

NEWSLETTER

GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENTS ASSOCIATION

of New England

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*"The private and personal blessings we enjoy,
the blessings of immunity, safeguard, liberty,
and integrity, deserve the thanksgiving of a
whole life."*
Jeremy Taylor

This is the time of the year for thought and meditation. The time when we send a formal "Thank You" message to the Lord. November 28, has been set aside for our traditional Thanksgiving Day, as always we have much to be thankful for. So again this year let's open our eyes, our hearts, and our minds to what we have and give thanks for everything. Don't overlook the youngsters in your household. Just as we grown-ups retain fond memories of our young days on this special Holiday have a days program that will leave your little ones with pleasant future memories. And you Superintendents, when you sit down to the Thanksgiving dinner don't necessarily follow the advice of,

A SENSIBLE BOY

I don' believe in eating much
Of turkey, punkin an' such;
It makes you dream bad dreams at night,
An' then, besides, it's not polite.
So I'm not goin' to stuff and stuff,
An' act like I can't eat enough —
For me a turkey leg will do,
With just a slice of breast — or two —
Some liver, gizzard, an' a wing,
An' lots of dressing — that's the thing.
Mashed potatoes, to make me grow,

H. Darling	42-9-33
B. Clark	40-6-34
R. Mucciarone	48-13-35
Sam Mitchell, Jr.	45-9-36
Phil Cassidy	44-8-36

The door prize winners were, Mike O'Grady, Joe Oldfield, Jim Grady, and Dandurand. Carmen Capozzi, the calm and congenial host superintendent had the course in excellent condition in spite of the summers dry weather.

At the business meeting George Stavros, Cape Ann Golf Club, Essex, Mass. was elected an associate member. Three applications for new memberships were read, Wm. Edlund, Needham G.C., Philip Mitchell, Sharon C.C., and Eugene Chaiest, North Andover C.C.

President Francis has announced the appointment of two committees. The Spring Turf Conference Committee as follows: Phil Cassidy, Chr., Albert Allen, Paul O'Leary, Ray Brigham, Arthur Cody, Arthur Anderson, and Richard Blake. This committee has already met with Dr. Roberts and Dr. Havis at the Waltham Field Station to determine the time and place. It was unanimously decided to hold the conference at Amherst, Thursday and Friday March 6 and 7. Important and interesting subjects have been proposed and popular and educational speakers have been mentioned. It promises to be an up to the minute program, with the same zip and progressiveness which dominated last years program at Waltham.

The other appointment was the nominating com-

Squash an' cabbage, they're fine, you know;
 I must have some cranberries, too,
 An' layer cake—two pieces will do.
 Then of punkin pie so yellow—
 One piece, 'cause I'm a little fellow.
 With nuts and apples I shall quit,
 An' not ask for another bit.
 'Tisn't good, the doctors say,
 To eat too much Thanksgiving Day.

Author Unknown

Since two outdoor meetings were held in October and none in November because of cold weather possibilities this report dates back to the Pro-Supt Shanahan Memorial Tournament at Brae Burn, October 7. Ye editor was unable to attend this meeting but the able Associate Editor, Phil Cassidy, reports the following: A beautiful damp wet day. Even the dead leaves had a life-like sheen. 24 teams thought enough of their scores to post them. Many sat out the tournament to look at the wet grass and beautiful Brae Burn. Arthur Anderson showed the touring players the whole course. It was in superb condition. There was little roll and very little bounce. Some of the Supt. and short hitting pros. forgot how old they were getting until they came to the 18th tee. There were some reper-cussions about that back *back* tee. The top teams were:

George Lane and Bob Mucciarone	78-65
Babe Doucette and Joe Dinardi	84-70
Bob Crowley and Howard Farrant	83-71
Tom Mahan, Jr. and Joe Butler	80-71
John Sutter and Bert Clark	78-72

The last outdoor meeting of the season was held at the Norfolk Golf Club, October 28. It was a surprisingly well attended meeting for so late in the season although very few braved the cool circulating breezes for the nine hole tournament. More probably would have entered had they known of the Club's generosity in donating substantial prize money. The top winners were:

mittee consisting of Arthur Cody, Chr., George Webster, Guy Tedesco, Dave Barry, Paul O'Leary, and Sam Mitchell. This committee will report a slate of 1958 officers at the December meeting.

Our secretary Bill Ash wishes to remind you that he is holding new Superintendents lapel pins ordered but not picked up. He has additional ones available also.

Our members were saddened to learn of the recent passing of Skip Wogan, for many years the faithful and conscientious secretary-treasurer of the New England P.G.A. He served in the role of, professional, golf course superintendent, golf course architect, scoreboard designer, and administrator. He was everybody's friend. In fact he had the unique faculty even on the first meeting of making you feel he was your friend and you his friend. Skip will be terribly missed wherever he was known.

*The First Indoor Meeting of the Season
 will be held at*

THE WALTHAM FIELD STATION

DECEMBER 2

Our Regular Popular Caterer Will Please You
 at 12:30

The Speaker

Dr. Elliot Roberts

Live — In Color — Up to the Minute

BE THERE

The By-law committee will meet same date, same place
 at 9:30

"Thank God every morning when you get up, that you have something to do which must be done whether you like it or not. Being forced to work and forced to do your best, will breed in you temperance, self control, diligence, strength of will, and a thousand other virtues which the idle never know."

H. DARLING, *Editor.*