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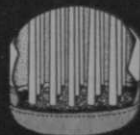
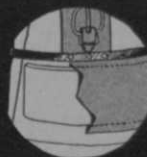


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Rains Hit Greenkeeper Hardest

By Peter Stewart

Greenkeeper, Lake Shore CC, Glencoe

THERE has been a good deal of effort employed to get golfers to play despite showers and to come out to the club right after cloudbursts that have left the course soaked. The club wants the patronage, the pros want the members' business, and the members want their sport. Vast improvements in drainage have made golf courses playable during, and after, heavy rains. Spiked overshoes, waterproof apparel and grip wax have made it possible for the players to go around in a fair degree of comfort.

However, there is one element of the golf army that doesn't enjoy this trend toward more wet weather play because serious problems are involved. The greenkeeper has plenty of headaches as a result of excessively heavy rains or floods. Too much water is worse than none at all. Last summer, in many localities, the heavy

rainfall eased the financial load of operating the fairway watering systems, but kept greenkeepers in a constant campaign to correct the damages of play on soaked courses.

Frequent, drenching rains may pack a course so that the turf is seriously weakened unless conditions and finances permit extensive spiking.

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When a few balls come to rest in these divot scars there are enough loud kicks to keep the greenkeeper worrying all through sleepless nights.

On the greens the aftermath of heavy rains is most serious. Wet, soft greens are dented by high approaches that half-bury themselves. After 40 or 50 of such shots a green that was in perfect condition becomes sadly pockmarked. Some spots in such greens must be plugged, or seeded and topdressed. It takes days to erase such evidence of an afternoon's hard use.

Then there are the golfers who must wriggle their spikes to get their putting stance. That jitter-bug footwork is deadly to putting surface and to the tender grass that has been carefully nursed to a superb, but delicate, condition.

The greenkeeper is accustomed to trying to achieve and maintain excellent golf turf under unnatural conditions. He knows that soil, when excessively soaked with water, should not be cultivated, or packed so its porosity is reduced. He knows that grass won't grow on soil that has been packed by the traffic of golfers.

But the greenkeeper continues to do his best, and to hope for a break, although realizing fully that he's up against one of the worst of the two-timing combinations of nature and the golfers who pay his salary. One break that he hopes for, is that the golfers will appreciate what the greenkeeper is up against.

Iowa Greenkeepers Told of New Putting Turf

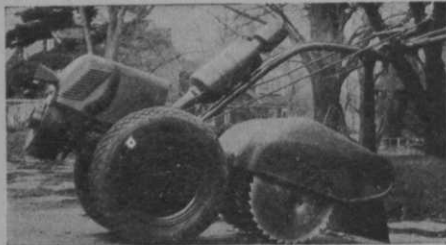
THE April meeting of the Iowa Greenkeeping Superintendents Assn. was held at Wakonda CC, Des Moines. Speakers were Prof. Pickett, head of the department of horticulture, Iowa State College, who gave advice on how to start turf experimental gardens. Prof. S. W. Edgcombe, ISC extension horticulturist, gave all the information obtainable about turf gardens conducted by other experimental stations. Jack Welsh, pro-greenkeeper at Wakonda CC, showed what he was doing to get his usually perfect course in shape for the coming National Intercollegiate

golf meet. He answered questions in a round table discussion.

Clarence Yarn, Woodside, told about the great strength and durability of the new Atlantic City bent, which he is using on a public course. He claims it is one of the toughest and finest putting turf yet raised in Iowa. Announcement was made at the meeting of four new members having joined the organization: Jack Anderson, Ft. Madison CC; E. J. Holcombe, Walton GC; Bud Connell, Geneva G&CC; James Towhig, Mad Creek GC.

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By Robert Trent Jones

IT IS embarrassing to a designer of a golf course to see a player get home with a drive and a spade on a hole 450 yards long. Furthermore, it is not conclusive proof that the winner of a tournament would necessarily be the best under normal conditions. After playing over the Royal York course in the Canadian Open championship of 1933, Gene Sarazen said to me, "This would be one of the hardest tests of high-class golf in the world if it had a fairway irrigation system." Who is in a better position to utter such a pungent statement?

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It is uniformly agreed that one good seeding is required after installing a fairway system, unless the grass is old and well established. After that, the annual cost of seeding will be considerably reduced. With less seed, less labor, and less tilling, the ultimate saving is substantial.

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Where clay soil is the prime factor, it is the general practice of greenkeepers to try to break up this undesirable condition by perforating, discing, spiking, scarifying and other mechanical operations, after which a quantity of humus is added, to try to get the soil in a friable condition. With uniform watering, the hardening and caking is decreased to a minimum and while the mechanical renovating of the turf is desirable, it is possible to cut it down to a quarter of what would ordinarily be needed. In addition, the plant finds it less difficult to thrive on a loose soil than on

a tight, rock-like mass such as one finds in baked conditions.

Where sandy soil is the menace the treatment is to build up the soil by the aid of humus so that it will retain its moisture, which normally would leach rapidly through the open quartz grains of sand. Where a dependable system of irrigation is installed, the cost of such procedure is decreased, because an abundance of humus

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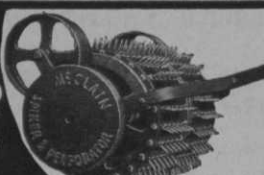
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200 Attend New England PGA Annual Dinner

MORE than 200 members and guests of the New England PGA attended the organization's annual dinner which concluded the equipment showing at Hotel Somerset. The affair is a fixture in New England as a season opener and gets the boys started off full of pepper and high purposes.

Golf interest at higher point than ever before was reported by pro observers.

Among the speakers at the dinner were: Phil Hendrick, Winchester, toastmaster; Raynor M. Gardiner, secy.-treas., N. E. Golf Assn.; C. Campbell Patterson, Jr., pres., Mass. Golf Assn.; Ralph Rooks, pres., R. I. Golf Assn.; Richard D. McDonough, secy.-treas., N. H. Golf Assn.; Ed Burnard, secy.-treas., Maine Golf Assn.; Jack Counsell, pres., Greenkeepers' Club of N. E., and W. A. Whitcomb, representing the Boston press.

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National Assn. of Golf Club Manufacturers, and in the annual election of the Golf Ball Manufacturers' Assn., Lou E. Coleman, A. G. Spalding & Bros., Chicopee, Mass. was named to head the group for

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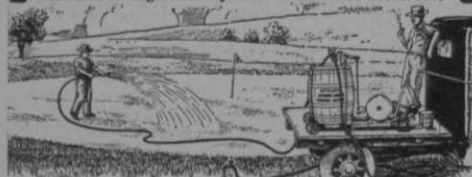
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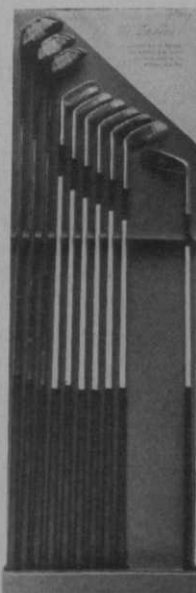


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the current year. William King, Wilson Sporting Goods Co., was elected v-pres. of the club manufacturers' assn. and A. W. Olsen, A. G. Spalding & Bros., secretary. P. E. Young, Acushnet Process Co., was named v-pres. of the ball association, and E. E. Chapman, L. A. Young Co., secretary.

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