



Kansas City's Municipal Auditorium, where GSA equipment show will be held during national greens convention, Feb. 7-10.

ON TO KANSAS CITY!

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*Greensmen hold annual meet
farthest west in history*

EVERY indication points to next month's GSA convention and equipment show being one of the largest in the history of the organization, according to word from officials of the Greenkeeping Superintendents Assn. The thirteenth annual meeting, to be held in Kansas City, Mo., February 7-10, will be the first ever held west of the Mississippi. Frank Ermer, chairman of the show committee, reports display space is selling well, and says prospects are good for a sell-out of space, even though the equipment show is being held in the commodious Kansas City Municipal Auditorium. This huge building is fully air conditioned and has exhibition space of 150,000 sq. ft. Convention headquarters will be the President Hotel, only one block from the Auditorium.

**Devote Tuesday
Entirely to Exhibits**

Beginning with the Kansas City convention, the official title of the meeting will be "The National Turf Conference and Equipment Show." The equipment exhibition will open Tuesday morning, Feb. 7, and the day will be devoted entirely to the exhibits. The delegates meeting will be held Tuesday evening, the educational conferences on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday afternoons, and membership meetings on Thursday evening and Friday morning. The annual banquet will be held Wednesday evening.

The putting green building contest will be continued this year and the models will

be built on the show floor with materials furnished by the association. John Gray is chairman of the contest and \$50 prize money has been offered. Chester Mendenhall has been named general chairman of the convention committees. President Joseph Ryan, Rolling Green CC, Media, Pa., and program chairman have lined up an educational program of tremendous value to greensmen attending. Speakers and their subjects are:

"The Living Plant," by Prof. H. H. Haymaker, Kansas State college; "Grass Selections and Improvements," by Prof. F. D. Keim, U. of Nebraska; Dr. Geo. Scarseth, Purdue university, who will speak on "Plant Tissue for Nutrient Deficiencies"; "The Modern Conception of Soil and Its Relation to Plant Growth," by Prof. C. O. Rost, U. of Minnesota; "The Agricultural College and Experiment Station and the Golf Course Superintendent" which will be discussed by Dr. J. W. White, Penn State

Mrs. Rosalie Moran Knapp, formerly pres. of the Women's Long Island GA, and mother of Mrs. J. C. Dey, Jr., died late in November at New York. Mrs. Knapp had won numerous golf titles, and with her daughter, Rosalie, won the Metropolitan mother-and-daughter championship for 3 consecutive years. She was a splendid, beloved sportswoman and her numerous friends in golf mourn her passing.

PROMotion, the golf promotion activity in which more than 1,700 professionals have participated during the past two years, is appraised in a recent issue of *Le Golf*, French golf journal as the outstanding demonstration of effective golf development in the game's entire history.

college; Dr. O. J. Noer, Milwaukee Sewerage Commission, will talk on "Turf Maintenance in 1938" and "A Stereopticon Tour in Color"; Dr. John Monteith, Jr., will lecture on "New Developments in Golf Turf Maintenance"; and Herb Graffis, GOLFDOM'S editor, will speak on "How the Greenkeeping Superintendent Improves His Relation With His Members." Dr. Monteith will also direct a round table discussion on experience with bent greens and he will be assisted by outstanding greenkeepers from the South and West.

Hotel rooms will be available at \$2.50 for inside single rooms and \$3.00 for outside single rooms, and \$3.50 for inside double and \$4.00 for outside double during the convention. Lowered railroad fares and excursion rates in several territories are expected to swell attendance and further reduce expenses.

According to new by-laws drawn up at the last executive board sessions, it is necessary that all affiliated locals have an 80% GSA membership and that affiliated locals unable to comply with this requirement will not be permitted to have a delegate or alternate at the Kansas City conference. Proxies will again be mailed to all members in good standing and delegates must have signed proxies before they will be entitled to vote them.

Further information on floor plans and exhibit space can be had by writing Frank W. Ermer, Box 2257, Brooklyn Station, Cleveland, Ohio.

On Bird Sanctuaries—A book valuable for the greenkeeper is "Song Bird Sanctuaries—with Tables of Trees, Shrubs and Vines Attractive to Birds." The author is Roger T. Peterson, with the cooperation of The NY State College of Forestry. Price of the book is 25 cents. It may be obtained from the National Association of Audubon Societies, 1775 Broadway, New York City. The tables on trees, shrubs and vines give common and botanical names, origin, bird cover and nesting features, quality and season of bird food supplied, foliage, flowers, fruit and landscaping values; soil shade and moisture conditions desirable for cultivation, and general remarks.

ACCORDING to figures in "Municipal and County Parks in the U.S.," printed by the U.S. Government Printing Office for the National Park Service and National Recreation Assn., public golf courses make a better financial showing than any other public recreation facility listed, except boat houses.

The 75 many 9-hole courses reporting show income of \$306,427.45 (average of \$4,085.69), and operating cost reported on 76 9-hole courses was \$371,519.76 (average of \$4,888.41).

On 18-hole courses figures are: total income of 126 courses, \$1,290,151.84 (average of \$10,239.30), and operating cost of 121 courses \$1,439,733.87 (average of \$11,898.62).

SCHEDULE OF TOURNAMENTS

Jan. 6-9.....	Los Angeles Open	5,000
Jan. 13-15.....	Oakland, Cal. Open	5,000
Jan. 18-22.....	San Francisco	5,000
	(Match Play)	
Feb. 4-5.....	Bing Crosby-Pro-Am., Del Mar, Calif.....	3,000
	(36 holes)	
Feb. 10-12.....	Texas Open	5,000
	(San Antonio)	
Feb. 21.....	Tin Whistle Tournament, Pinehurst, N. Car.	
Feb. 16-19.....	New Orleans Open	10,000
Feb. 25-26.....	Thomasville, Ga. Open	3,000
	(54 holes)	
March 1-2.....	St. Petersburg, Fla.	3,000
	(54 holes)	
March 5-8.....	Miami-Biltmore	5,000
	(4-Ball Match Play)	
March 16-19.....	St. Augustine, Fla. Open	
March 20-22.....	North and South	4,000
	(Pinehurst)	
March 24-26.....	Gr. Greensboro (N. Car.) Open.....	5,000
March 30- April 1-2	Master's-Augusta	5,000
June 8-10.....	National Open, Philadelphia (Pa.) CC.	
July 24-29.....	National Public Links, Baltimore, Md.	
Aug. 21-26.....	Women's National, Wee Burn Club, Noroton, Conn.	
Sept. 11-16.....	National Amateur, North Shore CC, Glenview, Ill.	
	P.G.A. and Ryder Cup dates and sites to be announced later.	