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# OBITUARY

ALBERT J. WILDER



The greenkeeping profession lost one of its brightest lights when Albert J. Wilder, greenkeeper of the Oak Hill Country Club. Rochester, N. Y., was found dead on his course, Tuesday, May 14.

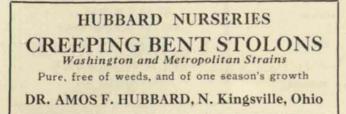
BENT GRASS

The deceased was born at Willoughby, Ohio, January 27, 1901 and started golf course work under Capt. C. H. Alison when the Kirtland Country

Club was constructed in 1921. The following year he took charge of the maintenance and remained as greenkeeper until 1925 when he accepted the position of greenkeeper at the Fenimore Country Club at White Plains, N. Y.

Last winter he was asked to take charge of the 36hole Oak Hill Country Club layout at Rochester, N. Y. and accepted. Wilder was a very conscientious boy and it is thought that worry over this big job combined with the recent deaths of both his parents, brought on the malady which caused his death.

Wilder was married to Miss Fern Cunningham at White Plains, January 12,1926, and his widow and two sons, Albert Jr., thirteen months and James, eight weeks survive him. He was very active in all organization work, a member of the Westchester Greenkeepers' Association, and a charter member of the N. A. G. A. Possesed of a wonderful personality and unusual intelligence he will be mourned by hundreds of friends in the golf world.



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This Washington bent is also new grass planted last fall and would be particularly ideal for use on tees for short holes where the hardest kind of service is given the turf. In fact the tendency to use bent on tees is growing more and more because of its beautiful appearance and its economy in upkeep.

### Fungus Diseases and Why

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vigor into the plants that he desires to grow.

It is only when we know conditions are right for trouble, that we can avoid it, and that offers the best field for us. I feel that we owe much to the sacrificing individuals, who are giving their lives. for our profit and pleasure, in the experimental laboritories.

All of us are finding our lives lengthened, our pleasures increased. by these individuals, whom we sometimes think of as impractical.

As far as doing our work is concerned, they are no more impractical than we would be in doing theirs. They are filling a very worthy place in society, which we cannot commence to estimate in money or comfort.

It is only when we work with them, and tell them what we have found out in our practical work, and then accept and apply what they have found in their work. do either of us make the progress that we should.

#### A Big Contract

Probably the biggest contract for vegetative planting ever undertaken is being completed now by the Golf Course Supply Co., Carnegie Ave., Cleveland, O., at the Lake Shore Club, Erie, Penna. The contract calls for 265,000 feet of stolons for planting tees and greens on this new 18-hole layout. The course was designed and being constructed by the American Park Builders, Chicago, in connection with the Andrews Real Estate Co., of Erie. Bent stolons of the Washington strain are being used and A. E. Flack is giving the job his personal supervision.

#### Royal York-Canada's New Course (Continued from page 28)

York course and its plans for the future insofar as they affect him. They have accepted its innovations as something which will benefit golf in the Province and spell progress for them as a recognized factor in the sport. The association is to be invited to the course shortly to inspect it and to be guests at a dinner.

In the meantime the Ontario greenkeeper will devote himself to the conditions associated with a spring during which there has been an unusual amount of rainfall. Rainfall and floods have made for a backward year. To a number of greenkeepers, the prevailing condition brings nothing of any moment to cause concern, but a majority charged with the care of courses built on clay soil hope to escape a sudden heat wave which would bake fairways and ruin the grass.

#### Eone and Sinew

Bone and sinew (back bone) are necessary to the human element entrusted with the execution of the greenkeepers' order. Necessarily the equipment given this human element must be as strong, or stronger. than they.



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#### Mowing Greens with Power (Continued from Page 31)

work in the same time and we are saving the labor of two men for one-half day which amounts to quite a saving during a season.

Last year we saved \$2900.00 on labor and I feel that the power mowers have saved quite a percentage of that sum.

I have heard a lot of talk about power mowers packing the greens. Our greens are rather sharp, I have not noticed any d fference in packing, nor have I had any complaints on the cutting surface. I feel that we have made a very profitable investment.

We have bought another power mower which will be delivered in the spring to cut our tees and approaches in connection with our fairway tractor and I am sure that we will be able to save a further considerable sum.

### Epitaph

Here lies the body of Kate O'Day, For her, life held no terrors Born straight-laced, she died that way-

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