

Of course, we believe now that the theory of producing acid soils to control weeds was a faulty one. I believe you will agree, however, that pest control is easier now than it was 30 years ago today.

Thus far, we have considered the contributions that research has made in the matter of tools for turf management. What of the future? Is research being done at the present time going to contribute to turf excellence in the future?

We believe the answer is YES. There are approximately ten times as many investigators in the field of turfgrass research today as there were ten years ago. About half of the state experiment stations have some turf investigations in progress. There is a greater awareness of the value of turf than ever before. The individual who owns a lawn or the public authority which maintains a park area has a stake in better turfgrass management. As greater pressure is brought to bear upon state institutions in behalf of turf research, more effort is going to be directed to the solution of turfgrass problems. Much information that is developed as a result of this demand will be directly usable on golf courses.

There can be little doubt that research will continue to produce building blocks of knowledge or tools whereby a turfgrass manager can do a better job. Whether these additional tools contribute to better turf for better golf depends entirely upon the golf course superintendent.

Coca-Cola Refreshes Jaycee Junior Golf Program

The Junior Chamber of Commerce 11th International Junior golf program will be launched this spring in cooperation with the bottlers of Coca-Cola throughout the country and National Golf Fund. This program, which each year gives more than 30,000 junior golfers an opportunity to compete, is conducted through community and state qualifying rounds by Jaycees.

The Fargo (N.D.), Jaycee chapter will be host to this year's international tournament which will bring a field of more than 200 junior golfers, in teams of four, from the 48 states, D.C., Hawaii, Canal Zone and Canada. This is the first Jaycee junior tournament to be played on a municipal course. The Fargo course is a championship layout, designed by Robert Bruce Harris.

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Pro Shop Safe Deposit

At the pro shop of Jackson Bradley at the River Oaks CC, Houston, Tex., in a most convenient location near the sales register, ball and accessory counter and telephone, is a "Ladies' Purse Rack."

Here the ladies can leave their



Jackson Bradley Pro Shop

purses while they're playing or practicing. It is a greatly appreciated service for the women players since women's lockerroom facilities are not especially handy — as is the case at most clubs.

Services for women members pay big returns in pro shop sales and publicity. Another storage service that women appreciate in a pro shop is a shoe storage rack where the ladies can change and store street or golf shoes. Orville Chapin, pro at Ft. Wayne (Ind.) CC, has such a rack in his shop and it's used, and appreciated.

Grau Out of Hospital

Fred V. Grau, noted turfgrass authority, spent ten days in a hospital repairing torn ligaments in his back. In leaving the Penn State conference he was shifting a bag of material in his car when he injured himself.

Fred missed the Purdue meeting for the first time in years. Got some needed rest in dry dock but quickly started writing and answering West Point Products' mail from bed.

Upon getting on his feet again he raced to New York to address the annual meeting of the Atlantic Seedsman's Assn.