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Harrie Ansley Outlines Plans for Elaborate Course, Three Blocks West of Peachtree Road.

Plans for one of the most elaborate golf courses available for public use any where in the south were disclosed Saturday with application for a charter for the Colonial club. The club is to be located in the Collier road and Northside drive section, starting three blocks west of Peachtree road, it was announced by Harrie M. Ansley, prime mover in the undertaking.

Featuring the prospective development will be an 18-hole golf course of 7,000 yards in length, a large club house of strict colonial architecture, automobile parking grounds and practice course, riding school and grounds and other appointments of a fine country club, involving an approximate outlay of \$225,000 to \$250,000, Mr. Ansley said.

## **Option Is Obtained.**

Work on the project was under way for more than a year before arrangements were given definite shape in form of the charter application, making announcement of the details authentic, Wr. Ansley stated. The nucleus for the operating organization already is in hand, option of the tract of land, in excess of 125 acres, has been obtained from the Andrew J. Collier estate, a preliminary architect drawing, of the clubbouse has been completed by Burge & Stevens, architects, all engineering details have been worked out by O. I. Freeman, and contract for laying of the course is being prepared for letting to one of

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five experts under consideration. Among those is Donald Ross, famous course architect. golf

The most novel feature in connec-tion with the golf course is the or-ganization plan for operating the club. Apportioning of stock in the Colonial club corporation will be conducted with view to baying the, leading citi-zens of Atlanta and men capable of directing the club along the best lines directing the club along the best lines interested in the corporation as stockholders, officers and directors. Mem-bership to the club will be open to the general public with a single qualifi-cation of character. A fee of \$1 will be charged for investigating the charbe charged for intestigating in cam-acter standing of applicants. On ap-proval of the applicant, membership cards will be issued entitling the loki-ers to full use of the club house facili-tits on all occasions. Members will be permitted use of the golf course on payment of a green fee charge of \$1 a day. Aside from these fees there will be no other charges, all initiation payments and dues being eliminated, Mr. Ansley nointed out.

#### Work To Start October 1.

Work to Start October 1. Work on the golf course will start on October 1, with the grounds to be completed under special scientific methods of May 15 or June 1, 1920. Burge and Stevens are now working out details of the club house that will incorporate every colonial structural feature. Work on the building will been accented. Development of the been accepted. Development of the entire tract of land will be in keep-ing with the colonial idea. The club structure will have large locker rooms with service tables, dance floor, cafe card rooms, ruh-down quarters, a gril a grill fitted with music apparatus and serv-

meals at all times, and other ing auxiliary rooms.

The grounds embrace gently rolling country with running water, affording natural water hazards, and were chos-en as an ideal site after much investi-gation by Mr. Ansley. Location of the tract is in line with the city's most beautiful residential develop-ments, being on the north side, be-tween Peachtree road and Northside drive, and about a quarter of a mile north from Peachtree station. The Colonial club property will be approximated.

Colonial club property will be imately triangular in shape. approximately triangular in shape, bounded by Collier road, starting 140 feet east of the Scaboard Air Line right of way, Northside drive, and the Seaboard tracks. Two strips to the east of the Seaboard are included in the club land. One of these, consist-ing of 12.12 acres, will be devoted to the practice links and automobile ing of 12.12 acres, will be devoted to the practice links and automobile parking, keeping all cars off the ac-tual golf grounds. The other strip, of 4.22 acres, will be used for the riding school and location of a log cabin where meetings of the board of directors will be held.

## Will Transfer Option.

The charter will be issued October 1, Mr. Ausley said, at which time the land option, which is now in Mr. Ans-ley's name, will be transferred to the corporation. Present organization of ley's name, will be transferred to the corporation. Present organization of the club includes Mr. Ansley, president and principal stockholder, and John L. Westmoreland, secretary and treasur-er. Dr. Dan Y. Sage, a director of Ansley Golf club, and William Hunt, president of Ansley club, have been named directors of the Colonial club, while Bobby Jones, Robert Martin, Veazey Rainwater and other promi-nent Atlantans have been asked to be-come directors.

nent Atlantans nere seen directors. Plans to cultivate bent grass greens will be made for the first time in this section. Each of the 18 holes will be equipped with two greens, eliminating temperature winter greens. One of the equipped with two greens, eliminating temporary winter greens. One of the greens will be grown with bermuda grass, while the second green of each hole will have the bent grass, which is preferred in all the large tourna-ments, Mr. Ansley said. Traffic on the course will be regulated by some one stationed on each hole.

ments, Mr. Ansley said. Traffic on the course will be regulated by some one stationed on each hole. The tees will follow the fashion of those of Scotland, having no eleva-tion and being readily shiftable. In construction and upkeep of the grounds, men from the various col-leges and schools of Atlanta will be given an opportunity of employment. The club will have three classes of caddies, with rates at 50 cents, 75 cents and \$1.00. Tipping anywhere in the club will be prohibited. Due to the fact that the grounds are located in the center of the Col-lier estate property holdings, and the improvement work will benefit the surrounding neighborhood, the Colliers have made the tract available at sac-rifice prices, Mr. Ansley stated. Mr. Ansley said he plans to devote most of his time to the Colonial club under-taking, while he will work jointly with Andrew J. Collier in development of the remaining Collier properties.

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