

Minikahda Entertains Greenkeepers

BY COLONEL JOHN MORLEY, *President*
National Association of Greenkeepers of America

MINIKAHDA royally entertained the Minnesota greenkeepers in honor of the visit of the writer and Jack MacGregor of Chicago, to Minneapolis the week of the National Open Championship. The greenkeeper at Minikahda is Charles Erickson, president of the Minnesota Greenkeepers' Association, and one of the district vice-presidents of the N. A. G. A.

It was our good fortune to arrive in Minneapolis Monday, July 7 and visit the Golden

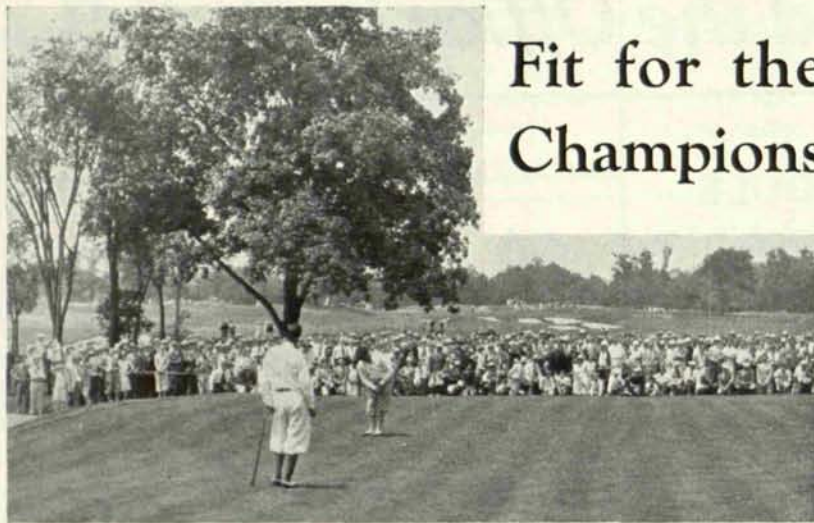
Valley Golf Club and Woodhill Country Club. On Tuesday we visited Minikahda, which we found in the pink of condition, also Minneapolis Golf Club, which was in fine shape. All the clubs we saw had fairway watering systems and in spite of the intense heat everything was green and beautiful.

On Wednesday morning we went over the Interlachen course with Erich Pahl and then returned to Minikahda for the luncheon ten-

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FOUR HORSEMEN OF THE 1930 NATIONAL OPEN
Held at the Interlachen Country Club, Minneapolis, July 10th, 11th, 12th. Reading from left to right, Erich Pahl, Greenkeeper; Willie Kidd, Professional; Harrison R. (Jimmy) Johnston, National Amateur Champion; Charles Van Nest, Green Committee Chairman.



Bobby Jones Putting at Winged Foot

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dered us by the Minikahda club. The following were among those present:

Albert H. Turch, Shattuck Golf Club, Faribault, Minn; E. H. Picha, Midland Hills C. C., Saint Paul, Minn; Arthur W. Pederson, University Golf Club, Minneapolis; Arthur Jensen, Fargo C. C., Fargo, North Dakota; Jack Welsh, Wakonda C. C., Des Moines, Iowa; Frank Anderson, Woodhill C. C., Wayzata, Minn; Leo J. Feser, Woodhill C. C., Wayzata, Minn; Carl Pederson, Cloquet Golf Club, Cloquet, Minn; Victor Larsen, Minneapolis Golf Club, Minneapolis; K. E. Goit, Toro Mfg. Company, Minneapolis; C. D. Knapp, Cedar Rapids C. C., Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Albert B. Schoenbeck, Town and Country Club, Saint Paul, Minn; Leonard Bloomquist, Superior Golf Club, Superior, Minn; M. R. McLaren, Toro Mfg. Company, Minneapolis; Carl Erickson, Minnewaska Golf Club, Glenwood, Minn; John Pearson, Armour Golf Club, Armour, Minn; Charles Erickson, Minikahda C. C., Minneapolis; Dr. John Monteith, Jr., U. S. G. A. Green Section, Washington, D. C.; Kenneth Welton, U. S. G. A. Green Section, Washington, D. C.; E. Picha, Midland Hills C. C., Saint Paul, Minn; Gerald McNulty, Westwood Hills C. C., Minneapolis; Pat Johnson, Westwood Hills C. C., Minneapolis; J. Fregee, Bemidji C. C., Bemidji, Minn; Gus Olson, Minikahda C. C., Minneapolis; Otto Schael, Wausen C. C., Wausen, Minn; Dr. J. A. Haustrim, Red Wing Golf Club, Red Wing, Minn; Wm. Saur, Red Wing Golf Club, Red Wing, Minn; Harold Stodola, Interlachen C. C., Minneapolis; John Johnson, Neakiva C. C., Neakiva, Minn; Mike Sanko, Goldett Valley Golf Club, Minneapolis.

Recommends Standardized Turf

By JOHN MACGREGOR,
Greenkeeper, Chicago Golf Club

DURING my career as a greenkeeper, and having at various times been called upon to prepare my own course for Tournament, both State and International, and in official capacity as Vice President of the N. A. G. A., my attention has, on various occasions been called to the fact, that a good deal of complaint is made relative to the condition of grasses on a golf course, especially on putting greens. Believing that a number of criticisms rendered are of a constructive nature, yet I am mindful of the fact that these criticisms often cause the greenkeeper to be criticised unjustly.

I believe that the time is fast approaching when the U. S. G. A. will realize that in order to have uniform and regulated turf, especially on putting greens during tournament play, they will outline a standard texture of grass. Inasmuch as all clubs given the honor of holding National tourna-

ments are given two to three years notice, this should create no great hardship of expense to the club, and it would have a great tendency to prohibit among tournament players, unjust criticism which often reflects on a course holding a National tournament.

I would offer a suggestion, that the U. S. G. A., through its Green Section appoint a committee of three and that the N. A. G. A. also appoint a committee of three thoroughly competent greenkeepers to work together and decide on the proper grass to be used on putting greens for the future, during tournament play.

The Lawn

By PROFESSOR LAWRENCE S. DICKINSON

128 pages. 5¼ x 7½ inches. Cloth, \$1.25

Lawn making has a professional aspect as well as an amateur application. Lawns are required everywhere in parks, cemeteries and public grounds. Moreover there is the greenkeeper of the golf club to whom lawns are more than ornamental background—to whom they are the very foundation of business.

All park superintendents, therefore, as all country club managers and all greenkeepers must have the most critical and reliable information, extant on the subject of turf culture. In this field Professor Dickinson has a wide reputation and his little book gives quite the latest and best knowledge available to the professional turf culturist.

This book is encouraging and informative to the prospective home owner and to those who already have homes with lawns. It does not dwell upon the most expensive methods in lawn building or culture, nor does it make the reader feel that his lawn is poor and impossible to improve without considerable cost.