

done has been disturbing to us. Let us stay on the sidelines and get the benefit of their study, for they are trying out their rules for a two-year period."

James W. Walker, chairman of the amateur status and conduct committee, pointed out, reinstatement procedure has been liberalized to permit exceptions, in specific cases, in favor of players whose violations were of secondary nature or merely technical even though exceeding five years. Of 55 applications for reinstatement, 48 were granted last year.

Walker's committee frowns upon the allowing of expense money to amateurs and is strongly opposed to the granting of scholarships through subsidization programs in colleges. Walker drew a comparison between organized gambling and friendly wagers or informal club sweepstakes.

The USGA, in the near future, is considering taking some steps to limit the compression of a golf ball, John D. Ames of Chicago, chairman of the implements and ball committee, revealed.

"The committee has seriously considered recommending the addition of one more factor to the specifications for the golf ball," said Ames. "It is compression. Although a decision may not be made for some time, the matter is receiving consideration, in the hope that some figure may be arrived at for compression, resulting from tests made on equipment

that will be satisfactory to all manufacturers."

Question also came up, Ames said, concerning possible approval of embodying a radioactive substance in the golf ball. While this is an interesting question, the matter has not arrived at anywhere near a controversial stage and no action has been taken.

In his championship committee report, Richard S. Tufts of Pinehurst, N.C., cautioned slow players to speed up play. He said the size of fields will have to be reduced, if slow players continue to limit course capacity.

Inducted with President Standish were Totten P. Heffelfinger of Minneapolis, vice-president, Grainger, vice-president; Tufts, secretary and Ames, treasurer. Fraser M. Horn of Southampton, L.I., was named general counsel.

The chairmen of the 1950 committees named by President Standish include: Rules of Golf, Heffelfinger; championship, Ames; junior, Tufts; amateur status, Walker; membership, Lewis A. Latham, San Francisco, Calif.; implements and ball, Charles B. Grace, Bridgeport, Pa.; sectional affairs, Charles L. Pierson, Brookline, Mass.; public links, Heffelfinger; green section, Tufts; public relations, Ames; international relations, Charles W. Littlefield; handicap, William O. Blainey; museum, Walker, and women's, Miss Frances E. Stebbins, Bos-

1950 Tournament Schedule

FEBRUARY

- 2-5 Tucson (Ariz.) Open Inv., El Rio G&CC
- 9-12 Texas Open, Brackenridge Park GC and Ft. Sam Houston GC, San Antonio.
- 13-18 National Championship of Golf Club Champions, St. Augustine (Fla.) Links.
- 16-19 Rio Grande Valley Open Invitation, Harlingen (Tex.) Municipal GC.
- 21-26 Mixed Foursome, Open, Dubs-dread CC, Orlando, Fla.
- 23-26 Houston (Tex.) Open Inv., Pine Forest CC.

MARCH

- 2-5 St. Petersburg (Fla.) Open Inv., Lakewood CC.
- 7 La Gorce CC, Pro-Amateur Inv., Miami Beach, Fla.
- 9-12 Miami Beach (Fla.) Open Inv., Normandy Isle and Bay Shore GC.

- 13-15 Seminole CC, Pro-Amateur Inv., Palm Beach, Fla.
- 16-19 11th Annual Women's Titleholders Open, Augusta (Ga.) CC.
- 17-20 Jacksonville (Fla.) Open Inv., Municipal GC.
- 22 Aiken (S.C.) Pro-Amateur Inv., Palmetto GC.
- 23-26 Greensboro (N.C.) Open Inv., Sedgfield CC.
- 30-Apr. 2 Wilmington (N.C.) Open Inv., Cape Fear CC.

APRIL

- 6-9 Masters' Augusta (Ga.) National GC.
- 17-22 50th Annual North and South Invitation Amateur Championship.
- 24-29 48th North and South Invitation Championship for Women.