

is above or below 70, this scale is moved up or down until the scratch or zero mark is opposite the par number. The advent of a new member will necessitate only the insertion of a new sheet into the alphabetical arrangement, or, in the case of a dropped member, the removal of a sheet.

After the first season using this system, Richter found it eliminated all the usual grief connected with the determination of handicaps. He has taken out a copyright on the "Record of Games" sheet and hopes in a short time to be able to place a loose-leaf notebook on the market for the use of all handicap committees.

### Star Pros Giggle or Groan at \$62.50 Offer

**T**WO years ago when GOLFDOM first proposed the idea of pro team-matches between the stars of the New York and Chicago districts we suggested the event as something that would be worth serious consideration by the pros if enough money could be secured for the competition.

With the addition of Laffoon and Shute to the Chicago district this year, the idea bobs up again because of the energy of the publicity man for a Mr. Pixley, a fine fellow, golf nut and brewer of the biggest and best bellyful of soup in town for a dime.

The Pixley offer is \$1,000 as a prize for the match, whereupon some of the unthinking clap hands and wonder why the Chicago and New York stars don't run right down to study time tables of the American Airways (whose press agents also is a pal of ours).

The reason they don't is \$1,000 divided 16 ways, among the eight men on each team. If \$62.50 is the cut of each of 16 outstanding stars in a great event, then the pros would be doing better by training for the marble-shooting championship of the country.

It's our hope that pros eventually will get financial rewards on a basis commensurate with their service and interest to the public. There's a reasonable limit to which a fair-minded, informed sporting public ought to ask the pros to contribute "for publicity purposes". There's got to be cash reward and inspiration in the pro business, just as there has to be in soup leadership, press agency or publishing.

**W**ITH the Jap team competing in the US Open and receiving the guest courtesy of exemption from qualifying, it will be interesting to observe what the visitors register in gate appeal.

Chances look good for an Australian team coming over to compete in the winter circuit and to stay for the National Open of 1936. Perhaps by that time there may be a South American team appearing. This development indicates that it may not be many years before the U. S. National Open becomes the International Open. If this international angle helps to make up for the gallery income slump the USGA has suffered since the Jones departure, the PGA then may be credited with having solved a problem that has given the USGA many head-aches.

**S**EATTLE pros, after looking over the warming-up play of the Japanese pro team, told Bill Steedman, local golf writer, that the invaders will furnish some strong competition.

The Japs went right to work with their games. They landed Sunday morning, April 21 and played at Earlington Sunday afternoon. Miyamoto, captain of the team, scored par 72. Others were in the middle seventies. Next day, in driving rain the Japs played Seattle GC. Nakamura led the team with 75, two over par.

Fred Henwood, Pacific Northwest PGA president and Pat Patterson, veteran PGA official, expressed belief that most galleries will be surprised at the length of Japanese players' driving, although team members all are lightweights and small. Jasuda weighs only 110. Asami, heavyweight of the team scales at 150. Chin is the tallest team member. He is 5 ft., 10 in. and weighs 130.

To the Seattle pro's pre-view, the youngest Jap, Toda, appears as most dangerous competitor.

**T**HIS young feller Bob Godley, golf editor of the Cleveland Press, comes up with another bright idea. The Press has formed the "Two Under Par" club for golfers who score eagles in any tournament—club, sectional or PGA—or in any "friendly foursome", when such eagles are made on courses of clubs belonging to the Cleveland District GA. Prize awarded to each eagle scorer will be a ticket to the National Amateur in Cleveland this fall.

Bob started the club when golfers were "still gasping over Gene Sarazen's miraculous double eagle, three under par."