The construction of the Shattuck Golf Course began in the summer of 1927 and was ready for play the following year. The land on which the golf course was built was originally farmland, of which half was owned by the state (Minnesota School for the Deaf). Most of the 44 acres were in crops, except for a small section of marshland located about in the middle of the acreage. The land is rolling and somewhat hilly in nature. The plot was almost completely void of trees except for a line of black sugar maples along the west boundary, some willows in the wet middle section, an elm just southwest of the willows, and an oak and hickory tree on the northwest edge of the farmland.

Shattuck was a military school at the time the golf course was being constructed. The course was designed and built under the direction of C. W. Newhall, Jr., Shattuck Class of 1923. Charles Erickson, greenskeeper at the Minikahda Club, Minneapolis and Tom Vardon, professional at the White Bear Club, St. Paul advised and assisted Mr. Newhall in the layout and construction of the course. Mr. Newhall's father, Dr. C. W. Newhall, was the school's headmaster when the course was being developed. The Newhalls were very instrumental in bringing about the construction of Shattuck's golf course.

Albert Turek was in charge of the actual construction of the golf course and became Shattuck's first greenskeeper. After building the greens, they were seeded with a mixture of Colonial and Washington creeping bent grass. The fairways were seeded with selected bluegrass after they were carefully prepared by frequent plowing and dragging. The contours of the land were not altered much and it remains an area of rolling topography. Some of the sand traps were built at this time.

The course, when it was built, consisted of nine-holes, 3100 yards in length, and a Par 36. There isn't any water hazards on the course but because of the rolling nature of the course, small greens, and strategically placed bunkers it can be quite challenging.

When the course was first opened, it was strictly a private course. Only the Shattuck cadets, parents of the cadets, faculty, and alumni were allowed to use

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the facility. A yearly fee of $20.00 was charged to those playing golf. The Shattuck varsity golf teams have been competing with other schools since 1932. Around 1936 the course was opened to the public because of the rising cost in operating and maintaining the golf course.

Today the layout of the course is virtually the same as it was back in 1928. Some of the fairway yardages are shorter than they were because of the widening of some of the surrounding city streets. Also a practice green was built around 1955 and that shortened one fairway, by moving the tee closer to the green, because the practice green was built where the old #8 tee used to be. Some of the greens have been enlarged but in general they are the original greens. The course still doesn't have very many mature trees but in the last few years there have been quite a few saplings planted. Shattuck Golf Course remains open to the public and the golfers are charged a daily fee.

BEING SECURE:
A GOOD FEELING

by Fred Anderson
Supertendent Purple Hawk Country Club

My maintenance and storage shed at the Purple Hawk is located four miles north of Cambridge and has easy access from Highway 65. Away from any homes and only a security night light, I felt a need for a security system. I contacted a member of our sheriff's department that installs systems and we worked out a security system detailed to our location and needs.

I have two metal sheds connected, one being a 30' x 60' cold storage shed, the other being a 30' x 30' heated maintenance shed. There are three metal sliding doors, a main entrance door and my office door. Magnetic door contacts were placed at each of these doors (when the system is on, there is approx. 3" of play before the magnetic contact is broken thus triggering the alarm). Inside my heated shed there

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I feel that the cost of the system, $1,000 plus $110 per year for the sheriff's department to monitor the system is more than worth the cost. I no longer have the fear of someone breaking into the shed, unnoticed, and being able to damage and or steal equipment. The system has been, I feel, a deterrent to that element of society that under normal circumstances wouldn't think twice about breaking and entering a business. The best place to obtain more information would be your local law enforcement office, many do this as a parttime job.

I sure will be glad when tournament week is over and they get these roughs back down to normal!

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