Region VII—John W. Hughes, Nebraska Golf Ass'n. (Ark., Ia., Kan., Minn., Mo., Neb., N. D., S. D., Wyo.)

Region VIII—N. C. Morris, sec'y, Colorado Golf Ass'n. (Col., N. M., Okla., Tex.) Region IX—Bing Crosby, director, Western Golf Ass'n. (Ariz., Cal., Ida., Mont., Nev., Ore., Utah, Wash., Alaska.)

Jenness Peckham, Wife of Prominent Turfman, Dies

Jenness R. Peckham, wife of Arthur N. Peckham, head of the Rhode Island bent grass concern bearing his name, and assistant to her husband as manager of the Rhode Island state fair, died in Homeopathic hospital, Providence, on December 2, after an illness of three weeks. Burial was in the Peckham family lot at Kingston, R. I.

Rhode Island, and the entire bent grass growing industry, suffered a grievous loss in the death of Mrs. Peckham. Her comparatively short life was intensely lived. Her perseverance in obtaining a tariff increase, second largest on the agricultural schedule in 1930 (namely, the tariff on the agrostic family of seed was increased from two cents per pound to 40c per pound) greatly stimulated production of seed by American farmers. And this newly created interest in an American-grown seed among the farmers sparked state agricultural experiment stations to carry on experiments with different strains of bent grass-the result of which has been the development of strains considered more superior and disease-resistant.

Mrs. Peckham was born in Des Moines, Ia., on Feb. 18, 1900. She was graduated from Denison University, Granville, Ohio, in 1922 with highest honors, being a member of Phi Beta Kappa. In 1924 she married A. N. Peckham, and immediately took up an active interest in her husband's various activities, managing the farm office from which the bent grass grown by many farmers in southern New England was merchandised.

When her husband was appointed manager of the Rhode Island state fair some years ago, Jenness' untiring efforts in its promotion largely accounted for the fact it increased in size, reputation and quality to such an extent that its rating increased from 60th to fifth position among the fairs of New England. She was appointed by the governor to represent Rhode Island



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before the 54th and 55th annual convention of the National Rivers and Harbors Commission in Washington, as she had worked for a rivers and harbors development in her state for which she had obtained a Federal grant of \$400,000.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Peckham leaves her mother, Mrs. Guy Ruhl, of Las Vegas, Nev.; a brother, Sherwood, an electrical engineer at Boulder Dam, and one sister, Mrs. Joan McCray, of Arizona. Jenness possed a wonderfully sweet and charming personality, and a resolute spirit —qualities by which she will be long remembered.

Group Instruction Beginning to Pay Dividends for D'Angelo

JIMMY D'ANGELO, pro at Baederwood GCse, Jenkintown, Pa., and recently appointed by John B. Kelly to the Hale America National Sports Board, writes that he is beginning to experience the 'pay-off' on all the group golf instruction work he has been so interested in during recent years. Jimmy says: In the early part of December I was invited to give a half-hour talk to a group of well-known Philadelphia doctors and their wives, who were attending a convention in Atlantic City. I was paid \$50.00.

"Early in February I began teaching a group of adults at Cheltenham High School, Elkins Park, Pa. This school conducts adult classes in 29 different subjects, and I'd like to point out the fact that the largest registration in any of the classes was in golf, with 39 registering, and more coming in. I think that speaks well for golf interest throughout the country. I am paid \$5.00 per hour and the class continues for ten consecutive Monday nights from 8 to 9.

"I just wanted to pass this information along to the boys, to show what can be done if we're willing to cooperate when we have an opportunity to give a few hours of our time free."

Plan H. A. Tourney Details—Officials of the USGA, PGA and Chicago DGA conferred several days at Chicago late in February on plans for the Hale America Open golf championship, finals of which are to be played at Ridgemoor GC, Chicago, June 18-21.

Prizes totalling \$6,000, with the winner getting \$1,000, will be distributed among the first 30 low scorers.