DAVENPORT CC PRESIDENT SURVEYS DUES INCREASES IN MIDDLE WEST CLUBS

Because he was curious about how the general rise in prices has affected the dues paid by country club members in his area, W. J. Henderson, president of the Davenport (Ia.) CC, wrote to 35 clubs in Iowa, Illinois, and Wisconsin, and received replies from 24.

President Henderson found that the average membership of the clubs reporting was 335.

Seven clubs are raising their dues in 1947 with two more awaiting the pending decisions of their boards. The average amount of the raise contemplated in dues for the coming year is slightly over \$15.00.

Ten clubs have raised their dues during the last 3 years. The average annual dues increase made during the last 3 years has been \$27.00. The majority of the raises during the period were made in 1946.

Among the **all-year** clubs, one will raise dues in 1947 while 6 raised dues in the past 3 years.

Of the summer-season clubs, 6 are going to increase dues in 1947 and 4 raised their assessments in the past 3 years.

The Davenport club at its annual November meeting of members voted to increase dues for 1947 by \$10.00 on all classifications of membership. The club had voted the same raise in 1946.

GOLF ARCHITECTS CONSIDER NATIONAL ORGANIZATION

Formation of a national association of golf architects is being considered. Robert Bruce Harris and William B. Langford of Chicago have been querying established architects on their opinions concerning work such an organization might do in promoting best interests of golf. Preliminary discussions between Green Section officials, architects, GSA officials and others have indicated need for a national association of U. S. golf architects. Present plans are to hold the architects' association organization meeting in conjunction with the GSA 18th annual turf conference and equipment show at New York.

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