filled by Bob Bingham, Bob was previously at Montgomery G.C. in Laytonsville, Md. Good luck at the new job.

### **BERMUDA BOO-BOO**

For those of you who think you're the only poor soul in our area who lost some Bermuda, you're in for a big surprise. Almost everyone in our region has lost from a little to a lot of their established Bermuda. The strains affected ranged from the ratty old common to the more sophisticated ones like 328 and Tif-green.

As near as anyone can determine, it was just a case of severe winter dessication. But whatever it was, it really played hell with the grass. The fellows who have experienced the greatest losses haven't been able to find even one green rhizome under the ground anywhere and when Bermuda dies that dead, it is dead!!

Pure stands of the grass suffered the worst. But where there was a higher percentage of Poa or other grasses with it, losses seemed to be lower. What is the answer? Who knows. But at least you're not alone.

### SUPER FIRES MECHANIC-MECHANIC FIRES BACK

Funny, huh? Well it really happened and the truth is the man is fortunate that nothing more happened than did. Homer Crissinger, super at the Royal Ottawa Golf Club in Canada was ambushed by one of his former employees in April. The guy shot him with a .22 rifle! Out of six shots fired, only two connected and that's enough. Luckily Mr. Crissinger's injuries were not serious, but he was laid up for a while, according to the "Greensmaster", the Canadian GCSA publication. So the next time you are in a bind for men, use a little care in who you choose to do your dirty work, 'cause he may try to do some on YOU!

#### **RANDOM THOTS**

Better tell your crew to be getting their tetanus shots now that summer is finally here. The college boys will probably have had them, but others on your crew should find out if they need them or not.

Sam Kessel from C.C. of Fairfax reports heavy tip burn on bent when Diazinon is used in temperatures above 80 degrees. He says he would recommend having the foliage quite damp before application as well as watering it in immediately after it is put on.

One quart of Banvel-D in 200 gallons of water knocks the heck out of Knotweed. Sure doesn't seem like much material, does it?

#### **EDITORIAL**

Well, it's June and all the Supers have finally settled down, literally speaking. All the job changes have



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