Test Women's Golf Clinics

MacGregor sends Glynn to work with club pros on special drive for women's business.

A N exceedingly interesting innovation in women's golf promotion is being launched in the Los Angeles district. Pros of clubs in that territory, Crawford, MacGregor, Canby Co. and Jerry Glynn of the Knollwood Club (Chicago district) are collaborating in this endeavor to apply to pro dept. operations the merchandising practice of the most successful women's specialty shops and leading department stores.

The enterprise is a women's golf clinic which combines the basic selling principles of the fashion show and the visit of the specialist who's called in by the family doctor for expert consultation. Those two angles have demonstrated strength in influencing women. Just what details will be worked out in applying these principles depends on what the home club pros and Glynn determine as a result of this initial series of sessions.

The women's golf clinic is a development of research Clarence Rickey, Mac-Gregor president, has been conducting with professionals in various districts. Invariably pro figures have revealed that golf equipment sales to women lag far behind the percentage showing of women's lessons. Several clubs showed as high as 80% of the pros' lesson income being received from women but less than 10% of the same pros' sales income being received from the shrill sex. Alarming and baffling to the pros were figures showing that women were doing a pretty fair amount of buying from stores and not especially on a cut-price platform.

The situation mystified Rickey because among pros who were having no pronounced success in selling to women pupils were pros who are standout merchandisers to men members. And don't think that the pros haven't been concerned about the problem.

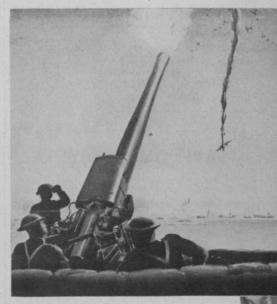
Powder People Point the Way

Effective merchandising of women's fashions and cosmetics has been done with the fashion show and demonstration theme. The cosmetic people put on demonstrations showing how women of various types of faces should make-up, and with such lectures and demonstrations

draw large crowds of women to stores. The sales hike.

The consultant idea also has been sold strongly to women by doctors.

Glynn has had unusual success in selling to women. He learned that a visit an astute and cooperative pro made to his club could be used directly and impressively in making a consulting diagnosis of a woman pupil's swing. Glynn has a tactful "bedside manner" around the patient which built-up the consulting professional.



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So Glynn was given the assignment of working with Los Angeles district pros in this effort to develop greater pro income from women.

Harold Peterson, MacGregor's LA representative, contacted the pros in that territory and booked Glynn for sessions at various clubs. Prior to appearing before the women's group Glynn spends time with the home club pro getting the close-up on the pro's problem and methods and works his demonstration in close coordination with the pro's policies and aim.

Invitation cards on which the home club pro's name, club and time of the demonstration are printed, are supplied to each pro to mail to his women members.

One of the features of the demonstration is supplying to each woman a prescription blank covering major points of the pupil's swing and shot results. The blank is filled in by the home club pro after he and Glynn give the woman pupil a professional examination.

Glynn gives no private lessons. The fundamental theme of the whole campaign is to discreetly and subtly endorse the home club pro's professional standing by the visit of the pro who is collaborating in the research to increase the mutual profit of pro woman-member business relations.

USGA Clarifies Iron Club Face Marking Limits

THE USGA has adopted manufacturing specifications for markings on iron clubs which clarify the present general rule providing that "club faces shall not bear any lines, dots, or other markings with sharp or rough edges made for the obvious purpose of putting a cut on the ball."

The specifications will become effective Jan. 1, 1942. However, the members of the National Association of Golf Club Manufacturers have agreed that all iron clubs manufactured on and after Jan. 1, 1941 will comply with the specifications in their entirety.

The USGA has not changed its general rule governing clubs which may be used in competitions conducted under its rules. The specifications are simply an application of that rule.

The USGA says the specifications were adopted by it because: