

## Club Builds Fine Driving Shelter for \$250

AYEAR ago the executive committee of the Lawrence Park GC, Erie, Pa., hit upon the idea of constructing a practice driving range on the club grounds. Accordingly, plans were made and the project put into work. The success of the idea has been even greater than the most enthusiastic board member hoped for.

As Lawrence Park is anything but a wealthy club, the problem of cost was one to be carefully considered. Price, of course, depended on the local market for lumber, and fortunately for us, it was favorable at the time of construction. Labor would ordinarily be another big item, but in this case that problem was solved by nearly 35 of the members coming out to the club and 'pitching in' on an old-fashioned 'building bee'. It took just one day to build the shelter with all this help. Lumber had been ordered cut to specifications so that delays in cutting and fitting were eliminated.

The shelter itself is 50 ft . long and 12 ft . high, sloping to 10 ft . in the back. It is believed the height could be reduced approximately 2 ft . and still provide ample space. Individual stalls for 6 persons are provided-each being separated

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by mesh wire barriers for the sake of safety. It is felt, however, that 5 tees will be ample and will prove more satisfactory, and this change will be made shortly. The roof is of good grade tar paper. For other clubs who contemplate building similar structures, the total material cost may be figured at from $\$ 200$ to $\$ 250$.

The shelter is situated on a knoll and so faced that sliced or hooked balls do not get lost in the adjacent wooded territory. The mowed portion of the range is approximately 300 yards long, and distances


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are plainly marked. Occasional cutting with a fairway mower keeps the grass short enough to enable balls to be retrieved easily. The range is located only 50 yards from the first tee and it has been found that many members and guests buy a bucket of balls to limber up while waiting their turn to tee off.

Balls are furnished by the club and were purchased in a lot of 150 dozen and painted with a vivid stripe for easy identification. A bucket of 40 balls costs 25 c . Club officials expect 1940 to liquidate the entire investment. The net income from the range accrues to the club and the money is being put back into the course in the form of improvements and regular maintenance. A further plan will be to give free instruction once a week by the club professional, Carl E. Wendel, to all who use the range between certain hours.

## Jones Building Strategy Into New Cornell Course

AN outstanding 9 -hole golf course is being built at Cornell University by Robert Trent Jones, well-known golf architect. When ready for play for Cornell students in the autumn of 1940 it will provide holes of such variety that graduates of the course will be prepared to tackle any layout in the country. The course will measure approximately 3,500 yards, with par either 35 or 36 . It will comprise about 69 acres, part of which now is the university poultry farm.

An appropriation of $\$ 25,000$ by the board of trustees enabled the department of physical education and athletics to proceed with the project. It will enable Cornell students to play at a nominal fee and is another step in the program of carry-over sports fostered by James

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