

# New York Greenkeepers' Meeting

By COLONEL JOHN MORLEY, *President*

THE Sixth Annual Convention, Golf Show and Educational Conference has now gone into history. In the last issue of the NATIONAL GREENKEEPER I stated that I expected the attendance would be the largest ever, yet I must confess and others having attended previous conventions will admit, that the New York affair was greater than we had ever expected, notwithstanding that we are in the midst of one of the greatest business depressions ever witnessed in America.

If I were asked what constituted such a large outpouring of greenkeepers and Green committee chairmen and others interested in the raising of fine turf was simply due to the fact that our slogan was, *practical economy*. Men came from all sections of the country to observe the latest in machinery and equipment that would produce greater results and in the saving of time and labor. Others flocked to

hear the speakers outline various remedies to control diseases and insect pests and to observe what the experienced greenkeepers suggested along practical lines.

Not one that attended went away disappointed for under the able management of Fred A. Burkhardt, the golf show exhibition was one of the best ever held. Never in the history of golf has there been a finer array of talent which was presented in the three-day sessions of the Educational Conferences.

No one person can claim entire praise for the success we attained. It seemed that everyone who had the interest which the National Association sponsored, came to New York to help along the good work in which the Association was interested. Space will not permit me to express thanks to those who were present to help the good work. To all



NEWLY-ELECTED OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF GREENKEEPERS OF AMERICA  
FRONT ROW, left to right, John Quail, Pittsburgh; Fred A. Burkhardt, Cleveland; Colonel John Morley, Youngstown; John MacGregor, Chicago; Wm. J. Sansom, Toronto. BACK ROW, Ed. B. Dearie, Jr., Chicago; John Pressler, Pittsburgh; Carl Bretzlaff, Indianapolis; Grange Alves, Cleveland; M. E. Farnham, Philadelphia; Jos. Williamson, Columbus; John Anderson, West Orange, N. J.; and L. J. Feser, Minneapolis.

the speakers we offer our heartfelt thanks. To Mr. Ganson Depew, chairman of the U. S. G. A. Green Section and his assistants, Dr. John Monteith, Jr., and Mr. Kenneth Welton, the association owes a debt of gratitude.

The presence and support of Mr. Stacey Bender, president, Metropolitan Golf Association; Mr. R. F. Arnott, N. J. State Golf Association; Mr. Eugene R. Larkin, Westchester Golf Association; Mr. Cornelius S. Lee and Mr. T. J. McMahon of the United States Golf Association, show that the methods of the greenkeepers at the present time have their support. Mr. H. H. Ramsey regretted that he was unable to attend.

It would be unkind of us if we did not acknowledge our appreciation of Mayor James J. Walker of New York City for sending his representative, Montrose Strassburger, Esquire, to give us an address of welcome, both at the Golf Show and Educational Conference.

We are pleased to state that the arrangements along entertaining were ably handled by Robert J. Hayes and John Anderson and that all ladies attending were well taken care of by Mrs. Varn Hagen, Sr., and her well-chosen assistants.

The selection of officers for the year 1932 are greenkeepers who we can all look to with pride. Our thanks are due to the committee on Permanent

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Organization guided by the Chairman, M. E. Farnham.

At Toledo we were in our infancy, in Louisville we had reached our boyhood, but at New York we had grown to full manhood. The National Association of Greenkeepers of America is now on a journey of success and we trust at Chicago our next stepping stone, that we will repeat the successful gathering held at New York.



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