

Runnefeldt in charge of the Skokie Play-field course.

Pocono Turf Assn., with membership mostly in northeastern Pa., has elected Ted C. Weisser, CC of Scranton, Clarks Summit, Pa., pres.; George Patterson, Eddy's Farm, Sparrowbush, N.Y., vp.; Samuel Spencer, Irem Temple CC, Dallas, Pa., sec., and Harry Drennan, Buck Hill Falls (Pa.) Inn, treas. . . Meetings are held third month of each month from April to October, inclusive.

### Cornell's 3d Turf Meet Boosts Turf Standards

An intensely practical program kept 150 course supts. in session March 15, 16, 17 at the Third Turf Conference at New York State College of Agriculture, Cornell University, Ithica, N.Y. John Cornman, asst. prof. of ornamental horticulture at Cornell arranged the program in association with New York State Turf Assn.

The N.Y. state organization held its annual election during the conference. Results:

Al Schardt, Wanakah CC, Buffalo, N.Y., pres.

Art Twombly, Pelham CC, Pelham Manor, N.Y., vp.

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Bill Glover gave additional data on his experience with named strains of bent under actual play. Ed Casey, Baltusrol supt., spoke on tile drainage, advocating a check-up on drainage as a major point in preventing turf trouble. H. B. Musser lectured with slides in showing how to arrive at economical and adequate watering. J. E. Dawson of Cornell detailed function of organic matter in turf production and C. H. Hadley, Chief Entomologist, USDA, gave a most useful roundup on newer insecticides in Jap beetle control. Gene C. Nutter, research assistant in turf at Cornell and John F. Cornman spoke on the N.Y. state program of research and application in golf turf improvement. Nutter showed interesting slides on mole drainage.

Ed Brady, supt. Pelham and Split Rock courses of N.Y.C. Park Dept. came

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through with much helpful material on the engineering the supt. has to do in turf management. Albert E. Cooper of Penn State College, Marvin E. Ferguson of the Green Section, Harry H. Jurka, N.Y. State Dept. of Public Works landscape artist and A. E. (Ike) Rabbit, agronomist of the Navy's Bureau of Aeronautics, gave useful information on establishing turf by the newest proved methods.

Profs. J. A. Adams and J. G. Matthyse presented basic and detailed information on planning insect control.

Marshall E. Farnham, supt., Philadelphia CC, spoke on renovation of fairway turf and on experiences with southern grasses in northern turf. Farnham observation of U-3 Bermuda and the zoysias led him to advocate that each northern supt. had better test under his own conditions. He did say that U-3 Bermuda might be the answer on short hole tees where there has been trouble in keeping crabgrass out.

Jesse A. DeFrance of Rhode Island State College gave a most interesting and practical talk on performance of grass seeds under field conditions. This address appears in full in GOLFDOM.

A. W. Smith, prof., New York State School of Industrial and Labor Relations,

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*Photo by John G. Hemmer*

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made a valuable talk on handling labor problems. He cites instances of understanding and ordinary good human commonsense and help being better answers to many labor problems than increases in pay, although making plan that pay hikes if made on a human as well as money basis, didn't hurt any.

At the annual banquet Herb Graffis of GOLFDOM spoke of the philosophic attitude that keeps greenkeepers cheerfully striving.

At the banquet Prof. Corman was presented by members of the Turf Association with a power tool for his hobby workshop.

### "Golf House" Campaign Begun By USGA

The "Golf House" Fund campaign of the USGA has opened. A special Committee of 102 persons has been organized, augmented by the 14 USGA Executive Committee members and officers. The purpose is to raise funds for purchase of a modest building in New York City, to be known as "Golf House," which will house the USGA Golf Museum and Library and USGA executive office, and thus will be a national headquarters for golf. It is hoped

that the quarters will be adequate to accommodate the offices of other golf associations.

The special Committee comprises golfers throughout the country. The Chairman is Daniel A. Freeman, Jr., of New York, former USGA Treasurer, and it includes, among others, Robert T. Jones, Jr., Francis D. Ouimet, Mrs. Edwin H. Vare, Jr., William P. Turnesa, Miss Dorothy Kirby, John W. Dawson, Bing Crosby and Bob Hope. Each Committee member is inviting 100 or more golfers to become Founders of "Golf House."

The USGA is in serious need of larger quarters for its regular work, which has expanded considerably since the war, and to house properly the Golf Museum and Library.

The Golf Museum and Library was started in 1936. It now contains hundreds of irreplaceable items, such as clubs used in winning championships, balls, medals, pictures, books and other objects of historical value. All have been donated by lovers of the game. The Museum has far outgrown its quarters in the rented New York office. As a result, many items cannot be exhibited and cared for as they deserve, and the library, including the greenkeeping lore of the Green Section, is not available for the easy reference that is so desirable.