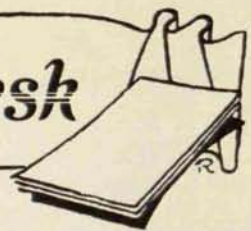




## Around the Office Desk



WE asked, and we have received. It is the function of the NATIONAL GREENKEEPER to give the information most desired by the greenkeepers of the United States and Canada, and from the numerous replies to our requests in the June and July issues for suggestions, we should judge that warm weather and hard work has in no way prevented careful reading of this magazine.

VICTOR George, greenkeeper of the Country Club of LaFayette, Indiana, protested submitting an article on the basis that he is no author. Since reading the article, which you may look for in the September number, we believe that if he keeps greens as well as he writes, it is no wonder his chairman is his good friend.

WE had about decided we would have to go out to Pebble Beach, California, and collect the article Joe P. Mayo promised to send us soon after the annual meeting in March, but we received it in time for this issue, with pictures and everything. Look for "Brown-Patch at Pebble Beach," in which he recommends the use of bichloride of mercury for prevention and control.

THERE are thousands of fairways in need of considerable encouragement in the way of fertilization and irrigation, and many inquiries have been received as to the most economical and efficient methods to use. C. W. Strouse, greenkeeper at Highland Country Club, Grand Rapids, Michigan, would like to hear a discussion on the subject of fertilizing established fairways. W. A. Buckner, who for a number of years has been working on irrigation engineering for the golf clubs on the Pacific Coast, tells in this issue of the progress that has been made in California in preserving fairway turf with modern watering systems.

ONE of our Charter members, and vice-president of the association, Ford Goodrich, of the Flint Country Club, Flint, Michigan, in response to the call of the Executive Committee, sent in three new members in July. This is the largest number sent by any one member. They are George L. Welsh, greenkeeper at the Lapeer Country Club; Vernon A. Sincerbead and Andrew Welsh of the Swartz Creek Municipal Golf Course.

### RETROSPECTION

When I was sixteen years of age  
I was a self-sufficient sage;  
My knowledge had become a bore;  
I had no room for any more.

And I was fully twenty-three  
Before I'd had a doubt of me,  
And even then 'twas passing small;  
I shouldn't mention it at all.

When I arrived at thirty-two  
And inventoried what I knew,  
Today in memory I shrink;  
I found it written in red ink.

At forty-odd or thereabout  
I often found myself in doubt,  
And rarely said "I know", unless  
I could not substitute "I guess."

Youth cannot hear for its own voice,  
And carelessly it makes its choice,  
Extending notes at sweet sixteen  
That fifty pays for, sight unseen.

But harrowed well with our mistakes,  
The vine of knowledge slowly breaks  
Through soil made rich with laughs and tears,  
And blossoms in our later years.

—By Gertrude A. Farley.

A MANUFACTURER who has not been represented in the GREENKEEPER this season, called at our office in July and asked for advertising contract forms. We accommodated him, and he signed up for a year, saying as he did so that he had dropped off on a trip from Nashville, Tennessee, to Chicago, with the idea of getting all set with the NATIONAL GREENKEEPER and having it off his mind. He was enthusiastic about the organization, and said emphatically that the support of the National Association he had noted among greenkeepers during the period of a trip of several months was remarkable. "The green-

keepers of your organization are doing the manufacturers of high grade equipment and supplies the greatest favor that has ever been done them in carrying on a magazine of the character of the NATIONAL GREENKEEPER. More power to you!"

ANOTHER message was received while this manufacturer was visiting us, which we consider a fine tribute from one of our charter advertisers, "At the present time we are carrying no ads in any other papers, and are so well pleased with the results we are getting from the NATIONAL GREENKEEPER, that it is the writer's

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