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SWINGING AROUND GOLF

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Ross Sobel back from European trip to his winter job as pro at Westview CC, Miami, Fla. . . . During illness of Charles Schalestock, supt. Norbeck CC (Washington, D. C. dist.) his fellow members of Middle Atlantic Golf Course Supers. Assn. are serving as consultants to the club.

Quite a few testimonial dinners to pros late last season after October GOLFDOM (last issue of each year) had gone to press . . . Among these affairs was one given to Joe Natale, pro at Rolling Green CC (Philadelphia dist.), since 1927 . . . Henry Poe and Marty Lyons of the Philadelphia section PGA presented a watch and a scroll bearing signatures of 100 professional colleagues to Joe . . . Bill Boyle, pro at Iron Rock GC (Philadelphia dist.) also was feted and presented with gifts from his members and fellow pros . . . Some more of them we haven’t mentioned include big testimonial dinner to H. C. Hackbarth, retiring as pro at Little Rock (Ark.) CC after 48 years of service . . . Of 44 ex-caddies who started under Mr. Hack and who have become prominent businessmen around the U. S., 41 attended the party.

Knoll CC, Boonton, N. J. had a big party for Pro Danny Williams . . . Mt. Kisco (N. Y.) CC put on a big affair celebrating 25th anniversary of its pro, Bill Goldbeck, with the club . . . Club topped celebration with $5000 check and that’s saying “I love you” in any language . . . St. Davids GC, Wayne, Pa., honored George McKenzie, retiring after 25 years as club’s supt., with tournament and dinner . . . Rhode Island Golf Course Supers. Assn. celebrate their 25th anniversary with a big dinner and present past presidents, including R. Wallace Peckham, first pres., with gavels. . . . Marty Tolomeo got his annual party at Twin Brooks CC put on by members who think the world of their man.

Charles H. Mayo, pro at Hackensack (N. J.) GC honored by his club members with a testimonial dinner . . . Prior to that affair British PGA presented Charley with a life membership for his 50 years’ service to professional golf . . . He was pres., Metropolitan PGA in 1926, ’27, ’28 and pres., PGA Seniors in 1949 . . . He’s been pro at Hackensack 11 years . . . Biographical notes and a tribute to Mayo in the dinner program tell of the “deep respect and warm affection” the club’s members and everyone else who knows Charley have for him . . . Robert Trent Jones building course in beautiful seashore location for Lawrence Rockefeller’s Dorado hotel in Puerto Rico.
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