

as to his ability, character, etc. It should be a business organization and not a sports and pastime organization.

Tournaments are beneficial only for the few good playing pros. For the average pro the chances against him are two hundred to one that he does not finish in the money. It's a cheap way to get one's name in print, but after figuring up your entry fee, railroad fare, hotel expenses, caddie and Lord knows what, you find it pretty expensive just to see your name appear sometimes in the list outside the money. It cost the average pro who played at Olympia Fields anywhere from \$50 to \$75 to keep up with the rest of the boys for the three playing days. One young pro told me that it cost him exactly \$75 for two days in this tournament. Tournaments are a good way to get the boys together for a test of skill, but not in a business way. For the married pro with a family to support they show no returns for the money invested.

There is enough money spent foolishly each year by the average pro to rent enough floor space for headquarters for the pro organization with plenty of room for teaching nets, display booths, showers and a putting course.

These nets and booths could be rented by any pro who was a member of this organization through winter months at a reasonable rent and would give him a chance to dispose of stock left over at his club. This would bring the boys together in a business way and in close touch with organization headquarters ready to thrash out any important problem that might arise.

Now that we have solved how to help the business pro, let's help the playing pro who is also a member and needs our help. Special exhibition matches for the expert playing pro could be booked through this organization to clubs desiring their services.

Why not form state pro teams on the order of the Cubs and Sox? These are just a few suggestions of mine which might lead to a real honest to God organization "one everyone of us pros would be only too glad to join."

Pro Veterans Organizing P.G.A. Senior Association

PROFESSIONAL golfers having served more than 20 years as master professionals are organizing the P. G. A. Senior

Association of America. Maurice J. McCarthy, Room 1012, 366 Fifth avenue, New York, is chairman of the organizing committee.

This association has as its purpose "the promoting of that which is best in the game of golf; to perpetuate its traditions; to promote good fellowship; to meet from time to time for tournament play; renew past acquaintances and help preserve the best interests of the game."

Membership dues in the organization are \$5.00.

The grouping of those who rocked the cradle of golf in the United States undoubtedly will be attended by happy consequences and already has enlisted a number of distinguished veterans. Those qualified for membership are invited to write Mr. McCarthy.

Greenkeeping Exhibit Planned at Amherst, March 8-9

MEMBERS of the greenkeepers class at the Massachusetts Agricultural College will hold a golf course maintenance exhibition in the college buildings at Amherst, Mass., March 8 and 9. The exhibition is purely educational and no commercial influence enters into it.

The class will show the variety of grasses common to golf courses and demonstrate the effects of the rates of seeding, the different weights of rolling and the effects of various fertilizers and depth of seeding. All kinds of seeds will be on display.

Other displays will include demonstrations of proper and improper drainage; landscaping around the clubhouse and golf course; correct water systems; rates of watering; the correct size of pipes and pumps; and kinds of soils and fertilizers. Complete equipment for the golf course can be studied with the working parts bared for closer inspection.

Members of the greenkeepers class will be on hand at all displays and will discuss with visitors questions brought before them. Visitors will benefit by a visit to the cost-keeping and analysis booth and will be shown a modern method of book-keeping as it applies to the golf course.

The New England Greenkeepers Assn. will hold its annual meeting at Amherst during the same dates so members will have an opportunity to visit the displays