

ting contest nights, the Fellowship committee puts up golf balls as prizes.

"There are other clubs in this district not as fortunately situated as we are for transportation and their closing is inevitable. A couple already have gone. The clubs closer in get the members thus cast loose. Lakewood already has had new members from closed clubs.

"We have hired older men for course work and looked far ahead in buying our equipment needs for a couple of seasons. We expect a good season in 1943 and intend to do everything possible to keep Texas energy and spirit at its highest point for war work. In this part of the

country they show their best when the going is the most difficult."

Bob Goldwater says: "Play at the Phoenix (Ariz.) CC has held up extremely well so far this year. Of course, we are situated practically in town and there is both bus and street car service to the club. Also, a great many members live within easy walking distance.

"Then too, we have a large number of officers now stationed in the Valley because of our air fields. A lot of new people have come in with the defense plants that are springing up in Phoenix. This influx of new people may tend to offset any loss we may have in regular membership."

## Gobs Hold Puerto Rican Tourney



**I**N San Juan, Puerto Rico, a lack of clubs is no reason for Navy enlisted men in Puerto Rico not to play golf. Their Navy lockers and sea bags hold no golf clubs but the Berwind CC has undertaken to furnish not only the course but clubs and golf balls, if necessary. Its working. All any sailor—or any other service man—need do now is present himself at the club and make known his desire to play. If no one else is there to take him on, Jimmy Rue, the club pro, will.

To stimulate Navy golf interest recently the Berwind club staged a tournament for all enlisted men in the San Juan area and got quite a turn-out. One of the rules of the tournament was that "previous experience in golf was not necessary." Some of the members felt this was taking a long chance with the greens, but every-

thing worked out satisfactorily and no irreparable damage was done. The boys, themselves, volunteered to make any repairs they could.

On the course par 72 haven't been broken, despite the fact that it has been in continuous use for more than 20 years by some of the best players that have come to the Island. Chief Petty Officer C. V. Tarter in winning the Services Tourney shot 80 and John M. Sokash, seaman second class, pushed him hard with an 81. Tarter is from Louisville, Ky., and Sokash is a native of Pittstown, Pa. Sokash was caddie champ at the Fox Hill CC in 1935 and 1936 in Pittstown.

The winner received a \$50 watch from the Bacardi Corp. of America and the also rans received other suitable awards from Bacardi.