

OTHER IMPORTANT USGA GREEN SECTION NEWS:

January, 1976 was a busy news month for the USGA's Green Section:

The Associates Program

With Arnold Palmer as National Chairman, the USGA Associates Program was detailed by Green Section Chairman John L. Crist, Jr., at the Educational Conference in late January. The primary objective of the program is to provide a means whereby all golfers can become more closely identified with the USGA, the governing body of golf in our country. For the first time ever an individual may now enroll as an Associate and enjoy the satisfaction of directly supporting golf and USGA services.

President Ford became the first USGA Associate on December 18, 1975. The annual subscription is \$12 a year for an adult; \$16 for husband and wife. In appreciation of the support, those who enroll will receive a subscription to the *Golf Journal*, a current Rules of Golf booklet, a golf bag tag with his name thereon and a USGA Associates decal.

Write to any USGA office (please see inside front cover) for further details.

A.M. Radko Appointed National Director, Green Section

Alexander M. Radko has been appointed National Director of the USGA Green Section. He will head up a scientific team of agronomists in bringing the soundest turf management counseling service possible to USGA Member Clubs. A number of new activities are being planned for the Turfgrass Service of the Green Section, and Radko also plans to devote additional time to turfgrass research projects sponsored by the organization. Al Radko has been with the USGA since 1947; he served as Eastern Green Section Director for the past 22 years. USGA Member Clubs and superintendents can look forward to even greater support of their turf management operations from the only advisory agency devoted solely to golfing turf in the USA. If your club is not now a subscriber, plan to join and take advantage of the Turfgrass Visiting Service in 1976. The cost is still less than \$1 a day!

John L. Crist, Jr., receiving a check donated for the Green Section Research and Education Fund from Harry Welch and Edwin Laxton, during the USGA Annual Meeting in January.

