

- c) The course is not likely to be so congested that crossing fairways would constitute a problem;
- d) Famous courses abroad have had crossing fairways (St. Andrews, for example).

E. Course is too difficult for beginners.

- a) The course is more difficult in appearance than in practice (there are no long compulsory carries).
- b) The design is such that the short player, by playing safe, can always have reasonable assurance of a good lie and a clear path to the green and, as is quite proper, he is penalized in strokes for his inability to play a long shot.
- c) Beginners should easily be able to adapt their game to the design of the course; in other words, they should (as is proper) emphasize direction and placement of shots, rather than distance alone.

F. Play cannot be seen from the Clubhouse.

This is true of most of the course, but

- a) The No. 9 green is immediately in front of the club veranda;
- b) The No. 1 tee can be easily seen from the club;
- c) Play on greens 1 and 4 can be seen from the veranda;
- d) A spectators' shelter located at No. 1 tee (130 yards in front of club) would give spectators an exceptionally good view of most of the play.

G. Plan does not call for sand traps and other artificial hazards.

- a) These can be added later;
- b) Use has been made of natural hazards so as to make the play interesting, and to give to the good player an incentive to try his best strokes (without, at the same time, penalizing the short player unduly).

H. Fairways overlap or are too narrow.

- a) It is not believed that congestion on course would be so great that this defect would create a serious problem.
- b) Except on short holes, fairways are regulation width (46 yards wide at 100 yards from the Tee, increasing to 60 yards).
- c) Narrow (or overlapping) fairways on short holes would be completely eliminated if Plan No. 1 were later expanded to Plan No. 2.

I. Grass greens are expensive and difficult to maintain.

- a) No data are available, but best opinion is that maintenance costs in Haiti would be in favor of grass greens in preference to sand greens.
- b) Original outlay for construction is definitely less for grass greens.

J. Soil is too rocky to assure good fairways.

- a) This is partly true, but only in the case of holes Nos. 1 & 9 (on steep hillside).
- b) Experiments demonstrate that even on rocky slopes a satisfactory growth of grass can be obtained.
- c) Most of play would be on fairways built on soil relatively free from stones and easily worked.