

# Around the Office Desk

## *Lundstrom Making Good*

THE friends of Alfred E. Lundstrom, who left the Saint Charles Country Club, Saint Charles, Illinois, to become grounds man and greenkeeper at the Crescent Athletic Club, Brooklyn, New York, will be glad to know that he is making good on his new job.

Lundstrom was employed to put the famous grass tennis courts at Bay Ridge into championship condition for the big Metropolitan tournament held there in July. How well he succeeded is evident by the following excerpt written by J. P. Allen of The New York Sun.

"In all the forty-odd years of the tournament, conditions have never so closely approached the ideal at Bay Ridge. It is a tribute to Alfred E. Lundstrom, the new grounds man to say that the turf is as fine and true as anywhere in this country. After heavy rain, on the third day of the tournament, twenty-five matches were played without a word of murmur as to the condition of the courts. That in itself speaks most eloquently for what this new turf expert, specially imported from Chicago, has accomplished on the famous old field that held the Davis cup battles of 1902."

More and more it is coming to be recognized that the members of the National Association of Greenkeepers of America are the leaders in their field of work, and are setting a high standard in their profession.

## *Praise From California*

EVERY day we have evidence of the usefulness of the NATIONAL GREENKEEPER in promoting the interests of the National Association of Greenkeepers of America, for which it is the official organ.

Now comes James Wilborn, California greenkeeper who has read the magazine for a year and now wishes to join the association. His letter follows:

Mr. Robert E. Power, President and Editor  
The National Greenkeeper  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear sir:—

After nearly one year a subscriber of the NATIONAL GREENKEEPER magazine, I find after my twenty years of dealing with grass I can find it a pleasure to read this magazine, and the work of the National association.

I would like to become a member of the association and would appreciate very much Mr. Power your assistance in lining me up as a member.

Thanking you in advance for all kindness that may be rendered, I remain,

James Wilborn, Greenkeeper  
Redway Golf and Country Club  
P. O. Box 113  
Gaberville, California

## *Splendid Hospitality*

IT was a pleasure to note the splendid hospitality which John Morley and John MacGregor received in New England during their recent visit at the time of the National Amateur Championship at Brae Burn.

President Morley has promised us a story of his trip for the November number of the NATIONAL GREENKEEPER, and that it will be of unusual interest and full of very helpful information goes without saying.

Through the visit of these two officers to the New England district the National association has received a



**JOHN DEE OF CHICAGO**  
Who won the Walker Cup on the 19th hole but  
waived his rights in favor of Bobby Jones

great impetus in the New England section, and quite a number of experienced greenkeepers will be added to the membership list. Mr. Morley was also assured that a large delegation would attend the Buffalo convention next February.

Give the New England greenkeepers a hand, boys—they are 100% good fellows and through their expert knowledge and long experience are a great credit to the greenkeeping profession.



### Hugh Moore Again

**Y**OU all remember Hugh C. Moore's story in last March's issue telling about construction of the new St. Simon's Island Golf Club of St. Simon's Island, Georgia.

Mr. Moore is back again with a story telling about how he got the course in shape for play on the first of May, and some other interesting features of his work there. We hope to publish Mr. Moore's article in the November number.

Which reminds us that we would like to hear from other greenkeepers who have had interesting experiences this past season. If you have made some mistakes and profited by them tell your brother greenkeepers so that they may avoid similar trouble. That is what the magazine is published for—to further the cause of greenkeeping and to put the profession on a higher plane and the quickest way to do this is for the greenkeepers to write their experiences for publication.

### Another Story About Humus

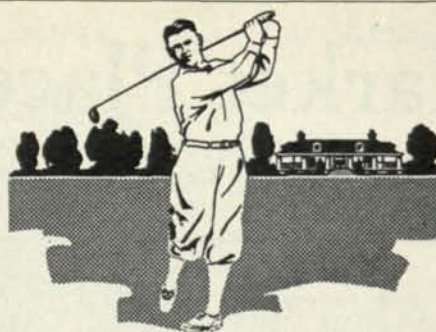
**W**E have another very interesting story sent in by James A. Smith, greenkeeper at the London Country Club, London, Ohio, entitled, "Humus for the Physical Conditioning of Soils."

Mr. Smith has been a soil expert for many years and was commandeered by the United States government during the war for special work in the Department of Agriculture. When he spoke at the greenkeeper's meeting at Bunker Hill, which was reported in the September number, he promised an article covering a physical examination of humus, so that any greenkeeper could make a simple test and be sure he had the proper material.

We hope to make this article a feature of our November number and we believe it will be of great interest and value to our readers.

### Morley Complimented

**J**OHAN MORLEY, president of the National Association of Greenkeepers of America has received a great many compliments as a result of his article in the September number outlining the work and progress of the association.



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As a sample of the many letters which he has received we quote one from K. E. Goit, Sales Manager of the Toro Manufacturing Company, in which he says:

"I certainly think that the article you wrote for the current issue of the GREENKEEPER is the clearest definition of the aims and purposes of the organization that has been set forth yet.

"You hit the nail right square on the head, and it should go a long ways toward clearing up the element of doubt and misunderstanding that exists in certain sections, as far as the greenkeeper's organization is concerned.

"I certainly think that you are entitled to a lot of commendation on the strength and clearness of this article."

K. E. Goit  
Minneapolis, Minn.

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### Baldauf Got His Check

Mr. Robert E. Power  
Editor, The National Greenkeeper  
Cleveland, Ohio  
Dear Mr. Power:

Pardon me for not replying sooner to yours of June 22. I certainly feel highly honored in receiving third place in the Brown Patch contest. I hope that my method will help some other greenkeeper to combat this present disease.

Thanking you again for your kindness,

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) JACOB BALDAUF

Bloomington Country Club  
Bloomington, Illinois