medal prize cost, are to be given to the Red Cross. Two weeks after its annual meeting the USGA arranged with the Chicago District GA for a big Hale America open tournament for which approximately 60 qualifying events in various cities are

contemplated.

A nation-wide plan to get golfers to contribute a dime per round at collection receptacles at the first tee of every golf course in the U. S., the proceeds to go to war relief organizations, is being considered by the USGA. As there were 63, 406,000 rounds of golf played in 1941, it is expected that energetic promotion of this golf fund raising plan will produce more money than any other American sport will raise.

That the action of the USGA in abandoning its championships for the duration was dictated entirely by its interpretation of greatest service to national interest, is evident from the association's 1941 finan-

cial statement.

Income from dues was \$24,095. Income from tournaments was \$23,070. Ruling out approximately half its normal annual income was a tough decision to make. USGA administrative and general expenses in 1941 were \$23,941.28 and Green Section expense for the fiscal year ending Nov. 30, 1941 was \$24,747.21. The USGA had a net excess of income over expense for 1941 of \$5,332.51, bringing its surplus to \$89,-833.31

USGA in authorizing use of War bonds up to face value of \$100 for amateur prizes and endorsing use of war bonds and stamps as prizes during the duration of the war, was enthusiastically hailed by press and public.

Questionnaire Reveals Golf's Plans For War Service

RETURNS from the war activities questionnaire sent to private clubs by the National Golf Foundation are being sifted for data on golf clubs' probable sales of war stamps and bonds this season, and for ideas clubs plan to employ in gearing themselves to peak war-time performance.

Many ingenious and practical plans for golf club use were brought forth by the survey conducted by the promotion organization financed by the golf club and ball manufacturers.

Returns to the questionnaire were unexpectedly large despite omission of in-

formation identifying the National Golf Foundation for enlightenment of club officials unaware of the nature of the Foundation's sponsorship and work over the past 4 years.

Highlights of the returns are to be presented in a bulletin which will be sent to officials of all district golf associations, USGA and WGA committee members, PGA, GSA, and CMAA regional officials. Copies of the report may be had by others on receipt of 10c in coin or stamps to cover handling and mailing costs. Requests should be addressed to National Golf Foundation, 14 E. Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Ill.

Hold Midwest Amateur April 10-12— Eleventh annual Midwest Amateur golf tournament will be held at the French Lick Springs (Ind.) course April 10-12.

Defending Champion, and a triple winner of the title, is Gus Moreland, former Walker Cup team member. By virtue of his third win, Moreland carried away the Thomas D. Taggart trophy, and a new one will be placed in competition this year. More than 600 amateur players are attracted to this event each year.

SHORT COURSE CALENDAR

February 9—March 15 — Massachusetts State College, Amherst, Mass., (2nd term)

> 16-20—Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N. J.

> 17-19—Denver (Colo.) District, Albany Hotel.

25-27—Pennsylvania State College, Pa.

March 3-4—Iowa State College, Ames, Ia.

4-6—University of Minnesota, Minneapolis.

9-11—University of Wisconsin, Madison.

12-13—Michigan State College, East Lansing.

12-15—Recreational Conference and exhibition,
Massachusetts State
College.

For more complete data on greens conferences listed above, see January GOLFDOM, p. 24.