Special enamels for swimming pools have greatly diminished the problem of swimming pool maintenance at golf clubs. The problem is an important one as the pool either has to be attractive in appearance and operated with moderate cost and highest health standards or it has no place in the club's plans.

The pool painting job up to a few years ago was one that caused considerable discussion among club superintendents and managers as a pool must be kept perfectly painted and the expense of painting each season was getting to be a substantial item in maintenance costs. But the experience of country clubs during the past several years plainly indicates that the answer has been found. Paints of the water-mixed cement type or the rubber base variety are available. Both types may be used with varying satisfaction. The water-mixed cement paints are O.K. when limited serviceability is required but the user must be reconciled to frequent painting as the color generally fades rapidly and the coating sometimes congests the filters and makes the water cloudy.

There also is the disadvantage of water-mixed cement paint encouraging the growth of algae in the alkaline surface of this paint. When the pool is out of use the rain and snow tends to leach the lime out of the paint surface. Carbon dioxide in water may crumble the concrete and chemicals used in pool water treatment also have the effect of deteriorating concrete and promoting the development of cracks.

The chlorinated rubber-base paint, Ramuc, seals itself into the concrete pores and doesn't powder, flake off or blister. Its satiny finish makes pool cleaning an easy, thorough job. The Ramuc surface is more comfortable to bathers' feet. Color is preserved for several seasons and wear is even.

The Ramuc enamel may be applied over water-mixed cement paint but it is better for long-term economy to completely remove the cement paint before applying the durable rubber-base enamel.

The results of the Ramuc painting of pools at Tam O'Shanter and Knollwood in the Chicago district, Bonnie Briar and Canoebrook in the New York Metropolitan district, Pittsburgh Field Club and Rolling Rock in the Pittsburgh district, Kenwood in Cincinnati and numerous other country clubs known for excellent operating practices have made the material pretty much standard in country club pool maintenance.

A new Swimming Pool Handbook cov-
Canoebrook CC, Summit, N. J., maintains its pool in immaculate and beautiful condition at moderate expense, with paint being a primary factor in the maintenance program.

Handling painting and other essentials in pool maintenance is available for the handling cost of 10 cents from Inertol Co., Inc., 480 Frelinghuysen ave., Newark, N. J.

**Hopkins Cup Matches Set for Montreal, June 5-7**

Montreal again will be scene of the International PGA Team Matches between the U. S. and Canada and as an added feature a series of international invitation team matches will be held. John Jay Hopkins, international industrialist, is donor of the international trophy and sponsor of the event.

Dates assigned for the match by the PGA (June 5-7) coincide with coronation week, an event of paramount importance in the British Dominion.

The Hopkins Cup Matches, scheduled between the Western Open in St. Louis (May 28-31) and the U. S. G. A. Open in Pittsburgh (June 9-13), will be played by six-man teams from each country. Play will consist of three 36-hole four-ball matches the first day, followed by six 18-hole individual games each of the following two days.

The added event, scheduled for June 2-4, immediately preceding the Hopkins Cup match, will be played by two-man teams of top pros from half a dozen countries who have been invited to participate. Bobby Locke, also participating in the main event, has already accepted. Other acceptances are expected shortly from Peter Thomson and Norman von Nida of Australia, Julius Boros and Jack Burke, Jr., of the United States, Max Faulkner and Harry Weetman of Great Britain, Stan Leonard of Canada and two leading money-players from Mexico. Invitation matches will consist of three days of match play.

**"CADDY TIPS" IS NEW TRAINING BOOKLET**

A pocket size, 16-page, two-color booklet—"Caddy Tips"—has been published for use by caddy committees and other golf club officials. Twenty-six cartoon illustrations are in the attractive yellow and green booklet. It is written in an easy-to-understand style and covers all phases of a caddy's duties. Special sections deal with caddy chores on the tee, fairways, in roughs, sand traps, water hazards, on greens, around the locker room and clubhouse, and "in general."

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Golf club officials may obtain a sample copy free upon request. "The nominal 25-cents per booklet charge is far less than it costs any club to train a caddy if done haphazardly with mimeographed instruction sheets," Popa remarks.