



\$2000 FOR COURSE MODEL

A 5 ft. by 7 ft. relief model of the 18 hole course under construction at the Desert Inn., Las Vegas, Nev., has been placed on display in the lobby of the hotel. The model cost \$2000. The Desert Inn course, designed by Lawrence Hughes, will be opened for play on or about July 1.

over, financially. He's looking for a golf club connection as pro, or assistant pro at a large club. He's a very competent man who has developed many fine men and women and junior players and he knows how to keep a course in good condition.

He prefers a job on high land.

Dale Harris, Acushnet salesman, tells of Bill Adams' ingenuity at Sioux City with details the modest Adams wouldn't volunteer. Adams' course is located at the juncture of the Missouri and Big Sioux. Bill deliberately broke the dike on the Big Sioux side so the comparatively clean water of that river flooded the course instead of having the muck of the Big Mo deposited on fairways and greens.

Green Section Opens West Coast Office

The West Coast gets its first Regional Green Section Office about June first. This decision was made at the spring meeting of the USGA Executive Committee at the National Golf Links of America.

Charles G. Wilson, Extension Agronomist for the Green Section, will head the affairs of the office, which will be at or near Davis, Calif. Wilson is known to many West Coast turf men because of his appearance at conferences and, more recently, during his survey to determine if a Regional Office on the West Coast is feasible and practicable.

For years the Green Section has been doing yeoman service in developing the National Coordinated Turf Program and in coordinating widely separated activities in turf management. With the main Green Section office located at Beltsville, Md., in cooperation with the U. S. Depart-

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ment of Agriculture at the Plant Industry Station, the problems of servicing USGA member clubs and cooperating institutions becomes increasingly difficult as the work load increases. In August 1945 when the Executive Committee of the USGA asked Fred Grau to develop the Green Section program, there were less than 10 workers in turf at four or five experiment stations in the United States.



Charles G. Wilson, appointed Regional Director of USGA Green Section's first regional office, at Davis, Calif. Wilson has been with Green Section since 1947. In 1950 he completed his B.Sc. at University of Maryland and became full-time extension agronomist for the Green Section, attending many turf sessions around the country and gaining high regard among supts.

The Green Section's Turf Research Review for 1951 lists nearly 100 workers at more than a score of stations.

The development of a Regional Green Section Office on the West Coast gives recognition to the splendid development in turf research during the past few years. It will serve to relieve the Beltsville office of considerable work and will help to develop the potentialities in the western states. The success of the West Coast office largely will determine the development of several other regional offices, covering the major turf centers of the country.

USGA member clubs and other turf interests have indicated their willingness to support the Green Section office financially. The declaration served to establish the office.

"The Regional Director will help in

every way possible to assist local state and regional groups to organize and to conduct their affairs in a sound, coordinated fashion," says Green Section Director Grau. He adds: "The Green Section has only service to offer. Close contact with research will be maintained. Research is essential as the basis of sound recommendations. We will sponsor and encourage needed research and, whenever possible, we will help to finance it. We will attend turf conferences and field days to assist with educational and extension service features. An Advisory Committee will be formed to help the Regional Director to develop sound policies and procedures which harmonize with local developments."

Some of the greatest developments in turf seed production in the world are in the three western states. Many seed growers are producing seed of improved turf grasses which are products of Green Section work. We want to assist these growers to do the best job possible in order to develop adequate seed supplies of superior turf grasses at sensible prices.

Howard Scoggins, Golfwear Specialist, Dies May 6

Howard Bolling Scoggins, founder of the Howard Scoggins Golf Co. of Dunedin, Fla., died May 6 in the Foundation hospital at New Orleans, following an illness of several months. He was born in Baltimore. He is survived by his widow Mrs. Doris Price Scoggins, his mother, two sisters and two brothers.



Howard Scoggins

Scoggins became interested in golf while with the Red Cross in England during World War II. He organized golf teams of American GIs. After the war he became associated with the North British Rubber Import Co. of America, then formed his own company to specialize in golf apparel for men and women.

He and his wife established the Scoggins enterprise in Dunedin in 1946 and operated it so successfully that the company was able to build its own office and warehouse building in Dunedin and recently added to these facilities. He conducted the business on a "pro only" basis and acquired exclusive distribution of excellent lines, in which numerous items were made to the design and material specifications he and his sales staff found highly suitable and saleable at golf clubs.