

From The Viewpoint Of Local Associations

What District Associations of Greenkeepers are Doing

Arkansas Greenkeepers Form New Organization

A MEETING of the local greenkeepers was called at the Broadview Hotel, Wichita, Kansas, on October 27 at 1 P.M. Those present were:

Chester Mendenhall, Municipal Golf Links, Wichita, Kansas.

W. R. Moore, Wichita Country Club, Wichita, Kansas.

Chas. Martin, Carey Lake Golf Club, Hutchinson.

Glenn Kollihoff, Willow Brook Golf Club, Hutchinson.

Percy Burks, Municipal Recreation Golf Club, Arkansas City.

W. B. Dickerman, Arkansas City Country Club, Arkansas City.

Frank Wagner, Salina Country Club, Salina.

Mr. Chester Mendenhall was the first speaker. He talked about the need of a local organization of greenkeepers. He also discussed the National Association



THE ARKANSAS VALLEY GREENKEEPERS

Left to right, Chester Mendenhall, W. R. Moore, Percy Burks, Frank Wagner, Charles Martin, W. B. Dickerman, Glenn Kollihoff

of Greenkeepers of America, and their magazine, the NATIONAL GREENKEEPER, urging all greenkeepers that were not members of the National Association to become members.

Mr. Mendenhall suggested that there be a local association of greenkeepers formed at this meeting, and the association be called the Arkansas Valley Greenkeepers Association. That they elect three officers namely, president, vice-president and secretary-treasurer. The officers to hold office until the first annual meeting, which is to be held the first week in March or prior to the National convention.

A motion was made and seconded that the suggestions read be accepted, and they were accepted by a vote. The following officers were elected:

President, Chester Mendenhall, Municipal Golf Links, Wichita. Vice-president, Percy Burks, Municipal Recreation Golf Club, Arkansas City. Secretary-Treasurer, W. R. Moore, Wichita Country Club, Wichita.

It was voted to hold the next meeting at the Carey Lake Golf Club, Hutchinson, Kansas, on Wednesday, November 16. All were urged to be present and bring another greenkeeper.

A drive to the Municipal Golf Links and Wichita Country Club followed. At the Municipal Links, Mr. Mendenhall showed those present over his course where the upkeep of sand greens was discussed.

At the Wichita Country Club, Mr. Moore showed them three varieties of bent grass, in the collection a Cocos green planted last spring and played in eighty-five days from time of sowing. He also discussed fertilization which included the use of Milorganite which he has been trying this season.

Detroit Greenkeepers Plan for Convention

A SPECIAL meeting of the Detroit District Association of Greenkeepers was held at the Hotel Fort Shelby on November 2 for the purpose of discussing plans for the entertainment of guests at the annual convention of the National Association.

The president of the National Association, Mr. John Morley, and the office secretary, Mrs. Farley, were present, and Mr. Morley was called upon for suggestions.

After an animated discussion it was decided that Mr. Alex McPherson would appoint a Men's and a Women's Entertainment committee at their regular meeting to be held November 14.

It was suggested that the wives of members be invited to attend the meetings of February 23 and 24, also to attend a banquet on Saturday evening the 25th.

The members of the Detroit Association one and all pledged their full support in assisting locally toward the success of the annual convention.

After the meeting the group inspected the ballroom in which the convention will be held and also the room contemplated for the exhibition of equipment.

A. E. Lundstrom Leaves Mid-West

THE last outdoor meeting of the season was held at the St. Charles Country Club, St. Charles, Ill., and twenty-five of the members attended.

A. E. Lundstrom, greenkeeper of the St. Charles course conducted the members around the course during

the morning, and discussed with them his soil conditions and the difficulties he had met with in contending with an extremely heavy clay texture.

After luncheon the business meeting was held, and a discussion of the winter program took place. A committee to formulate this educational program was appointed, consisting of A. E. Lundstrom, Ed. B. Dearie and B. Farmer. The newly appointed committee was urged to secure men of scientific repute to address the meetings on pathology, agronomy, soil science, landscaping, reforestation and other subjects of interest to greenkeepers.

It was decided to hold meetings bi-monthly at the Great Northern Hotel, Chicago, and to have as a feature of alternate meetings talks on practical greenkeeping subjects by members of the Mid-West. It was also decided to devote one meeting each month to scientific subjects to be arranged for by the Program committee.

It was voted that one representative from the Mid-West Association will be sent with expenses paid to all National Association meetings, or any Green Section meetings of note.

A suggestion was made that the association hold an annual ball sometime in January, so that members may get together in a social way with their wives and families. A report of this suggestion will be brought before the next meeting together with the first report of the Program committee.

ON October 26 the first indoor meeting of the Mid-West association was held at the Great Northern Hotel, at which the Program committee reported that letters had been written to several scientific experts asking their co-operation in delivering talks at the winter meetings.

A. E. Lundstrom, having accepted a position in the Metropolitan district, was replaced on the Program committee by Robert Duguid. The members all spoke with regret of losing Mr. Lundstrom, who has been from the first one of the most active and valuable members of the association. A suggestion was made that Mr. Lundstrom be accorded a life membership in the Mid-West Greenkeepers Association, and that a card voicing these sentiments and printed in gold letters be presented to him upon his departure for the East.

Mr. Lundstrom then stated that he would show his appreciation by donating a cup to be played for at the next year's annual golf tournament.

Mr. Lundstrom also volunteered to make arrangements at one of the Engineering Society clubs of Chicago, where the association may hold the January ball, which was suggested at the October 12 meeting. The

president, Mr. MacGregor asked the members to sell tickets for the affair, which plan was carried to vote and duly passed.

Philadelphia Greenkeepers Hold Picnic

THE regular monthly meeting of the Philadelphia Association of Golf Course Superintendents was held at the Pine Valley Golf Club, on Monday, October 10, 1927.

Quite a few of our members took advantage of the privilege to play over this nationally known and difficult course, and it is sufficient to say that no new records were created.

At 6:15 P.M. an appetizing chicken dinner was served to our two guests and twenty-two members who were present.

Meeting was called to order at 7:15 P.M. with President Evans in the chair.

Mr. Evans called for the expenses of our picnic, and golf course equipment demonstration, held at the Manufacturers Club on September 12, 1927.

He also asked for any constructive criticism for future picnics.

Mr. Wilbert Carney of the above club was given a rising vote of thanks for his splendid aid in making the picnic a success.

Mr. Louis Nobbe of the Roseman Tractor Mower Company was introduced as the speaker of the evening. He spoke on various mower subjects and also answered various questions.

Motion was made and carried to give the Pine Valley Golf Club a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality and service.

It is with deep regret that we announce the death of one of our esteemed members, Mr. Charles Ewers, who was employed by the Riverton Country Club. He was fatally injured in his line of duty and died in the Cooper Hospital, Camden, N. J. at 7:10 P.M. on Monday, October 10, 1927.

Cleveland Arranges Winter Program

The first indoor meeting of the Cleveland Association was held the afternoon of November 14 at the Hotel Winton, and called to order by the president, Fred Burkhardt of Westwood Country Club.

Mr. Burkhardt introduced the new officers elected at the October 10 meeting then asked for suggestions in appointing the advisory committee to serve members

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