

mowed higher and there is more leaf surface to protect, higher rates of fungicide are required in spraying. Phenyl mercuric acetate formulations should not be applied to Merion bluegrass tees as Merion is sensitive to this chemical and could be weakened or badly injured by it.

Insecticide treatments also are needed on all tee grasses but again the finer ones such as bentgrass, the hybrid strains of bermudagrass and other dense spreading grasses require extra treatments over the season to combat surface feeders as well as grubs. The finer the turf and the more accelerated the program of fertilizer and water application, the softer and more palatable the grass plant and so the greater the protection needed against insects over the year. Tees and greens are prime targets for instinctive insects.

A definite program of tee marker

movement is a must for any successful tee program. Markers should be moved daily on heavily played courses. They should be moved by someone who appreciates and understands the game of golf. It is important to square each set of markers with the intended line of flight on each hole.

Finally, clean towels, ball washers with fresh soap and water, and adequate trash receptacles are an important part of the overall tee picture. These, together with all else discussed, round out the sum total of the important factors for a complete tee program which make up one important part of the exquisite beauty that is the well-managed, well-maintained golf course.

COMING EVENT

June 8-9

Mississippi Turf Conference
Mississippi State University
State College, Miss.

Shield for Housing Area

How would you cope with the problem of shielding a new housing development that suddenly sprang up adjacent to some hole on your golf course? The solution of the Salem Country Club in Peabody, Mass., was to build a soil abutment along the right side approximately seven feet high.

This blocked out the right and directed tee shots to the left side of the 13th fairway, almost entirely eliminating any stray shots to the development. The housing development is obscured entirely from the tee and so presents little or no mental hazard.

In the photograph, Supt. John



O'Connor is flanked by Green Section Staff Member Holman Griffin, left, and Green Section Committeeman Charles Wenzel, right.