

Jersey club, children's parties at a Neenah, Wis., club, a twilight golf league, and a combination keno and Pot-of-Gold night at the Field Club of Omaha, which packs the clubhouse, were among the high spots of events discussed.

Especially interesting is the way in which the managers have been educating children of members in use of the clubs. One club's manager told of a junior prom that drew 650 youngsters. Numerous instances of junior programs conducted by junior committees were reported at the managers' convention.

The issue of clubs being used for non-member parties was quite extensively discussed, with the concensus being that unless non-member parties were few and far between they were certain to weaken the desirability of membership. Seldom could such parties add to club prestige, managers agreed.

#### Manager-Pro Cooperation Needed

Necessity of close cooperation between managers and pros in getting the businessman out to the club for recreation was discussed. Cases of pro performance and failure in helping to increase club patronage were cited. The managers consider that promotion of club business is a basic job for both pros and managers, and from their own recent experience managers tipped off pros that more interest and activity in getting members out is what's going to get and hold pro jobs.

Both men and women managers related that having the women's bridge events on the same days as women's golf events wasn't particularly effective in drawing crowds.

The CMAA reported extensive use of its collection of club advertising material assembled for the association's annual judging and award.

Last season the caddie situation began to bother many clubs and managers are expecting caddie shortages this year.

Several phases of course maintenance were discussed. During this discussion the importance of mutual understanding and teamwork between club department heads again was made emphatic.

Although managers conceded that broadening the scope of the country club's appeal was dictated by social and economic conditions they expressed the firm opinion that golf is the foundation of the country club structure and calls for primary emphasis.

Considerable progress in membership,

#### C. M. A. 1941 OFFICERS

Pres., Harry J. Fawcett, Lake Shore CC, Glen-coe, Ill.

Secy., Charles "Chick" Bangs, Oak Park (Ill.) CC.

Treas., William Roulo, University Club, Detroit (reelected).

Directors, Franz Bach, Park CC, Buffalo; Robert M. Dorion, Salem CC, Peabody, Mass.; Roy Gardner, Pittsburgh (Pa.) AC; John J. Pomeroy, Red Run GC, Royal Oak, Mich.; Darwin Meis-ner, Washington AC, Seattle, Wash., (re-elected). Jacques de Jong, Beach Point Club, Mamaroneck, N. Y. appointed director to fill vacancy left by Fawcett's elevation to the presidency.

financial position and constructive character of its program has been achieved by the Club Managers' Association during the administrations of Fred Crawford, manager of the famous Pendennis Club of Louisville, Ky. Crawford, Wayne Miller of the Cincinnati CC, the association's secretary, and other officers and directors of the organization have devoted much time and conscientious ability to making the CMAA a positive influence for better business operations of clubs.

The new administration of the organization is headed by Harry Fawcett, manager of the Lake Shore CC (Chicago district), who is ranked as an outstanding veteran in country and city club management. Fawcett is one of the two country club managers elected to the CMAA presidency, the other having been the late Col. C. C. Holden, one of the association's organizers,

Chicago was awarded the 1942 convention.

## Second Annual Indemnity

### Tourney Set for June 14

SECOND annual Remote Control national handicap tournament of the Indemnity Insurance Co. of North America, its local agents and their guests, will be played June 14.

Almost 350 prizes of pro-shop merchandise will be awarded.

Last year the Remote Control tournament was played over 610 courses by 7,315 contestants. This year more than 20,000 entries are expected.

Play must be over a course of more than 4,800 yards, and scores are divided by course lengths as well as by handicap classes. Scores on courses from 4,800 to

5,800 yards are in one class; those on courses over 5,800 yards in another. Handicap classes are 1-10; 11-20, 21-30. There is an additional handicap class of 31 and over for women entrants.

Invitations and official scorecards are issued by local agents of the Indemnity Insurance Co. and the contestant may play over his own course if he, or she, so desires, so long as the scorecard is attested by a playing companion and okeyed by an Indemnity agent.

The initial Remote Control tournament got considerable publicity last year as the first venture of a large business in sponsoring a national handicap golf tournament. It was played on one of the hottest days experienced in many parts of the country, nevertheless its competitive interest was responsible for a definite increase in club patronage in cities where the Indemnity Insurance Co. local agent was active in promotion of the event.

## Golf Clinic for High School

### Golfers Is Big Success

By Stan Larson

FIRST annual golf clinic for high school golfers at the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, was held March 8 and 15. The university's athletic dept. was sponsor of the event. Eighty golfers took part in the program, which consisted of a 45-minute lecture on the fundamentals, a 15-minute demonstration showing the most common faults of the swing, and one hour devoted to constructive criticism of the individual swings.

Average age of the boys attending the clinic was 17 years—probably the most formative period a young golfer-to-be passes through. Working on the assumption that good hand action cannot be obtained without good foot work, I stressed the square or slightly closed stance (on distance shots) with the left knee breaking in a 45 degree angle toward the right toe. This, in my opinion, automatically gives a golfer the correct hip and shoulder turn, which leads to a uniform starting down position from the top of the backswing.

I attempted to build in their minds the exact relationship between the hands and clubhead in all phases of the swing, which puts them in a position to correct faults that occur during any

round of golf. The most common fault I noticed was the preponderance of fast backswings—leading to the inevitable mistake of hitting too hard, too soon.

The reaction of the boys and their coaches was very favorable, and plans are already under way to make next year's clinic bigger and better.

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## Second Annual Golf Clinic at U. of Baltimore in April

UNIVERSITY of Baltimore in collaboration with the Mid-Atlantic Section of the P. G. A. is holding its second annual free public golf clinic on April 8, 15, and 22 in the university auditorium.

Early program plans as announced by B. Herbert Brown, Jr., director of athletics at the university, include personal appearances on April 8 of Dick Metz and Horton Smith, on April 15 of Johnnie Farrell, and on the 22nd, of Helen Dettweiler.

Following the clinic, golf promotion will be carried on in Baltimore through radio station WBAL which has announced a weekly fifteen-minute sustaining program beginning May 4 and running through September. The program will be called the "Golf Clinic of the Air" and will be under the direction of Walter Linthicum, sports commentator of WBAL.

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## Mark G. Harris, Author and Putting Expert, Dies

MARK G. HARRIS, whose putting and approaching performances and books on the short game made him a widely known character in golf, died March 21 in his apartments at the Standard Club, Chicago, following an illness of a few days.

Harris at one time was politically prominent in the midwest and a wealthy manufacturer of clothing. He retired in 1923 and took up golf in accepting the challenge of a friend who declared that no older man could master putting.

In collaboration with the late P. A. Vaile Harris wrote "Putting Made Easy," an explanation of the Harris method, and two years ago he wrote a further exposition of the Harris method, a book titled "New Angles on Putting and Chip Shots."