

**May Build Munny Course**—Pittsfield (Mass.) park commission is investigating the practicability of constructing a 9-hole municipal course on 50 acres of Springside Park property, found unusable for other types of development. Pittsfield could use a munny layout, since the city's present three golf courses are privately owned.

**Club Dances for Soldiers**—Salem (Mass.) CC not only allows servicemen to play the golf course without fee, but also has been running bi-monthly dances for them as well.

**Horse Divots Green**—In the midst of the annual field day at North Hills CC (Douglaston, L. I.) a driver lost control

of his horse while cantering in a nearby woods. The animal charged over the golf course, leaving hoofmarks several inches deep in the 13th green.

## WHAT'S NEW

American Fork & Hoe Co., Ashtabula, Ohio, makers in peacetime of True Temper golf shafts, has been operating at full capacity for many months. The golfing public knew only too well that golf shafts were no longer being turned out by the company and knew also that production

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**Wanted**—Golf course equipment. What have you for cash? Sportsman's Golf Club, 1633 Palmolive Bldg., Chicago, Ill.

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**Wanted**—Two putting green mowers. Write Country Club of Mobile, Spring Hill, Ala.

**Wanted**—Greenkeeper, preferably one with experience in lower Ohio Valley. Write, giving qualifications and salary desired. Address: Ad. 804, % *Golfdom*.

time was being devoted to some war product.

In mid-August, all secrecy regarding Am. Fork's part in the war effort was eliminated. The answer is bayonets—the shorter, lighter, sturdier new type of "pig-sticker"—by the thousands per month.



Workmen grind the final edge on bayonets at the American Fork plant.

All operations involved in production of these weapons, including forging, machining, packing and shipping, are handled within the plant.

At the war's end, American Fork & Hoe will be back in the golf shaft business, but for the present it has its hands full turning out the grim short swords of the infantry.

Top honors for outstanding performance in war production were conferred upon the **Worthington Mower Company** and its employees July 26th, at a colorful ceremony staged on the grounds fronting their main offices and plant at Stroudsburg, Pa. For their record of "Excellence in Production Achievement" each Worthington employee was awarded the Army-Navy "E" lapel insignia and the company received the "E" pennant. Only one per cent of all firms in war production have won this distinguished honor. Judge Samuel E. Shull sparked the ceremony by his inspiring remarks on the magnificent record of the men on the firing front and those on the production front at the Worthington plant who are backing them up to the limit.

Col. Chas. A. Ross made the presentation of the Army-Navy Production Award which was accepted by Ross Sawtelle, president of Worthington. Lt. Com. Roy N. Drier presented the "E" lapel insignia, which was accepted by Leon A. White for the employees. Also honored at the ceremony were Arthur D. Peterson, George Malvese, Henry Westfall, Leo Murray and

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others long identified with the Worthington company.

Many of the older men identified with golf course maintenance will recall the original company as the Shawnee Mower Company, which was started by C. C. Worthington, industrialist and golf enthusiast, in 1914, specializing in horse-drawn fairway mowing machines. By 1920, when the name was changed to Worthington Mower Company, revolutionary developments in mowing machinery had greatly expanded Worthington's production and their markets extended throughout the world. With the start of war, and the problem of building the world's greatest air armada, Worthington plans were concentrated on designing and building airfield mowing equipment. The Army-Navy "E" Award bespeaks the success and importance of their efforts.

Following the ceremony which was paced by wartime precision and brevity, the night shift swung into production with renewed pep that promised no good for the enemy. Worthington's official family, E. R. Sawtelle, E. H. Worthington, John Blair, W. U. Roulette and John Rodewald, have been with the company many years, as have the majority of the employees, to whom the officers gave all credit for the production honors awarded the organization.

About 300 employees and guests July 13 witnessed the presentation of the Army-Navy "E" award flag to F. W. Berk & Co., Wood Ridge, N. J., manufacturers of mercurials, for high achievement in the production of war material. The flag was presented by Major D. B. MacMaster, U. S. Army Ordnance Department, and was accepted on behalf of the company and employees by Robert O. Weiss, works supt. of the Wood Ridge plant.

J. S. Whittington, vice-pres. of the company, also spoke and introduced Mrs. M. H. McAllister, daughter of the late P. Felix Berk, founder and former president of the company.

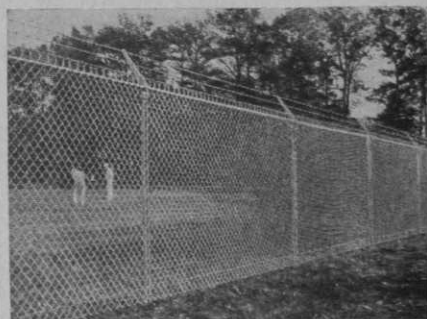
Lt. Comm. J. Douglas Gessford of the U. S. Navy, made the presentation of employees' "E" pins. W. M. Stieh, vice-pres. and general manager of the Wood Ridge division, supervised the arrangements.

L. A. Young Golf Co., Grand Rapids, Mich., has published a very interesting, entertaining and impressive little folder on the used ball situation. It's intended to be sent as letter enclosures by clubs and pros to their members. The Young company furnishes the required number of the enclosures free on request.

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himself awake in hell where there were great golf courses but no balls because of neglect of players to turn in balls for reconditioning.

Golf's war-orphaned world series—the Ryder Cup matches—played this year over Detroit's Plum Hollow course, was broadcast throughout the nation on a Blue Network hookup Sunday afternoon, August 8th, under the sponsorship of Crawford, MacGregor, Canby Company, Dayton, Ohio, manufacturer and distributor of Tourney Golf Clubs, Tourney Balls, and other golf equipment.

This fourth annual charity contest, in which Captain Craig Wood's Ryder Cup golf squad emerged victorious over Walter Hagen's challengers by an 8½ to 3½ margin, netted approximately \$40,000 for the American Red Cross. Attendance was the largest in the event's history. Besides this sizeable contribution to the American Red Cross, a large amount of War Bond also was sold to the field of spectators.

While MacGregor has not manufactured any golf equipment for months and while no stocks of MacGregor merchandise are available for retail except where pros may have limited remaining stocks from earlier purchases, MacGregor has been one of the leaders in upholding general interest in golf and in keeping golf alive in every possible way during the war emergency. According to Clarence H. Rickey, president of MacGregor, charity matches such as the Ryder Cup series and other successful charity contests and exhibitions which Mr. Rickey's company has sponsored during the past two seasons have done much to stimulate public interest in golf besides contributing generously to various war relief organizations. For the duration, MacGregor is engaged 100 per cent on 'round-the-clock production of work essential to the war effort.

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