Philly, Chicago Sections Prepare for Big Shows

Philadelphia and Illinois PGA sections are making preparations for their annual golf shows, both of which will be held in April.

Philadelphia’s sixth show will be held in the Sheraton Hotel’s main ballroom on April 1, having been moved up one week from the originally scheduled date. Free golf instruction will be given from 10 a.m. until midnight by PGA pros and there will be a battery of golf nets available for visitors. Two discussion periods and a “quiz the experts” show also are scheduled. Exhibitors will display their merchandise in the ballroom and its annexes.

Paul Hahn will present his trick shot — comedy act at the Philly show.

The Illinois section’s second show will be held April 15-17 in the exhibition halls of the Conrad Hilton Hotel. Byron Nelson, Ken Venturi, Chick Harbert and Barbara Romack in addition to several Illinois pros will be seen in twice-daily clinics at 3:30 and 8:30. Nets and traps will be spotted around the halls and in annexes so that visitors can test their shots and have them analyzed by section pros.

The exhibitions will put emphasis on the fact that only the finest playing equipment is sold in pro shops, and that men and women golf style leaders buy much of their apparel from the professional.

John MacGregor Dies

John MacGregor, 77, veteran Midwest supt., died in his home in Glen Ellyn, Ill., early in March after two years’ illness. A native of Perthshire, Scotland, John came to Chicago GC, Wheaton, Ill., in 1921 to supervise the rebuilding of that club’s course. He was a founder of the GCSA and was the second pres. of that organization. In recent years, John had been a salesman for a course supply firm.