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USGA, Western GA Revise Requirements for Membership

By JACK FULTON

Two golf associations have announced changes in membership requirements. The USGA plans to desert the one-class, one-fee type of membership which has been in force heretofore and adopt instead a graduated scale of fees for annual membership which, it is hoped, will increase the membership roster of the association markedly. Meanwhile the Western Golf Association has abolished annual dues from clubs and substituted an annual membership fee from individual golfers.

The USGA plan calls for continuation of the present annual $30 dues from clubs of 18 holes or more, but modifies the dues for clubs at courses of less than 18 holes to $15 per year. Requirements for eligibility and benefits of membership are to remain as at present.

It is also proposed to create a Public Links Section, membership in which will be open to any regularly organized club which neither owns, leases or maintains a course of its own but instead plays over a course open to the public. Annual dues for such clubs would be $5.00 and they would receive all benefits of USGA membership except a vote at meetings of the association, eligibility of individual members to the Amateur and Women's National, and services of the Green Section.

Not In Force in '42

If the Public Links Section is approved at the USGA's annual meeting this month, all entrants in the association's annual Public Links championship must be members of clubs which are members of the USGA, effective with the 1943 championship. The requirements will not be enforced for 1942.

At its 42nd annual meeting, held at Chicago, Dec. 13, the Western Golf Assn. transformed itself into an organization to (a) "Promote and supervise any and all matters and activities pertaining to or for the benefit of caddies"; and (b) to promote and provide means and facilities for the education of caddies.

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