



Gene Littler draws Lincoln's biggest gallery for a golf event during final tournament round of the USJCC National Junior Amateur Championship at Country Club of Lincoln (Nebr.). 168 boys from 35 states teed off for the qualifying round by virtue of having won in local and state Jaycee sponsored tournaments from a field of more than 8,000 junior linksmen.

these tees are very hard to keep grass on during the usual summer dry spells. To make matters worse, chipmunks and mice burrow down and make their nests in the hollows in the stone. We eliminated the mice with a 20% AWTU powder. Developed by the government during the war, it's mighty potent stuff on the short tail mice we have. I haven't tried it on the chipmunks as yet, but I have every reason to expect the same results on them.

"As a result of the heavy traffic we have also had to put 'pop ups' in the tees. A few of our tees had old model 'pop ups' in them but they can't begin to compare with the newer designs in nozzles and construction.

"In the past we have had trouble (and complaints) with the steps up to our higher tees. These were just cedar or locust posts laid down and staked with pipe. They were very hard to maintain because of settling, unsightly weeds and grass and the wear and tear from spikes. A few near accidents and we had to go to work on them. Railroad ties sawed in half did the job beautifully. Digging out the old steps, putting in 54 half ties and tamping them in took five men the better part of a day. The steps are now uniform to look at and as safe as steps can be made. The only maintenance will be a yard of fill and a tamping each spring.

"For many years we have used small Fairbanks Morse pumps for our water supply. Although good pumps, one feature caused many lost man hours and loss of full water pressure. For a cooling system the pumps have a 3 or 4 gallon water

hopper over and around the piston walls. Within an hour or two after starting this water would be boiling and eventually would boil away. The result of this was that the pump (or rather the motor) needed constant attention. Sometimes the men would forget it and the pump would overheat and stall. This was remedied by drilling a hole in the hopper at the water line and inserting a half inch copper tube for a run off. Then a slight trickle of water was allowed to run into the hopper by means of a hose from the outside tap. Now we can start the pump, lock the pump house and forget it. The length of running time is regulated by the amount of gasoline put in the tank."

Teamwork for Supt. and Architect

Al Linkogel, noted in central states for his performance as supt. at Westwood CC (St. Louis dist.), says that in too much of the alteration and completely new course construction fundamental errors will continue to be made because of lack of close association and consultation between the architect and greenkeeper.

It is Linkogel's observation that the greenkeeper should be hired before construction begins on a new course and before plans are approved for alteration the greenkeeper should go over them in considerable detail and with deliberation, together with the architect.

Al points out that on any number of courses par three greens are located in the lowest spots of the entire area where air and water drainage is bad. The greens normally get hard wear from play and

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