



**THE GOLF NEWS
IN BRIEF**
By **HERB GRAFFIS**

Long Island PGA figuring on switching its pro-am events from Mondays to Fridays as most clubhouses on Long Island are closed Mondays. . . Same situation prevails in other metropolitan districts where clubhouse help is taking Mondays off. . . Essex County (N.J.) has offered Essex County CC \$250,000 for its west course. . . Cary Middlecoff turning pro and jumping right into the money reminds us that some years ago we found that more state amateur championships were held by dentists than by men in any other one profession or business.

Ground broken for pitch and putt course at Palo Alto (Calif.) Veterans' Administration hospital. . . Course is result of promotion made by Northern Calif. PGA headed by Eddie Duino and American Womens' Volunteer Service. . . The two groups are next putting in a course at the Livermore hospital. . . W. O. Johnson signed as pro by Mt. Tabor (N.J.) CC.

Bellevue (Ia.) CC to enlarge clubhouse.

. . . We see that Bellevue had its annual meeting following a catfish fry. . . That brings back memories of bygone days in Missouri when a catfish fry was the big social event. . . Real experts at frying catfish are getting mighty scarce. . . But maybe who gives a damn? . . . It's getting hard for district golf associations to get courses for 72 hole tournaments. . . Members don't want to lay off their own games that long.

Long Island GA is celebrating its 25th anniversary. . . Its first Open championship was won by Willie Klein with 306. . . Willie used to be one of the best players and he's still one of the best of guys in our book. . . Pat Markovich, pro at Richmond (Calif.) CC, gets deserved credit for compiling a complete calendar of all scheduled Northern California and major national events.

USGA revision of amateur rule defining an amateur golfer as "one who plays the game solely as a non-remunerative or non-profitmaking sport" moves Bob Hall, Long Beach (Calif.) Press Telegram golf writer to ask how USGA "will class the boys who do little else but play golf?". . . A band of juvenile members at Charleston (S.C.) CC is one of the entertainment features at club events.

Joe Walsh made a Pathe short of Babe Didrikson Zaharias at Pinehurst. . . Bob Harlow, former PGA tournament bureau mgr., and now publisher of Pinehurst (N.C.) Outlook starts in June to publish golf newspaper on order of Variety show business publication. . . Bob has decided on calling it the GOLF WORLD and publishing weekly during summer and monthly in the winter.

Syracuse (N.Y.) university to have conference April 8-9 on "Engineering and Plant Science for Turf Development and Maintenance." . . . Most Syracuse papers will be concerned with highway and airport work. . . Athletic Institute, 209 S. State St., Chicago 4, Ill., in cooperation with Business Screen magazine has com-

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Nina Elizabeth Biles, wife of Leonard Biles, mgr., Holston Hills CC, Knoxville, Tenn., died March 19 at New York hospital following an operation. . . Besides her husband she is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Hudson P. Mann and Mrs. Wilfred R. Proud, both of Bayside, N.Y.

Harold Sieg signed as pro by Golden Valley GC, Minneapolis, Minn. . . Herman Hackbarth is in his 40th year as pro at Little Rock (Ark.) CC. . . His brother, Otto, has long been with Cincinnati (O.) CC and brothers John and Al have had years of pro service.

Add to the reminders that you are no kid any longer: . . . Miss Clara Malone Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Jones, Jr., of Atlanta, Ga., recently was married to Charles Harman Black. . . Gosh, remember when the bride's daddy was a sturdy little kid beginning to look like he might be a golfer? . . . Massachusetts GA sponsored a testimonial dinner attended by 500 to Ted Bishop, national amateur champion. . . The modest and blushing Bishop was tendered speeches and a camera.



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Upper Midwest chapter of Club Managers Assn. formed by managers of Minnesota, Wisconsin and Iowa. . . Joe Green, veteran of Jersey pro shops, goes with Bob Jones at Concord CC (Phila. dist.). Jones is one of the youngest pros in the district. . . Amarillo (Tex.) CC had its busiest year in 1946. . . The club has 642 members. . . Only 21 days when golf wasn't played at Amarillo last year. . . They gave pro George Aulbach a chance to catch his breath.

Benvenue CC, Rocky Mount, N.C., now on its 18 new grass greens. . . J. B. McGovern was architect of the new greens on the Donald Ross-designed course. . . Wm. F. Gordon Co. did the construction work which included new tees and a watering system. . . Palmer Maples is pro at the 6500, par 72, Benvenue.

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Rainiest May in years in most districts gave greenkeepers plenty of trouble. . . Frequency of soaking rains prevented mowing and other maintenance work. . . Opening of many courses was delayed. . . Crabgrass and other weeds that thrive in soggy soil got the jump on the greenkeepers. . . Edgewood CC, Canton, O., said to be Ohio's oldest daily fee course, sold to Lester L. Bishop, Greentown, O.

The few public courses that have driving ranges are showing the benefits of foresight. . . Range tees are packed with players awaiting turns to tee off and with other golfers. . . Total revenue is substantial although prices are low. . . Popularity of the tees indicates that driving ranges will be rated as essential to future public courses.

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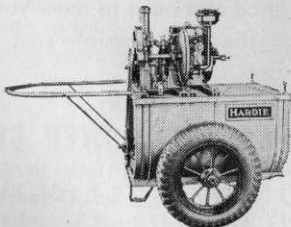
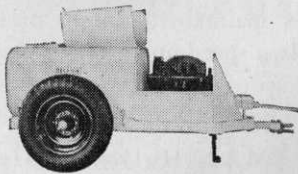
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Frank Melegari and wife now at Estherville (Ia.) G&CC as pro-supt.-mgr. team. . . Melegari was trained by his father who was supt. at Youghiogheny CC, Pittsburgh, Pa., for more than 40 years. . . Rudy Sexton, signed as pro-gkpr., Copper Hill GC, Flemington, N.J. . . Mrs. Johnny Farrell, with a 10 handicap, is a member of Baltusrol's women's team. . . Johnny brought Kay's handicap down from 22. . . The Farrells have 5 youngsters and Johnny's going to make fine golfers of them.

John Carsok is new pro at Gull Lake (Mich.) CC. . . Construction begun on Overlook CC, Lancaster, Pa. . . Canby (Minn.) Junior Chamber of Commerce operating local golf club. . . Kalone (Ia.) GC buying site it has leased. . . Forest City (Ia.) sand green 9-hole course completed. . . Fair Greens GC, Wellston, O., signs Mel Carpenter as pro-mgr. . . Pat Stanton goes to Columbus (O.) General Depot course as pro.

Stanley Davies, pro at Omaha (Neb.) Field club for 33 years, is recovering from a long illness. . . Floyd Olds, Omaha World-Herald sports editor, says Stanley will be out of the hospital and looking over things at the club before the summer is far advanced. . . That's good news to the many who know Stanley and rate him one of the

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Pete Norton, Tampa (Fla.) Tribune sports editor, notes in his column that no Florida amateur has made much of a showing in big time competition. . . **Pete** adds, "We just don't play that kind of golf down here and unless we get a good junior program started, probably never will." . . . **Jimmy Nichols** by tying for second place at 151 in New England qualifying rounds became first one-armed golfer to qualify for PGA national championship play. . . **Jimmy** lost his right arm in a railroad accident in 1929. . . He plays with right-handed clubs.

Pryor, Okla., organizing a golf club. . . **Wadena (Minn.)** building clubhouse to replace one recently burned. . . **Moundbuilders' CC, Newark, O.**, remodels clubhouse at cost of \$25,000. . . **Pinkerton** detective

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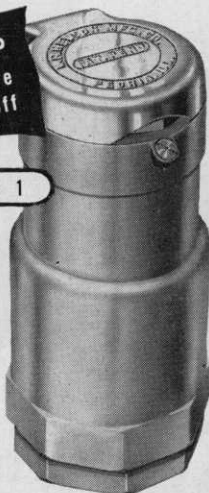
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Leo Goss, Louisville, Ky., supt. of parks says golf is running neck-and-neck with baseball and softball as Louisville's most popular park sport. . . Louisville has 5 many courses; more than any other city of comparable size. . . New Smyrna Beach, Fla., to have new many course designed by Donald Ross. . . Floyd Valley GC, Orange City, Ia., rebuilding.

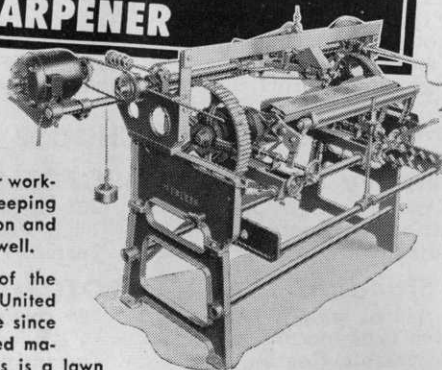
Sam Snead says it cost him \$800 to win the \$600 that he got with his 1946 British Open title. . . He will not play in this year's British Open. . . Columbus (O.) 5 private clubs' membership lists filled and waiting lists are rather long. . . Paul Hornung, Columbus Dispatch sports columnist, says this condition points to need of more private golf clubs in Columbus area even though a "recession" might be in prospect.

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Walter Urbane signed as pro by Berkshire Hills CC, Pittsfield, Mass. . . Danny Lawler, Jr., new pro at Newton (Conn.) CC. . . John M. Brennan, Long Island City (N.Y.) Star & Journal golf columnist, in commenting on N.Y. Met district not having a big money pro tournament says New Yorkers got their fill of big-time golfers in the "sit-down strike" at the 1939 PGA at Pomonok.

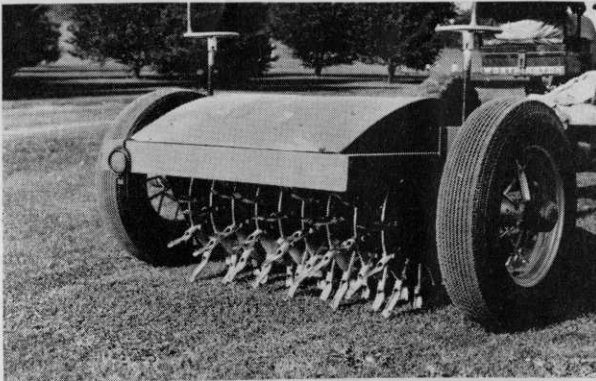
Notice how many young amateurs back from war combat service are hitting their stride in golf competition? . . . Dick Kinchla, winner of the New England collegiate title last month, is one of them. . . Dick is

22 and a veteran of European combat with the 65th Div. . . . The opinion that war combat service would ruin golfing careers was blasted by Lloyd Mangrum in winning the 1946 National Open and the amateur kids are confirming Lloyd's demonstration. . . War seems to have been tougher on the games of fellows who over-golfed in the heavy schedule of tournaments, exhibitions and benefits.

Al Leacoy switches from Dublin (Ga.) CC to become pro-mgr., Dalton (Ga.) CC. . . Tommy Mimar is new pro at Dublin. . . Tommy Armour, now at Hawthorn Valley CC, Cleveland, O., has recovered from a kidney ailment that necessitated hospitalization. . . Yosemite National Park's 9-hole Wawona course reopened after wartime shutdown. . . Ev Edwards is Wawona's pro.

Eddie Duino's 25 years as pro at San Jose (Calif.) CC was occasion of a testimonial dinner given by the club's members. . . Eddie has served many terms as pres., Northern Calif. PGA. . . His pro colleagues share with Eddie's members a high regard

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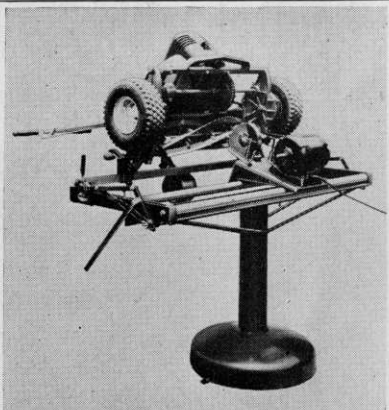
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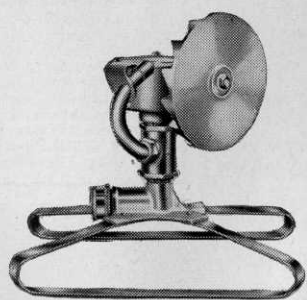
Presidents, greenkeepers and house chairmen of Long Island clubs met at Rockville CC, May 21, by invitation of Fred Marsh, Long Island GA pres., for a discussion of operation problems. . . About 200 Negro golfers are expected at Denver's Wellshire muny course for 72-hole 10th annual Central States GA championship.

McCracken, Ks., golfers building their own course. . . Robt. Dean is new mgr., Hempstead (L.I., N.Y.) GC. . . Shinnecock Hills, Southampton, N.Y., built in 1894 the first 18-hole course in the U.S. . . . R. A. Noble, new mgr., Delaware CC, Muncie, Ind. . . Rowland B. Armacost is new pro-gkpr., Wahconah CC, Dalton, Mass. . . Baton Rouge (La.) CC expects redesigned second 9 holes to be in play this summer. . . Bert Stamps, winner of the Jap Open while a member of the army of occupation, is Baton Rouge's new pro. . . Henry Castillo switched from the Baton Rouge club to become pro at Abbeville (La.) CC.

Tom Robbins, New York mgr. for McGregor's, is puffing out his manly chest on account of having become twice a grandfather recently. . . Mrs. Lester Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robbins, gave

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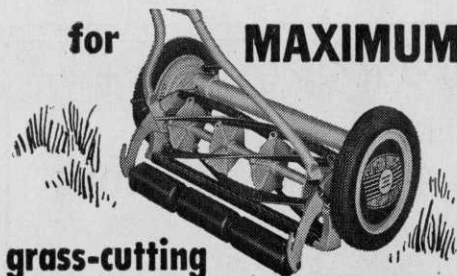
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Windom (Minn.) CC organized and opened land for course. . . Ralph Trost, Brooklyn Eagle golf columnist, says Meadow Brook is considering a pro-amateur for 1948 patterned along the lines of the Augusta Masters. . . The Masters, started as a swanky affair but with a bright eye cocked on Dun and Bradstreet rating, now is reputed to be the most profitable golf promotion in the world. . . This year, according to Trost, the Masters gross was \$75,000. . . That puts it in the class with Beau Jack at his peak as a money-maker.

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