

I do not think there is one man who goes back to his club without having learned something worthwhile. He has a chance to look over all kinds of equipment and materials at the golf show, which in itself is well worth the expense. Manufacturers and dealers from near and far bring their products to the Show, where the greenkeepers can see just what they have recommended or will recommend to the chairman of the Green committee for the coming year.

The Mid-West greenkeepers have something unique for the conference, which no one can afford to miss. I cannot tell you what it is, as you will have to come to get the full benefit of it. We expect to have at least twelve members at the convention, and hope to have more. I would urge everyone to attend the convention in New York.

May I hope to meet you at the biggest convention ever.

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## Here We Go

By GEORGE DAVIES, *Greenkeeper*,  
Big Springs Golf Club, Louisville, Ky.

THE Sixth Annual Greenkeepers' National Convention will unquestionably stand out as the most important assembly in the history of golf. Never before has a gathering in the interest of golf been as vital as this will be. No greenkeeper can afford to miss it, and what is more no golf club can afford to permit its greenkeeper to absent himself.

It is my firm conviction that any greenkeeper who absents himself, or any golf club which does not (where circumstances indicate it should) send its greenkeeper to this important educational meeting, can hardly be considered loyal to tradition of the royal and ancient game.

What is availed if weeks of study is given to the size and weight of golf balls, the kind of golf clubs permissible, and the rules of the game, if the greens are subject to an epidemic which destroys them practically over night, and which the greenkeeper is powerless to prevent, because of the failure to receive helpful advice.

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The past year has proven that there is not a more dejected picture than that of a golfer with a perfect swing, and a set of perfect golf clubs, playing over a course with imperfect greens.



GEORGE DAVIES  
*Director of the N. A. G. A.*

An epidemic attacked golf courses last year which without question robbed seventy-five per cent of golfdom of its rightful enjoyment. In many cases clubs lost eighteen greens in less than twenty-four hours, and the most proficient greenkeeper was powerless to prevent the ravages of the disease. The clubs which were not so afflicted may become victims, unless the greenkeeper can meet with those who have studied the subject thoroughly and receive the benefits of their experiences.

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This convention will be so vital that no greenkeeper in the country should be anywhere else than at the Pennsylvania Hotel on January 19-22, 1932. It is not a question of not being able to afford to attend, but a question of not being able to afford to stay away.

I am confident there is not a single member of any golf club in the country who would not subscribe one dollar to a fund to defray the expenses of the greenkeeper to attend this educational meeting, where he can learn how to combat an epidemic which may overnight deprive him of his golf and healthful exercise. At this moment it is not possible for any golfer in the country to spend a dollar more wisely.

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If any greenkeeper feels he cannot afford to pay



his own expenses to the convention, he is unfair to his club if he does not ask the Chairman of the Green committee to assess each member the nominal sum of one dollar or less to defray his expenses to this tremendously important convention.

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We greenkeepers occupy an important niche in the structure of golf. We have an important service to perform for the club by whom we are employed. Because of the healthful exercise derived from golf we are playing an important part in building a healthy nation. Our duty well performed is the greatest contribution to a game that for individual pleasure stands without equal in the history of sport.

So, boys, let us, at this vital time, prove our worth to the golf clubs by whom we are employed. Let us show them that our interest is not primarily in drawing our pay, but in providing golf courses which will always be in splendid condition no matter what epidemic attacks them. Therefore, attend this convention without fail.

## Lead Arsenate and Lecco

By CHARLES S. KESSELRING, *Greenkeeper*,  
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I HAVE been rather a late member in writing in to your valuable paper in regard to my course this past summer, but think you might yet want to know if I had survived.

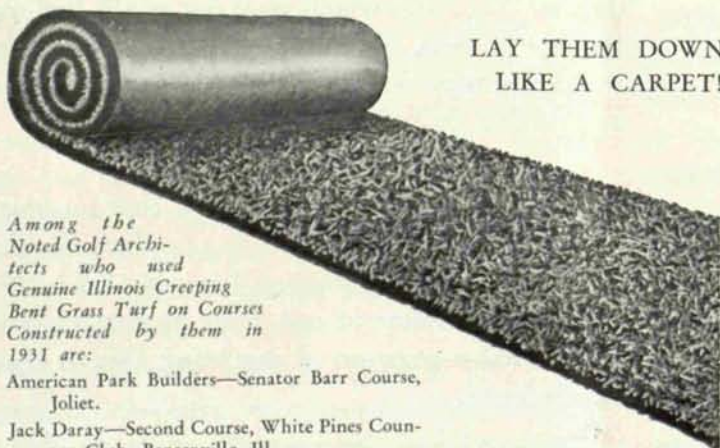
I realize this has been a trying summer to most greenkeepers due to destructible webworm, but I for one have escaped them, although the course was a fog of those millions of moths, which seemed to be the origin of the webworm. I am a firm believer, however, in a preventative rather than a cure.

The past three years of my greenkeeping I have used arsenate of lead, two pounds to one thousand square feet in each of my topdressings, which is about five times per year. Therefore, I am not troubled with worm casts. I just found three webworms on one green but they had not caused any damage to the green and the only fertilizer I use is Lecco and we have had beautiful greens, both last summer and this summer.

My greens held a beautiful color and still are as green as spring and were last summer, all through the drought. So, I feel my weak efforts have been rewarded when I realize the difficulties other courses have suffered this past season.

I hope to be at the Convention in January.

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