

Philadelphia Green Section and Service Bureau

By H. Kendall Read

The activities of the Philadelphia Service Bureau date back to March, 1921. At that time it was operated separately, but later merged with the Philadelphia Green Section and carried on under its present title. Its purpose is to make possible more efficient buying and to have available for its members information on all matters affecting course maintenance. Its membership consists primarily of members of green committees, although all officers and members of clubs are eligible also. Our territory embraces the Philadelphia district and adjoining sections of New Jersey, but we have member clubs from more distant points, to whom we are happy to extend our service.

We issue bulletins covering timely subjects as they arise, but at no fixed dates. While we have never had any regular schedule of meetings we have held many sessions that have proved educational and most helpful. Various members of the United States Golf Association Green Section and the United States Department of Agriculture have attended these sessions and have given information and advice of the most helpful character. We owe much to these men for their generous cooperation. Our principal source of information on all technical questions is the United States Golf Association Green Section, and without its help we could not hope to operate as successfully.

The officers and executive committee of the Philadelphia Green Section and Service Bureau are as follows: President, Otto W. Schaum, Whitemarsh Valley Country Club; vice-president, George W. Satterthwaite, Huntingdon Valley Country Club; treasurer, Raymond M. Slotter, Philmont Country Club; secretary, Edward P. Challenger, Merchantville Country Club, Merchantville, N. J.; chairman Service Bureau, H. Kendall Read, Country Club of Atlantic City. Other committee members are Frank H. Chapman, Whitemarsh Valley Country Club, and Willis F. Manges, Springhaven Club. The office of the association is at 803 Harrison Building, Philadelphia, Pa.

Long Island Greenkeepers' Association

By Charles Walker

Our association has only recently been formed, and our membership is now only about 30 but we hope to increase it materially. During 1930 we held meetings the second Tuesday of each month at different golf clubs, where the course was critically inspected and the various problems which it presented were informally discussed. Our plans are to arrange for a series of lectures to be delivered by experts in golf course maintenance and turf management, also to arrange for social meetings and competitions, and in general to promote a closer fellowship, both social and professional, among greenkeepers and assistants in the Long Island district.

The officers of the Long Island Greenkeepers' Association for 1930 were as follows: President, Abner E. Affeldt, Glen Oaks Golf Club; vice president, A. Lunstrum, Crescent Athletic Club; secretary, Allan Jarvis, Northport Golf Club; treasurer, Ben Zukosky, Links Golf Club; trustees, J. Dishington, Creek Club, and H. Williams, Deepdale Golf Club.

The following officers have been elected for 1931: President, Edward O'Brien, Fresh Meadow Golf and Country Club; vice-president, Eugene Early, Hempstead Country Club; secretary, Harry Williams, Deep Dale Golf Club, Great Neck, L. I.; treasurer, Ben Zukosky, Links Golf Club; trustees, Abner E. Affeldt, Glen Oaks Golf Club, and Sidney Black, Engineers' Country Club.

Wisconsin Greenkeepers' Association

By C. L. Bingham

Our association is the spontaneous outgrowth of the first short course for greenkeepers held at the University of Wisconsin, in February, 1930. Its active membership is confined to greenkeepers on golf courses in the State of Wisconsin. Assistant greenkeepers and members of green committees are admitted as associate members. Others who wish to encourage the movement join as contributing members.

The formal organization meeting was held at Blue Mound Country Club, Wauwatosa, in March, 1930, where we were addressed by the chairmen of the green committees of Blue Mound Country Club and Brynwood Country Club. The committees appointed at that time engaged suitable legal help to draw up articles of organization and by-laws, which were duly filed with the secretary of state of Wisconsin and the register of deeds of Milwaukee County.

The first officers were: President, Paul Brockhausen, Blue Mound Country Club; first vice-president, John S. Bone, Blackhawk Country Club; second vice-president, Charles L. Ream, Green Bay Country Club; secretary and treasurer, Charles L. Bingham, Municipal Golf Course, Beloit; director for one year, C. B. McCann, Hillcrest Country Club; director for two years, Robert Michaels, Oconomowoc Country Club; director for three years, Robert E. Farmer, Brynwood Country Club.

During the playing season of 1930 three additional meetings were held. The first was in May, at Blackhawk Country Club, Madison, where the main address was delivered by A. S. Dahl, on snow-mold. Another meeting was in July, at Hillmoor Golf Club, Lake Geneva, where Wesley Merrifield and Messrs. Harrison and Ream, of the United States Golf Association Green Section's Mid-West turf garden, answered questions. In September a greenkeepers' tournament was held at Lawsonia Country Club, Green Lake. The average attendance at the 1930 meetings was 41. The practice at these summer meetings has been to take the visitors on their arrival on an inspection of the course at which they were guests. In all cases there have been interesting work and seasonal problems. After these inspections lunches were served, followed by the business meetings and discussions. We have received many invitations to meet at courses in all parts of the state.

The purpose of our association is educational. It largely centers around the short course for greenkeepers at the State University. Two sessions have been held, one in February, 1930, at which 58 were registered, and another in the same month of 1931, at which the registration was 62. The program for these short courses is varied and practical. They bring the greenkeepers in personal contact with those at the experiment station whose training and every-day work are