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Golf Taxation Plan Fits City Growth

By A. P. GREENSFELDER

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IN October GOLFDOM there appeared an article, "How Long Is Cry for Tax Justice to Be in Vain?", which interested me very much indeed, and I am taking this occasion to present to you our problem which might help to solve the above tax question.

Several of us who are members of a country club moving farther westward and who are also deeply interested in regional and city planning are concerned with the problem of the future of a large number of privately owned golf courses now in existence in this district.

It seems quite plain to us that it is in the interest of the general community that these club-grounds now privately owned should become publicly owned in time. In other words, it looks foolish to us that these private golf courses should be sold for land subdivisions, built up with expensive buildings and then have the com-

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munity come along 10 or 20 years later and condemn a block or more in order to make public playgrounds. It is our thought, therefore, that whenever these private groups desire to relinquish these lands as golf courses and move outwardly as occasion and habit indicates, the community ought to step in and take possession under some equitable arrangement.

One plan which suggests itself to us is that the golf club might be released of all real estate taxes on the basis that it will sell to the community at its original purchase price or at an approved value at the time the plan becomes effective, whenever they desire to close up the golf links and move elsewhere. In the meantime, the community would obtain the equivalent taxes thus omitted through the increased value of the surrounding land, which always follows the location of a golf course.

On the basis that taxes would average 1% of the actual value, this capitalization again in 33 years would pay for the original cost of the land, which is the basis of amortization of land loans under the Federal Land Bank system.

The community is not taxed for schools, roads or many public facilities, which would otherwise occupy the area of the golf course area so that it really is not furnishing as much service to the golf course area as it does to the surrounding area, thus again not losing a great deal by the non-remittance of taxes.

Greenkeepers Show Space Going Fast

CLEVELAND, O.—Chairman Fred Burkhardt of the show committee of the National Association of Greenkeepers, which is to hold its annual convention and exhibition at Hotel Statler, Buffalo, Feb. 13-16, states that the week following mailing of contracts to prospective exhibitors saw more than 50% of the available space bought.

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