Again!

Let's Look at the Whole Picture!

There are a lot of claims still flying around... "this ball was first choice in this tournament"... "that ball was the favorite in that one"... But let's look at the whole record. Let's see what happened in all the Big Money Tournaments in 1948-49 to date.* What ball — week after week — North, South, East and West — was played by the world's greatest golfers?

Well, here's the story — the whole story. Here are five established facts to keep in mind.

1. More players used Titleists than all other makes.
2. This includes all the Big Money P. G. A. Open Tournaments as well as major tournaments of 1948 — the National Amateur, Western Open, The Masters', National P. G. A. and the National Open.†
3. In order of popularity after Acushnet, the next four makes of balls are manufactured by companies who pay players to use their products.
4. No one is paid to play an Acushnet ball.
5. Only Acushnet sells its entire golf ball output through the Pro Shop.

*April 4, 1949.
†The last four were won with Titleists.
Chicago District Golf Assn. asking Illinois legislature to revise child labor law to permit boys of 12 to caddy providing bag carts are supplied. Present age limit is 14, reduced from 16 by legislative amendment July 1, 1947. In 1947, 48 private clubs of CDGA employed 11,379 caddies for 557,491 rounds at average fee of $1.75 a round. Caddy fees at the 48 reporting CDGA clubs in 1947 were $985,609.25.

Gene Sarazen's blast at the expense slug put on pros for rooms and meals at Augusta during the Masters' tournament is long overdue. Masters is the best run and probably most profitable of all tournaments but invited contestants have to pay Broadway prices for the Southern hospitality and they wind up plenty in the red. Sarazen pointed out that other professional athletes get special hotel rates and guarantees of expenses but tournament pros often leave more cash in a city than they take out in prize money. Comparison of tournament pros' financial picture with that of Augusta Negro fighter, Beau Jack, has the pros running a poor second. Wonder if Gene's candid and constructive remarks will draw threat of punitive action from PGA Tour-nament bureau for not obeying the publicity iron curtain edict? Bet it doesn't. Gene is too right and registers a complaint where the Tournament bureau long has been silent.

Greenkeepers in midcontinent still hoping bad winter storms didn't do much lasting damage to turf. Trees were badly hit by ice. Lot of reports from greenkeepers about damage done to greens by few players who insisted on playing before greens dried out this spring. A dozen fellows who play on greens that should be closed can rough up the putting surface so considerable time and money are needed to restore good condition. Extra work they cause comes just at a time when greenkeeper needs more expert labor than he has.

You and your members can get 1949 Rules of Golf booklet for 15 cents each from USGA, 73 E. 57th st., New York 22. 1949 rules in poster form suitable for framing are 25 cents. Main revisions in rules for this year are penalty for slow play reduced to loss of hole in match play and two strokes in stroke play. Repeated delay entails disqualification. Artificial drains now classified as artificial obstructions. Relief allowed from bridges and abutments in hazards. Roads no longer classified as hazards. Brushing club across line of putt to remove loose impediment permitted. Brushing club along line of putt prohibited.

Harold Calderwood now pro at White Lakes CC, Topeka, Ks. He was pro mgr., Jefferson City (Mo.) CC before going into the war and was with his brother Leny, pro at St. Joseph (Mo.) CC and operating a practice range he and Leny owned, after he got out of uniform. Abe Espinosa to Billings, Mont., as pro. Private clubs are taking a tip from driving range operators and lighting practice tees for night use.

Very popular entertainment stunt put on by Richmond (Calif.) GC member. He films movies of typical "week-end foursomes" of members with plot showing amusing and effective "dos and don'ts". Southern Hills CC, Tulsa, Okla., making a big drive for August vacations to be spent at club. Special in-town guest privileges, reduced green fees, including lunch. Hot weather menu at reduced prices are among attractions offered to keep play and house patronage up at time when many members of this top grade club usually are on vacations out of town.

Southern Hills CC yearbook has innovation in "negotiating scores" opposite members' names. Pro Bill Watherspoon and Golf Events committee worked out these "negotiating scores" so all members would be properly handicapped although quite a few haven't turned in scores for handicapping. It encourages members to play with others whose scores are about in their class. System's success was exhibited in first team event of season with more than 100 members divided into two teams competing on "negotiating score" basis and the event being decided by only one stroke.

Harold Clasen, pro, Northland CC, Duluth, Minn., sends his members a letter making a combination offer on a series of lessons and club cleaning at reduced rates for early season action on the lessons. Clasen's proposition gets the Northlanders started early and lengthens the season.
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John Henry Taylor, five time winner of the British Open and first Englishman to win that event (in 1894) recently observed his 78th birthday at his home near Westward Ho... He still plays.

Enid Wilson, British woman star who's played a lot over here, says in Golf Illustrated, London, that she doubts the American women's tournament circuit will do them or the game any good... Enid remarks about the tournament circuit "A life that only the 'tough guys' can stand for a few seasons will surely have a deplorable effect on the nerves and physiques of the women who try it."... Maybe Enid's right but in some cases we've noticed the female of the species is more rugged than the male... The women golfers, like the men, also have need of prize money... General conditions and official vigilance enforce the amateur status regulations more strictly among women than men.

British Walker Cup amateurs to have two day match against British pros on a London course before leaving for U.S... Action still pending on U.S. PGA Pres. Joe Novak's proposal of team matches pairing star American pros and amateurs as teammates prior to Walker Cup matches at Winged Foot... It should make a fine show for the golfing public, excellent training

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Gervis McGraw, highly regarded Abilene, Tex., amateur, turns pro to be asst. to Morgan Hampton, Abilene CC, pro... Armand Chevally new mgr., Old Kentucky Home CC, Bardstown, Ky... Ewing Pomeroy now pro, Graymere CC, Columbia, Tenn... Joe Rapskey new pro at Catoctin CC, Frederick, Md... Rudolph Gasser, new mgr., Pomona (Calif.) CC... Peterborough (Vt.) GC installs two bowling alleys in clubhouse basement... Cost, $4,600.

Reprints of columns of Lester Rice in New York Journal-American being sold by the paper in 10 cent booklet entitled "6 Basic Pointers on How to Improve Your Golf."... Committee headed by Ray Wilcox plans building 18 hole course at Ocean side, Calif... Ralph Montis signed as pro-mgr., Algona (Ia.) CC... Lee Armstrong moves from Portales (N. Mex.) CC as pro to Roswell (N. Mex.) CC... "Dode" For reister goes from Roswell to be pro at Hobbs (N. Mex.) CC.

Glenna Collett Vare is donor of the trophy for the USGA Girls' championship... Scotty Maisack from pro job at Riverwood GC, Dundee, Ore., to Grants Pass (Ore.) G&CC as pro-mgr... Joe Tonetti,
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Bob Harris, 1948 National Collegiate champion, turns pro as asst. to Harrell Butler, Oklahoma City (Okla.) CC. George Lake re-elected Southern Calif. PGA pres. for fifth time at section’s 1949 annual meeting. Entries for 49th National Open, at Medinah CC (Chicago dist.), June 9-11, must reach USGA office, New York, by 5 P.M., Monday, May 16. Entry fee is $7. Matt Bezek now gkpr., Cherry Hills GC, Flossmoor, Ill. Women’s Golf Association of Massachusetts celebrating 50th anniversary.

Pete Covel named editor Indiana Golf Course Supts.’ bi-monthly bulletin. April Bull Sheet, bulletin of Midwest Assn. of Golf Course Supts., contains construction details of Bob Williams’ spray boom designed by supt., Beverly CC (Chicago dist.). Metropolitan (N.Y.) GA advising member clubs how to change over to USGA handicap system.
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Jim Lawson, pro-mgr., Hillview CC, Franklin, Ind., has sent to his old football team, Panmure, bowls, cups, medals and other trophies he won as a member of that great old Carnoustie outfit. Scotch papers in reporting Jim's gift refer to him as one of the great soccer players who ever took the field. Jim starred with Dundee in international triumphs. Many of his teammates in Scotch football also became prominent in American golf. Among them have been the names of Hendry, Maiden, Hackney, Ogg, Soutar, Clarkson, Smith, Nicoll, Bothwell, McLean and Douglas.

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