Glen Oak Gets Model Pool

By Bob Worth

Pen Reed, president, Glen Oak CC, Glen Ellyn, Ill., on Saturday, April 29, in colorful opening ceremonies, turned over the first shovelful of dirt on the site of the club's new swimming pool, thereby getting construction 'officially' under way. Actual work on the new pool began shortly after May 1st.

The pool has been designed to meet as nearly as possible the bathing demands that study has proved is true of other pools of this kind. Specifically, the demand imposed upon a country club swimming pool is found by experience to be largely in the bathing or wadeable end of the pool, and in this particular pool, 68% of the area is available for this demand. The entire pool, of course, will be swimable, as the minimum depth at the shallow end is one meter.

Pool Capacity Is 287

Plans for the new swimming pool call for a length of 75 ft., width at the shallow end of 74 ft., and width at diving end of 35 ft. The pool will have a theoretical capacity of 287 persons, with filtering equipment of sufficient capacity for a 6 hr. turnover. Water volume will be 141,300 gallons, with a surface area of 3,518 sq. ft. There will be two diving boards, one at 1 meter and one at 3 meters, and depth at the diving basin will be 11 ft. 6 in. Five racing lanes are being provided at the deep end of the pool.

New Bathhouse for Children

A bathhouse for the members' children and guests of the kids, sunk to window level, will be built at the shallow end of the pool. Dressing booths, showers, and lavatories are provided for the boy and girl swimmers in one half of the building; space for counter, attendant and shelves is directly inside the entrance, and waiting lobby next to the girls' dressing section. Equipment room occupies remainder of structure, with motor, pump, surge tank, and three large filters. Stairs from boys section lead directly to upper deck at side of building, while steps from girls' section lead to pool edge in front of bathhouse. Men and women will, of course, dress in the regular club locker-rooms.

Outdoor dancing will now be available.
Practicability is theme of new bathhouse to accommodate boy and girl swimmers at Glen Oak. Windows on all sides assure plenty of light and a cheerful atmosphere. Filtering equipment can handle complete water turnover in 6 hours. Roof of bathhouse will be made as outdoor dance floor.

as plans call for construction of dance floor on roof of bathhouse. Large towers at each end of the bathhouse provide ample lighting. Cost of the pool, equipment, and bath facilities has been set at approximately $30,000. Pool engineers are Battey & Childs, 231 S. LaSalle St., Chicago.

"Practical Lawn Craft"* Is Outstanding Turf Text Book

A Review by John Monteith, Jr.

This new book on planting and care of turf, as is indicated by the title, is written primarily for those who are interested in lawns. Since the author is director of the Board of Greenkeeping Research, St. Ives Research Station, Bingley, Yorkshire, England, the book naturally shows the influence of golf course turf management. There are also chapters devoted to the care of turf for sport and other purposes.

The purpose of the book, as explained in the preface, is to examine the subject of turf upkeep from the scientific angle.

It is explained that the “wider interest shown today in turf culture and the desire for advice demand a treatise designed to supply factual information of a reliable nature. Further, recent advances in knowledge of turf grasses, pest and weed control, to mention but a few subjects, demand exposition.”

The subject matter covers the whole range of turf management including discussions of grasses, fertilizers, planting, mowing and other maintenance practices. Chapters are devoted to descriptions of pests and the control of insects, diseases, earthworms and vermin. There are chapters also on special problems encountered in the care of turf in shade or in areas such as bowling greens, tennis courts, football and hockey fields, polo fields and race courses.