Equipment Building and Shop That's Our Practical Ideal

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A good equipment building plus a good repair shop on a golf course is as essential as a lockerroom in the clubhouse. Here at Glen Oak CC we attempted last year to build just that kind of a building. After the plans were completed we then were in a position to figure what materials were necessary. Due to the shortage of material at that time, we found we could not complete a building as large as the one our plans called for. We then decided to build the most essential part at this time, and build it in a way that the other part could be added without any difficulty.

The part of the building I thought was the most important one is shown by the accompanying photograph. This building is 46'-8" by 46'-0". You will notice in the floor plan how the various rooms are located.

The superintendent's office is a corner room at the front of the building. It has a large window on the two outside walls and the top of the door also has glass. This gives him ample outdoor visibility. Other items in the room are a telephone, desk, chairs, leather covered davenport, 2 cabinets used for filing magazines and other literature.

The lockerroom is probably the most appreciated room in the building, especially by the working men. It has lockers in which they can hang clothes they are not using during working hours. It also contains a toilet, 2 wash basins, and a shower stall. The water is heated with an electric heater which works automatically. There is also a bench table and chairs which the men use while eating their lunch.

A good shop is something every superintendent likes to have. The one I have, I think, has all the requirements. The size of it is $34'-4'' \ge 28'-0''$. It has 4 large windows plus windows in both doors. This allows plenty of outdoor light. For the dark days, it has 6 large ceiling lights that can be turned on giving good light in every

Below: Floor plan of Glen Oak's new equipment building. On opposite page: top to bottom, South, East and West elevations of Glen Oak building.



Golfdom







Photo showing front approach to new equipment building.

corner of the room. The floor is concrete with a drain in the center. It has a large I beam overhead through the center of the room. This has a track and chain hoist on it used in lifting heavy equipment. It also has metal work benches and metal cabinets for keeping repair parts and small tools used on a golf course.

Heating Saves Money

The heating unit is an oil burner which is hanging on the ceiling about 3 ft. over one's head. There is a 1000 gal. tank buried in the ground outside the building. This heating unit not only heats the shop but also the lockerroom and the office and is controlled with a thermostat. There is no time lost in the mornings on cold days by building fires and then standing around waiting for the room to warm up. With a heating plant of this kind, men feel more like being on time on cold mornings and will put out a good day's work. A shop of this size is adequate. Several men can work in it at the same time and not be in each other's way.

You will notice in the floor plan one room is for irrigation. In this room all sprinklers, hose, pipes, valves and fittings will be kept. By having it in a separate room,

J. HUNTER GOODING, DUPONT VETERAN, DIES

J. Hunter Gooding, Jr., 55, sales mg. of DuPont-Semesan Co., died April 14 at Wilmington, Del., following a long illness. He was widely known in the golf field as one of the pioneers in turf disease control. He was born in Wilmington and graduated from Oregon State college in 1914. He majored in agronomy. He continued his studies at University of Pennsylvania, Columbia and New York university.

He started with DuPont interests in a clerking job during summer vacations from school and continued with the company, one will always know where to find the part he is looking for.

You will notice one room for small tools. By having a room of this kind, men coming in at night are not so apt to throw their tools in the corner but will clean them and hang them in their proper place.

We also have one room for small power mowers, hand mowers, fertilizer spreaders and equipment of that nature.

The plans for the remainder of the building are mostly for tractors, trucks and large mowers. The building will be so one can drive in one door and out the door on the opposite side. The doors on one end will be large enough to drive a tractor and gang of mowers in one door and out the other without any difficulty.

The general construction of the building is of 12" cement blocks for the outer walls. The inside walls are 4" cement blocks. The window frames are steel and can be opened or closed very easily. It has a concrete floor throughout the building. All doors are McKee 4 or 5 sections overhead doors.

With the exception of the roof and doors the building is fireproof. This means lower fire insurance rates.

Each room has reflector lights.

with two brief separations, until in 1928 he was made technical correspondent in New York City of the Bayer-Semesan Co., then a DuPont subsidiary. From that he continued into the position he held at time of his death.

Mr. Gooding did much of the early work on Semesan in which research he was extensively and intimately associated with greenkeepers.

He is survived by his wife, the former Emma May Wilson of Philadelphia.

Hunter Gooding was a grand man whose passing is mourned by hundreds in turf maintenance work with whom he worked.