side of our daily work, but they also provide the latest scientific data on the more perplexing problems which arise from time to time.

This Association and its individual members owe a great deal to the trained specialists in the various scientific studies essential to a more complete comprehension of the different elements which compose intelligent greenkeeping. These men have given—and are giving—most generously of their time and labors that we as practical men should have a better insight into the basic fundamentals of our calling.

If the National Association of Greenkeepers had done nothing else but bring the scientific and practical men together in amity and understanding to work for the common cause of sound greenkeeping practices its success would have been assured on that accomplishment alone. This, however, is only one of the many truly progressive steps it has taken and when I look back into the years that are gone and compare them with the splendid educational opportunities this association is offering today, I can truthfully and sincerely say to all greenkeepers or pro-greenkeepers that they should not hesitate to take full advantage of those facilities if they are earnestly desirous of developing the best that lies within them and in rendering a full, intelligent, faithful and co-operative service to the great game of golf.

In closing permit me to quote you Henry Van Dyke's inscription for the house of a friend:

"The lintel low enough to keep out pomp and pride;
The threshold high enough to turn deceit aside;
The doorband strong enough from robbers to defend;
This door will open at a touch to welcome every friend."

So may be always the portals of the National Association of Greenkeepers.

State Aid For Ohio Golf

Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station
Wooster, Ohio

Gentlemen:

This summer we contemplate making a rather complete survey of golf courses of Ohio, with a view to determine if possible, the kind of soil conditions usually associated with good and with poor greens.

Our plan is to visit various golf courses, and at each one take soil samples from their best and their poorest green, and on each of these make such studies as will bring out the difference between the two. We propose to determine the kind and number of soil layers of which the greens are composed, the relative thickness of each, the mechanical composition, the reaction, the kind of drainage, etc. We want also at the same time to get as much information as possible regarding methods of establishment and maintenance of greens. We contemplate the survey with a view to getting information together for publication, and would of course like to make it as useful as possible.

I enjoy reading the copies of the NATIONAL GREENKEEPER which has been coming to me regularly since last fall. I find much useful information in them; so much that I would be pleased to receive any back numbers of which you may happen to have duplicates.

March 13, 1928

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Where the Big Tournaments Will be Held

March 26-30—Men's Championship, Shore Hills Golf & Country Club, Bermuda.

March 26-31—Gulf States Championship, Biloxi G. C., Biloxi, Miss.

March 29-30—Twenty-sixth Annual North and South Open Championship, Pinehurst, N. C.

April 4-7—Florida State Amateur Championship, Timuquana C. C., Jacksonville, Fla.

April 6-12—Twenty-eighth Annual North and South Amateur Championship, Pinehurst, N. C.

April 16-20—Eighteenth Annual Mid-April Tournament, Pinehurst, N. C.

May 7-12—British Open Championship, Royal St. George's Club, Sandwich, Kent.

May 14-19—British Ladies' Championship, Hunstanton.

May 21-26—British Amateur Championship, Prestwick, Ayrshire.

June 11—Qualifying Rounds in National Open Championship, various districts.

June 12-16—Metropolitan Amateur Championship, Fenimore C. C., White Plains, N. Y.


July 18-20—Metropolitan Open Championship, Shackamaxon C. C., Westfield, N. J.

July 31-Aug. 5—Public Links Championship, Cobb's Creek Course, Philadelphia.

August 30-31—Walker Cup Matches, Chicago Golf Club, Wheaton, Ill.


October 5-6—Lesley Cup Matches, Winged Foot Golf Club, Mamaroneck, N. Y.