

excellent review of the development and prospective future value of chemical weed control on golf courses and other areas. Dr. Bakke has done a great deal of experimental work along this line. *His paper will appear in GOLFDOM.*

Dr. Harold Gunderson, extension zoologist and entomologist at Iowa State College, reviewed the common insect pests common to trees in wooded areas of Iowa. The spring canker worm has been extremely prevalent in Iowa. Banding helps in the control, but where power sprayers are available, spraying is cheaper and more efficient. Moles and gophers were especially troublesome on golf courses during the past two years. Dr. Gunderson says moles cannot be poisoned. Trapping and other time consuming methods are the chief remedies. Cyanide gas will get them, but it's a method that needs much follow-up work. Gophers are readily poisoned with baits made up as follows: Slice carrots or potatoes in $\frac{1}{4}$ inch by 2 inch chunks; mix 1/16 oz. strychnine into a tablespoon of flour; then thoroughly coat one quart of the carrot or potato chunks with the poison flour mixture. Place two or three chunks in the runway. Mr. Gopher cuts them in two because they are too long to carry, and in doing so he becomes

a dead gopher.

H. L. Lantz of Iowa State College reviewed the season's experience with twenty strains of bent grasses which are in the trial plots at Ames. This fine turf project is sponsored by the Iowa Greenkeepers Association in cooperation with the Iowa Agricultural Experiment Station. The chief purpose of the project at present is to study different strains of bent grasses as to their adaptation to Iowa conditions. These studies cover hardiness, resistance to summer heat, disease, vigor and general desirability for putting greens as compared with the widely grown Metropolitan and Washington bents. Through these studies it is hoped that better adapted and more resistant strains of bent grasses will be found for Iowa conditions. The turf garden was established in 1939 and several additions have been made since then. The bent grass strains were secured from the U. S. Golf Association Green Section and from the Pennsylvania Agricultural Experiment Station. To date, C-19 and C-1 have shown marked superiority in hardiness and in general behavior. The turf garden project at Ames is also cooperating with the Greens Section in a study of various fertilizer combinations.

CDGA Dime-A-Round Goal is \$50,000

Details of popular war relief plan offered other golf bodies

The alert Chicago District Golf Association again will make an intensive drive during 1944 to raise considerable money from golfers through their Dime A Round plan. This plan, brain-child of Thomas G. McMahon, CDGA past president, got under way last year shortly after the Fourth of July and was successful in raising more than \$12,000 for the Chicago Servicemen's Centers. The golfers Dime-A-Round Plan is to have golfers deposit a dime in a receptacle at the first tee before starting each round.

Participating with the private clubs during the 1943 season were the Chicago Park District Courses, the Forest Preserve Courses, the Daily Fee Courses as well as all of the private clubs in the Chicago District. Notable in the collection of funds was the figure turned in by the Chicago Park District of \$4,641.62 under the careful guidance of George T. Donoghue, Park District Supt., and the job by Tom Walsh at Westgate Valley C.C. where more than \$1,000 was raised.

Lowell D. Rutherford, CDGA president, plans a meeting of the heads of the CDGA, PGA of America, Ill. Section PGA, Chicago Park District, Chicago District Daily

Fee Courses, Cook Co. Forest Preserve, Western Golf Assn., Chicago Women's D. G. A., Women's Western G. A. and Illinois State Women's G. A. to organize most of the golf courses in Illinois for participation in this noble war work. Rutherford has appointed Wm. M. Hillborn, Oak Park CC. as the CDGA Dime-A-Round chairman and Hillborn's job, if he accomplishes Rutherford's wish, is to see that \$50,000 is raised during the 1944 golfing season. Hillborn already has sent a letter to CDGA member club presidents, with some facts about the Chicago Servicemen's Centers, to be placed on club bulletin boards.

President Rutherford has written to the various golf associations of the U. S. advising them of the success of the CDGA Dime-A-Round plan and has offered to furnish them with material used for this fund raising campaign. He has predicted that the private clubs in the district will be much more successful than in 1943 through the use of the Honor Roll system which will be pushed in each club through the club's own chairman. Clubs interested in the Dime-A-Round plan for raising funds for war projects in their localities can get complete information by writing the Chicago District G. Assn., La Salle Hotel, Chicago 2, Ill.