

From The Viewpoint Of Local Associations

What District Associations of Greenkeepers are Doing

Mid-West Greenkeepers Association

September 6th, Ridgewood Country Club

THE minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The question of Demonstration Day was put before the committee and it was decided to hold it next spring.



(Photograph received from George A. Davis, Inc., Chicago)

C. A. Mills and his gang at Tam O'Shanter Country Club, Chicago, where the Mid-West Association held their greenkeeper's tournament on Sept. 26.

After a trip around the course, the members attended luncheon served by the club.

The course was very dry throughout the fairway due to the long dry spells this season. Otherwise, the course was in excellent shape.

The question of the greenkeepers' tournament was put before the committee and it was decided to hold same September 26 at Tam O'Shanter Country Club. There will be some valuable prizes donated by the manufacturers and various seed houses of the district.

The meeting then was adjourned and a trip to Twin Orchards Country Club was made. A number of the greenkeepers decided that the greens on this course were as fine as any in the district.

Respectfully submitted
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Cleveland Dist. Assoc. of Greenkeepers,

(Annual Meeting), October 10

THE annual gathering at Westwood Country Club on October 10 was a lively one, filled with discussions of fertilization, brown-patch, *Poa annua* and other subjects of interest.

At eleven o'clock the group started on an inspection of the Westwood course, which is one of great natural beauty. The turf has been consistently good all summer, and the growth on some of the bent greens so thick that rubbing in compost is an impossibility. Mr. Fred Burkhardt, in charge of the course, advised the members that

he has used compost only twice this season, early in the spring and again about October first.

Luncheon was served to twenty-eight at one o'clock, and the regular meeting was held immediately thereafter. President John Morley opened the meeting with a short talk covering the history of the local association, and the possibilities of the future. He recalled the first organization meeting which was held at Westwood Club four years ago, during the time that Mr. Robert E. Power served as chairman of the Westwood Green Committee, and expressed his appreciation of the loyal support Mr. Power has given the Cleveland district greenkeepers and the National Association. In concluding, Mr. Morley urged that a committee of five be appointed by the new officers to serve in an advisory capacity free of charge upon any call for assistance received from a district club.

Mr. Morley then introduced Mr. Lyman Carrier, the speaker of the afternoon, who responded with a comprehensive talk on the fertilization of golf turf. From his many years of experience as an agronomist in the Department of Agriculture, and his work in connection with the U. S. G. A. Green Section, Mr. Carrier brought to this meeting a fund of knowledge which drew many questions at the close of his talk. He expressed the opinion that too frequent top dressings containing partially decayed organic matter are largely responsible for the onslaught of brown-patch.

After a somewhat lengthy discussion, it was found to be the concensus of opinion among those present that sulphate of ammonia and bi-chloride of mercury should not be applied at the same time to golf greens. This subject was taken up at one of the early spring meetings this year, and members have been paying particular attention to the reaction of these two chemicals on putting greens, when applied in mixture. It was agreed that

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Some of the members of the Cleveland District Association of Greenkeepers snapped at Westwood Club, Oct. 10.