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grass juice, and if so, compare it with the Low and High check test strips below. (Caution: The nitrate test solution is concentrated sulphuric acid and is very destructive to clothing and shoes, etc.)

Interpretations

If the test shows a *high* test for the juice-saturated paper the nitrogen supply in the grass is adequate—and no nitrogen fertilizers need be applied while these high tests are obtained. Possibly the phosphate and/or potash supplies may be low and should be corrected first.

Treatments:

If nitrogen is needed, as shown by low or negative tests, use 20 pounds of ammonium sulphate dissolved in 125 gallons of water, an amount sufficient for three greens, approximately 12,000 sq. ft.

Suggestions:

If ammonium sulphate is not available, substitute ammonium nitrate, and use 10 lbs. per 125 gallons. If neither of these is available, dissolve what you can of 100 lbs. of 10-6-4 in a 50 gallon barrel. Add 25 gallons of clear solution to tank and fill up to 125 gallons. Spray at the same rate, 40 gallons per green, and washed in. This treatment may suffice for phosphate and potash as well.

Subsequently routine nitrate tests on the clippings will show the adequacy of any of these treatments. Repeat treatments when clippings give tests for low nitrate.

Supplementary Tests for Nitrates

Another convenient test for nitrates and which eliminates the use of the sulphuric acid-diphenylamine mixture, is made by using the Nitrate Test Powder, prepared by Dr. R. L. Bray, of the University of Illinois, and sold by the Urbana Laboratories, Urbana, Ill.

Test Technique

Place a few clippings on center of 3 inch filter paper and cover with small quantiy of test powder. Fold paper three times over the clippings, squeeze paper and clippings with pincers. Unfold, and watch for the development of a pink to red color. Slight pinkish color denotes *low* quantity of nitrates in grass. (Nitrogen fertilizer should be used.) Red color denotes ample nitrogen supply for the grass.

Test for Phosphate

After making the test for nitrate and recording the results, apply several drops of Phosphate Test Solution, No. 2, at (2), Fig. II—let the solution run on down through the double lines across the treated strips, then follow with several drops of Phosphate Test Solution, No. 3, over the same path. The development of a blue color indicates ample phosphates in the grass juice. If the juice test coincides with the *high* check test below the double lines, the grass is well supplied with phosphates. If not, a phosphate carrier, such as ammophos, 20% or 45%superphosphates should be included in the next fertilizer treatment of the green. Suggestions:

Place content of an 80 pound sack of either 20% or 45% superphosphate in a 50 gallon barrel and dissolve what you can in water. This solution then contains either 16 lbs. or 36 lbs. of phosphoric acid, dependent on kind of superphosphate used. Add amounts to spray tank, so as to supply four pounds phosphoric acid per 1,000 square feet green surface. Usually two of these treatments per season is sufficient. The phosphate should be included with the nitrogen and/or potash applications if either one or both are needed. Another suggestion would be to add the phosphate to an organic nitrogen compost.

Resume of Tissue Tests

The tissue tests above described will indicate whether or not, nitrogen, phosphate and/or potash is needed by the grass tested. Whenever the tissue tests are low or negative, for any one of the above nutrients, immediate applications of the nutrient or nutrients should be made so as to prevent the incidence of the starvation conditions which favor some of the fungi attacking malnourished grass. If all of the nutrient tests are *high*, the applications of fertilizer may be delayed until the routine tests show an approaching deficiency of any one of the nutrients. It requires but a few minutes to make the tissue tests to keep a check on the needed nutrients. These tests should be made once a week as a routine practice.

The grass on greens should always be vigorous and kept in the best of health. This insures a favorable situation for insect control treatments and quick recovery from insect damage. It guarantees quick adjustments of the grass when composted.

However, it must be added that the fertilization of greens grasses does not correct the concurrent troubles resulting from poor drainage, a poor subsoil for the greens, nor the troubles resulting from inadequate air drainage. Some greens, surrounded by water hazards may be subjected to a too-high water table and difficulties with the aeration of the roots may develop at times during the season. When all these physical factors are favorable, the fertilization of the greens becomes a routine practice.

(To be concluded in the May issue of GOLFDOM)

SOIL SCIENTISTS SET STAGE FOR D-DAY

THE science of soil physics played a part in the invasion of Europe.

Ever since it became evident that the the effect of fertilisers upon crops depended to a large extent upon the physical structure of the soil in which the crops are grown, agricultural chemists have given much attention to the problem. For some time past the physical and chemical departments of Rothamsted Experimental Station in Herts have been engaged on the examination of soil structure, particular attention being paid to the clay fraction of the soil.

Little did the workers on this piece of pure agricultural research imagine that the data and experience they were accumulating would provide valuable information for that epic invasion of Europe on "D" day.

It all began with air reconnaissance photographs of a Normandy beach, taken as part of an investigation to ascertain how the beach would stand up to the heavy traffic of a landing in strength.

With the information provided by this and other methods, geologists selected in England a beach that corresponded as closely as possible with the one in Normandy. To this beach went allied military authorities and scientists, including a soil physicist from Rothamsted.

There they watched the movements of tanks and other vehicles and mapped the clayey patches in which the vehicles got stuck. At the same time the soil physicist was making a soil survey, and comparing vehicle performance with the characteristics of his soil samples. The military authorities then decided that a similar soil survey must be made on the Normandy beach.

An officer was then selected to make the dangerous trip to Normandy. He was shown how to make a rapid survey, how to take the soil samples, and how to distinguish areas suitable for vehicles from which might be unsafe, the point being that samples need only be brought back from what seemed to be unsafe areas.

To make quite certain that he knew his "part" a rehearsal was arranged on the English coast. Patrols were put out in the same way as the enemy would on the Channel coast, and on a starlit night a figure clad in a rubber suit slipped quietly overboard from a boat out in the bay. It was the reconnoitring officer. Silently he made his way through the water and came cautiously ashore. Unseen he took his samples and got clear away.

In due course, his report, together with his samples of clay, reached the military authorities. The information he gave tallied with that already known. The rehearsal had been a success. Here, as far as the soil scientists were concerned the story ended. When the real trip was to be made they did not know. But one day a two-word telephone massage was received—"No samples." And they knew the beach was safe.—Parks & Sports Grounds, London.

A Letter From Bud Ward

Capt. M. H. (Bud) Ward, who's with a fighter wing of the Army Air Force in the Pacific, writes:

"Just finished reading your November Esquire Sports Poll on the golfing future of pros in the service. I'm writing this just as though you and I were bending elbows at Tam,

"The article makes interesting reading, but I think the boys are kidding themselves about one angle of the effect of war service on golf. When the boys are stationed in the States I'll lay money they are playing better than before. In the first place they don't get over-golfed.

"I enlisted in December, 1941, and I won plenty of tournaments while I was in the States because I was playing just the amount I wanted to. Remember Tam in '42? I never played better in my life. Believe it or not, I was eight shots ahead of Nelson on my match rounds.

"The proof of the pudding is Snead, who wins in tournament golf right off the bat. He didn't get out of practice or overgolfed at San Diego.

"As far as Army physical training helping golf, that's the bunk. The only thing that helps golf games is golf. I worked a year in P. T. for the best in the country, Burt De Groot, and I was in the best shape of my life—but not for golf.

"What does a golfer need? Nerves? Three years in New Guinea, Wakde Biak, Sansapore, Palau, and the Philippines, aren't going to rest them. Fire, flying, mud, rain, malaria, dysentery, dengue, and tent life doesn't build a guy up for golf tournaments. One and two pills a day to combat diseases that turn you as yellow as a Jap's back aren't building up golf nerves.

"What a guy would give for a steak, milk or vegetables over here! The guys from overseas may win a few tournaments after the war but it will be by sheer guts, and brother, they've got plenty of those.

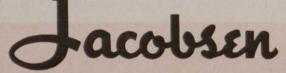
"To sum it up; the golfers out of the Army and Navy will perform according to where they were stationed and the life they led in service. I don't think the returning GI will give a damn who wins the tournaments. He'll be too busy trying to grab some happiness—and a job.

Good Golf Course Maintenance

The secret of proper turf maintenance lies in the selection of the right tools. Nowhere is this more important than on the golf course.

For well over 20 years Jacobsen has specialized in the development of grass cutting tools. Foremost examples of this sound experience are such favorite golf course models as the Power Greens Mower, the rear drive Fairway Mower, the Estate "24" Tee Mower and the Lawn King Bunker Mower.

When we return to the production of mowing equipment we shall carry on with the same standards that characterized Jacobsen products before the war. New methods acquired through urgency of war-time needs . . . an alert, seasoned engineering staff and an augmented organization of highly skilled mechanics—these will mean even better mowers tomorrow.



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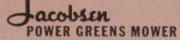
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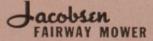
With perfect balance, easy control and positive traction, the Estate "24" Mower makes quick work of cutting tees and edges of greens smoothly and evenly. Works closer to obstructions than a hand mower.



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L. to R .- Philip E. Young, pres., Acushnet; Lieut. Col. C. E. Adams, Chemical Warfare Service; Maj. Robert A. Olmstead, Army Air Forces; Mayor Arthur U. Harriman of New Bedord; Lieut. Com. D. B. Landes, U. S. Torpedo Station, Newport; Lieut. H. D. Grove, of the Navy Torpedo Station, and C. S. Russell, oldest Acushnet Process employee in point of service.

Acushnet Wins Fifth Army-Navy "E", Believed "Record for Course"

Acushnet, well-known name to golfers, made a name for itself throughout the

whole rubber industry last month by win-ning a fifth Army-Navy Production "E". Since winning the first "E" in Novem-ber, 1942, Acushnet's continued high at-tainment in filling difficult requirements for precision-molded parts of rubber and synthetic rubber has resulted in new "E" awards at about six-month intervals.

The Acushnet Process Co. has been closely allied with the Chemical Warfare service since 1936, when it developed and manufactured an improved type of an essential rubber part. They have been the largest producer of rubber gas mask facepieces for the Boston district since 1940. High government officials complimented Acushnet workers on their continued excellence of production, pointing out that their high productive standards have distinguished their plant as one of

have distinguished their plant as one of the very few in the nation flying an "E" banner adorned with four white stars. Acushnet president, Philip E. Young, accepted the award on behalf of his com-pany. "The winning of five "E's" in a row," he asserted, "is a tribute to Acush-net workers. They have never forgotten their friends and relatives who are fight-ing this war in uniform They have ing this war in uniform. They have never relaxed their own efforts to bring the boys home—safe and soon."

Golf can be proud of Acushnet which, since its initial "E" award in November, 1942, has won stars-representing addi-tional "E's"-in June, 1943; January, 1944; July, 1944; as well as the latest award in February.

No word as yet when Acushnet, makers of the Titelist, Bedford, Green Ray and Pinnacle golf balls, or any other peace time golf ball manufacturer, will return to making balls. Acushnet is learning a lot which will mean much to golfers when peace returns and they resume golf ball manufacture.

Seek List of Wives in Wartime Pro Jobs

GOLFDOM wants to try to pay fitting tribute to women who are doing grand work for the game and business of golf.

These women are the wives of pros who are handling the pro jobs while their husbands are in Armed Service. Among them, we call to mind Mrs. Harry Railsback, Mrs. Floyd Farley and Mrs. Walter Mund. There are others whose names we can't at the moment recall.

We'd like to get a complete list of these capable women, so will you help us, please?

Please write us the names and addresses of any pros' wives you know who are carrying on their husbands' pro work while the husbands are away at war.

Please send this information at your earliest convenience to HERB GRAFFIS, Editor, GOLFDOM, 407 S. Dearborn St., Chicago 5, Ill.

WOMENS WESTERN CALENDAR

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

June 18-23 Highland G&CC Indianapolis, Ind.

AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

Knollwood Club August 20-25

Army-Navy "E" Pennant for American Fork & Hoe Co.



TO HONOR DECEASED PRO—Golfers of Superior, Wis., headed by Omer Loop of State Teachers college, plan a memorial to the late Joseph B. Greig, Scotsman and World War I vet, who served as pro at Superior for 25 years. The club is considering a stone bench to be placed near the first tee and bearing a plaque.

FAMED WOMAN STAR KILLED— Dorothy Campbell Hurd Howe, 62, only woman to win U. S. British and Canadian women's championships was killed March 22 when struck by a train at Yemassee, L. to R.—John Musko, fepresenting men workers; Lieut. A. C. Gross, Ashtabula C. G. Station; Frank B. Lutman, works manager; Col. Winthrop Withington, V.P., of American Fork & Hoe Co., who accepted the "E" pennant on behalf of the company; Lieut. Comm. J. P. Sturges, who presented the "E" pins to workers; Col. E. A. Lyrn, Chief of the Cleveland Ordnance District, who presented the "E" pennant; Mrs. Betty Garvin, representing the women workers.

S. C. Mrs. Howe was born in Edinburgh. She won the British Ladies in 1909 and 1911; the U. S. Women's in 1909, 1910, 1924; Canadian Women's in 1910, 1911 and 1912; Scottish Women's in 1905, 1906 and 1908. She'd won more than 700 events.

CADDIES' TOUGH LIFE—During gas shortage last year members of Cherry Valley CC, Garden City, L. I., N. Y. often walked a mile from the station to the clubhouse. A frequent experience of these trudging members was to be passed by a taxicab loaded with colored caddies.



PROS SHOULD NURSE POST-WAR AMATEUR TALENT

By GEORGE R. JACOBUS

Ridgewood (N. J.) CC

A GREAT opportunity for pro golf to give strong impetus to post-war golf lies in the development of amateur stars.

We can review the history of American golf and see that pro business expanded in proportion to their development of amateur talent. Ouimet, Evans, Jones and the rest who were taught and encouraged by pros to become stars meant the addition of hundreds of thousands of players to the game and corresponding increases in pro earning possibilities.

Consequently, as pros and with due regard for our own competitive tournament games and earning potentialities, we cannot neglect accenting the development of amateur champions.

We as professionals who aspire to make our business and our individual incomes larger are going to have to make more of our time available to promising amateurs and see that they are given a keen interest in the game and opportunities to learn golf correctly.

I think that one of the greatest things that pro golf could do for itself would be to take some youngster who comes out of armed service and make him the nation's foremost playing star. Then, of course, there is a wide field for developing present junior civilian talent. With the upset conditions of wartime there has been a tendency in many places to ease up in our normal attention to junior golf.

I intend to take every serviceman or woman who is a member of my club and give them free golf instructions for two years. I'll take them for two nights a week, and will accept them regardless of their age.

Perhaps I won't have the material that will produce any champions out of this lot but I am sure that every one of them will become a much better than average player and be an enthusiastic booster for the game.

It is definitely essential that each pro devote a good part of one day a week to the juniors of his club.

After this war we won't have the problem of convincing people that golf is not entirely a rich man's game. In fact the widening of the price range of golf is going to give the pro his most difficult merchandising problems.

He has to sell the public on value rather than on cheapness, and on the value there is the "priceless ingredient" of expert and pleasant pro service.

If the pros are not going to be liberal with their knowledge and realize that promotion of their own earning opportunities is going to cost them something in money, time and effort, then they are in for a licking from the strenuous merchandising effort of the stores.

The biggest problem of the pro in the postwar boom is that of qualifying to measure up to the greater dimensions of the golf market, and the more exacting demands of the newer golfers.

Educate Postwar's New Golfers As Pro Customers

By TOM MAHAN

Pro, United Shoe CC, Beverly, Mass. Pres., New England PGA

★ I FEEL THAT GOLF is going to increase tremendously in the postwar era. A very large amount of equipment is going to be sold to a great many "green" buyers, and I think this is where the proshave got to get on their toes and educate these new customers in the advantages of buying from the golf shop where the pro is really qualified to advise in the selection of proper merchandise. I believe also that each professional should bring home to these customers the fact that he will render a service on this merchandise that is impossible to receive through the store.

New merchandisers are going to enter the golf field after the war. They are bound to have tremendous purchasing power, hence lower prices. To combat this I suggest these methods: First, promote exclusive lines that can be sold through the pro shop. Second, advertise the personal service that can be given only by the pro. Third, pros must stop the practice of purchasing merchandise that is hard to sell simply to give their friend, who is in the trade, a break. This leads to the practice of hanging unwanted merchandise on the easy-to-sell member of your club.

It is my belief that this practice has done much to harm us in the past, and I feel it puts us in the same category as the store salesman.

In other words, we should build up our distinction as salesmen.

Postwar Planning of Golf Courses ROBERT BRUCE HARRIS Golf Architect

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Series Film Televisioned

Television set owners near New York City recently had what may be a preview of the future when they saw and heard the 1944 World Series in their own home. The film, produced by the American League and co-sponsored by A. G. Spalding & Bros., followed a meeting of Bill Stern's Hot Stove League broadcast from the NBC television station WMBT.

Letters

T/Sgt. Frank Strafaci writes from the Philippines:

"Thanks for sending GOLFDOM. The last time I got a chance to read it was 33 months ago just before coming overseas.

"Things in this part of the world are coming along in great style and it shouldn't be long before I get a chance to play some golf at a place I've always intending going to. That is, if I can get rid of this skin trouble of mine. It's got my puppies in pretty bad shape; also my left hand.

"I've had it since last May and the only cure is a change of climate, but that'll have to wait. But I can always hit shots with one hand and standing on one foot.

"Outside of that trouble, everything is fine. I sure do miss the old game and hope the day isn't too distant when I can take it up again with all my dear friends back home."

The latest from 1st Lt. George Vines in the Pacific.

"We hear on our radios that the manpower situation in the States has began to tighten up and that pro sports are being hit hard. I don't think I concur with that, as the few thousand pros are as a drop in the bucket to the rest of the

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population not engaged in essential industry. How about the bartenders, entertainers, nightclub help, and just plain loafers? Oh, well, I guess I'm a little prejudiced after a year and a half over here.

"We're all hoping to get into Manila in the near future, and for a change get out of this New Guinea hell hole. So perhaps, the next time I write I can tell you what the Manila CC is like."

CLASSIFIED ADS

PRO-GREENKEEPER—Honorably discharged vetwith Pacific service and years of successful experience as pro, course builder and greenkeeper, wants to get back into golf. Competent, diligent and A-1 character. Excellent references from previous employers. Will go anywhere. Address Ad 411, % Golidom.

Pro-Greenkeeper—Over draft age, good instructor, attentive to members' requirements and welfare. Experienced in all phases of greenkeeping. 23 years last club. Fine references. Address: Ad 405; % Golfdom.

Pro-Greenkeeper-Experienced and successful veteran in instruction and course maintenance now wants to get back in golf as war plant he's been in since Pearl Harbor has shut down. Has a fine record at clubs he's served. Capable and conscientious worker. Address: Ad 406, % Golfdom.

Wanted—New, used, or discarded cash-in putter. Address Maurice E. Shurtleff, 8 N. Spring Street, Elgin, Illinois. Phone Elgin 6616 or Chicago Mansfield 7072.

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Pro-Greenkeeper-Widely-known vigorous veteran with fine reputation as teacher, businessman, play-er and greenkeeper, desires new location. Highest recommendations. Fine personality and hard, de-pendable worker. Address: Ad 407, % Golfdom.

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Golf Balls Wanted. Grade A reprocessed or prewar. Telephone us collect 2-2157 or Western Union collect. Will pay retail prices or take deal. Kraft Savannah Golf Club. Savannah, Georgia.

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