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The Editor, The National Greenkeeper, Caxton Building, ChEVELAND, Chio, U.S.A.

Hay 12th 1930

Dear Sir,

Your letter of April 24th has been received, and I also acknowledge the safe arrival of the back numbers of your Mational Greenkeeper, for all of which please accept my best thanks, and as regards the cost of these please advise us the amount we are indebted to you so that it can be remitted promptly by cheque.

As you know, we are subscribers to your publication, and had already read the articles referred to in the third paragraph of your letter, but we thought perhaps there might be some certain pamphlets or other articles issued in book form that might have excaped our attention, and it was for this reason that we wrote to you on this subject.

The writer congratulates you on your magazine, which is unique in any country.

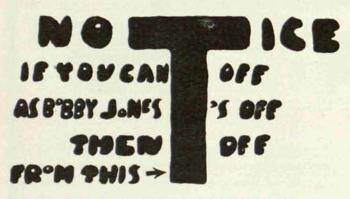
We have a Research Station here at Bingley, in Yorkshire, which is doing very valuable work and adopting methods similar to those used by the agricultural colleges and others in your country that specialize in Grasses for golf courses like your college at Amberst, Mass., and there is no doubt that the field is very large and the opportunities are many.

We look forward every month to receiving your publication, and congratulate you on the amount of interesting matter that you put into it, and the instructive articles it contains, and there is no doubt that the golf courses in America are the better off because of the close study and help afforded them by.-the National Association of Greenkeepers of America, and the writer speaks from personal experience, as it has been his ploasure to play on several of your best courses at different times when he has visited your country.

Yours very truly. LIMITED

The National Greenkeeper, Cleveland, Ohio.

Our greenkeeper, Mr. J. Nicoloff, became very, very tired from having to continually tell members not to "tee off" on the nice green tee but from between the white markers. Their *plowing* became obnoxious.



The enclosed miniature sign is a duplicate of the original which is placed at an advantageous corner of the mutilated tee. He would like to see a photograph of the same reproduced in your publication.

> Sincerely yours, Custodian, Oberlin (Ohio) Golf Course.

## New Golf Courses

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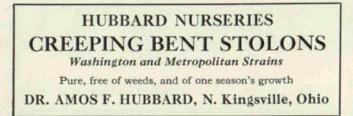
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### PRINCETON, ILL.

A special committee of the Bureau Valley Country Club, consisting of Attorney Perry D. Trimble and Hugh Ferris, launched a subscription campaign among members of the club for \$5,000, with which to purchase and improve a twelve-acre addition to the club grounds, and also build grass greens on all nine holes.

### PLEASANTVILLE, N. Y.

Westchester golfers are to have, probably by the end of 1931, a new public county golf course, the fifth to be constructed by the Westchester County Park Commission. The new course, eighteen holes, will be laid out in Greenburgh, west of Central Avenue, near Hartsdale Avenue, the extension of Fenimore Road. An initial



appropriation of \$200,000 for the course is asked by the Commission of 1931 work.

### SHELBINA, MO.

Harry Robertson plans to start immediately on the construction of a nine-hole golf course on his farm eight miles south of Shelbina. The course will have a total length of 3.316 yards, the longest hole being 545 yards. Mr. Robertson believes he will have between 50 and 60 members of a golf club at \$15 yearly dues, nearly that many from Shelbina and Paris having already agreed to go into it.

### BRUNSWICK, GA.

The Young Men's Club is very much interested in the establishment of a municipal golf course in Brunswick and its special committee, with George Cunningham as chairman, is working on the project. An interesting report was made at a recent meeting, showing that suitable land can be acquired for the club, a house and a nine-hole course built for about \$25,000. Several sites had been investigated.

### WORCHESTER, MASS.

Plans for a membership effort and a program of procedure will be drawn up at a meeting of the group of Auburn and Worcester residents interested in converting the Harry W. Goddard estate in Auburn into a new country club. The group has taken an option on the property and proposes to construct a nine-hole golf course, adding another nine later, and to alter the 11room house into a modern and attractive club building. Those interested in the project are Arthur W. Warren, Eberett W. Stone, George A. Duval, George Rawson, James E. Fish and Fred Kingdon.

### SIOUX CITY, IA.

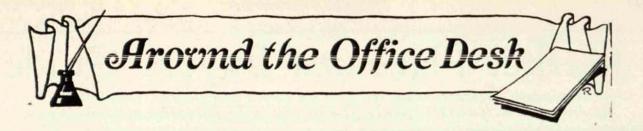
Interest in obtaining a municipal golf course for residents of Leeds and the North Side was shown at a recent meeting of the Floyd Valley Chamber of Commerce.

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The organization selected a committee to find a suitable location for such a course. Members of the committee are: Frank Skrivan, chairman; Verne J. Glood, W. J. Kineen, George Giesler and W. A. McNulty. Dr. J. H. Lynch is president of the Floyd Valley Chamber of Commerce. Several locations are being considered by the committee, which is assured the cooperation of Milton Perry Smith, commissioner of parks.



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### Fairway Irrigation for LaFayette

The National Greenkeeper, Cleveland, Ohio.

### Gentlemen:

I received a letter from our worthy president asking me to write and tell just what we did to overcome this exceptionally dry summer and I am sorry that I didn't get time to write you sooner, but we installed a fairway sprinkling system.

Our Green committee chairman, Mr. Fred Holmes, made the suggestion which passed the Board of Directors and the system, that is the Buckner Valve system, is now installed on numbers one, three and four fairways.

As I did not employ any extra help to do this work it only cost the club \$795.00 for material. This includes a plumber's outfit, so we could cut all the pipe on the job, but it does not include the valves and sprinkler heads which cost about \$150.00.

Mr. Holmes suggested that travelling sprinklers be used on numbers five, seven and eight fairways, but I am in hopes that this will also be taken care of by valves as the cost of installation is so small and the operation of the sprinklers so much more satisfactory that I have no doubt at all that the Board will give us sufficient funds to complete our system as started.

> VICTOR GEORGE, Greenkeeper, Country Club of LaFayette, LaFayette, Indiana.

## Obituary

### ALEX ROSS

O N Saturday, September 27, 1930, Alex Ross, of Excelsior Springs, Missouri, passed on to that perfect course where troubles fail to exist. Mr. Ross was a charter member of the National Association of Greenkeepers of America, having joined when the organization was in its infancy.

Mr. Ross was born February 21, 1866, at Nairn, Scotland and when still quite a young man went to Glasgow to enter the employ of Andrew Forgan, professional at

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one of the Glasgow clubs. In 1899 he came to the United States and became employed in the Chicopee Falls factory of A. G. Spalding & Bros., where he worked until 1904 when he was transferred to the Nassau street store of the same company. He began his greenkeeping career in 1910 when he became attached to the Excelsior Springs course. He was also the professional at this club.

When he took over the management of the Excelsior Springs course it was still in the construction stage as a nine-hole course. He has superintended every detail of its enlargement and development for the past twenty years and has seen it grow from nine holes to thirty-six. It is one of the outstanding courses of that section of the country and was kept in faultless shape.

The greenkeeping profession lost a valuable man when it lost Alex Ross, and his place will be hard to fill. He was a veteran who made good and using the words of a regular visitor to his course, "The course will stand for a long time to come as a fitting monument to the personal efforts of Alex Ross."

The National Association of Greenkeepers of America extends to the family and their friends our deepest sympathy and condolence in the loss of one so near and dear to them.



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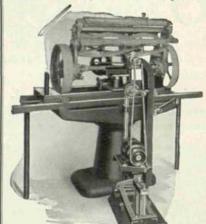
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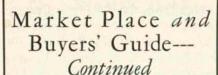
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These Overgreens were satisfactory in the main, but in some cases where the turf conditions were exceptional, the high wheel units with which these are equipped, were found not to be as desirable nor as well liked by the greenkeepers as the roller type.

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### Golf News Here and There

Batavia, Ill.—Fox Valley Country Club has taken title to a golf course south of Batavia.

Cresco, Ia.—The West Union Country Club plans to lease 57 acres now owned by the city for a new golf course.

Duluth, Minn.—Nine holes are cleared, and nine more holes are expected to be cleared before winter on the new municipal golf links at Lester Park. Beloit, Wis.—The Beloit Golf Links will be enlarged to an 18-hole course to be in operation during the summer.

F. W. Union, Ia.—Work was begun Monday to put into shape the West Union Country Club's new golf course, on the Paige farm.

Ogden, Utah.—A golf building plan is being studied by representatives of the El Monte Springs corporation and City Engineer J. C. Brown.

Wytheville, Va.—The work of laying out the new golf links recently given to the people of Wytheville by a former resident of the town is progressing rapidly.

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Green Bay, Wis.—A new 18-hole Shorewood Golf course will be laid out under the direction of Stanley Pelchar, it was decided at the last meeting of the officers.

Toledo, Ohio.—Construction will soon be started on the new nine-hole municipal golf course in Collins Park, Reubin Retchtel, commissioner of recreation announced. Utica, Ind.—Green Hills Country Club of Utica, no capital stock; objects, establishment and maintenance of a club and recreational grounds for entertainment; incorporators, Louis A. Powell, Eugene Schwab, George F. Bickel, Frank R. Kossa and Harry T. Ferguson.

Boone, Ia.—Tentative plans to add nine holes to the Boone Country club golf course were made at a meeting of the club. The plans depend on the finding of suitable land for the project. A golfing expert will be employed to make a survey of the present course and get offers for the addition of the new holes.

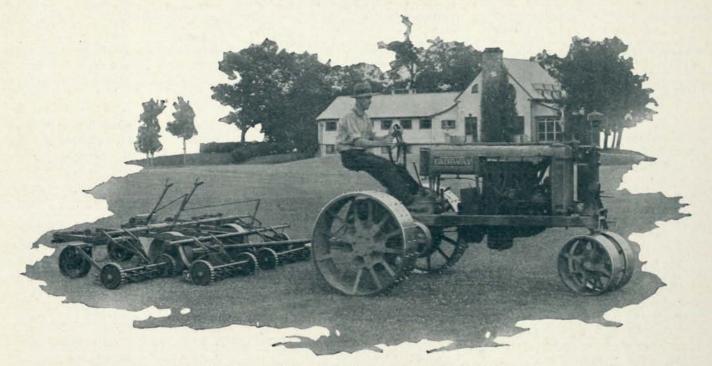
Rushford, Minn.—Rushford is to have a golf course. It is to be located on Trunk highway No. 9, two miles east of town, where the club has bought a fifty acre tract from Herb Hoiseth. George H. Julsrus is president; L. R. Kierland, John M. Miller, vice presidents; Edgar Eggen, secretary; Elvin Humble, treasurer. L. R. Kierland is superintendent of the course committee.

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