Greenkeeping Short Course Dates Are Announced

COLLEGE short courses in greenkeeping see in 1936 prospects of record attendance. Preliminary details are available on the short courses at state colleges of Massachusetts, Michigan, Iowa, Pennsylvania and New Jersey (Rutgers). Courses also will be run as usual at Wisconsin and Minnesota at dates to be announced later.

Michigan State college at Lansing will put on its short course in February according to present plans. Exact dates may be obtained from Prof. C. E. Millar.

The short course at Iowa State, Ames, which has been an influential factor in the betterment, will conduct its annual short course March 2 and 3. V. T. Stoutemyer, research asst., again will pilot the sessions. For details, write Prof. B. S. Pickett, head of Dept. of Horticulture at Ames.

Rutgers university at New Brunswick, N. J., holds its eighth annual course in turf management Feb. 17-21. Rutgers faculty members famed as authorities in the turf field have prepared an intensely practical schedule. A \$10 registration fee is charged and a \$1 charge is made for outlines of the lectures. Complete details may be obtained from F. G. Helyar, director of Resident Instruction, College of Agriculture, New Brunswick.

There are 28 enrolled as first year students in the 1936 session of the Massachusetts State College winter school. This short course opens January 6 at Amherst with Lawrence S. Dickinson in charge. The school will run through until the MSC annual winter conference which will be held March 13, 14 and 15.

This year's is the largest the famous MSC course has had. Students from Mass., Maine, N. Y., Neb., Iowa, Wis., Ill., and Minn. are enrolled.

School of Agriculture of Pennsylvania State college short course will be held Jan. 28 to Feb. 21. This course covers intensive study for 6 to 8 hours per day in the class rooms and laboratories of the college. The following subjects will be covered as thoroughly as practicable in the time available:

Soil Fertility, Fine Turf Grasses, Insects, Diseases, Landscape Problems, Drainage & Irrigation, Weed Control, Accounting.

The eighth annual conference of Pennsylvania golf course superintendents will be held Feb. 19 to 21.



DON'T let the snow stop you. One of the most successful tournaments put on at the active Hillcrest CC., Kansas City, Mo., by its pro, Wolf Rimann, is a mid-winter handicap tournament. Last year it was played with zest over a course on which there were many spots of snow.

The event had a field of 154 and runs two consecutive Sundays, with 36 holes each day. More than 154 players filed entries but cold weather kept about 50 of them playing shots over the mahogany inside.

J. K. Re-elected Northeastern New York Greenkeepers Chief

JAS. K. THOMPSON, pro-greenkeeper, Mohawk GC, Schenectady, N. Y., again was elected president of the Northeastern New York Greenkeepers Assn. Hugo Kuhne, Sir William Johnson CC., Gloversville, N. Y., as vice-president, and Robert Mitchell, Edison Club, Rexford, N. Y., as treasurer, were re-elected. Paul Lynch, superintendent, of Recreation, Troy, N. Y., was elected secretary.

Jack Gormley, Wolfert's Roost CC, Albany, was appointed delegate to the national convention.

AN experimental ball 1.275 oz. and 1.645 in. diameter recently was subjected to unofficial tests in England. The ball was of low compression winding and had a cover .08 thick.

The ball has an average carry of 40 yards less than the standard British balls. Apparently there still are a few cloistered souls in England who retain the notion that the public should have a short golf ball, although the American public has expressed itself vigorously for all the distance the average golfer possibly can get.

Experts such as Abe Mitchell, Molly Gourlay, L. G. Crawley and Thompson Simpson, architect, were emphatically against the experimental ball.