

A year later Dr. Grau was instrumental in forming the Pennsylvania Turfgrass Council. He was not an active member because of this commercial affiliation with Hahn-West Point, but never the less worked hard to form the group's by — laws and developed the turfgrass association logo as we know it today. He later joined the association and eventually rose through the ranks to become president.

In the years to follow Dr. Grau continued to remain prominent with the turf industry serving as a turf consultant for *Golfdom Magazine*, writing a monthly column for this publication for over thirty years. His "Turf Round-ups" column, published in the early 50's, remains to be as complete a coverage of the total U.S. turf industry as have ever been published.

In 1968, upon returning from the funeral of Burt Musser, Dr. Grau could visualize the need of developing a constant inflow of leaders within the turf industry. The result was the founding of the H.B. Musser International Turfgrass Foundation, whose sole objective was to provide scholarship funds for turf students working towards a PhD within the field of turf grasses. This would eventually result in producing new leaders for turf development in the years to come. To qualify for a foundation grant, a student must already have a masters degree in a turf related topic and be working for a doctorate.

The following year, 1969, Dr. Grau was requested to assist our armed forces in Viet Nam. The challenge that he faced was that of growing some kind of grass on Camaron Bay, to hold the shifting sands in place for the air fields. Following this successful venture Dr. Grau was awarded another Distinguished Service Award in Turf from the USGA greens section. Camaron Bay was noted to be the "biggest sand trap in the world" according to Bob Hope, who held one of his armed forces Christmas shows at the Bay.

# Board Meeting Highlights



Our first board meeting was held January 7, 1975 following the conference at the Baltimore Hilton Inn. After a few welcoming remarks by the president to the new board members, President Watson made appointments to the standing committees for 1975 as follows:

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| National affairs and employment committee | Paul Barefoot                      |
| Finance committee                         | David Fairbanck                    |
| Secretary treasurer                       | Angelo Cammarota                   |
| Membership committee                      | Virgil Robinson                    |
| Educational committee                     | Robert Orazi                       |
| Golf committee                            | Ronald Hall                        |
| Benevolent fund                           | Lou White                          |
| Meeting dates committee                   | Sam Kessel                         |
| Publicity and Newsletter                  | Craig Spottswood                   |
| Social and Fraternal                      | Ronald Hall, Lou White, Sam Kessel |

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| Delegates to National Convention as previously appointed | Angelo Cammarota<br>Ronald Hall, alternate |
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President Watson discussed some goals to attain in 1975, and requested some suggestions from the Board; a draft of the goals will be finalized at the following board meeting in February.

After a brief discussion of individual respective job assignments and 1975 objectives, the meeting date for February was set and we adjourned early to enable everyone to check out of the Hilton.

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