

GOLF WRITERS SPONSOR SAN FRANCISCO OPEN

Courses Are Congested in Bay District

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THE SHOUTING (and near shooting) has died away in the San Francisco Bay area, where two winter tour tournaments are scheduled instead of last year's three, and where it appeared for a time there would be no tournaments at all.

Ultimate result of irate statements and cries of anguish is that the "on again, off again" tournaments are on in San Francisco and off in Oakland.

The San Francisco tourney, abandoned, by the Junior Chamber of Commerce, was resurrected with the aid of San Francisco golf writers and Bill Kyne, race track operator, who guarantees \$15,000 in War Bonds (maturity value) for prize plus an additional \$5,000 as door prize, providing the event is held as a benefit for the California Veterans' Rehabilitation Program, which Kyne heads.

The sports writers will stage the event with the American Women's Volunteer Service unit in San Francisco, which includes many prominent women golfers. The betting is that for the first time in its history, the San Francisco Open will make money, come January 10th to 13th. The sports writers and the AWVS are working at it, at any rate. The Veterans' Rehabilitation Program should benefit as well as San Francisco golfers, who once again will have an opportunity to witness the Nation's talent.

The hubub started in Oakland when the Junior Chamber stated it was "tired of raising prize money for professionals whose only interest was money." In 1944 the Oakland tourney was underwritten by a lone individual, whose sole stipulation was that profits go to war relief.

The second annual Richmond Open, the Bay Area's second event (January 17th to 20th) was always on insofar as the Richmond GC and Pat Markovich, its promoter, were concerned—provided dates could be obtained.

While last year's \$7,500 war bond event was a slight financial failure, it was a distinct artistic success. Markovich and his club members staged it without outside aid in order to advertise the club. The plan paid long-range dividends in club interest.

City and County officials were so impressed with the publicity received that ample financial aid has been offered and received this year. Due to this happy

combination of factors, the total prize in bonds has been increased to \$10,000.

Death of Eddie Fry, 20, U. S. Marine and son of Earl Fry, professional at the Alameda Municipal golf course, is regretted deeply by the Ray Area golfing fraternity. Young Eddie was killed in action on Okinawa. With his death, golf lost one of its potential stars.

The Bay Area has lost another golf course. Through subdivision brought on by court condemnation, what is left of the El Camino property at Lomita Park will be subdivided after the San Mateo School Board takes the 22 acres it won in court.

Dr. S. J. Leider, who held the controlling interest in El Camino, still remains in the golf business, however. He traded his El Camino interest for the 118 acres which comprise the La Rinconada course near Los Gatos. The approximate cash value of the property involved was \$190,000.

La Rinconada, established in 1928 as a private course, will be operated on a fee basis, with Phil Jefferson and Bill Braun, pro and greenkeeper, respectively, remaining at their posts. Loss of El Camino will further congest both public and private courses in the Bay Area, where starting times already are practically by reservation only, and long delays at the tee are common week days and holidays alike.

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Assistant Pro just out of Navy wants a job with good man from whom he could learn the business. Hard worker, thoroughly dependable, pleasant personality and well-grounded in general principles of business. For full details of qualifications write Ad 1026, % *Golfdom*.

Wanted Position as greenkeeper by recent discharged overseas veteran, age 37, thoroughly experienced with complete knowledge of all phases of golf course operation and maintenance requirements. Twenty years background in this field with best of references. Address: Ad 1027, % *Golfdom*.

Pro or Pro-Greenkeeper wants to make change, preferably to southwestern club. 20 years successful experience with good clubs. Excellent teacher, player and pro businessman, and practical, economical greenkeeper. Thoroughly reliable. Age 42; married; two children. For complete details of record and qualifications Address: Ad 1028, % *Golfdom*.

Experienced Professional who prefers to stay at his club and see that his members get the best service and who can really help them improve their games is available. Best references and ready to take hold. Address: Ad 1029, % *Golfdom*.

Wanted—To lease 9 or 18 hole golf course located in Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin or Indiana. A-1 reference. Thoroughly experienced with all operations of a golf course, management, building and supervising. Financially able to pay lease in full. Address: Ad 1030, % *Golfdom*.

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War veteran, 34, single, eight years experience on Midwest courses as greenkeeper, desires position as assistant greenkeeper or foreman on southern California course. Address: Ad 1022, % *Golfdom*.

Greenkeeper Wanted for Texas club. Must know bent greens, upkeep of machinery and how to handle men. Send experience and salary expected. Address: Ad 1003, % *Golfdom*.

Position Wanted—Greenkeeper, 20 years' experience. Best of references. Charter member Greenkeeping Supt. Assn. 49 years old; married. Prefer Central states. Address: Ad 1004, % *Golfdom*.

Golf Professional-Greenkeeper, overseas veteran, seeks employment. Will go anywhere. James E. Thomas, P. O. Box 84, Pittsburgh 80, Pa.

Golf Professional desires position for 1946. Eleven years with present club as pro-greenkeeper. Single, good personality, excellent instructor, State PGA Champion. Can furnish best of references. Address: Ad 1005, % *Golfdom*.

Wanted—Golf professional for combination pro and manager job. Both clubhouse arrangements and golf course above average. A very attractive year round proposition to man who can qualify for the place. Write: Secretary Connersville Country Club, Connersville, Indiana, giving references.

Wanted—position as Pro-greenkeeper at small or medium-sized southern club for winter months, available Nov. 1. Now employed at New England club. Age 36; 15 yrs. experience in all departments; member of PGA. Wife as cateress if necessary. Can furnish highest recommendations as to character and ability. Address: Ad 1006, % *Golfdom*.

Club Manager with good city and country club background and ample capital seeking food and beverage concession in well organized club having 200 or more members. Just finishing season in prominent country club in Chicago area. Address: Ad 1007, % *Golfdom*.

Golf professional desires pro berth in Florida. Excellent instructor; PGA member. With present club 12 years. Can furnish best of references. Good mixer and a successful business builder. Have one thousand dozen golf balls in stock to service your golfers. Address: Ad 1008, % *Golfdom*.

Wanted by large suburban club in East—a chef capable of cooking and buying for an exclusive clientele. Opportunity for wife as housekeeper. State references and experience in first letter. Address: Ad 1009, % *Golfdom*.

Pro, Pro-Mgr. or Pro-Greenkeeper with excellent record and highest recommendations desires change. College education; 12 years experience; 33 years old; married; no children; A1 credit rating. Address: Ad 1010, % *Golfdom*.

Assistant Pro desires job as professional. Age 24, single, exserviceman. Possesses personality and enthusiasm; good golfer and teacher. References from former and present employer. Address: Ad 1011, % *Golfdom*.

Couple, both 56, at present managing large club, desire pro-management position in smaller club. PGA member with highest credit rating. Must be all-year position. Address: Ad 1012, % *Golfdom*.

Position Wanted as Country Club Manager—Man with 20 years experience as country club Manager wishes desirable connection as Club Manager. Previous connections have been in South and Southwest and with clubs having memberships of 500 or more, operating all the usual facilities offered by country clubs. Am married; 50 years of age; college graduate and not averse to going to any part of the U.S.A. Address: Ad 1016, % *Golfdom*.

Help Wanted: Gardener, must be experienced and capable, sober and reliable. Excellent job for right man on landscaped ranch home in finest year-round climate with 85% maximum possible sunshine, elevation 5000 feet. Attractive home furnished, permanent year-round job. Write or wire LANTEEN RANCH, BISBEE, ARIZONA. Private golf course will be put back in operation next year.

Fifty Caddy Carts for rent for the winter months. **For Sale:** Model A Ford Blackhawk golf tractor for sale; extra good tires; with dump body. South Shore Golf Club, Syracuse, Indiana.

Wanted: Experienced Caddy-Master, year-round position, good pay, room and board. Write: Manager, East Lake Country Club, Atlanta, Georgia.

Greenkeeper—War Veteran, 34-years old. Splendid background and eight years' greenkeeping experience. Can furnish excellent references. Will go anywhere. Address: Ad 1014, % *Golfdom*.

Pro-Mgr.—For the past 10 years, 16 years as Pro, desires position. 36 years of age. Available immediately. Address: Ad 1021, % *Golfdom*.

Nationally-known pro-greenkeeper-manager, at present employed at club of 500 members, desires permanent change to club in south or Florida. Age 39, married, thoroughly experienced in all departments. Successful record in midwest, southwest and Florida. Will consider one department or entire club. Clubs interested in first class teaching, greenkeeping, merchandising and administrative ability. Address: Ad 1018, % *Golfdom*.

Manager of successful summer course in the Adirondack mountains desires Florida golf club Nov. 1 to April 1. Not a professional but knows golf and club management. May also provide experienced greenkeeper. Address: Ad 1020, % *Golfdom*.

Locker-room Man and Bar Attendant—wants position. Last position seven years private club. Wife does office work, switchboard operator, gen'l office work and also clerk. Private club preferred. Address: Ad 1002, % *Golfdom*.

Golf Professional with excellent record and highest recommendations wants position for the winter months with club in Florida or in south. Age 41 and PGA member. Address: Ad 1001, % *Golfdom*.

Position Wanted—Pro-greenkeeper wants position with private club with good membership. 20 years experience. Belong to GSA. At present building courses for PGA. Wife assists in managing dining room. A-1 references, ability, character and credit. Address: Ad 1019, % *Golfdom*.

Young experienced Professional desires club for 1946 season. Ex-Serviceman; married; excellent instructor. Possesses personality and enthusiasm. Prefers West or Midwest. Address: Ad 1015, % *Golfdom*.

Wanted—Man to take charge of repair department in Detroit. Must be familiar with Jacobsen and Worthington equipment. In reply state in detail past experience. Address: Ad 1017, % *Golfdom*.

Interested in lease or purchase of golf course or country club. Neil Martin, 17 Osborne Avenue, New Haven, Conn.

War Veteran wants connection with golf course having long season of play, West Coast preferred. 25 years golf and shop experience. Sales ability; good habits; good car. Will turn pro for good proposition. Address: Harvey C. Williams, 524 West Colfax Ave., Denver 4, Colorado.

Position Wanted as a Golf Professional or Assistant Pro. in a Southeastern state. I have seven years experience as professional player, teacher, greenkeeper and clubmaker. All references as to my abilities and qualifications are in my possession. I am 27 years of age and have been engaged in some of the best golf clubs in Canada and the United States. Address letters and particulars Ad 1023, % *Golfdom*.

Pro and Wife with 25 years experience as pro-manager team desire to make change to club with six months season. Can furnish A-1 credit and character references. Address: Ad 1024, % *Golfdom*.

Pro-Greenkeeper desires winter position with club in South or Southwest, small club preferred. Have had 22 years experience in all phases of golf club work; expert teacher. Can furnish highest references as to credit, character and ability. Wife has assisted in pro shop for 18 years. Address: Ad 1025, % *Golfdom*.

For Sale—The golf game you have been looking for. Coin-operated, good money maker for Country Clubs. Has 9 foot putting green, electric score calculator and ball feeder. Modern design in blond wood. Priced to sell. Immediate delivery. For illustrated folder and list of various coin operated equipment write: D. W. Thompson, 2935 N. Kenneth, Chicago 41.