Bridlespur Club, Kirkwood, Mo., finds irregular shape of pool fits scenic scheme.

Swimming Pool Has Major Value to Live Clubs

By H. D. MACKEY

SEVERAL of the foremost country clubs have recently installed swimming pools on their properties adjacent to the clubhouse itself, where the locker rooms are used both by bathers and golfers. The plan is proving highly satisfactory and is resulting in a marked increase in the club attendance.

Among the more interesting of these installations the swimming pool of the Bridlespur Hunt Club of Kirkwood, Mo. This pool is irregular in shape, and the surrounding area is beautifully landscaped. The deck around the pool is of flagstone, affording a non-slip surface for bathers. It is located just a short dis-
South Bend's Country Club's pool is a fine example of modern golf club installation. Numerous benches are provided for the comfort of swimmers and spectators and large, colorful sunshades enliven the scene. A photograph of this unique pool is shown herewith. Notice the convenient placing of the four ladders, so that one is easily accessible from any part of the pool despite the unusual shoreline.

Another attractive pool is that of the South Bend C. C., at South Bend, Ind. This pool, opened August 25, 1929, is highly attractive, though of more conventional design than the Bridespur pool. Located in a rolling country and naturally landscaped, it has an artistic setting. It is correctly proportioned to accommodate official swimming contests, being 30 ft. wide, 60 ft. long and 9 ft. 6 in. deep at the deepest point. The photograph reproduced herewith shows this pool on the day of opening.

Other clubs recently including swimming in their available sports are the Hyperion C. C. of Des Moines, Ia., the Onwentsia club of Lake Forest, Ill., the North Shore C. C. of Menasha, Wis., the Winter Club of Lake Forest and the Springfield C. C. of Springfield, O. This last mentioned club has its pool in process of completion, to be opened soon.

Watch Sanitation.

Of major importance to country clubs and others considering the installation of swimming pools is the matter of sanitation. The water entering the pool must be free from all contaminating influences, and must remain so. This necessitates an

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efficient filtration plant, and the introduction of an active germicide in the water, to render harmless any exudations from swimmers' bodies. In practically every modern installation, also, the equipment includes the necessary recirculation system for effecting a complete turnover of the pool water every so often. The usual period of turnover is from four to twenty-four hours, but between seven and eight hours is the recommended period. The usual equipment also includes a suction cleaner, which enables the operator to remove the sediment from the bottom of the pool without draining the water.

Chlorine and ozone are the two most popular active germicides, ozone being a more recent development. An electric chlorinator has recently been perfected, and an electric ozonator is now in process of completion, by one of the country's leading swimming pool equipment manufacturers, which, in addition to accuracy of distribution is practically automatic in control.
Night Lights for Pools.

Another recent innovation in swimming pool construction is the underwater lighting system. This greatly enhances the utility and beauty of any pool, and insures maximum safety at all times. It gives crystal-clear, evenly diffused light throughout the water of the pool at night, and can, by the introduction of colored lenses, be obtained in a multiplicity of color schemes. It increases the enjoyment of the spectator as well as the swimmer, who seems from the shoreline to be moving through light rather than water. The Springfield C. C. will have the first outdoor pool so equipped.

Most of the country clubs installing swimming pools are doing so with the intention of freezing the pool over in winter and so providing an exhilarating winter sport for their members. If the pool is set in a natural or artificial hollow, it is advisable to use enough water to completely freeze over the pool proper, as this will insure an even temperature of 32 deg. F., all winter, thus preventing the action of frost through the structure.

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