



Terrace Park remodelled this residence into a satisfactory clubhouse by adding the low-lying locker-room addition at the right. The roof of the locker-room serves as an outdoor dance platform.

Ohio Club's Wise Spending Brings Fine Layout at Little Outlay

NEAR THE suburban village of Terrace Park (Cincinnati district) a tract of 126 acres, then a stock farm, was purchased in 1930 by a group of golfers interested in organizing the present Terrace Park C. C. The tract had many natural advantages. It was bounded by the Little Miami river on the west side and by the East Fork river on the south side and the soil consisted of a rich loam in proper pro-

portions of clay and sand to produce an excellent turf. Along the river front there were deposits of rich black loam 2 to 4 feet deep and deposits of pure sand in quantities sufficient to use for topdressing and traps for many years to come.

Except for the cost of removing fences, there was very little expense incurred in clearing or grading the land for the golf course since most of the ground was un-



Typical of the course is this 10th green of the Terrace Park course. The East Fork river lies directly behind.

der cultivation or in pasture. As a result the entire 18-hole course with well trapped greens was constructed at a total cost of \$10,358, divided as follows:

General construction.....	\$ 5,889
Water system.....	2,900
Seed and fertilizer.....	1,269
Pump and installation.....	300
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The course is not a make-shift, but has been designed in accordance with latest standards of golf. Greens are irregular in shape, undulating, tightly trapped and average approximately 6,500 sq. ft. in area. They are planted in Washington bent and are reported today to be in excellent condition for greens that have been in use for less than a year. The course is 6,600 yds. in length with a par of 72.

The first nine fairways were seeded in February, 1931, and the second nine greens in May of that same year and while at the present the members of Terrace Park are teeing up in the fairway, there are several of the holes where the turf is already good enough to play the ball as it lies, according to William C. Tyrin, Terrace Park. A fair amount of rain the last of this year will give the layout fairways of perfect texture.

Build Two-Purpose House Addition

The problem of a clubhouse was solved by remodeling the farmhouse which was located on the tract at the time the property was purchased. A semi-basement locker-room, 38x54 ft., was added to the building at the cost of \$11,000; the roof of this addition serves as an outdoor dancing and dining platform. Thus, the clubhouse has facilities for both inside and outside dining, and ample lounge facilities.

The dining room is operated independently by caterers at no expense to the club. At the present time noon-day lunches are priced at 40c and 60c and evening dinners run under \$1.00. The meals compare very favorably with the best.

Terrace Park at present has 150 members, who pay \$100 annual dues, including tax. It is expected that when the membership reaches 250 it will be possible to drop the dues approximately to \$50 per member per year. This is in line with the original ideas of the club's promoters and the club is being operated today at a figure in keeping with present financial conditions.

The club has no charge accounts, mem-

bers paying cash for everything they buy, including meals and caddy fees. The clubhouse is open the year around. Plans for the future include the construction of tennis courts and a swimming pool, and by utilizing a large barn originally on the property as a stable the club hopes to encourage horseback riding, since it has accommodations for 25 horses without crowding.

Terrace Park is only 30 minutes from the heart of Cincinnati and easily accessible over well-paved roads. The Board of Governors consisting of twelve directors in charge of the customary committees look forward confidentially to a large future for their organization.

ECONOMIZE?

"Yes, If Wisely Done," Says
Fred Burkhardt

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FINANCES HAVE affected every possible line of work. The falling off of one kind of business showed its effect on another and so on down until everything has been touched by this economic turn. Therefore, the finances of golf clubs have also been seriously affected.

As a result golf course budgets had to be reduced, some drastically, others in proportion to the money available. In making these necessary reductions, officers of some clubs kept in mind the future condition of the course. They cut down wisely and will benefit in future years. But those who could only see the immediate necessity of course reductions will pay doubly in a few years when they wish to put the course in good condition again.

One thing is certain: greenkeepers all over the country are putting their shoulders to the wheel, endeavoring to give the best playing conditions for the amount of money they are allowed to spend. They are trying different economies in an attempt to keep up the standard of the course, as in previous years, and thus keep the golfers satisfied.

An economy I do not think wise is to eliminate entirely all fertilizing. Like every other living thing, the grass needs food, and if it is starved this year it will require more work to build it up next fall.