

**WRITES HISTORY OF "OLDEST" CLUB**—History of the Mt. Anthony CC, Bennington, Vt., opened officially July 5, 1897 and claimed to be oldest 9-hole course in U. S. on original location, makes an interesting item of golf lore. It was written by John D. Forbes and details the merry time and financial vicissitudes of the club. Bill McDonald was pro at the club from 1898 until his death in 1929. The course was redesigned by George Low in 1905. Other improvements in the course were made in 1939.

**STROKE-BOOK DIAGRAMS GAME**—Frank Comtois, Locust Trail Herald Harbor, Crownsville, Md., has a copyrighted booklet mapping each hole of a course on which the player can keep a picture record of his game. The idea was tried out first at Rolling Road GC, Catonsville, Md., where Glenn Spencer is pro, and it took on well with members. Comtois intends to sell the booklets, made up for various courses, at the pro shops of the courses diagrammed. It's a clever and helpful idea for players and certainly would be a boon to reporters and gallery at championships.



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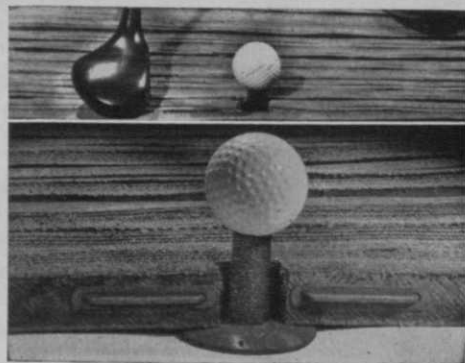
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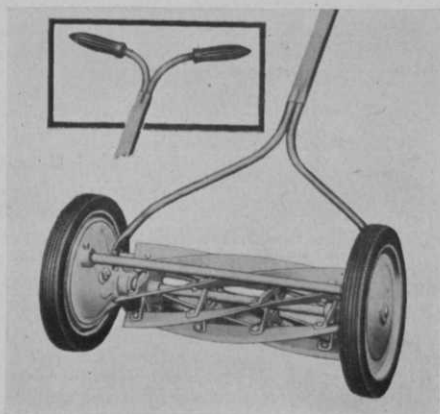
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**TOPDRESSING SURVEY**—Green Section's survey of topdressing practices revealed that of 62 clubs reporting, six used no topdressing. Others topdressed from one to 12 times a season, with two, three and four topdressings per season being most common. Rates of topdressing per sq. ft. ranged from 1000 cu. yds. to 8,000 cu. yds. Most common rate was 5,000 sq. ft. per cu. yd. One cu. yd. to 1000 sq. ft. applies a layer 1/3 in. thick.

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