

E. A. JACOBSEN
NAMED GENERAL MANAGER

E. A. Jacobsen, vice-president of Jacobsen Manufacturing Company, Racine, Wis., has been appointed General Manager by the Board of Directors, it was announced recently. The action of the board affords O. T. Jacobsen, President, more time in which to direct the company's rapid growing subsidiaries, the Worthington Mower Corporation, Stroudsburg, Pa., and the Johnstown Lawn Mower Corporation, Ottumwa, Iowa.

Re-elected officers are: O. T. Jacobsen, president; E. A. Jacobsen, vice-president and general manager Racine plant; W. J. Evans, vice-president in charge of purchase; and J. F. Costello, secretary and treasurer.

In addition to power and hand mowers Jacobson manufactures jet and reciprocal pumps for home water systems.

GOLF PIONEER DIES

One of golf's best known old-timers died December 27th at his home in Charleston, W. Va. Edward Galligan, 67, whom everyone knew as "Pop", was stricken with a heart attack Thursday and passed away a day later. He had helped with the construction there of Meadow Brook GC and for many years had been pro at Capitol View GC.

Pop grew up with golf, beginning as a caddy, then apprentice, club maker, and finally pro and GC consultant. He served his apprenticeship at the Formby GC, Lancashire, England, where he made the first hand-wound golf ball in the world, and later introduced it into this country. It was in England that he numbered among his many golf students Lady Alice, Lord Stanley, and the Prince of Wales.

Pop is survived by his wife, Florence, and two sons, Edward G. and Richard H. Galligan.

POOR SOIL CONDITIONS BIGGEST CAUSE OF POOR GREENS

The basic cause of bad putting greens as summed up by **Timely Turf Topics** of the USGA green section is the poor physical condition of the soil underlying those greens due to improper construction and a poor choice of materials. Other causes are faulty topdressing mixtures and maintenance practices, and the lack of proper power equipment to correct conditions.

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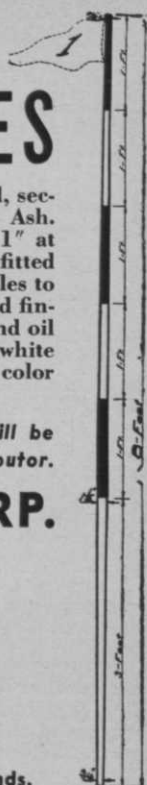
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avoided. Instead, coarse sand to fine gravel is recommended, a minimum of clay, and coarse humus of the reed and sedge type.

Although some putting greens can be improved most effectively only by rebuilding them completely, many can be improved by aerating and conditioning them mechanically. Both hand and power driven tubular-tine forks are of value. So are deep forking of 9 to 12 inches with potato forks and deep and frequent spiking.

AMARILLO ESKIMOS BATTLE IN BLIZZARD

Braving 26 degree temperature and racing a snow blizzard to the 18th hole, a record entry, including 87 amateurs, 7 women and 7 pros, competed in the 6th annual Eskimo Open held each New Year's Day at Amarillo, Texas CC. Their play carried on the century old Scottish tradition that those who golf on New Year's Day will be rewarded with health, happiness and good luck throughout the year. Since 1942 the event has been held annually regardless of weather.

Amateur John Munn led the field with a remarkable 73 and 20 others won prizes. Winners finished before the snow storm struck, while over half the field blew up in a 35 mile blizzard. Nearly 100 players completed the round.

HOOSIER GREENKEEPERS IN ANNUAL MEET AT INDIANAPOLIS

Wilbur Shaw was guest of honor at the annual pheasant dinner of Riley Lawn & Golf Equipment Co., for the Greenkeepers Assn. of Indiana, Jan. 10, at the Country Club of Indianapolis. Shaw showed movies of past and present Memorial Day Speedway auto races—great pictures. Pete Coval, the Country Club's grnkpr., was re-elected assn. president, with James Rees of Willowbrook GC appointed delegate to the GSA meeting. The assn. now embraces two-thirds of Indiana's turf management men, including Stan Graves in charge of the Hoosier capitol's popular munny courses, Max Parson, an eastern import now at Highland CC, and Carl Bretzlaff whose record as a turf specialist is nationally known. Carl has had 25 years continuous service at Meridian Hills. Clem Coble, whose mammoth putting green at Broadmoor is second in size only to the state of Texas and whose service at the club covers 27 years; Tex Harvey, Hillcrest CC, Jack Fortner, Speedway Corp. and Doc Coval, Ulen CC, and a host of other Hoosier aces in the art of turf maintenance attended the dinner meeting. Pete Coval, looking like one of Lord Calvert's "Men of Distinction" beamed upon his renewed presidential responsibilities with the assurance that Indiana's courses will have the finest of care in 1947.



Greenkeepers and wives attend pheasant dinner after association's annual meeting.