

the seed out of all of the greens but one, a punchbowl, where the seed was all washed to the center and sprung rich and plentiful in a small spot. Dr. Walter S. Harben gathered some of this grass that grew in the bottom of the punchbowl and cut it up with scissors and planted it in rows with startling results which was the production of our Washington strain bent.

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McNamara, who succeeded his late and widely-known father as the club's greenkeeper, had the course in marvelous condition for the tournament. Commenting on the Field club's excellent maintenance, Emil (Dutch) Loeffler, veteran pro and supt. at Oakmont, remarked:

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of any district in America and I think that the basic reason for this high standard is the length of time good men have spent at the courses. Charley Nuttall has been at Fox Chapel twelve years, John Quail has been at Highland for more than fourteen years as greenkeeper and was born and raised on the course, Bob Smith has been at Westmoreland better than twelve years and Davie Bell has been at St. Clair more than ten years."

**A** golf course equipment exhibition and demonstration sponsored by the Western N. Y. Greenkeepers' Ass'n., and planned to be conducted annually, was presented at the Genesee Valley Park many course, June 8. Custer Stallman of Durand-Eastman Park course was in charge of the event which was well attended and successful in every respect. Greenkeepers from Canada and other sections of New York state helped to swell the attendance.

A brown-patch control dye demonstration was made by Al Schardt of Wanakah CC (Buffalo district). The entertainment committee, headed by Jim Connaughton, Monroe CC; Bob Henderson, Buffalo CC; and James Reid, Ridgemont CC, president of the Western N. Y. group, brought the day to a close with an informal and pleasant session.

**DR. S. W. EDGECOMBE**, extension horticulturist, will continue the work with the greenkeepers of Iowa formerly conducted by V. T. Stoutemyer of the Iowa State College staff. Stoutemyer is going with the Division of Plant Exploration and Introduction, Bureau of Plant Industry, U. S. Dept. of Agriculture at the Glenn Dale, Md., station.

Iowa greenkeeping owes a great deal to the abilities, interest and energy of Stoutemyer who was a moving spirit of the successful short courses at the state school and worked closely with greenkeepers on their field problems.

**Trade Tournaments for Extra Funds**—Shackamaxon CC, N. Y. Met. district private club that rarely permits a trade tournament, let down the bars once this year. The income was spent for a new tractor the club needed badly. It's not a bad idea for segregation trade tournament funds for new equipment purchases when trade tournaments are infrequently permitted,