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## New York Welcomes Greenkeepers

Economy will be the watchword of Sixth Annual Convention at Hotel Pennsylvania. Educational program is unexcelled.

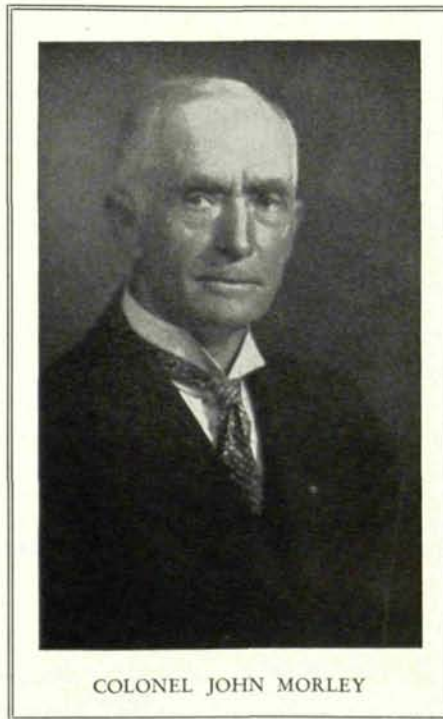
By COLONEL JOHN MORLEY, *President*  
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**P**RACTICALLY all arrangements are completed for the Sixth Annual Greenkeepers' Golf Show, Conference and Convention, to be held at the Hotel Pennsylvania, New York City, January 19-22, 1932.

This is the first time in our history that we have met along the Atlantic Seaboard. All indications point to a record-breaking attendance. The various committees in charge of promoting and conducting so large an enterprise in the interest of golf maintenance report satisfactory progress.

Fred A. Burkhardt, chairman of the Golf Show committee, has informed me that he expects to have every booth occupied in the beautiful exhibition room on the mezzanine floor of the Hotel Pennsylvania.

Never in the history of golf were men of greater talent selected to discuss every angle of golf maintenance, both from a scientific and practical standpoint. The Conference program is sufficient to convince those who attend these three-day sessions that their time will be well spent in listening to the various speakers. The scientific subjects will be ably discussed. It will be a treat to listen to and



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observe the large number of experienced greenkeepers who will discuss from all angles the many difficult problems they have had to contend with, especially the disastrous season of 1931.

Last year we were to a large extent unfortunate in trying to hold our Conference and Golf Show in the same hall. It made it difficult for those in attendance to hear the important addresses delivered by able speakers. This year we have secured a room in the Hotel Pennsylvania where one can sit and enjoy the conference papers in comfort.

The Hotel Pennsylvania is noted for its hospitality and the management has promised to do all in its power to make our re-union a grand success.

We are pleased to announce that through the efforts of Mr. Jones, general passenger agent of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, Cleveland, reduced railroad rates have again been secured for us on all railroads entering New York City.

I have been informed that the Ladies' Auxiliary, composed of wives of greenkeepers belonging to our association, will attend and Robert J. Hayes and John Anderson, committee on Entertainment,



promise a royal good time for all ladies attending the Show.

We want you to watch for the complete program in the January number of the NATIONAL GREENKEEPER. Mr. Robert E. Power, editor, has promised to have an early edition. We want you now to start making arrangements to be with us in New York.

We know and realize that owing to the business depression it may create a little hardship for those who have to travel considerable distances to attend. Never in the history of golf in America has there been a greater necessity for greenkeepers, Green committee chairmen and all others interested in the raising of fine turf, etc., to get first-hand information on machinery, products and methods of use.

The Golf Show last year in the city of Columbus saved thousands of dollars for those that attended and bought the latest improved equipment. Those who bought can testify that they were able to dispense with less men and at the same time give better results in the way of service. At our Golf Show you are able to judge the merits and demerits of the various equipment exhibited. You are also able to consult with experienced men as to their qualifications and adaptness for service.

#### SEND YOUR GREENKEEPER AND SAVE MONEY

THE Golf Show and Conference is attracting nation-wide attention and golf clubs in all parts of the United States and Canada should try and send their greenkeepers to New York City at the club's expense. It will be money well spent, especially when nearly all the clubs by necessity are compelled to cut golf course expenses as low as possible. The three days of intensive study and discussions of golf



Exhibition Hall, Hotel Pennsylvania

course problems under the leading authorities of this country will prove a lasting benefit to those who are able to devote the time and expense to attend.

Our Annual Banquet will be held as usual. Mr. Ganson Depew, chairman of the U. S. G. A. Green Section, will be the principal speaker. Robert J. Hayes, Pelham Country Club, Pelham, N. Y., and John Anderson, Crestmont Country Club, West Orange, N. J., will have charge of the Banquet and they assure us it will be entertaining and enjoyable in every respect.

We will also have our Midnight Stag Show which always takes place the last evening of our Convention. You will have to attend to find out what the program contains.

And last but not least, let me remind you of the Convention. Full reports relative to committee meetings will appear in the next issue of the NATIONAL GREENKEEPER. I especially urge every committee member to be present.

The Convention is what we call the fraternal side of our profession. Here we are able to test the true characteristics of a greenkeeper, so far as concerns loyalty to one another. It will indeed be an inspiration to watch and observe the friendly greetings toward each other, especially upon arrival at headquarters; Walter C. Reed of Saint Louis meeting Grange Alves of Cleveland; Alfred E. Lundstrom of Long Island shaking hands with Alex Binnie of Chicago; Charles Erickson of Minneapolis kidding Joe Valentine of Philadelphia on how to construct a putting green; J. Lloyd of Toronto greeting his old pal, Lewis M. Evans of Canton, Ohio.

These are only a few of the friendly greetings that occur after an absence of one year from each other, for occasions like these are seldom soon forgotten. New acquaintances are formed and old ones renewed. Friendships are made, lasting and eternal. For in the busy cares of our lives many things may occur to engage your attention. Yet it matters little how deftly time will trail the flower of forgetfulness of the past into places where you have spent many happy hours. For often memory's fingers that come to you unbidden will lift the sweetly scented grasses from their dewy glades. And often when the twilight casts its shadowy curtain around the dying day, hiding from view the last warm flushes of the sunset there will come to you borne on the evening breezes of the past strains of music



soft and sweet, the melody which will make glad harmony in your heart.

Our Conventions create these friendly thoughts and it will be only by your presence in New York City next January you will realize our friendly attitude is what we claim.

In conclusion, one of the most difficult problems

which I have had to contend with has been the naming of committees that must be selected to help to guide and promote the general welfare of our Association. Out of over five hundred members every one qualified to act in any capacity I trust will realize the position I hold in appointments, but I have endeavored to act to the best of my ability.

## Golf News

### LAKE PLACID, N. Y.

Plans for a new golf course have been completed for 18-hole course at the Whiteface Inn. Henry W. Hayes, Mgr.

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### LUVERNE, MINN.

The Luverne Golf Club has made arrangements for a new course on the P. A. Arnette farm, two miles southeast of town.

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### LAPEL, IND.

A 9-hole golf course is being constructed on the George Wright Farm. Mr. Herbert Whetsel is President of the Club.

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### MIAMI, FLA.

Lease on the Coral Gables Country Club for a period of two years, was granted Mr. Frederick Grinham, 1336 Avenue Obispo.

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### WINNWOOD, MO. (KANSAS CITY)

A new golf club, now being organized, will be located just north of Winnwood Beach. This will be nearest course to Kansas City business district.

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### RACINE, WIS.

Seventy-five men are being employed each week in construction of Racine's new 18-hole municipal golf grounds; 140 acres will be devoted to this course and will be completed during the summer of 1932.

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### MAYWOOD, ILLS.

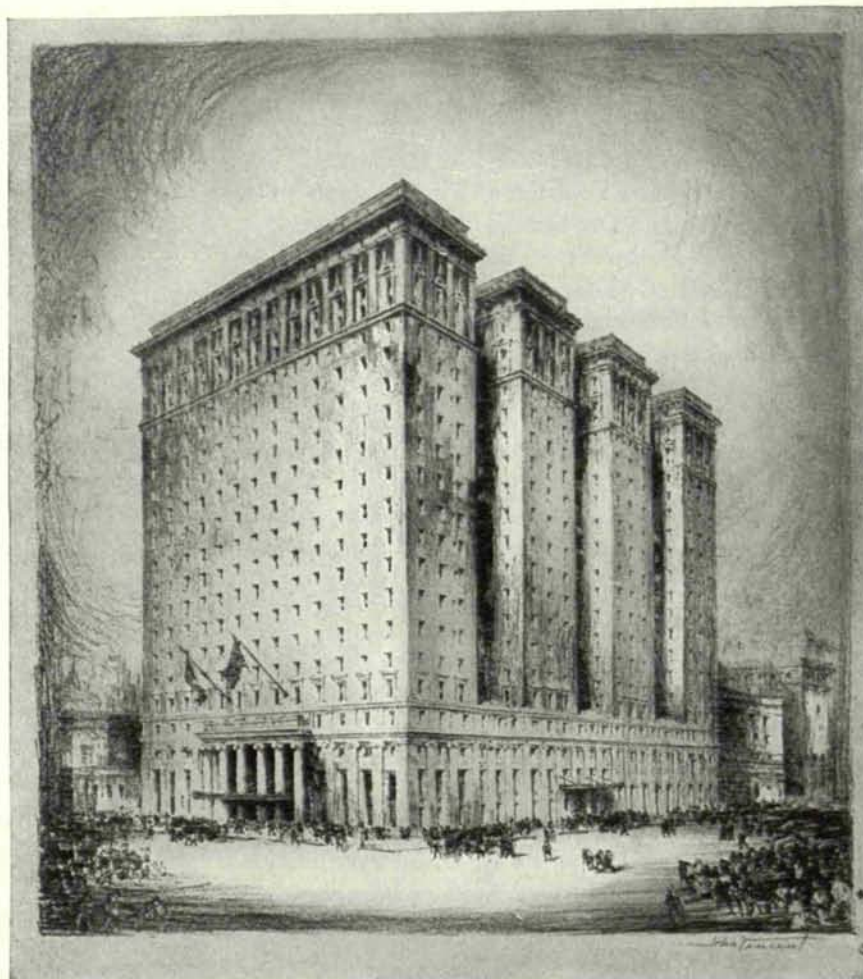
Construction of a 9-hole golf course at Soldiers' Playfield, east of Edw. Hines Hospital is planned by the forest preserve board, according to report of Superintendent Charles G. Sauers.

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