change their greens. It is just too bad that this club got Virginia instead of Washington bent, because it is a sweetheart of a golf course.

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After eating all of Alex's pretzels we went across the way to Meadowbrook, Minneapolis Municipal course number four. Mr. Byrne is greenkeeper and he has certainly done well with his problems. Here are some of them—shortage of help, heavy play, cracks in peat fairways, poor drainage and reconstruction work to do beside maintenance. The course is interestingly laid out and the greens well shaped.

The bent is cut closely every other day with a power mower. The cracks in the fairways have been filled with peat most likely because lots of peat is available and because peat will expand and fill cracks well. There is a difference of opinion on this and it will be educational to watch Byrne's success.

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This course has a tee problem like every other public course. The players pay no attention to markers and shoot from the front of the tee until the grass is all gone. They continue to shoot from bare ground rather than sacrifice a yard of length by moving on to good turf. Byrne keeps improving the course all the time and works hard keeping it in good condition.

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They have reduced playing rates on his course and he is getting plenty of sand green golfers. The first Sunday after rates were reduced nine divots were taken out of a green. That is hard on a greenkeeper and adds to upkeep.

Byrne and Repin are fine hosts and the meeting was very worthwhile. The next meeting will be held Monday, June 13, at Woodhill Country Club.

# Oklahoma News

By MERLE ZWEIFEL

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m IGGER}$  and better golf courses are in prospect for Oklahoma golfers if the intentions of the Green chairmen and greenkeepers are carried out.

Sapulpa, Oklahoma, has just started construction on its new nine-hole municipal layout—work on two new municipal courses was started last month in Oklahoma City—C. S. Avery is building greens for an 18-hole commercial course northeast of Tulsa, and the Tulsa park board have laid plans for the construction of an 18-hole course at Mohawk Park with greens to be planted to bent grass to replace the sand greens on the course now in use.

And the new Woodlawn Park course at 36th and Lincoln Streets at Oklahoma City will be opened for play within the next few days with brand new Cocoos bent grass greens.

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The Capitol Hill Golf Club of Oklahoma opened last week with a nine-hole grass green course which will be operated on a fee basis by Pard Wood, owner of the club. Jake Veal, veteran Oklahoma greenkeeper, will have charge of maintenance.

That the older clubs of Oklahoma have shamefully neglected their fairways during the last few years was "plain talk" at the recent meeting of the Tulsa District Association and greenkeepers which was held at Indian Hills last week. It was estimated that 95% of the clubs in Oklahoma never allow one cent for fairway fertilization and turf development when planning their future

Last year a prominent club in central Oklahoma built a club house at a cost of approximately \$90,000.00. The services of a well-known golf architect were obtained to lay out a beautiful golf course. Thousands of dollars were spent on the soil structure and proper drainage of the greens and other thousands were spent in an effort to obtain a soft, velvety putting surface. But the directors of that club seemed to forget that the average golfer spends a considerable portion of his time on the fairways.

Since the opening of that course not one cent has been spent on the fairways except for mowing and general maintenance. Such conditions prevail at almost every club in Oklahoma and it seems that in the majority of cases fairways are never given a thought. When club chairmen realize the fact that good fairways are as important as greens or tees to members who play a good game of golf, then will Oklahoma courses be running a close second to those "up north."

Elizabeth, Ill.

budget.

Golf enthusiasts of this town and vicinity recently formed a golf organization in the K. P. hall. Plans are being made now for building of links here, to be located on the Burl J. Reed farm.

Kent, Wash.

Considerable improvements are under consideration on the Mountain View Golf course, and Francis L. James, famous golf course builder has been engaged to make plans at once. This is an 18-hole course.



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# Eastern New York Greenkeepers Organize

By JACK GORMLEY, Greenkeeper, Van Schaick Island Country Club, Cohoes, New York

THE first meeting of the North-eastern New York Greenkeepers' Association was held on Wednesday, May 11, 1932, at the Ten Eyck Hotel, Albany, N. Y. Dinner was served before the meeting and about fifteen prospective members enjoyed a repast that was excellently served and it helped to create a feeling of comerraderie necessary to the organizing of a new section.

After retiring to the conference room later, approximately ten greenkeepers who could not be present at dinner joined the assembly swelling the number present to twenty-five. Mr. George Pulver of McGregor Links, Saratoga Springs, N. Y., acted as temporary chairman of the gathering.

Jack Gormley, greenkeeper at the Van Schaick Island Country Club and district vice-president of this section, recently appointed by Col. John Morley to act in that capacity, was the first speaker. He pointed out the benefits to be derived by organizing and helping one another to thrash out the problems confronting the greenkeepers today, and showed how necessary such co-operation was in the face of present economic conditions. He read the

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by-laws of the National association and they were enthusiastically received and adopted as read.

John Melville, builder of the Troy Country Club, was to have been the next speaker but illness prevented him from being present. Jim Thompson of Mohawk Golf Club, Schenectady, N. Y., was very sincere in his remarks on co-operation among greenkeepers and lauded the National Greenkeeper Magazine for its worthwhile contents. Otto J. Swennson, Toro Manufacturing Co., also made a few remarks.

It was then voted to name this new branch the Northeastern New York Greenkeepers' Association, and to hold periodical meetings at least once a month.

John Melville of the Troy Country Club was elected the first president; Jack Gormley, first vice-president; T. Roy Smith of Stamford Country Club, 2nd vicepresident; C. S. McBride of Edison Country Club, Secretary-Treasurer.

Others present included, John Lord of Antlers' Club, Amsterdam, N. Y., E. A. Nash of McGregor Links, M. A. Newton of Schuyler Meadows, Bill Bowman, Schalren Country Club, Jack Aussiker, Mohawk Golf Club, George Clewes, Catskill Country Club, Alec McIntrye and Bob Mitchell of Edison Country Club, R. J. Cullen, Albany Municipal Course, Alex Tallman, Schalren Country Club, Floyed Nelson, Sacandaga Park, Jerry Stack and W. J. Collier, Cobleskill Country Club, Scott North, Normandside Country Club, and Tom Good-

Still others who have signified their intention of joining and becoming members are: J. Louis Gregory of Wolferts Roost, Mike Onkosh of Mechanicville Golf Club, Eddie Brown, Shaker Ridge, Tim O'Connell, Luzerne Villa, Leo Gill, Columbia Country Club, and R. C. Blase, Schenectady Country Club.

The next meeting will probably be held at the Mohawk Golf Club, or the Van Schaick Island Country Club.

Durango, Colo.

Work on the municipal golf course has just been started, according to announcement of President H. H. Jeffrey, of the Animas Golf Club.

Lincoln, Nebr.

Work has started on the 18 new greens of the Pioneers' Park Golf course and it is anticipated that same will be ready for play early part of June.

Aneta, No. Dak.

Plans are about completed for a nine hole golf course, according to meeting just held at the Aneta Commercial Club. The committee in charge is Dr. E. L. Grinnell, L. Hanson and W. S. Schley.

# Give the Greenkeeper a Chance

# -An Editorial

By ROBERT E. POWER

Editor, The National Greenkeeper

Grass is a living thing. Golf club officials must not think of golf course maintenance in the same way they consider other departments of the club because these departments deal with fixed inanimate things that may be arranged for in advance.

One may never know on the golf course what will happen from day to day. Climatic conditions change almost hourly and the greenkeeper with his millions of growing "children" must nurse and feed them as the need arises if they are to thrive and grow and furnish pleasure and comfort to the golfers who play over his course.

Grass, like other growing things, sometimes gets sick. It is subject to the vagaries of nature because it is exposed to whatever weather may come to visit it. The greenkeeper who is the shepherd of his grass plants, cannot prevent their exposure to the elements—he can only provide the strength and resistance they need to keep their heads up and smile in the faces of the golfers who cross their doorsteps every day.

The wise greenkeeper is an Edison—he is never satisfied with what was done the day before. He must study conditions and experiment to improve them. His is a daily problem ever changing, ever entrancing, ever calling for initiative, intelligence, and courage to try new methods that may bring his golf course nearer perfection with a saving in labor and material.

Give the greenkeeper a chance. If he has the vision to make his job a success he will be the golf club's greatest asset. If he fails that is his fault. But if the club officials give him no chance it's the club's fault.

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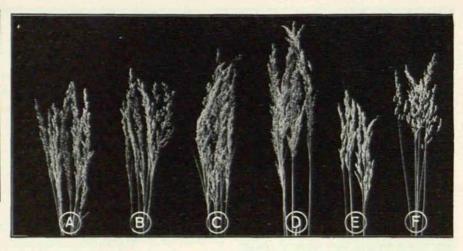
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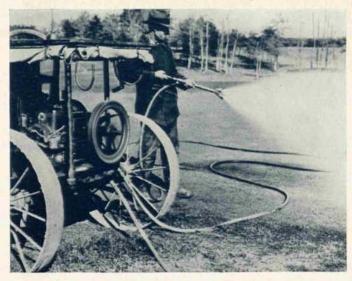
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