URSE—OTHER CLEVELAND GOSSIP

It is a wonderful layout and I hope any of my fellow greenkeepers who can visit me will do so. —BERT G. SHELDIN

Cleveland District Gossip

By FRANK P. DUNLAP

Bob Zink, greenkeeper at Shaker Heights is having considerable success in ridding his greens of pearl wort by applications of common household ammonia; also by heavy applications of boiling water. Both are applied by driving a metal cylinder down around the affected area and then putting on the water or ammonia. This prevents damage to the grass around the pearl wort.

B. W. Zink has returned to the Cleveland District after an absence of two years and is now located at Highland Park, Cleveland's 36-hole municipal course. The boys in the Cleveland District join in welcoming him back and wishing him the best of luck.

Oakwood, the home course of Chris. Bain, president of the Cleveland District Greenkeepers Association, as well as all courses in this section of the country has been faced with the serious problem of water shortage and low pressure. All watering is done at night, not only because they believe that to be the best time for it but also because of extremely heavy play all day and the fact that the water pressure is much stronger at night.

Oakwood was host to the City ladies during the week of July 21. Great interest was taken in the matches—a crowd of over a thousand or more being out to watch the finals. Mr. Bandy acted as Master of Ceremonies and reported complete satisfaction with course conditions and total absence of any complaints. At present they are building a 9-hole chip and putt course, also they have enclosed the entire course with a 6-foot fence, which makes for privacy, less trespassing, breakages and loss of equipment.

Lou Latta, greenkeeper at Brae Burn club at Akron reports the shortest nine holes on record at his course. A member teeing off at Number 1 tee hit the ball off the toe of the club, the ball carried over the clubhouse and holed out on Number 9 green.

The Cleveland District Association of Greenkeepers has had a very busy season. Meetings have been held at Hawthorne, Oakwood, Chagrin Valley, Bunker Hill, Orchard Hill and Ridgewood Country clubs, and further meetings are scheduled for Portage Country Club, Riceland Golf, Beechmont Country Club and Brae Burn Golf club.

After the regular business sessions during which many items of interest are discussed, a round of golf is played. Many of the boys have taken advantage of these opportunities to keep in trim or improve their game for the championship match to be played at Beechmont on October 6.

Believing it to be to the best interests of the greenkeeping profession, the local organization have rewritten their by-laws, requiring more stringent qualifications for full membership. It is the desire of the organization to maintain its standard of membership at such a point that when a member presents his card for a position along with it will go the unqualified recommendation of the local organization.

Frank P. Dunlap of Hawthorne Valley was appointed to handle publicity for the Cleveland District Association of Greenkeepers.

