

ices, who supervises recreational activities for hospitalized veterans in Branch 4, Veterans Administration, Richmond, Virginia. His letter states, "Although your 1948 Intramural Golf Tournament program is designed especially for the secondary schools, it is believed that a large number of our convalescing patients would be very interested in this competition. It would indeed be appreciated if you could advise us as to the possibilities of our Veterans Administration hospitals and centers participating in this outstanding sports event. VA Branch 4 has eleven hospitals and centers in the States of Maryland, West Virginia, North Carolina, Virginia and the District of Columbia. Therefore, it would be desirable for us to receive eleven brochures of materials including instruction aids, draw sheets, publicity stories and attractive award medals and certificates."

"Golf Lessons" Popular

"Golf Lessons," long a standard instructional aid which has been used for the past several years by professionals and golf range operators, the 1948 edition of which brings the total printing to well over 300,000, is popular in the school field also, as attested by the following comment from David J. Krost, Golf Coach of Macomber High School, Toledo, Ohio, who has this to say: "It might interest you to know that we used these books in class discussions along with 'swing' practice in the gym for a few days before we were able to get out of doors. Although most of our boys who are ex-caddies have had a pretty sound background for golf, they still found many helpful things in the booklet. The one thing more than any other which proved beneficial was, I believe, the illustrations on 'Grip.' Grip seems to rear its head as one of the most common errors and your book covers it adequately."

With the increased participation in the game on the part of the schools and further promotion of junior golf programs on the part of the professionals, it is not unreasonable to anticipate the need for further development of golf facilities. With this in mind, it is hoped the recent publication and distribution of the "Golf Range Operator's Handbook" will serve a useful purpose in aiding those interested in the construction of golf ranges to the point where these facilities may implement and fill a need felt by a large number of schools where golf courses are not available for student use. A few ranges are now being built to serve a dual purpose—that of instruction of students during the day and for recreation during the evening for students and townspeople alike. It is hoped that within a year's time activities of such operations will be

available for recommendation or suggestion to those school systems which are presently handicapped by inadequate facilities.

Of course the reopening of unused golf courses and the recent construction of new courses will tend to alleviate this situation in many communities in the very near future.

A handbook for the construction, organization, operation and maintenance of golf clubs and courses is being prepared now by the Golf Facilities Division of the Foundation for release in the early summer. This will be the first publication of this nature which has been published in the last decade and will meet the ever growing demand for the reopening and construction of facilities which are being anticipated by a large number of communities throughout the nation, and pave the way for increasing numbers to play and enjoy golf—the game of a lifetime.

Third Annual National Caddie Championship

The third annual National Caddie Championship, sponsored by newspapers, golf associations, recreation departments, private golf clubs and individuals all over the United States, will be held at the Ohio State Univ. GC, Columbus, Ohio, Aug. 23 to 27. Entrants must be bona fide caddies under 18 and approved by the golf professional at his home club as to worthiness and character. There is no entry fee and entertainment and partial expenses while in Columbus are provided by the National Caddie Assn.

Last year ninety-six caddies teed off the first day. After five days of play, George Allmon, Jr., a 16 yr. old carrier from Kansas City, Mo., emerged the winner and for his efforts received a four-year scholarship to any school of his choosing. Prior to playing in the tournament George never entertained the thought of going to college but now upon completion of his last year in high school and with an additional scholarship presented by the Kansas City GA he will be able to get an education he thought impossible.

Rules of Golf, 1948 Edition

The handy, pocket size edition of the Rules of Golf as approved by the USGA and amended up to February 1948 are available in any quantity desired at 15 cents per copy. Rules governing form and make of golf clubs and balls and rules of amateur status are included in the booklet with a special section devoted to changes since publication of 1947 edition. Address orders to United States Golf Association, 73 East 57th St., New York 22, N.Y.