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Those hard-to-get-at jobs in course maintenance that generally can't be handled with machinery run up maintenance costs to a dizzy height these days, but the members insist on fine grooming of a course.

"Chick" Adams, pro-supt., Sioux City (Ia.) CC found one of the answers with equipment that more than paid for itself in a season's use.

Adams says:

"We had a serious golf course maintenance problem at our club. First, we had trouble locating labor, and second the wages for the men we could locate exceeded our budget.

"To help solve our problem, the club purchased a Winco engine-generator with a 'Speedy-Shift' wheelbarrow base. Then we purchased a Stanley electric grass shear. These shears and the Winco generator are taken around the course to trim around trees, bridges, creek banks, steps, retaining walls and around the club driveway and swimming pool.

"Before we used the Winco generator at my club, which is 18 holes, it took four men twice a week to trim up the course at a cost of approximately \$250 a month, or about

\$1250 a season. But now with our new generator and grass shears, it takes one man only once a week to do the complete job at a cost of only \$160 a season—a clear saving of over \$1000 a year which not



only pays for the Winco generator and the shears the first season, but earns \$500 for the club, to boot.

"The club grounds not only look better, which everybody likes, but there are far fewer complaints about balls lost in the rough which can't be found."

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