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Two Dallas, Tex. tournaments with purses totalling $100,000.00 and the first New England visit of the PGA Championship in a quarter century, highlight a record breaking $649,000.00 PGA summer schedule.

The first of the new Texas tournaments, the Dallas Centennial Open, will be played at the Preston Hollow CC, Dallas, May 24-27 for a purse of $30,000.00 The following week, from May 31 to June 3, the Dallas International Open Invitational will be held for $70,000.00, also at Preston Hollow.

The PGA Championship, a five day affair, at all match play for the first time in history, is to be held July 20-24 at the Blue Hill G & C C, Canton, Mass, in suburban Boston. This will mark the first time the PGA has been played in New England since the 1931 event was held at Rumford, R. I.

Relief Fund Benefits

Another interesting highlight of the PGA summer tour will be the Palm Beach Invitational and Pro-Celebrity, to be held this year at the Wykagyl CC in New Rochelle, N. Y., June 6-10. Last year this event raised $12,000.00 for the PGA Relief Fund. This year 15 per cent of the gross receipts will be split by the PGA Relief Fund and the PGA Tournament Bureau.

In addition to the impressive summer slate there is a strong possibility that a fall schedule will be arranged. Several sites are already assured and further details will be announced as soon as final arrangements have been concluded. The probable fall tour would begin in late September.

White Heads Kansas Turfgrass Association

E. R. White, supt. of parks, McPherson, Kans., is the new pres. of the Kansas Turfgrass Assn. Other officers elected at a meeting held recently at the Wichita CC, are: Ervin Syfert, Wichita, vp; Robert E. Lester, Wichita, secy-treas; and Tom Andrews, Salina, Paul Neff, Hutchinson, and Lynn Burris, Wellington, directors.

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