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Ohio Pro Killed in Action.—Anderson F. Drake, formerly pro at the Fostoria (O.) CC and one of the earlier pros to enter the army, was killed in action in the Southwest Pacific. Drake's widow was notified that he lost his life July 26 in the battle of Munda.

When in training in this country, Drake was with the 37th Division. He was a grand young man, very highly regarded by his members and his fellow pros.

Gets Used Balls—Pat Markovich, alert pro-mgr. of the Richmond (Calif.) GC, runs a monthly tournament the entry fee of which is a used ball.

Pat is showing pros how danger of golf curtailment because of ball shortage can be avoided. In addition to the old ball tourney and personal efforts, Pat runs ads in the local newspaper soliciting used balls. As a result he's not only in position to supply his own members but the members of two neighboring clubs.

Ball Pioneer Dies.—Martin McDaid, who recently died at Leith Scotland, at the age of 82, was the world's oldest maker of golf balls.

Originally a Glasgow engineer, McDaid invented a machine for turning golf club heads, from which he went into club-making. He made gutta balls, then became one of the pioneers in making thread balls, more than 40 years ago.