Kids Continue to Shine at Future Masters

More than 350 boys from 15 states and one foreign country participated this summer in the 13th Press Thornton Future Masters, which is played annually at the Dothan (Ala.) CC. Bert Greene, Eastman, Ga., shot 72-68-70-210 to win in the 17-18 year old division. He shaded John McKey of Orlando, Fla. by one stroke. Mac

Ed Roddenberry, Bert Greene, Mac McLendon and Johnny LaPonzino, Future Masters winners, are shown with Telfair Ghioto. Fifth champion, Lynn Lott, isn't in photo.

McLendon of Montgomery won the 15-16 competition with a 212. Runnerup in this division was Mark Silvers of Savannah with a 213.

The 13-14 year old winner was John La Ponzina of Miami with a 142 while Lynn Lott of Douglas, Ga., won the 11-12 competition with a 165. Champion of the 10-and-under group is Ed Roddenberry of Columbus, Ga. He shot an 89.

Youngsters who come to Dothan for the tournament are housed and fed by residents of the city. Most of them come from Southeastern communities although a boy from South Bend, Ind., and another from Hershey, Pa., took part in this year's tournaments. The foreign representative, Michael Downey of Sidney, Australia, shot a 217 in the 17-18 year old division to finish fourth.

Telfair Ghioto, Dothan CC pro, is in charge of the Future Masters.

George Hjelte Retires

George Hjelte is retiring as general manager after 33 years with department of recreation and parks, City of Los Angeles. Hjelte is well known for his work in developing municipal golf in the U.S. He has been a recreation official with Westchester County, N. Y. and the cities of Berkeley and Los Angeles.