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By
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THE GOLF NEWS IN BRIEF



Proudest fellows at National Amateur finale were the new champion's brother "Babe" Urzetta and Frank Comisso, pro at Irondequoit CC, Rochester, N.Y. . . . Babe is Frank's assistant. . . They gave 24-year-old Sam's caddy-born game a polish that makes the swing of this fine natural athlete one of the best-looking swings in amateur golf. . . Sam's no Jones but we wouldn't be a bit surprised if in two or three years he could put together four rounds good enough to win the National Open. . . He's a very grand American young man, too. . . Clean-living, gay and well educated. . . He was a basketball star at St. Bonaventure and has had pro basketball offers. . . His father, who came from Italy in 1909, has a trucking business in Rochester. . . Five boys and three girls in the family. . . Besides Sam and "Babe" another excellent golfer among the Urzettas was brother Joe who was killed in combat in Europe.

Frank Stranahan doesn't need to be broken-hearted about losing in 39 holes to Sam Urzetta. . . A fine golfer with a few breaks at the right time can trim any of the opposition. . . Got to say for Frank he took that loss at Minneapolis right on the button without wincing and lauded the winner like he really meant it. . . Personally we're getting a bellyful of the criticism of Frank. . . He may not be Allah's most perfect job, but neither are we. . . Or you.

Brother, how some of these kids can belt the ball off the tee. . . Don Bisplinghoff, the Florida kid, knocked out some drives at Minneapolis we still don't believe we saw. . . National Junior Chamber of Commerce championship at Ames, Ia., sifted from biggest golf tournament entry list in golf history (18,000) filled with kids who could powder the ball. . . Jimmy Thomson, once the king of the long-range gunners, had his eyes pop out watching

the kids at Ames. . . Jimmy, Gene Sarazen and Johnny Revolta put on great clinics for the Jaycee proteges and George Lake, PGA junior program, gave a coach's pep talk and technical round-up that they'll long remember.

National Caddy Assn. tournament at Columbus, O., this year held for first time with PGA as co-sponsors also presented great exhibits of the American's natural urge to knock the ball a mile. . . The short games still aren't anything brilliant with any of the kids.

Now at the other end of the calendar. . . Tom (Old Meat-Cutter) Robbins, Texan transplanted to New York as MacGregor representative, won Met Senior championship for second time. . . Tom's putter wasn't as hot as his chili but his 74 was good enough to win. . . Ted Parker new mgr., West Side GC, Mendota, Calif. . . . Billy Bell and son planning regulation 9-hole and short 18-hole courses for South Pasadena, Calif. . . . Des Moines (Ia.) G&CC new \$250,000 clubhouse formally opened. . . Maplewood GC, Seattle, Wash., opens new clubhouse.

Pocatello, Ida., City Development Co. awards \$65,000 clubhouse contract. . . Paul Burgess, mgr., Elks GC, Colville, Wash. . . . Weatherford (Okla) GC organized.

Bob Hope now can join Ben Hogan and Lloyd Mangrum in the category of golfers who have fully recovered from injuries. . . After his automobile crash last winter Bob complained at Lakeside in LA that his 4 handicap was too low. . . The committee raised him to 6 on basis of his scores. . . Then while Ben Hogan was warming up for his movie work Bob played Ben, getting a few strokes. . . Hope went out in 40 and back in 34 to give Ben a fiscal relapse.

Curtis Cup girls had a rough passage over on the Caronia. . . Regained land legs in four days practice at Maidstone Club (NY Met dist.) before making sixth effort to win Curtis Cup. . . After cup matches at CC of Buffalo, Sept. 4 and 5, British girls play in USGA Women's National at East Lake CC, Atlanta, Sept. 6-11 and in match against Canadian women at Toronto, Sept. 20 before returning home.

Chicago District GA in tie-up with Illinois PGA on Veterans' hospital fund blind bogey district-wide Sunday event got more than \$8000 for the vets. . . More than was netted by any CDGA Victory Open tournament for vet fund. . . Jackson Bradley resigning as St. Charles (Ill.) CC pro end of this season to concentrate on tournament circuit. . . The fine big youth looks very promising.

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course, Paducah, Ky., had 329 in field. . . Believed to be south's biggest tournament. . . Fred Corcoran returns from British trip. . . He explored possibilities of women's pro golf in Britain. . . Fred says British faster play is a great improvement over the snail-gait that's developing even in high-handicap American golf.

It now takes about 4 hours to play typical U.S. metropolitan district private course even with the rough mowed down to about fairway length. . . Used to take 3 hours or less. . . Difference is almost entirely on greens although higher age average of metropolitan district private clubs has slowed down the pace. . . It really is funny seeing golfers who can't break 80, 90 or 100 going through the pro slow motions in inspecting the line of a putt. . . They don't putt any better than they used to. . . That the tedious survey of the greens doesn't particularly improve putting was especially noticeable at the National Amateur.

There aren't a half-dozen star pros who can read a green precisely enough to justify the time they take. . . Hogan is by far the best of the present crop. . . He can not only read a green but remember it if it has more than one borrow or much difference in texture and grain and he has the touch to make his reading mean something. . . Mangrum is a much better than average putter

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and his policy is to lag the long ones close, depending on length rather than worrying about precision almost impossible to deliberately attain, other than a true stroke of the putter face. . . Greens are so much truer and more uniform than they were ten years ago they, rather than the lengthy surveys, account for improvement in putting.

Royal Canadian Golf Assn. wants a Walker Cup sort of match play with USGA team. . . Canada for some years has been wanting the Walker Cup event made a three-sided affair between USGA, British and Canadian teams. . . Mexico still hoping for international match with USGA team.

John P. English, who with Joe Dey has edited USGA Journal and done other work with staff of USGA, called back into Navy. . . Sectional qualifying rounds for USGA Women's Amateur cancelled as 158 entries of championship calibre received for the 19 scheduled sections didn't warrant the qualifying. . . All contestants given chance to play in championship. . . 115 accepted and 43 withdrew. . . U.S. and British Curtis Cup members exempt from qualifying were in blind draw with rest of the field.

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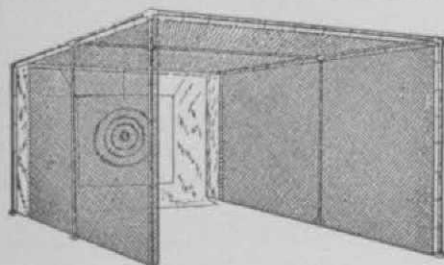
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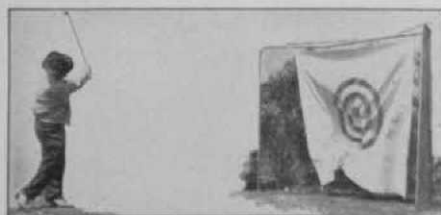
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signed by J. B. McGovern. . . Zigfield Troy's Sheldon Heights golf range in southern part of Chicago district robbed of \$4000 worth of clubs. . . Don Bryant, Lincoln (Neb.) Star golf writer says players in Nebraska State Women's championship played so fast they ran the golf scribes out of wind. . . Only case of fast championship play reported in several years.

Chickasaw GC, Memphis, Tenn., awards contract for new \$285,613 clubhouse. . . Lockport (N.Y.) Town & CC completes \$50,000 course alteration program. . . Byron Nelson, picking up a few bales of feed money for stock on Fairway ranch, has been drawing big during Midwestern exhibition tour. . . Despite putting not up to former competitive standard Byron's been breaking and equalling course records. . . His one-man clinic and demonstration prior to his exhibitions is the best we've ever heard. . . Fine warm showman and teacher, that Nelson.

Frank Stranahan spent five days with Nelson about a week before Frankie played in National Amateur. . . Despite his loss to Urzetta on third extra hole Stranahan was hitting the ball better than ever before. . . Nelson said he got Frank to be firm at contact instead of meeting the ball too loosely. . . No disgrace for anybody to be beaten by Urzetta the way that fine-look-

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Seldom has a national championship course been altered as much and as frequently by changing winds as was the Minneapolis GC course during the National Amateur. . . It was a different course every round. . . Minneapolis GC hopes to put in a bid for a National Open. . . With the fairways cut a bit narrower it'll give anybody an exacting test. . . Rough was cut down from hayfield length just before the Amateur. . . It was cut short enough not to give Merion's stern test of good play.

National Amateur contestants unanimously praised greens of Minneapolis GC's supt. Herb Cohrs. . . Cohrs and greenchn. Ray Swanberg had that course in fine shape. . . Tough part of the maintenance job was watering during dry spell preceding tournament. . . Watering in shot areas meant shovel-sized divots. . . Wonder what the best way is to quickly repair divots. . . Fred Grau says during the championship play about best that can be done is to replace divots to give players fair lies and give roots a chance to take hold.

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yards in front of greens where greens watering had produced rather lush, soft turf that closes in around the ball. . . These approaches almost completely baffled contestants from the Bermuda regions.

Now watering new planting at Yuma (Ariz.) CC 9-hole course which is expected to be in play by Thanksgiving. . . George Finnin in charge of building and maintaining course designed by Billy Bell. . . Carbon CC, Helper, Utah, 9 holes now being played. . . Construction work begins on Allentown, Pa., munny course. . . University of North Carolina opens new course with party for Southern Conference football coaches and writers. . . Long Beach, Calif., to have new 9-hole munny course. . . West Orange (N.J.) public course and west course of Essex County CC bought for apartment building sites.

Bauer sisters' games are acquiring pro polish quicker than we would have guessed. . . We thought it would take a year for them to get over the pressure of being expected to shoot pro scores every time at bat. . . In exhibition at Meadowbrook CC (Detroit dist.) with Chick Herbert and Horton Smith, Marlene got 72, men's par, from men's tees and Alice an 80. . . Chick had 64 starting with two eagles. . . Horton, 72. . . The Bauer kids have heavy booking of exhibitions and



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Dave Bauer working on his book with Otis Dywick, U. of Minnesota athletic press agent. . . Dywick worked with Nelson on Byron's highly successful book. . . Otis is an expert at this sort of task. . . At Tam O'Shanter Bob MacDonald, an all-time great in golf instruction, said time will shorten the Bauer kids' swing. . . Bob says any deliberate effort to shorten those nearly 360 degree backswings would destroy smoothness and timing. . . Says the kids will learn subconsciously as they play with star golfers.

John T. Brennan, formerly mgr., Oakland Hills CC (Detroit dist.) signed as mgr. by Amarillo (Tex.) CC. . . Cleveland Dist. NGA held August meeting at Loyal Oaks GC where supt. Cliff Deming showed additional 9 holes he constructed and which recently were put into play. . . Interesting piece by columnist Eldon Roark in Memphis (Tenn.) on club making artistry of Bert Dargie and his son Scotty.

Those Texans do it bigger and better again. . . 60 teams in Odessa (Tex.) CC annual pro-am for \$5000. . . Nelson and Bo Winniger won with 34 under par. . . Six strokes behind the winning 254 were

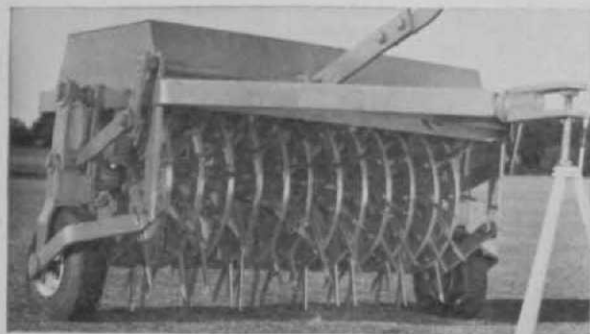
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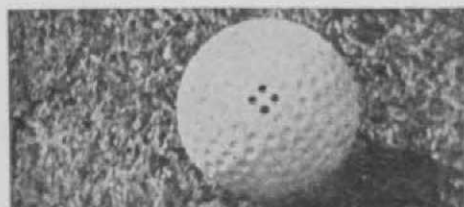
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Hillcrest CC, New Kensington, Pa., to build 18 to design of James G. Harrison. . . Architect Harrison also has designed fine layout for Springvale CC in Cleveland dist. . . . George Biddulph, pres., Cleveland dist., National Greenkeeping Supts.' Assn., is owner of the Spring Vale club. . . Large lake in center of new course for drainage and landscaping. . . Construction starts in Sept. . . Construction nearing completion on Irwin (Pa.) CC, another Harrison job. . . John Vial is pres., Irwin CC.

Bob and Lillian Harlow have sold Pinehurst (N.C.) Outlook, resort weekly which they acquired in 1937 and built into substantial property. . . Sale will enable the Harlows to devote themselves to their excellent weekly golf newspaper, Golf World. . . The Harlows plan to establish a separate plant for printing Golf World. . . Purchasers of the Pinehurst Outlook are the Wilson brothers, successful publishers of other newspapers in North Carolina.



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21st anniversary celebrations of St. Ives Research station to be held Sept. 14, 15, 16 at station, Bingley, Yorkshire, Eng. . . Station and its field and extension work operated by The Board of Green-keeping Research, the British counterpart of the USGA Green Section. . . Lord Wardington, 81, long active in British golf, died in August. . . He had been chmn. of championship and general committees of R&A, captain of the R&A and Royal St. George's club, pres. of the British Golf Union and hon. pres. of the British PGA. . . He was frequently a contestant in the British Amateur until almost 60.

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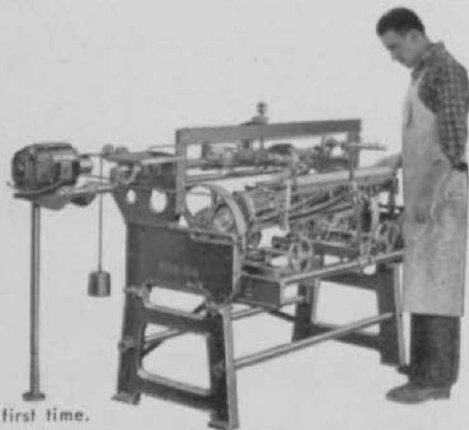
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Echo Lake CC, Westfield, N.J., invited its member "sidewalk supts.," architects and builders to participate in planning and building of club's new pro shop. . . Mary Mozel recovering rapidly from spinal operation, says her brother Joe, and soon will be swinging clubs again. . . North Shore Golf League of Chicago District GA clubs inaugurates invitation 4-ball matches with each member club permitted maximum entry of 6 two-men teams.

Matt Matteson, Atlantic City (N.J.) CC pro, opens fine modern golf range on Black Horse Pike near Atlantic City. . . Matt at club in day and range at night. . . Mrs. Matteson is managing the range. . . Winton Woods course of Hamilton County Park dist., Cincinnati, O., won't open until spring, 1951. . . They want turf in A1 condition for course opening. . . No sand traps on course. . . Grassy hollows instead. . . Cincinnati's Sharon Woods muni course getting fairway watering.

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United Press quotes 21-year-old Bob Buchanan, Purdue U. golfer who won second national left-handed championship, as saying he'd like to turn pro. . . USGA position is that declaration of intent to turn pro makes one ineligible for further USGA amateur competition. . . Is a "hope" declaration of intent? . . . Gallatin, Mo., group headed by Chas. W. Caldwell, Methodist minister, organizing golf club.

Many public course officials will attend American Institute of Park Executives annual convention, Dallas, Sept. 25-28. . . Leonard Hicks, widely known to pros and amateurs for his management of Morrison Hotel, Chicago, now vp of Pick Hotels Corp. and managing director, Congress Hotel, Chicago. . . National Fertilizer Assn., 616 Investment Bldg., Washington 5, D.C., has issued a revised edition of "Hunger Signs in Crops." . . . Price is \$4.50.

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competent greenkeeper. . . He is survived by his widow, Emma, with whom he recently celebrated his 61st wedding anniversary, and a son, Chester. . . Joe was widely known and loved by golfers in the Chicago area.

Jimmy Lentz appointed gkpr. by Bradenton (Fla.) CC where he also serves as pro. . . Pres. Tom Lunt and pro Joe Garin of Lake Shore CC, Rochester, N.Y., put on another successful Lake Shore Open for the district's pros and amateurs. . . Lake Shore members contribute the \$1000 prize money and merchandise prizes for amateurs. . . Kahsez Glowacz, one-armed contestant in Omaha World-Herald publinox tourney, scores better with one arm (his right) than he did as a two-armed player. . . Glowacz is a former caddy.

Robins Air Force base, Macon, Ga., getting 9-hole course designed by Hugh Moore, pro, Bowden GC, Macon. . . Tom Ferguson's column in Norfolk (Va.) Virginian-Pilot recently devoted to 20th anniversary of Ocean View GC, only 18-hole public course in Norfolk. . . John Kelly has been pro and Fred Bingham, course supt., since Ocean View started. . . D. Paul Decker, in charge of Norfolk's Parks and Recreation dept., trying to get more public golf facilities for the city Ferguson



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reports. . . Second National Amputee golf tournament, sponsored by Possibilities Unlimited, Inc., at Ridgewood CC, Cleveland, O., Sept. 3. . . John Cipriana, Lackawanna, N.Y., arm amputee, defending title in large field.

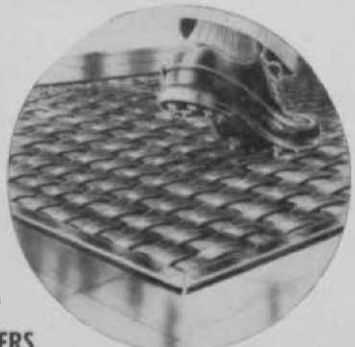
Howard W. Holmes, 51, for past 17 years pro at Moon Brook CC, Jamestown, N.Y., died at WCA hospital, Jamestown, recently. . . He had suffered heart ailment for 2 years. . . Prior to his work at Moon Brook Holmes had been at Rhode Island CC, Point Judith CC, Park Club of Buffalo and Orchard Park (N.Y.) CC. . . He was a vp of the Western NY PGA. . . He was born in Rumford, R.I. . . He is survived by his widow, two sons, Robert G. and Wallace H.; a sister and five brothers. . . Howard had been honored guest of Moon Brook on several occasions expressing the gratitude of members for his delightful, expert helpfulness and was highly regarded by pro colleagues and amateurs as a splendid gentleman sportsman.

Sherman A. Paddock, veteran golf writer and promoter, now editor and co-publisher of Laguna Beach (Calif.) Post, devoted his column recently to tales of the merry D. Scott Chisholm. . . Paddock told of Scotty at a party when England's present king was a guest, ashore from a

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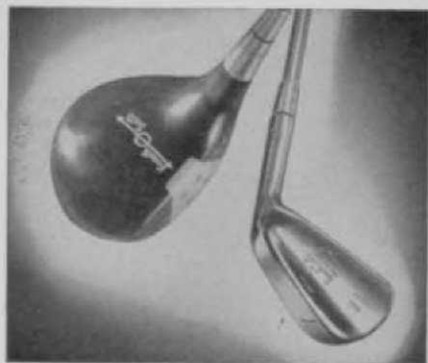
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Bill Waite memorial tournament Fred Waring holds annually at Shawnee CC, Shawnee on Delaware, will have 64 best-ball teams this Sept. 8-10, with 32 of them being veteran notables in amateur golf. . . It's the greatest field of famed ones in any amateur golf competition. . . Member clubs of USGA, now at highest figure in USGA history, are lagging in contributions for Golf House, USGA headquarters building.

Fred Grau, USGA Green Section director, and Maynard Speece on Washington color television program showing new grass strains. . . Straight talk from Richmond (Calif.) GC magazine, *The Approach*: "There is no doubt that many of our members tried to get rich during the recent racing season. The result was obvious. Dues and pro shop accounts reached an all-time high." . . . Horse track betting has caused many a double-barrelled headache to pros. . . One when



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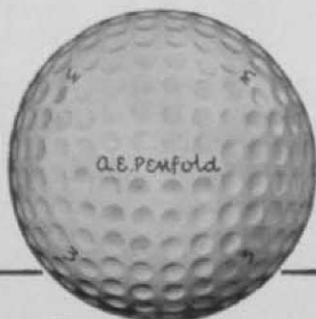
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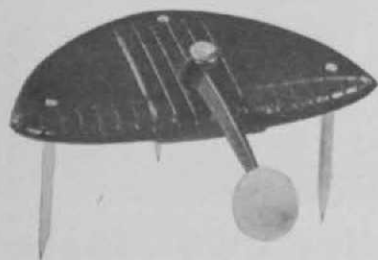
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Tom Mascaro and his charming teammate, Queenie, recently toured Mexico. . . Tom sold some nice fresh West Point Aerifiers in Mexico to make business a pleasure or vice versa. . . Tom continued to cover territory, showing colored slides of courses at the Wisconsin Greenkeepers' Assn. - Midwest Assn. of Golf Course Supts. joint meeting at Big Foot CC, Aug. 21. . . The get-together drew a dinner meeting attendance of 150. . . Sheltered tees and night-lighted ranges on programs of several private clubs for 1951. . . Members now going to golf ranges at night for workouts.

National Safety Council says beware putting grass, a tee, or a golf ball to your lips if the course recently has had arsenate of lead treatment. . . Bob Haines and Bill Byrne sign Preston Meisel as pro for their 36-tee Northview range near Detroit. . . Al Watrous at 51 is shooting like a kid star. . . The Oakland Hills CC (Detroit dist.) pro shot 63 for the Adrian (Mich.) CC 9-under-par record during this year's Michigan Open. . . Watch Dick Mayer as one of the most promising younger stars on next winter's tournament circuit.

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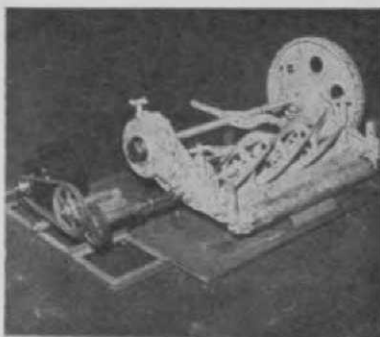
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Clayton Heafner, Chick Harbert, Lawson Little and Dave Douglas elected by PGA tournament players as permanent committee on PGA tournament affairs. . . They'll work with Joe Novak, PGA pres.; Horton Smith, PGA sec.; and Frank Walsh. . . "Specs" Hammond engaged by PGA to be asst. to Howard Capps of PGA tournament bureau. . . Capps has been doing such an excellent job of keeping tournament sponsors and players satisfied PGA has tabled action on hiring a tournament bureau mgr. to succeed George Schneider.

Hugh Watson, during the 7 years he operated the 3 city courses at Houston, Tex., seldom got time to play. . . Now he's a banker at Bellaire, Tex., and plays every afternoon. . . Hugh says Houston clubs are booming with all private clubs having large waiting lists. . . Pros of Little Rock, Ark., area, climaxing lively weekly program of pro-am events with city tournament played Aug. 25, 26, 27. . . Andy Cusick of Sylvan Hills CC, Horace Lacey of Rock Creek GC, Johnny Witten of Riverdale CC, Ed Ackerbloom of Fair Park GC and the veteran H. C. Hackbarth of Little Rock CC really put on a schedule that provided competitive excitement and training.

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wood. . . Studio scenery painted from photos made by John Hemmer of Pinehurst. . . Mount Prospect (Ill.) CC sold for \$185,000 to Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Sophie. . . They'll continue to operate the 18 hole plant which was established in 1920 as part of a real estate development. . . Spokane (Wash.) CC contracts totaling \$165,818 awarded for new clubhouse. . . Expect to finish job by March 1, 1951.

Temple Publicity Services, Ltd., 3 Duchess Road, Bristol 8, Eng., publishes illustrated booklets describing many of the most attractive golf courses of England and Scotland. . . Limited number of the booklets are free to Americans planning to take British golfing trips. . . Bangor, Me., figuring on 9-hole munny course. . . Junior swimming meets between neighboring clubs were features of metropolitan district clubs that drew much dinner business this summer. . . Special menus for kids. . . Parents from guest clubs allowed to sign checks on their own clubs.

Odd club sales been big at fee and public courses this summer. . . Pros have kept other clubs in the set and later sold them to same fellows who bought four or five irons. . . The experience has disclosed a way to get players to buy top quality pro only merchandise instead of letting

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the business go to stores. . . A. O. Nicholson, Dallas, Tex., golfer, also is out for a record in number of courses played. . . At Ogden, Utah, recently he played his 800th course.

More than half the 116 display booths for the National Greenkeeping Supts. 22nd national turf conference and exhibition to be held at Hotel Sherman, Chicago, Jan. 29 - Feb. 2, 1951, already have been allotted. . . Detroit district supts, sadly reflected that in all the publicity about the Motor City Open not one word was printed about Bill Smith, supt., who had Red Run in magnificent condition. . . Reason the supt. responsible for tournament course condition seldom is mentioned in newspaper tournament yarns or on the radio is that the supt. is out working and not handy to take bows.

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despite other revelations. . . More shorts and greenkeepers are going to have to add DDT spraying to maintenance budget. . . Insects have field days on the bare legs.

Players at the National Amateur championship circulated petitions for abolition of the stymie and for a seeded draw in the National Amateur. . . Opinion on both subjects far from unanimous. . . USGA again studying both matters. . . Stymie will come up for discussion when USGA and R&A have their next joint rules talks.

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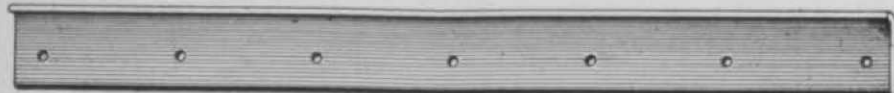
Continental Golf Yearbook containing detailed listings of courses in Austria, Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Holland, Italy, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Swe-

den and Switzerland, renews publication with 1950 edition. . . It's published by Les Editions Paris-Vendome, 10 Place Vendome, Paris 1. . . Price is \$2. . . 81 courses didn't survive World War II.

Members of "Unplayable Liars' Club" is what British are calling those who find ball in deep rough or other tough spot, deem it unplayable, take a stroke penalty and shoot again from where ball was played. . . One pro in British Open said his ball was "unplayable" in a bunker guarding the 120 yd. 8th, returned to tee and got a par 3 with his second ball.

1951 British Open to be played at Royal Portrush course in Northern Ireland. . . H. Tissies, German Amateur champion, took 15 at Troon's 8th (Postage Stamp) short hole in British Open qualifying round this year. . . It was second highest score for a hole in the British Open. . . In 1860 at Prestwick a player took 21 on a hole. . . That was the first British Open. . . Wish we knew the man's name. . . We'd like to build a monument to this hero.

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