

where the majority of the best men never have been to schools of journalism.

Yet, as the schools of journalism have grown older there has been such a steadily increasing demand for their students that the journalism school graduate has no difficulty in getting employment, and starts with so much of an advantage over the unschooled journalist that the school graduate is able to retain superior earning capacity in the majority of cases.

We have had enough experience with pro short courses to be convinced that more of this sort of training is almost essential to putting pro golf on a sound basis for profit after the war. In Illinois we've had spring pro schools for a number of years, and I know from the requests other sections have made for our programs and information concerning the talks at our training classes, that interest in such work is keen in other sections. Minnesota is another one of the PGA sections that has gone in strong for this schooling. It has tied up with the University of Minnesota in giving a practical and expert teaching connection to the pros' own specialized knowledge.

I think we are going to have to place as much emphasis on the pro schools as we do on the tournament circuit, although it is sure that the schools never will get the publicity of the competitive events. Nevertheless it stands to reason that the publicity an organized nation-wide pro school program would get surely would influence club officials in hiring men who have had such schooling—or at least giving them an edge.

As one who has been in pro golf for many years I am frank to admit that my attendance at the schools we have had in Illinois has given me many ideas from the outside that have helped my club and me in my work. This is a business in which the man who stops learning—or being eager to learn—is very soon discovered by his members. The way to stay on a job and keep that job growing is to grow mentally yourself. The old-timers who have kept in good jobs in pro golf know that and show it.

We have a big job to do in taking men back from military service who need outdoor work and training them to be pros

who will be credits to our profession and builders of our business and of golf. That is a job that requires more organized pro golfer schooling than we have made available.

I have seen in the progress of our educational sessions in Illinois what a great need and reward there is for pros in more study of their business and in ideas brought to us from successful men in other business.

Pro golf after the war can be made the best business career in sports and the pro job made much more profitable and stable if we'll begin now on a coordinated schooling program. Otherwise the stampede to pro golf during the post-war boom may present some costly and serious problems to the competent men now in pro golf and who have the good of the game foremost in their minds.

Suggests Pro School for Canadian PGA

SPEAKING of a teacher's school for golf pros we think the Canadian PGA would be wise to hold their tournaments very late in the year so that professionals could spend at least three or four days each year discussing, studying and advancing a common pool of ideas for better standardization of teaching methods. If Gordie Bryson and Emile Collett, president and Honorary President of the Canadian PGA, respectively, want a really landmark program to work out for the betterment of professionaldom and golf generally, they should steal a note from ski pros and inaugurate a "Registered Golf Instructor" course for Canadian professionals; run the classes each year at the time of the PGA tourney, have lectures, open forum of business methods, latest teaching movies of world's best players, etc. There's something to work on . . . and Canadian players would be a lot happier knowing that the ideas of their teachers were accepted as right by all the leading players. A "Registered Golf Instructor" plaque in every member's shop would be a great confidence-inspirer for prospective players.

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WHO'LL GIVE GOLF TO FLIERS?

Sgt. John Brooks, former pro, wants to get some used clubs and old balls as equipment for establishing a golf school for Army Air Forces students at Garden City, Kan.

The lads are eager for golf instruction and practice in whatever spare time they have from their heavy program of study, but they've no equipment.

Will you kick in to show these young men you're with them? Whatever you can send ship to Sgt. John Brooks, Post Hdqs., Army Air Forces Pilot School (Basic), Army Air Field, Garden City, Kan.