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TIFTON TURF MEET DRAWS 75—Initial southeastern turf conference held at Tifton (Ga.) Coastal Plain Experiment station May 21 and 22 brought together 75 greenkeepers and chairmen. The turf men were deeply impressed by plots Dr. Burton has started at Tifton, the work in breeding finer strains of Bermuda, experiments with topdressing mixtures in combination with sawdust, and other development work being done by Burton and Director King in bringing Green Section work to a helpful regional focus and instituting valuable research on matters peculiar to turf in the southeastern area.

**PEORIA OPEN JULY 12-13**—Dates for Peoria (III.) \$5000 Open to be played on Newman GC have been changed to July 12-13. The event started in 1944 as a \$500 event and has grown steadily. Play is at 54 holes with field being cut to 64 after the 18 hole qualifying round Sat., July 12. Pro entry fee is \$10; amateur, \$5. Pro first money is \$1000. Entries should be mailed to Peoria Open Golf Tournament Assn., Inc., First National Bank bldg., Peoria, III. The Peoria Open's organization plan is one of the best we have seen. You may be able to get a copy of it by writing Andy Paul, genl. chmn. of the tournament.

## U. S. RUBBER OFFERS CASH PRIZES FOR SPORTS PIX

A sports photography contest offering \$1,500 in prizes for the best sports pictures of 1947 is announced today by the U.S. Rubber Co. Allsports Magazine. First prize for the best picture will be \$500, with 10 additional awards of \$100 each. The contest is open to both professionals and amateurs, and any sports photo taken in the United States or its possessions since January 1, 1947, may be submitted. Entries will be judged by a committee of leading newspaper photographers.

Allsports Magazine, published by the United States Rubber Co. and distributed by the company's U. S. Royal tire distributors, must be allowed reproduction rights on the 11 prize-winning pictures for publication and exhibit. They will not be used for advertising purposes.

Any picture is eligible, whether or not it



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has already appeared in print, and contestants may submit as many entries as desired. Photographs must be submitted on 8x10 glossy paper and should be identified as to time, place, event and persons shown. The contest closes December 1, 1947. Entries should be sent to Best Sports Picture Contest, Allsports Magazine, 431 Howard St., Detroit 31, Mich.

ALL A-MAY-RICAN AGAIN TOPS IN \$-George S. May's All-American tournament at Tam O'Shanter CC (Chicago dist.) July 3-6 this year will have \$30,400 prize money for pros who wear identifying numbers. That's 1 2/3 the size of the PGA purse and 3 times the National Open purse. Merchandise prizes to extent of \$1990 will be given men and women. Pros who don't wear numbers will take a 50% reduction in prize money. A number-wearing pro who breaks the course record of 65 in competition will win \$666.

## GOLF WRITERS ASSN. IS REORGANIZED

Golf Writers Assn. of America has been reorganized on the basis found effective by organizations of writers covering baseball, football, and other sports. Russ Newland of the Associated Press at San Francisco is pres. of the reorganized association and





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Membership invitation letters are being sent to all newspaper sports department members known to be covering golf. Pros who happen to know of golf writers who have not received the organization letter are asked to advise writers they may secure full details of the organization's plans and membership qualifications by writing Bartlett.

The Golf Writers' Association originally was started by Francis Powers, now of the Chicago Daily News, and was carried on under the leadership of Wm. Richardson of the New York Times. He did a good job in securing better facilities and cooperation in covering the most difficult sport sports writers have to handle. The association became inactive during the war.

Newspapers have cut down on golf news not alone because of paper shortage and question of golf news as a circulation factor but because of golf news being harder to get than news of any other popular sport. The Golf Writers Assn. plans to show clubs and golf associations what the reporters need, similar to the cooperation received from promoters of other amateur and professional sports.



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