and resident); a calendar listing of the
days of the week with the member listed
under the hour division he prefers to start
play; a city map with the location of every
playing member and his route to the
club in colored pencil.

By this method a member who has cus-
tomarily been playing in a Saturday after-
noon foursome, driving an aggregate of
from 80 to 100 transportation miles or
more, can from the bulletin board, with the
help of the director, establish a foursome
that will drive no further than the member
living the greatest distance from the club.
A car exchange can be devised whereby
the members’ cars may be rotated for a
division of expense and wear on tires.

This system should not only reduce
transportation costs and conserve dim-
inishing transportation facilities, but
should conserve time. It should help break
up foursomes of low handicap players that
have been playing under tension for high
stakes, which is not in keeping with the
reasons for the continuity of golf for the
duration. It should throw high and low
handicap players together, which would be
beneficial to both. It should break down
petty differences that have kept certain
members apart, acquaint members with
each other, build twosomes and threes-
 somes to foursomes for the conservation of
playing time—all in and for the spirit
of cooperation so sorely needed in these
critical times.

Managers Hold Annual
Meeting Mar. 4-7 in Chicago

SIXTEENTH annual convention of the
Club Managers Assn. of America was
just getting under way at the Drake Hotel
in Chicago at GOLFDOM’s press date. A
report of the addresses, conferences and
round table discussions of club problems
therefore will be made in GOLFDOM’s
April number.

A “welcome party” was to be held for
convention early arrivals on Wednesday
evening, March 4; Barney E. O’Grady,
convention chairman, and Olympia Fields
CC manager, was scheduled to open the
first regular session at 10 a.m. Thursday.
The meeting, whose central theme, of
course, will be how to solve club prob-
lems caused by the present national emer-
gency, will conclude with the annual
banquet Saturday evening, March 7.

Featured speakers on the convention
program were Ferre C. Watkins, president
of the Union League Club of Chicago;
Duncan Hines, author of “Adventures in
Good Eating”; Edward B. Horgan, asst.
chief field deputy of the Internal Revenue
Dept.; and Dr. Preston Bradley, noted
preacher, radio lecturer and author. The
town club round-table discussion group
was to be led by Harry Doherty, manager
of the Merchants and Manufacturers Club,
Chicago; B. D. Carter, manager of the
Ridgewood (N. J.) CC, chairmans the
country club group; and Jacques DeJong,
manager of Beach Point Club, Mamaron-
neck, N. Y., is in charge of the beach
and yacht club discussion sessions.

One of the association’s largest con-
vention attendances was in prospect, ac-
cording to President Harry J. Fawcett.

Ball Shortage Reminds Members
of Pro’s Expert Service

As forecast some months ago in GOLFDOM the 25 cent golf ball is no more. Virtually all these balls have passed out of manufacturers’ stocks. There is a gen-
eral retail price increase of 10 cents on
former 75 cent balls and on former 35
cent balls; a nickel raise on 55 cent balls.
Corresponding increases have been made
in quantity buyers’ prices.

Balls are being quite closely rationed by
leading manufacturers on a basis propor-
tionate to 1941 early season purchases.

Most pros are rationing already. Nu-
merous fee courses are limiting ball sales
to not more than 2 to a customer per
round, and telling buyers purchase of one
ball a round would be more desirable
all around. Private club pros, having
been rationed by their sources of supply
and unable to get balls except by luck
from manufacturers to an extent dispro-
portionate to last year’s sales, are in a
delicate spot. They’d like to tell mem-
bers who didn’t buy balls from them in
previous years to see if the cut-price
stores will assure a ball supply to their
customers now. Necessity of providing
players with golf balls prevents selling
the pro-shop supply only to former cus-
tomers, but pros, in some instances, are
making discreet reference to the fact that
the pro is the dependable source of
supply.

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