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mite as the hole was made and attached the fuse to one only and then set it off. This was done in a third of the time that a shovel would take and it made a very fine job. In addition, the cost was much

On another course I laid out, we filled in eight holes with 18 inches of sand pumped out of a river bed alongside the course. We pumped a very large mound on to each site for the greens and then used the grader, the machine with the blade in front, to flatten out the mound. This operation required only an hour and a half, following which six men shaped up the green and traps in a short space of time. Sand, of course, is so much easier to work with than any other material.

### Golf News

Construction activity continues in the Argentine where, on December first, Wendell P. Miller opened the new 36-hole course of the famous Jockey Club designed by Dr. Alister MacKenzie. Construction started in February and the course was seeded in June.

Their winters which come in July and August are mild. A complete Buckner California hoseless water system with 750 outlets and 36 hoseless tees was installed and proved the deciding factor in bringing through the seedings for an opening within ten months of starting work.

After completing the Jockey Club course, Mr. Luther Koontz, engineer in charge for Wendell P. Miller, constructed two private courses, each with three greens and nine tees, several private irrigation systems, six miniature pitch and putt courses, and is now engaged in designing and constructing a new drainage system for the Argentine Golf Club.

This coming spring Mr. Koontz will install a California hoseless system for the Mar del Plata Golf Club. In the meantime, Mr. Koontz continues in charge of the Jockey Club grounds through the first playing season in order to give perfection to all the details, and look after the first year's fertilization.

It is expected that an American greenkeeper will be selected for this post, if the difference in money values can be overcome. Argentine dollars are worth now only thirty cents each in our money but have a high purchasing value in domestic goods and services. An American greenkeeper's salary at the current exchange puts the greenkeeper into the salary class of an Argentine bank vicepresident and, of course, the Argentines cannot "see" it.

It is interesting to note that during his stay of three months in the Argentine, Dr. MacKenzie designed seven golf courses. One of these for the local vacht club is to be constructed on land which does not now exist-but is to be constructed when the government dredges a new harbor. This course should prove highly interesting as fifteen holes are reproductions of famous British links land holes, the other three are MacKenzie originations.

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