# **Advantages of Fencing Are Many**

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PROTECTION of persons and property is the major function of a fence. The home owner has a fence erected to restrain undesirable trespassers—both human and canine—and to safeguard children against thoughtless running into dangerous street traffic. Industrial management installs fencing to protect buildings and contents, and effect control over entry and exit also to reduce accidents and lessen possible liability suits. Institutions, schools and playgrounds are fenced for protection and privacy.

Because it is attractive in appearance, non-obstructive to view, economical in maintenance and long-lasting in protective service, chain link fence is the most widely used property enclosure. Practically all enclosed golf courses have chosen it, but chain link fence is still the missing link at many clubs.

### Fence Is Dignified Barrier

The privacy afforded by chain link fence is appealing to both present and prospective members. It is a dignified barrier against unauthorized entry into the grounds, and it is an effective protection against careless trespassers. And of no small importance is the factor of revenue from tournaments and exhibition matches.

Chain link fence may run as high as 18 feet, but the usual fence is 7 or 8 feet in height. It may or may not be topped with strands of barbed wire, firmly attached to vertical or angle extension arms. The fence fabric may be woven of preformed wire from the lightest to very heavy gauge wire. It may be one of four different metals, chosen for most effective resistance to destructive local atmospheric conditions or to meet specific service requirements. Or it may be a combination of several of these specifications, according to the requirements at various points in the boundary line.

## Posts Are of Metal

All posts are of metal, either wing channel, H-beam or tubular, set at 10-foot intervals in bell-shaped concrete footings. The concrete "bell" resists side pressure and lift and gives the fence rigidity, and being domed slightly above the ground, the bell sheds water away from the post metal.

Science has made many advances in achieving longer life for chain link fencing and engineering has raised erection standards to a high level, but one of the major strides has been in the field of metallurgy. Here it was discovered that some metals have longer life than others under the various atmospheric conditions peculiar to different localities. Such conditions include salt spray, alkali or other chemical fumes—often carried long distances in the



Chain link fence surrounding course (left) affords utmost protection, and at the same time, is non-obstructive to view. Fence shown here is topped with strands of barbed wire, attached to angle extension arms.

Another view of chain link fence, used to enclose tennis courts on private club grounds. Note the metal posts set at 10foot intervals in bell - shaped concrete footings.

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air from oceans, mineral soils, chemical plants or other classes of factories.

Any consideration of chain link fencing should include a study of local atmospheric peculiarities and the selection of the metal most resistant to any deteriorating condition. Available metals are heavily galvanized copper-bearing steel, Armco ingot iron, Alcoa aluminum and Allegheny stainless steel.

Above all, the fence should be erected by a crew of experienced workmen under supervision of a capable and responsible fence engineer. If he is permanently located in your vicinity, so much the better because he will have a lasting interest in the job.

# **Recent Golf Divots**

ENE ROOT, pro at Huber GC, Borger, Grex., recently shot a 69 to set a new men's record for the course. Two days later his wife shot an 88 for a new women's mark. . . . The Paullina (Ia.) GC opened its course to the public from May 12 to May 26; anyone who wished to play golf during these two weeks did so without charge. Paullina club officials used the plan this spring to interest more people in the game. . . . Jim East, San Diego, Cal. golfer, made 4 hole-in-ones during May on the Presidio Hills course. This brings to 36 the number of aces he has made on that course, a record that will probably stand forever.

Mrs. George Thompson, Jr., of Ft. Worth, has been re-elected president of the Women's Southern Golf Assn. Memphis CC has been chosen site of the 1941 Women's Southern event. . . Ernest Stanley, greenkeeper at Quantico (Va.) Officers Club, won the Kicker's Handicap in the June tournament of the Mid-Atlantic Greenkeepers Assn., held at the Belle Haven layout.

Jimmy Nichols, widely known onearmed golfer, has been named pro at the Montaup CC, Portsmouth, R. I. . . . Chuck Kocsis, who as an amateur won the National Intercollegiate championship, and who recently turned professional, was recently appointed pro at the Stony Croft GC in the Detroit District. Other pro appointments: George Beech at the Webster-Dudley (Mass.) GC; Roland Wingate at the Asheville (N.C.) CC; Charles Klein at the new Landa Park GCse, New Braunfels, Tex.; William Urban at the Aldecress GC, Demarest, N. J.

Ted Ray of England, U. S. Open champion in 1920, has retired. Ted, now just past 63, has been in poor health for some time. He recently gave up his job as pro at Oxhey, Herts. . . . Curley Vesey, Barbara Worth CC pro, having closed his club at El Centro, Calif., for the summer, is now working at Lake Tahoe, where he opened for the summer a few days ago. . . Construction of the new caddie shelter building at Christiana CC, Elkhart, Ind., is nearing completion. . . Sylvania CC (Toledo, Ohio) is installing a new deluxe swimming pool; plans called for its completion by July 1. . . Edward J. Burns, proprietor of the Wesburn GCse, South Rockwood, Mich., died May 26, following a short illness. . . Joc Kroc, 34 years old, pro at Interlaken club, Fairmont, Minn., died suddenly May 21.

Harry Bassler, newly appointed pro at the Los Gatos (Calif.) club, produced the hottest golf in the recent Northern California PGA tourney. Bassler, playing against Johnny Battini of Millbrae, started out with an eagle, birdie, birdie and an eagle to be six under par after four holes. . . . City Manager R. L. J. Wager hit the first ball in colorful opening ceremonies at the dedication of the new Mills Creek GCse at Sandusky, Ohio, on May 30. . . . Work on the new public golf course at Richmond, Va., is progressing rapidly; it is expected it will be ready for use next fall. . . . Pipestone (Minn.) golfers have leased 40 acres of land immediately south of the city, and work will begin immediately to convert the property into a golf course.

In squads of 12, caddies at the Pomonok CC (Now York Met district) are sent out for an hour's work in dandelion extermination prior to being allowed privilege of the course Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. Joe Sylvester, Pomonok pro, says the kids do a good job and get keenly interested in condition of the course. ... A plan whereby \$35,000 will be available for remodelling the Forsyth CC (Winston-Salem, N. C.) clubhouse, and for