Show Season Starts

Greenkeepers, International Shows and Club Managers All Announce Details

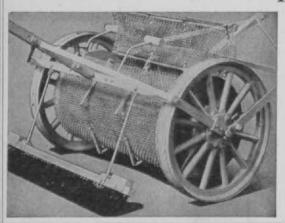
ATIONAL Association of Greenkeepers is all set for the curtain raising on its third annual convention and exhibition to be held at Hotel Statler, Buffalo, N. Y., February 13-16. Reduced railroad fares to and from the meeting have been granted and hope is high for an attendance considerably in excess of that at any previous meeting.

The executive committee goes into a huddle at 10 a. m., Wednesday morning, with President John Morley calling the signals. Wednesday afternoon the first open convention session will be held when Joe Valentine speaks on "Resodding a Putting Green." The second day of the convention is named Valentine Day in Joe's honor so he should do his stuff on the program in showing appreciation of being signally honored. The neighbors from the north will have two spots on the program as W. J. Sansom of Long Branch, Ont., speaks Wednesday on "Greenkeeping Yesterday and Today in Canada," and on Thursday, Prof. A. H. Tomlinson of Guelph talks on "Planting Around the Clubhouse."

"Soils I have Seen," by O. J. Noer of Milwaukee, who is conceded to be the ranking soil specialist in the golf field, also is on the opening afternoon's program, which winds up with a paper on "Animal vs. Chemical Fertilizers," by Victor George, president of the Indiana Greenkeepers' association.

James A. Smith, London, Ohio, an authority on turf culture, leads off the Thursday afternoon program on "Humus and Its Uses." Then B. R. Leach bats up with a paper on "Grub Control." Leach's articles in GOLFDOM on this subject have aroused international interest and judging from the letters on this subject that GOLFDOM gets from greenkeepers in this country and abroad the topic is one of the "hottest" that could be selected. Leach also is booked for another talk at the conclusion of the Friday program, on "The Trend in the Greenkeeping Profession." Leach is a bright, tough expert and the field may confidently expect him to windup the program in a burst of fireworks for he says his say in straightforward strong talk and when he makes up his mind he's

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right will battle it out until the last bleeding syllable falls gasping.

Stir Up Debates

R. H. Montgomery of Detroit is on the Thursday program asking, "Can Golf Maintenance Be Standardized?" This subject has been debated so briskly in informal sessions that bringing it out into the open for consideration should reveal many interesting and helpful slants.

"Fungi Disease from a Florist's Standpoint," by J. E. Cannaday, Sedalia, Mo. will put forth the florist's findings on combatting plant diseases showing the greenkeepers what the close, scientific methods of the florists have yielded in way of pre-

venting and fighting fungi.

The gentleman who is credited with doing more than anyone else in the country in intensive, practical education of greenkeepers to a high professional standard of practice, Prof. I. S. Dickinson of Massachusetts Agricultural College, Amherst, Mass., will talk on "Education of Greenkeepers." Dickinson now is conducting another one of his highly successful short courses in greenkeeping in which some of the old-timers as well as young-

sters are enrolled. Dickinson's talk should be a notable convention feature.

Dr. John Montieth, Jr., the able young expert of the Green Section, will talk on "Brown Patch Causes and Cures." No one in the country has done as much work in this fine as Doc Montieth has, so what he tells the boys ought to be definitely helpful.

Never before has a program of the National Greenkeepers' association presented such an array of expert talent. The men who are to talk are those consulted by the wondering ones of golf maintenance when the greenkeepers are in trouble so the opportunity of hearing an all-star cast should prove a great convention magnet.

Big Exhibits Attract

All mornings are being held open for visiting the convention exhibits. The space on the floor is all allotted, among the following exhibitors:

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A number of special meetings are scheduled during the convention. An exhibitors' breakfast will be held at 9 a.m., Friday, committee meetings, 7:30 p.m., Friday and the annual meeting and election 10 a.m., Saturday.

The annual banquet will be held Thursday evening at 7:30. Cost per plate is \$3.

Lots of entertainment has been provided for the wives of the greenkeepers who will attend the convention. The reduced fare to Buffalo also applies to the women.

Those who have not made hotel reservations at Buffalo are advised to snap into it.

International Shows Have Big Events Planned

W ITH Miss Anne Morgan and the five thousand members of the American Woman's association sponsoring the New York debut of the fourth annual International Golf Show and Country Club Equipment Exposition, Grand Central Palace, February 18-23, and several innovations for the Chicago presentation, Hotel Sherman, March 11-16, including a brand new eighteen-hole putting course—the stage is set for these events.

The U. S. G. A. Green Section, with Doctor Monteith, Jr., in charge, will stage the largest educational exhibit on turf culture