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A LBERT R. GATES, newly appointed business administrator of the Professional Golfers' Association of America, is of pioneer American stock, the first of the American branch of the Gates family, Steven, having settled at Hingham, Mass., in 1638. Mr. Gates was born in Illinois, Nov. 29, 1869. He is a graduate of Lake Forest university law school. He was admitted to the Illinois bar in 1895 and to Supreme Court of the U. S. in 1898. His office as corporation counsel has been in the Title and Trust Bldg., Chicago, for 37 years. The new pro administrator is a director of three banks in Chicago and vicinity.

Mr. Gates is a veteran in golf official circles, having been president of the Calumet C. C. (Chicago district) in 1905-6, secretary of the Western Golf Association in 1906 and its president in 1907-1908 and 1921-22. His administrations of the Western were featured by progressive policies. One of the occurrences of a Gates' administration was the first legalization of the steel shaft.

Skokie C. C. (Chicago district) is the home club of the new pro executive. He is an active golfer, a big game hunter and fisherman.