

or a niblick. There is no such thing as missing the green by a couple of yards or so and chipping up to the pin for your par because the narrowest strip of fairway separates the putting surface from the steep slopes of the bunkers.

We see so many golf courses where they mow a little patch on a knoll or in a hollow and then leave several vards of fairway all about for the slightly wild shooter to come to rest. It's called economy and perhaps so but it isn't golf as the Scots intended it to be played. Do you wonder Bobby Jones praised the Chicago Golf Club? He knows what a golf course is and he doesn't see one every day or even every month.

The last thing I want to mention about the course at Wheaton is its outstanding fairness. There are no tricky greens, no blind shots, no unseen hazards such as mar the National at Southampton for instance. It's typically Chicago and the great Middle West where the slogan is: "here we are, plenty tough, but all the cards on the table."

### Splendid Spirit of Fellowship

FINALLY I cannot close without mentioning the unseen but obvious spirit of fellowship and harmony that prevailed at Chicago between the members, the greenkeeper and his assistants. I saw nothing but keen happy faces all hopping to their jobs from the president shaking hands down to the laborer raking sand. Even the professional who really has nothing whatever to do at a National tournament, (the United States Golf Association officials handle all pairings, starting and scoring) was hustling

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around in old clothes helping John MacGregor. Even neighboring greenkeepers from a dozen to twenty in number showed up every day and helped handle the galleries taking their alloted stations and staying there throughout the day instead of following the matches which everybody wanted to do.

If you fellows who read this story and have golf club responsibilities will add up the salient points of Chicago Golf, its course and its organization you will throw back your shoulders and take a new grip on life. It certainly inspired me and I hope I have passed some of it onto you.

### Experts Talk at Philadelphia By E. T. YOUNG

The regular monthly meeting of Philadelphia Association of Golf Course Supts., was held at the Philmont Country Club on Monday, August 6, 1928.

Dinner was served at 6 o'clock P.M., during the course of which Mr. Slotter, Chairman of the Green Committee of this particular club, made a very excellent speech.

The meeting was next called to order at 7:20 P.M., with President Evans in the chair. The first speaker of the evening was Dr. Monteith, who gave one of his usual interesting and instructive talks.

The next speaker was Mr. O. J. Noer, who had no specially prepared speech, and simply told us of the conditions at various golf courses he had visited in different sections of the country.

## Tournament Schedule

- October 8-13-Women's Detroit District Championship, Detroit Golf Club.
- November 6-9-Autumn Tournament, Pinehurst Country Club.
- November 13-14-Mid-South Open, Pinehurst Country Club. December 22-23-Championship of Champions, Miami Bilt-
- more.
- December 26-31--Midwinter Tournament, Pinehurst Country Club. 1929

January 1-Pro-Amateur Tournament, Miami Country Club. January 10-Pro-Amateur, La Gorce Course, Miami Beach. January 14-18-Mid-Winter Amateur, Miami Country Club. February 17-Golf Vase Tournament, Pebble Beach.

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