

the organized greenkeepers who have driven home the necessity of modern methods instead of a penny-wise and pound-foolish attitude toward the problems of course maintenance. For the past three seasons, the greenkeeper has become weary through his efforts directed toward the provision of fairways with antiquated methods. He has driven home continually the necessity of watering systems in his discussions with club committees and now finds he has made some headway.

Other improvements for the next season will be decidedly limited. They will consist of the construction of bunkers and changes of a minor character. Prevailing conditions in the financial and industrial world have robbed clubs of accustomed sources of revenue have compelled the many organizations of the Dominion to confine their expenditure to the essential which appears to be the installation of watering systems.

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Reviewing the year which is about to close, President W. J. Sansom, of the Ontario Greenkeepers' Association, expressed the opinion that it had been eminently successful from the point of view of the greenkeeper.

"We commenced with fairways and greens in bad shape," he said. "As the season proceeded, we secured some rain, but before the summer was over, we were up against it. Fairways have recovered somewhat during the past month, but what has happened during the past two years has convinced clubs which can afford it that they must install water systems. It's a step forward for which the organized greenkeepers can take some credit."

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Mr. Sansom announced further that the Ontario Greenkeepers' Association, after its successful season, would meet to arrange its winter program. The program will be similar to that of former years. It will include a monthly meeting commencing in December and continuing until April. The suggestion has been made also that authorities on grass culture, machinery and course maintenance should be given the opportunity to address the meetings.

"It would not surprise me at all if there was an increased representation of Canadian greenkeepers at the 1930 convention of the National Greenkeepers Association, over last year," he stated. "I am driving it home when I meet course superintendents and greenkeepers that no progress can be made unless there is a close bond of contact with the greenkeepers of the United States and unless we are well organized. In more than one way have we felt the value of organization."

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Mr. Sansom made the announcement that greenkeepers of the Dominion would make a bid for the annual convention of the National Greenkeepers' Association within the next two years. He stated that the interval would give Canadian greenkeepers the opportunity to provide themselves with the organization and the essentials required for the entertainment in a truly Canadian manner of a convention of several hundred visitors from all parts of the continent.

A Dandelion Killer

By E. M. MOORE

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I HAVE made a wonderful discovery this summer. I discovered a dandelion killer which has proved very satisfactory. In addition to that it does not injure the roots of the grass but it does turn the top brown for about six days and then the grass comes back very quickly.

I hope to get some of this killer out on the market this coming year. I will guarantee it to kill the dandelion—it doesn't just kill the tops—it gets the roots clear into the ground, so there isn't any chance of their coming back. But it will take about twenty-five years to get rid of all of the dandelions before we can have real clean grass seed to sow.

I am planning on coming to Ohio this winter to the Convention and will try to explain more about my discovery. I do not believe any condition in any climate will have any effect on the remedy of the chemical.

Have had wonderful success with my putting greens this summer for we had eight weeks of very hot weather and very hot winds along with the extremely hot weather, but I kept my greens in A-1 playing condition without a brown spot in them. In fact in the five years I have been here I have never been bothered with brown spots in the putting greens.



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