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## Central Plains Foundation Shows Value at Field Day

CENTRAL Plains Turf Foundation Field Day, Wichita, Ks., June 8, has a program which exhibits the remarkably valuable work the Foundation has done since its establishment in 1950.

Those at the field day will inspect the Wichita (Ks.) CC new course which was started about 4 years ago and has been in play for 2 seasons. Other places on the Field Day tour will be the University of Wichita Veterans' football field, Lawrence stadium (Wichita Parks' heavily used sports field), and the experimental nursery operated by the Board of Park Commissioners. These turfed establishments and many others in Kansas, Colorado, Nebraska, Missouri and other central states are collaborating to decided mutual profit with the Central Plains Turf Foundation.

An extensive demonstration of turf maintenance machinery also will be staged at the field day. Foundation pres. is Chester Mendenhall. W. E. Updegraff and Ross McCausland are co-chmn. of the Field Day committee.

## Western Seniors at Shawnee

Western Seniors' Golf Assn. 5th annual tournament will be played at Fred Waring's Shawnee CC, Shawnee-on-Delaware, Pa., with 18 holes on July 9 and another 18 on July 10.

Entry fee is \$20. Closing entry date is June 25. Entries should be sent to Sec. Wm. V. Kingdon, 7520 N. Pennsylvania, Indianapolis, Ind. Kingdon says wives will accompany many members to the tournament.

In addition to the championship and handicap competitions for the Kennedy and Braughton trophies, respectively, there'll be competition in six age classes from the 50-54 group to the 75 years and older class.

## Frank Murray, CMA Founder and Official, Dies

Frank H. Murray, 61, a founder of the Club Managers' Assn. of America, who served as president and as secretary of the organization, died of cancer, May 14, at his home in Evanston, Ill. Murray also had been pres., Chicago Club Managers' Assn., and served in other offices.

He was born in Helena, Mont. and after returning from World War I where he

served as an artillery officer, he went with the Ravisloe CC in 1920. He resigned as Ravisloe manager in 1936 to go as Glen View Club's mgr., and in 1952 went to North Shore CC, also in the Chicago dist., as mgr. Illness caused his resignation from North Shore in 1952.

Murray was one of the most widely known, best liked men in club management. He was a highly competent, hard-working, cheerful fellow. Not a word of complaint came from him during his prolonged illness and he kept going around until compelled to enter a hospital.

He is survived by his wife, Ruby.

## WORK ON SMALL CLUB

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Millan, Ed Weber, George Regan, Walter Kundert and O. J. Tommeraasen, are the kind of men you would expect, if you knew them, to make a club like ours the best club that any town of Madison's size or two or three times its population, can show."

Maybe Ryan is guilty of poetic license in bragging about his club, but he can't be arrested for that. Such confidence is worth money to the club and to Ryan.

When Ryan came to the club from California all the members' clubs were on carts and were parked in the middle of the grillroom floor. He wrote: "We needed the space for tables and card playing on stag nights. So I built racks along the walls and put two carts to a rack and now we have the floor space we need for members in the evening."

That's not the fanciest arrangement in the world and not the most desirable answer to the problem of cart storage which bothers so many clubs, but it worked at Madison.

## Improvises A Pro Shop

Something else that Ryan did that shows the resourcefulness of a good small town club pro is the way he built the pro shop shown in accompanying illustration. "I figure that supplying our members with the best, most suitable playing equipment they can get anywhere is a very important part of my service to the club. So I built my shop at one end of the grillroom, where I can take care of customers at the shop and care for the bar business also.

"In the summer I have an assistant who takes care of the shop and bar while I'm out teaching."

At a larger club the arrangement wouldn't fit but in the smaller town clubs



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