

Cleveland Greenkeepers Will Play

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THE annual district greenkeepers' tournament will be held at Beechmont Country Club, October 6. All the boys are practicing hard to make the tournament as difficult for each other as possible. This event is followed by the annual clam bake at Brae Burn Country Club, October 20. This is always looked forward to as one of the most enjoyable events of the year as it seems the boys in Cleveland are particularly fond of clams.

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Chickweed has been one of the greatest weed pests we have had at Hawthorne Valley ever since we opened the course four years ago, but the past year I have pretty well eliminated this pest by the use of arsenate of lead, using a pound of arsenate to a gallon of water and spraying only the spot affected with this solution. In about three days the weed turns brown and disappears while the grass continues to grow just as green and well as ever.

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Frank Ermer, greenkeeper at the Ridgewood Golf Club, writes a few lines about one of the strange things that happened at his club this season. The subject being small brown patch.

"The first year I came to Ridgewood, which was in 1924," Frank says, "I had a very bad attack of brown patch and as this disease was new in the district I did not



Photo by O. J. Noer

NUMBER 3 HOLE AT CANTERBURY, CLEVELAND

This hole is 143 yards long and has a water hazard. It was rebuilt by Jack Way, pro-greenkeeper in 1927

know what to use to get rid of it. I tried several different things but with no success until I tried Corrosive Sublimate, using about one-half to three-quarter ounces to each one thousand square feet of green at about ten days' to two weeks' interval.

"I put this solution into a barrel with ammonium sulphate as I sulphated the greens and from that time I had not the faintest sign of brown patch until this season.

"I dropped off using the chemical about July 15 just to see if it was really necessary to proceed with it or not, when, to my surprise about August 15 I had brown patch on one of my greens. I left it alone for about one week and finally could see that it was spreading so I got the barrel cart working with the above-named solution and checked it at once, watering about three days. Later I gave it another dose and five days later seeing that it had spent its time I gave the green a topdressing with one and one-half yards of compost consisting of one part soil, one part sand and one part humus with three hundred pounds of powdered charcoal and about thirty pounds 8-6-4 fertilizer.

"In three days' time the green looked just as good as ever, if not a little better. Of course, I do not forget to pole the greens early every morning which I think is a very important item. So you can readily see that I am going to use this solution regularly from now on."

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The Cleveland district amateur was held at Canterbury Golf Club the past month. The course was in splendid condition for which Mr. Way and Mr. McLaren deserve the highest praise.

The third hole pictured on this page is a fine illustration of the beauty and sportiness of the course. This hole has been remodeled under the direction of the above-mentioned men and as you may see by the picture a very fine 143-yard hole is the result.

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