Col. Theodore Bank Named Head of The Athletic Institute, Inc.

★ At a meeting of the board of the directors of The Athletic Institute, Inc., in January, Col. Theodore (Ted) Bank was named president to succeed the late Major John L. Griffith, president of The Institute from 1940 until his death, Dec. 7, 1944.

Col. Bank, who has been in the Army since March, 1941, was released from the service Jan. 1, 1945, to take over his new position. A World War I veteran with



COL. THEO. BANK, Pres., The Athletic Institute.

the rank of 1st lieutenant, he was on the reserve officers list when recalled into service in 1941 as a major, being assigned to the work of organizing athletics and recreation for the Army in the United States and in all overseas theaters of war. He served in this capacity for three years and last year became assistant to Major Gen. Joseph W. Byron, head of the special services division, of which athletics and recreation is a branch.

In 1944, Col. Bank spent six months overseas studying the operation of the athletic and recreational program in the Antilles, Africa, Italy and France, returning to America in December. He had participated in the D-Day invasion of southern France, making the trip by glider. He reorganized the American

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army athletic program in England and France. He compiled army physical training circular 87, which is the basis of training of this type; collaborated with the federal Office of Education in preparing pamphlets on the same subject for use in high school and college programs. He is a member of the National Committee on Physical Fitness and the Committee on Living War Memorials.

Col. Bank played football under Fielding H. Yost at the University of Michigan from 1920 to 1922. After graduating, he joined the coaching staff of Tulane University as head coach in baseball and boxing and assistant to Bernie Bierman in football. From Tulane he went to the University of Idaho as athletic director and head football coach. It was from Idaho that he entered the Army during World War II.

Eddie Williams Repeats As Pro Senior Champion

★ Dunedin, Fla.—Birdies on the last two holes gave Eddie Williams, Bryn Mawr CC, Chicago, 75-73—148 and a two stroke margin over Jock Hutchison, Glenview (III.) GC, for the PGA Senior championship. Jock had a pair of 75s over the par 72 course as his showing. The veteran Charley Mayo, Garden City, N. Y., with 78-73, was third. Williams was the defending champion.

The tournament was played over the course the PGA has been considering buying as a winter headquarters. A day's fishing preceded the two-day 36-hole tournament as a preview of another attraction of the Florida spot which is making a bid for pro residence during off-season on northern jobs.

Some excellent golf was shot by the elders at intervals but inability to get much play during the war years and added duties was reflected in the performances of the professionals of 50 years and older.

Among other finishers were:

James Cockburn, St. Louis, Mo76	79	155
Smiley Rowland, Ft. Worth, Texas80	75	155
Joe Donato, Norwich, Conn	75	158
E. W. Habert, Battle Creek, Mich	82	163
George Sergeant, Atlanta, Ga83	81	164
H. E. Williams, Reading, Pa84	82	166
B. Way, Cleveland, Ohio91	84	175
William Scott, Baltimore, Md	88	177
B. Cuthbert, Philadelphia, Pa90	87	177

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