

# DOWN - TOWN RESTAURANT AS "Duration" CLUBHOUSE

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★ They purchased a fully-equipped restaurant as their downtown clubhouse! That's what the Yakima (Wash.) Country club members did and the move is working out most satisfactorily.

The big duration idea began when the beautiful country clubhouse, located about three miles from the city, burned to the ground on last Thanksgiving day. Faced with the perplexing problem of replacing building and dining equipment, and with wartime chances for that slim, club members conferred and came up with the novel solution of bringing their country clubhouse to the city for the duration. A streamlined restaurant, completely equipped, was purchased and remodeled to serve as a clubhouse while regular play would continue on the club course.

Although the result of the move means that members must provide for the upkeep of two properties instead of one, the credit side of the deal reveals that members are ahead time, tires, and gas, and have avoided the possibility of failure to replace dining equipment.

With the convenient downtown location members have only to drive a short distance to attend club doings.

Members can pool their cars to reach the Yakima course and then, come party time at the clubhouse, an extra trip can be saved to the course by having the clubhouse in town.

Efforts are under way to install shower

facilities in the restaurant basement. As the permanent greens are not open to play until late in the season in this northwest area, the showers may be ready in time for regular season's play on the course.

Upkeep of the new quarters, it is reported, amounts to practically the same as for the regular clubhouse. The big advantage, of course, is the saving provided by securing a location complete with facilities and equipment for the preparation and serving of meals. Daily lunch business is good in the new location.

A very pleasing clubhouse has been provided members. By doing away with the restaurant counter, and moving back the fountain equipment, a made-to-order main room is provided. To acquire dancing facilities, a next-door building was secured with the result that now an invitingly polished dance floor opens off the main street entrance. The women's powder room is adjacent to the dance floor.

Twice has the Yakima clubhouse burned to the ground. Now, hugging the wall on one side of the temporary clubhouse, is the architect's drawing of the proposed post-war clubhouse. The members met the challenge to do something about a seemingly impossible situation, and when the present club facilities have served their wartime purpose, members will once again enjoy a beautiful country clubhouse at their course.

## How's Installation of Your Dishwasher?

★ With dishwashing machines almost impossible to get and the kitchen labor problem a headache to every manager, the advice of Fred Johnson, serviceman of Mathieson Alkali Works, Inc., on dishwasher installations includes valuable reminders.

Johnson says:

"The first essential of efficient dishwashing is a good layout. Is your machine now located where it will not interfere with traffic? Delicate adjustments and proper alignment of parts may be upset by frequent jarring of the machine. Or is there a protruding handle that gets bumped? If better clearance for such a part cannot be provided, it may be possible to obtain a differently shaped handle to help the situation.

"Is your machine leveled properly? This should be checked with a good instrument, for levels have a way of changing gradually and unnoticed. An improperly lined-

up machine will operate, but considerable damage to pump bearings, shafts and couplings can be caused this way. Lift the guards over the shaft couplings between the motor and pump, to see if the couplings are free and the connecting shafts are in correct alignment. The pump platform should be firm and level; some machines have adjustable feet to provide for this.

"The voltage and current suitable to your electric motor are noted on the name plate attached. Once the motor is properly installed, it requires little attention; but, if yours may have been abused, take the precaution of having it checked again. And check also whether it is still protected from steam and water.

"Is a grease trap or interceptor working effectively in the line connected with the threaded drain outlet? Does the downward pitch of the line and the drain connections ensure complete emptying of the tanks, pumps, and spray tubes as soon as the drain valve is opened? Are the steam and water connections made to the proper valves? Printed tags or instruction sheets