

MEETING OF THE GREEN SECTION AT THE ST. LOUIS COUNTRY CLUB, SEPTEMBER 20, 1921.

In connection with the Amateur Golf Championship Tournament of the United States, a meeting of the Green Section was held at the clubhouse of the St. Louis Country Club on the evening of September 20. About 200 people were in attendance. Mr. E. J. Marshall acted as chairman. Mr. Sterling E. Edmunds, of St. Louis, in a few well-chosen words, welcomed the visitors to St. Louis. President Howard F. Whitney, of the U. S. Golf Association, spoke briefly of the history of the Green Section and complimented its activity and efficiency. The main address of the evening was by Prof. Lyman Carrier, on "Identifying the Common Grasses of Golf Courses by their Vegetative Characters." His address created much interest and brought forth numerous questions from the audience. Mr. E. J. Marshall explained the importance of district green sections, relating in detail the beneficial results accomplished by the Detroit District Green Section. He earnestly advised the organization of a similar district green section at St. Louis. Mr. Alan D. Wilson spoke of the splendid service being rendered by the Philadelphia District Green Section. Prof. C. V. Piper, chairman of the Green Committee of the U. S. Golf Association, spoke of the scope of the work of the Green Section, the problems it has to meet, and the results it has secured and the things it hopes to accomplish. The enthusiastic support of its members makes it certain that it will be a great factor in the progress of golf. The remainder of the evening was devoted to answering numerous questions covering nearly the entire field of green-keeping. Particularly interesting local problems were discussed by several St. Louis men.

Mr. E. B. Fay spoke at length of experience with sub-irrigated greens, the present conclusion being that they are still in the experimental stage. Mr. Robert Foulis, of the Bellerive Country Club; Mr. W. M. Warren, of the Algonquin Golf Club; Mr. Jack Baxter, of the Glen Echo Country Club, and Mr. Alex. Smith, of the Westwood Country Club, all discussed different problems of interest in connection with the maintenance of turf. During the season the brown-patch fungus disease was very severe, and this is the most serious factor to contend with. Mr. J. S. Clapper, of Minneapolis, exhibited photographs and models of a new spiked roller, a heavy one for fairways and a lighter one for greens. The use of the former for a year at Minneapolis indicates that it greatly helps the grass turf on fairways. Experiments on putting-greens are under way.

The interest and enthusiasm shown at the meeting make it certain that the St. Louis District Green Section will be formed at once.

MEETING OF THE GREEN SECTION OF THE PHILADELPHIA GOLF ASSOCIATION AT THE MERION CRICKET CLUB, SEPTEMBER 14, 1921.

The Green Section of the Philadelphia Golf Association was formed last July after a preliminary meeting at the Huntingdon Valley Golf Club, when the chairmen of the various green committees were the guests of Mr. George W. Elkins. This Green Section is composed of five members of the green committees from each of 28 clubs in the Philadelphia district. It has the customary officers, and standing committees on purchasing, machinery, golf-course construction, publicity, and membership.

