

## SPREADING IT THIN

Chester Ramsby of Edgewood Valley C. C. is building a new concrete block work shed. The shop will be 32 by 50 ft. and will include a heating plant, office and wash room. It's a beautiful building.

Chester and his wife spent three days in San Francisco and visited Chinatown during their New Year Eve Celebration, visited the Top Of The Mark, rode over all the bridges, visited the Coit Tower on Telegraph Hill and had a grand time.

Bill Daniels has continued his flair for showmanship in the excellently managed Midwest Regional Turf Foundation. It is truly a well planned course and reflects credit on Purdue, and on every supt. within the area. The banquet food was good, and if possible, the glee club reached new heights, the banquet speaking program was wonderfully brief. Each year Bill gets better and better. The Midwest Regional is lucky to have him. The glee club had new jackets with brass buttons.

We wish to remind our Tournament committee that the Seniors are an important group and well deserving of deep consideration when the prizes are allocated. So golf committee, give more prizes for this selected group. You may make the grade, too, if you are lucky.

Bob Williams discussed fairway fertilizer and moisture. He delivered his talk with an excellent polish.

John Darrah also made a very good talk. He showed pictures of his four years activity with the Cleary Corporation.

Ray Phillips of the Louisville Country Club is general chairman of the 1957 meeting of the National Association at Louisville. Ray and the heads of the various committees are working on plans and of course, the Ladies Entertainment is a big factor in the arrangement.

Ray and his committee are weighing the possibility of a visit to the Patten museum at Fort Knox, but reports that "My Old Kentucky Home" at Bardstown, Ky., is closed during the winter. Maybe they will open it for a special day. This is the place in which Stephen Foster wrote "My Old Kentucky Home." The General Electric Co. has tentatively invited the ladies to a luncheon and appliance show including 8 model kitchens at the new plant. Ray feels that a luncheon and card party with a little time for shopping

and possibly a visit to the new Ford Plant will keep the ladies busy. Possibly they will get to visit the plant that makes the "Louisville Slugger" baseball bat.

Our old friend Norman Johnson has resigned his position as Superintendent of LaGorce Country Club, Miami Beach, Florida and has taken over a similar position at the new swank Florida Golf Course at Delray Beach, Florida. The Florida Golf Course is being developed by Carleton Blunt, Chicago Attorney and Chairman of the Evans Scholars Foundation, and Robert Bruce Harris.

Your Editor had occasion to visit this course with Norm, Mr. Blunt and Mr. Harris while he was in Florida. The site is a beautiful one with a 35 foot ridge, half a mile long, bisecting the property in a north and south direction. The soil is rich and heavily wooded with palms, pine and oak. The short course will measure 6335 yards, the middle one 6515 and the championship, 7000 yards. Tees will be large, averaging 70 yards long. Greens will be big, with the putting surfaces averaging 8200 square feet. There will be four water holes. More than six miles of water pipe is being installed on the fairway, tee and green water system. An annual tournament of national importance will be held each spring.

We wish Norm the best of luck and success on his new job.

John MacGregor reports that Mrs. MacGregor is feeling fine again after being on the ailing list.

Frank Mastroleo showed us a wonderful time at Geneva and we are looking forward to the time when we can have a summer meeting and play the course.

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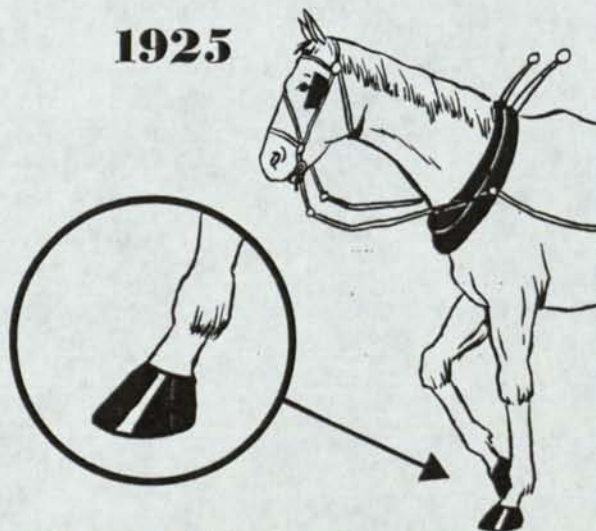
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