

WHAT'S NEW

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Arrow Head Golf Club has installed 27 new red-wood tee signs. Superintendent Bob Breen plans to have his new automatic irrigation system on his new 9 working this spring. I understand he has quite a system.

Walter Hoyt has retired and is living in Florida. Downers Grove Park District has purchased a regulation 9 hole golf course for its town folks. Ray E. Hoover is the new superintendent at Pheasant Valley Country Club in Crown Point, Indiana.

Oliver Miles, Superintendent, Joliet Country Club is building 3 new complete holes, one and one-half acre lake, and rebuilding one old green. The three new holes plus the one new green will have automatic irrigation.

Roy Nelson, Superintendent Ravisloe Country Club, is changing his manual fairway system over this spring to an automatic one.

John Jackman, Superintendent Medinah Country Club, has installed Monsanto Astro Turf on two of his tees. The two tees being number 14 and 18 on Medinah's Number 3 course. The artificial turf was put on the front of one tee and in the center of the other. Astro Turf can be purchased at many different heights, John chose 3/8". The size of the area covered on each tee is 300 sq. ft. Total cost of material only was \$750.00. John's method of construction was as follows: First, he installed a 2x6" frame at ground level (15x20). He then filled the center with sand. Carpet stretchers were then used to stretch the astro turf to the 2x6 frame. The astro turf, after being stretched, was nailed to the frame. John says he will give comment next year after a full season of play.

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