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Bill Cox, Britain's counterpart of Porky Oliver, played his home course, Fulwell, in 81 gripping his clubs only with his right hand . . . New Zealand has a Golf Foundation to the pattern of the U.S. National Golf Foundation . . . The New Zealand Foundation is featuring the promotion of junior golf.

Golf Illustrated of London reports that British PGA is finding no takers for its offer of the 1957 Ryder Cup matches for about $30,000 . . . Says Ryder matches at Ganton in 1949 drew about $18,000 (translated from pounds, of course) . . . Lucky the Ryder Cup matches here have acquired Bob Hudson as angel . . . Despite exciting and expert golf in the competition it doesn't draw well in this country . . . Thunderbird has expressed interest in having Ryder Cup matches as a quadrennial feature . . . PGA would be relieved of trouble of placing and financing the event but might risk having the Ryder Cup matches become primarily a feature of the Thunderbird entertainment calendar instead of an international sports competition.

Thunderbird hospitality lavish for both teams and British sports writers who made the trip and produced beautiful purple prose on the desert wonderland club . . . Jimmy Thomson on Caribbean trip this winter as sales missionary for Spalding.


Forrest J. (Red) Large from Oak Park (Ill.) CC to manage Plum Hollow GC (Detroit dist.) . . . Donald D. Christian from Meridian Hills CC, Indianapolis, Ind., now managing CC of Orlando, Fla. . . . Robert M. Dorian from Brynwood CC, Milwaukee, Wis., to manage Scioto CC, Columbus O. . . . Lorne A. Cameron, formerly mgr., Scioto, now the Club Consultants, Inc., a club management advisory service.

Sidney T. Jessop of Medina CC has been elected 23d pres., Chicago District Golf Assn. . . . At the CDGA annual meeting Charles N. Eckstein of Ravilhoe was elected vp, Andrew W. Gatenby of Beverly, treas.; and Stacy W. Osgood of Flossmoor, sec. and gen. counsel . . . The CDGA reported that more than 16,000 of its handicap cards were issued to members of CDGA member clubs in 1955 and that Chicago District Golf Charities raised $11,221 for vet hospital use last year.

Perry H. Smith, 74, father of Horton and Ren Smith, died Dec. 7 at Springfield, Mo. . . . He had been in failing health for some months . . . Mr. Smith was a native of Springfield . . . He was a highly respected citizen whose admirable character is reflected by his sons . . . He was in farming and live stock business . . . His widow survives him.

Commonwealth CC (Boston dist.) sold to Gor-Sam Realty Co. at reported $820,000 . . . It will continue operating as a country club . . . Lou Strong changes from Park Ridge (Ill.) CC to become pro at Tam O'Shanter CC . . . Lou's former ass't. at Park Ridge, Ken Weiller, comes from Kishwaukee CC, DeKalb, Ill. to take over Park Ridge pro job.

The Country Club of Virginia gross revenue from 1955 National Amateur was $64,000; the net, $16,000 . . . The Richmond club's Board of Governors distrib-
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ed the profit as a bonus to club employees . . . Broadacres GC, 9 hole public course in Bloomfield, N. J. to be site of soap company research laboratory . . . Interesting point brought up by Lake Success (N. Y.) village ordinance halting removal of sod, trees, etc., from site of Deepdale GC former course which is to be used for home sites . . . Village officials say ordinance is control measure to prevent flood damage.

Sale of golf course sites for use as building plots is reminding municipalities of the clubs’ very small use of municipal services in return for the clubs’ tax payments . . . Some municipalities making 75 ft. minimum frontage for home lots, declaring that smaller plots and houses do not pay for facilities required to service them.

Talk in south about leasing municipal courses to private operators since desegregation court ruling . . . Airplane application of Chlordane to Marshfield (Mass.) CC for beetle control at low cost very interesting to New England supt., during their last outdoor meeting of 1955 . . . As result of supt.’ planning and cooperation highly valuable to Supt. Frank Wilson dur-
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Women's criticism of high bidding in previous Calcuttas will reduce pool totals at several clubs this year . . . Wives say they could use the money better . . . Calcutta scandal exploded by Larry Robinson in NY World-Telegram Sun last fall quite interesting to Internal Revenue dept. . . . Simon-pure, 6-handicap, absolutely-on-the-level golfer who's won $100,000 in Calcutta in past three years has declared every cent of it in his returns . . . He's very successful businessman in high tax brackets.

During formalities honoring memory of Leo Diegel and voting him into PGA's Hall of Fame fellows who knew Dieg well told how hard he worked in raising lot of money for vet hospital golf . . . Some nice stories came out about pros who gave Leo a hand along toward the end of his long illness when he really needed it . . .

Doug Ford, PGA Playing Pro of 1954 to be playing pro for new Putnam CC, Mahopac, N. Y.

Third annual Early Wynn Ballplayers Invitation tournament will be played at Bobby Jones GC, Sarasota, Fla., Feb. 10, 11, 12, with Elks lodges of Sarasota and Venice as co-sponsors and proceeds going mainly to Harry-Anna crippled children's home.

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In studying 1956 Rules of Golf note changes in amateur status rules at any age, instead of 18 or younger, as before... Amateur ruling eased to permit competition as members of industrial or business golf teams.

"A Night to Remember," Walter Lord's exciting book on the Titanic's sinking in April, 1912, says that included in the ship's cargo were 30 cases of golf clubs and tennis rackets for Spalding... Jim Barnes during recent trip back to Britain played in a holiday competition using only a 3-iron... Reports say Long Jim scored amazingly well for a 68-year-old golfer using only one club.

Plandome GC (NY) Met dist.) which appeared to be doomed to sale as a subdivision, bought by golfers who will operate it as a private club... Bob Toski and Marco S. Marinello, Holyoke, Mass., auto dealer, buy Mt. Tom GC at Holyoke... Toski will be pro... Illustrated sports section story in New York Times on sodding of new Putnam CC, Lake Mahopac, N. Y... Wm. F. Mitchell designed and built the course... Sod from Mitchell nursery at Sutton, N. H.

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