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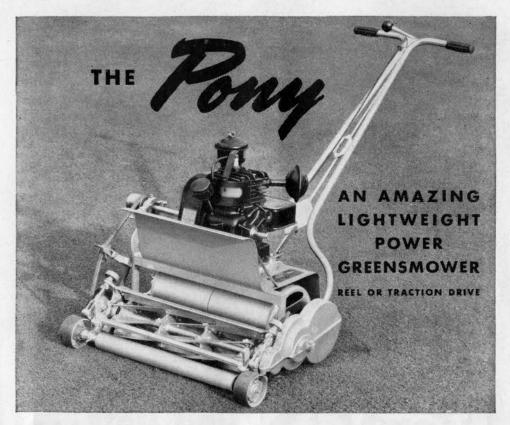
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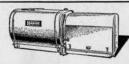
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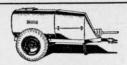
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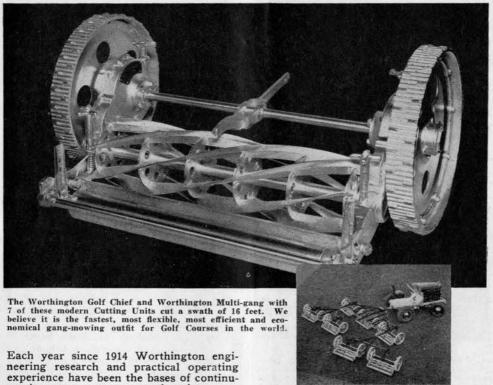
By K. R. SUTPHIN

CALIFORNIA golf play has been holding up exceptionally well this winter despite the blackouts. Unusually fine weather plus military precautions and restrictions in other activities are part of the answer. The weekend of March 1st Joe Novak at Bel Air had two of his biggest days. Getting under way the following week were the annual Southern Cal. Golf Assn. inter-club team matches—28 teams of 14 men each—competing in home matches to decide 8 winners, who will then play-off to determine the individual champion.

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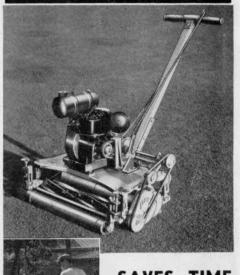
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most prosperous year, Pat reports in the March issue of the "Approach," Richmond publication. . . . New York City plans to open its 10 park courses (if the weather holds good) the first week in April. . . . Walter Grego, manager of the popular Bayside Links in the Met district, says this has been one of the best winter play seasons in the history of his fee course. More than 100 teed off on a Sunday in early March.

Families of soldiers killed in action while serving with the U.S. Army of the Philippines will benefit from the net proceeds of the \$15,000 Tam O'Shanter Open and All-American Amateur golf tournaments to be held at Tam O'Shanter (Chicago) July 20-26. . . . Charles Smith, pro-green-Harkers Hollow GC. keeper at Phillipsburg, N. J., died March 24 in a Philadelphia hospital. Smith was current vice-pres. of the N. J. GSA. . N. Y. Metropolitan Section honor roll for 1942 lists Ray Billows and Richard D. Chapman as scratch, and Mike Cestone, Frank Strafaci, Charles Whitehead and William Y. Dear. Jr., as one-handicappers.

George Fazio, Philadelphia PGA champion, is recovering from a recent appendectomy. . . . Craig Wood is now devoting his spare hours to writing a book, describing how he was able to become a champion at 40after numerous earlier tough breaks and misfortunes. The title of the book, appropriately, will be "Golf CAN Be Played at 40." . . . Bob caddiemaster at Highland G&CC, Indianapolis, has been working with a large delegation of caddies, of grade school age, throughout the winter. Bob anticipates a big caddie shortage this season.

Lawrence Lamberger, Portland GC, is 1942 president of the Oregon Professional Golfers Assn. He succeeds Joe Mozel, who served four years as Oregon section prexy. . . . 269 holders of membership certificates in the Queens Valley GC, a former exclusive club in the Forest Hills section of Queens, L. I., have received notice they are to share a \$127,978

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melon, with slices of approximately \$475.38 each. The club was dissolved on Dec. 14, 1941.

Fred Carlsen has succeeded Vic Ghezzi as pro at the Deal (N. J.) GC. Vic is now in the army. . . . Arthur Milton, former pro at the Saxon Woods GC, has been named pro at Wykagyl CC, New Rochelle, N. Y. He succeeds George Kerrigan. . . W. P. Vickery, formerly of Keene, N. H., has taken over the pro-manager duties at the Delaware CC, Muncie, Indiana.

Prof. S. W. Edgecombe, extension horticulturalist at Iowa State College and for many years in charge of that school's annual greens short course, is leaving ISC to assume a position as associate professor of plant science, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Canada. Prof. H. L. Lantz, of the ISC pomology subsection, is taking over the fine turf research work at Ames immediately. . . . Argyle CC (Silver Springs, Md.) members will be protected from losing balls in the dam to the right of the first fairway and



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Helen Dettweiler has applied to the USGA for reinstatement as an amateur golfer, after nearly three years as a professional. . . . The Maryland State Golf Assn. and the Middle Atlantic PGA will collaborate this year in staging amateur-pro tourneys. The plan for combining the amateur-pro affairs of the two associations was agreed to in order to conserve tires and eliminate much travel. . . . Site of the annual National PGA championships will be the Seaview CC, Atlantic City, N. J. Dates are May 25-31.

Sammy Byrd finally did it! The one time ball player, stand-in to Babe Ruth of the Yankees, got his first pro tournament triumph by winning the recent \$5,500 Greensboro Open... For lack of water, the Lookout CC clubhouse at Fonthill, Ont., was destroyed by fire of undetermined origin March 22. Unofficial estimates of the damage ran from \$60,000 to \$80,000. The lavish two-story structure was burned to the ground.

TIMELY TURF TIPS

WEED CONTROL in SPRING WITH MILARSENITE

Up to now chemical weed control has been done mostly in late summer and fall. Belief that weeds not actually killed are weakened so they winter-kill is responsible for this preference. Fall is also preferred from the psychological standpoint. Grass naturally turns brown then, so slight discoloration from the chemical is ignored. In spring everything starts to grow, so players are "green-color" conscious. Off-color grass then draws immediate comment.

Nevertheless, there is often a definite need for iollow-up treatments in spring. Especially where dandelion and occasionally where other tap-rooted weeds abound. It is sometimes true of clover and common chickweed, if the original infestation was heavy and badly matted.

Two moderate doses of MILARSENITE may be needed. The first should be delayed until leaves are well formed. The second should follow two or three weeks later. Even cleaned-up areas, treated the year before, should be watched for reinfestation from seed. One early spring treatment, after leaves are well formed, usually eliminates all such weeds.

Evidence supports the belief that spring is a good time to start MILARSENITE treatments on tap-rooted weeds, such as dandelion. Food reserves in the root decrease continuously all spring. They reach a low point when plants bloom and produce seed. After that reserves increase rapidly until July and August and stay that way until winter. Several spring treatments eliminate the smaller weeds, and prevent surplus carbohydrate production in the leaf. As a result, roots contain much less stored food, and are more easily killed with the follow-up treatments in the fall.

MILARSENITE, and other arsenicals, are drastic on poa annua. Where this grass predominates treatments should not start in spring. The best plan is to use MILARSENITE in late summer to kill clover and weeds. Then re-seed with permanent grasses. After these grasses become established MILARSENITE can be used in spring too.

If you have a weed problem, it will pay you to investigate MILARSENITE and start treating a trial area this spring. For further information see your Milorganiate distributor, or write to the Milwaukee Sewerage Commission, Milwaukee, Wis. for Bulletin No. 4, "How to Use MILARSENITE".

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HOW TO COPE WITH MAINTENANCE PROBLEMS WAR BRINGS

By PROF. LAWRENCE S. DICKINSON*

Thoughtful action, not excuses, needed to meet the tremendously different upkeep problems that clubs will face for the duration

To SAY that the curtailment of metals, fungicides, insecticides, fertilizers and labor will make greenkeeping in 1942 difficult is no contribution to the easement of the problem of golf course maintenance. In fact, such a statement, though it is a fact, is being over-used and is the handle that many golf clubs and greenkeepers are grasping and using as an alibit even before it is needed.

Personnel Is No. 1 Problem

It is the personnel factor that should give the most concern in 1942. Not the number of employees but the ability of each will have an influence and effect farther reaching than the scarcity of labor, or materials. An error in judgment by an executive or employee will be much more costly than a similar error would have been in 1941. The greenkeeper therefore holds a more important position than he ever had, and probably will have to take a cut in pay when he should really be receiving more.

Throughout the duration and probably for ages afterward, the physiological functions of the grass plant will continue as usual. Absorption of plant food, photosynthesis, transpiration, translocation, guttation and all other functions will not change any more than the functions of the human body will change.

It will be particularly advantageous to know the functioning of each part of the grass plant and to capitalize that knowledge in cultural practices. This should be consoling, as labor and material saving can be managed so as to reduce the lack of food, water and alike to a very small amount. Remember the grass plant will be in there working with all its might to help you. It wants to live—will live if you give it a chance. Also, remember it has often grown in spite of what has been done to it, and not because of what should or has been done.

Players Will Be Tolerant

Golfers will be the same or better temperamentally. Private club members will be more tolerant of lower maintenance standards because of patriotism and club pride in being thrifty. New golfers on public fee courses may be "crabby" and critical to add to the greenkeepers' trials, but public sentiment should soon muzzle them. Golfers will find that being more

^{*}Condensed from address given before the golf section at the Massachusetts State College recreation conference.

tolerant will add to the enjoyment and

relaxing effect of the game.

Player attitude is so easily influenced by the example of the club officials and employees down to the caddies that it is very important their morale be definitely not critical or full of excuses. The professional and greenkeeper are particularly cautioned to "Carry On" with a smile.

Everyone is using the war as an excuse. Be original and have a local club reason. For example: The Jap beetles may be bad this year but just wait until we get the lead. Anyway, have an optimistic slogan.

It is generally agreed except when cutting the budget that the golf course is considered the most essential department of the club. Golfing goes on after the club-house burns down, even after a course is closed. It is now particularly important that the golf course should receive its equitable share of the budget. Equitable as to relative importance, not by the number of departments in the club.

All uncorrected weaknesses in the golf course will be the same as usual plus one more year's accumulation of ill effects. If a weakness has not reached near its limit of tolerance the average player will not be particularly concerned. Why call it to his attention? Other weaknesses may be much more pronounced and reach the point where it will be wise to abandon further help for the duration; then remake. Such a condition can be a blessing in disguise.

Don't Worry Too Much About Weeds

Weeds will take full advantage of any opportunity offered them, but no more so than usual. They are not especially aggressive in war times, and thoughtful management can reduce the weed opportunities to near normal. Clover will probably increase some, yet there is a chance that weather conditions may make it an "off year for clover."

Many suggestions will be made to cut the cost of course maintenance. Don't let an accountant, efficiency expert, or clubhouse sitter make the cuts. Temporary reductions can be made if a complete set of true records have been kept. I use the word "true" in place of "correct" because a correct record can be so kept that its interpretation is false. Truth in records is now more important than accuracy to a penny.

To cut a 36 hole course to 27, a 27 hole course to 18, or an 18 to a 9, may seem to be an easy way to reduce expenses.

I am sure, though, that if a thorough study is made, a large majority of clubs will find that such a reduction of area is unwise, and costly, certainly so in the long run.

An analysis will show that the actual saving cannot possibly be in proportion to the number of holes abandoned. Loss of membership and club morale will further reduce the expected saving and the cost of recovery will be very high in money, and annoying in delay. Perhaps a saving can be made if already poor tees are not cared for. They need rebuilding and neglect will force such construction after the war. Other areas already in poor condition could be left to Nature without undue recovery cost. Traps could also receive less care. Reduction in costs will be necessary but each reduction must be considered from all factors and determined from the point of good business. And don't forget the business management of the grass plant, or piece of equipment.

Can Lower Standards

The standards of 1940-41 were so high that they could be considerably reduced in 1942 and the game will still be played and enjoyed. Golf has stood the test of ages, of wars in England, in Scotland, restricting laws, ridicule and in a sense, persecution. It survived the First World War; it will survive this World War, as all good will survive.

Because of the high standards, slight blemishes will appear in exaggerated severity; don't lose sight of that fact. The promotion of match play and reduction of medal play will be very helpful in keeping satisfactory player comment. Medal play puts too much stress on each stroke, ball lie, and course of the putted ball; it is much more critical. Also, match play may give some duffers a chance to beat the low handicap players a few holes; it would do the duffer good, and be a lot of fun. This match play idea has merit. Think it over.

Now is the time that all club committees, and key employees, including the greenkeeper, should gather in a room, lock the door and throw the key out of the window. They should stay there until the most stubborn give in and the "milquetoast" member asserts his rights. They should decide upon the apportioning of effort, and then place the responsibility for the carrying out of their decisions directly upon the committee and employee