Du Pont CC Marks 30th Year By Adding 18-hole Course

The du Pont CC, Wilmington, Delaware, established in 1919, will mark its 30th anniversary by opening a new 18-hole course, which will give it a total of 45 holes. A new clubhouse is also scheduled for opening in the spring.

In addition to these developments, the club will have a new professional, marking the first change in more than 26 years.

Thomas H. Fisher, Scotsman who is better known to thousands simply as "Tommy," is retiring July 31 after celebrating his 65th birthday on July 2. He will be succeeded by Sterling C. (Terl) Johnson, Pennsylvania open champion and a club pro for 18 years.

Thirty-eight-year-old Johnson, who has been pro at the Plymouth CC, Norristown, Pa., for the last 11 years, will report at Wilmington on April 1, when Fisher will be made special assistant to L. E. Therien, club manager, advising on greens and grounds until he retires.

Fisher, who was born at Greenock. Scotland, in 1884, began working as an apprentice clubmaker 50 years ago. He migrated to Philadelphia in 1909. He resumed making clubs at the Aronomink CC in 1919. April 4, 1923, he joined The du Pont Country Club as its first professional and later added duties of grnkpr.

Winter Work Shows Value of Good Shop

This is the time of year when a good repair shop is appreciated. It should be large enough so one can bring in a tractor and a gang of mowers and/or a truck and tractor and still have enough area left to permit three or four workmen to move around freely. The shop should have as many windows as possible, and plenty of overhead lights. It is very difficult for the workmen to accomplish a satisfactory repair job in a dark and crowded room.

I like a shop with a concrete floor with a drain in the center. The reason for this, it is easy to keep clean and it is also more fire-proof. When wood floors become saturated with oil and grease, they become a fire hazard. Around most repair shops on a golf course during the winter months there is very little fire fighting equipment, and under these conditions should a fire start in the shop, it usually ends up as a total loss.

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