

Greenkeepers Club of New England

NEWSLETTER

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One of the finest of gifts—
Is the gift of friendly association.

The December monthly greenkeepers meeting was held at the Waltham Field Station, Waltham, Mass. December 2nd, with Dr. LeFrance and Dr. Howard of the Rhode Island State College as guest speakers. The attendance was not up to par. Wonder if the cold weather kept most of the boys home. Movie slides were shown and illustrated. Dr. LeFrance spoke on Turf Sterilization and Dr. Howard on turf disease and their controls.

Highlight of the program was that a new compound is in it's experimental stages at State College's grass plots and showing great promise in the control of turf disease. It is believed that it will surpass all other chemical in the control of turf disease.

The nominating committee reported the slate of office for the coming year to be voted upon at the next meeting.

President — Homer C. Darling
1st. V. Pres. — Phillip I. Cassidy
2nd. V. Pres. — Harold G. Mosher
3rd. V. Pres. — Arthur C. Cody
Secretary — N. J. Sperandio
Treasurer — John L. Counsell
Trustee 3 yrs. — Arthur E. Anderson

Entertainment Committee
Chairman — Maurice E. Ryan
Golf Committee
Chairman — Michael O'Grady
Auditing
Committee — Howard D. Farrant
(Vote for 2) — Edward Murphy

The following men were voted on and elected as members of the club.

John Dombek — Ludlow, Mass.
Albert L. Allen — Salem, Mass.

John Fitzpatrick — Scituate, Mass.

An application of John J. Carey, Colonial Club, Lynfield, Mass. was read and will be voted on at the next regular monthly meeting.

It is good news to report that the winter school for greenkeepers at Massachusetts State College, Amherst, Mass. will be resumed once again under the guidance of Professor L. E. Dickinson. It had been discontinued during the war years.

A greenkeeper is the back bone of a club, a professional man, Not a foreman, laborer, or all round handy man on a golf course. He is deserving as the professional man, he should be granted reasonable wages and working hours. To those men who put in many extra working hours and not attending educational meetings, which will benefit themselves and their clubs, are failing to uphold the profession. He has no one to blame but himself and is doing an injustice to the advancement of greenkeeping.

The annual meeting will be held on Monday January 6th, 1947, at 4 P. M., at Stueben's Vienna Room, 114 Boylston Street, Boston, Mass. Dinner will be served between 6 and 7 P. M., following the business meeting.

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