

who are all employed on various golf courses. A very successful night resulted. The membership and activities of this Association would be entirely separate and distinct from the Diploma course of lectures.

- (2) When the syllabus for the Diploma course of lectures is drawn up, applications to attend this course and the final examination, and granting of Diploma, should be restricted to bona fide golf course employees.

If some such method as I have outlined is followed, most, if not all, of the cause for suspicion will be removed and the proposed course can only result in mutual benefit to both interested parties.

"You Buy From Yourself," Club Tells Members in House Organ

CASCADE HILLS CC, Grand Rapids, Mich., is doing a great job of selling use of its new clubhouse to its members. The "Cascader," club house-organ, presents details of a packed and lively fall clubhouse entertainment program. A brisk schedule of outside events is conducted by Cascade's pro, Maurie Wells.

A selling point that might well be used in other club publications runs:

"It is necessary that you give Cascade your support. You are a stockholder. It is your property. It's success isn't a matter of which you can be indifferent. The club activities are your activities. When you desire a meal, buy it from yourself, so to speak. When you want an evening out, spend it at your private club; it's to your advantage. When 325 members get this idea there will never be any doubt about the club being used to capacity and the future will be all the more to your liking."

Suggests Yardage Markers Show Distance Left to Go

JIMMY ANDERSON, smart pro at Pine Lake CC (Detroit district) is employing an idea that looks good to us as an aid for the average golfer who needs help to better his score and increase his interest in the game.

Says Jim: "Many times in playing with members I have heard them say, 'How far am I from the green?'"

"Yardage markers usually stop at 250 yds. Next year I am going to have markers that will mark 100 yds. from the green and 150 yds. from the green. These

will be especially suitable on long par 4's and 5's."

GREENKEEPERS in many districts are complaining about long spikes on golf shoes tearing up greens. Greens water-softened by the demands of members are torn by the scuffling and twisting of spikes, particularly in the cup area, regardless of the lack of nap in the grass.

The greenkeepers confess themselves pretty well whipped unless they are permitted to ease up on watering.

Another widespread cause of sorrow to greenkeepers this year has been the terrific hacking given tees because of this year's heavier play. Daily change of tee markers, less watering and longer cutting are offsetting the heavy play damage.

THE "Hillrester," club magazine of the Hillcrest CC (Kansas City district) contains a request that should go on golf club bulletin boards. Under the heading "Don't Do That," the Hillrester says:

"Don't do what? Don't flip balls out of the cup with your putter. Why not? Because it breaks down the sides of the cup and damages the green.

"The Greens Committee requests your co-operation in seeing that this practice is stopped."

Seaside Routs Poa—One possible answer to the problem of poa annua in greens is being observed by John MacGregor, supt., Chicago GC. A year ago Mac, after spiking greens infested with poa annua, sowed seaside bent. The spiking was done without weights so the holes were not deep. The seaside took strong anchorage in the spiked greens and this summer spread in taking over surface formerly held by poa annua.

MacGregor again spiked and sowed to seaside this fall and will repeat the operation next spring to hasten the spread of bent and its displacement of poa annua.

Hold Fourth Tourney—Hartford (Conn.) District progressive golf tournament was held recently for the fourth consecutive year. It consists of eight-men scratch teams playing two holes on each of 9 courses and a dinner as the finale. Club pro can be a member of each team. Transportation arrangements between each course are carefully made. The event, which has been described in detail in a previous issue of GOLFDOM, is highly popular at Hartford and should be adopted elsewhere.