the balance for material and supplies was carefully apportioned so that the greatest good might be had for the greatest number so to speak.

Fortunately in the past we had a liberal budget and our greens, fairways and tees were in A-1 condition. It was decided we could not afford to neglect the greens so that meant that fairways, tees, rough, etc., could not have the attention formerly given. Of course construction and improvements were out of the question. Our seed bill was cut 75%. The fertilizer 50% and as it turned out to be an exceptionally dry summer the rough did not want much trimming.

But while the drought gave us a break in mowing, there was extra watering to be done and our members gave us to understand that no sprinklers could be on the greens during play, which I am convinced is as it should be both for the players and the greens, but that meant watering had to be done

either evenings or early mornings and at extra labor cost. We decided to water the greens in the evening between 6:00 and 10:00 p. m. and the tees and approaches in the early morning.

No overtime rate was paid for watering, only extra hours. The result on August 31—we are still well within our budget with a fairly liberal amount to give some fairways a fall topdressing and seeding to remedy the condition brought about by the prolonged drought.

But, alas, the treasury is depleted and until it is replenished somewhat, this will have to wait, but just how long can it afford to wait? Certainly not another year, and if not taken care of by next spring the playing condition of the course will not be so good, and we will be liable to lose members, and certainly some income from green fees. What will be more serious, still a much larger amount will have to be spent to put it in the same A-1 condition.

## Moore Says South Is Smiling

By HUGH C. MOORE, Greenkeeper Radium Springs, Albany, Georgia



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Your letter of September 7th received and I will do my best to answer your questions.

The past summer with the Southern greenkeepers has been a very good season, owing to the fact that we have had plenty of rain. As for mainten ance, the Southern courses have suffered, I believe, more than the

majority, as they have lost many members, which means the loss of money.

My course in the past year has not been up to standard, as the traps have been neglected; the fairways have suffered somewhat, more or less for fertilizing; the rough was left to grow much longer and the tees were not cut as often.

We decided to save on these areas as we believed they could be neglected better than any other part of the golf course. The greens have been kept up to standard, for that is one part of the course I do not neglect. We have also saved on watering.

We have been very much pleased in regards to the very few complaints which the members have made. I believe that the majority of them realize the struggle which the greenkeepers have had to go through and also conditions of the past two or three years.

I am also pleased to say that conditions are much brighter throughout the Southern states and there seems to be more play at the present time and the people as a whole are smiling more.

## Mohawk Uses Only Experienced Men

By JAS. K. THOMSON, Pro-Greenkeeper Mohawk Golf Club, Schenectady, N. Y.

Yours of the 7th at hand with reference to golf course upkeep during this year of low appropriations.

Last year I felt we were in for a bad 1932 year and made sure I had all my machinery in first-class