



# Around the Office Desk



## TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

### JUNE

- 16 British Open, Holyoke, England.
- 18-21 St. Albans' Amateur Championship, St. Albans' Golf Club, St. Albans, L. I.
- 23-25 Ardsley Junior Championship, Ardsley-on-Hudson Club, New York.
- 23-28 Ohio State Amateur Championship, Toledo Country Club, Toledo, O.
- 24-25 Invitation Open Tournament for Shawnee Shield, Shawnee C. C., Shawnee-on-Delaware.

### JULY

- 8-11 California Junior Championship, Del Monte, Calif.
- 10-11 Northern California Women's Golf Association Invitational Tournament, Del Monte, Calif.
- 10-12 National Open, Interlachen C. C., Minneapolis, Minn.
- 17-19 Fairview Open Championship, Fairview Country Club, Elmsford, N. Y.
- 31 Invitation Tournament for Buckwood Trophy, Shawnee C. C., Shawnee-on-Delaware, Pa.

### AUGUST

- 1-3 Midsummer Tournament, Del Monte, Calif.
- 5-11 National Public Links Championship, Municipal Golf Course, Jacksonville, Fla.

### SEPTEMBER

- 22-27 National Amateur Championship, Merion Cricket Club, Haverford, Philadelphia, Pa.
- 30-October 1 Arcola Senior Championship, Arcola Country Club, Arcola, N. J.

### OCTOBER

- 13-18 Women's National Championship, Los Angeles Country Club, Los Angeles, Calif.

## Long Island Greenkeepers

THE new Long Island Greenkeepers' Association which was organized December 2, 1929, is growing like a weed. The membership now totals twenty-five and the meetings which are held on the first Monday of each month are very enthusiastic.

The officers of the association are: President, Elmer F. Affeldt, Glen Oaks Golf and C. C.; first vice-president, Alfred E. Lundstrom, Crescent Athletic Club; second vice-president, William Joy, Pomonok Country Club. Trustees John Dishington, The Creek Club; Captain J. P. Truran, North Hills C. C.; Otto Scherzer, Lenox Hill C. C. Treasurer, B. Zukosky, The Links Club; secretary, Allen G. Jarvis, Huntington Golf and C. C.

Throughout the summer the association will hold meetings at various golf courses where problems of greenkeeping will be discussed and helpful advice furnished to those who need it.

## SUCCESS

By JOHN MORLEY

*The world has infinite respect and genuine admiration for the person who tries.*

*For men putting forth earnest endeavor there is no such thing as failure. Optimism predominates in their personalities and is imparted to those associated with them.*

*The world holds no brief for the pessimist. There are thousands of worthy men you and I never hear of, all doing their best and making this sphere a better place in which to live. The degree of fame or possessions is secondary to the spirit in which it is sought.*

*And if, at the end of the road the door through circumstance remains closed no man can say success was not yours for you have tried and in that trying made good. Remember those words as long as you live—*

*We sink or swim—*

*Yes! but at least we try.*

## Reports Available

O. M. Scott & Sons Co., Marysville, O., send us word that they have a few reports left of the proceedings of the Fourth Annual Greenkeepers' Convention which they put out in printed form and distributed free to greenkeepers and Green committee chairmen.

This report occasioned extremely favorable comment and was much appreciated by the officials and members of the National association.

## Cooperation

By C. E. TREAT, President

*Greenkeepers' Club of New England*

When your president took office he stated that he was anxious to work for more cooperation between the Greenkeepers' Club and the organizations working for the betterment of golf in our section. The following is offered, as a sort of report of progress along these lines. From time to time, your president intends to give to the members direct, just what the officers and directors are trying to do for the Club.

The Club held a special meeting in connection with the Golf Show held at the Massachusetts Agricultural College this last month. We had a good attendance at this meeting and we were glad to hear Col. John

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Morley, of Youngstown, Ohio, president of the National Association of Greenkeepers of America, who gave the main address. Mr. Fred Burkhardt, manager of the golf shows held by that association, spoke, as did Pres. Joe Whithead, of Middletown, Conn., head of the Conn. Greenkeepers Association. The question-box period which followed was again of great interest.

During the same golf show the Greenkeepers' Club held a joint meeting with the Conn. Greenkeepers Association, and it was decided at this time that we would hold a joint meeting and tournament at some club, located centrally, for both organizations. It was quite apparent that the Conn. group were as anxious to meet and cooperate as were we. Plans are already under way to hold a two or three day conference for Greenkeepers and others interested in golf, under the auspices of the College next winter.

Just recently your board of Directors invited their Green Committee Chairmen to an informal dinner and discussion at the Woodland Golf Club. Since several of the respective chairmen were on the executive committee of the Golf Service Bureau of N. E., we invited Mr. F. C. Hood, chairman of the Bureau to be present with us. At this meeting we discussed the relation of the Golf Service Bureau and the Greenkeepers Club. Many points of interest were brought up and we hope that much good will come from this meeting. Even though the meeting was called at rather short notice, the chairmen as well as the greenkeepers were out in fine numbers. We wish at this time to express to those present our thanks for their kind interest.

The foregoing will show, we think, that, at least, we are making a start in our program of cooperation.

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## New England Notes

By LLEWELLYN L. DERBY

**G**OLF for Mr. Average Citizen became more available during the past month in Massachusetts with the opening of two courses particularly intended for him.

On Wednesday afternoon, April 30, Governor Allen dedicated the new nine-hole course constructed by the Metropolitan District Commission at the old Riverside Recreation Grounds in Weston. It is a notable fact that this is the first course constructed by the State or any of its departments.

The club house has locker accommodations for 150

men and 100 women. An annual fee of \$20 is charged for use of the course and a charge of \$3 additional for locker including use of showers. If a person wishes to use the course only occasionally, he may do so for \$1, except on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, when the charge is \$2.

Intermittent showers did not dampen the ardor of the players or a gallery of one hundred as Eric Edwards of the Oxford Country Club and Henry Bon-tempo of Franconia won from Red House of Ludlow and Alec Simpson of the Springfield Country Club 5 and 4 on April 19th in the first match to be played over Franconia, the new municipal course at Springfield, Mass.

George Post is the greenkeeper of this brand new layout and feels that with the maturing of the grass within the next year or two, he will be caring for one of the finest courses in New England.

The ordinary player is apt to find the 12th, 13th, 14th, and 15th holes rather sporty due to the presence of a babbling brook that winds in and out, furnishing a good bit of a mental hazard.

Theodore R. Geisel, chairman of the Springfield Park Commission, was present when the match got under way.

With Mayor O'Harra's drive officially opening Green Hill, the municipal course at Worcester, Mass., for the season, Willie Ogg, Worcester Country Club pro and designer of the Green Hill layout, played the most dazzling round ever seen on the city course. His card of 73 for the 18 holes is a course record now that the ninth hole has been lengthened and made into a par five. His last nine in 32 is another mark for low scorers to shoot at.

The past month has seen practice fields spring up like mushrooms. There is one at Hampden Park, Springfield, with 50 tees installed where both wood and iron shots may be practiced. As is the case with most others, flags set 25 yards apart indicate to the golfer the approximate distance of his shot. Screens between the tees are a feature of a practice field at Spring Meadow, East Longmeadow, Mass.

One may improve his golf while motoring these days, too. On the way from Springfield to Worcester on the Boston Post Road you may stop off at Brookfield and test your driving ability, or if you are heading for the Berkshires on the famed Mohawk Trail, there is another opportunity just outside of Greenfield.

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