

# From The Viewpoint Of Local Associations

## What District Associations of Greenkeepers are Doing

### Metropolitan District and Westchester County Stages Equipment Show

(Reported by Captain David L. Rees, President  
Metropolitan Association of Greenkeepers)

**T**HE Green Section of the Westchester County Golf Association held its first meeting of the year at the Grassy Sprain Golf Club, Bronxville, New York, on June 9, where a program of unusual interest was staged.

The Green committee chairmen of all Westchester clubs were invited, along with their greenkeepers, to play a round of golf in the morning. From 9 A.M. until 6 P.M. there was an exhibition on the lawn facing the clubhouse, and samples of every conceivable item of golf equipment and golf supplies were shown by close on forty dealers and manufacturers.

First in line came the very complete display of the Stumpp & Walter Company, showing everything from a rotary soil screen to glazed china tee balls.

Second came E. L. Winn, Inc., of Elizabeth, New Jersey, who featured equipment manufactured by Messrs. Pattison of England. An all brass putting cup and a proportioning machine of his own manufacture were notable items in his display.

Followed the display table of the Four-Seasons Fertilizer Company, claiming for their product that it has the virtue of retaining moisture and of ultimate reversion to humus in the soil.

The Bayer Company was on hand with Uspulun and Nu-Green, for use in preventing, restoring and curing the dreaded brown-patch.

So on down the line until we came to the tractors and grass cutting equipment. Following is a complete list of exhibitors:

#### List of Exhibitors

American Agricultural Chemical Company, New York City.  
American Chemical Specialties Company, Springfield, N. J.  
American Cyanamid Company, New York City.  
Arthur D. Peterson, Inc., New York City.  
Bayer Company, Inc., Rensselaer, N. Y.  
Doughten Seed Company, Jersey City, N. J.  
E. L. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Inc., Wilmington, Del.  
E. L. Winn, Inc., Elizabeth, N. J.  
F. & N. Lawn Mower Company, Richmond, Ind.  
Ford Motor Company, Detroit, Mich.  
Four Seasons Fertilizer Company, New York City.  
G. B. Lewis Company, Watertown, Wis.  
H. Pattison Company, Stanmore, England.  
H. M. Hirschfeld, Brooklyn, N. Y.  
Ideal Power Lawn Mower Company, Lansing, Mich.  
International Harvester Company, Chicago, Ill.

Jacobsen Manufacturing Company, Racine, Wis.  
J. Daniels, New York City.  
J. W. Buckley Rubber Company, New York City.  
M. J. Knipping & Sons, Westbury, L. I.  
Mallinckrodt Chemical Works, St. Louis, Mo.  
Milbradt Manufacturing Company, St. Louis, Mo.  
Moto Mower Company, Detroit, Mich.  
Pedigreed Seed Company, New York City.  
Pennsylvania Lawn Mower Works, Philadelphia, Pa.  
Peter Henderson & Company, New York City.  
Philadelphia Lawn Mower Company, Philadelphia, Pa.  
Powers-Weightman-Rosengarten, Philadelphia, Pa.  
Reade Manufacturing Company, Jersey City, N. J.  
Rex Souvenir House, Montclair, N. J.  
Roseman Tractor Mower Co., Evanston, Ill.  
S. P. Townsend Company, Bloomfield, N. J.  
Skinner Irrigation Company, Troy, Ohio.  
Stumpp & Walter Company, New York City.  
U. S. Rubber Company, New York City.  
Virginia-Carolina Chemical Corp., Richmond, Va.  
Whitehead & Kales Company, Detroit, Mich.  
Worthington Mower Company, Stroudsburg, Pa.

At 2 P.M. there began an intensely interesting series of demonstrations, and greenkeepers were most keen in following every one. The different makes of grass cutting machines moved side by side, cutting as they went, thus offering excellent scope for comparison. Detail of demonstrations were as follows:

#### Program of Demonstrations

2:00 P.M.	Tractors and Fairway Units	No. 10 Fairway No. 9 Rough Lawn
3:00 P.M.	Compost Machines	Lawn
3:30 P.M.	Power Mowers	No. 9 Green
3:50 P.M.	Hand Mowers	No. 9 Green
4:10 P.M.	Greens Mowers	No. 9 Green
4:30 P.M.	Greens Topdressers	Practice Green
5:00 P.M.	Greens Sweepers	Practice Green
5:15 P.M.	Sprinklers	
5:45 P.M.	Worm Eradicators	

#### Types of Products Shown in Order of Program Above

Fordson, Ideal, International, Knipping, Roseman, Pennsylvania, Staude, Townsend, Worthington  
Royer, S. & W. Rotary  
Biltmore, Ideal, Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Townsend  
Ideal, Jacobsen, Milbradt, Moto Mower  
MacGregor  
Pennsylvania, S. & W., Springfield  
Allen, Dayton, Double Rotary, Elwin, Lark, Pelican, Skinner  
American Agricultural Chemical, Bichloride Mowrah  
Meal, Reade Electric

At 7 P.M. Green committee chairmen and greenkeepers were invited to attend the dinner and meeting of the Association. The guest of the evening was Dr. John Monteith, Jr., of the U. S. G. A. Green Section. By general desire, Dr. Monteith, in preference to making a speech on brown-patch, was prepared to answer all questions put to him on this vital subject. A most interesting discussion was maintained throughout the evening. Dr. Monteith showed cultures of the fungi caus-



ing brown-patch, and his presence added in no small measure to the pleasure and instructive interest of a thoroughly enjoyable day.

## Mid-West Greenkeepers Association

*Minutes—June 6th*

THE first outdoor meeting of the Mid-West Greenkeepers Association was held at the Olympia Fields Country Club, Matteson, Ill. on June 6th at 10 A.M. It was the extreme privilege of these members who attended this meeting to spend a very pleasant day reviewing one of the largest golf courses in the United States under the guidance of Mr. Fred Kruger, the superintendent at Olympia Fields.

The opportunity was given the visiting greenkeepers to view five different varieties of greens, *poa annua* and *poa trivialis* in the seed sown greens and Virginia Bent, Flossmoor and Washington in the Vegetative Bent greens. The subject of the upkeep of these various types of greens was interestingly discussed by Mr. Kruger and in this regard, it is worth while mentioning that Mr. Kruger has shown himself to be one of the most competent greens superintendents in the golf course field. His intelligent discussions of his methods and system of budget used in maintaining these four golf courses which make up this great institution of Olympia Fields proved this beyond question.

A talk was given by Dr. Seaman on soil problems encountered by a number of greenkeepers of our district. One of the problems under discussion, so much in the limelight, was that of "brown-patch."

Luncheon was furnished by the courtesy of the Olympia Fields Country Club to the 35 visiting greenkeepers and a motion was made that we issue a vote of thanks to the chairman of the club and to Mr. Kruger for helping to make the first outdoor meeting the Association has held a very successful one in furnishing the members with practical information as well as exchange of ideas.

The next outdoor meeting will be held on June 20th, at the Chicago Golf Club, Wheaton, Ill.

Respectfully submitted.

Ed. B. Dearie, Jr.

Secretary.

### *Oakmont Draws Visitors*

"I NEVER saw such fairways as I saw at Oakmont Country Club," was the report of one of the members of the Cleveland Association of Greenkeepers, after his return with the local group from a visit to the famous Oakmont course on June 5.

"Not a weed. Just grass and plenty of it. And traps? You ought to see them, the way they're kept, and they are big ones, too." On he went to the greens, and the putting surface at Oakmont is the best evidence possible

of the fact that Emil Loeffler is ready for a big tournament any time he is called upon.

Both the Greenkeepers Association of Western Pennsylvania and the Cleveland district group have paid their respects to the scene of the 1927 open.

On June 3 the greenkeepers of the Pittsburgh district inspected the course with Mr. Loeffler.

### *Philadelphia Meeting of May 9*

*(Minutes)*

THE regular monthly meeting of the Philadelphia Association of Golf Course Superintendents was held on May 9th, 1927, at the North Hills Country Club.

The Course was in excellent condition and quite a few of our members availed themselves of the opportunity to play a round of golf.

Twenty-four members sat down to dinner, which was served at 6 o'clock P.M.

Just before the meeting was called to order President Evans gave an interesting five minute monologue.

The meeting was called to order by President Evans at 7:30.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

It was moved and seconded, that bills for dues be sent delinquent members, and that failure on their part to pay their dues within thirty days would result in their suspension. Also, in the future all members who are in arrears sixty days from January 1st of any current year will be suspended after due notice has been given the delinquent.

Motion to procure one hundred new membership cards was approved.

We next had a general discussion on the use of calomel on bent and seeded greens, also the proper way to apply bichloride of mercury with the top dressing of greens.

Mr. King, chairman of the Green Committee of the North Hills Country Club, was next called on for a short talk, and he said that our organization was the best thing that ever happened, and that all the clubs are greatly benefited by reason of the Golf Course Superintendents getting together and exchanging ideas.

The June meeting will be held at the Bala Golf Club on the second Monday.

The meeting then, on motion, adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

E. T. Young,

Secretary.

### *Cleveland Greenkeepers Meet on July 11*

THE Brookside Country Club at Canton, Ohio, has been offered the Cleveland group for their July meeting. Charles Jarman, greenkeeper at Brookside, has signified that a large attendance will be prepared for. The feature of the meeting is a demonstration of various chemicals for the control of ants and grubs.