

Morley Announces Meeting

Announcement has been made by Colonel John Morley that the summer meeting of the Executive committee of the National Association of Greenkeepers of America, will be held in Toronto, Monday and Tuesday, June 23-24. Invitation for this meeting was received from President W. J. Sansom of the Ontario Greenkeepers Association, who will give a banquet for the visitors and also take them to visit the golf clubs in the Toronto district. At this time also the American Seed Trade convention will be held in Toronto.

Greenkeepers Possess Invaluable Knowledge

OFFICIAL recognition of the greenkeeper means that at an early date his advice will be sought on a green section. Gordon Cassels, another prominent golfer, pointed out that course superintendents employed by the older clubs possessed an invaluable fund of knowledge which was essential. He stated that all the greenkeeper desired was to be taken into conference and to be accorded a recognition in proportion to his efforts.

The green section in Ontario and other sections of Canada will become an actuality when golfers give evidence of their good faith by setting aside insignificant portions of their valuable holdings as experimental plots.

Canadian Notes

Courses throughout eastern Canada and on the Prairies have suffered through a backward spring and only when warm rains have drenched them will their greenkeepers be able to determine to what extent turf has been killed through frost. Rain and snow have saved the West from the effects of a drought, while recent showers in Ontario and Quebec with some warm weather have helped materially in reducing the proportions of problems which appeared to be presenting themselves.

What happened in eastern Canada was a drought in October and November followed by severe frosts and the immediate appearance of snow with the result that grass was killed off to some extent. In February greens on some courses enabled golfers to play under almost midsummer conditions. This mild weather of the late winter was followed by cold weather. While on some of the better known tests, there is substantial growth, yet elsewhere there is every evidence of the destruction of grass.

Vice-president Sansom of the National association has suggested June 24-27 as the date of the visit of the association's executive to Toronto. During the same period the American Seed association is holding its annual convention in the Royal York hotel. Mr. Sansom states that local greenkeepers will extend Canadian hospitality to Colonel Morley and his associates when they visit Toronto.

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