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MID-ATLANTIC ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The annual conference of the Mid-Atlantic Association of Golf Course Superintendents will be held at the Holiday Inn, Downtown, Howard and Lombard Streets, Baltimore, Md., on January 11 and 12, 1971. The Conference is under the Auspices of the Extension Service of the University of Maryland.

Following is the schedule for the two days of the Conference:

MONDAY, January 11

8:30 a.m. Registration
10:00 a.m. Call to Order
DR. GEORGE S. LANGFORD
State Entomologist, Univ. of Md.

Morning Session

Presiding
GEORGE B. THOMPSON, Superintendent
Columbia Country Club
Bethesda, Maryland

Welcome

DR. ROBERT E. WAGNER
Director
Cooperative Extension Service
Univ. of Md.

The President's Message

RUSSELL W. KERNS, President
Mid-Atlantic Assoc. of Golf
Course Superintendents
Berlin, Maryland

Motivation Symposium

Introductory Remarks
JAMES F. GILLIGAN, Superintendent
Bedins Brook Club
Skillman, New Jersey

"Second Effort" - Film
by Vince Lombardi former
Washington Redskins Coach

Motivation

EVAN LEMLEY, Specialist-Management
Rutgers-The N.J. State Univ.
New Brunswick, New Jersey

12:15 Adjourn for Lunch

1:30 p.m. IRRIGATION SYMPOSIUM

Afternoon session

Presiding
BERT YINGLING, V.P. MAGCS
Hagerstown, Maryland.

Basic Sprinkler Components

RICHARD HILL
Lewis Barton Company
Front Royal, Virginia

Radio Control Automation

MELVIN B. LUCAS, JR., Superintendent
The Garden City Golf Course
Garden City, L.I., N.Y.

Aquatic Weed Control

JOHN MURNAHAN
Penn. Walt Company
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sub-Surface Irrigation

DR. WILLIAM MITCHELL
Univ. of Delaware
Newark, Delaware

The Irrigation System at Mt. Pleasant

RICHARD BLAKE, V.P., G.C.S.A.A.
Superintendent, Mt. Pleasant C.C.
Boylston, Mass.

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7:00 P.M. Dinner

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Superintendent Indian Springs C.C.
Silver Spring, Md.

Introduction of Guests

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Information Specialist
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U. of Md., College Park, Md.

Installation of Officers.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12

9:00 a.m. Presiding

ROBERT C. MILLER, Superintendent
Suburban Club of Baltimore County
Pikesville, Maryland

Environmental Control Through Pesticides

DR. H.B. COUCH
VPI, Blacksburg, Va.

Equipment Modification

GEORGE W. CLEAVER, Superintendent
Chestnut Ridge Country Club
Lutherville, Maryland

Soil Fertility Research

DR. DON WADDINGTON
Associate Professor - Turf
Penn. State University
State College, Pennsylvania

Winter Kill of Bermuda

HOLMAN GRIFFIN
Southern Agronomist
USGA Green Section
Athens, Georgia

People, The Environment and Pesticides

DR. GEORGE S. LANGFORD
State Entomologist, State Bd of Agriculture
Univ. of Md. College Park, Md.

Current Problems and Trends — A Summary

DR. A.J. POWELL
Turf Specialist, Agronomy Dept.
Univ. of Md., College Park, Md.

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There will be a hospitality room on Sunday evening,
January 10 — Come and get acquainted.

BOARD MEETING

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held on
December 3 and several membership applications were
reviewed. They are as follows:

Mike Claffey, 7900 Connecticut Ave., Chevy
Chase, Md. Mike is George Thompson's assistant at
Columbia Country Club. He is applying as a Class D and
his form was signed by George Thompson and Dave
Fairbank.

Craig Rhoderick, Apt. B, Town and Country
Blvd., Ellicott City, Md. Craig is Chip McDonald's
assistant at Hobbits Glen and is applying as a Class D.
Chip and Ed Dembnicki signed the application.

Ford Strawser, Box 287, Reisterstown Rd.,
Baltimore, Md. Ford is the superintendent at
Woodholme C.C. and is applying for a Class A
membership. Jack McClenahan and Buck Whetsell
signed the form.

Russell Bull, Dalesford Rd., Baltimore, Md.
Russell is in sales with Gustin's Baltimore Toro. His
Class E application was signed by Russell Kerns and Bob
Orazi.

NEWS RELEASE

The revised printing of the book "TURFGRASS
SCIENCE," first released Nov. 1969, is off the press
and is ready for distribution according to A.A. Hanson,
Editor. The first printing of 2,800 copies sold rapidly.
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HOORAY FOR LYNN

As you may know, Oak Hill C.C. in Rochester, New York where the 1968 U.S. Open was held is open. Or at least at this writing it is. The following excerpts are from Bill Smart's Hudson Valley "Foreground" and are being published not to make the job requirements known, but for you all to study and draw your own conclusions as the the situation. From a personal point of view, I think Lynn has one big bunch of great courage and conviction for what he thinks is right. More power to him!! P.S. the editor's comment is Bill's, not, mine.

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January 15, 1971

PLEASE CONTACT:

Mr. Corwin Mall
Oak Hill Country Club, Kilbourn Rd.
Rochester, New York 14610
Phone: A/C 716 586-1660

Editor's Comment:

Mr. Mall of Oak Hill (Gr. Chmn. - Mgr.??) certainly is drawing a fine line when he specifies between 28 and 35 years of age - especially in view of the lack of qualified men in any age bracket. And he is certainly crippling Oak Hill's Supe hunt in a craft where the average age is closer to 45 than 35. I know this is a youth-oriented society (I almost failed an insurance physical the other day by collapsing on the floor when the insurance doctor paid a call - he looked about 17 going on 18.) but I never thought I would see the day

when a Turfman would be judged by his age rather than his experience, knowledge and past record. I wonder about the average age of the Board of Directors at Oak Hill?

One wonders too about the wisdom of seeking a replacement for an old Pro such as Lynn. Course conditions can vary from day to day and season to season, but surely no one who saw the course groomed for the Open (as I did) could fault the professional ability of Lynn Kellogg.

Were I in Lynn's place I might have had the guts to make the same stand - or I might have hung in there and kept one eye on the jobs open.

I have known brother Kellogg for some years (he calls me Old Poison Pen) and feel secure in the knowledge that he will go on to finer and greater things.

THE VOTES ARE IN

Yes, the annual election is over and the new officers were chosen. Our new officers are: President, Bert Yingling; Vice President, George Thompson; Secretary-Treasurer, George Cleaver; new Directors, each for a three year term, Sam Kessel and Al Watson.

Congratulations to all the winners and let's all get behind these men and show them how much help we can be and keep the Mid-Atlantic the best chapter in the country.

COMMENTS ON THE MEETING

The meeting at Ft McNair was excellent, from the food to the facilities. Everything was great except for one thing - there was a rotten turnout! Angie read Bob Miller's report IN ABSENTIA and we heard a figure of 188 members, of which 73 are A and B members. How many were there? Did you count them? In case you didn't, there were 27 voting members present. Hardly a good representation, do you think? When complaints are heard, you can bet they will be coming from the guys who weren't there!!

The by-laws changes that were listed in the November Newsletter were voted on and the results were:

1. The deletion of Section D, Article 1 was voted down, the By-law stands as it is written.
2. The deletion in Article V, Section H of the word "not" was voted down. The By-law stands as written.
3. The addition of a Class H - Student to Article V, Section A was approved. If you are unsure of this change it is a follows:

"Section L - Class H - Student

Any student above the high school level enrolled in a Turf Management, Agronomy, Horticulture, or other related full time college program shall be eligible to apply for a free membership in the association.

Further, upon completion of the approved course he may retain this student membership for two years following graduation provided he is working on a golf course and pays the Mid-Atlantic dues. He shall not be required to be a member of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America. He shall not have the right to vote or hold office."

A note of explanation: Presently, in order to qualify for an assistant, Class D membership, a man must be employed as an assistant for two years. There is no provision for this man to be in any membership class but E - associate, during this two years. This class requires national membership which a new man may not be able to afford. It is felt that these two years following school is a critical time for these people and that they need the assistance that we can offer, thus a Mid-Atlantic student membership should close this gap.

ATTA BOY, BOB

At the meeting, special tribute was paid to Bob Martino from Island View who presently holds the trophy from the GCSAA's annual golf tournament played in Houston last year. He is going to Phoenix this February to defend his title and we are behind him 100%. This is really something to hold this trophy when you stop to think about. Just think - how would you feel if YOU were the best golfing superintendent in the country? Think about it THAT way. Carry on Bob, and best of luck in Arizona!!

SNOW JOKE

Tom Blackburn, meteorologist with E.S.S.A. sent us this piece of information that all of us should be interested in for our weather records. Snow time is coming and here's how to measure it.

MEASURING THE WATER EQUIVALENT OF SOLID PRECIPITATION

The water equivalent (liquid content) of samples of solid precipitation (e.g., snow, glaze) is determined by melting each sample and measuring its liquid content.

After the snow has stopped falling, the measurements should be made. The snow may merely be allowed to melt (indoors, as a rule) in the gauge, if there has been little or no drifting, and the snow has not filled up the raingauge nor collected around the edges. Otherwise, to obtain a snow sample, invert the gauge and use the edges of the top to cut a vertical sample. If the snow is powdery, slip a piece of sheet metal or thin wood between the mouth of the gauge and the ground

to hold the sample in the gauge as it is withdrawn. Whenever the depth of snow is deeper than the gauge, cut and remove the sample, a portion at a time, until the required depth has been sampled.

So far as possible, make the cut where the sample will represent the average depth, and where the snow cover seems least affected by drifting.

Melting and Measuring may be sped up as follows:

- a. Empty snow into a separate container.
- b. Measure a quantity of warm water (to the nearest 0.1") in the emptied gauge and pour it into the container with the snow.
- c. After the snow has melted, pour the liquid back into the raingauge and measure in the same manner as for rainfall.
- d. Subtract the amount measured in (b) from the amount in (c). The remainder is the water equivalent of the sample.

MEASURING THE DEPTH OF SNOW OR OTHER SOLID PRECIPITATION

During the winter our study uses snow depth measurements in the same fashion as rainfall.

The term snow also includes ice pellets, glaze, hail and sheet ice formed directly or indirectly from precipitation (glaze). Thus, when rain or melted snow freezes on the ground, the depth of ice formed will be included as a part of the snow cover. A sturdy measuring stick marked in inches and tenths is preferred.

Thrust the measuring stick vertically into the snow until the end rests on the ground (if snow is lying on top of grass, insert stick to top of grass) or on the crust of old snow measured previously. The measurement should be made where the depth is least affected by drifting (if any). Read the depth to the nearest tenth inch.

RECORDING MEASUREMENTS

As with rain, measurements should be recorded on the form for the day on which the observation is taken. Amounts that occur after the time of observation will be entered on the forms for the following day.

Most forms in use contain three columns, the right hand one being for rain or water equivalent of snow. Snow depths (of new snow since the last reading) may be entered in the center column.

HOLIDAY GREETINGS!

JOB OPENING

The new Eaglehead Golf and Country Club, New Market, Maryland is now accepting applications for the position of Golf Course Superintendent.

The course, designed by William F. Mitchell, was built and seeded during 1970. It is anticipated that play will start June 1, 1971. Greens are Penncross Bent and average 6500 square feet. Tees are Pennstar, Fylking, and Merion Blue and average 5000 square feet. Fairways are of Merion Blue, So. Dakota Blue and Pennlawn. Length is 6754 yards from the championship tees, and a manual irrigation system with pop-ups on tees and around greens is in operation. Course equipment will be acquired upon the recommendations of the course superintendent.

Housing will be available adjacent to the course, normal benefits will exist and base salary is open. The position will be filled as early as possible in 1971.

Forward resumes to: Eaglehead Golf and Country Club, P.O. Box 75, New Market, Maryland 21774.

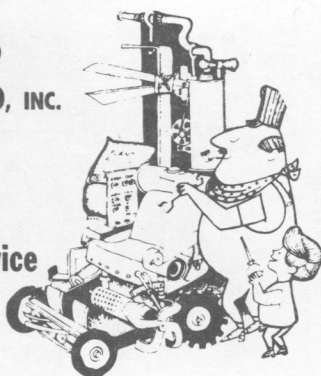


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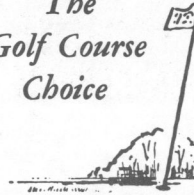
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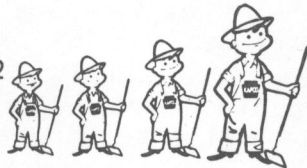
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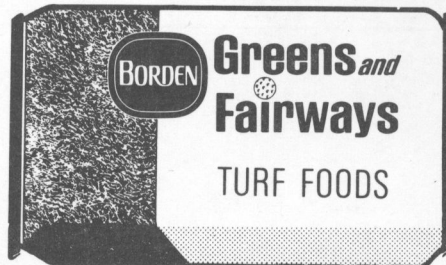
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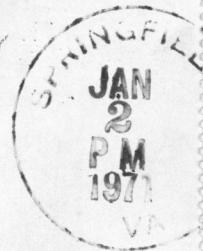
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