

Horton Smith has joined the staff of Pinehurst, Inc., in a promotional capacity. He will retain his Spalding capacity but will register from Pinehurst tournaments.

Horton and Mrs. Smith will live at Pinehurst during autumn, winter and spring, barring his absences for tournament play. He will not be a member of the teaching or managerial staff of the Pinehurst CC.

has won every major event in the state for the last two years; as a matter of fact she has won every event she entered. This is against such competition as Bea Barrett, Jane Goodwill, former Western Junior champion, and others in a state where women's competition is supposed to be the toughest in the country. Mrs. John Noble of our club is former city and Twin City champion.

Women Run Activities

W. A. King, president of Midland Hills, realizing the value of the women to our club, has given them a much more active part in the running of all activities. He named two women to the golf committee. This broke all precedent. Mrs. J. F. Noble and Mrs. Hayes Dansingburg were appointed.

In the past a man has always been the chairman of the entertainment committee. This has been changed by Mr. King in the appointment of Mrs. J. N. Welscher as its chairman. In the month of May alone she has had more activity than normally is held in the entire year. She has gone so far as to organize the juniors for parties and dances. She has taken care of organizing my junior golf classes and has made arrangements to sponsor junior tournaments throughout the year.

Mr. King, feeling that the women have been doing the better job of selling the club, invited them to attend a membership drive meeting with the men. Their ideas on getting new members were fully as good as those of the men.

This year Midland Hills will be host to both the St. Paul city championship and the state women's championship at which time Mrs. Dansingburg will be defending both titles. She has developed her golf as a sideline to raising two very fine children.

Ruth Seeger is this year's captain and is looking forward to having her team in there stronger than ever. Ruth, who has played about three years, was able to break 90 the first year that she played, after a hard winter of work with me in the golf school.

One of the stimulants to women's golf at our club and to all clubs in the state of Minnesota has been the annual pro-ladies' event preceding the St. Paul Open. This encourages them to work hard and lower their handicap, making them eligible to play. I have been chairman of it the past four years.

The women's golf team that represents the Midland Hills Country Club in the Twin Cities league may not be the strongest sextette of women players representing any golf club in the country, but until some club nominates a six-woman team with a lower average handicap, I will keep right on claiming the honors for my club.

Handicaps of the six players range from scratch to eight, and the team average is four and five-sixths. Members of the team and handicaps established by the Minnesota Women's Golf association are Mrs. Hayes Dansingburg, seven times state champion, scratch; Mrs. Harold M. Sims, 4; Mrs. J. F. Noble, 5; Miss Muriel Larraabee, 6; Miss Eddice Dochtermann, 6; and Miss Ruth Seeger, 8. All of the players are from St. Paul.

Mrs. Dansingburg won the state title five times as Gertrude Boothby before she retired in favor of matrimony. She was out of competitive golf for 4 years, during which time Bea Barrett and Patty Berg dominated women's golf in Minnesota. Taking up the tournament trail once more, Mrs. Dansingburg's comeback was immediately successful, and this summer she will be trying for her eighth state title.

Letter Reminds Members

When Spikes Are Worn

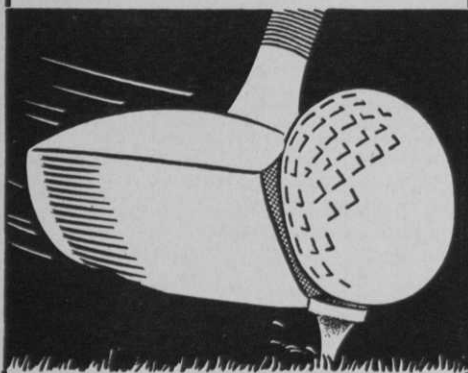
WARREN ORLICK, pro at the Monroe (Mich.) G&CC, has received excellent returns from a letter he's had the club's lockerman distribute in the lockers of members whose spikes were badly worn.

It's a good safety idea as a pro-shop service, and good merchandising, too. Here's Warren's letter:

Dear Member:

The spikes in your golf shoes are badly worn. There are numerous disadvantages in playing with such shoes. First, badly worn spikes make it difficult to obtain a stance that will not slip all over the course. In playing almost any shot a fraction of a slip will result in a spoiled shot.

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From a health viewpoint you will notice that it takes more energy to play a round of golf with shoes that have worn spikes, especially on hard and irregular turf.

From the greens angle you can help in aerating the greens by wearing shoes with a reasonable length spike. The spikes will make little openings which are beneficial to most greens.

Place a check before job wanted:

1. Spike heels only.
2. Spike soles only.
3. I will leave entire job up to your judgment.

Leave this card with lockerman and you will receive prompt attention.

Warren Orlick.

Letter Tells What's Doing Out Iowa Way

SOME data received May 3 from G. A. Fletcher, Iowa Greenkeepers' Assn. secretary, too late for inclusion in May GOLFDOM, is printed herewith because the material is still "newsy":

"Everyone is very busy in our section this spring, getting the golf courses in shape for the summer. Frank Donovan, formerly of Newton, is building a new 9-hole course in West Des Moines, which will soon be in play.

"We have had a lot of snow mold in this locality and considerable winter kill, especially on shrubbery, honeysuckle and bridle wreath. Some of the greens will have to be repaired, since the snow mold killed grass completely where it was not treated late last fall.

"Globe Machinery Company of Des Moines, who service this section of the country with their line of golf equipment and supplies, have moved to a new, larger and more modern building. They entertained the greenkeepers at an open house just before the annual short course at Ames in March. Everyone had a swell time, thanks to Joe Morgan and Bert Rost, his assistant.

"Tell Joe Benson of Cedar Rapids, he looks swell on the front page of Swift's new fertilizer pamphlet.

"The greenkeeper of Hyperion club, G. A. Fletcher, has some new "flying bugs" to contend with this year—in the form of a new airport just across the road. The planes keep his workmen so busy watching the stunting, he doesn't know whether or not he will get all his greens mowed in time this year."