What Members Do Is Big Factor In '42 Maintenance

A L LESPERANCE, pro at Belmont Hills CC, St. Clairsville, O., advances the opinion, based on considerable observation in golf, that members can help a lot to maintain a fairly high standard of course condition despite wartime lowered budgets.

Lesperance says that one spot where money can be saved in maintenance of many courses is by reducing the number of hours spent on raking traps. He adds, "The standard need not be lowered if the members will see to it that the caddies rake the marks made by the player."

Lesperance also suggests furnishing the member with a small tool, which he can carry in his pocket, so that while the other players are making their shots, the player can dig out any weed in the fairways which happens to be near him at the time he is waiting to play.

"If the player would dig 10 weeds each round, an improvement in condition would result, besides a saving in maintenance cost. You would only have to have about twenty members interested to make a marked improvement," Al says.

CHICK HARBERT has an ingenious and neat way of price-marking clubs. He puts the price stickers on the clubs but without wetting the stickers. Over the stickers he puts 3/4 in. transparent scotch tape.

This marking prevents switching of price tags, prevents alteration or mutilation of the tags, and keeps them looking fresh. The tape is easily removed and doesn't leave any sticky pieces of paper. Tags are placed just below the grips.

Chick's daddy, E. W. Harbert, pro at Marywood CC, Battle Creek, was one of the first to adopt Chick's idea.