interested clubs have been able to receive from Dr. Davis small lots of material to use in tests on their own weed pests with the understanding that they would keep her informed regarding the results under their respective conditions. The result is that recommendations are ready for the control of such serious turf weeds as clover, dandelion and buckhorn plantain in the north and central sections of the country, and pennywort and Dichondra in the south. Moreover, several companies already are marketing this material in various forms, some of which she has demonstrated can be used without injury to all of the grasses except the bents maintained at putting green height.

“A third problem is the ever-present question of fungicides to control turf diseases without injuring the sensitive putting green grasses in summer heat. This search for fungicides which will control the diseases common to bent putting greens without injuring the grass is being conducted in cooperation with Dr. Howard and Mr. Keil in the Rhode Island Agricultural Experiment Station as part of our regional turf program in that Institution. One fungicide which proved outstandingly successful on the test plots last year is now being manufactured in sufficient quantities to make large-scale tests on some 30 different golf courses about the country this year. A wide variety of others are being tested this year on the experiment station grounds in Kingston, Rhode Island.

“This work is only one angle of the cooperative program which has been under way at the Rhode Island Agricultural Experiment Station since the fall of 1942. A study of fertilizer programs best suited for the golf courses in that area, as well as the control of weeds in turf and of weed seeds in compost, has been an important part of the program in Rhode Island since the cooperative work was initiated.

“This cooperation is the first in the direction of developing a strong postwar national turf program on the basis of similar regional cooperative programs in various sections of the country. The development of the Regional Turf Foundation at Purdue University (servicing at least for the time being Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky, southern Michigan and southern Wisconsin) has been this year’s most significant outgrowth of the idea of the importance of regional investigations in the Green Section’s postwar national turf program. Other such centers of turf interest have been expressing their interest to the Green Section and turning to Dr. Davis for advice and suggestions for the development of a turf program in their region.

Harris Course Jobs Show
Postwar Boom Signs

★ ROBERT BRUCE HARRIS of Chicago can give evidence that a postwar golf boom is taking substantial form. Golf course architectural and construction jobs which Harris and his organization have under way are in private, public and fee-course fields. Harris says the solid financing of the new jobs is putting the postwar golf development on a basis far firmer than the golf club boom which followed World War I.

Among courses on which Harris is working are:

Bismarck (N. Dak.) CC which is to have a new championship 18-hole course. Among members will be prominent state and local public officials. The development is along Apple Creek east of Bismarck. The new layout will be a fairway watered job with the entire course being of the latest streamlined design. Harris is also designing a swimming pool, tennis courts and parking space for the club. C. J. Reff is president of the club and Wm. J. Lowe, State Game Commissioner, is v.p.

Harris also is making plans for the remodeling of the 18 hole Meadow Lark CC, Great Falls, Mont. Meadow Lark, which is at the junction of the Sun and Missouri Rivers, will be completely revamped. A new fairway watering system will be installed and the entire layout will be modernized. According to Harris, Meadow Lark will be contourscaped into one of the outstanding courses in the West. J. L. Odette is president of the club. Ralph Meyers is pro. Al Beckman, Great Falls furrier is active in the development.

Harris is planning for a new championship golf course as a part of their famous Iroquois Park. Harris says that the site is ideal for a top notch municipal layout. The course will be built under the direction of T. Byrne Morgan, Director of Parks and Recreation, and Leo F. Goss, Supt. of Parks.

Pekin, Ill., Park district is going to increase its popular 9 hole course to an 18 hole layout. Harris is making a topographical survey of the old course plus adjoining land preparatory to planning the new course. Charles I. Kelly, a golf enthusiast is president of the Park Board.

SPALDING ILLUSTRATES SPORTS SHOW—A booklet reproducing the Spalding Sports Show series of illustrated ads has been prepared by A. G. Spalding & Bros. for free distribution. Among many other interesting items the booklet tells that Bobby Jones averaged 30 putts for ten consecutive rounds in 1928. That year Jones won the U. S. Amateur and lost the U. S. Open play-off with Farrell.