

only contemplated major expenditure is for a swimming pool which probably will be built next year. Construction of the second 9 probably is three or more years away, but the land will be there with clear title when Oakwoods officials are ready to move. Since the club has around 160 members, about the same number with which it started, there is no pressing need for building any additions to the clubhouse. The course, into which most of the club funds have been poured since the initial outlay, is one of North Carolina's beauty spots and certainly doesn't offer any traffic problems with a membership of this size.

Judging by Newell Baker's handicap records, Oakwoods gets plenty of play, probably more than almost any club of comparable size in the country. About 135 of the 160 members play golf. Of this number, more than 40 players are grouped in the 4-12 handicap bracket.

Green Section to Meet Prior to USGA Session

At a meeting of the USGA Green Section held at Country Club of Brookline,

Sept. 12, during the National Amateur, tentative plans were made for a meeting of the Green Section the day prior to the USGA annual meeting in Chicago in Jan. 1958.

Green Section chmn., William C. Chapin, said that favorable comment on the Green Section meeting prior to the 1957, suggested that a similar meeting next year would bring more green chmn. and other club officials into discussions of course maintenance problems.

Allen Brown, Montclair (N. J.) GC official expressed the conviction that clubs would have to make more research into course maintenance costs and that this work might be brought into focus at the Chicago meeting. Paul Weiss, GCSA pres., agreed with the Brown statement concerning the urgency of maintenance cost studies.

Green Section committee members spent several hours at the University of Rhode Island turf plots, with Dr. J. A. DeFrance inspecting bentgrass putting green strains, Merion bluegrass mixture plots, herbicide tests for clover and crabgrass control and urea-formaldehyde experimental areas.

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