

the way of play, and hose and sprinklers stored in these boxes. Other equipment needed around the greens, such as rollers, should be out of the way, and should be kept in good condition. Worn-out or discarded equipment should never be left where players see it; it will look too much like inefficiency to the uninformed, and they will probably think it was the greenkeeper's fault it wore out!

Dressing up the course as far as the rough goes, largely is cleaning what is there, and possibly a little extra planting out of the way of most play. Trees in the rough should be pruned of lower limbs so that a player may play a ball out toward the fairway with a half swing at least. Stumps should be removed, depressions filled, grass seed sown in bare areas, stones and debris picked up, and area in general kept clean.

All signs, out of bounds stakes, etc., should be kept in good repair, painted frequently. In general, areas marked "Ground Under Repair" should be as few as possible, in order that course may look its best. After any new construction, care should be taken to clean up any debris, and make the new work as well dressed up as the older parts of the course!

All workmen should be instructed to pick up and police the course as they work on it. They should report anything they notice out of order, or needing attention. This is a great help in keeping the course well-dressed during the season.

### Promoting Players' Comfort.

Dressing the course properly means comfort for the players. Seats placed on tees will help greatly. Bridges across ravines, steps up and down steep hillsides, good walks between greens and tees,—all are means of dressing the course and likewise providing comfort. Draining wet areas aids in appearance and also in comfort. In many ways the two go hand in hand.

Dressing the course by means of landscape development is not within the scope of this article, as much could be written along this line. This field is hardly touched as yet by many clubs. It might be well to point out here that true landscape architecture aims to secure the maximum of beauty coupled with the maximum of utility, and hence anything which helped beautify the course while it did not hinder or lessen the usefulness is a landscape development. Those in charge of golf courses should do all in their power to use the parts of the landscape which are

theirs, a tree or trees here, and a mass of shrubbery there, a stream on one side, and a vista on the other—all should be used as far as possible to perfect the landscape development insofar as they do not affect the play on the course. Planting can be done between greens and tees, and in stretches along holes out of the way of play. Native species should be used, and only informal planting desired. Wild flowers growing naturally on the course should be encouraged if they are desirable species. The proper enjoyment of the game comes first, but there are many landscape features which can be introduced to beautify the course and be no detriment to play.

There are other side lines to this dressing of the course. Encouraging birds to nest on the course, by feeding them, providing food and water summer and winter, installing bird houses, keeping their enemies away, and in general, being friendly to them, is a means of dressing your course.

You probably will think of many others; if this article encourages someone to stress this part of golf course maintenance a little more, it will not be in vain. These suggestions are made with this idea in view of stimulating interest in this other side of greenkeeping. Although it may not be of such great importance as the establishing and maintaining of good turf, it is a proper companion to such work. A good course, well-dressed, should be the aim of the good greenkeeper!

## N. E. Club Managers Hold District Meeting

On February the 5th, a district meeting of the New England Club Managers' association was held at the Hotel Statler, Boston. This meeting included all of the local chapters throughout New England, large representations particularly from the Connecticut chapter, Rhode Island chapter and the Boston chapter as well as many other members and guests from cities which do not have chapters but whose managers are members of the New England association.

This meeting started at four in the afternoon with the following program:

A lecture, with motion pictures, on "Deep Sea Fishing and Sea Food Products." A lecture on the "Oyster Industry" of especial interest to New England managers.

A dinner at the Statler Hotel at 7 P. M. with additional educational features and association business followed the dinner.