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Besides, you’ll make no money with alibis.

Most golf clubs have a pro shop of some sort, some good, some bad, but in many cases it could be improved. Sometimes a poor pro shop is the fault of the club, but in my 20 years experience as a pro I have never failed to get the cooperation of the Board of Directors after I started the ball rolling by doing a little painting and other improving.

Greenkeeper Helps Rebuilding
When I took over here at Northland seven years ago the shop was in very poor shape—the walls were dirty, club racks were too small, buffing machine was in the main display room. In general the place was a mess. I asked about getting it fixed and the reply was, as usual, the budget couldn’t stand the expense, etc. With the help of our greenkeeper, Art Asplund, I managed to rebuild one section of the storage racks, move the buffing machine, build some merchandise display shelves and paint the entire shop.

My wife and Mrs. Asplund made some colorful drapes for the windows. With a cash outlay of about $40 and a lot of work we had practically a new shop. When the Directors saw the results they were delighted and OK’d the bills for the paint and drapes without a question.

Since that time we have rebuilt all of the club storage racks, built two new sections and now have a room for 300 bags and all spaces are 12 in. square. We have tripled the window space in the caddie-master’s office, which is in the shop, thus giving him a better view of the caddies.

Also we have put a new door into the shop close to the storage racks which makes it possible to give out clubs faster and eliminates the need of the caddies coming into the shop.

This spring we took out two walls making the display room much larger and lighter. With the exception of the new windows and the new door, Art and I have done all the work including taking out the walls. We have a regular schedule of painting. We paint the floor every year and the entire shop every second year. When we repaint the shop we always change the color system so that it is noticeable to the members, thus calling to their attention the work that has been done.

Merchandise Plainly Priced
My shop is stocked with usual lines of pro merchandise and all of it is very plainly priced. Sets of clubs are marked with tags showing price, length and weight. Single clubs such as putters and wedges are priced by sticking the tag just below the grip with Scotch tape. This makes it possible for a player to take a practice swing with the club without having a price tag in his way. I have a putting carpet next to the putter display which helps sell putters each season.

My shop is a separate building and not connected on to the clubhouse and is fairly close to the locker room door but not in a direct line to the first tee. Players may talk with the caddie master without coming into the shop but its a rare occasion when a N.C.C. member tees off without first coming into the shop. I feel that they are proud of the appearance of the shop and the merchandise I have on display so they just naturally come in to look over things. After all the shop be-

Well space in Clasen’s shop is handled so every inch contributes to selling appeal and convenience of inspecting merchandise. The colorful curtains help liven up the place.

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longs to them and if it's a good one it makes their membership that much more valuable. Very few members take guests into the clubhouse before they bring them to the shop. This results in a lot of sales to people not members of N.C.C. and every dollar I make on these sales is just like finding it.

In my travels I like to look over the golf shops and it's a great way to pick up ideas. I think that all pros will agree that some of the pro shops are a disgrace to the profession and as a rule the poorer the shop the more you will hear the pro complain about the poor support he gets from his members.

No matter how small your shop is you can always make it bright and neat with a little paint and work. The shop location is very important but if you make it attractive enough the members will be glad to stop in regardless of its location. In other words if the show is good enough people will come to see it.

I have pretty good evidence that the show in my shop is attractive enough to have justified the effort in staging the production. Northland members seem to have liked my shop so well that they started off my year in April with more than three times the volume of April last year which was the best starting month I'd ever had before. And business is continuing good because the shop stacks up well alongside any other retailing establishment in which first class people buy.

Chlordane Successful in Control of Mole Crickets

Dr. E. G. Kelsheimer, Entomologist, Vegetable Crops Laboratory, Florida Agricultural Experiment Station, Bradenton, Fla., reports that Chlordane has been used successfully to control mole crickets in turf. DDT and benzene hexachloride were not satisfactory for this purpose because DDT is slow in its action and because the odor of benzene hexachloride makes it objectionable in residential areas.

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THE GREATEST NAME IN GOLF
Bertholy Promotes,
Sandusky Golf Booms

By HY WESTON

Driving along the scenic south shore of Lake Erie, on routes 2 and 6 in Ohio, an exceptionally attractive range stretches out for 225 yards in prominent view, with a brilliant display of lighting and neon with 5 ft. letters telling us this is the Sandusky Golf Range. It is a chapter in the story of how Sandusky, a city of 30,000, was administered golf promotion in large effective doses.

Paul Bertholy, a golf pro, is the reason for the story.

Golf did not always enjoy the popularity in the locality it now does. Bertholy, 33 years old, of English-German descent, started caddying when he was about ten years old. So the promotional period runs over a 23 year stretch, proving the wisdom of caddie development.

Caddying at the Plum Brook CC, Bertholy found his first real love, golf. A caddie team was organized and matches with out-of-town caddie teams resulted in a long string of wins with Bertholy, now 13, rushing the results to the local paper. Strong and lasting friendships were being made and thus without realizing it, the young golf enthusiast was laying a firm foundation for favorable public relations.

The caddie team had done so well that a high school team was formed by Sandusky high school Principal Whinnery, present Supt. of Schools. This team, of which Bertholy was a member, went undefeated for three years of match play. Bertholy, working now for the local paper while attending school, took care of the coverage.

In the meantime, Woodlawn, a public course, was opened but failed because the town was not ready for a fee course.

Opening in 1930, it failed in 1935, with Bertholy and his brother Charles trying to revive it during 1936. The effort proved to be a failure.

Finally getting the City Commissioners interested in a WPA golf project in 1938, ground was broken in 1939, and on Decoration Day, 1940, a 9 hole course was opened to the public with Bertholy as pro-manager. The going was most difficult with the course not being finished when the commission split in disagreement. Injunction was threatened with one commissioner predicting that the course would not have 25 people on it in a whole year.

Fingers were pointed at the failure of the first public course five years before. With fairways incomplete and the remainder of the WPA funds not forthcoming, the new course had two strikes on it before it started. With high school boys on week-ends, Bertholy cleared up most of the rock-strewn fairways. It was suggested that trees be left standing so when the course failed, it could be used as a picnic park.

As the course progressed under the able guidance of Bertholy, trees were removed from the center of fairways and from in front of greens. Tees and greens were enlarged, fairways were topdressed and fertilized until today the course offers a good playing layout.

No extra funds were forthcoming for this finishing work, but Bertholy and his caddies had a plan and it worked. Each year Bertholy would select six to ten of his most able caddies, and with these boys set to work to improve the course. These boys earned memberships this way, and Bertholy also rewarded them with golf 

This golf range constructed and operated by Paul Bertholy at Sandusky, O., is proving a powerful factor in developing new golfers. Night operation is especially attractive to beginners.
clubs and plenty of lessons. Slowly a program was being evolved, and the feeling against the course was being licked with more and more golfers becoming interested.

From the outset Bertholy organized golf leagues which grew more popular as time went by, till four leagues were in operation and the country club in town had also copied the plan with a ten team league of its own.

Revives High School Interest

Bertholy went before the high school and lectured on golf to the interested students. The high school golf team had been dropped due to lack of interest. Bertholy revived this interest with free lessons to both boys and girls, also furnishing free balls and clubs. The most talented of Bertholy's young followers proved to be a boy named Leo Biagetti, who promptly set the junior state golf circles on fire with his talents. Golf interest began to mount. Leo won the Toledo District Junior Title three years running, smashing records right and left. He capped the city and county titles. Chick Hendrickson, a Plum Brook caddie, was given the opportunity to play by Bill Gordon, the Plum Brook pro, and golf was on the move. Chick won the National Caddie tournament at Columbus in 1946.

In 1947, a Sandusky high school team of Leo Biagetti, Chick Hendrickson, Pete Koelsch and Art Kurtz walked off with the state high school golf championship, with Leo, who had already won the Ohio Junior crown, succeeding Frank Stranahan, now annexing the state high school individual title as well.

Today Plum Brook CC has about all the members they can handle and Mills Creek course is busy from sun up to sun down. Bertholy has finished his new project, his golf range. Bertholy left the city course in the fall of 1946 and by the Fourth of July had completed his modern range, incorporating his own plans. The eight most promising high school boys receive their practice free at the golf range and Bertholy predicts another really tough team by 1949.

Some of the promotional stunts that Bertholy feels helped the growth of golf were the exhibitions of pros that Bertholy staged and the new novel tournament that he held. He personally underwrote bringing Byron Nelson and Jug McSpaden to Sandusky in 1945 and his city handicap tournament drew fields of 128 for four years in a row.

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