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Gallery surrounds fairway and green as Alice Bauer Hegge, paired with sister Marlene, gets ready to play tee to green shot during exhibition match with Babe Zaharias and Betty Dodd at opening of new Par-3 course in Sarasota, Fla., owned and operated by Bert Montessoro and Dare Davis. Complete story on new layout will appear in May Golfdom.

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take deliberately sabotaging machinery so they got paid without work while repairs were being made.

Northeastern Golf Course Supts.' Assn. has new name, "Our Collaborator" for its informative bulletin . . . One of the finest jobs of public service among many done by pros is work of Henry Thomas, pro at City Park, New Orleans, who goes to U. S. Public Health Service hospital, Carville, La., twice a month to teach golf . . . Thomas H. Hickman, Jr., director of the hospital's community activities, says results are "thrilling." . . . Hospital is a leprosarium . . . Problem is to add life to the years of the patients as well as years to their lives . . . Patients with bad hands, bad feet, poor vision and other grave handicaps take keen interest in trying to improve their golf scores.

GOLFDOM's had a number of letters lately from club officials asking about retirement plans for veteran employees; mainly supts. and pros . . . Supts. mostly as officials don't see how some of these fellows who have been with the clubs for years ever could put by a nickel out of what they've been paid . . . Officials usually not so concerned about pros, saying pros have been pretty much self-employed and could have made enough to retire with small

financial grant . . . Trouble is the pros often never made what the members thought the pros made.

There's no general plan we know of for financing club employee retirement . . . Most satisfactory way we've heard of is to set up retirement pay as fixed expense instead of putting it off and letting the next year's board also side-step . . . It's a matter club officials should be discussing with insurance men.

O. J. Noer made his 20th consecutive appearance on the Iowa State short course when he was on this year's program . . . Date for Waite Memorial tournament at Shawnee-on-Delaware (Pa.) CC set by Fred Waring for Sept. 7-11 . . . Art Newman now mgr., The Valley Club of Montecito, Santa Barbara, Calif. . . . Mel Smith is pro there and Mel and Art were together at French Lick Springs Hotel in 1934.

Norman Drew, 21-year-old Walker Cup player has turned pro and British pros think so well of the lad they believe he might be first British player to be on Walker and Ryder Cup teams . . . John Plant, sec., Gezira Sporting Club, Cairo, Egypt, tried unsuccessfully to get PGA to send U. S. pro to compete with European stars in Egyptian Open April 2-4 . . . German Golf Assn. inviting U. S. amateurs and pros to compete in German Amateur, Ladies' and Open championships at Krefeld, during week July 25-Aug. 1.