

it would perhaps take two men about thirty minutes to fill up the eighteen baskets and about another thirty minutes to broadcast the mixture on the greens, exclusive of the time it takes to go from the compost shed to the different greens.



This churn mixed the compost efficiently and rapidly.

Another experience we had with reference to brown patch this season might be interesting, which had to do with the top dressing. By way of helping the greens withstand the brown patch we top dressed in midsummer with sand and soil only leaving off all forms of manure and humus.

We had exceptionally heavy play on our course in August. With the two top dressings without humus the greens suffered very severely and then to make up for lost time, we gave them a pretty heavy top dressing with about 40 per cent old well-rotted manure (together with ammonium sulphate). This brought the greens back very promptly, but it seemed to make the grass quite tender and we believe was responsible for the persistent attack of brown patch in September. We have concluded never to top dress without at least 20 per cent humus, but not to use more than this during the summer months.

This may be of little or no value to anyone, but we have profited so much by reading the experiences of other greenkeepers in Golfdom that we feel constrained to offer this contribution for whatever it may be worth.

Miniature Course Always Popular

THE club with 10 to 25 extra acres of land reasonably near the club house never goes wrong to install thereon a miniature layout ranging from niblick pitches to full mashie shots. The greens need not be large for the more accuracy is required, the better your members will enjoy the play. And similarly, trap each hole to the point of unfairness—make sure a misplaced shot is heavily punished.

The miniature course is always popular. Your members will flock to it in the evenings when it is too late to play a regular nine. They will use it between the morning and the afternoon round on Sundays. They will spend hours perfecting their pitches and run-up shots.

Make the whole layout a sporting proposition rather than a test of good golf—a spot where your members can find relaxation and amusement with the minimum of exertion.

On the front cover of this issue of GOLFDOM is shown the short course at French Lick Springs, Ind. This course calls for some delicate chip shots, and an array of highly interesting putts. There is one water hole and several dog-leg holes.

Arthur Lockwood, golf director at French Lick, designed and built the course. It is proving a highly popular feature.

Member-Caddie Tourneys Feature Schedules

AS THE northern season is on its last lap one of the most interesting tournaments reported from several clubs is the Member-Caddie tourney. This is run as two-ball foursomes. It has proved highly enjoyable and strategic in getting the pick of the caddie supply bound to the club by a tie of good fellowship between the members and the youngsters.

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