He Recommends Golf as a Wartime Sport



In one of his recent Chicago Tribune columns, "In the Wake of the News," Arch Ward, outstanding sports authority, said:

"Even under the pressure of wartime production, executives and employees are giving increased attention to physical fitness activities, a fitness that will result in a minimum of disability due to sickness . . . The desirability of extending the program will become more pronounced . . . Leadership should come from the employees . . . One interested worker often is enough to start a program . . . There is no standard list of sports contests suited to all industries. There are plenty from which to make a choice—badminton, archery, bowling, basketball, baseball, golf . . . handball, horseback riding, horseshoe pitching, ice hockey, obstacle racing, roller skating, rowing, tennis, softball, soccer, football, track, weight-lifting, wrestling and many others . . . The important consideration should be to devise a program that will engage the maximum number of employees in actual participation . . ."

CLUB PRESIDENTS CAN SAVE GAME

The National Golf Foundation has formulated a plan to expedite the assembly of stocks of old golf balls for rebuilding. Club presidents are asked to assume the responsibility of organizing ball collecting campaigns. To stimulate players' personal interest in turning in used golf balls, the foundation urges that club pros give a priority certificate to each person upon presentation of old balls, the certificate entitling the player to first call on "rebuilts" returned by the factory to the professional.

The foundation also has prepared a step by step program for the club president to follow in getting his used ball drive under way, providing a form letter that may be addressed to all members, a supplementary telephone plan, a set of display banners, reminder tags for automobiles and golf bags, and supplementary mailing reminders. These may be obtained by application to Joe Graffis, National Golf Foundation, 14 East Jackson Blvd., Chicago 4, Ill.

Famous Past..Lusty Present

Francis Ouimet, first American golfer to gain international fame, is now a busy Boston manufacturer of oil coolers for airplane motors, and, according to the report of an Associated Press reporter, can still "turn in a round of golf that would compare favorably with those that startled the world back in 1913, when, as a 19-year-old caddy, he won the national open title in a playoff with England's supposedly invincible Harry Vardon and Ted Ray."

Golfers' Fame to Be Immortalized

A commission created by the Federal Security Agency's committee on physical fitness is promoting plans for a national Sports Hall of Fame in Washington, which will be a fitting symbol of the recognition won by sport as an important part of the national life.

"The building will serve as a national archive for sports," said John B. Kelly, committee chairman.

Erection of the structure would be financed through sports activities without assistance from the government.

Included in the proposed exhibits would be the equipment and uniforms worn by famous golfers and other athletic stars.