proven strains of this valuable species, all grown within the state.”

Raritan velvet is a superior strain of the species Agrostis canina, which produces the finest greens turf of any grass now available, Sprague states. It is very leafy and makes a dense, velvety turf, rich green in color, capable of enduring considerable wear; is drought resistant, rather tolerant of shade, and endures limited soil fertility.

64 Attend June Meeting of Iowa Greenkeepers

Despite a heavy rain, 64 greenkeepers and persons concerned with growing of fine turf attended the June meeting of the Iowa Greenkeeping Superintendents, held June 13 at the Des Moines G&CC. W. F. Keating, the host greenkeeper, arranged for and put on successfully, a large golf course equipment exhibition, and representatives of the various companies demonstrated products between showers.

The greenkeepers luncheon turned out to be a wide-open clinic on grasses. Dr. S. W. Edgecombe, extension horticulturist at Iowa State College, reported on a paper by J. A. DeFrance, of the Rhode Island Agricultural Experiment Station, entitled “The Effect of Different Fertilizer Ratios on Colonial, Creeping and Velvet Bent Grasses.” The paper caused considerable comment, and Edgecombe was kept busy answering many questions from the floor.

Officers of the Iowa group for 1939, elected at the meeting, were: J. A. Benson, Cedar Rapids CC, pres.; C. J. Yarn, Woodside GC, v-pres.; Glen Fletcher, Hyperion Field Club, sec.; W. F. Keating, Des Moines G&CC, treas. July meeting of the association will be held at Council Bluffs, July 11.

What’s New

Dunlop Tire & Rubber Co., Sports Dept., 500 Fifth Ave., New York City, is supplying free to pros for distribution to their members a desk card headed, “Men Must Play.” It reads:

“Faster, ever faster, is the tempo of life...”