

ing management that the golf clubs do with their more than \$800,000,000 investment.

Because of May's activity as a tournament promoter, sports writers at the announcement luncheon queried him on the tournament interest of the American Golf Foundation. He made it clear that the new Foundation would concern itself only with golf club business problems, and despite the effectiveness of the Tam tournaments in publicizing Tam O'Shanter, the AGF would not go into tournament promotion as a golf club business matter for a long time to come, if at all.

He expressed himself as being convinced that expansion of amateur interest in the game called for far more emphasis on amateur tournaments, and although strongly of the mind that there should be more money in pro tournament golf, conceded that when amateurs were headliners in tournaments, the pros as a group had larger incomes.

May also made it plain that his controversy with the USGA regarding an increase in amateur prizes was a personal affair with him rather than a matter involving club business management, hence the newly organized Foundation. There was lively debate at the luncheon as to whether increase of amateur per capita tournament swag wouldn't discourage development of local amateur talent by inviting growth of a class of touring amateur pot-hunters on the order of the tennis bums who embarrassed that game. The pseudo-amateur golf sharpshooters, some maintained, wouldn't allow legitimate home talent a fair and inviting chance.

May had arguments on his side, too, so the sideshow to the announcement luncheon wound up in a friendly tie. Like other arguments, nobody convinced nobody.

Tom Jones, NE Pro Vet, Dies Suddenly

TOM JONES, for 17 years pro at the Rhode Island CC prior to entering defense work last fall, died of a heart attack at his home in Warren, R. I., Aug. 20. He was 49 years old.

Jones was born in the clubhouse at Stafford, Eng. His father, John Jones, came to the U. S. as pro at Myopia, where Tom entered the game as his dad's assistant. In 1912 Tom got his first pro job, at Auburn (N. Y.) CC. Prior to taking the Rhode Island CC appointment, he

served the Albany (N. Y.) CC, Lancaster (Pa.) CC and Fall River (Mass.) CC.

Tom was one of the founders of the PGA of New England and of the New England Open championship. He was teaching junior group classes long before the idea became general in pro golf. He was a pioneer in developing caddie systems that helped the boys and the game and the players. He also was responsible for the development of many excellent amateur and pro golfers.

He is survived by his wife, his mother, two sons and a daughter.

Tom was warmly regarded by golfers in New England and other parts of the country as one of the fine characters who built the game in the U. S.

Ted Ray, Famed Pioneer, Dies in England

EDWARD (TED) RAY, burly Jersey-man who was one of golf's most colorful and competent pros, died Aug. 28 in a nursing home at Watford, Eng., after a long illness. He was 66 years old.

Although Ray only won the British Open once, in 1912, and the U. S. Open on just one occasion, in 1920, he was second or third many times and because of his impressive personality and prodigious driving was always a chief attraction for galleries.

He and his comrade, the late Harry Vardon, made several American tours and had much to do with popularizing the game in the United States. It was the Ray and Vardon tie at 304 with Francis Ouimet at Brookline in 1913 that established golf as a major American sport. Ouimet's 72 was too good for the 77 of Vardon and the 78 of Ray in the play-off, and the Boston ex-caddie as the giant-killer put golf into American sport page headlines.

Ted's 295 at Inverness, Toledo, in 1920 nosed out Vardon, the late Jack Burke, Leo Diegel and Jock Hutchison by a stroke. It was the last time an invading player has won the U. S. Open. Barnes, Walker, Macfarlane and Armour, later foreign-born winners, were American residents at the times of their triumphs.

Ray's pipe, his thick coat and trousers (a novelty in the knicker days) distinguished his appearance on American courses. What probably was his great contribution to American golf was his great length and accuracy with wood clubs. He made