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By
HERB GRAFFIS



THE GOLF NEWS IN BRIEF

Major military service golf championships cancelled. . . Pros aren't going hog-wild in storing golf balls "in case" but there's plenty of ball buying for stock-piling. . . Ties up pros' money in inventory and it's precaution taken for members rather than speculative hoarding to cash in at shortage prices. . . Pros did a great job during World War II in collecting used balls for reconditioning. . . That way they assured continuance of golf playing in wartime.

Bob Drum in Pittsburgh Press golf column reminds readers the name Charley Coe was known around Pittsburgh long before the present National Amateur champion was born. . . Merry old pro Charley Coe once played best ball of three members and outdove them at every tee, using a whiskey bottle as a tee. . . Profits from Gen. Moncado's Third Annual Goodwill tournament will go toward construction of clubhouse at new Stockton (Calif.) muni course. . . Ed Fladoos appointed mgr., El Rio G&CC, Tucson, Ariz. . . Some great guest columns by local golfers in Par and Beyond column conducted by John Masterman in Ithaca (N.Y.) Journal.

Alderwood CC, Portland, Ore., awarded \$96,509 for 18 acres of course taken by city airport. . . Letter in N.Y. Herald-Tribune deplores reconstruction work on Van Cortlandt Park course beginning in bird sanctuary at height of breeding season. . . Golfers of Manteca and Tracy, Calif., planning to build course. . . Spokane (Wash.) CC plans starting construction of new clubhouse early in Sept. . . . Previous clubhouse burned in 1946.

Bonneville course to be enlarged to 18 holes, giving Salt Lake City its first 18-hole public course. . . Red Cloud, Neb., to build public course. . . Harry Obitz, pro at Fred Waring's Shawnee (Pa.) club, a Red Cloud boy who spends his winters back home, has designed the 9-hole sand-reen

layout. . . Earl (Smiley) Bell of Kansas City, reconditioning Excelsior Springs course. . . Lee Stine, realtor, proposes construction of 18-hole course near Hagerstown, Md., if deal of extending water main can be made with city.

La Canada (Calif.) prospect of new course by Billy Bell fell thru. . . Charley Curtis in LA Times says La Canada site wasn't big enough and didn't have enough water. . . Charley says temperature at Yuma, Ariz., where Bell's men are building 9 holes is 113 during construction job. . . Miami (Fla.) CC's 130.19 acre plant for which an indicated \$175,000 was paid 5 years ago now valued at \$1,115,000, according to Miami Herald story. . . \$715,000 for acreage and \$245,000 for "replacement cost of golf course" are in appraisal figures of the city.

Perry Maxwell designing 18-hole course for Palmetto CC, Bossier, La. . . . Golf writer Des Sullivan and Emery Thomas, Forest Hill Field Club pro, collaborate in "Right 'n' Wrong" illustrated instruction feature in Newark (N.J.) Sunday News. . . Directors of Northwest Turf Assn., at Spokane, Wash., meeting, set Fourth Annual Northwest turf conference for first or second week in March, 1951, at State College of Washington, Pullman.

1950 National Open gate at Merion about \$71,000 with play-off. . . Split between USGA and Club. . . Entry fees were \$9625. . . Johnny Revolta's 15-year-old son, Johnny, Jr., looks like a comer. . . He won the first Chicago District GA boys championship this year. . . He went into his first big tournament, the St. Paul Open, and got 84-87. . . Madison, Wis., golfers talking of need for another muni course. . . Madison's two public courses show operating profit.

Women's Western Golf Assn. officials out-chic USGA officials in the girls' new white sport coats. . . Golf Writers' Assn. Sec. Charles Bartlett has abandoned the idea of asking his colleagues to authorize an "old school tie." . . . Some members complained ties hurt their necks. . . Looks like Gaudy Jimmy Demaret is getting sartorial competition from British pro Max Faulkner. . . Tom Scott of Golf Illustrated says Max showed up at a tournament in an outfit of mushroom and petunia.

Course maintenance men will be represented at 26th National Shade Tree conference, Syracuse, N.Y., Aug. 21-25. . . Golf manual, including historical, instruction and rules material published as French golf promotion volume by Editions Paris-Vendome, 10 Place Vendome, Paris 1. . . Price, \$1.50. . . Monte Vista (Colo.) CC rebuilding course. . . In fiscal year ending June 30, 1950 Fresno, Calif., muni course made its top record of 50,036 rounds and fees of \$40,135.60. . . Course operation yielded about \$14,000 to city's general fund. . .

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Howard Holman, coordinator of recreation for city and schools dept., asking council for \$5,000 more to operate course and make improvements.

Chelan (Wash.) Chamber of Commerce pushing for course at Lake Chelan. . . Proposal gets support of state parks board member Emil Miller who said he was converted to endorsing public golf when Sun Lakes Park course made \$2000 profit for state in first year of operation. . . Ben Hogan partner in oil leases on 616 acres near Childress, Tex. . . Start drilling soon. . . Hogan playing no more tournaments until winter. . . Heading for Hollywood in August to work on a movie of his career.

Minden (Neb.) CC completing 9-hole course and clubhouse. . . Veteran Maurie Wells, pro at Cascade Hills CC, Grand Rapids, Mich., says club's having its biggest year. . . Illinois and Michigan seniors' associations to have 32-men team match at Kent CC, Grand Rapids, Aug. 15 and 16.

Hilo (Hawaii) fine new munny course to be opened formally Aug. 28 with Gov. Stainback and other territorial dignitaries dedicating. . . Ft. Shafter 9-hole course in Honolulu completely remodeled and fairway watering installed. . . Hawaii Aeronautic commission to construct golf course and hotel in \$2,000,000 improvement program. . . Pali GC to build fine 18-hole course

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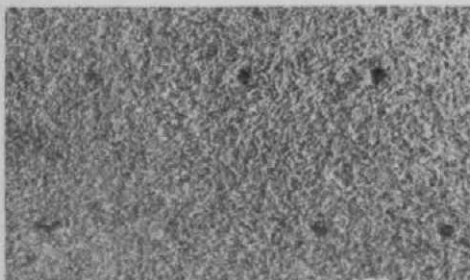
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at "garden spot of Oahu." . . . Willard G. Wilkinson, architect, who went to Hawaii for a 3 months visit and has been there 3 years, has been kept busy on these Hawaiian jobs. . . "Wilkie" says Hawaii is glorious golfing country and the folks are delightful golf enthusiasts.

George Puetz buys Earlington GC, 9-holes, in Seattle (Wash.) area. . . Ed Isbern buys Grove Park course, Ellinwood, Ks., from Fred Wolf. . . Hastings, Neb., new Meadowbrook, 9-hole grass green course on site of former Hasting College course, opened. . . Pasadena, Calif., council considering 9-hole short course to Wm. P. Bell design, in Arroyo park. . . Lebanon, Tenn., committee headed by Winstead Bone, organizing golf club.

James Bathie, who retired from pro golf in 1943, died recently in Steubenville, O. . . After his retirement from golf he was purchasing agent for a coal company. . . He came from Aberdeen, Scotland, when he was 12 years old. . . He served as pro at Monongahela, Pa. and St. Clairsville, O., prior to locating at Steubenville. . . He is survived by his widow, the former Mary Daugherty, and his daughter, Mrs. Kenneth Hale.

Ralph T. Leasure, 28, pro at Bedford Springs (Pa.) hotel course, died recently



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in an automobile accident near Bedford. . . He had been at Bedford Springs 4 years and was at St. Augustine, Fla., for 3 winters. . . He was a protege of Carroll Boggs for whom he'd worked at Cumberland (Pa.) CC. . . Leasure was twice wounded in European combat during World War II. . . He is survived by his widow, a son, two brothers and three sisters.

Bobby Locke in two English-made films. . . One is for theater showing. . . Other is for home and club movie instruction. . . Locke gave Kolin Robertson, chmn., Yorkshire Evening News tournament, a gold wrist watch in appreciation of kindness shown since Bobby's first appearance in England. . . Dan Parker's piece on Locke in July Sport magazine cute but not truthful. . . Dan wrote American pros' distress at having Locke win prize money was reason for PGA banning Bobby. . . Locke helped gates, hence was good for prize money, when he showed. . . U.S. Pro stars didn't go hungry while Locke was getting a piece of the purses. . . Locke has written illustrated booklet "The Basis of My Game," distributed thru British pro shops by Sla-zengers, Ltd., London, EC4. . . Bobby putting on demonstrations prior to British tournaments. . . Looks like he's doing a warmer job in public relations.

Tam O' Shanter GC (Detroit dist.) becomes men-only club in 1951. . . Club,

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Play at new high on Norfolk, Va., public courses, says supt. Fred Bingham. . . Norfolk considering building two new many courses. . . One 400-yd. hole is course used in Memphis (Tenn.) State college golf teaching. . . Vallejo (Calif.) opens second 9 of its many 18. . . Second nine has replicas of famed U.S. holes. . . Clubhouse facilities also improved. . . Joe Mortara, Vallejo pro, says course now can be host to tournaments.

Slot machine crusade in Illinois catching Chicago district clubs in middle between the coppers and the hoodlums. . . Hoodlum mobs fighting for control of machines and hijacking machines owned by clubs or opposing mobs. . . Police don't seem to be able to halt hoodlum raids but crack down on clubs. . . The heat is put on club officials and employees who hesitate to tell how hoodlum muscle has been put on them. . . Tough spot for club officials who are under threat of hoodlum reprisals and haven't

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Irish Golf says St. Andrews "not suitable for crowded championship events." . . . Too many players liable to be using adjoining fairways. . . Bob Hudson, Portland (Ore.) food magnate who was angel for 1946 PGA and 1947 Ryder Cup matches still planning to bring Open champions of a dozen countries to Portland for a world championship 72-hole stroke event in 1951.

The Ancient and Honorable Mike Scott, now 72, winner of 1933 British Amateur and numerous other titles, came up with a comical comment on Bing Crosby's appearance in this year's British Amateur. . . The Hon. Mike's remark, via Golf Illustrated: "I read that although a well-known singer failed to win his match in the championship at St. Andrews, he nevertheless obliged the spectators with a song. . . An unconfirmed report says that the well-known dentist, Mr. T. A. Lawrence, having lost his match by 10 and 8 gave a spirited exhibition on the last green, of extracting three molars and a canine from his victor, to the delight of those present."

Paul Haviland, Maryland State Amateur champion, is 20-year-old son of an aide of Bob Scott, supt. at Baltimore (Md.) Five Farms course. . . Paul took time off from

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course work to compete. . . Dean Lind, University of Michigan student, won his second consecutive Western Junior championship by victory in WGA's 33d Junior. . . First two Western Juniors in a row were won by Fred Haas, Jr., in 1934-35.

Only two entries from Hawaii for National Amateur, hence Hawaiian qualifying round was cancelled. . . Clint McHenry, Jr., formerly University of Virginia star, signed as pro by new club at Waynesboro, Va. . . Western GA Amateur championship to be played June 18-24, 1951, at South Bend (Ind.) CC. . . John Grove, Lenox, Mass., got an ace in a round of 134 strokes, according to his statement in requesting a Wilson Hole-in-One certificate.

Interlachen CC, Minneapolis, staged a Patty Berg day July 9, honoring the little girl who started her grand golfing career on that course. . . Patty recently named her first five courses. . . Interlachen, Merion, Pine Valley, Pinehurst No. 4 and Winged Foot.

Ulmer Hawkins building 9-hole sand green course at Gainesville, Fla. . . Bay City (Mich.) remodeling course, adding 9 holes, and remodeling clubhouse. . . Mike Serino, Fort Jackson (Columbus, S. C.) pro, thinks he's got a coming champ in 11-year-old Roger Groves. . . The lad recently made the testing Ft. Jackson Armed Forces course in 39-42—81. . . Junior Chamber of

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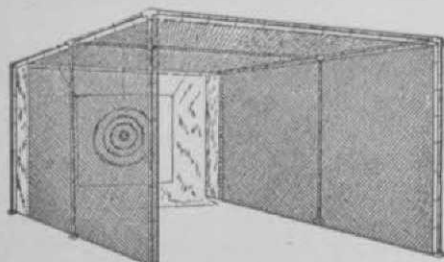
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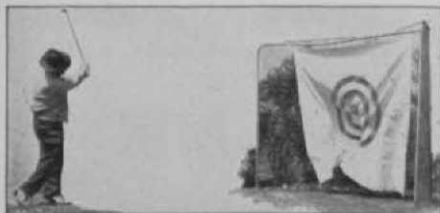
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W. C. Fownes, Jr., 72, died July 4, at his home at Oakmont, Pa., after a long illness. . . He was born in Chicago. . . In 1910 he won the U.S. Amateur title and numerous sectional amateur championships. . . He retired from the steel business in 1930 at the crest of a fine career of achievement. . . He and his father were responsible for establishing Oakmont as an internationally famed course. . . His son, H. C. (Heinie) Fownes II, who died 2 years ago, won the West Penn Father and Son title 4 times. . . He was capt. of the 1922 and 1924 Walker Cup teams and on the 1924 team. . . Since 1930 he lived half the year at Pinehurst. . . For 40 years he has been a member of the

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Packey Walsh, supervisor of golf, Chicago Park District, has series of Golf Tips in This Week in Chicago magazine. . . Exhibit of Jack Level's collection of old golf prints, books, clubs, etc., draws large attendance at Suffolk Museum, Stony Brook, LI, NY. . . Western Seniors second annual championship field lauded Meridian Hills CC, Indianapolis, Ind., greens as best they'd played. . . Supt. responsible is Carl A. Bretzclaff.

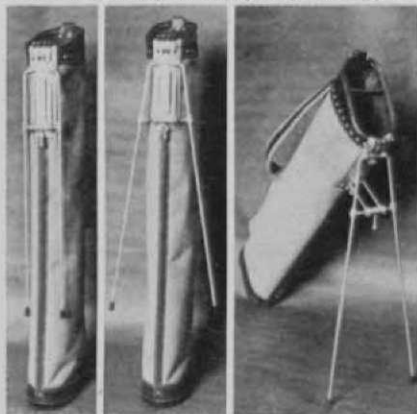
Tallahassee, Fla., Fourth Annual Junior tournament attracted field of 96. . . Boys and girls from 6 to 18. . . Denny Champagne, pro who's run the tourney since its start, says class of field shows steady improvement with some potentially great talent appearing. . . Irene Capps, who with husband Howard, handle tournament operating details smoothly for PGA and sponsors, says tournament circuit gates are up 30% over last year.

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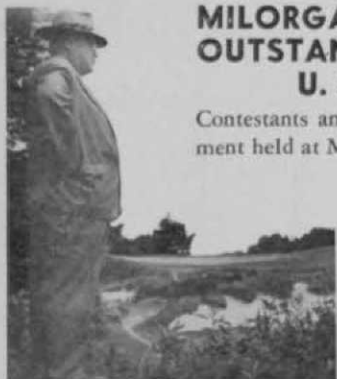
organization. . . Atlanta, Ga., pros expecting big registration of high school girls for PGA instruction after great success of spring classes. . . Veteran observers beginning to forecast Bob Toski will be among the top tournament money winners in a year. . . Fourth annual National Women's Open at Rolling Hills CC, Wichita, Ks., Sept. 28 - Oct. 1.

Portsmouth, Va., in party at Suburban CC, attended by 400, hailed its prize hometown boy, Chandler Harper, with his PGA championship. . . Charles F. Harper, Chandler's father, celebrated his 78th birthday July 7 at the affair. . . Local organizations collaborated in putting on a gala dinner after Chandler was handed keys to the city.

PGA becomes co-sponsor of National Caddy Association tournament. . . Fifth National Caddy tournament at Ohio State University course, Columbus, O., Aug. 22-26. . . College scholarships are prizes. . . Caddy eligibility passed on by PGA members. . . Mayor James A. Rhodes of Columbus originated the Caddy association. . . Joseph P. Tonetti, mgr., New Haven (Conn.) CC, named by Club Managers' Assn. of America Pres. Wm. E. Bangs, Jr., to head CMAA National Public Relations committee.

J. M. (Mick) Riley, pro-mgr., Meadowbrook GC, Salt Lake City, Utah, engaged as golf consultant by Evanston, Wyo., on pro-

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posed 9 hole munny course. . . Riley recently completed plans for 9-hole Empire G&CC, private club at Vernal, Utah. . . Prentice-Hall, publishers of Joe Novak's "Par Golf in 8 Steps," supplying sports page pro publicity material pushing pro instruction. . . San Francisco Call-Bulletin, with 173 as record entry for its city junior championship, now campaigning for low-fee pitch-and-putt course for San Francisco kids.

Eddie Loos, 56, was found dead in a bathtub at his home, Laguna Beach, Calif., July 9. . . Heart attack was cause of death. . . Loos had been in poor health for several years. . . He was born in New York. . . For 21 years he was pro at Lake Shore CC (Chicago dist.). . . He later became pro at Pasadena (Calif.) GC from which club he retired on account of illness. . . After excellent early showings in competition he switched to specializing in instruction and developed many fine players. . . He was widely known as a teacher. . . He was a veteran of World War I. . . He is survived by his widow; sons Charles H. and Edward W., Jr.; daughters Margot J. and Letty Ann Myers; sister Estelle Pierce and brothers Leonard, Wilbur and Robert T. . . Eddie was a loyal friend and did much to build golf business for his fellow pros.

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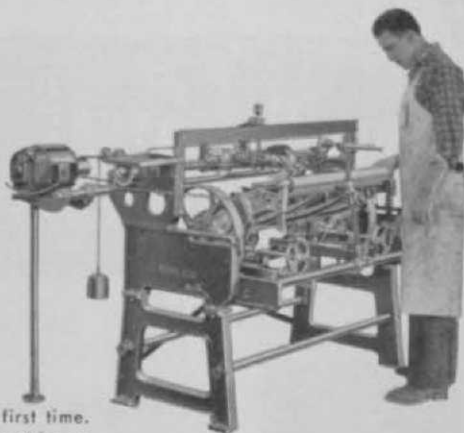
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Spalding sponsoring nation-wide broadcast of Davis Cup and National Championship tennis matches at Forest Hills. . . Lev Richards and Bob Thomas to give the play-by-play. . . C. Stu White, EL Monte CC pro, featured in Ogden City (Utah) Standard-Examiner sports section with piece on why golf is "my favorite sport."

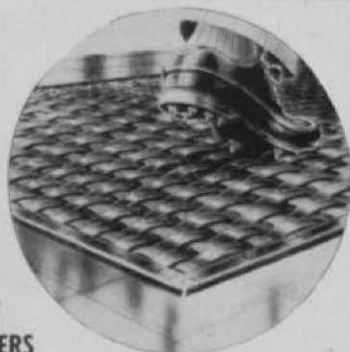
Richard Glasgow new mgr., Columbia-Edgewater CC, Portland, Ore. . . . 48th annual North and South Open at Pinehurst, N.C., Oct. 30-Nov. 3. . . 51st annual North and South Amateur at Pinehurst, April 16-21, 1951. . . 40th annual Women's North and South at Pinehurst, April 23-28. . . Hank Russell, the Salt Lake City veteran amateur, says all a college education in golf costs you is 15 cents—price of a rule-book.

Whitey Williams is top caddy around Philadelphia district. . . He caddied for Dorothy Porter, 1949 USGA women's champion and for Ben Hogan in National Open this year. . . Only two minor criticisms of operation of 1950 National Open and we hope both are constructive. . . Flags should have carried the numbers of respective holes. . . Bottles around concession stands should have been picked up and stored away quickly instead of being allowed to remain scattered about until day's end. . . Several twisted ankles and one badly jerked sacroiliac caused by strewn empty bottles.

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Alfred H. Tull of New York has designed revised layout of nine holes on Canoe Brook CC (Summit, N. J.) North course and designed an additional nine. . . Should make the new 18 better than Canoe Brook's championship South course. . . Tull also responsible for new jobs at Woodmont CC, Washington, D. C.; Concord Hotel course, Monticello, N.Y.; Union County Park Commission, Scotch Plains, N.Y., and Club Barranquitas in Puerto Rico. . . Also is reconstructing Mt. Pleasant CC, Worcester, Mass., and Congressional CC, Washington, D. C., courses.

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hospital at Amherst, Mass. . . . Dick was in for repair of old athletic injury on a leg. . . . Good as new again. . . . First "Atomic" invitation open played at Los Alamos, N. Mex., atomic research project course, June 30-July 4. . . . Ben Hogan given Sportsmanship Brotherhood award for "outstanding athletic achievement". . . . Jimmy Demaret gets Hickok pro athlete monthly award. . . . 47th annual Pater-Filius at Midlothian CC (Chicago district) July 13. . . . It's oldest of the father-and-son annual events. . . . Interrupted twice by wars. . . . Hope there won't be a third interruption.

PGA 1950 annual convention at Chicago second week in November. . . . Makers of Daks slacks in England putting on 2000 pound open tournament at Royal Mid-Surrey which they hope to make "a fashionable event worthy of the title of the 'Ascot of Golf'."

Paul Lavelle now pro-gkpr., Grants Pass (Ore.) CC. . . . Midwest Assn. Golf Course Supts. at Bonnie Dundee (Chicago dist.) in June meeting. . . . Public service as well as profits in the outside pro shops at the National Open and PGA championships. . . . Got to hand it to Johnny Spence for proving to pros whose clubs are hosts to big tournaments that energetic extension of pro shop service to guests is pay-

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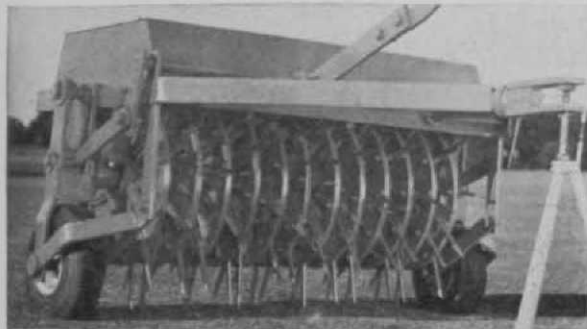
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Zanesville (O.) Junior Chamber of Commerce, operating only Jaycee public course in US building mailing list with match books having cover when filled in with name and address, good for one free round. . . . Women's Western GA presented Zaharias, Berg, Suggs and Jameson in exhibition for benefit of WWGA junior girls' promotion prior to Women's Western Open at Denver. . . . Joe Mozel, one of most successful of range operators, says early season weather this year reminded golf clubs of wisdom of having some practice and lesson facilities inside clubhouses.

Completed PGA tournament schedule for 1950 has 46 events with more than \$750,000 prize money. . . . Gene Webb, pro since he got out of Army Air Force as captain in 1946, named pro at Lakeside GC, 8901 Page Blvd., St. Louis, Mo. . . . Lakeside's 18 will open soon as St. Louis' newest fee course. . . . Pine Lake (Mich.) CC staged first invitation tournament with clubhouse building fund benefitting from sweepstakes. . . . Reader's Digest August issue to have piece on Scuttl; O. M. Scott & Sons Co., new crabgrass control.

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worthy British tournaments in 1949 and major events in other countries. . . . It was edited by Leonard Crawley. . . . It's a fine job, with newsy summaries of most events. . . . We've nothing like it in this country.

Write Leo Diegel at home of his sister-in-law, Mrs. George Lovejoy, 839 N. Rose St., Burbank, Calif., where he's recovering from an operation. . . . Leo flew from Detroit to Los Angeles for the operation and is coming along in good shape but would benefit from treatment of hearing from the pals. . . . Leo long has been a great personality in pro golf and is one of the best loved guys in the game. . . . He's been ailing for some time but report is that his operation has him on his way back into grand shape again.

Al Cotton, sports ed., Citizen Patriot, Jackson, Mich., reports silver anniversary of newspaper's city golf tournament held this year on munny course at Sharp park, site of first tourney 25 years ago. . . . 112 players in first field. . . . Now limited to 64 with 32 from two public courses and 16 each from Jackson's two private courses. . . . Public course players have won 15 of 24 titles.

Big party for Tom Ryan on his 25th anniversary as pro at Belle Haven CC, Alexandria, Va. . . . Tom, Al Houghton, Buck Worsham and Freddie McLeod in on exhibition. . . . Other pro, amateur and junior

golf matches and tennis exhibition, swimming show, luncheon and dinner. . . . Tom given an automobile by the club and numerous other birthday gifts. . . . The club members and his other pals did a memorably pleasant job for a very swell gentleman.

Cheerful formalities at former York (N.H.) CC when name of club was changed to William Wilson Course, honoring pro who came from Selkirk, Scotland, 48 years ago, to take his post at the York club. . . . Bill spends his summers at York and his winters at Pinehurst CC and he doesn't look like he's been on a pro job 48 active years. . . . Portsmouth (N.H.) Herald had fine piece about Bill the day before the renaming ceremonies.

Tom Siler wrote glowing column on excellent job the veteran Alex McKay has done in reconditioning Cherokee CC, Knoxville, Tenn. . . . Tom also gave some biographical material on McKay. . . . McKay remembers tenderly the late Lord Asquith who gave him a shilling tip in addition to the nine pence fee for caddying at Cruden Bay. . . . 1,030 enter for USGA Amateur championship at Minneapolis GC, Aug. 16-21.

August meeting of Iowa Greenkeepers' Assn. will be held at Cedar Rapids. . . . Ralph Bond of Old Orchard Turf Nurseries will give enough stolons for 5000 sq. ft. green to be auctioned at the meeting. . . . John Colby, Eli Colby Peat Co., will supply about 20 yds. of brown peat also to be auctioned. . . . Proceeds will go to Iowa association's turf fund.