sible to the members and told them never to wait around for caddies but to get hold of their clubs and start right off carrying their own, just the same as many Englishmen have done for years.

"If they wait around for caddies it can ruin their golf for the day. For example, I saw a man and his wife wait around for caddies from one o'clock till four one day. If that isn't spoiling a day's golf I don't know what is! One of the best points in carrying your own clubs is, you never have to wait for your caddie, he is always right with you.

"I think the pro himself is the one who suffers most because you can't get boys to chase balls for you when giving a lesson. The few caddies that are around in the mornings don't want to chase balls, even when they do they are no good on account of the night before. The result is many lessons have to be cancelled.

"Of course, if the club is lucky enough to have its own driving range then the pro is all right. Here at Merion we have nothing like that. I often say that Merion was one of the first clubs in the country to build a modern golf course but they never figured on a driving range. Of course, in those days, 33 years ago, there were not so many enthusiasts in the game as there are now.

WE SELECT AND TREAT OUR CADDIES AS THOUGH THEY'RE MEMBERS

By CHARLES H. LORMS

For some years the Columbus (O.) CC has regarded its caddie situation as one of the most important of the club's operations. The club has a distinguished membership and all of the members consider the lads who carry bags virtually junior members of the club.

This unselfish, sincerely interested attitude has paid off for the boys and for the clubs. Caddying at the Columbus CC is thought of by kids around Columbus as the best entree to the business world he'll eventually get in, that an aspiring boy can have.

Charles Lorms, the club's veteran pro, tells how the club is maintaining its famous caddie program in wartime.

In endeavoring to solve the caddie problem at our club we have tried to make our club a desirable place for an ambitious boy to put in his time.

We offer the boy a place to get some fine training that will serve him well after he passes the caddie age, as well as an opportunity to make some very worthwhile contacts and pay while doing it.

Carlton Smith who is back in charge of athletics at the Bexley high school has aided us in setting up a very interesting program of recreation for the boys' entertainment and development while they are not actually engaged on the golf course. This includes basketball, football, and golf.

We find the success of this program depends almost entirely on the individual in charge of it. (Mainly the caddie master and his assistants.) These positions are probably the most important positions around the average club, largely because of the influence they have on such a large number of boys. If these men are the proper kind of characters their worth can only be measured in the number of good wholesome boys with high talents that will graduate from the caddie ranks. The men who hold these positions must realize their responsibilities and opportunities.

To secure the kind of boys we want we contact the heads of the schools that we expect to draw our boys from. We also work with the heads of boys' organizations such as the Boy Scouts, Big Brothers, etc. These organizations, knowing of our efforts and intentions, are ready to cooperate with us in helping to interest desirable boys in our program.

During the summer season we hold a number of picnics, at which we serve the boys soft drinks and various kinds of sandwiches. At these events we award the prizes the boys have won for meritorious work on the course and good conduct in general. When we can manage it, we have some ex-caddie who has been successful in his later life to talk to the boys at these meetings.

These meetings are generally well attended, and serve as quite a stimulant for the regular boys, and they encourage the newer boys to take an active interest in the work and the club generally.

At the end of the year we put on our annual banquet in the main dining room of the club. Our members act as waiters for the boys on this occasion. The season (Continued on Page 40)
GREENKEEPERS' PLANS
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only by a real lover of turf; having time
enough to pick the stray weed, catching
hard spots in the greens before serious
trouble develops, forking a hard ‘walk-off’
area, catching the disease before it has
time to ‘catch’ you, hand-cutting on tender
spots, changing ‘traffic' on the greens and
tees, spot-watering, that most necessary
of practices, studying and developing
strains of our own grass, ‘babying’ the
turf and those hundreds of more practices
that need the HUMAN factor to best car-
ry through.

"Perhaps, I'm old-fashioned—but the
'machine age' in the care of turf does not
appeal to me. (It may be that I have had
too many of these machines to operate
through this duration!) Let’s get back
to the point where we really can ‘baby' the
turf, or, 'hand-nurse' it, so to speak, by
extra human care. Turf is a living thing
we are taking care of, you know, but,
often that is forgotten.

"Some day the ‘race' of cutting fair-
ways and greens may stop. Not that
power-machinery will ever be replaced or
is not very essential, but a time should
come when the grass—as well as I—might
have a chance to take a ‘deep long breath’!
In taking the deep breath I then may have
the chance to ‘pick the weed', 'lift the ball-
hole', 'spot-water the dying area', 'nurse
back a sick area', and give the turf in gen-
eral that extra attention that only human
care can give.

"Yes, I want to do more, and I want
my men to do more ‘PUTTERING' at-
Montclair."

CADDIES
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or main prizes are distributed at this
event.
The boys also elect a caddie council of
seven members from their ranks. The
boys elected are always the nucleus of a
good caddie force, and have a great deal
to do with the program laid out for the
whole caddie force.

We are trying to educate our members
into thinking that a caddie is something
more than a boy to carry his golf clubs.
We have several cases where members
have offered some of our boys opportuni-
ties that have resulted in the boys attaining
positions that they most probably
would not have attained without the coun-
sel and aid of someone who was keenly
interested in them.

If these notes on our experience are of
help to other clubs I am glad, and I hope
more club officials realize what a great
opportunity they have to do something
real worthwhile for the men of tomorrow.

TURF FOUNDATION
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regional group, the annual upkeep prob-
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subscribing to the Foundation fund. Com-
plete particulars of the project will be
mailed to all clubs in the near future.

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