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## An Editorial

### *A Message to all Members and Prospective Members of The National Association of Greenkeepers of America*

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The National Association of Greenkeepers of America.

“WHAT are we going to get out of it, if we become members of the Association?” is a question I have been asked several times since the organization of The National Association of Greenkeepers of America.

It is not what we can get out of it that will make of this movement for the improvement of greenkeeping conditions and the advancement in knowledge of the greenkeepers of tomorrow something which will stand as an everlasting monument in the Golf world. *It is what we put into it.*

If we put Strife, Jealousy and Envy into it, every member will feel their lash. But if we put into it Fraternity, Concord and Love, these we shall be able to give in full measure.

Selfishness is the rock upon which many lives have been wrecked, and from which no man can look clearly and with a free conscience into the great world about him.

Greenkeepers seeking to enter this fraternity should do so without regard for material gain or worldly advantages, but to associate themselves with those who believe in the inculcation of the higher ideals of human conduct.

Let the warm sympathy that goes out into the highways and byways, that seeks out the needy fellow member and holds out a helping hand, govern the future of this brotherhood. Let the primary objects of this association be the union of worthy greenkeepers, carefully selected and strictly obligated, without reference to the accident of rank, fortune or social position.

Let us work together in harmony. Blessed is the greenkeeper whose voice is raised in the interest of Peace, whose words are kindly spoken, and whose charity is real.

Let Character be built into the foundation of this association, and may our motto always be

JUSTICE, FAITHFUL BROTHERHOOD, AND  
GENEROUS BENEVOLENCE.

Time only will tell whether I have acted wisely in bringing into existence The National Association of Greenkeepers of America. I have done my duty as God gave me power to see the light. If you desire to show your approval, attend the first annual meeting in Chicago March 26, and help create conditions which will give this association aims and objects drawn to meet the approval of all greenkeepers and the golfing fraternity in general.