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## Iowa Greenkeepers Make Initial Research Payment

**R**EGULAR monthly meeting of the Iowa Greenkeepers Assn. was held June 11 at the Des Moines G&CC; approximately 45 of the state's green superintendents were in attendance. The greater part of the day was spent in inspection of Bill Keating's greens at the Des Moines club. Bill had his entire course in excellent shape, and all of his Metropolitan and Washington greens were in splendid condition.

After the tour, the greensmen conducted a business meeting, at which time they advanced \$100 to be applied on the turf research program under way at Iowa State College. This was the first payment made toward the ISC turf research program this year, and a discussion concerning the raising of the remaining money indicated the balance can be met without any trouble.

**Midwest Greensmen Set Up Qualifications**—June meeting of the Midwest Greenkeepers Assn. was held at the Cary (Ill.) CC, where Herman Kamholz is green superintendent. Herman had his course in tip-top shape, and the greensmen enjoyed a round of golf before getting into the business end of the session.

The main topic for discussion was "Turf Research." Other business concluded at the session was the naming, by President Graham Gardner, of a qualification examination board for prospective members of the Midwest Greenkeepers. Committee appointees were Frank Dinelli,

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who is to serve 3 years, Harold Clemens, 2 years, and Gerald Dearie, 1 year.

Ray Didier, superintendent at Tam O'Shanter CC, reported his course is in fine shape for the Chicago Open, which will be held there July 19-21.

Gerald M. Dearie.

**White Opens New Resort Layout—**Robert White, a Scot who served as first president of the PGA a quarter century ago, is opening a 200-room hotel in Savannah, Ga., with an 18-hole golf course, named the Savannah Oglethorpe. White announced quietly he had purchased the \$1,900,000 hotel property, built in 1927, and "eased it open" without fanfare or formality. Purchase price for the hotel and 150-acre tract was not disclosed. The course was designed by Donald Ross.

**New Orleans Holds Ace Contest—**Fifth annual Times-Picayune hole-in-one tournament was scheduled to be held July 7-12 at City Park in New Orleans. Prizes totaling approximately \$300 in value were to be distributed to winners in the contest; first prize was a \$75 set of irons, second prize a \$50 golf bag, and the third place winner receiving a \$40 set of wood clubs.

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