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Miami Herald, in story on John D. MacArthur’s Royal American Industries, Inc. losing $142,000 for year ending Sept. 30, 1964, because of battle with PGA over Palm Beach Gardens, said: “In reality the athletes defeated the tycoon.” . . . Now both sides seem to be ahead after a mess that was costly and unnecessary . . . PGA learned the hard way it had a lot more urgent things to do for its members than go into the real estate business . . . The multi-millionaire insurance magnate, MacArthur, through one of his Bankers Life and Casualty Co. subsidiaries recently bought the 10,000 acre Rocket City, Fla., development in a $10 million deal . . . Rocket City was short of cash.

Kinhega G&CC, on outskirts of Tallahassee, Fla., to open its 18 to plans of Albert Anderson in June . . . P. H. (Bill) Rogers is manager . . . Course is part of 3702 acre estate and hunting lodge recently changed from private ownership to membership deal . . . And very deluxe for hunting and fishing . . . Tommy Bolt has a pro arrangement with the place . . . Anderson also building nine for Oak Hills GC, Milwaukee, Wis.

Al Schardt, supt. at Wanakah CC, Hamburg, N.Y., has been with the club 45 years . . . John Kindred now pro at Longboat Key course, Sarasota, Fla. . . . He was assistant to Dick Grout while Grout was pro there . . . Ernie Newman opens second nine of his Futurama Par 3 course near Sarasota-Bradenton (Fla.) airport.

Northeastern Wisconsin GA club presidents, house and course chairmen and department heads will hold their annual club business conference May 17 at South Hills CC, Fond du Lac . . . That Home Pro tournament put on each winter in the Mississippi sector of the Gulf Coast shows plenty of sharpshooting by pros who don’t get many rounds played while they’re on their jobs in the summer . . . This winter’s affair at Gulf Hills CC, Ocean Springs, Miss., was cut from 54 to 36 holes by the rains . . . The 36 holes were played in one day . . . Pete Hessem of Houston won with 69-73—142.

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With the TV income now being boosted for the Open and the PGA, it is time these two major tournaments cut out the paid program racket and treat the customers as customers of first class events instead of chumps to be exploited . . . Funniest case of the program racket in golf is that of a beer and ale tournament conducted to get free publicity in newspapers and magazines, but which goes for the program racket in trying to get others to pay cash for advertising their products.

Harry Bassler, pro at Fox Hills CC, Los Angeles, was “Our Hero” at one of those big parties put on by the men and women of his club, Southern California pros, golf salesmen and newspaper and wireless guys . . . It was held March 2.

Sports writers, especially the younger ones, haven’t much interest in golf’s younger stars, remarking that the newer big name pros act like they’re afraid to talk for an exclusive interview unless they get paid for it . . . So maybe that’s why you don’t see the writers so enthusiastic about building up fresh stars but just going along with the gang interviews in press rooms, after tournament rounds . . . Those TV golf interviews generally are as jolly as chats between undertakers and the next of kin . . . They only can be made worth the time by getting pro golfers with the sort of publicity coaching that Fred Corcoran and Gene Sarazen can
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South Florida GCSA sponsored pro-am at Country Club of Miami on March 8 to raise money for its scholarship fund . . .

Jim Vigliotti, Indian Creek supt., was tournament chairman . . . Adm. John Phillips (ret.) was honorary chairman and Pro Jack White of Indian Creek, tournament director . . . Supt. Joe Vicas and pro, Babe Hart, of CC of Miami were hosts . . . Harry Obitz and Dick Farley got King's Inn course at Freeport, Grand Bahamas, launched for its first golfing season.

There is a good green chairman-supt. relationship at Highland CC, Indianapolis . . . Lou Bola, chairman, was pro for many years before he retired and went to work for the club president, Charles Johnson, and became a club member . . . Marvin Scobee, Highland supt., has been there 12 years and has worked with Bola much of that time.

A range operator tells a story about a customer being angry because he told the customer that he couldn't give a basket of balls to his kids . . . The customer thought he'd bought, not rented, the basket . . . Sam Snead will play winner of British PGA Senior tournament for Teach-
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er international trophy and $1,500 first prize at Formby GC, near Liverpool, Eng., July 4 . . . Then Sam will play in British Open July 7-9 at Royal Birkdale . . . The British Open, which as one top national Open title Sam has won (in 1946), would bring the 53-year-old Snead a second bloom of earnings on club sales.

Hal Wood, widely known as collegiate golf coach, golf magazine editor and United Press International sportswriter in Los Angeles, moves to Hawaii as sports editor of Honolulu Advertiser . . . Freddie McLeod, who won 1908 National Open with seven clubs, now in his 53rd year as pro at Columbia CC, Chevy Chase, Md. . . . Fred is 83 and beats his age several times a year.

George W. Jenkins, president Publix Supermarkets, Inc., opens Lone Pine GC 18 at Lakeland, Fla. . . . Jamie Jackson is pro, Bob Anderson is supt. and Willing- ton Kessler is club manager . . . Bill Eschenbrenner from Jal (N.M.) CC to pro job at El Paso (Tex.) CC, and is suc- ceeded at Jal by Pat Dolan, formerly as- sistant at Colonial CC, Fort Worth.

Gene Ferrell, Mobile, Ala., became first left-hander to be automatically qualified for 1965 National Left-handed Golf As- sociation championship as result of reaching the quarter finals of the 1964 USGA National Amateur . . . The NLGA is play- ing its championship at Dunes Emerald Green CC and Tropicana CC, Las Vegas, Nev., June 27-July 2.

Herman L. Berg, Jr., 44, brother of Patty, and as a 4-handicap member of Interlachen, active in Twin Cities golf for some years, died March 8 following surgery . . . He was with Cushman Motors.