enough to pick up odd jobs during the off-season.

Do you wonder why few men come back to golf course work in the spring? The clubs either don’t realize the situation or don’t give a damn. They are going to have to pay higher wages for the men they can get to work during the season because they have neglected to show any interest in these men in the off-months. In the spring the clubs ask, “where is this man and where is that man,” but they didn’t give a damn about the men in the fall. So when spring comes and the greenkeeper asks a good man to come back to the club to work, the good man says to the greenkeeper . . . [Remark unfortunately must be deleted although it is a gem as a soul’s outburst.—Ed.]

If clubs would show a little more consideration for the men who do the work on the golf courses the men also would show their appreciation by doing better work and by coming back in the spring. Half of the clubs don’t even appreciate an honest man. If a greenkeeper saves some money on his budget the club should show its appreciation by giving him part of the saving to split between himself and his force. Do they? Like hell they do! They just cut his budget the next year.

If clubs would take a tip from Meister’s article in GOLFDOM, golf clubs would be more pleasant places to work and better work would be done.

John ............

(Just a course laborer).

Greenkeepers Course at Michigan State Covers Field Well

GOLF is big business in Michigan. In the Detroit area alone the golf courses have assessed valuations in excess of 20 million dollars, says a newspaper press release on the course in turf management at Michigan State college, which begins Jan. 4.

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