

of the editorial contents of the NATIONAL GREENKEEPER, official organ, was placed in the hands of the president instead of an editorial council as previously provided.

Considerable interest was displayed in bringing the local associations of greenkeepers closer to the parent body and a motion prevailed recommending to such local associations that they include the \$10.00 annual dues of the National Association in their local dues to greenkeepers thereby making every local association member automatically a member of the National.

The opinion was unanimous that the date of the annual meeting should be advanced to the first week in

March, as a number of greenkeepers reported that early spring work interfered with their attendance. It is probable too that the 1928 meeting will be scheduled for some point further east than Chicago following the generally discussed plan of holding the annual meeting and convention in different parts of the country from year to year.

On the following pages is printed the official minutes of the meetings in Chicago together with a revised draft of the by-laws as adopted permanently. Read them carefully as this is the only issue of the NATIONAL GREENKEEPER in which they will appear.

Minutes of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

On Friday afternoon, March 25, 1927, a meeting of the Executive committee of the National Association of Greenkeepers of America was held in a private room at the Hotel Sherman, Chicago, convening at 2:30 P. M.

John Morley, president, called the meeting to order. Members of the Executive committee present were as follows:

John Morley, Youngstown Country Club, Youngstown, Ohio; John McNamara, Pittsburgh Field Club, Pittsburgh, Penna.; James Muirden, Ridgewood Golf Club, Cincinnati, Ohio; Hugh Luke, Garden City Golf Club, Long Island, N. Y.; Alex McPherson, Detroit Golf Club, Detroit, Michigan; W. J. Rockefeller, Inverness Club, Toledo, Ohio; Fred Burkhardt, Westwood Country Club, Cleveland, Ohio; John Pressler, Allegheny Country Club, Pittsburgh, Penna.

This meeting was called by President John Morley for the purpose of reviewing the work of the Association from every angle and to recommend such changes and amendments as experiences proved to be necessary for the good of the cause. Mr. Morley also asked assistance in appointing suitable committees to work out important problems for presentation to the membership at the annual meeting on Saturday, March 26, 1927.

It was decided to appoint the following special committees:

By-Laws and Constitution, Membership, Appeals and Grievances, Finance, Consulting Editorial, Permanent Organization.

Mr. Morley explained at length to the assembled group the necessity of appointing carefully selected association members to act as chairmen of these committees.

After a great deal of deliberation, which occupied nearly three hours, the following appointments as chairmen were made:

Fred Burkhardt, chairman, Committee on By-Laws and Constitution.

Alex McPherson, chairman, Committee on Membership.

James Muirden, chairman, Committee Appeals and Grievances.

Christopher Bain, chairman, Committee Finance.

John McGregor, chairman, Committee Consulting Editorial.

Bert Sheldin, chairman, Committee Permanent Organization.

A discussion of the originally written by-laws of the association occupied considerable time during the course of the meeting, and suggestions were made by all members of the Executive committee relating to changes and amendments which seemed necessary to make in order that the association may function to the satisfaction of all members and local organizations of greenkeepers.

Mr. Morley asked the newly appointed chairmen to appoint and convene with their committees and submit their decisions to the membership at the annual meeting the following morning. He impressed upon each member the great responsibility that rested on his shoulders, in presenting a clear and concise report to the association members at the annual meeting.

Mr. Bain, appointed as chairman of the Finance committee was not present, but the secretary of the association, W. J. Rockefeller, assured the Executive committee members that Mr. Bain had offered to do anything he could to assist the officers and the organization as a whole. Mr. Bain's appointment as chairman of the Finance committee was made because he had long banking experience before taking up greenkeeping as a profession.

Mr. Morley then charged the newly appointed chairmen to select their committees from lists of active association members, each committee to represent as wide an area as possible.

There being no further business in order, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 P. M., in good time for the Executive committee members to attend an informal meeting of greenkeepers scheduled for 7:30 P. M. in a specially reserved room at the Hotel Sherman.

Signed

John Morley, President,
W. J. Rockefeller, Secretary.

Minutes of the FIRST ANNUAL MEETING

THE first annual meeting of the National Association of Greenkeepers of America was held in the Bal Tabarin Room of the Hotel Sherman, Chicago, on Saturday, March 26.

John Morley, president of the Association, opened the

first session at 10 A. M., and after greeting the members, read his annual address, a copy of which is attached. This address was received with enthusiasm, and ordered placed in the records of the meeting.

Mr. Morley then appointed John McNamara, first