

This home of the Kildeer Country club (Chicago district) was built in two sections; the locker-room section at the right being the first constructed.

ignorance is in inverse ratio to their desire to be heard. A green-chairman also is supposed to be acquainted with climatic conditions in his location and may be able to warn a greenkeeper (especially one who is just taking hold against unusual conditions or climate in the locality. But in most matters relating to turf culture, employment and handling of labor, selection and maintenance of course equipment, and other technical activities, the greenkeeper should not be interfered with and should be placed upon his individual mettle.

Fifth. The green-chairman should insist that the club administration budget the golf expense and name a fixed sum for annual upkeep which he, in turn, should feel a sacred duty to observe. This will involve frequent consultations with the greenkeeper, studying course needs with respect to equipment, and carefully checking pay roll requirements to avoid waste which so easily can occur in this phase of course maintenance.

Sixth. The green-chairman should insist upon the club administration becoming a member of the Green Section of U. S. G. A. to secure benefit of the constant study of turf culture and development being made by that useful organization, and that they should subscribe to all publications carrying the results of observations by green-keepers and green-chairmen of turf development in various parts of the country. All of these publications should come to the green-chairman as well as to the green-keeper and should be religiously read and studied by both of these individuals—individually and jointly.

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Seventh. Finally, the green-chairman, having transformed himself into a diplo-

mat, should specifically invite criticisms and suggestions from his fellow club members, reserving absolutely and without qualification his right to accept or reject all such intended aids. As indicated above, many of these criticisms and suggestions will have a sharp edge and will be difficult to bear but it is the writer's experience that out of the multitude of minds and their expression there is always some wisdom to be achieved. Furthermore, an autocrat in any walk of life rarely ever enjoys the fellowship and co-operation of his associates, and the green-chairman who expects his fellow members to replace the turf, to assist in caddy control, to report injuries to the golf course from any cause-in other words, to offer the fullest co-operationmust convince them of his own good nature. One of the best methods in this pursuit is to make real companions of his fellow members rather than a group of indifferent-if not actually resentful-"subjects."

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Our grounds-keeper, Rocco Lemonjellei, has served the club for about twenty-nine years, and naturally I would consider him to be an experienced greenkeeper. In the opinion of the members of our club there is no better one, though Lemonjellei never desires any publicity and is not widely known. His greens and course generally are kept in a condition, that is, in the opinion of the members of the club, not excelled elsewhere.

We set up a budget each year to finance
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