

### BRIDGE TO LINK TWIN COURSES

Application has been made to the Board of Estimate of New York City by the Laurelton Golf Club, of Laurelton, L. I., for permission to construct a bridge over the famous Merrick Road to connect its two eighteen-hole golf courses. The clubhouse and the first eighteen holes lie to the south of this much travelled highway. The second eighteen will be opened for play in about a month, the inaugural being scheduled for Memorial Day.

Traffic is so heavy on the Merrick road, particularly at week ends, that it presented a problem to the club management to save the members aiming to play the No. 2 course the delays occasioned by attempting to cross at the highway level. The thousands of cars that roll by the Laurelton links caused President R. H. Johnston to consider several plans, and it was decided that an overhead connection would be better than a subway.

The bridge, which is to be of steel and ornamental in appearance, will, of course, be of adequate clearance to take care of the needs of commercial traffic. It will be an ornate and striking landmark for Laurelton members. The "golf courses by the bridge over the Merrick Road" will become additionally well-known to thousands of motorists and golfers.

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It wasn't so many years ago that felicity was expressed by officials of the United States Golf Association when its membership reached the 400 mark. Since then it has grown steadily, until now the names of nearly twice that number of clubs are to be found on the roster. They include the large and the small from the best appointed country clubs with their double course layouts down to the unpretentious ones boasting of only nine holes. One of the latest additions to the association's membership the past Spring is the Congressional Country Club at Washington, D. C.