According to the New England GCSA Newsletter, Wayne C. Palmer, an Eastern meteorologist, explains the prolonged drought in the Northeast thusly: “A predominantly dry air mass has locked itself over the Atlantic for four years... The Atlantic coast is on the downhill side of the air mass and air coming from the west moves lower as it reaches the East coast... This warms it and makes it drier, reducing its rainmaking potential.”

Miguel (Joe) Guzman, who had been at Lakewood (Calif.) GC since its construction days in 1932, retired this summer as supt. Joe helped build the course, was made assistant supt. in 1939 and promoted to the head greenmaster position ten years later. His successor is Stan Kruse. David L. Bonella, pro-manager at Ottumwa (Ia.) CC for many years, died a few weeks ago of heart disease. He was 64 years old. Dave had been Ottumwa’s pro for 40 years and in 1939 took on the added duties of club manager. Surviving are his wife and two sons, both golf professionals. Following the Milwaukee Women’s Open, Kathy Whitworth was leading the Ladies PGA money winners with a total of $20,600. This amount gave her a $6,700 lead over Carol Mann, who was in second place. Marlene Hagge and Sandra Haynie had each earned over $12,000. In 61 rounds, Miss Whitworth had averaged 72.79 strokes per round.

Third annual Fly-in golf championship will be held at the Montauk Golf Links, Montauk Point, L.I., Oct. 6. Last year, 83 golfers from 11 states flew in in 31 planes to take part in the tournament. More than 40 entries are listed on the Fall-Winter calendar of events at Pinehurst, N.C. for 1965-66. The first event is scheduled for Sept. 20. The 11th Senior Amateur Championship of the USGA will be played Oct. 4-9 at Fox Chapel GC, Pittsburgh, Pa. Entries are open to male amateurs who reach 55.
by Sept. 21, have handicaps of 10 strokes or less and are members of USGA clubs if residents of the U.S.

Second nine of the Penfield (N. Y.) CC opened a few weeks ago . . . A $2 million dollar motel-restaurant-shopping complex with a miniature course to be built in Kingsville, O. . . . Manteca (Calif.) municipal GC is under construction . . . A $166,000 contract for a golf clubhouse at Victor Park in Los Angeles has been awarded by the board of supervisors . . . Chester C. Kurczab has been named supt. of the Byron Meadows CC, Batavia, N.Y. . . . the course is in the final stages of construction . . . The 18-hole, 6865-yard, par 72 course was designed by Tyron and Schwartz & Associates and will open next year.

Duffy Martin, pro and owner of the Brookside GC, Oklahoma City, Okla., is building an 18-hole course two miles south of Moore, Okla. . . . He hopes to open the course, designed by Floyd Farley, early next spring . . . The course will measure 6300 yards with a par of 70 . . . The Winfield (Ia.) Area Recreation Center has secured its 175th membership and will apply to the FHA for a loan to construct its proposed course and recreation park.

Paul R. Underwood, formerly of El Dorado CC in Sacramento, Calif., has succeeded Win Howe, who has accepted another position as pro of the Ukiah (Calif.) municipal course . . . An informal meeting was held recently in Gregory, S. D. to discuss the possibility of a country club . . . Rolling Acres, public Par 3 in York, Pa., has been expanded to 18 holes, reports Owner Larry Mitzel . . . The expanded layout now totals, 1,500 yards on 18 acres . . . The Bradford (Pa.) Area CC opened its first nine recently . . . A decision will be reached by September as to whether the Erie, Pa. county park and recreation board will build an 18-hole course on one of its park sites.

The city finance director of Palm Springs, Calif., says interest payments on $800,000 worth of golf course bonds will amount to more than 50 per cent of their value . . . The interest paid by the city over a 25-year period will be $426,629 and bring the total cost of purchasing the 156-acre municipal course to $1,226,629.

Tom Cushman (center), pro at the Navy GC in San Diego, didn't have to win a tournament or make a hole-in-one to win an Oldsmobile 4-4-2 last month. He simply countersigned an entry form submitted in a "Golf-O-Rama" contest and when his golfer came through, he won a duplicate prize. He is shown with Harold Tipton, LaKesa, Calif., Olds dealer, and D. L. Klappen, Oldsmobile district manager.

. . . J. D. (Boots) Lang, supt., says the first nine at Gulf Shores (Ala.) CC has opened along with the club's new pro shop.

Ansley GC to construct a new million dollar course and clubhouse in northeast Atlanta, Ga. . . . The 18-hole course will be built on about 200 acres and the clubhouse will cost approximately $400,000 . . . In the meantime, the club will continue to operate from its present location . . . Fridley (Minn.) CC plans to develop a country club and two courses, one a regulation nine and the other a Par 3 nine . . . Initial cost is expected to run around $400,000 . . . Manager of the new Bethel Island (Calif.) public course is Bill Krueger . . . The Bob Baldock & Son designed course is 18-holes and was developed by Ed Conner from 120 acres of pasture land . . . Supt. at Bethel Island is Walt Collins.

Work is underway on a $575,000 expansion program at Arrowhead CC in San Bernardino, Calif. . . . Improvements include expansion of the clubhouse, swimming pool and parking lot . . . The board of supervisors has approved final plans for development of the 18-hole Marshall Canyon GC at Pamona, Calif. . . . Estimated construction costs are $800,000.
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Bob Baldock and Son, course architects, who for the past 14 years have operated the Central California Turf Products, a wholesale-retail distributor of turf supplies in Fresno, Calif., have announced the sale of the company to Lloyd Turner who has been manager of the company since its organization. Baldock projects underway include an 18-hole layout called Rolling Hill CC, which is to be part of a subdivision in Kennewick, Wash. and Mission Bell CC, which will be part of a development in Lancaster, Calif.

The third annual Jamaica Jamboree tournament will be held Jan. 4-16, 1966 at Montego Bay, Jamaica. ABC Television Network has secured exclusive TV rights for three years to the USGA Open. Each Open will be televised in color. And, as part of the agreement between ABC and the USGA, the network will also televise The Women’s USGA Open and the USGA Men’s Amateur. Special programs on other USGA-activities are also planned.

The USGA Senior Women’s Amateur will be played Oct. 13-15 at the Exmoor CC in Highland Park, Ill. Entries are open to women amateurs who will have reached their 50th birthday by Oct. 13 and have handicaps not exceeding 15 strokes under the USGA handicap system. Joe B. Williams is architect and in charge of building the first nine holes of Golden Hills GC in Tehacapi, Calif., with plans to expand to a full 18 holes by the spring of 1966. The new nine will cover 3250 yards with a par of 36.

A private, country-club like ski center and year around recreation center including a 9-hole course will be built at Hunt’s Hollow near Naples, N.Y. A check for $261,000, a loan from the FHA, has been presented to the Groton, (N.Y.) Golf & Recreation Assn. for construction of an 18-hole course, clubhouse and other facilities. Suffolk (Va.) GC is adding nine holes to complete its 18 at the cost of $75,000. Architect for the addition, expected ready for play in June 1966, is Russell Breeden. A 36-par, 9-hole course has been opened...
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A new clubhouse for the municipal course of the city of Manteca, Calif. has been proposed and architect's drawings prepared . . . The Clubhouse will contain showers for men and women, lockers, a snack bar and pro shop. A driving range and parking for 70 cars will be part of the clubhouse area . . . Garden Grove, Calif. will be the site of a 9-hole Par 3 course within a 28-acre development, Rancho Valencia . . . William Bell is architect.

Bloomington, Ill. planning officials are seeking to combine Lakeside CC, Holiday Club and adjacent land into Southeast Park, relocating the present golf course elsewhere . . . A 9-hole course is being built on the base at Otis Air Force Base in Mass. . . . Labor Day saw the opening of the Jackson Hole (Wyo.) G & CC, designed by Bob Baldock . . . Another Baldock and Son course was put into construction on Sept. 1 in Cucamonga, Calif. . . . It will be an 18-hole public layout.

Roy H. LeBus and Sons Inc. has started work on 3410 acres of its 25,000-acre Monte Verde Ranch, about 23 miles east of Taos, N.M. . . . One area will have a ski slope and lodge, another will be homesites surrounding the Monte Verde CC, boasting a 9-hole course under construction and designed by LeBus himself, and a summer homes area.

Land has been purchased for development of the Gowrie (Ia.) CC . . . Arnold Palmer Enterprises is building an 18-hole putting course in Tokyo, as part of what is anticipated to be a complete Nipponese chain, according to Frank Abramoff, senior v-p . . . The Newton (Ia.) CC has undergone an extensive $100,000 remodeling, which includes an addition to the lounge and a new pro shop . . . Oak Park GC in Horsham township, near Philadelphia, Pa. has been sold to a group of investors said to include a number of current and former major league baseball stars . . . The course will be called Limekiln GC and the new owners are said to be prepared to spend $150,000 to improve the course and facilities.
An 18-hole course is under construction at Lake Havasu City, Ariz... Groundbreaking ceremonies have been held and construction of the course is underway at Los Alamitos Naval Air Station, near Long Beach Calif... The Eastbay Regional Park District has given Ballock Pacific Properties a contract to build, operate and maintain an 18-hole course in the Anthony Chabot regional park in the San Leandro-Castro Valley foothills... The lease is for 50 years... Port of Oakland (Calif.) has secured an interest rate of 3.587 per cent for $800,000 worth of certificates of indebtedness to finance a new 18-hole municipal course... The new Mission GC, Mitchell, S. D., is a 9-hole sand-green layout.

The McGregor GC, Saratoga Springs, N. Y., has been purchased by J. W. Gerrity... The new owner plans to turn the 18-hole, 900-acre course and clubhouse into a year-around operation... members of Cabarrus CC, Concord, N. C., have voted to sell 23.5 acres of their land to a developer who will build a new shopping center... The membership also gave the go-ahead for construction of an 18-hole championship course on a tract of land acquired in 1964.

Development of a 125-acre recreation park with tennis, beach, boat and golf facilities has been proposed for Fairfield, Conn... A 19-hole miniature course called The Square has been opened by Dominic Soriano in Long Branch, N. J... Present plans call for a Carlson & Ryder designed course to be built in North Salem, N. Y.

Gilette, Wyo.'s municipal course has two new grass greens built by the volunteer labor of local golf enthusiasts... The remaining seven are sand... Dell Rapids (S. D.) Community Golf association has applied for a loan to construct a 9-hole course and clubhouse... Greenwhich, Conn. will be the new site of the Fairview CC of Elmsford, N. Y... The club is currently being engulfed by an industrial development... Most of the members of Fairview are residents of Westchester county and New York City.

Newport News, Va., has construction underway on the new municipal course... Called Pen-Am, the course will be
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18 holes, measure 7060 yards and have a par 72 . . . A Par 3 course measuring 1490 yards will be included . . . The main course is expected to be playable by next spring . . . Dale City, one of the satellite cities surrounding Washington, D.C., has opened its model homes in Virginia and has plans for two 18-hole courses, the first of which is already blocked out, and a pitch-and-putt course.

Frank Moran, veteran golf editor of the Scotsman, and highly regarded by American golfers and writers who have met him, recently made a Member of the Order of the British Empire for his services to golf . . . Les Frisinger, pro at Rockledge, Fla., says that because so many members are engaged in space agency and missile work, summer golf is every bit as active as the busiest winter they've had . . . Les and his wife, Louise, have done a grand job of making their pro shop a sports fashion center . . . They claim golfers at Rockledge are the smartest dressed golfers in the south.

Harry Fawcett, who retired in 1963 as general manager, Kansas City Club, after a notable career which included management of country clubs famed for food, service and atmosphere, recently spoke to the Missouri Hotel and Motor Inn Association on trends in competition for the business of good eaters and said that lack of trained cooks is rapidly bringing on food prepared by automation . . . Fawcett, who had some great chefs working for him, says that now by correct ordering of prepared foods the small club can provide its members with epicurean meals . . . Fawcett also pointed out that lack of competent supervision in food service at restaurants and clubs has downgraded many of the establishments to a sad degree . . . He forecast revolutionary architectural progress in country clubhouses, adjusted to inevitable developments in food service.

Pro Norwood Thompson says the new Spotswood CC in Rockingham county, Va. is the newest 18-hole course in the area . . . The C-Way GC, a par 35, nine-hole, 3015-yard course was opened recently in Clayton, N.Y. . . . Andy Clement, pro, says a driving range, putting green and complete clubhouse facili-
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Most of the work is completed on the 9-hole Mountain Home GC near Meridan, Id. . . . Civic organizations and volunteer labor did almost all the work on the course . . . Meadowlark GC, Melrose, Minn., has opened recently, after some delay caused by rains and flooding . . . Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Pearsons, who built and operated the St. Joe Valley GC, Sturgis, Mich., have sold their 18-hole public layout to Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Lee.

Eight of the nine British Walker Cup members plan to stay in the U.S. for the Amateur which is scheduled for Southern Hills, Tulsa, Sept. 15-18 . . . The Walker Cup matches were played Sept. 3-4 in Baltimore . . . Harvey Meeks, charter member of the Florida West Coast GCSA, died in Clearwater in mid-July . . . The Florida West Coast GCSA's second annual scholarship tournament is to be played Sept. 19 at Sunset G & CC, St. Petersburg . . . PGA tournament players say that a field of 140 to 150 is unwieldy because there aren't enough daylight hours to comfortably accommodate all the entrants . . . However, 172 starting places were allotted for this year's PGA Championship in Ligonier . . . Faster play on part of contestants might help to solve the big field dilemma.

In the 42 tournaments played from the 1964 PGA Championship through the 1965 Insurance City Open, there were 31 different winners . . . Bill Casper won five of these events and Jack Nicklaus and Bruce Crampton, three each . . . Bob Nichols, Ken Venturi and Doug Sanders each claimed two . . . The 31 winners were automatically seeded into the PGA Championship . . . The 1966 PGA Seniors' Teacher Trophy championship will be staged at the PGA National GC, Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., Feb. 24-27 . . . Minimum purse will be $35,000 . . . In 1954, the first year the tournament was co-sponsored by Teacher, the purse was $5,000.

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PGA Championship and four American Classics from 1960 through 1964, par was bettered or equalled in only 11 per cent of all rounds played. According to Lincoln Werden of the New York Times, Jack Tuthill, PGA tournament supervisor, says too many kids are turning pro and trying to make it on the circuit. The annual dropout percentage is high and those who fail usually want to be quickly reinstated as amateurs. In 1964, 261 players were listed on the PGA money list. That sounds like quite a few until it is noted that the fellow at the bottom won only $42,11. A successful tourist, says Tuthill, should be able to pay his expenses and have $20,000 left over (before taxes) at the end of the year.

Golf history will be made at International Golf Assn. tournament at Club de Campo, Madrid, Sept. 30-Oct. 3. Among 38 two-man pro teams competing for the Canada Cup team trophy and the International (individual) Cup will be the first golf team from the other side of the Iron Curtain, a Czechoslovakian pair. Teams from Greece and Morocco will also compete for the first time. Spain has done well in the IGA world-wide pro classic. Angel Miguel won the International Cup in 1953. Spain finished second in 1963.

John Hays Melady, a pioneer in scientific course turf development and management, died July 12 at his daughter Eva's home in Hackensack, N. J., after a series of strokes. Melady started demonstration turf plots when he was with Carter's Tested Seeds and from these evolved a variety of selections, planting, care and treatment of many golf courses in the '20s. He was instrumental in getting the generally recognized standard of the flagstick of 8 feet accepted. He was an authoritative writer of books and articles on turf, horticulture and landscaping.

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the PGA championship . . . Sarazen’s work on “Shell’s Wonderful World of Golf” brought the Squire back into the public eye and contributed to making the show the best TV job in and for golf.

Alfred Wright in Sports Illustrated did the 1965 story about the controversy between the club pros and the tournament pros in the PGA . . . That’s been a subject of magazine pieces at least once a year, except war years, since the late 1930s . . . Wright is a better writer than most of his predecessors on the old topic . . . He skiddled on a few facts . . . When “professional golf first started to become a gate attraction,” Hagen and Sarazen were not club pros . . . Exhibitions made more and more certain money for the stars than the early circuit tournaments promised as prize money . . . TV is the only change and that’s steadily knocking down the rating of tournaments and golf stars with advertisers and their agencies . . . The old barn-storming “world championship” matches between whoever happened to be the U.S. and British national open champions were genuine and exciting competitions . . . The TV “all star” exhibitions that are sold to advertisers as “championships” run poor seconds in genuine competitive intensity to the thousands of one-dollar-Nassaus played by high handicap amateurs at their clubs and on fee courses . . . The alleged “championship” golf on television is bound to kill itself just as the quiz programs with the big money knocked themselves off the air.

The basic controversy in tournament golf is between the guys who now are on top and those who are working up . . . It is tough, if not impossible, to legislate to control sports competition . . . Naturally, the guys who have got it made in golf, want to cut down the competition and stay on top . . . Some hungry young unknown may win a few tournaments and the sports writers will make him glamorous . . . TV doesn’t do that.

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Talk of tourney pros needing a “commissioner” points up the confusion that disturbs professional golf. . . Pro baseball and basketball commissioners, now that those sports are merely big business instead of team sports, are merely window trimming and haven’t got any authority . . . Sale of the Yankees to CBS demonstrated that . . . So with the conclusively demonstrated futility of commissioners in sports conducted by soundly financed and experienced corporations, what are the chances for a “commissioner” in the highly individualistic playing business of golf? . . . Anybody who would want a job as a pro golf commissioner wouldn’t be the guy pro golf needs.

It may not be theoretically the best arrangement in the world to have the club and playing pros grouped under the PGA in its present form, and having as unpaid officers, fellows who are either masochists or martyrs . . . but, anyway, it’s a good deal for the playing pros because it provides somebody to blame when anything is screwed up . . . The bellyaching has been going on for years and will continue while a new crop of boys are growing up and learning the wisdom of Harry Truman’s advice: “If you can’t stand the heat, stay out of the kitchen.”

You don’t suppose Dave Marr, chairman of the PGA tournament committee up to Aug. 10, 1965, had too much taken out of him by that job, or would be in favor of splitting the PGA into club pro and tournament pro sections? . . . Dave, as the new PGA champion, ought to be quite well satisfied by $25,000 first prize money and the PGA championship as it is . . . Very few genuine golf championships are left . . . Television is making golf tournaments just another gimmick to sell something . . . The TV World
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championship, and that other wireless thing that took name players away from the Hartford Open, are bringing pro golf exhibitions to the point where some dog food canner may sponsor a golf "cham-
It's a little hard to keep the Sorenson girls straight because both answer to the first name of Carol. However, Carol Jean (I) was the Junior medalist in the recent Women's Trans-Miss, played at Dubuque (Ia.) CC and just plain Carol was the medalist among the older girls. Sharon Miller won the championship, defeating Jean Bryant in the final, 4 and 3.

Tommy Jacobs of Bermuda Dunes (Calif.), CC is the new chairman of the PGA tournament committee. Jacobs as of Aug. 8, was 53rd in PGA tour winnings with $10,340 official and $13,413 total. Mason Rudolph is first co-chairman, Dan Sikes is second co-chairman and Bill Casper is third co-chairman. PGA president, Warren Cantrell, secretary Max Elbin and Treasurer Leo Fraser, are the other three members of the Tournament committee. So with the tourney specialists having a majority on the tourney committee you can see how funny it is to censure the PGA non-tournament officials for anything the playing pros don't like.

What was said in this column in August Golfdom about the risks and worries of putting on a major tournament in golf — worst time of the year for grass — unhappily proved to be true at Laurel Valley. The explosion involving Pro-Supt. Paul Erath and green chairman, George Wyckoff, blew Erath out of his
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job during the PGA and was just one of those things . . . Laurel Valley was in perfect condition for the PGA despite long drought ending with heavy rain and hot, humid weather . . . Erath resigned as a winner in the tough argument with Mother Nature . . . Controversy about moving a 60 ft. tree into an angle of a dogleg the day before the PGA opened brought the strain to the cracking point . . . Too bad it happened to nice guys but it isn't the first time that there has been a last minute order for a course change.

Differences of opinion in the Laurel Valley club family about course changes for the PGA Championship, reminded us that course changes for the National Open and the PGA were problems that were introduced after World War II . . . Prior to that time if the PGA or USGA didn't like a course as it was, the club could do nicely without the championship . . . Since the pre-championship changes have been in fashion we have noticed that in most cases members wish the courses hadn't been altered to fit the techniques of the playing specialists . . . Augusta National, in this respect as in so many others, does the right thing . . . It makes any course changes that will be improvements for members and the pros after a championship, not before . . . If need of changes on a course aren't obvious to an expert in architecture that the alterations can't have been made at least a year before a major championship, then why spend the money?

Erath can take it easier now . . . As owner and operator of an attractive daily fee course he nets himself a whole lot more than anybody is being paid for handling the dual responsibilities of a pro-supt. job . . . Erath has done construction (and design) work in addition to building Laurel Valley . . . Nobody will have to play any benefits for Paul . . . Arnold Palmer, Laurel Valley's touring pro, had no part of the debate that preceded Erath's resignation — or discharge, depending on who is talking . . . Palmer took care of his multitudinous cares as the famed host pro with admirable politeness and patience . . . From the No. 1 man in the gallery, Mr. Eisenhower, to the most annoying brat among the auto-
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graph collectors, Arnie handled everything pleasantly.

Palmer carried a heavier psychological handicap into a championship than anyone else in golf history, even Bob Jones, back in the days when it was the field against Bob ... Signs all around the countryside reminded Palmer that the neighbors expected him to win the PGA without having to breathe hard ... On the first hole an excess of pro-Arnie zeal in ripping away part of a bridge that interfered with his swing, penalized him.

Veteran pros, who are experts in inspecting golf games, say that Palmer’s technique as such demands delicate adjustments ... Distractions or failure to keep tuned to bearing down soon become deadly for him ... Hence, Arnie’s decision to apply himself to golf and ease off on all those get-rich-quick sidebars ... Arnie’s got a potential gold mine in his golf company with Robbie Robinson running it and a great gang of youngsters as salesmen ... If he will look at Ben Hogan he will see that the golf club business through pros can lead to ample riches ... Ben, as canny as a businessman as he is as a golfer, parlayed his club business into a fortune that an informed Fort Worth man says is by a long way the biggest of any pro athlete ... Yet Ben still is known as the golfer and not as a multi-millionaire ... From tee to green at Laurel Valley Hogan was as good as Dave Marr ... But as a putter still our Ben ... Oh, you can’t have everything.

Paul Hahn, the trick shot star, is a hard worker who seems to believe that work is fun ... Hahn put on another marvelous show at the PGA championship and when you can get the PGA contestants watching in awe, you’re good ... Then Hahn flew to Baltimore to put on another performance that day at Pine Ridge GC where Johnny Bass is pro.

Laurel Valley, during the PGA, had enough big tents around to make you think you were at a British Open ... With air conditioning under the canvas of the restaurant and bar and press tents, conditions weren’t too tough even on Sunday when it was over 90 ... The club-
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Jim Cotter (l), pro at Mountain Shadows CC, Scottsdale, Ariz., recently presented Del Webb, founder of the Sun Cities, a special set of clubs, with each club bearing the inscription, "Del Webb's Sun City." Golf is the only hobby of Webb, who has always been preoccupied with making money.

The house is rather small, and pleasant, and for men only . . . Have you ever seen a clubhouse at an Open or PGA championship that was big enough? . . . Even at Olympia Fields, at Dallas and Columbus and at Congressional, where there are big clubhouses and managers who are as much stars in their work as the tournament players, the clubhouses were jammed, the customers were sweating and irritable and the employees often had more work than they could handle . . .

The Columbus CC clubhouse operation during the 1964 PGA I think was the smoothest I've ever seen of the big championships but I've never seen a bad job of clubhouse management with these heavy loads.

There is talk about Laurel Valley having an autumn version of the Masters . . . With fall coloring on the hills and valleys in the picture the event would be a tournament comparable with the beauty of the Masters when spring is blooming . . . But getting a date will be difficult.

Johnny Capebianco has been very busy as teaching pro at Laurel Valley . . . He was pro at Aliquippa (Pa.) CC then at Nemicolin CC, Beallsville, Pa., and with Paul Erath at Fox Chapel before coming to Laurel Valley . . . He did a great deal of business in the Laurel Valley shop.
during the PGA... He had help from veterans in pro selling, Art Yann who was with U.S. Rubber for 38 years before retiring and Smiley Magree, one of Wilson’s pioneers... Pat Mahoney, widely known pro at Palo Alto, Calif., municipal course, are happy to tell you, is coming along O.K. after a serious eye operation.

Jack Nicklaus goes to South Africa early in 1966 for exhibition matches with Gary Player... British golf writers and pros continue to express embarrassment because of misconduct of amateur photographers during the British Open... It must have been a record low in golf manners and calls for control such as the U.S. Open and the Masters exercise over the camera clickers... France now has an official license, “State Degree” for golf professionals and assistants... Those who have been in pro golf prior to 1963 are automatically licensed... Others must qualify by scoring no more than 20 over par for four rounds in each of four major competitions.

Johnny Moran, a professional for 25 years who left the golf business in 1962 to operate a lounge and restaurant, has returned to the game as pro-manager of the George Diamond CC, Antioch, Ill... Florida PGA Seniors and Southeast Florida Dairy Institute are co-sponsoring a “milk-for-health” tourney to be played at the PGA National GC, Oct. 4-5... Wonder what they’ll dispense at the 19th hole... Ninth U.S. National Senior Open, to be played at the Dunes and Tropicana in Las Vegas, Sept. 22-26, offers a minimum purse of $50,000... Dutch Harrison has won the last four National Senior Opens.

Seventh annual National Amputee GA Championship to be played Oct. 6-9 at Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, Ga... After two 18-hole qualifying rounds are played, contestants will be seeded into six flights... There also will be competitions for Women and Juniors... Singleton Irrigation Systems, Inc., Manchester, Mass., recently completed building automatic systems for Bonnie Briar CC, Larchmont, N.Y. and Rockport (Mass.) GC.

University of Missouri’s sixth annual
The turf conference is scheduled to be held Sept. 15-16 in Columbia at the school's horticulture and extension division department. While the conference is going on, a committee of six will discuss plans for forming a Missouri Valley Turf Association. Oakbrook community developers, Tacoma, Wash., planning a $1 million club to be known as Oakbrook G & CC. Setup will include course, clubhouse, swimming pools and tennis courts. When the Hudson Valley GCSA held a recent meeting at Dutchess G & CC in Poughkeepsie, members were treated to a thundershower. It had to be identified for some who hadn't seen rain for three or four years.

Fields in the Metropolitan (N.Y.), Illinois and Southern California PGA sectional events this year have looked as though the minor league of pro golf already is in operation. U.S. Invitational Pro-Amateur, sponsored by Greater Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce, will be played Oct. 2-3 at Losantiville (O.) CC. Field will consist of 72 teams and prize money is $25,000. Last year Mike Krak and First Flight Golf Co. president, Lew Oehmig, won the event.

Ernest Jones, 77, noted teacher who stressed swing on the club, died July 31, in his home at Glen Head, N.Y., after a long illness. Jones lost a leg in World War I. He became a fine player and instructor. He came from England to the U.S. in 1925 and became pro at the Women's National G&TC in the New York met district. When that club closed he opened an indoor school. Many women champions, including Virginia Van Wie and Helen Hicks, were his pupils. He was presented with the Ben Hogan award by the Golf Writers Association in January this year for his triumph over his handicap. He wrote books on his "swing" method of playing with the late Innis Brown and with Dave Eisenberg. He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Fred Austin.

Al Mengert, pro at Tacoma C&G club,
has had 130 in his junior classes this summer ... Mengert took time off from teaching to win his third consecutive Washington Open title ... Thunderbird tournament drew a record four-day attendance of 79,000 which should fatten Westchester county United Hospital building fund by plenty ... Last year the tournament, sponsored by Westchester Ford dealers, contributed $155,000 to the United Hospital fund ... National Pee Wee championship, in its 19th year, had record field of 188 youngsters from three to 15 years ... Winner in the oldest division (13-15 years) was Tom Jeanette, 15, Pensacola, Fla., with 73-74—147 on Rio Pinar CC 6,583 par 72 course at Orlando, Fla. ... Orlando Chamber of Commerce and Minute Maid Co. sponsor the competition.

Bud Cunningham is pro at the newly opened Baiting Hollow CC, Riverhead, L.I., N.Y. ... Cunningham formerly was at Indian Hills CC, Fort Salonga, N.Y.
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At cocktail party preceding Broadmoor Women's Invitational, played at The Broadmoor, Colorado Springs, Colo., in August, some of the top contenders are seen gathered at a buffet table. From left they are Barbara Faye White, 1964 champion, Barbara Mc Intire, who won 1965 title by defeating Judy Rand in the final, Judy Bell, Brigitte Varangot, leading French woman amateur, Nancy Roth Syms and Jean Ashley. Miss Mc Intire also won the tournament in 1962.


Norman Wendling, pro since 1931 at Lakeview Hills CC, Lexington, Mich., and owner of the club since the mid-40s, honored by brother pros and neighbors at a big party in Lexington . . . Norman and Al Watrous, Oakland Hills pro, were presented Michigan PGA Distinguished Service plaques . . . Eight of the state's pro stars took off on a Sunday afternoon to play an exhibition at Lakeview . . . Wendling's wife, Vi, has made the clubhouse famous for food and good house-keeping.

Press party given by Art Rooney, Pittsburgh Steelers, owner, at his Ligonier summer home on the eve of the PGA tournament was a gourmet affair . . . Must have been 150 All-Star eaters there warming up on clams, soup and broiled lobster, then making 11 yards through the steak on each play.

Harry Radix, the world's most widely
traveled golf fan, died in his home at Chicago four days before his 81st birthday. . . . Harry returned from the PGA and was getting ready to go to the IGA tournament in Madrid . . . He was due for a hospital checkup at noon, Aug. 18, but died that morning . . . He'd been president of the Chicago District GA three times, president of Ridgemoor CC in the Chicago district and an official of Oak Park CC where the Radix Cup matches between Illinois PGA members and amateurs are played annually . . . He was secretary of the PGA advisory committee for years . . . He also was an official of the Olympic figure skating committee . . . When he was a youth he was one of the star baseball players of Chicago's prairies . . . He had missed very few National Opens and PGA championships since 1923, attended all but three Masters, most of the International GA tournaments and all but one Ryder Cup competition since World War II . . . His jeweled platinum cuff links were treasures of several famed golfers . . . He had extensive acquaintance among club officials and professionals and spent considerable time and money lining up jobs for good pros who needed connections . . . He is survived by his sister and three nephews, Howard, Orville and John Parker . . . Orville is prominent in club management . . . Harry Badix was highly successful in the precious metals business and after retiring from active business made other lucrative investments.

Walter R. (Pop) Evans, 73, pro at Ruston (La.) CC, died recently at his home in Ruston of a heart attack . . . Prior to serving at Ruston, he had been pro at Acadian Hills CC, Lafayette, La., at Abbeville (La.) CC, and for many years at the New Iberia (La.) CC . . . He had held the lightweight and middleweight wrestling world championships.

Chet Mendenhall's 31 years as supt. at Mission Hills CC (Kansas City District) celebrated by club members and others of Chet's legion of friends in golf course management at a golf day and dinner at the club, Aug. 25 . . . Mendenhall has had much to do in establishing high standards of maintenance despite adverse natural conditions in the Kansas City area . . . He was GCSA national president in 1948.