



Around the Office Desk

FIRST, member greenkeepers out of employment, who have had southern experience, please write this office, giving complete history of experience, and references.

THE death of Charles R. Huddle, greenkeeper at the Crestview Country Club at Wichita, Kansas, has occasioned innumerable letters of sympathy from our members, and while they are too numerous to mention here in detail, we will quote from one received from A. M. Esterline, of the Delaware Country Club, Muncie, Indiana, "I am in sorrow to hear of the death of one of our members, Mr. Huddle. I was away from home, or would have sent my Death Benefit fund sooner. This fund is one of the best things I have ever heard of, and I hope that our payment was of some real assistance to Mrs. Huddle."

FROM the Lake Polk Country Club, at Temple, Texas, J. C. Jenkins, who is in charge of the course, writes, "I have never failed or forgotten to read THE NATIONAL GREENKEEPER since the first copy I received, and I want to thank you for the good information I have read therein. I have only nine holes, but have grass greens, not like the majority of Texas courses that have sand greens. I am a Scotchman, only five years in this country, and have spent four summers here in Temple. I have built seven greens and am on my eighth now. I have got lots of nice little hints from your magazine on greens construction. The climatic conditions here are so totally different from over the water."

Here is a concrete example of the appreciation felt by a young greenkeeper, who is laboring under entirely different conditions than prevailed in his home country.

OUR good representative in Canada, Vice-President H. Hawkins of the Lakeview Country Club, Port Credit, Ontario, asks us to send the magazine to Harry

Simpson, of the Quebec Golf Association. Mr. Simpson has offered to introduce the association and the magazine to the next monthly meeting of the Quebec greenkeepers. We already have some Quebec members, and we shall look for more activity in that district in a short time.

FROM way up north in Alberta comes a message from W. Mayne, in charge of the Jasper Park Lodge golf course of Jasper National Park. Mr. Mayne applies for membership for himself and also for his assistant. Twenty-seven years' experience at greenkeeping is Mr. Mayne's record, and we are proud to add his name to our membership list. There is a depth of meaning in the good wishes he extends to our association, a recognition of its value to the greenkeeping profession, which is backed by many years of service in keeping greens.

HANDSOME IS—

I'm the handsomest man stepping out on the links,
No matter what every other man thinks;
My cap is the latest and brilliant in hue,
My hose is esthetic in yellow and blue.

My bag is the finest one you ever saw,
In looking me over you can't find a flaw;
Every one of my clubs was made by the pro,
And he says they're perfect, so that must be so.

My stride is determined, my stance is sublime,
I follow the rules and take plenty of time,
I build up my tee and its really no joke,
There is plenty of power behind every stroke!

My mind is not burdened with one single care,
There isn't a soul on the course anywhere;
I don't see why I should have trouble at all,
But murder will out, boys,—I can't hit the ball!

—By Gertrude A. Farley.

HENRY A. MILLER, greenkeeper of the Barrington Hills Country Club, at Barrington, Illinois, is a member young in years, but he expresses his opinion of the establishment of our Death Benefit fund, as "having this fund is a mighty good thing, for it is a great help to a family which may be in great need of it." Funds immediately available at a time when the bread winner of a family has passed away, cannot fail to be appreciated by those he leaves to face the world without him. Think it over, brother greenkeepers, young and old. When you join the association, do not fail to become a member of the Death Benefit fund.

WHEN a greenkeeper has established a local reputation for good greenkeeping, he soon finds himself called upon to give his advice to other clubs in the community. We know of many instances, where with the full consent of his own club, a greenkeeper with a fund of good knowledge and practical experience, has

assisted several neighboring greenkeepers in bringing their courses up to a degree of perfection.

A letter recently received from Wilhelm Peters, manager and greenkeeper of the Highlands Golf and Country Club, of St. Joseph, Missouri, states, "I am very busy at the present moment, as there are several courses around Kansas City I am undertaking. I intend to send a story for the magazine, and if I can will do so within the next couple of weeks." Mr. Peters has had many years' experience as a gardener and a greenkeeper, and our readers will find some good advice in what he has to say.

TO be of service to mankind is one of the paramount reasons why we are placed upon this earth. Many times the editor of THE NATIONAL GREENKEEPER has been asked how it is possible to secure such articles as appear in our magazine. It is no secret, and is growing to be less and less of a problem as time goes on.

No organization is any stronger than the interest of each individual member thereof. No member of the National Association of Greenkeepers of America is spending his time in pulling bricks out of the foundation. Instead he is laying them carefully in line, and cementing them into place with a material you will not find on sale at any price. No amount of money will buy it, and no man on earth can do without it. It surrounds him in life, and lives after Death. It is a privilege, and a debt. It is Brotherly Love.

We repeat that the reason why our members write their stories for this magazine, for other members to read, is no secret.

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He answered various questions put forth by the members on various turf and soil conditions.

The meeting then, on motion, adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

E. T. YOUNG,
Secretary.

The Cleveland District Association of Greenkeepers

(Meeting, September 12)

A HOLIDAY spirit prevailed among the greenkeepers and chairmen of Green committees of the Cleveland district, when they started from Number 1 Tee of the Kirtland Country Club, Willoughby, at 2 o'clock on September 12.

The question, should greenkeepers play golf, was answered by a unanimous yes. Hitherto unsuspected prowess on the part of some of the Cleveland district greenkeepers was exposed at this tournament. Kirtland is what is known as a difficult course, with a par of 70, and many champion players have acknowledged its challenge to their skill.

Following the tournament, dinner was served at 6:30, and during and after dinner an informal discussion was held covering some of the problems of the clubs represented. One of the most interesting discussions was started by L. M. Latta, a member of the N. A. G. A., who owns and keeps the course of the Braeburn Country Club at Copley, Ohio. Mr. Latta said that when he bought the land for his daily fee course at Copley, he had considerably more courage than knowledge of what a golf course ought to be.

He has had plenty of advice, some of which he followed, and much he later found to be subject to correction. He asked as a particular favor if THE NATIONAL GREENKEEPER would kindly publish the correct method for building a putting green, in ABC language, working from the unbroken ground up to the finished product. Greenkeepers present volunteered to get together and contribute to this magazine an ABC talk on putting green construction, so that not only Mr. Latta, but others uninformed will derive benefit from the information.

A report of the Greenkeepers' Convention held by the U. S. G. A. Green Section at Washington on August 29 was given by M. H. Wilson, Jr., chairman of the local Green Section, which was intently followed by all present. The item of most interest was the experimentation now in progress at Arlington covering the application of metallic mercury in the control of brown-patch.

A vote of thanks was tendered the officials of the Kirtland Country Club for the courtesy extended to the assembled group. The chairman of the Green Committee, E. P. Bruch, the greenkeeper, M. D. LaMoreaux, and the superintendent, Arthur Boggs, were heartily congratulated upon the splendid condition of the Kirtland course.

Say you saw the ad in The National Greenkeeper