

# Get Ready Now For Columbus



By COLONEL JOHN MORLEY



THE DESHLER-WALLICK HOTEL

*This palatial hostelry will be the headquarters of the National Association of Greenkeepers of America the first week in February*

**B**Y THE time this number of the NATIONAL GREENKEEPER reaches our members and others interested in our general welfare, our worries over various fungus diseases will for this season be a thing of the past. And the greenkeepers east of the Mississippi will record the season of 1930 one of the driest on record.

But it has not been without its compensation. For not only has it drawn the Chairman of the Green committee more closely to his greenkeeper, but the rank and file of all the club members. They have observed his devotion to his course—many greenkeepers working early and late and often until midnight trying to avoid serious damage to the turf. Owing to these facts the officers of our association have allowed the progressive work to drift a little. Our troubles nearly over, we now look forward and start laying plans for our coming Golf Show and Convention and Conferences.

Each year since our institution we have always stated that the coming Golf Show, etc., will be better than the previous one and when we re-affirm that the coming one which will be held in the beautiful city of Columbus, Ohio, will exceed all others,

we are not unmindful of the fact that a number of members will claim that it will be impossible to improve on Louisville. Each year finds our association more warmly received by greenkeepers and more especially chairmen and officials of our respective clubs. There will be more chairmen of Green committees sending their greenkeepers to Columbus the first week in February, 1931, than ever before.

## GOLF ASSOCIATION PROMISES SUPPORT

**W**ITHOUT any solicitation on our part the President of the Central Ohio District Golf Association has promised us the support and cooperation of the forty clubs that constitute this district.

I have been informed by our secretary that this year will show one hundred per cent of our membership having paid their 1930 dues. This shows that the members are proud of what we are accomplishing for their welfare.

The Editor of the *Canadian Golfer*, which is the official organ of the Royal Canadian Golf Association, in a recent editorial endorsed our association and urged the Canadian greenkeepers to become members.

Mr. Robert E. Power, President and Editor of the NATIONAL GREENKEEPER, our official organ, has promised to do all in his power to make the coming Golf Show a grand success.

With Fred A. Burkhardt and several of his former aids again in full charge of the Golf Show, and the manufacturers and merchants anxious to show their equipment, etc., we know that we are progressing and keeping step with the times. Mr. Burkhardt has already secured the largest auditorium in the city of Columbus. The floor space measures one hundred and five thousand square feet. To show how we are expanding, our first Golf Show held in Detroit had only eleven thousand square feet.

At Columbus we will be assisted by a number of able workers, among them, Jos. Williamson, who has been selected chairman of the Entertainment Committee; Professor Geo. M. McClure, of Ohio

State University, will again act as chairman of the Conferences; Mr. George Trautman of the Columbus Chamber of Commerce, one of the finest and best publicity men of the country will aid us along these lines.

#### DESHLER HOTEL TO BE HEADQUARTERS

**W**E HAVE secured for the greenkeepers and all those who attend one of the largest and finest hotels in the city of Columbus—The Deshler-Wallick. The management of this well-known hotel has given us suitable hotel rates. It will not be necessary when you arrive to spend time looking for cheaper headquarters as the management of the hotel has promised that no other organization will interfere with our comfort during the week of the Convention.

From all indications the attendance will exceed Louisville by over fifty per cent. Start to make your arrangements now and don't be afraid to invite your chairman to come along. For every chairman who attends means one more friend added to our association. We want them to know that we have other objects in view besides the fraternal spirit.

It is too early at this time to discuss the Conferences and Convention, but you can rest assured we will have the best talent available. There is one thing, however, I want to mention; I am going to make some of our experienced greenkeepers do a little more talking than we had at Louisville. For at the close of each day's Conference I intend to



FRED A. BURKHARDT  
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the Greenkeepers' Show*

follow Professor Dickinson's idea, which he developed at the Amherst Conference—that is to have a question box and about one-half hour's discussion on the questions placed in the box.

To those who come from a distance to attend a Convention one of the chief thoughts entering their mind is what kind of a city is it to bring their families or sweethearts to go sightseeing. To those that attend Conventions during the winter months, especially above the Mason-Dixie line, I can state that the city of Columbus has no equal, with its many fine institutions which

can be reached within a few minutes' time after leaving hotel headquarters. A Convention held in the City of Columbus gives its delegates as a whole the advantage of a shorter trip by rail or highway and at a lower cost than any other Convention city. Twenty-seven railroads enter Columbus, bringing more than two-thirds of the larger cities of the United States within a night's ride.

Columbus has two picturesque rivers, the Scioto and Olentangy, which flow through the heart of the city and present a beautiful view from the windows of the Deshler-Wallick hotel; Ohio State University is located at Columbus; the Capitol or State House is just across the street from our headquarters. There are many fine theatres and motion picture houses which can be found nearby.

Space will not allow me to give you all of the many attractions that are in Columbus, so I may state you will never regret a visit to the Capital of the State of Ohio. Now is the time for all district associations to prepare sending a large delegation to Columbus the first week in February, 1931.

#### THE STATE HOUSE AT COLUMBUS

*This monumental building is located on High Street  
across from the headquarters*



**5th Annual Greenkeepers  
Convention and Golf Show  
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