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Greenkeeping Cuttings

Greenkeeping Supts. Assn. will hold its 14th annual convention and exhibition at New York City, Feb. 6-9, 1940 . . . Members of Greenkeeping assn. are answering 15 questions to determine what qualifications best show eligibility for membership in an organization of practical turf maintenance experts . . .

Iowa Greenkeepers' Assn. have voted \$100 to finance collecting promising fairway and green grass specimens; also voted \$500 toward state-wide turf research, hoping that Iowa golf clubs also would chip in . . . Minnesota Greenkeeper Assn. ranking members to take turns in weekly visits to state's isolated courses where they'll help local greenkeepers with expert consulting service.

Greenkeeping organizations discuss switching of usual meeting day from Monday. Monday is a bad day to get chairmen to attend . . . Grasshoppers and 17year locusts have been active in destruction at many north central courses . . . Mosquito trouble lessened this summer due to cumulative effect of drainage work by greenkeepers . . . Sodium arsenite weed control results still spotty. Clovernook (Cincinnati) and Glen View (Chicago) among those having notable success with the treatment.

Minnesota Greenkeepers' Assn. buys motion picture camera. Black and white, and color pictures taken at members' courses will be shown at meetings of greenkeepers, and of club officials and members . . . Check algae by spraying with solution of 1 lb. hydrated lime and 10 gal. water; for severe cases add to this solution 3 oz. bluestone, suggests Penn State college.

Stumpp & Walter, course equipment and



Stumpp and Walter field demonstration given May 25 at Forest Hill Field Club, Bloomfield, N. J.

supply distributors, and seedsmen, have finished a great series of field demonstrations in N. Y. Metropolitan district. The demonstrations and lectures were practi-

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cally valuable short courses, say greenkeepers who constituted large attendance at the S&W sessions . . . Christian CC, Elkhart, Ind., by adding alternate tees to each hole of the 9-hole layout, gives patrons a "new" course to play the second time around. Tees are far enough apart to make pleasing differences in distance and shot angle.

Union County, N. J., Nominated as Top Golfing Center

By Gene F. Hampson

I INTIL a better example comes along we nominate Union County, New Jersey, as one of the top golfing centers of the United States. Reasons for the nomination are sound when one considers the hold which the game has upon the population of this Garden State sector, which covers approximately 100 square miles.

A recent survey shows that Union County, alone, boasts within its area no less than 19 golf courses while 14 others located within a 20-minute drive of its center are either partially or wholly supported by residents of the county. This does not include courses within a 20-minute ride from its boundary lines or the list could be substantially increased.

In other words, Union County has a hand in the support of no less than 33 links which represent a total of 573 holes. 333 of them in the county. A conservative estimate is that these courses attract a total of more than 6,000 golfers on a clear Sunday.

This record is established without the aid of a single large city. New York City is located within less than 20 miles of the eastern border of the county, but the Union County courses receive little patronage from Manhattan.

Of the 19 Union County courses 9 are

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