

Charge of Henry Longhurst, former Cambridge university golf captain, that Americans are abandoning basic rules of golf is denied by Isaac Grainger, USGA sec., and Ed Dudley, pres., PGA. . . Grainger pointed out that USGA insistence on rules of golf being observed is strongly approved and supported by most American regional golf bodies. . . Dudley said that barring easing of the rules by pro O.K. of 16 instead of 14 clubs as legal limit and PGA abolition of stymie in its match play pro play follows USGA rules. . . Dudley said weather conditions during Ryder Cup matches at Portland and conditions of winter tournament play have accounted for pros relaxing rules "but there is no intention on our part deliberately to violate the rules of golf." . . . Dudley also said PGA "is doing everything in our power" to compel use of clubs with legal face markings.

Shepard Barnes, new pres., Metropolitan (N.Y.) GA told delegates at the 50th meeting of the association the body is "trying to have clubs cut down on Calcutta sweep-

stakes and is trying to stamp out semi-professionalism." . . Barnes also urged that such practices as teeing up be abandoned . . Big field desiring to play in Bing Crosby's annual tournament has necessitated qualifying play . . The Groaner's grand party is for his friends but there are far more of those than any course could handle . . Some fellows don't realize that the Crosby tournament is a private guest affair with enforced limitations on the size of the field.

County Board of Supervisors considering buying for public course 165 acres of Midwick course (LA dist.) that hasn't been subdivided for homes. . . . Estherville, Ia., muny course bought by group of citizens and will be run as a private club. . . 20th Century-Fox considering scripts for Babe Zaharias scries of shorts. . . The Babe has been drawing crowds to sportsmens shows in Chicago, Boston and New York. . . She'll play exhibitions in Florida after mid-February.

A. Herman Stump, Green Spring Valley Hunt Club, new pres., Maryland State GA... Orangeburg (S.C.) CC in \$25,000 improvement program. Newton (Ks.) has converted its 9 greens to grass. Forrest City (Ark.) CC opened. Although only 9 holes now are playable new Peachtree GC course at Atlanta already is being talked and written about as a great layout. There's hope that the Peachtree course may bring to Atlanta its first National Open championship.

Some veterans are figuring on Jimmy Demaret having the temperament to keep at the top of the heap for a long time. . . Jimmy doesn't tear himself to pieces inside when he blows one. . . He came close to laughing and night-owling himself out of the league when he was a promising youngster. . . . That wise and charming young lady, Mrs. Demaret, helped Jimmy to get in gear on making a serious career of tournament golf without heavy

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nervous tension. . . That attire that makes Jimmy look like a rainbow that's hit policy is an expression of the Demaret psychology. . The rest of the guys may go around acting like professional pall-bearers but Jim is as gay and gaudy as head man at the Darktown Strutters' Ball. . . The customers, most of whom play golf for fun, enjoy that.

Women's tournament golf would be pepped up and made more popular by more application of the Demaret psychology. . . It probably would help the games of several of the girls. . . A reason women's golf doesn't draw is that galleries don't hanker to see nice young girls act so damn grim you'd think they were in Custer's Last Stand instead of playing a competitive game.

John M. Brennan explains that golf courses have 18 holes because a fifth of Scotch contains just 18 1½-ounce drinks. . . Jack Ryerson, who has played on 750 courses, says Portland, Ore., with 400,000 population and 23 courses, is one of the world's most golf-minded cities. . . Pauline Betz, 4-time women's national tennis champion, is aspiring to golf titles. . . She's being coached by Jimmy Dale.



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Long Island GA to institute a William D. Richardson memorial tournament this year honoring veteran golf writer of N.Y. Times who died in 1947. . . Bob Hudson would like to get 1950 National Open for Portland, Ore. . . . Junior Chamber of Commerce of U.S. will continue its national junior golf championship notwithstanding USGA decision to establish a national junior championship. . . Build-up of junior competition plus growth of intercollegiate golf championship could revive major public interest in amateur golf competition. . . Pros need that for long range protection of their business.

Even with early season in Florida being on the chilly side some funny looking molls are wearing shorts on courses. . . That may be a warning of comical sights to come on northern courses this summer. . . However, the curious pratts and cartoon legs of females in shorts is no more a violation of good taste in golfing attire than the sight presented by shaggy-legged airedale-chested males in shorts on golf

Reggie Myles, Walnut Hills GC, Lansing, Mich., pro, this winter made first visit in 20 years back home to Nonifieth, Scotland. . . On the Queen Mary going over with Reggie were Fred Daly and Arthur Lees.

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... Will Fyffe, 62, famed Scotch comedian, died following a fall from a window of his hotel at St. Andrews.

Al Laney has been writing a swell series in the NY Herald-Tribune on Metropolitan District club champions. . . . It's an idea pros should push to sports departments in other cities. . . Al, by the way, wrote the recently published book on the Paris Herald which is one of the most interesting newspaper books to come out lately.

Pros are doing a lot of business this winter reconditioning members' clubs. . . . Outstanding jobs being done by Charley Penna at Beverly CC, Chicago and Harry C. Boyer, Losantiville CC, Cincinnati. . The fellows say that instead of reducing interest in buying new clubs it peps up members' interest in new equipment. . . Fair winter income in the job. . . Tough thing is to get good shop men for the job.

British Ryder Cup players gained average of seven pounds weight per man first 10 days in USA... The boys who are back on the austerity rations have lost that weight by now... French devaluation of the franc is going to bring wines and brandies into clubs... Strange that wines

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Dennis J. Lavender, four-time Texas amateur champion and veteran of wartime Navy sea-duty, has been appointed golf coach at U.S. Military Academy at West Point. . . Army's great new course, designed by Robert Trent Jones, is nearing completion. . . Sam Snead has signed as resident pro at Green Briar's courses at White Sulphur Springs. . . Contract allows Sam to play in four tournaments between April and December. . . Chicago District GA took in more than \$9000 for handicap cards in 1947.

Perry Maxwell to design and build new Austin (Tex.) CC course. . . Maxwell says excellent site allows for putting in one of his great jobs. . . Tip-off on demand for sports goods was MacGregor-Goldsmith had overtime of about 64,000 man-hours last year trying to catch up on orders. . . Additional production equipment is easing the strain this year. . . Golf clubs are going for television sets in metropolitan districts. . . Helps evening business.

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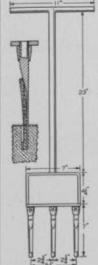
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132-138 Church St., New York 8, New York Floyd Farley will open his new 18-hole Meridian fee course at Oklahoma City this spring. . Farley's also recently constructed new 9-hole courses at El Reno and Wewoka, Okla. . . . Lou Koch who was asst. to Bob Harlow as Pinehurst press agent now is publicity director for Boca Raton (Fla.) Club. . When data was being secured on what club pros might discard if compromise were effected between USGA 14-club and PGA 16-club rule most pros said they could spare the No. 1 iron.

H&H Guest Ranch CC, Paul Drummet's dude ranch near Houston, Tex. is planning to add 9 holes to its existing 9 this year... Wickenburg, Ariz., which proclaims itself "Dude Ranch Capital of the World" is considering building public golf course... Riding those horses makes you tired in the same place but not in the same way some of your golf scores do... Skeet and trap shooting ranges getting a strong play at midwestern golf clubs this winter.

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Twenty-fifth anniversary party given Orville Clapper, pres., Clapper Co., West Newton, Mass., New England course equipment and supply dealers. . . Place was packed with employees and guests. . . A bunch of happy birthday wires were received celebrating Orville's 25 years in the business. . British PGA officials have ruled out annual Ryder Cup matches as too expensive. . . "A high official of the British PGA" told Associated Press that the British PGA practically emptied its till to send a team to Portland, Ore.

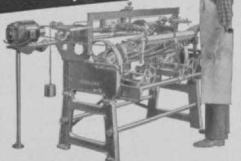
Never saw livelier more attractive Christmas cards than pros got out for their members and other friends for Christmas, 1947. . . And never saw as many pro Christmas cards. . . Jerry Glynn, Skycrest CC (Chicago dist.) pro, and one of the smartest, smoothest promoters in the business, says a pro is overlooking a good bet for himself and the club when he doesn't see

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Eddie Hruz goes from Oconomowoc (Wis.) CC to be pro at Ozaukee CC (Milwaukee dist.)... Alex Wilmot resigns as Maple Bluff CC, Madison, Wis., pro, to go into sports goods business... Chicago district fee course sues to stop operation of pig farm with 6000 porkers to its windward... Not many kids showing up for the few free evening golf classes offered at Scotch schools... Howard Farrant now supt. at Pine Brook (Mass.) CC.

The sprightly veteran Joe Sylvester goes as pro at North Hempstead CC, Port Washington, N.Y. . . . Billy Sixty, Milwaukee Journal golf and bowling columnist who stars in performance as well as writing of both sports, was subject of a bright column by Jimmy Powers in NY Daily News. . Columbus, O., Wyandot muny course showed 1947 gross of \$26,000. . . The city's Twin River course grosses \$15,000. . . Les Johnstone signed as pro by Town & Country Club, Green Bay, Wis.

William E. Hoyt, 59, died at Jackson Memorial hospital, Miami, Fla., Dec.

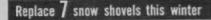
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Gene Sarazen recently received from L. B. Icely, Wilson's pres., an award for 25 years service with Wilson Sporting Goods Co. . . George Diegel, Leo's brother, now operating Forest Hills course at Tampa, Fla. . . Visitors to PGA course at Dunedin



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Russell G. Miller is new mgr., Sunset Ridge CC (Chicago dist.). . . Al Bryant, 67, mgr., Fox Hills-Baldwin courses (LA dist.) died in Inglewood, Calif., Dec. 30, following a week's illness. . . He was widely known as a club manager and expert amateur golfer and was the genial, helpful friend of thousands in the district. . . He is survived by two sons; William, mgr., Rio Hondo GC and Dr. Alva.

Homer Herpel, pro at Indian Meadows GC, new St. Louis 18-hole fee course, plans program of group lessons for women and kids in days and clinics at night on range at the course. . . Homer says having golf range operating nights at the course was tremendous boost for private lessons and sales after Indian Meadows opened in mid-September, 1947.

Elmer Wheeler, new supt. at Jacqueline Cochran Ranch course, Indio, Calif... Smiley Quick now on pro staff of Harry Bassler at Fox Hills-Baldwin courses (LA dist.)... Trade ins on new club sales got to be big business in several metropolitan districts last



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year. . . Pros were smarter than they used to be in not making long allowances on the trade ins. . . Wm. Schoppe new supt., Raritan Valley CC, Somerville, N.J. . . . Charles Storier, new supt., The Country Club, Brookline, Mass.

Howard (Pop) Beckett, pro. Capital City Club, Atlanta, Ga., has booked the No. 1 women's golf match of the year for his club March 14. . . Louise Suggs and Dorothy Kirby will play against Mrs. Mildred Zaharias and Patty Berg. ... It's for a local charity... The Babe and Patty are playing free. . . Horton Smith hires Eddie Kirk as an asst, at Detroit (Mich.) GC. . . Eddie was pro at Glen Oakes CC (Detroit dist.) before four years in the Army. . . Charley Kelly will be in the DCC shop for his 26th year. . . Bob Reith also will be on the staff again. . . Horton recently was operated on for a torn cartilage in the knee which kept him out of play last summer.

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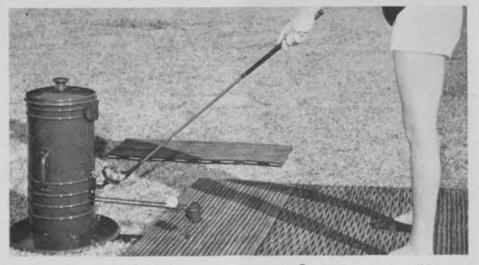
Pres. Aleman of Mexico is the top golfer of national chefes today. . . Aleman was warmed into golf enthusiasm by Mexico's Sec. of Finance, Lic. Ramon Beteta who is one of the sister republic's star amateurs. . . Beteta also got members of Aleman's cabinet interested in the game. . . With adminis-

tration interest strong there is possibility of new course and golf range construction at Mexico City.

Ralph Lang opening his 9-hole Blue Ridge 2,915 yd. grass green course at Charlottesville, Va., April 1. . Ralph was pro at Roaring Gap (N.C.) CC. . Dr. Millard Rosenblatt, new pres., Oregon GA, has named Harvey Benson, former pres., Alderwood CC, Portland, as chmn., interclub relations committee to stir up interest in statewide amateur competition.

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PGA tournament committee considering supplying words and pictures of stroke-making clinics to tournament sponsors for use in tournament programs. . . . The clinics have proved highly popular with tournament galleries. . . . The clinic words and pictures will give the programs instruction book value. . . . Babe Didrikson Zaharias to collaborate in syndicated comic strip with a girl athlete as the main character. . . .