

have been mowed by hand or a small power mower.

Players could help cut the maintenance cost by seeing that all foot prints are smoothed out of the sand traps, by not dragging their spiked shoes on the greens, and by not marking their balls on the green with anything that will leave a mark; also, by using a tee pin on all tees, not taking practice swings on the tees, and by replacing all divots.

Our fairways will not be cut as short as in the past, for by doing this they will not require as much water to keep them soft and green. Our tee plugging will be cut to a minimum. The divots will be filled with seed and topdressing, except on short holes where we will continue to plug.

The work for the men should be laid out as far in advance as possible, and each man should be given the type work he is most fitted for. Do not have more men on one job than is absolutely necessary. Keep this in mind, and the job will be done for less money.

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We are doing less work on the courses—doing it with less labor and most of it less reliable than formerly. At present we are cutting greens on one course entirely by power; not by choice, but by necessity. The condition of the greens is not as good as on the other course, which is hand cut, and requires more brushing to keep the greens from matting. If we hadn't been cutting corners previously I don't know how we could meet present conditions.

Remote Control Tourney Offers \$4,500 in Bonds and Stamps

THE third Annual Remote Control handicap golf tournament, sponsored by the Indemnity Insurance Company of North America, will offer prizes of \$4500 of War Savings Bonds and Stamps. There will be more awards this year—558 all told—ranging from \$100 U. S. War Savings Bonds to smaller denomination U. S. War Savings Stamps.

In addition to players' prizes, there will be special prizes for pros, to be apportioned according to the number of players entered from their respective clubs or playing on their individual club courses.

This year's tournament, which is the largest of its kind held anywhere in the world, will be played simultaneously all over the country on Saturday, June 13. Those who cannot play on that date because of bad weather or for some other reason, will be privileged to play on the following day. As usual, there will be no entry fees and men and women golfers everywhere are invited to take part in the tournament as guests of Indemnity agents in their territories. Special guests will include men and women golfers now serving in the Nation's armed forces.

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from courses of 4800 yards or more, and contestants playing the larger courses will not have to compete with those playing smaller courses. There will be identical sets of prizes for courses from 4800 to 5800 yards, and for those from 5800 yards up.

The tournament is an "invitation" affair, contestants being invited to participate by agents representing the Indemnity company in all parts of the country.

Chicago District Clubs Vote 'War' Rules for Duration

CHICAGO district greenkeepers met April 27 with Chicago District Golf Assn. officials and green-chairmen of CDGA member clubs, and mapped definite plans on what will be considered "standard" greenkeeping practice for this season, and for the period of the war emergency.

What are commonly known as winter rules were recommended for the duration, but no longer will they be termed

winter rules. Hereafter, they'll be "War rules." Turf on greens and fairways will be allowed to grow a little longer, too. Greens will have a height of cut approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ in., rather than the usual $\frac{3}{16}$ in. Fairways will be clipped at $1\frac{1}{4}$ in., instead of $\frac{5}{8}$ in. to $\frac{7}{8}$ in. Rough, however, will be cut down considerably. New height will be $2\frac{1}{2}$ in. instead of the usual 4 to 9 inches.

Another thing, greens will be cut but three times a week (Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday) instead of an average of 5 times, as in the past. Traps will be raked only once a week, and in the meantime, members and caddies will be expected to do their part in smoothing footprints, etc. Grass on tees will no longer be cut at practically green height, but will be the same cut as the fairway.

Budgets will not be reduced materially for the present but the greenkeepers have made their plans to adjust maintenance procedure to conditions, as they develop. In other words, a fluctuating budget seems to be the setup at present, inasmuch as play to date and club membership rolls, have been equal to, on the average, and in several cases, above a year ago.

Greenkeepers named to the CDGA greens advisory committee by W. D. Mahoney, green-chairman at Beverly CC, were the following: Red Sellers, North Shore; Ray Dinelli, Northmoor; Johnny Boettger, Olympia Fields; Mel Johnson, Butterfield; Ed Dearie, Oak Park; Graham Gardiner, Park Ridge; Norman Johnson, Medinah; Bill Stupple, secy., Midwest Greenkeepers Assn.; John Darrah, Beverly; and A. L. Brandon, secy-treas., Greenkeeping Supts. Assn., St. Charles.

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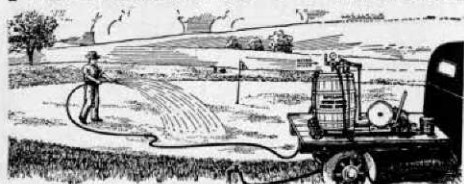
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