Among the many new courses being started or opening are Golf Shores GC, Foley, Ala. . . . Community 18 at Seymour, Wis. . . . Mountain Creek GC at Lee, Tex . . . Brainerd Optimist Club nine in suburban Chattanooga, . . . Kerkhoven, Minn. . . . Hollywood (Fla.) Lakes CC . . . Saskatoon GC first nine in Negaunee, Mich. . . . Oak Hill nine in Meredith, N.H. . . . Larimore (N.D.) GC . . . The Farmers Home Administration is financing quite a few newer courses.

Topeka, Kans., considering building a lighted nine at Big Shunga park . . . Calhoun (S.C.) to add nine with FHA loan . . . Fargo (N. Dak.) to build nine in El Zagal area . . . Old Elm GC 18 in Abilene, Tex., designed by Warren Cantrell, is opening its front nine in July . . . The course is owned by Bill Horton . . . Art Nightingale is the pro . . . Utica, N.Y., to build a new city course . . . Hempstead (LI., N.Y.) to build muny nine . . . Manor Valley CC, owned by brothers, Wayne, George and Carl Frye, lighting its 6,327 yd. course in suburban Pittsburgh . . .
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Start on Walhalla CC, near Schenectady, N.Y. It's a private 18 with bordering residential sites. Lester Stern is president. Wm. H. Mitchell is architect. Opening first nine of Shorecliffs CC, at John Klug's Pacesetter Homes subdivision in suburban Los Angeles San Clemente Shores.

Lyle Hake and Russell Jacobson open their Par-3 Lowes Creek GC near Eau Claire, Wis. Warrenbrook Realty Co. seeks planning board approval for 18 at Green Brook, N.J. Bay City (Mich.) CC to sell nine-hole course, clubhouse and pool and build a new club with 18-hole course at another site. Old clubhouse burned down last March.

Retief Waltman, personable young South African who has been playing the U.S. tournament circuit as one of Gary Player's investments, and who was Player's partner in Canada Cup events, has retired from pro tournament golf. Waltman, a very religious youth, has found himself temperamentally unsuited to commercial golf play. A letter from an old pro-supt. now in a Veterans' Administration hospital, makes us wonder. He says the putting green and mowers
at the Hospital course, which was built through golfers’ generosity and aid, are in bad shape because “no one knows how to take of them . . . I go down and do a little work on the green on the Q.T.”

Open Sunny Jim GC in Medford, N.J. . . . Vic Rice is pro . . . Harry Shaffer is in charge of maintenance . . . Jim Himmelein is the owner-manager . . . Bill and Dave Gordon designed the course . . . Open Morris Williams Memorial municipal course in Austin, Tex. . . . Course named for the late Morris Williams, Sr., for many years an Austin American-Statesman golf writer, and his son, Morris, Jr., a top Texas amateur and Air Force golfer, also deceased . . . George Hannon is pro . . . Hannon also is pro at the city’s other muny course and is U of Texas golf coach.

Ronald A. Schiavone and Raymond J. Donovan to build Black River CC 18 near Bedminster, N.J. . . . Chircahua Development Co. building nine with resort estate sites bordering, near Willcox, Ariz . . . Howard E. Merrill and Ord L. Rice open their Piney Run GC nine near Somerset.

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Pa. . . . Bill Hardigree and Hank Whitfield are building Suburban GC 18 near Marietta, Ga. . . . Hardigree is supt. at Pinetree CC and Whitfield is pro at Forrest Hills GC . . . Baltimore County (Md.) Department of Recreation and Parks opens first nine of its eventual 18 at former county home site . . . James Butler is the supt.

Tom Taylor opens his Taylor Terrace GC 18 near New Concord, O. . . . James Hamilton is supt-pro . . . Riverby Hills CC near Waterville, O., rehabilitates and opens its first nine, closed since gas shortage days of World War II . . . George Rochefort is the supt . . . George Dopslaff is pro-manager . . . Open Cherokee CC, semi-private 18, in Madison, Wis. . . . David Gill designed Cherokee . . . Open Highlands GC nine near Rio Vista, Calif. . . . C. P. Beauchemin is pro-manager.

Start building Rancho San Joaquin 18 on Irvine Ranch near Newport Beach, Calif. . . . Building new clubhouse and rehabilitating former Jacksonville CC course for Cherokee CC, Jacksonville, Tex. . . . Jacksonville Club was disbanded and Cherokee organized . . . Los Angeles County now operating its Hansen Dam nine at Pacoima . . . New course cost $520,000.

Jim Todd, a veteran pro with 25 years service at Braidburn CC in Florham Park, N.J., moved this spring to the newly-opened Morris county Flanders Valley course in Flanders, N.J. as pro-manager . . . Morris county’s new 18-hole course was designed by Hal Purdy of Kingston, N.Y. . . . Homowack Lodge in Spring
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Glen, N.Y., had added 9-hole course to attract vacationers to the Catskill resort . . . North Redoubt Club in Garrison, N.Y., has new course on the heights above the Hudson river.

New York Telephone now provides service to NYC golfers by carrying waiting times at various municipal golf courses . . . Philadelphia, Pa., has begun construction of a muny . . . An 82-acre course will be the hub of a recreation center that will include gymnasium, ice rink, baseball and softball fields and tennis courts . . . Eighteen holes are planned, using nine constructed for the old Holmesburg course . . . The improvement project is budgeted for $900,000.

Golfing facilities in Williamsburg, Va., include the Williamsburg Inn's Golden Horseshoe GC . . . Aug. 1 is the date set for completion of the clubhouse and Aug. 15 is the target date for the 9-hole Spotswood course designed by Robert Trent Jones . . . Aug. 18 is the date of the 1964 Cornell Turfgrass Field Days at the Nassau County plots.

Tom, Fred and Robert Page, owners of the 18-hole Stow Acres CC in Stow, Mass., have purchased 200 adjacent acres for development of a second 18-hole course . . . Scott Mack Edwards has been hired as pro for the new Adams County course in Henderson, Colo. . . . Cedar Point GC in Nansemond County, Va., is set to open in mid-July . . . Forest Cove CC on Lake Houston in Texas will have John Plumbley as pro . . . Plumbley designed the Houston Course in an interesting T-shape.
Smiley’s Sportland, in suburban Kansas City, has a second deck that accommodates about 10 range players. The deck is 72 feet long and 20 feet deep. The $100,000 golf center, recently built by Everett Tull, also has a miniature and Par 3.

Lakeland CC in Aitkin, Minn., raising funds for 9-hole course . . . Bernardsville, N.J., town council is seeking ways to change zoning to permit course construction . . . Iowa Falls, Ia., is planning to build a second course . . . A real estate development near Sedalia, Colo., will include 18-hole course and riding stables.

Western Hills CC, Little Rock, Ark., buys the club, with 18-hole course, clubhouse and pool, from C. T. Treadway . . . George E. Bird, Jr., now supt., Poland Spring (Me.) course . . . Jim Handley, Windsor Locks, Conn., high school teacher, handling pro duties at Buckhorn GC nine at Hazardville, Conn. . . . Roy and Alice Scott now managing Stoughton (Wis.) CC.

Golf course damage done when roads are relocated seems to be one of the toughest evaluation jobs . . . Club owners, private and public course officials, architects, real estate men, highway engineers and lawyers have widely varying opinions in almost every case . . . In very few cases is the price adequate to compensate owners for their investment in time, land and money . . . Highway departments often have powerful political, legal and lobby connections that make money on highway deals . . . Ordinary independent American citizens and even park departments can’t beat those odds.

Some expression of the factors involved in these deals, as observed by members of the American Society of Golf Course Architects, might be useful in judging these cases . . . A golf architect’s testimony in condemnation suits often seems

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Frank Rarick now pro at Paul Weber’s Bob-o-Link 27-hole layout in Canton, O. . . . Frank has been around as a pro and salesman for some years . . . He will bring in and develop many players and customers for Weber . . . Marshall Farnham, former president of the GCSA and of the Philadelphia group of supt.s, has been appointed historian of the GCSA . . . That’s a wonderful job and a great responsibility for a retired supt., who is a scholarly fellow.

The PGA and especially the PGA Seniors are missing one of the great public relations opportunities in sports history by failing to have the history of pro golf in the U.S. written . . . No other men in sport have done for the U.S. socially and economically what the old pros have done, but who will know it in ten years? . . . Not long ago Alex Pirie, George Sargent, Bertie Way and Jack Jolly died . . . Their many contributions to U.S. golf history were unrecorded.

Play at Binghamton, N.Y. municipal course has been so heavy that the city is considering lighting the layout . . . John M. Brennan, Long Island golf reporter, says Seawave Club’s modernization by architect Frank Duane eliminates obsolete traps and tightens greens for the long and daring shooters, and deserves commendation . . . Clearwater (Fla.) Sun says Pinellas County Commission should act favorably on request of Airco Golf, Inc. that its payment to the county of 20 per cent of the course income be reduced to 10 per cent until revenue reaches a point where guaranteed payment would be $1,000 a month . . . About $450,000 is invested in the course at the St. Petersburg-Clearwater airport . . . Airport passenger traffic has been decreasing.

Construction has begun on the Wall-halla CC in Clifton Park, N.Y., and officials plan to open the course early next year . . . Bailey Glenn, Jr., will be head
pro at the new Grandview GC in Winston-Salem, N.C., during the winter, spring and fall . . . During the summer months, Glenn will continue as pro at the Roaring Gap (N.C.) CC . . . Grand Prairie, Tex., plans new 18-hole course in Mountain Creek Park at an estimated cost of $200,000 . . . Contracts have been signed for the first Corry, Pa., muny . . . Edmund Ault is the architect.

Amherst, N.Y., near Buffalo, expanding its course to 18 holes . . . Twenty-seven hole course is being built by Leslie Julian in Farmington, Conn. . . . Randall Oaks course in Dundee, III., has 18 holes under construction and scheduled for 1965 play . . . Churchville, N.Y., will open 9-hole course later this summer to give the town five public courses . . . A survey of recreation potential of the 3,200-acre reserve areas at five dams near Dayton, O., includes possible sites for courses at Englewood and Taylorsville dams . . . Dave Wallace designed the new Deltona G&CC near Sanford, Fla.

Real estate developer, Louis Perini, Jr., plans construction of 18-hole course and 100-room motel in Palm Beach Lakes, Fla. . . . Sam Via is developing family recreation center, including 9-hole course in Belleville, Ind. . . . Birmingham, Mich., has new nine being built by Art Fitch and slated to open in the fall . . . Construction begun on 9-hole course in Central City, Ky. . . . Lionel Hebert was leading celebrity at the official opening of the 18-hole False River CC in New Roads, Ia.

Eighteen former champions have entered the 1964 PGA Championship to be held July 16-19 at the Columbus (O.) CC . . . Bob Mueller, supt. at Columbus CC is one of three supts. commended by the GCSA for their efforts in preparing courses for tournaments . . . The others are Louis Harasty of Canterbury GC in Cleveland, O., site of the USGA Amateur, Sept. 14-19, and Sidney Puddicombe of Riverside CC in Saskatoon, Sask. where the Canadian Amateur will be played.
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