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length suitable for golfing results. The grass round table also brought out reference by Mott and others on work being done to develop a good golf fairway grass that wouldn’t grow tall.

The Brandon talk on golf course and airfield kindred problems and what airfield work had been done in soils, drainage, fertilizing, grass strains and mowing was especially interesting to the greenkeepers. Carl Bretzlaff, of Stout Field, Indianapolis, former president of the Indiana Greenkeepers’ assn. and one of the prime movers in establishing the Purdue short course, was among those participating in the discussion.

Considerably due to turf practice developed on golf courses, U. S. Army and Navy aviation has been able to make valuable use of turf in quick and sound construction of plane runways, elimination of dust that causes accidents, reduces motor life and lowers morale and health of fliers, developing camouflage, and even in combatting the malaria problem.

At Purdue this year there were 18 greenkeepers from the Chicago district among the 50 in attendance. They and other greenkeepers representing mid-western courses of all classes expect the troubles of 1944 course maintenance will be tougher than the problems of 1943 since labor and machinery problems will be more acute. Several of the greenkeepers remarked that their clubs had done exceptionally well financially in 1943 and had begun to put money aside for course re-habilitation work that would be necessary after the war. It was noted that since seed, fertilizer and arsenicals now are available the unexpectedly healthy financess of clubs might wisely take into consideration turf improvement as part of this year’s program.

Noer commented that during his travels from mid-summer 1943 on there had been a marked increase in trouble with golf course disease.

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