Greenkeepers Club of New England NEWSLETTER September, 1944

"What you do when you don't have to determines what you'll be when you can't help it." -Anon.

The August meeting of the Greenkeepers Club of New England was held at the Charles River Country Club. Earl Polhamus, the host, had his golf course well groomed, as the low scores testified.

The boys indulged in a round table discussion after removing the feed bag and the comments on current turf problems were very much the same. Shortage of labor, brown patch, drought, crabgrass, chinch bugs, grubs and skunks were the most popular reasons for taking aspirin. The one exception was Sgt. Dave Barry, who reported no grass, no trouble and no golf in Persia, where he has been for twenty-one months.

Jack Counsell read letters he had received from F. G. Tuscher, George Rommell and Tony Sperandio. Tuscher reports from somewhere in France that he is in the best of health that can be derived from an elongated diet of emergency "K" rations, rainy weather, sleeping underground and typical French mud. An occasional case of "Krotch Krickets" turns up but other than that all is well. His new address is—Lt. F. G. Tuscher, O-1549398—81st. Fitr. Sqdn.—50th Fitr. Grp.—A. P. O. No. 595, c/o Postmaster, New York City, New York.

Rommell is in Mississippi if he has not been sent across the pond since he wrote, and states that it is good to know that the old organization is carrying on at home and he is looking forward to the day when he can pick up again, where he left off. The new address is—Pvt. George J. Rommell, Jr., 31422145—Co. C—300th Infantry, Camp McCain, Mississippi.

Sperandio says that he enjoys the Newsletter and reading about the boys. He would like to know how loose is loose as a goose. (In your Editor's humble opinion it is a condition or state beyond description, free from restraint or tension, a flexible pliant sensation akin to a combination of diarrhoea and dysentery, either or both.) Tony reports that the labor situation is very good and they have the right kind of men. His address is A. J. Sperandio—M. M. 2/c, U. S. N., U. S. Terror, M. F. DW., c/o Fleet Post Office, San Francisco, California.

Stephen Hannon captured the first net prize with a score of 89-64. Homer Darling won second net with a snappy 87-65. Art Cody was in rare form and easily took low gross with a sparkling 74. Sgt. Dave Barry, after his long lay off, shot a very respectable 85 for second gross honors. Sam Mitchell won the high score prize with a good bowling score.

"Bud" Hayden is now employed as assistant to Art Anderson at Brae Burn.

Phil Cassidy has resigned at the Needham Golf Club after twenty years' service.

According to the Treasurer's report the following members are in good standing:

MEMBERS IN SERVICE

A. M. Barney David Barry Henry Mitchell Charles O'Keefe George Rommell Maurice Ryan Anthony Sperandio N. J. Sperandio Francis Tuscher Albert Zikorus

OTHER MEMBERS

Arthur Anderson T. P. Anderson Andrew Blake Manuel Braga Simeone Braio Nicholas Bruno Tom Burke Phillip Cassidy Chanm Jacob

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John Clinton
Arthur Cody
Harry Cottelle
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Homer Darling
Joseph Dinardi
Howard Farrant
Manuel Francis
Elmer Fuller
Valentine Flood
Franklin Hammond
Stephen Hannon
Paul Hayden
William Larner

Alex Ohlson
Edward Ohlson
Joseph Oldfield
Thomas O'Leary
William Partridge
Wallace Peckham
Geno Pettizoni
Edward Phinney
Lloyd Stott
Ralph Thomas
Paul Wanberg
Leslie Wildgust
Frank Wilson
Earl Polhamus

If you are not listed above communicate with Treasurer Jack Counsell, Salem Country Club, Peabody, or at his new home address, 129 Pine Street, Manchester, Mass.

It is regrettable that you did not receive this Newsletter before the September meeting, owing to the printer misplacing the copy.

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