

Municipal Golf Course Assured

WPA Funds Allocated For City's Project

Approval of the Greensboro Gillespie park golf course project has been given by the Works Project administration in Washington, President Roosevelt has signed the letter of approval, and allocation of \$24,447 made, according to a telegram received Friday by C. W. Smedberg, city manager, from Representative Carl T. Durham.

This means the city can proceed with the project as soon as the papers have been returned to North Carolina and executed by the state WPA, expected in a few days. In his message Representative Durham stated he would push the matter through the office of the comptroller general, that the return of the papers along with the fund allocation to the state office might be expedited.

Durham Gives Help.

Mr. Smedberg stated Mr. Durham, sixth district representative in Congress, has been active in getting the project through the official routine in Washington.

The telegram Friday read: "Delighted to inform you application number 41,321, calling for construction of golf course sponsored by the city of Greensboro and the board of education of the Greater Greensboro school district has been approved by Works Project administration here and allocation made of \$24,447. President Roosevelt has signed letter of approval number D-2088 in connection with this application. Will push this matter through comptroller general's office and advise you when it clears this agency and is ready for execution by the WPA in North Carolina. I am happy to have been of assistance in this application. Carl T. Durham, M. C., sixth N. C. congressional district."

All-Summer Job.

Tentative plans for the golf course were prepared by Perry Maxwell, golf architect, Tulsa, Okla., and provides for an initial course of nine holes. While subject to minor changes as to location of holes, the tentative plans will permit rough work on the course pending completion of final plans. The work will be done during the spring and summer by WPA labor, under supervision of the city, which will provide some \$8,000 to \$10,000 of the cost, largely in use of trucks, machine grading and fertilizing material for the fairways and greens. It is expected work will be provided for some two to three score laborers much of the time until completion in the fall.

It is expected that by the time weather conditions permit all details will have been attended to and a force of workmen can be put to work clearing the fairways and greens and cleaning out undergrowth over the remainder of the area. By completing the course in the fall and seeding the area to grass, it is hoped to have the course ready for use by the public early next spring.

The area embraces the Gillespie park property of the school district and is to the rear of and alongside the Gillespie school on Asheboro street, though none of the playground of the school will be interfered with. The city already owns property to the rear and the nine holes will be so designed as to provide for future extension to an 18-hole course.