OUR HOST SUPERINTENDENT - Paul Paulsen, San Francisco Golf Club

Paul Paulsen, Golf Course Superintendent of the San Francisco Golf Club began working on the course in 1946 under his father who was superintendent. Paul assumed his present position in 1948--covering a span of thirty years. He joined the GCSA of Northern California in 1948 and served on the board and as secretary, vice president and president in 1955. He joined GCSA of America in 1956. San Francisco Golf Club is testimony of Paul's ability to provide a superior golf facility.

San Francisco Golf Club was one of the seven golf clubs West of the Allegheney Mountains when it was founded in 1885. It had its beginning at the Presidio in San Francisco as a nine hole course. It was moved to 19th and Ocean streets in 1904 and to its present location in 1915. The course occupies 171 acres and is 18 holes with 70 acres of fairways, 86,000 square feet of greens, 61,000 sq. feet of tees and 216,500 square feet of traps. The course is equipped with an automatic irrigation system.

It has a reputation of being a great golf course, exceptionally well maintained. Carts are allowed to be used only by persons with physical handicaps with a doctors certificate.

SPEAKER - Frank Tatum, Jr.

Mr. Frank Tatum, Jr., President of the United Golf Association and speaker for the February meeting ranks as the very best. Anyone who has heard him will come back for more; those who have not are in for a most enjoyable experience.

The combination of Frank Tatum, as speaker and the San Francisco Golf Club for the location and Paul Paulsen, Superintendent as host will make this a truly great occasion.

A NEW YEAR - Bob Livesey, CGCS, President

Once again father time has gone on, and left us with many things to think about. We have made our New Year resolutions, good or bad. Now we hope we can live up to them.

What kind of a year was 1978? Did we learn any thing? We had more than our share of rain the early part of the year. The drought was over!!. Then came the fungi. It seemed as though more superintendents were spraying on a preventative basis than ever before. We got that one licked. Then came the long hot summer. It was<sup>a</sup>fight to keep the bentgrass alive in some areas. We had learned from the previous year we could manage our turf with less water and this helped us all.