ROCHESTER C.C.- A CHALLENGE

Come May 15, 20,000 pines, narrow fairways, small greens, steep hills and an A. W. Tillinghast layout will be ready to take on the M.G.C.S.A.'s best golfers. Mr. Tillinghast is most known as the architect of Winged Foot Golf Club and Baltusrol Golf Club, both U.S. Open courses. Rochester Country Club opened in 1926 can rate right with them. It is a Par 71 course of 6166 yards that logged 25,000 rounds last year - 5,000 of them by guests. It has full facilities, pool, four tennis courts and two platform tennis courts. Superintendent Kurt Erdmann says he must cope with heavy soil, poor drainage and poor air movement because of the dense trees. Sometimes there is dew on the greens all day long. With twenty-two years on the course and thirteen before that at Soldiers Field, Kurt has the experience to cope with these conditions as well as an abundance of Poa Annua that is the principal turf at the course. Rochester Country Club has hosted the M.G.A. Amateur Championship three times in 1930, 1956 and 1970. This year it will be the site of the M.G.A. Four-Ball Championship in August and undoubtedly will be a great test for the state's best amateurs. Future M.G.C.S.A. monthly meetings are scheduled for Owatonna Country Club on June 11 and the family picnic at Tartan Park on July 16. The August site and date are still open at the present time. Looking further ahead, we will be at the Edina Country Club on September 17 for the big M.G.C.S.A. Golf Tournament. On October 8 Indian Hills will host the meeting. November 12 will find us at the Hanson House in Long Lake and finally, on December 5, 6 and 7 the Annual Turf Conference will again be at the Sheraton Northwest, the same site as last year. Gentlemen, mark your calendars.