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# Annual Meeting of the United States Golf Association Green Section

The annual meeting of the United States Golf Association Green Section was held at the Hotel Commodore, New York City, January 4 and 5, 1929. As in previous years the meeting included three sessions, two on Friday, the 4th, and one on Saturday morning. Mr. Findlay S. Douglas, newly elected president of the United States Golf

Association, presided at each session.

The program was opened Friday morning with the annual report of the Research Committee of the Green Section presented by the acting chairman, Mr. H. L. Westover. This was followed by a discussion of past and present greenkeeping problems from the viewpoints of the greenkeeper, the chairman of the green committee, and the professional. The discussion was opened by Mr. John Morley, president of the National Association of Greenkeepers of America, with a review of the developments in greenkeeping in recent years. Mr. R. F. Arnott, chairman of the green committee of the Upper Montclair Country Club and chairman of the New Jersey State Golf Association Green Section, followed with a presentation of his views on how the chairman might contribute to the improvement of turf Mr. J. B. Mackie, treasurer of the Professional on his course. Golfers' Association of America, then discussed the recent developments in golf courses from the viewpoint of the professional. After this interesting discussion Mr. J. W. Bryant, Jr., told of the work the member clubs of the Detroit District Golf Association were doing in the standardization and analysis of maintenance costs in that district.

The afternoon session on Friday was devoted to reports on the work of the Green Section. The first three discussions dealt chiefly with the new developments in the establishment of experiment stations and demonstration plots throughout the country. These were followed by a presentation of the extension phase of the Green Section work. The last two papers reported some recent results of the Green

Section experimental work.

The first part of the Saturday morning session was devoted to a consideration of the organization of the Green Section's work. Mr. W. D. Vanderpool outlined the plan and purpose of the Green Section's organization, and Mr. H. P. Kidd spoke briefly on the newly formed Metropolitan District Green Section, showing how it was coordinated with the national organization. Dr. G. P. McRostie then spoke of the golf turf work being done in Canada. The closing paper on the program was an extremely interesting discussion of soils in relation to golf course turf by Dr. J. G. Lipman.

The material given in a number of the papers presented at the meeting appears as articles in the current number of the Bulletin.

Others will follow in the March number. Those who were unable to attend the meeting may thus have opportunity of becoming acquainted with the reports and discussions given in New York.

The program follows:

#### JANUARY 4, 10 A. M.

Opening remarks	.CHAIRMAN FINDLAY S. DOUGLAS	
Annual report of the acting chairman of the United		
States Golf Association Green Section Research		
Committee	H. L. WESTOVER	
Greenkeeping yesterday and today.	John Morley	
Old and new turf problems as viewed by a green com-		
mittee chairman	R. F. ARNOTT	
A professional's view of turf proble	msJohn B. Mackie	
Green cost analysis	J. W. BRYANT, JR.	

## JANUARY 4, 2 P. M.

The Green Section experimental work	.John Monteith, Jr.
The new experimental turf garden in Chicago.	C. A. TREGILLUS
The new Green Section demonstration plots a	s an aid

## JANUARY 5, 9 A. M.

# Annual Report of the Acting Chairman of the United States Golf Association Green Section Research Committee for 1928

### By H. L. Westover

On November 30, 1928, the Green Section completed its eighth year of service—six years (1921-1926) as a separate organization. and two years (1927-1928) as the instrument of the Green Section Committee of the United States Golf Association. In spite of numerous handicaps it is believed that the year as a whole can be regarded as one of progress and accomplishment.

During the entire existence of the Green Section there has never before been a season when conditions were so trying for turf grasses. The hot, humid weather was especially favorable for the development of various diseases, and much excellent turf was seriously damaged in spite of control measures. However, these unusual conditions offered an excellent opportunity for experimentation, and it is believed that the information gained will be very helpful in meeting such emergencies in the future. Considerable progress can be reported in further control of some of the destructive turf grass dis-