

Mid-West Notes

BY A. L. BRANDON, *Secretary*

THE July meeting will be held at one of the following places: Tam O'Shanter Country Club, Norwood Park Illinois, or at the D. Hill Nursery, Dundee, Illinois. If we meet at the Hill Nursery the morning will be spent at the nursery and the afternoon at Mr. Hill's club, the Crystal Lake Country Club. Meeting notice will contain all data.

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The annual U. S. G. A. Green Section meet will be held August 31st, at the Lasker estate, Everett, Illinois. This day also is the opening of the U. S. G. A. Amateur Championship play at Beverly Country Club. Complete details of the Green Section meet will be made in the next issue of THE NATIONAL GREENKEEPER.

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High temperature and humidity have been the general weather conditions of late—and out here in Saint Charles someone must have lost cultures of turf diseases and whatnots—anyway at present they are making their headquarters at the course. One doesn't have to walk to a green to investigate, they bat you down before you get out of the shop door.

Pacific Coast Gossip

By ARTHUR LANGTON

THE warm, dry weather having arrived in deadly earnest, the months of July, August and September will see 40 southern California golf courses use not less than a billion gallons of water for irrigation purposes. This is enough water to form a lake 25 feet deep, 1000 feet long, and 800 feet wide—big enough to drown a refreshing number of the people who solicitously ask, "Is it hot enough for you?"

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That golf and higher education on the Pacific Coast are becoming synonymous is indicated by the presence of two fine university-owned courses. Stanford University, alma mater of President Hoover, at Palo Alto, California, has devoted a portion of its huge "farm" to a truly fine eighteen-hole layout. Washington University at Seattle has a nine-hole course in charge of Bill Jefferson which also has a non-student membership. This latter course is located on the banks of Lake Washington and offers a splendid vantage point for viewing the crew races which are held there.

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A note of sadness was sounded in greenkeeping circles when Ed Merrit, affectionately known at Pop Merrit, died recently. He was the greenkeeper and designer of the Santa Monica Municipal Golf course in California.

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Accompanying the hot and unusually humid weather has come a vicious attack of brown patch which has overlooked scarcely a single course in the district. At the July meeting of the Southern California greenkeepers not one of those present could boast of a clean record. Every available remedy had been tried without apparent success.

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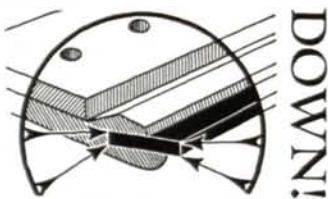
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Aug. 3, 3 p. m., Philadelphia Country Club (Spring Mill Course), W. Conshohocken, Pa.

Aug. 4, 3 p. m., Oakmont Country Club, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Aug. 10, 3 p. m., Century Country Club, White Plains, N. Y.

Aug. 17, 3 p. m., Sedgefield Country Club, Greensboro, N. C.

Aug. 19, 3 p. m., Country Club of Virginia (James River Course), Richmond, Va.

Aug. 26, 3 p. m., Hyde Park Golf and Country Club, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Aug. 28, 3 p. m., Indian Trails Golf Course, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Aug. 31, 4 p. m., Mid-West Turf Garden, Mill Road Farm Golf Course, Everett, Ill.

Sept. 8, 3 p. m., Westwood Country Club, St. Louis, Mo.

Sept. 10, 10 a. m., Tulsa Country Club, Tulsa, Okla.

Sept. 24, 3 p. m., Municipal Golf Course, Niagara Falls, N. Y.

The meeting at the Mid-West turf garden, at 4 p. m., on August 31, will be held at the time of the National Amateur Championship.

Canadian News

By J. H. EVANS, *Golf Editor, the Toronto Globe*

Big Business placed a proposition before President Sansom of the Ontario Greenkeepers' association, Secretary Bert Hawkins and two score more greenkeepers and course superintendents on June 14 in the Royal Connaught Hotel, Hamilton, at a luncheon after the greenkeepers and course superintendents had witnessed what Big Business had to offer them.

Big Business represented in the Canadian Industries Limited, a concern capitalized in the millions with wide ramifications extending from table salt to the manufacture of fertilizer for the farmer and the golfer, offered to accept any idea which the greenkeepers might suggest, produce a special fertilizer and then turn it over to any club for use free of cost, for experimental purposes.

Prior to the luncheon, Mr. Sansom and his party were taken through the million dollar plant of Canadian Industries Limited located at Hamilton, Ont., and erected for the purpose of manufacturing superphosphate for fertilizing purposes. Its capacity is 75,000 tons per annum by a new process. The plant has also a capacity of 50,000 tons per annum of mixed fertilizer. The phosphate rock is brought from Morocco and Florida.

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Later in the day Mr. Sansom and his party went to the course of the Mississauga Golf and Country to view the play-off for the Canadian open golf championship. They were met by Course Superintendent Stansfield who had spent several weeks preparing the lay-out for the tournament. Walter Hagen, the champion, complimented the club on the condition of its course after he had won the championship, and Stansfield was pleased with the tributes which he received.

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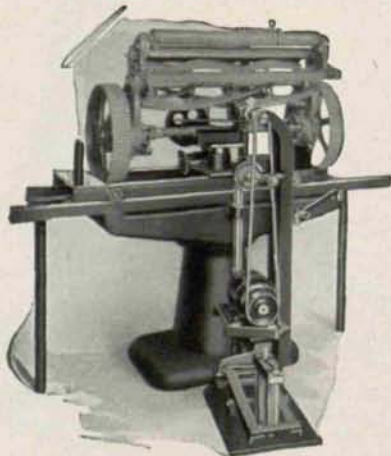
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