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kaline, they are slightly acid from using chemical fertilizers containing acidity. There is an honest difference of opinion among greenkeepers and others, whether we are just in using an acid fertilizer. While I did not discover sulphate of ammonia as a fertilizer, it having been previously used in England and America, and practically discarded, Prof. R. A. Oakley can inform you that in the early history of the Green Section I advocated acid soils for bent and fescue grasses.

I have probably used it more than any greenkeeper in this country, and I have never found any reason to discontinue the use of it. In having nine putting greens from various parts of the course of the Youngstown Country Club analyzed by a competent chemist, his report was that four were sub-acid, three were minimum acid and two were neutral. This demonstrates that you cannot by the continual use of sulphate of ammonia get too much acidity by its use in the soil. This also shows that when the soils obtain a certain degree of acidity, an acid reaction takes place in the soil, and gradually brings the soils back to neutral, its former condition. There are some who believe that this fertilizer is the cause of the brown patch and other diseases which affect our turf. Before we were using sulphate of ammonia we had the brown patch disease. For instance, I may refer to Columbia Country Club, Washington, D. C., where they had brown patch during the National open several years ago. They were not using this fertilizer at that time.

One of the greatest troubles we may have by its use is, that at times we use too much of it, and create too much forcing of the grass plant, besides making the grass too tender. During brown patch weather we should only create enough nitrogen to keep the grass healthy and alive.

### Greenkeeper Must Have Technical Information

YESTERDAY chemicals on a golf course were limited; today with all the big array of chemicals being advertised for, fertilizers, fungicides, insecticides, or what not, the greenkeepers of today must have some technical information himself, or to have some source to which he can turn for that information, unless he is to become a victim of the salesman with the best "line" of talk.

This is exactly the same situation which is found in modern farming as compared with farming of some years ago. The more progressive farmer years ago learned that they could not become expert in raising all crops, expert chemists, expert disease men, expert mechanics all in a lifetime. They, therefore, have demanded help from the Federal Government and the state governments in providing the highly specialized advice, which they themselves have not time to get. There are various farmers' organizations which have served to tie technical and practical parts together, as well as to help each other out.

Greenkeeping as I see it, is now reaching a point that farmers were forced to reach several years ago. In other words, I think you will readily agree with me that the demands of the golfers have become more exacting and the problems of the greenkeeper have increased tremendously during the past few years. This calls for better trained greenkeepers and for men who are willing to keep abreast with developments. The day for the greenkeeper with an unwillingness to learn from others, as well as to help others, is fast coming to a close.

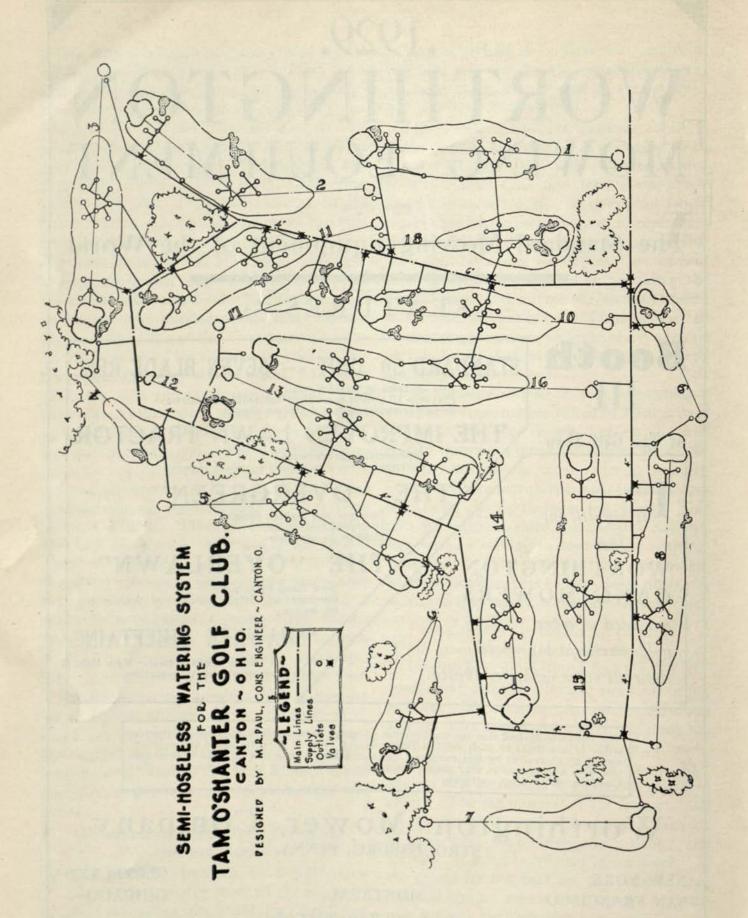
Greenkeeper is Backbone of Golf THE greenkeeper of today has begun to realize that he is not only the backbone of successful golf, but also a leading auxiliary of big business. We have been too modest all along and for that reason golfers have blamed the greenkeeper for everything from an incurable slice to a lost ball. The greenkeeper at least realizes that he holds a key position in world affairs. The big business of the country look to golf for their recreation. If the greens are in good order, the business man is happy, and his state of mind is reflected in his work. If the greens are not kept up, the business man loses his temper. goes home cross and his business suffers. By perfecting our profession, we expect to tone up business.

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# Fairway Watering

By M. R. PAUL, Construction Engineer Tam O'Shanter Golf Course, Canton, Ohio

FAIR WAY watering, while a comparatively new development, is gaining adherents rapidly among all classes of golfers, and golf course maintenance standards will soon demand recognition of its advantages.

Fairway watering, first developed as a necessity in arid or semi-arid regions in California, has spread eastward so rapidly that the majority of the newer courses are making provisions for it in original construction and many old courses are adding equipment to care for their fairways.

There have been two major systems of piping developed to care for fairway watering, the first, the hoseless, very nearly automatic system, and second, the manual or hose system. There have been variations of these two worked out but the basic principle of each is unchanged. The recent development of the snap valve has made the hoseless system preferable, due to less labor cost and higher efficiency.

Tam O'Shanter Golf Course at Canton installed the manual system for watering its fairways: first, as a matter of experiment and second, because of the many gravel hills over the property. The pumping unit was designed to supply 300 gallons per minute under a minimum pressure of 40 pounds at any fairway outlet. Outlets were spaced every 100-125 feet along the edge of the fairway and sprinklers were to be served by 1 inch or  $1\frac{V_2}{2}$  inch hose.

The Main was laid paralleling the holes and short leads were taken from it. Pipe sizes were computed to allow the minimum pressure where there was any question of pressure sufficiency. Main sizes were calculated on the same basis and the hydraulic gradient determined. Pipes were laid in a 24-inch ditch and sumps connected to the drainage system.

### System Cost Only \$2000

It is estimated that this extension, the fairway outlets, increased pump capacity and pressure tank cost only \$2000 in addition to the usual pumping system. This is exceptionally low and is caused by the layout, a long narrow piece with parallel holes, making it only necessary to add outlets from the main line to water fairways. This system has been in operation for one year and the results have been so gratifying that the owners have decided to install a fairway watering system on the second 18 holes, which will be completed in 1929.

The accompanying drawing shows the plan for the watering system on the No. 2 Course. This is a combination of the two systems, the hose and the hoseless systems. Notice particularly that the hoseless system will be installed at points receiving the heaviest play, that is, landing areas and approaches. The balance of the fairway area will receive the same system as was installed on the No. 1 course.

It is of prime importance that these landing areas and approaches be kept in the finest possible condition and they are the first areas to receive attention in any watering system. It is, therefore, entirely logical that these areas should have the most efficient plan and the one with the lowest labor cost, for the balance of the fairway area may be neglected until times of extreme drought.

Minimum pressures of 60 pounds will be maintained at all outlets, due to the lesser length and roll of the ground. In the main, pressures will vary from 115 to 80 pounds and the system will provide for 300 g. p. m.

A word in regard to the pump used might not be out of place. As there was no water supply available other than a drilled well, a 10-inch well was sunk to a depth of 90 feet In the casing were installed runners for a centrifugal pump and a vertical lift centrifugal pump with an initial lift of 60 feet was installed. The 10-inch well has been tested to

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### LECCO RAISES GRASS—THE COMPOST PILE RAISES NOTHING BUT CAIN

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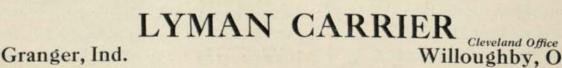
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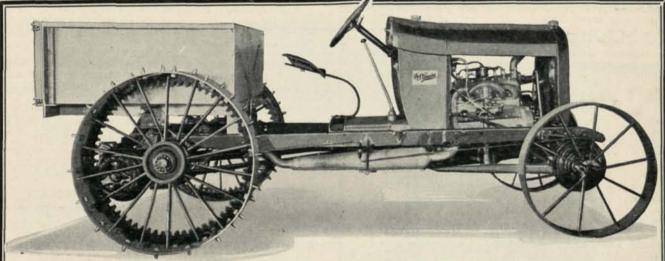
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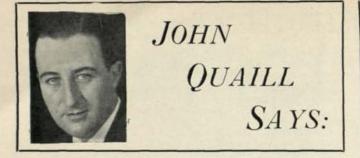


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