00, for ocean front rooms.

Drop a card or call Atlantic 9-7162 for accommodations.

About the course - starting its 4th season of play, Penn Cross Greens, Kentucky Blue Grass & Red Fescue Fairways and tees. Bermuda is being placed, stripped and sodded into tees. It has 200 members and is a resort course. The Corporation has 350 acres and is starting to develop building sites.

Please, please, return your reservation for dinner cards as they will have to know how many to prepare for.

Items for the NEWS-LETTER. Until further notice send all items for the NEWS-LETTER to John R. Burt, Turf Valley Country Club, Route 40, Ellicott City, Maryland