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Booe Succeeds Hall as PGA Caribbean Tour Supervisor

Bill Booe, former Yale University football and golf player and a regular on the tour in 1957 and 1958, has been named supervisor of the PGA’s Caribbean circuit. He succeeds George Hall, who has resigned to devote more time to his duties as the PGA treasurer and to his job as professional at Cornell University CC in Ithaca, N.Y.

In his new assignment, Booe, a native of Bridgeport, Conn., will supervise the winter tournaments that are played in Panama, Venezuela, Puerto Rico and Jamaica. Assisting him will be Manuel de la Torre, professional at the Milwaukee (Wis.) CC.

Retains Club Job

Booe will continue as professional of the CC of Northampton in Easton, Pa. Since 1956, he also has had pro posts at Fairchild-Wheeler GC, Bridgeport, Conn., and at the Oyster Harbors Club in Osterville, Mass. Before deserting the business world for golf, Booe was a purchasing agent for seven years for a Bridgeport corset firm. In 1955, Bill went to the semi-finals of the USGA Amateur where he lost to E. Harvie Ward, who won the title that year.

At Yale in 1948, Booe, a place kicking specialist, booted 22 consecutive extra points.

Students Carry Putters for Soil Tests at Kansas State

Students at Kansas State University are walking around carrying putters in their hands. They are taking every opportunity to slip over to the experimental green and work on their putting stroke. Their participation is being encouraged by Ray A. Keen of the school’s horticulture dept. He is trying to get as much traffic as possible on the green to further compaction studies his dept. is making. The green contains soil mixtures with from 65 to 100 per cent sand. Different sections of the putting surface have varying sand content and Keen wants to determine which percentage is approximately the right one. He thinks it is very close to 85 per cent.

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