Swinging around Golf NEWS OF THE GOLF WORLD IN BRIEF

Byron Nelson putting on a clinic at USGA Junior championship day before championship play starts . . . Championship is July 25-28 at Uniof Illinois course, Champaign, Ill. . . . Almost 7000 entry blanks were dis-tributed . . . Hershey (Pa.) CC discontinues journeyman pro services so Hogan's contract wasn't renewed.

Little Ben Toski got a tough

break in the National Open when he was penalized for being late for the second round . . . Ben shot 74-80—154 and failed to qualify for last 36 by two strokes . . . Driver who picked up Ben at a downtown Detroit hotel made another hotel stop before going to Oakland Hills . . . Dale Morey and Bob Hamilton, paired for the third and fourth rounds of the Open, finished third round with four holes open between themselves and second starting pair and wanted to know if they couldn't get two strokes off for moving right along.

With award of 1953 National Open to Oakmont as highlight of Oakmont's 50th birthday, the Pittsburgh club gets its tenth national championship . . . It's had National Opens in 1927 and 1935; National Amateurs in 1919, 1925 and 1938, National Intercollegiate in 1916, 1930 and 1937 and the PGA this year . . . Northwood at Dallas next year and Oakmont in '53 will have to use jet propulsion to beat the Oakland Hills record for Open gate

and other income this year.

Salt Lake City's 18-hole muny course, Meadowbrook, opened . . . Campaign being planned by National Golf Foundation with aid of American Society of Golf Architects encourage construction of 6-hole courses in small towns and as corporation employee recreation facilities where space and money rule out construction of larger

When the first British Open was played at Prestwick in 1860 the course had 12 holes and three rounds were played to complete the championship test which wasn't increased to 72 holes until 1891 . . . Bruntsfield Links in Edinburgh, the oldest course in the world where golf is being played, originally had 6 holes . . . St. Andrews played 9 holes out and 9 holes back with only 9 greens . . . St. Andrews' rise to leadership established the 18-hole distance as standard.



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Oregon GA 24th annual junior championship for boys and girls drew players from Cali-fornia and Washington as well as Oregon . . . Event at Columbia-Edgewater CC, Portland, Ore., added a pee-wee class this year ... Junior golf promotion and fields growing tremendously ... Good things, too, as bag carts have reduced the strength of the caddy replacement roster ... Economy of carts as

compared with caddy fees also is contributing to popular growth of golf.

Milburn CC (Kansas City dist.) completes \$250,000 clubhouse improvement ... Spokane (Wash.) CC opens new clubhouse, fifth in club's 53 year history ... Ernie Fortner switches from Schifferdecker muny course, Joplin, Mo. to pro job at Sault Ste. Marie (Mich.) CC . . . Art Saunders with new Thorngate CC (Chicago dist.) as pro . . . Warren Orlick, pro at Monroe (Mich.) G&CC has 10 sets of clubs for free loan to caddies.

First issue of Michigan Golfer, published and edited by Bob Moers, 2439 Fourth St., Detroit 1, looks good ... Publication June thru September ... Map showing location of Michigan Golf Assn. 32 semi-public courses and 6 municipal courses in Detroit area is a feature ... Now 59 private and fee courses in Detroit metropolitan area ... In Detroit area 16 courses have been closed by subdividing in past 15 years.

Michigan pros gathered 65 sets of clubs and more than 500 balls for lads at Percy Jones vets' hospital at Battle Creek ... Prestwick GC where British Open was first played, is 100 years old this year, as is St. Nicholas GC also at Prestwick.

Bobby Locke after British Open will ease up on his touring schedule ... At Oakland Hills his golf wasn't at keen edge ... In the fourth round he seemed to be playing a tired game ... Hogan appears to have Bob Jones' knack of bringing himself to top condition at the right time ... Ben will play exhibitions but no competitive golf, according to his present plans, until Ryder Cup matches at Pinehurst ... His exhibition schedule is well crowded but the jumps are short.

Talk at Oakland Hills is that several American tournament circuit stars need to recover from being over-golfed ... That may mean more difficulty in assuring



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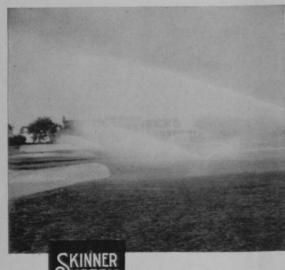
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sponsors plenty of big names in the fields ... There wasn't the excitement at Oakland Hills about possible illegality of clubs that there's been in National Opens for the past few years.

At Oakland Hills USGA officials indicated there'd be a further explanation of the agreement of the USGA and R&A "negotiating committees" to permit use of the 1.62 diameter ball in the US ... American ball manufacturers and pros questioned practicability of the agreement unless it concerned only Walker Cup and Curtis Cup play, and play of British en-trants in USGA National Open and amateur championships ... Making use of present 1.68 diameter USGA standard ball or R&A 1.62 ball (both weigh 1.62 oz.) would involve expensive and confusing manufacturing and merchandising operations in the U.S.

British view of the agreement is expressed by Golf Monthly of Edinburgh which said in its June issue "The United States Golf Association agreement with the Royal and Ancient that the British size of golf ball will be legal in the United States after 1st January, 1952 should be followed by large export orders to ball makers."

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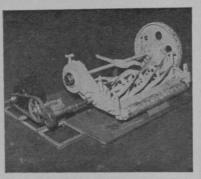
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dations . . . Although content with the possibility of dollars being obtained for British companies while rubber curtailment and new mold expense and delays confronted American ball makers, Golf Monthly criticized R&A for the R&A's "most unpopular" disapproval of "channels, furrows, and mouldings on grips" for any part of the hand . . . Golf Monthly pointed out that the decision interferes with hitherto free choice of grip to best suit golfers for firm and comfortable hold of club, and grip to fit varying climatic conditions.

With pros loaded up with USGA standard golf balls to make sure that golf play wouldn't be curtailed by rubber restrictions the publicity about the USGA and R&A "negotiating" committees agreeing on the smaller British ball as optional for American play broke ... Although the committee agreement doesn't mean the USGA Executive committee will accept it, the pros heavily stocked with USGA standard balls for player protection had something to worry about ... Pros and manufacturers probably have no cause for concern as the prospects—if any—of USGA changing its ball standard are dim and distant.

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go farther against the wind doesn't line up with USGA policy of restricting ball length to fit high ground costs of courses and to keep from making present course construction too easy for long hitters... Smaller R&A ball does not sit up as well as USGA ball on American turf... Negotiating committees' recommendations on optional use of USGA or R&A ball in US and other proposed rules changes must be considered by USGA Executive committee and R&A general meeting... Changes approved by both bodies probably will go into effect Jan. 1, 1952.

Visalia (Calif.) GC to be playing in September on new 9 added to their original 9... New clubhouse to be built when government regulations permit... Diablo (Calif.) CC completing fairway watering construction... San Diego (Calif.) County Chevrolet Dealers Assn. considering sponsoring \$10,000 Open if Long Beach gives up its event which customarily follows Los Angeles Open on winter circuit... Wilshire CC (LA dist.) completes extensive clubhouse, pro shop and grounds improvement program.

Virgil Shreeve of Harding Park won Northern Calif. PGA Assistants' championship on 37th hole from Ralph Lomeli of Ft. Washington, Fresno . . . Winner got \$500 which must be used as expenses competing in four Pacific Coast events on winter circuit ... Elmer Greenwald now pro at Northernaire club, Three Lakes, Wis.

Eugene, Ore., beat out Albuquerque, N. M., and Great Falls, Mont. for 1952 Junior Chamber of Commerce national junior championship . . . Graduates of the Jaycee national championship figured prominently in intercollegiate championships this year . . . Lawrence Huber appointed gen. chm. for 1952 convention of Golf Course Supts. Assn. of America to be held at Columbus, O.

Harry Scott, 61, supt., Cedar Brook CC (Philadelphia dist.) for past 8 years and for 20 years prior greenkeeper at Reading (Pa.) CC died decently ... He was a highly capable and respected man who did much to advance his profession ... He is survived by his widow and four sons, three of whom are in the golf field.

Art Anderson, supt. of University of Minnesota course and prominent in Minnesota course maintenance for almost 30 years, is retiring from the University's staff at compulsory retirement age of 68 ... Minnesota supts. gave Art a watch as tribute to a grand guy ... The vigorous Anderson will move to California ... He's succeeded by Herman Sunneseth, formerly of St. Snelling CC ... Charles Shiley, formerly asst. supt. at Tam O'Shanter CC, Chicago, now supt. at North Hills CC

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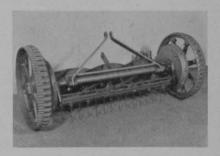
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Veteran Lee Sechrest, retiring as supt., Hillcrest CC, Kansas City, Mo., honored by members with dinner and watch in appreciation of his long fine service to the club ... Sechrest succeeded by Ray Whitlow, formerly supt., Topeka (Ks.) CC ... Death of Charlie Mutter of University of Michigan course and athletic field maintenance staff recalled to his pals that Charlie as a soldier in the Royal Scots drove the first tank across German lines in World War I.

Superintendents who visited the National Open at Oakland Hills tremendously impressed by job done by Herb Shave in getting the Robert Trent Jones course alterations looking like they'd been course features for years ... Trap design is very interesting and is bound to have decided effect on course architecture ... Consensus of visiting supts. was that Shave's genius will be taxed in keeping trap grass borders cut without costs mounting high as considerable manual work appears to

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be necessary ... Especially around greens ... Contour same as original Donald Ross design on most greens ... Trent Jones' modernization was for making the championship aspirants shoot thoughtfully and straight.

Heaviest penalty of the traps was the rough into which shots went when the boys tried to avoid the sand ... In the rough, cheapest and most exacting of any hazard except water, up jumped the devil ... Especially around the greens the shaggy rough involves shots the boys don't know ... This year Mangrum and Locke lost excellent chances for victory by shots into the rough.

The main trouble with the sand traps was in the fairway traps where deep footprints of the gallery engulfed many shots ... The far edges of traps were harelipped and if a ball rolled or buried near the edges the player was lucky to be able

to get out with one lateral shot.

Really grand job was done by Oakland Hills officials and staff and marshals in handling the record crowd ... The entire host team from Pres. Ferry B. Allen through the roster treated the visiting players, press and customers as though they were at Oakland Hills on guest cards ... That takes a lot of planning and judgment but it sure makes a smooth operation of a tournament ... Pro Al Watrous





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who's been at Oakland Hills since 1930, Supt. Herb Shave who has been at the club 31 years Oct. 1, and Mgr. Theodor Heinemann who is in his fourth year at the club are a swell staff about which to build a tournament operation . . . It was Heinemann's first big tournament and he and his staff handled jammed clubhouse traffic amazingly well.

Press arrangements were exceptionally well handled by James F. Pedder and Wm. H. Cartwright . . . Everything possible to facilitate press coverage was done in advance and emergency details were cared for in the press tent by a team of quick-thinking pleasant young women the press committee stationed in the tent.

The USGA was kept exceedingly busy with its smooth performance in management ... It might be a good thing for the USGA to make a fixture of a session with the press Thursday evenings during National Opens ... The reporters often want to ask questions from USGA officials and a general mingling would offset unwarranted opinion of Ivy League austerity ... The USGA tried something along this line at the National Amateur last year with press and players ... The session was an informative and pleasant innovation

One question I meant to ask Ike Grainger was why the "obstruction" sign on a

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Perry, Ga. golfers headed by Mayor Mayo Davis, considering building course ... Angy Bonino now pro at Tahoe City (Calif.) GC ... Louis Bastanchury signed as mgr., Bakersfield (Calif.) CC ... Francis L. James, Moscow, Ida., drawing plans for new Esmeralda muny course at Spokane, Wash. ... New \$250,000 clubhouse of Spokane (Wash.) CC opened ... Wm. Maloney, mgr.

Howard Capps promoted to PGA tournament director post by tournament committee ... Howard has been doing grand job since he started on scoreboard at tournaments and conducted tournament operations after George Schneiter went out as tournament bureau director ... Capps, after one of the rhubarbs, told the PGA they could take the job and stick it as he was offered other employment in which he wouldn't get paid off in ulcers ... Inasmuch as Capps didn't want the job and is good at it, he got it.

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awards and having the champs buy their own breakfasts ... Oregon Public Links GA switches its annual ace contest to selected holes at muny and semi-public courses ... Contest formerly conducted at now closed Lloyd's range and proceeds used for financing Oregon team in National publinx championship.

National Caddy Assn. tournament pushed by most extensive newspaper tieup the event has had ... Wilson to make first showing of its Christmas golf ball package at the company's sales convention June 30-Aug. 4 ... Harold Stone, pro at Sonoma G&CC, Boyes Hot Springs, Calif., stocked club's swimming pool with 2500 trout last winter when weather was too nippy for swimming ... Golfers got good fishing as a bonus ... The trout stocking will be repeated next winter.

Walter S. Margeson, 59, owner of Clarklake course, near Jackson, Mich., died recently of a heart attack ... Mr. Margeson had owned the course for 7 years.

Wm. P. Castleman, Jr., active in Dallas Golf Assn. and Trans-Mississippi Golf Assn. and John G. Clock, former pres., California GA and of Southern California GA have been added to Executive committee of USGA... They fill positions created when USGA voted to increase Executive committee from 13 to 15.

More talk lately about standardizing





handicapping in California ... Northern California GA, Southern California Public Links GA and USGA systems are used in the state with variations of 3 strokes frequent, according to handicapping system used ... Trend is toward generally adopting USGA system based on lowest 10 of a player's latest 50 games ... At majority of private clubs in northern and central metropolitan areas "latest 50 games" represents about two seasons' play for largest percent of club members ... Apparently the British are wondering what handicaping system we use as they remark standard of golf of some American players in British Amateur isn't up to R&A requirement which reads "Entries will only be received from players whose Club handicaps do not exceed two strokes."

Bill Shaver, left-handed former assistant pro at Richmond (Calif.) CC and ex-base-ball player and hockey referee, has been hired as assistant to Howard Capps, PGA Tournament bureau manager and will go ahead of the tournaments as advance man ... Reconstructed Excelsior Springs (Mo.) course opened ... Second nine to be added at Woodridge GC, Sacramento, Calif.

Home club pros, especially in northern and central states, don't get any break with the National Open and PGA championship coming early in the season ... Rainy spell had home pros working 10

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hours a day on lesson tee when weather did permit ... Many of the boys hadn't played as much as four rounds from the start of the season at their clubs until the National Open and PGA sectional qualifying rounds ... Toughening of Oakland Hills for tournament specialists though certainly logical for determining the nation's best golfer accounted for embarrassingly high scores by some fellows who are fine home club pros but don't get much chance to play or practice.

Brawley, Calif., Bidwell Park muny course getting clubhouse as community recreation center ... Lakewood CC, Long Beach, Calif., course and clubhouse getting some remodelling ... Clark Mathews returns as Orinda (Calif.) CC mgr. ... New pro shop for Walt Tebaldi at Contra Costa (Calif.) CC ... Tom Cushman resigns as pro-mgr., Shawnee (Okla.) CC ... "Casey" Dondrea now mgr., Moundbuilders' CC, Newark, O. ... Jack Carnahan now pro at Union CC, New Philadelphia, O.

Lakeside and Clearview, 9-hole semipublic courses at Akron, O., sold for residential development ... Bill Thompson now pro at Alliance (O.) CC ... Patty Berg with Betty MacKinnon and Betsy Rawls, the Phi Beta Kappa girl pro, put on a big clinic at U of Michigan.

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Texas PGA defeated Mexican PGA 11½ to 3½ at Amarillo (Tex.) CC in team matches...Mexicans made hopeful showings in their big-time debut...Trophy presented by Mexican Pres. Aleman held up at border for American customs pay-

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ment ... And it had to happen the first time the head man of any country put up a trophy for an international golf com-petition . . . U.S. Military Air Transport Service No. 1 team of Kindley Air Force Base in Bermuda won Jeffrey's trophy from teams representing American and British naval and military services stationed in Bermuda.

Pinehurst No. 2 getting a bit of reconstruction—new tees to stretch it out, a few new traps to tighten it for sharpshooters, some traps being filled to give higher handicap golfers a break ... Supt. Henson Maples will have the job done this month and everything in fine shape for Ryder Cup matches in November ... Congratulations to Bob and Lillian Harlow on fourth birthday of Golf World news weekly ... They're two very swell and able pals who have done a great job ... Congratulations, too, to another Pinehurst notable, John Hemmer on earning the National Press Photographers' Assn. award for "the most outstanding contribution to news photography in 1950." John's made a lot of the best golf action shots that ever went on film.

Paul Hahn, fast rising young star of trick golf shooting, making midwest on 6 days a week bookings . . . Tom Robbins of Winged Foot, MacGregor's NY man,



wins Shawnee invitation and gets Fred Waring bowl ... Long list of amateur victories for Tom since he won his first Texas Meat-cutters' title in 1893 ... Newspapers going strong in junior golf promotion ... Rockford (Ill.) Register-Republic annual junior tournament showed fine scoring with par for 36 holes winning Class A and in Class C (14 or under) 15 over par for 36 holes won.

Golf club officials and members would pay substantial amounts to be hosts to meetings of district greenkeeper associations if the members knew what definite expert recommendations for course improvement resulted from these meetings . . . These meetings are evidence of good judgment and valuable service of the host club greenkeeper who manages to get his colleagues to give some some practical advice from the outside viewpoint...Not many men in business have that sort of eagerness to receive and give this expert help

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Remodeled clubhouse of Havre (Mont.) Elks CC opened ... Course remodelling to design of Wm. Diddel, completed last year ... MacGregor Golf Co. Tourney Clubholds its annual buffet supper and old settlers' reunion, a feature of PGA championships, at Hotel Wm. Penn, Pittsburgh, June 26 ... L. W. (Smiley) Rowland, Glen Garden CC, Ft. Worth, Tex., elected pres., Texas PGA ... George Aulbach, Amarillo (Tex.) CC pro and one of the top promoters of golf in pro ranks, managing big annual round-up tournament of Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico seniors for 11th consecutive year.

Alvin Handmacher and Fred Corcoran taking Patty Berg, Babe Zaharias, Betsy Rawls, Betty Jameson, Peggy Kirk and Betty Bush or Helen Dettweiler by plane to England for matches with British women and British men pros and amateurs . . . Tour is a bonus for performance in Alvin's transcontinental Weathervane tournament which was won by Patty after 36 hole play-off with Babe . . . Louise Suggs, who finished third, passed up British trip because of clinic and exhibition commitments here.



Grangeville (Ida.) GC opens 6 holes of what's to be a 9-hole course ... Earl Martin switches from Inglewood (Calif.) CC pro spot to Western Ave. GC, Los Angeles . . . Howard Smith, Martin's asst. at Inglewood promoted to pro job ... John Shorey, pro at Brookside CC, Allentown, Pa. aced Brookside's 175 yd. 9th when he was giving his wife a playing lesson on a recent Monday busman's holiday round ... Green Hills CC, Muncie, Ind., designed by Bill Diddel, opens this month ... Charley Reig is pro-gpkr. ... Tom Day, mgr.

Roy Painter now pro at Circle Ranch GC, Escondido, Calif. . . . Aileen Covington, editor of Golf Life, gives good advice to Barbara Romack, newest of California's girl golfing stars, in telling her not to let herself be quoted as having the ambition to someday be a professional ... The USGA amateur rule may decide for the talented kid quicker than she desires ... All the youngsters, boy and girl, ought to read that amateur status rule.

Albert H. Pedersen, 57, pres., Pedersen Mfg. Co., Wilton, Conn., died June 13 at his home ... He served in the navy in World War I ... He and his brothers, Walter, Paul and Ralph established a golf club manufacturing business that has grown steadily ... He was a fine gentle-

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Angeles CC, the Palm Springs Invitation, and also the Indio title.

In the International Curtis Cup matches at Buffalo last Fall, she won the singles, was top amateur in the All-American and then took the big one, the National Amateur at Atlanta. In all, she was winner of 9 major tournaments in 12 months.

Dettweiler is one of the nation's top women golf pros and teacher of such champions as Beverly Hanson and film stars Jack Benny and Ray Milland. She designed and built the Cochran Ranch Golf Course, at Indio, Calif., where she has been chief pro for six years.

As an amateur, Helen won several sectional titles in the East, events such as the District of Columbia, Maryland State and Middle Atlantic, each of which she won several times. Then she went on to capture major titles such as the Western Open in 1939.

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man in business and at play ... Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Helen D'Alessandro Pedersen, his brothers and a sister, Mrs. E. C. Jackson.

California State Seniors' Golf Assn. membership closed at 250 with waiting list of 50 ... Many state senior associations now have problem of too many active players to be accommodated in one day's tournament play .. Midwest Seniors' annual championship at Edgewater GC, Chicago, July 12-13 has such big entry, qualifying at Lake Shore CC, Glencoe, Ill., had to be put into schedule.

Some Maine notes from Jack D. Mansur, course equipment rep. of Fryeburg, Me. . . . Jimmy Jones, pro-gkpr., Bath CC for 15 years, has gone to Augusta CC as gkpr. . . . Jimmy's brother George has been pro at Augusta CC for 9 years . . . John (Dud) Perry succeeds Jimmy at Bath CC . . . The Jones boys are proteges of Frank Gilman who was pro-gkpr. at Augusta for 20-some years prior to 1943 . . . Ernest Ruby, supt., Portland CC, has been making course alterations to design of Robert Trent Jones . . . Remodelled course in best condition for years . . . Gene McNabb switches from pro job at Saco GC, Biddeford, to St. Croix CC, Calais . . . George Wells, formerly with

his father, Alvah, owner of Bridgton Highlands GC, now pro at Naples GC... George Jenny, supt., Webhannet GC, Kennebunk Beach, has done notable job of greens conditions with aerifying and new feeding program... Maine weekly proam schedule got under way with pro Jim Browning of Brunswick GC, home of Bowdoin College, as host... Purpoodock GC, Cape Elizabeth, where Al Baka is prohas given life membership to Harry Webber for his excellent job of golf promotion with Golf in Maine.

Tournament pros breathed easier when George S. May Co. announced its Tam O'Shanter championships with total purses of \$77,600 for Aug. 2-5 and Aug. 9-12 ... World championship event at Tam, Aug. 9-12 has invited champions of 12 nations ... Edna Wesson, wife of Milt, Spalding man at Los Angeles, scored a 136 yd. ace ... What brand of ball, club and shoes do you thing she was using? Darn well better be, hadn't she, Milt?

J. Russell Gnau, 50, insurance executive, formerly an official of Ford Motor Co., and valuable promoter of tournament golf in Detroit, died at Indianapolis following a stomach operation shortly after being stricken at the Indianapolis 500-mile auto races ... Gnau was a member of the advisory boards of the national and Michigan PGA ... Russ was a really grand fellow who had an army of friends in golf.

Woodridge (Calif.) G&CC considering expanding from 9 to 18 holes . . . Chan W. Baker of Baker Grass Industries, Miami 35, writes "Leonard Strong's article 'Superintendent's Job is Far Bigger than Greenkeeping' in May GOLFDOM should be reprinted and a copy sent to every green chairman in the U.S." . . . British Board of Greenkeeping Research staging exhibition and demonstration of course maintenance equipment at St. Ives Research station July 17 and 18.

Now some notes from Scotty Chisholm, the laddie in the hielands of Southern California:

Live wire Bill Bryan, who runs Fox Hills, Baldwin Hills, and the Rio Hondo (LA dist.) public courses and owns and operates the recently opened Laguna Beach (Calif.) CC where Jimmy Clark is associated, has named the first 9 holes on the last named course: No. 1 the TOM

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MORRIS; No. 2 is the Harry Vardon; No. 3, Alec Herd. No. 4 is the John Reid (father of American golf). No. 5 is the MacDonald Smith. No. 6 is the Walter Hagen. No. 7 is known as the Bobby Jones. The No. 8 is called after Bill Bryant's dad, the Al Bryant while the last on the first nine is the Scotty Chisholm hole.

Lloyd Mangrum owns valuable apartment hotel property in beautiful and fast growing Laguna Beach and is after several other spots that he likes ... Laguna is located on the Pacific 50 miles south of Los Angeles ... Arthur Clarkson, former Wisconsin State Open champion and for many years at the now defunct Rancho GC in Los Angeles, is in the cement business and doing fine ... Harry Bassler, who has the reputation of being an ultra canny businessman, now operates the Rio Hondo Golf shop vacated by Clayton Aldridge, now pleasantly located at the Brynwood CC, Milwaukee ... Bassler has renovated the shop from top to bottom ... it arouses desire to buy something from his well chosen stock . . . Mrs. Leo Diegel has been a very lonesome lass since her beloved Leo passed on early in May and has decided to remain in the house they have in North Hollywood ... George Von Elm, now pro at the Hacienda CC, La Habra, Calif., has made a grand job of

bringing several of the holes right up to date and is very popular with members ... Jack Walters is the name of the best lefthander on the Pacific coast ... He won the Southern California championship, conducted by Scotty Chisholm at Glendale's Oakmont course, in decisive fashion.

Willie Hunter was given an uproarious banquet and magnificently bejeweled wrist watch by his Riviera members on the 30th anniversary of his victory in the British amateur ... Ed Madden and Scotty Chisholm took care of all arrangements and leading scribes and radio announcers sang the praise of the wee laddie frae Edinburgh ... Coming 60, Hunter is playing superbly and a while back rattled off four 66s in succession ... One of these scores he threw at Frank Stranahan one fine day in March which left the former British amateur champion a bit bewildered.

John Panton is the name of the youthful Scot who shows great promise in British pro golf these days ... He was born in Pitlochry in the Perthshire Highlands and brought up on Scotch porridge so he's very likely to be a big braw raw-boned laddie when he grows up ... Dai Rees thinks he may turn out to be one of Scotland's best ... He wants to make the American winter tour of golf but writes Chisholm he "doesnt hae the bawbees yet tae mak' sic a trip".