

# Golf Course Superintendents Association

OF NEW ENGLAND



## NEWSLETTER

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The March meeting was held March 2, 1964 at the Waltham Field Station.

First Vice President Leon St. Pierre presided.

There were 15 members in attendance at the business meeting.

The Newsletter was late in being mailed by the printer, this possibly was one reason for so poor an attendance and another reason possibly was the turf conference at the U of Mass. held March 5 & 6 during the same week.

Those Supts. attending the meeting enjoyed a fine luncheon (27 arrived by lunch time). Tom Curran Educational Chairman and the man responsible for obtaining the caterer and making reservations and guarantees for lunch invited the Field Station staff to join us for lunch.

The educational program was one of the finest to date. Dr. John Schread, Entomologist University of Conn. presented an authoritative and practical talk, illustrated by slides, on Insects on the Golf Course and Safety in Handling Pesticides. This is indeed a timely subject and one which now has the Federal and State authorities talking of control, examinations for applicators and state licensing. More information on this to follow when facts are available.

At the business meeting 3 new members were voted associate membership.

Charles Gardner, Supt. Blue Rock C. C., So Yarmouth, Mass.

Charles F. O'Lari, Jr., Supt. Edgewood C. C., Southwick, Mass.

Charles B. Lawrence, Supt. Blue Hill C. C. Sharon, Mass.

Below listed are 3 proposed additions to By-laws changes. Under Article IV - Section 4 - Associate members (page 7) Add paragraph 2.

A. A Supt. having a Bachelor of Science degree in Agrostology - Agronomy - Plant Pathology shall be eligible to become an associate member.

B. A Supt. having an Associate degree in Turf Management, shall receive two years work experience credit towards an Associate membership.

C. A Supt. having a Short Course certificate in Turf Management, shall receive one year work experience credit, towards an Associate membership.

Next meeting - Dealers meeting - April 6 - Waltham Field Station

Directors meeting 10:00 A.M.

Business meeting 11:00 A.M.

Lunch 12:30 P.M.

Dealers Program 1:30 P.M. All welcome - new products discussion.

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Wedding congratulations to Dr. Burt Anderson, Supt. Augusta C. C.,  
Maine and his new bride.

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Mike O'Grady, Supt. C. C. New Bedford recently was guest speaker at the Northeastern G.C.S.A. Mike also spoke at the National Conference in Philadelphia, his slide review of "History of Turf Maintenance & Equipment" was certainly within the theme, "Our Advancing Profession." Mike was praising the National and recommending 100% association membership way, way back . . . . . Congratulations Mike.

Please notify the Secretary of any changes of address at your earliest convenience - Your cooperation will be appreciated.

There were 578 in attendance at the Turf Conference at the University of Mass. Over 100 signed up as members in the Mass. Turf and Lawn Grass Council.

WANTED all members of G.C.S.A. of N.E. to write a personal letter to their State Senator or Representative requesting the building of a golf course at the University of Mass. Land is now available and the University is growing at such a rate that a golf course could be supported and research work could be conducted there also.

A copy of all state officials and their addresses will be available at the April meeting. - Please cooperate,

The editor

*Dick Blake*

P.S. Remember - April 15 - 40th Anniversary G.C.S.A. of N.E.

## SAFE USE OF PESTICIDES

Employer and employee protection when using pesticides is essential to good health — perhaps even to survival in an area where carelessness in handling and use materials has been and continues to be common practice.

A. All pesticide containers are labelled. Hence the first step in using materials is to read the label carefully. It will indicate the type of pesticide, the purpose or purposes for which it has been developed, quantity to be used, how it should be handled, and precautions necessary in safe utilization.

B. The next step in using pesticides safely is to protect the man or men charged with the responsibility of their use. A respirator should be provided. It is perhaps the most important piece of protective equipment available to us. Next wear rubber (natural rubber) gloves. Goggles may be needed to protect one's eyes. A rubber cover-all, trousers, jacket with attached cape or rubber hat; (or some other type of cover-all) which will not allow spray to penetrate to one's body. Under some conditions a plastic shield should be used to protect the exposed areas of face and neck.

C. Do not smoke or eat when handling pesticides. At lunch time remove protective clothing and wash hands, arms and face with soap and water before eating.

D. If clothing should accidentally become drenched (in part or completely) with pesticides, remove immediately, take a shower or bath (soap and water) and put on clean clothing. Do not rewear pesticide contaminated clothing until thoroughly washed.

E. Burn or bury all containers when empty. Do not inhale smoke from burning paper or containers. Do not use glass container (when empty) for any other purpose — smash glass containers and bury the fragments. Knock holes in metal containers so they may not be used for other purposes — then bury if convenient. Keep all pesticides in a securely locked room or cupboard. By all means keep them away from children and animals.

F. Never use milk bottles, soda bottles or any other bottles made for packaging foods or drinks to store small quantities of liquid pesticides. Furthermore, do not use paper, metal, or cardboard containers in which food stuffs were originally packaged, to store a small surplus of pesticide wettable powders, dusts or granules. Someone might accidentally mistake the contents of the container for an edible item and use it as food much to their everlasting regret.

On reaching home late in the day remove work clothes, take a shower or bath and put on clean clothing. Never permit anyone to sleep in an area where pesticides are stored.

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