Sells Parents on Caddy Training Plan

Marty Kavanaugh, pro at Hamilton County (O.) Sharon Woods GC, is a strong advocate of extending a caddy training program to give the kids fully rounded sports training in the summer when the lads are not looping. Kavanaugh says that the Sharon Woods experience in engaging a high school athletic coach to supervise a sports coaching program along with the caddy training attracts a lot of desirable youngsters who are eager to devote time in the summer conditioning themselves for sports competition when school opens in the fall.

Hamilton County Park District commissioners have sent to parents of all high school boys in the country a letter which has been effective recruiting advertising.

The letter reads:

A JOB FOR YOUR SON

At the Sharon Woods Golf Course we are carrying on a caddy training, character building, and recreation program for the boys who either are or hope to be caddies. This letter is being sent to acquaint the parents with the program.

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as supervisor of this three-fold program. We believe this program is going to be of considerable interest to the parents, as well as a service, not only to the boys but the players as well. There are a number of advantages which caddying offers to the boys of the neighborhood.

1. It will give him a chance to play and associate with other fine boys from his and other communities. Many of the friends we make as caddies will last for a lifetime.

2. It is a good way for him to help his parents, if help is needed. (Many boys earn enough money to buy some of their clothing and all of their entertainment.) Makes the boy appreciate the value of money and prepares him for the day when he is grown and on his own.

3. Not only the great golfers but most of the rank and file players started out as caddies. It is a game once learned that can be played for a lifetime.

4. It is usually his first job, and by being trained to caddy well, it gives him good work habits which will be invaluable later on when he graduates to other types of work. Records that boys who were good caddies have been successful in other lines of endeavor.

5. A good caddy is one who learns the duties of caddying to the very best of his ability, is courteous, attentive, and interested in seeing that his player enjoys his round of golf. These duties will be taught by the caddy supervisor and his committee.

6. Our aim is to develop a paternal attitude toward the boys by our own personnel and the players who engage the services of the caddies.

If you wish to learn more about this program and service call PR 7359 and ask for anyone of the committee listed below:
Mr. H. L. Roettger, Caddy Supervisor
Mr. Marty Kavanaugh, Mgr. and Pro
Mr. Carl Rohmann, Asst. Mgr. & Pro

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well intentioned schemes for want of funds. War years and depression years come along when there is neither desire nor funds to keep alive valuable experimental plots and we must guard against a repetition of this evil.

California Grass Needs
It is too early to even lay down a tentative program as much organization work has to be done before experiments are started. But perhaps a suggestion or two will not be out of order. I would like to see produced among other grasses, a grass plant that would cover our mountains; a