

its frosts and its consequences. One of the heaviest snow-falls in many years occurred on March 6. It was followed by mild weather. It was just what the greenkeeper desired as he outlined his plans for the year. Before the end of the month the snow had disappeared.

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The prevailing conditions are best revealed in the fact that there was no surface water toward the end of the month on any course, while those courses built on clay were dry and fit for play with every hole open early in April. The conditions are exemplified also in the fact that none of the rivers overflowed, an almost annual occurrence accompanied by heavy damage. The Mississauga club was probably the most fortunate from this point of view. A rapidly flowing stream fifty yards wide flows through the course. As it overflowed its banks, the river deposited boulders and clay. This year, as it is preparing for the open championship of Canada, the club has been saved the expense in cleaning up its course.

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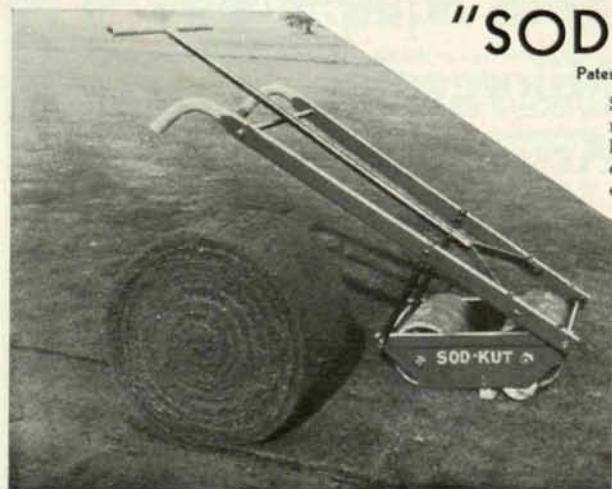
Several clubs are installing water system over all fairways to provide protection against drought. The decision to provide courses with this necessary protection is perhaps the outstanding development of the year. Obviously only the wealthier clubs are laying down systems for the entire course.

"We should have our best season. There isn't anything to concern us. Not in many years have conditions been so consistently good," said Mr. Sansom in summing up the outlook for 1931.

Mid-West Notes

By A. L. BRANDON, *Secretary*

ST. ANDREWS golf club, near West Chicago will be the scene of the first Mid-West outdoor meet of the 1931 season. This meet will be held on Monday, April 27. These monthly outdoor meetings will be held on the last



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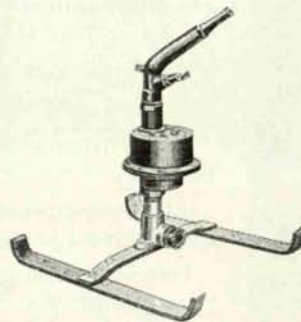
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The Mid-West Greenkeepers' Association is considering changing its name. We wish to have a name which will be more descriptive and fitting for the type of work



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of course superintendents who had traveled more than two hundred miles for the purpose of seeing the latest in turf machinery. The honors for coming the longest distance was awarded to the Mayo brothers, greenkeepers, not surgeons, whose combined mileage on the way to Los Angeles totaled eight hundred miles. Joe is the guardian of the green at the famous Pebble Beach course in Del Monte, and Bill is stationed at the Presidio Golf course of San Francisco.

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The local manufacturers and distributors co-operated in a highly satisfactory manner with C. W. Hazlett, greenkeeper of the Bel-Air club, who had charge of the affair. They brought their equipment, demonstrated their wares, and watched with critical interest while their competitors had their turn.

While at the time of writing results had not been compiled, officials of the southern California greenkeepers' organization were confident that the cooperation of the manufacturers had been repayed by increased sales.

Hazlett stated that he was very pleased with the whole affair and said, "It was especially gratifying to note the interest in this our first exhibit displayed by chairmen of Green committees and other club officials. To those greenkeepers in other parts of the country who are unable to attend the national exhibit, I can recommend no

our membership is engaged in. Suggestions are indeed welcome!

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"Doc" Roth says he will always remember the time he had dinner with three well-known greenkeepers of this district—they had to remain at the table three hours before one finally picked up the dinner check.

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Turf and plant life in general has wintered very well, but additional moisture is badly needed and if it doesn't come soon—and then plus the general economic depression it certainly will create plenty high blood pressure amongst the boys.

Pacific Coast Gossip

By ARTHUR LANGTON

THE first exhibit of golf course maintenance equipment and supplies held under the auspices of the greenkeepers of southern California was held at the Bel-Air Country club of Westwood Heights, Los Angeles, on Monday, April 13, and the success of the display indicates that it will be continued as an annual event.

That there was genuine interest in the affair on the part of the greenkeepers was evidenced by the presence

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