

Now Have Daily Reports

The method of securing the subdivision of cost of operation was by means of an individual time sheet for each man, it having on the first column a list of the classified work, after which were columns for the hours worked. The top of the columns have the day of the month (men being paid semi-monthly). While apparently this method should have been satisfactory, it was not, because it covered too long a period before the card was checked at the office and permitted the men to get careless in making their record daily. I have now devised a daily report card for each man at the close of the day. He fills out this card and drops it in a box for the purpose. These cards will be collected the following morning and checked.

A further difficulty with the last year method was that the items were not sufficiently subdivided in the attempt to reduce the size of the time card. The new system devised will have a card printed with blank spaces for the name of the class of work, with ten spaces for such classifications, rubber stamps will be provided to print the necessary items on the cards. These stamps will have the classes of work grouped on them so that, as an example the men who cut the greens will use a stamp that has all the work on greens classed on it. By this method the card will not be cumbersome and the men can use more than one card if necessary. It is my contention that the only way to know how your costs are going is by means of a daily check. This may not appeal to some men who have charge of a golf course because they come in direct contact with the work each day, but figures and records are the only means of arriving at your costs, and the sooner these can be checked and compared the sooner a leak can be stopped.

In conclusion, may I say that these figures of cost are not given with the thought that they are as low as they should be, but to show how by careful comparison they may be lowered.

Furthermore, before these costs can be compared with other locations and other courses, labor rates and efficiency, climate, the class of play and the amount of play on the course must be taken into consideration. If any GOLFDOM readers find some information of value to them or if through their criticism a better method is devised, I will greatly appreciate their interest.

Audubon Has Easy Cost-Keeping Sheet

AUDUBON C. C., Louisville, employs the accompanying maintenance cost record sheet which has been found to be easy to keep accurately and to tell the story quickly.

COST OF GOLF MAINTENANCE (WITHOUT GREENKEEPER)

For 19__

Club _____

(Dollars only)

LABOR COST ONLY	GREENS				TOTAL	REMARKS
	TEES	FAIRWAYS	ROUGH			
Mowing				x		
Watering				x		
Top dressing				x		
Windrow				x		
Reeking			x	x		
Rolling				x		
Leaves	x	x	x	x		
Unsubstantiated & Taxes			x	x		
Repairs	x	x	x	x		
Turf Careless		x	x	x		
Making Leans	x	x	x	x		
Compost		x	x	x		
Repairs	x	x	x	x		
All other labor	x	x	x	x		
TOTAL LABOR COST						
MERCHANDISE						
Stalks	x	x	x	x		
Chemicals	x	x	x	x		
Fertilizer	x	x	x	x		
Lime	x	x	x	x		
Gas & Oil	x	x	x	x		
Region Parts	x	x	x	x		
Water	x	x	x	x		
All other Misc.	x	x	x	x		
Total Mer. Cost	x	x	x	x		
DEPRECIATION						
Depreciation on Equip.	x	x	x	x		
Rep. Equipment Charged Off	x	x	x	x		
Total Depreciation	x	x	x	x		
Total Maintenance for purpose of this report						

(Note: Fill in as many blank spaces but merely fill in totals)

Note: Do not put in maintenance cost—only maintenance

Note: If usual of any item not available, mark the items grouped.

Remarks _____

The club's green chairman, A. C. Chapman, advises that the greenkeeper finds the form a model for ease in keeping up to the minute. The record has done a fine job in assisting the greenkeeper to keep his operations closely aligned to his budget.

Canada Dry's Ace Army Grows 2,877 in 1929

IN 1929 there were 2,877 more golfers got the cargo of Canada Dry ginger ale for the hole-in-one award, making the grand total of ace awards since the company started this in 1925, 12,408. California has had 1,374 during the five year period. New York follows with 1,330. Illinois is a distant third with 789.

In addition to giving away this vast amount of the beverage that washed the color line off the gin, there are bottles of Canada Dry sold now and then at golf clubs despite the deplorable absence of Canada Dry's advertising from its logical place in GOLFDOM'S pining pages.