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BILL MONAHAN WRITES

Why not have standard markers on golf courses throughout the United States, so that the golfer will understand what they mean without referring to his score card on each different course he plays.

It seems that every club has its own colors or combination of colors on its markers that just adds to the confusion of the already confused golfer. How much easier it would be to standardize our out-of-bound marker, penalty markers, no penalty markers, yardage markers, and tee markers. It certainly would facilitate the maintenance of such markers if they were painted solid colors. The majority of the stakes could be left out year round and painted each spring where they stand.

I approve wholeheartedly of this plan and think that "Standard Markers" should be set up and approved by the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America, along with the local groups.

The Golf Clubs would only have to mention on the score card or on a sign on the first tee that "Standard Markers" are used on this course.

YOUR GOLF COMMITTEE

Ben Dziedzic, chairman of this years golf committee, wants everyone out to play golf at Rock Spring on the 14th of April. Ben is interested in establishing the handicaps and the teams that will play in competition with the Philadelphia Association in June.

Late arrivals should try to get in a few holes or at least bring your putter and try your skill on the putting green. Let's give Ben and his committee all the co-operation they need to make this a bang-up golf year.

If you have any suggestions on how to make a better golf meeting please contact Ben or any of the committee, who are; Red Wender, Percy Platt, and Bob Kapherr.

NEWS OF OTHER ASSOCIATIONS

The Philadelphia Association will hold its regular meeting Tuesday, April 7th at the Tavistock Country Club, Warwick Road, Tavistock, New Jersey (near Pine Valley). President Warren Bidwell extends his invitation to what promises to be a very interesting meeting. G.R. Kerns, Supt. of Tavistock will have plenty to show you.

The Connecticut Association had a booth in the recent Hartford Flower Show. The booth consisted of a miniature golf hole complete with the Supt's cottage. The publicity derived from this venture did much to further the profession. The Connecticut boys deserve a hand for a job well done. Warren Bidwell or Sherwood Moore can show you photographs of the display.

HEARD AT THE 19th HOLE

Red Caravella is now Superintendent at Pennbrook Golf Club in Basking Ridge. This is an 18 hole layout that is being put back into shape. Red would welcome a visit as he has many problems to discuss.

Carl Schmidt is now at the Elk View Country Club at Elks Lake, Pennsylvania.

Charles Storrier is Superintendent of the Race Brook Country Club at Orange, Connecticut. This is a 27 hole layout with beautiful Velvet Bent Greens. If you travel the Merritt Parkway to Exit 57 (Route 34) you will be directly in front of the club. Charlie would welcome a visit.

Lou Weiland is erecting a new, large maintenance building and office. It is of cinder block construction and will certainly give Lou plenty of room.

Fred Isleib was burned quite severely on the hands and face in a flash fire at the Canoe Brook Country Club maintenance shop. Fred is due to be discharged from the Overlook Hospital in Summit, any day now.

We understand that Dick Jordan, who has been confined to the Bergen Pines Hospital in Paramus, N.J., is now greatly improved and spending weekends at home. Dick would like to hear from some of the Association members.

Red Wender opened and closed a class for prospective tractor drivers recently. The reason for the sudden closing is that Red finds the closed body of the local ambulance much safer riding. Ask him about it.

YOUR APRIL MEETING

Your April meeting will be held on April 14th at the Rock Spring Country Club in West Orange. Your host for the day will be Bill Monahan. Golf will start immediately after 12:00 noon. For those of you who do not play golf Bill will have a tour of his work shop and Barns and anything else you'd like to see.

A business meeting will be held at 6:00 P.M. sharp. Dinner will be served at 7:00 P.M.

Our guest speaker will be Dr. R.P. Korbobo, Associate Extension Specialist in Ornamental Horticulture at Rutgers University. His subject will be; Planning the Landscape, which will be illustrated with his "Flannelgraph".

You can't afford to miss this meeting. Incidentally, please send back the enclosed card with the number in your party who will attend. This will help your host in his plans.

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