EENKEEPER'S ALMANAC NOVEMBER

By JOHN MACGREGOR Chicago Golf Club

It is wise this month to let the grass on the greens grow to at least an inch in length. This will, in the event of an ice storm, (that is, raining and freezing simultaneously) save a great many greens from being killed out. It is seldom that a storm will last long enough to accumulate more than an inch, in which case the blades of grass will be seen protruding through the ice. The air will follow the blades down through the ice, giving the ice a honeycombed effect which will usually save the green.

Construction work can still be carried on.

If you did not get your grass seed sown on time it can be done in this way. Prepare the fairways or greens for seeding, and wait until a good snow has fallen anytime in February and March. Sow the grass seed on top of the snow. As the snow melts the seed will be carried into the soil, and a good germination will be the result.

This is a good time to get the compost mixed and screened for next year. Those who have compost sheds of course, will put it under cover.

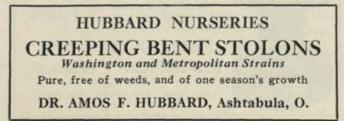
Better go over the water system again and be sure it has been drained. One dollar's worth of prevention is better than a \$100 worth of new pipe.

Mowing equipment for greens and fairways, as well as tools not being used, should be stored in the barn ready to be overhauled.

Attend the winter meetings of your local organization and have a voice in these meetings. Make them what you expect them to be. "Start Something."

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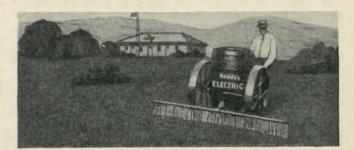
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Mid-West Holds Golf Tournament By Edw. B. DEARIE, JR.

THE Second Annual Golf Tournament was held September 24 at the Suburban Golf Club, Glenview, by the Mid-West Greenkeepers Association.

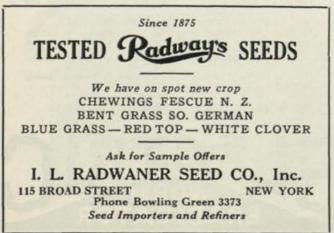
This was one of the gala affairs of the season. Thirty entries were started for a number of valuable prizes donated by various manufacturers and distributors in the Middle West. Unfortunately, the weather was very unfavorable to golf. There was a strong wind and the temperature was below normal for the time of year. However, as the contestants were accustomed to all kinds of weather, they were not dismayed.

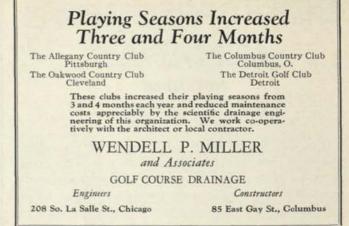
The winner of the Mid-West Greenkeepers Association's cup was Frank Mastroleo of Geneva Country Club, Batavia. The president's cup was won by Alex Binnie of Shore Acres Golf Club, Lake Bluff. The third trophy was won by Henry Miller of Barrington Hills Country Club, Barrington. This was donated by a former member, Al E. Lundstrom, now greenkeeper of the Crescent Athletic Club, Brooklyn, New York.

Wrist watches were won by each of the winners of the first flight who were Robert Duguid of Evanston Golf Club, Fred W. Sherwood of Northmoor Country Club, J. W. Rueck of Edgebrook Golf Club and P. J. Hardy of Edgewater Golf Club.

A number of side contests enlivened the tournament. Prizes were donated to low gross score, blind bogey, the smallest score for 18 holes and fewest putts on course. Prizes were won by the following greenkeepers among others: Peter Stewart of Lake Shore Country Club, Ryder Cup Bag; Matt Bezek, Beverly Country Club, a pair of wood clubs; Alex Binnie of Shore Acres Country Club, a leather coat; W. J. Howard of Exmoor Country Club, a pair of wooden clubs donated by Alex Pirie; Robert Farmer of Sunset Ridge Country Club, a dozen golf balls. Cassius Easton of Briergate Golf Club made high score on No. 12 hole and won the prize of \$10.

Presentation of all prizes was made in the evening at





a banquet served at the Wilmette Golf Club. This affair was greatly enjoyed. The occasion was given over to discussion and general sociability.

About Charcoal

 $\mathbf{F}_{\text{fered}}^{\text{OR}}$ a number of years two of our greens have suffered a great deal from the small or so-called dollar brown patch. As they were both very well situated on high well drained locations it was rather puzzling. This year I watched these greens very closely, having spent seven years greenkeeping at Washington I long ago lost my fear of brown patch, so this year I allowed the small brown patch full sway on these two greens to see if I could locate the trouble.

I noticed there was a bad smell to the soil, also it appeared to me the soil was packed more than it should be. The first thing that suggested itself to me as a remedy was charcoal. I knew at least it would do no harm. We put on about four to five hundred pounds to each green. This was done about the latter part of July. We never saw the slightest sign of the dollar patch after that.

Later on in the season some of the other greens became affected with the same trouble. Some we gave a light dose of charcoal, others a heavy dose, like the two already mentioned. The light dose did not do so much good, but the greens dosed heavily came back very readily and stayed O. K. for the rest of the season.



Buffalo Show To Be Success

M ORE than half the space for the 2nd Annual National Greenkeepers' Golf Show is already reserved.

This remarkable advanced sale is evidence of the enthusiastic attitude of the trade towards the program of the National Association. It is a tribute to the vision and square dealing of the show committee of the first show held in Detroit last winter. That the Buffalo Convention and show will exceed all expectations goes without saying. It will be really great without a question of a doubt.

Here is a list of manufacturers and dealers who have already reserved space: Toro Mfg. Co., Ideal Power Lawn Mower Co., Pennsylvania Lawn Mower Works, Worthington Mower Company, J. Oliver Johnson Co., Inc., Buckner Mfg. Co., Fate-Root-Heath Company, Jacobsen Mfg. Co., L. J. Reade Mfg. Co., Hardie Mfg. Co., Stumpp & Walter Co., Inc., E. G. Staude Mfg. Co., L. R. Nelson Mfg. Co., Roseman Mower Company, Milwaukee Sewerage Commission and Golf Course Supply Co.

President John Morley has promised a program of papers and discussions by nationally known greenkeeping experts, such as no golf gathering has ever seen. Intensive study will be made of turf problems embodying such branch subjects as soils, seeds, fertilizers, topdressing, watering, mowing and fundamentals of new construction. This is in line with the educational policy of the Association and every club which has at heart the condition and economical maintenance of its course, should send its greenkeeper to Buffalo in February without fail.

Full details of the program and plans will be published in the NATIONAL GREENKEEPER as they develop. But make your plans now to be at Hotel Statler, Buffalo, February 13-16, 1929, and do it now.

You Are All Invited

By FRED A. BURKHARDT

G REENKEEPERS of United States and Canada, you are all invited to our show and convention, the second in our history.

This show and convention will be an education to every man in the profession and you owe it to yourself and to your club to be at this function. In the future clubs are going to insist their greenkeepers belong to the National Association and see to it that they attend the show and convention. Why not join now and attend this year's show? Be an up-to-date greenkeeper and see the new equipment the manufacturers have on display. You should also be able to pick up a few new ideas in caring for your course.

We do not have a model greenkeeper to follow but each man has some good ideas, and by picking out the good points of each fellow greenkeeper's work we can

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have a model of points to follow and give us some objective to work for.

The greenkeeper of today should know something of art and science to keep pace with the fast advancing golf world if he is to hold his place at the peak. The convention and show will start you off on the right foot if you haven't already seen the necessity of art and science; and, if you have, the convention will help you continue this valuable work.

The show will have everything that goes to maintain a golf course properly. What greenkeeper would not like to see a show filled with equipment that he uses on his course every day or new machinery that he has never seen but could be used to good advantage at his course? Even if you cannot have some of the new equipment you can look it over and ask the men in charge of the exhibit questions about the working parts so that you may be better fitted to keep your equipment up to standard.

Learn how to test your own soil and talk with the fertilizer men on the best way of keeping your soil in the best of growing condition. Visit with your fellow greenkeepers and make a number of new acquaintances. The more men you know in your profession the more chance you have in gaining new ideas and help in time of distress.

Greenkeepers of United States and Canada, it is your duty to join the Association and back the show not only for your own personal good but also for your club. We of the show committee are depending on all of you to make this show and convention a decided success. Do not disappoint us.

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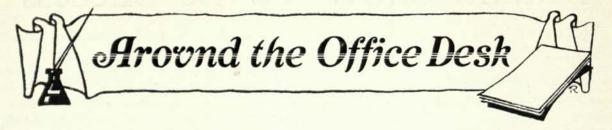
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Buckner Speaks Up

Cordial support of the SECOND ANNUAL NA-TIONAL GREENKEEPERS' GOLF SHOW to be held in Buffalo, February 13-16, in connection with the National convention is being expressed on all sides. Manufacturers are recognizing the sincere attempt of the National Association of Greenkeepers of America to advance the interest of golf by a method of which the Golf Show is an important link in the program.

Along these lines, Chairman Burkhardt of the show committee has received the following letter from the Buckner Manufacturing Company, Fresno, Calif. This company is a pioneer in golf course irrigation and specializes in sprinklers and sprinkler systems. W. A. Buckner, president of the company writes as follows:

"As a matter of information, we have decided that we will not exhibit in the Chicago or the New York shows, sponsored by the officials of the Chicago show. We advised against this New York show as it is impossible for Pacific Coast manufacturers to keep men in the East over such a long period of time at so many different shows. We, like J. Oliver Johnson, believe that the greenkeepers' show is destined to be the only real show of this kind worth while to the manufacturers. We realize that the greenkeepers are the people who have the say as to the purchase of upkeep equipment, and we want you to know that we are 100 per cent behind your organization."

> (Signed) Buckner Manufacturing Co. By W. A. Buckner.

"Wives of National Greenkeepers"

Once again we hear from the secretary, Mrs. Wm. Smith who sends us a few bits of news which have accumulated over the summer vacation.

Copies of the by-laws have been mailed to the members and upon receipt of dues membership cards will go forward.

The members who met the president, Mrs. Varn Hagen will be sorry to learn that she has been very ill for the past few weeks. We feel sure that during her convalescence any little friendly notes will be greatly appreciated. Mrs. Varn Hagen's address is Lock Box 67, Redford, Detroit, Mich. Great enthusiasm for the coming Convention is already very evident by the mail which we have received from some of the ladies. They are looking forward to this, their first Convention, with much interest and anticipation. We hope as they do that this first event will help to increase the present membership of the organization.

Some Samples

It is remarkable how the work of the greenkeepers is being recognized outside of the golf field. Not a day goes by, but subscriptions are received from cemeteries, parks, private estates, asylums and institutions of all sorts that have the problem of turf culture to contend with. Here are some samples of recent voluntary subscriptions that have been received.

Cornell University. Southwestern Louisiana Institute. Toledo State Hospital. United Jewish Cemetery. Missouri Military Academy.

Superintendent of Parks, New Brunswick, N. J.

Closely Read

The fact that THE NATIONAL GREEN KEEPER is closely read is evident by a recent letter from Victor George, greenkeeper of the Lafayette Country Club, Lafayette, Ind:, whose story relative to applying chemicals to greens was published in the October number.

"I received a good many letters regarding the little article you so kindly published, and had to do a lot of explaining of course. I was glad to do it because it shows that THE NATIONAL GREENKEEPER is read by all interested.

"I have sent out a call to Indiana greenkeepers and hope to organize the Indiana Greenkeepers Association, November 10, 1928. Please, pray for us!"

George also remarked in his letter how proud he felt to read about the success Mr. Lundstrom had had at the Crescent A. C. in Brooklyn, and how the newspapers had recognized his efforts and then enclosed a clipping from the Lafayette paper, which we quote as follows:

"Victor George, greenkeeper of the Lafayette Country club, is probably the busiest and most widely known person of his profession in this part of the state because of his wonderful work in keeping the local links at its high standard. Many visiting golfers, who have played on the local course have commented favorably on his care of the fairways and greens, and on several occasions George has been called from the city to aid other clubs with the upkeep of their links.

"George, after many years' experience, has gone a step higher in his profession and recently laid out a new course for the Seymour Indiana Country club, which met with the approval of the directors of that club. While Seymour had a fine course, it could be improved upon and the local man journeyed to that city and gave them a new nine hole layout which was adopted and is now being built."

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THE demands of the present day golfer are such that his club must provide its greenkeeper with highly efficient maintenance equipment, to keep the course in ideal playing condition.

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It should be the policy of every manufacturer to place with the greenkeeper, printed instructions and full detailed information pertaining to the equipment, for the benefit of the operator, to guard against possible trouble and unnecessary expense.

It should be the greenkeeper's duty to see that the operator is familiar with the equipment he operates and that he carries out the manufacturer's recommendations, if he expects to serve his club well.

At the close of the season, every piece of equipment, from the handrake to the tractor, should be thoroughly cleaned, overhauled, and painted, before storing for the winter. This not only prevents rust and depreciation of the equipment, but it will be ready for use when the season opens.

The greenkeeper is then in a posi-

tion to hand his chairman of the Green Committee a full list of his needs for another year. The Chairman will appreciate such information. and it shows the greenkeeper's interest in the club's affairs .- Editor.

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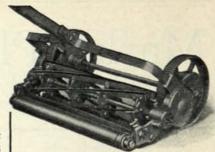
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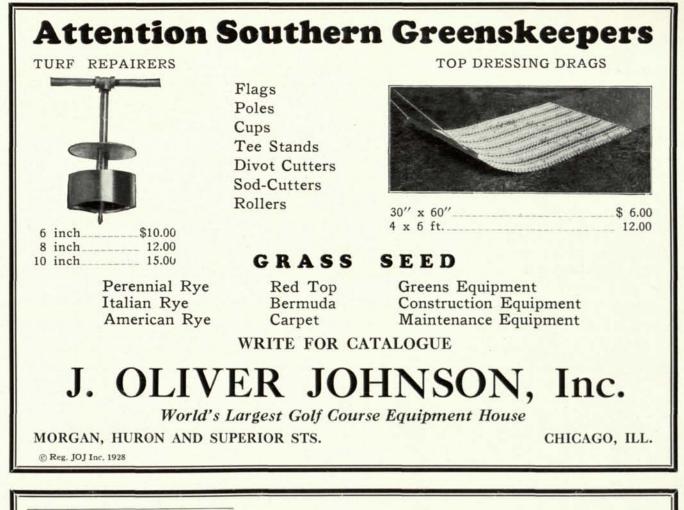
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