1950 Tournament Schedule

MAY
1-7 Western Amateur, Dallas (Tex.) CC.
15-19 British Ladies Amateur Championship, Royal County Down GC, Newcastle, Ireland
18-21 Western Open Invitation, Brentwood CC, Los Angeles.
22-27 British Amateur Championship, St. Andrews GC, Fife, Scotland.

JUNE
1-4 Fort Wayne Open Invitation, Orchard, Ridge Golf Club, Fort Wayne, Indiana.
8-9 Walker Cup Matches, Birkdale.
8-10 USGA Open Championship, Merion CC, Ardmore, Pa.
15-18 Palm Beach Championship (formerly Goodall-Round Robin Tournament), Wykagyl CC, New Rochelle, N.Y.
19-24 Women's Western Open Championship, Cherry Hills Club, Denver, Colo.
21-27 National PGA Championship, Scioto CC, Columbus, Ohio.
25-July 1 NCAA Championship, Univ. of New Mexico, Albuquerque, N. M.
27-28 U.S. Seniors, Apawamis CC, Rye, N.Y.

JULY
1-4 Motor City Open, Red Run GC, Royal Oak, Mich.
3-7 British Open Championship, Troon, Ayshire.
3-8 USGA Public Links, Seneca GC, Louisville, Ky.
13-16 Inverness Invitation, Inverness Club, Toledo, Ohio.
19-22 USGA Junior Championship, Denver (Colo.) CC.
20-23 St. Paul Open Invitation, Keller GC, St. Paul, Minn.
27-30 Sioux City Open Invitation, Elmwood GC, Sioux City, Ia.
31-Aug. 4 Women's Western Jr., Indian Hill Club (Chicago Dist.)

Sarazen's New Book Is Championship Reading

Thirty Years of Championship Golf, by Gene Sarazen, with Herbert Warren Wind, has been published by Prentice-Hall, Inc., New York. It sells for $3. You'll get far more than your money's worth in interest and entertainment out of this job by Gene. Herb Wind did a great job in literary caddying for Gene and he's got Gene word for word and idea for idea.

Gene's story of the little Saraceni kid who became one of the greats of American sports is the liveliest, most wholesome sports version of the Horatio Alger formula we’ve ever read. The willing but dumb youngster who started caddying, the thrill of the first big win, the heartbreaks, the glamour of being in with the headliners of business, government, stage, screen and society, and the happy pay-off of being a farmer with a fine family, all are whipped into a great production in Gene’s tale.

The frank manner in which Gene tells the saga of an American youngster whose scholarly father and understanding mother looked dubiously at his start in golf, is about as fine a story as we've seen. His courtship of Mary and their decision to get a farm and raise the kids out of the rat-race constitute another phase of the Sarazen story you don't expect to come across in a sports book. His tribute to that fine old gentleman, Archie Wheeler, is one of the spots in the book that makes your heart glow.

As to Gene’s inside on the championships he’s played and his words and pictures on playing, you know as well as we do what a fine job you could expect of Sarazen. And The Squire doesn’t disappoint. Bob Jones wrote a swell introduction for a swell book that’s rich in personalities pictured by a vital character.


Ed Tabor, West Shore CC supt., was re-elected pres. of the Central Pennsylvania Golf Course Superintendents’ Assn. at the organization's annual spring meeting, held at Colonial CC, Harrisburg, Pa. Others named were Jim Morrison, Hershey, vp; Riley Heckert, Gettysburg, sec.-treas., and Leo Haller, chmn., Tournament committee. George Morris, Colonial supt., was host.

Dr. Albert Cooper of Penn State College told of the soil tests made by the college’s extension work and how this work is associated with research by the state
college experts. He also referred to the tests of a new type of fertilizer to be made at eight Pennsylvania courses beginning in the near future. Cooper said that demand of members for too much watering of greens and keeping maintenance budgets below amount needed to do the expected job were two of the chief sources of headaches for superintendents.

**Supts. and Green Section Set Turf Confab Dates**

Plans for the Third Annual National Turf Field Day at Washington, D. C., October 15, 16 and 17, were discussed by the joint planning committee of the USGA Green Section and the Mid-Atlantic Association of Greenkeepers, Monday, April 10. The Committee consisted of Hugh McRae, Pres., Mid-Atlantic association, Robert Scott, William H. Glover, R. P. Hines, O. B. Fitts, Dick Watson, Marvin H. Ferguson, Charles G. Wilson and Fred V. Grau. Details remain to be settled but the program has been outlined as follows:

There will be a central Field Day headquarters at one of the downtown Washington hotels.

On Sunday evening, October 15, there will be a meeting of all technical men engaged in turf work. Everyone is invited to attend this meeting and discussion which is essentially for the purpose of outlining turf research work now in progress throughout the United States. The entire evening will be devoted to this feature.

On Monday, October 16, the entire group will visit the turf plots at the Beltsville Turf Gardens, Plant Industry Station, Beltsville, Md. Details of features of this program will be announced later.

Monday evening a short social hour is planned, followed by dinner, which will be featured by topnotch, competent speakers on live, interesting subjects.

On Tuesday, October 17, visits will be made to two golf courses—the newly-built Woodmont CC, located near Rockville, Md., and then the Fairfax CC, Fairfax, Va. At these courses the group will see various kinds of turf under actual play. There will be features on tees, greens, fairways and nurseries.

It is planned to distribute programs and advance registration slips so people in charge of the various phases of the program can be advised as to the probable number that will attend.

Field Day headquarters will be announced at the earliest possible moment so that those who plan to attend can make registration directly with the hotel. This part of the program is being handled by Hugh McRae, 3029 Klingle Road, N.W., Washington, D.C., and O. B. Fitts, Columbia CC, Chevy Chase, Md.

**Northwest Greenkeepers Have New Turf Association**


Speakers at the conference included Pres. Wilson Compton of the University of Washington; Everett Krelzinger, state agricultural agent; Dr. L. C. Wheeling, R. J. C. Knott, Herbert C. Manis, W. J. Johnson, John L. Swindelman, William S. Summers, Albert Molenaar and Asst. Dean E. G. Shaffer.

Others who spoke on course maintenance problems and gave practical close-up solutions were Dr. G. O. Mott of Purdue University; Lambert C. Ericson of the University of Idaho; John Harrison of Hayden Lake, Ida.; Vernon Macon, Victoria, B. C., golf architect; P. M. Masterson of Seattle, Roy Moe of Spokane CC, H. T. Abbot of Spokane—and Glen Proctor of Seattle.

**Round-up of Golf News in Golfers’ Year**

The Golfers’ Year, published by Nicholas Lay, Ltd., 1, Trebeche St., London, W1, Eng., is an interesting round-up of golf highlights for 1950. It sells for 15 shillings. Primarily it’s, of course, from the British viewpoint and some bright close-ups are presented by Henry Cotton, Bernard Darwin, Fred Pignon, Henry Longhurst, Desmond Hackett, Enid Wilson, Sir Guy Campbell and other stars of British golf writing and playing. Ruth Woodward and Herb Graffis account for the survey of the American season.

Tom Scott, editor of Golf Illustrated, and Webster Evans edited The Golfers’ Year with excellent judgment in covering the main features of golf last year. The British do a fine job at this sort of thing. Some of the writing by their golf reporters is a tough par for the course in journalism anywhere. A lot of locker-room conversation material in the book.

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