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Catherine Shuster, 17-year-old youngster who has been hitting around many of the southern California courses in figures barely over men’s par, is a class find. Harry Bassler, widely-known pro who’s at the Recreation Park course at Long Beach, Calif., noticed the Shuster lass in one of his juvenile classes three years ago. Harry paid special attention to tutoring her, inasmuch as her keen interest and quick grasp of fundamentals tipped him off that the kid merited close watching.

He has high hopes of a Woman’s National championship for this girl. Four years ago Harry began giving free class lessons to school children in the summer. Average number of students is 125.

Last fall he started a night class for adults. He had a turnout averaging 90 for each of a series of 8 lessons, given twice a week. First four lessons were given in the Long Beach ball park, on the fundamentals. He used the PROMOTION instruction sheets, with satisfaction to himself and pupils, in this stage of his teaching. The latter four lessons were at Recreation Park’s range, hitting balls.

300 Attend Ohio GCSA Equipment Demonstration

MORE than 300 golf club officials and course superintendents, representing Ohio and four adjoining states, attended the 4th annual outdoor equipment and material demonstration staged at the Brookside Country Club, Columbus, Monday, May 22.

This event, sponsored by the Ohio Golf
Superintendents Assn., was presented in a different manner than past outdoor shows. Every manufacturer and supply dealer was assigned a complete fairway from tee through green to exhibit his products. No competitive demonstrations were scheduled and visiting turf experts were at liberty to view individual units in actual operation at their own convenience. Thirty-three different manufacturers and material agents took advantage of this opportunity to show their wares. Proof of the success of this experiment lies in the fact that, despite a hot sultry day, the clubhouse bar was about as popular as a three putt green.

More than 200 remained for the informal banquet held in the clubhouse after the equipment parade. Thanks to the assistance of Toastmaster Fritz Howell, the State A.P. sports chief, the guests were able to hear one of the finest story tellers that ever graced a festive board. This gentleman, Ed Penisten, ex-sports editor of the Columbus Dispatch, kept the party alive until the wee hours with his droll stories about golf and related subjects. As a spinner of fables Ed Penisten is in the same class with Irvin Cobb and Wilson Mizner.

Iowa Greenkeepers June Meeting at Des Moines G&CC

REGULAR June meeting of the Iowa Greenkeeping Superintendents will be held June 13 at the Des Moines G&CC, Des Moines. Bill Keating, who is the host greenkeeper, has announced the manufacturers of course equipment and supplies plan to put on a real demonstration at the meeting.

The June meeting of the group will be an open affair, and invitations have been extended green-chairmen and green-committeemen of clubs throughout the state. A feature of the event will be Keating's demonstration of the proper way to topdress a green.

April meeting of the Iowa greenkeepers was held at Iowa State College, Ames, and the superintendents spent a good part of the day on the ISC golf course. George Veenker, director of athletics, and S. W. Edgecombe, extension horticulturist, explained construction and maintenance problems of the course.