

Mid-West Greenkeepers' Page

BY A. L. BRANDON, *Secretary*

The Skokie meeting of the Midwest Greenkeepers again produced an enthusiastic gathering. Skokie Country Club showed the imprint of the long drouth, as do all other clubs in this district that have not made fairway watering part of their regular maintenance program.

Midwest members who acted as marshals at the Beverly Country Club during the Western Amateur certainly have to admit that its condition was excellent; also that it provides a test of golf. Matt Bezek, Midwest president is the greenkeeper at Beverly.

Cyril Tolley's driving also caused many "Oh's" and "Ah's" from the gallery.

A fact which can't be denied—that regardless of where your local organization meet or how often, the alert greenkeeper can always pick up a point or two.

A Wide-Awake Secretary



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Blessed is the organization that has a secretary who is on the job. The Mid-West Greenkeepers have one in A. L. Brandon whose photo we are privileged to publish this month. He is a greenkeeper too and a darn good one so we hear. At his home course, Saint Charles Country Club, he is extremely well liked and the members know that he is working for them early and late. Between times he works for the Mid-West and his page here every month speaks for his energy and initiative. It is indeed a real pleasure to introduce him to our readers around the world.

Robt. E. Power, Editor

The August meeting will be held at Shore-acres Monday 25. Those of you who plan to play golf, had better tune up a little, for we understand that a little accuracy will be needed. Mr. Alec Binnie (1929, Midwest president) is the greenkeeper.

The annual Midwest greenkeepers tournament will be held in September. The Tournament committee have Chain O' Lakes, Medinah Country Club and Mr. Laskers' Mill Road Farm Course offered to them for this tournament.

The continued drouth seems to be the subject of all conversations—the old-timers telling "back in so and so when Turtle Creek went plumb dry," others blaming the radio and still others contribute the spell to Dick Byrd's trip to the South Pole—anyway it sure tests the calibre of the greenkeeper.

The rainfall here has been about 55 per cent of normal so we have been more fortunate than other regions. Probably the most damaging have been the high abnormal temperature, plus high scorching winds.

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