Greenkeepers Name Speakers for Columbus Meeting, Feb. 4-6

If the list of speakers and subjects to be discussed is any indication, clubs sending their greenkeepers to attend the forthcoming National Association's convention in Columbus, February 4, 5 and 6, will reap a rich harvest.

There will be three business sessions on successive mornings during the convention with three or four speakers featured at each session. Responsibility for choosing these speakers was placed in the capable hands of President John Morley, Secretary John Quaill and First Vice-President John MacGregor and their efforts have resulted in as fine a line-up of experts as has ever favored the convention.

The program, as secured by GOLFDOM from MacGregor on his return from the Executive committee meeting in New York, November 17, 18 and 19, is as follows:

"Golf Course Architecture and Construction," by Tom Winton, well known greenkeeper and golf course architect of Tuckahoe, New York. Especially in view of the scheduled reconstruction work Winston's remarks will carry practical help for greenkeepers. As one who has had to maintain courses he has built he is qualified to speak authoritatively on the joint problems of construction and maintenance.

"Poisons in the Soil," by Prof. J. W. White of Penn State College.

"Sports Turf," by Alfred E. Lundstrum, supt., Crescent Athletic Club, Huntington, L. I. The speaker will talk on all types of sports turf, including tennis, polo, baseball, etc., in addition to golf. Al, as a veteran greenkeeper, and as the one responsible for what are said to be the world's best grass tennis courts, is a happy choice of program material.


"Golf Course Bookkeeping," by E. W. Doty, treasurer of the Cleveland District Golf Association. Ed Doty is the field's premier enthusiast on making figures tell the story.

"Irrigation," by Joe P. Mayo, well known greenkeeper of Pebble Beach G. C., Del Monte, Cal., and closely associated with the development of fairway watering.

"Drainage," by Edward Dearie, greenkeeper of Ridgemoor C. C., Chicago. Dearie, whose articles appear frequently in GOLFDOM, is one of the leading course builders of the Middle-West and a highly successful greenkeeper.

"Growth of the Golf Plant," by Dr. Howard P. Sprague, agronomist of the New Jersey Agricultural College.

"Practical Greenkeeping," by Joseph Williamson, greenkeeper at Scioto C. C., Columbus, O. Williamson is also chairman of the Entertainment committee for the greenkeepers' convention.

Prof. Lawrence Dickenson of Mass. Agric. College is on the speakers' list, but the subject of his speech has not been announced at press time. Probable additional speakers are Martin A. Davey, president of the Davey Tree Expert Co., Kent, Ohio, whose address will doubtless have to do with the care of trees; T. E. Odland, agronomist at the Kingston (N. J.) Agricultural Experiment Station; and Ganson Depew, vice-chairman of the U. S. G. A. Green Section.