

DIVOTS OF THE MONTH



What was left of the clubhouse at Bear Hill GC, Stoneham, Mass., where Leslie Cottrell is pro-mgr., after a fire on Sept. 8.

SANDUSKY (Ohio) is about to hold open house on its new municipal golf course. Clubhouse practically completed and course in shape for gala opening next spring. . . . Kalispell (Montana) dedicated its new \$100,000 munny golf course early in September. . . . Highland Country Club, Auburn, N. Y., held an all-day tournament to which the public was invited in mid-September to honor the club pro, Duncan Morton. . . . Golfers from Swea City, Armstrong, Ringsted, Fenton and Bancroft (all in Iowa) have banded together to purchase a 40-acre tract on which George Morton, West Okoboji, Ia., pro, will lay out a golf course. Club name: Riverside G&CC.

Arthur Lockwood, pro for several years prior to 1931 at French Lick Springs, Ind., during which time he supervised construction of French Lick's famed Hill course, died Aug. 12 in London, Eng. . . . Youngstown, Ohio, faces loss of its munny golf course through provisions in a 20-year old will which donated the tract of land to the city if it would within ten years extend Fifth avenue through it. To do so will ruin the tract for golf. Youngstown officials are trying to find a compromise. . . . Two recent clubhouse fires: Bear Hill GC, Stoneham, Mass.; and Newburgh CC, Newburgh, N. Y., loss \$27,500.

Ed Livingston, pro at Elmwood Park GC, Sioux Falls, S. D., got hot on Aug. 25 and shot 32-33—65 for the course record and the best round Ed had ever chalked up. Four birdies, an eagle and 13 pars did the trick on the 6,267-yd., par-71 course. . . . New president of the Women's Western Golf Assn. is Mrs. C. B. Willard of Exmoor CC, Highland Park, Ill.

Harry Cooper has signed as pro at Northmoor CC, Chicago, replacing Ky Laf-foon, who will go on the tournament circuit this winter. . . . Walter Hagen predicted that 283 would win the 1939 National Open after touring Phila. CC's Spring Mill Course in early May. The Haig was off one stroke; the Nelson-Wood-Shute tie

was at 284. . . . Another hot round: Loma Frakes' 65 over Jefferson City (Mo.) CC course on Aug. 21, with birdies on first 7 holes.

Oakwood CC (Rock Island, Ill.) buying 58 acres on which course is located, for \$17,000. . . . Covington (Ky.) seeking \$20,969 from WPA to reconstruct Devou Park Munny GCse. . . . Brooklawn CC (Bridgeport, Conn.) contemplating installation of a complete fairway watering system, if members will stand hike in caddie fee from 75c to \$1 per round, the extra two-bits going into sinking fund to cover cost of installation.

Pontiac (Ill.) GC buying 60 acres on which course is located for \$10,000. . . . Chamber of Commerce of Reading (Pa.) has awarded a plaque to Byron Nelson in recognition of attention he won for that city. . . . Tam O' Shanter GC (Chicago), redesigning its course to make it as fine a championship layout as possible, has hired Joe (Mower) Roseman to perfect and supervise the changes.

Second annual Greenkeeping Superintendents' Assn. championship, played at Beverly CC (Chicago) on Oct. 2 drew a field of 64, winner being Don Boyd (Portage CC, Akron) with a snappy 76-79. Ernie Jacobs (South Hills, Pittsburgh) was second, a couple of strokes behind. . . . The group plan by which members of the Sportsmen's Club of Southern California were permitted to play seven good courses at cut rates, has been abandoned. . . . Southern California GA's "Controlled Universal Handicap System" has been approved with but a few criticisms by clubs that have tried the system. The system, which is almost identical with the one used by the Chicago DGA, works out so the player's average game, rather than freak low scores, sets his handicap.