

Par-3 possible in Monroe, Mich.

MONROE, Mich. — City fathers are exploring the possibility of building a no frills, par-3 golf course here in Munson Park.

The Monroe City Council has instructed City Manager Reid S. Charles to come up with proposals on how a golf course might feasibly be built on the site. Munson Park is located in the city's west end on N. Custer Road.

There are no public golf courses in the city.

Councilmen agreed that any golf course must be built and paid for by private investors. But at least one council member noted the city could net some of the profit by leasing the land.

City administrators were assigned a similar golf course investigation project eight years ago.

However, interest diminished when they came back with 18-hole proposals averaging \$2.25 million.

SD course to improve community

HURON, S.D. — Construction has begun on a municipal golf course here.

Broadland Creek Golf Course, which will join the existing Meadowbrook and Memorial municipal facilities, "makes us more competitive," Mayor Merle Lewis told the Huron Plainsman. "This makes us the type of place that people want to come to."

The \$1.2 million course is designed by William Gill & Associates of River Falls, Wis., Site Design and Associates Inc. of Fargo and Kent Larsen of Design Partners of Huron.

Huppert Brothers of Billings, Mont. is the general contractor.

Huron is paying for the project through the second one-cent city sales tax. The city also budgeted \$150,000 in 1992 and 1993, part of the funds being used to install irrigation at the city's Memorial Golf Course.

The seven-member Huron Golf Commission was appointed by the City Commission about two years ago to study the feasibility for the course. The commission will solicit sponsors for course amenities such as benches, tee markers, flags and signs.

Club building to be used for temporary jail

FOND DULAC, Wis. — Rolling Meadows Golf Course closed Oct. 12, to undergo a nine-hole renovation. While half the course is out of commission, an abutting structure will serve as a temporary, minimum-security jail site.

"It's not the best [situation]," said Greg Guenther, a spokesman for Rolling Meadows GC, "but we'll have to live with it. The golfers aren't thrilled with it. But I think as long as the prisoners are controlled and kept out of sight, it'll work out.

"We're a county-owned facility. Whatever they have to do, we'll go along with it."

Guenther noted there are separate entrances to the golf course and temporary incarceration facility, limiting contact between inmates and golfers. Further, Rolling Meadows anticipates smaller crowds during the renovation, which should last through the 1994 season.

Funding goal almost met for Neb. nine-holer

FULLERTON, Neb. — Residents of Fullerton and Genoa are near their goal of raising \$325,000 to begin construction of the new nine-hole Loup and Cedar Valley Regional Golf Course.

Organizer Larry Rogers is heading the effort which hopes to gather lifetime members for \$6,000 apiece.

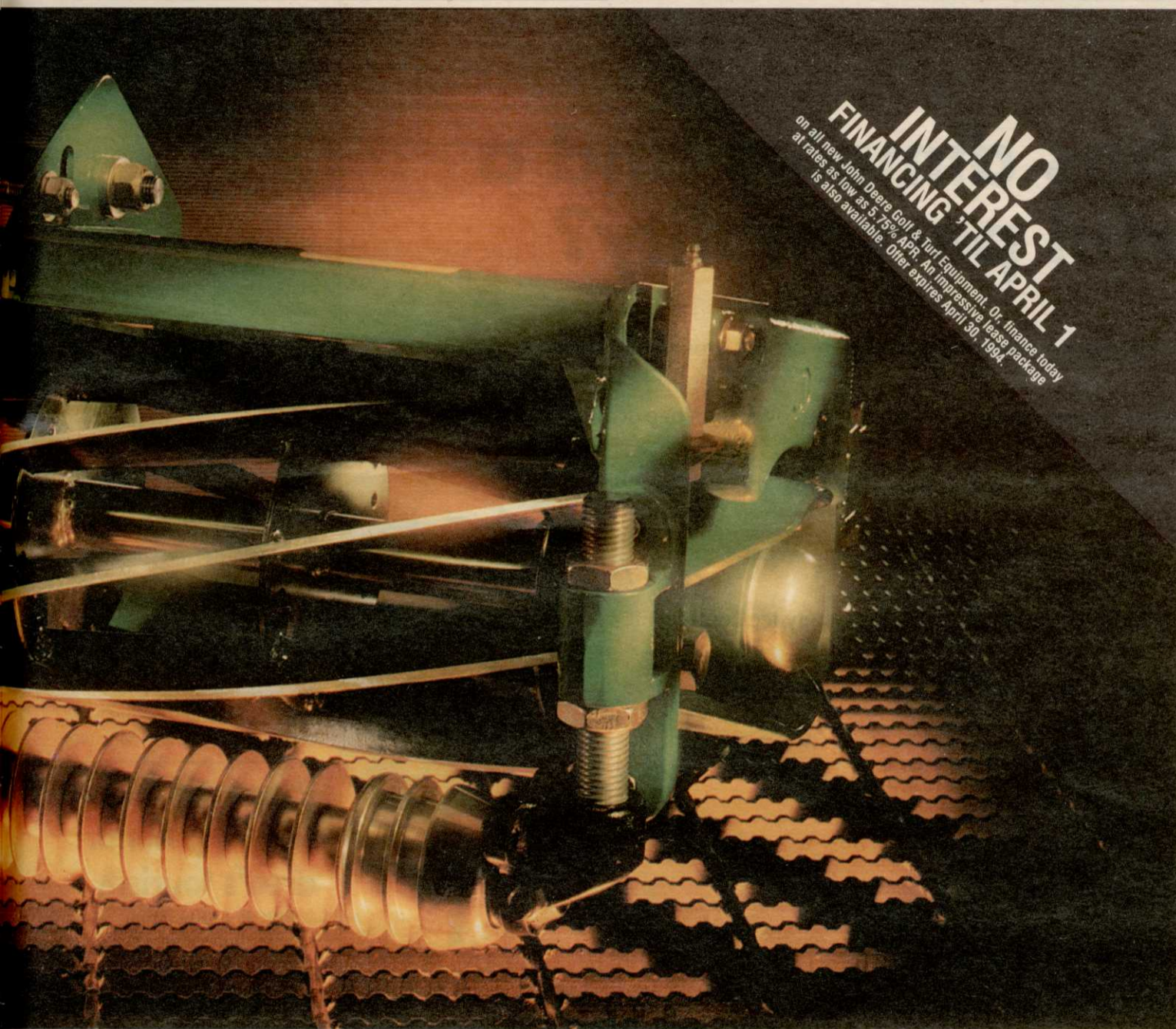
Designed by South Sioux City architect Marty Johnson, the track offers a tremendous view of the Loup and Cedar valleys, according to Rogers. The 80-acre layout will include water hazards but no sand bunkers.

Foster layout set to open in Texas

SAN ANTONIO, Texas — In this year of foul-weather-induced delayed openings, it's refreshing to see a course open early.

Course conditions at The Quarry, which had been scheduled to open in early spring, will allow the Keith Foster design to instead open on a limited basis Nov. 27.

A temporary clubhouse will service the course until the permanent structure is completed in February or March. The formal grand opening will take place next spring.



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