

There's been a lot doing in work at the Keller course this year. Stodola notes the high spots of the season's work:

"Our outstanding job this year was the erection of a fine pro-shop. It is made of stone, and faces and adjoins the first tee. The interior is knotty pine. This is a real building and was planned by Len Mattson, Keller pro.

"Permanent toilet facilities were made for the convenience of the galleries attending the annual Open. This meant a separate Imhoff tank and building.

"We have a picturesque bridge, 150 ft. long, across a valley. It is now over 10 years old, and has become dry-rotted, and while satisfactory for ordinary traffic, has become unsuitable for tournament crowds. This summer the bridge was supplemented by a dirt causeway across the valley entailing the moving of 30,000 yards of dirt.

"Weeds and clover in our fairways have convinced us that we must follow a definite fertilizer program. Last year we had very good success by starving our greens. The texture was finer and the grass did not scuff like it formerly did. This year we tried the same procedure but with no results. The grass was weak and could not withstand disease or traffic. So now we plan to feed well so the grass will be thick and strong and able to stand close cutting.

"This has been a tough year for dollar-spot. We spent a minimum for chemicals, not because we wanted to, but because we had to. This dollar-spot is more than a discoloration; it kills to the soil, making a mark that interferes with putting."

### "Fairways for Plane Landings Not Needed": Army

DR. DANIEL FRANCIS LUBY, Syracuse, N. Y., golfer, suggests that American golf courses have at least one fairway available as an emergency landing field for planes. The suggestion was advanced by the Doctor as a civil as well as military measure.

Dr. Luby's idea has received the following comment from Major General E. S. Adams, Adjutant General of the U. S. Army:

"Some thought has already been given to the possible utilization of golf courses as emergency landing fields. From time to time in the past forced landings of military aircraft have been successfully

accomplished on some of the longer and more open fairways of golf courses. Light commercial craft can land and take off from some fairways on the larger golf courses now in existence.

"Should future developments indicate the necessity for extensive emergency fields, a study of certain adaptable fairways for indication as emergency landing strips might be made with a view to planning in each case steps for immediate conversion should the situation so demand. At the present time, however, it is not felt that the situation requires such drastic action."

### Woodruff Field Day Attracts 170 Greensmen

AT least 170 persons interested in growing of fine turf turned out for the annual F. H. Woodruff & Sons Field Day held September 4 in Milford, Conn. The day was bright and clear, affording the greensmen an excellent opportunity to inspect the 315 turf plots at the Woodruff proving and breeding grounds. Flowers, bulbs and lawn equipment were also viewed.

Welcome address was given by Harold Woodruff, and explanation of the various



Not a safari of African explorers; just some of the crowd at the Woodruff field day in souvenir toppers.

plots was given by Chauncey Baker and Wm. R. Somers over a portable sound address system. Included on the luncheon menu was chicken, corn, beer, watermelon, etc., and no one went away without eating all he could hold.

Winner of first door prize, a check for \$20, went to Homer Whitson, superintendent at Bethpage Park GCse, Farmingdale, L. I., N. Y. Second prize, a pen and pencil set, was won by Paul Bigos, Oxford CC, Chicopee, Mass.

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