Evans Invites Seniors to Play in World's Championship

Senior golfer, Chick Evans, whose two great loves are golf and the Evans Scholars Foundation for caddies, has announced establishment of a World Senior Championships of golf. Senior players of 41 nations have been invited to compete.

The first annual World Senior Championships will be played Aug. 22-28, 1960, at the Broadmoor Golf Club, Colorado Springs, Colo., site of the 1959 U. S. Amateur. The Broadmoor club will donate the proceeds of the tournament to the Evans Foundation.

Match Play Championship

Like most senior tournaments, the World Senior Championships will be an invitation event open to qualified amateur golfers, 55 years or older. There will be no handicap limitations. The tournament will consist of an 18-hole qualifying round which will qualify 64 players for match play in the championship flight. For non-qualifiers and players beaten in the early rounds, competitions in lower flights will be arranged, some on a handicap basis, so that each golfer will be able to play every day throughout the week.

Golf and other entertainment for wives of contestants will be provided in the beautiful Rocky Mountain area.

Evans, twice winner of the National Amateur, once winner of the USGA Open and the only amateur to win the Western Open, has been playing senior golf since he reached 55. He'll be 70 in July and so far never has won one of the major senior events, such as the U.S.G.A. Senior, the Western Seniors, the North and South Seniors or the American Seniors Association titles.

Response May Be Poor

In addition to telegraphed invitations to prominent senior golfers in the U. S. and Canada, Evans cabled invitations to senior golfers he knows throughout the world and to the golf asns. of every country where he could learn that they existed.

He has conceded the response from other countries may be poor this year because of the comparatively short time between the issuing of invitations and the playing of the tournament. Evans, however, said that already much interest is being shown in the 1960 event.