

Swinging around Golf

NEWS OF THE GOLF WORLD IN BRIEF

Ft. Wayne Open lost money this year . . . Ft. Wayne Women's Open showed a profit . . . Bob Goldwater, Phoenix dept. store magnate and long prominent in golf, elected pres. Trans-Mississippi GA. Trans-Miss providing two scholarships at Colorado A&M College, Ft. Collins, to develop future course supts. . . . This is sound foresight as there's already a serious shortage of young men in course maintenance careers . . . New clubs finding difficulty in getting qualified course supts.

Gabriel Rosset, from Green Acres CC (Chicago dist.) to Skokie CC (Chicago dist.) as supt. . . . Howard Denny now supt. new Meadowbrook CC, Overland Park, Ks. . . . Middlefield G&CC course being designed by Lawrence Hughes . . . Club to be bordered by suburban residences . . . Expect to have course, clubhouse and pool ready for use in fall of 1955 . . . Lawrence gets expert close-up on construction and maintenance problems in Denver dist. from his brother Henry, supt., Green Gables CC . . . All Denver dist. private clubs have long waiting lists.

Enthusiastic testimonials from Chambers of Commerce in many cities thanking George S. May Co. for Lew Worsham exhibitions show big attendance on Lew's tour as World Champion . . . May organization presents letters in book that's advance publicity for Bob Toski tour, already heavily scheduled.

Edward N. Newhart, gen. mgr., Lake Shore CC (Chicago dist.) since 1943 has resigned . . . Joanne Febel, daughter of Jack, mgr. Bryn Mawr CC (Chicago dist.) now at Mt. Holyoke college majoring in political science . . . The lass who is as lovely as she is smart, won scholarship when graduating cum laude from Carleton college.



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Jim Weaver, golf coach of Arnold Palmer when the National Amateur champion was a student at Wake Forest, happy about confirmation of his claim Palmer is "the greatest amateur in the country," made when Palmer was NCAA medalist two consecutive years and scoring in collegiate golf better than some of the present young money-winners on the pro circuit.

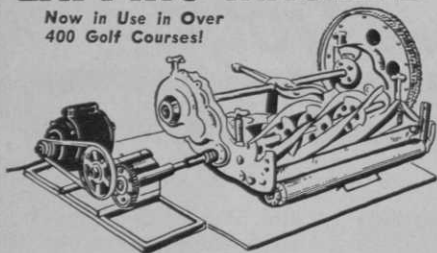
Guesses are that Palmer won't turn pro for a while . . . He's got a good job with good prospects but you never can tell when the itch will overwhelm a talented amateur even if he doesn't get a deal like Littler got . . . We've got a hunch that Frank Stranahan, with all his playing experience, will score better as a pro than he has as an amateur.

Women's amateur champion Barbara Romack says positively she won't turn pro . . . Enjoys playing for fun too much . . . The 22-year-old champion is a good businesswoman . . . The Romack-Wright, 4 and 2 36-hole final lasted 29 hours and 15 minutes, being frequently interrupted Saturday by thunderstorms and finally completed Sunday afternoon.

Planning course at Holloman Air Force Base near Alamogordo, N. M. . . . Fortune magazine for October has feature story "Business Golf—It's a Pleasure" with beautiful color illustrations of courses . . . Part of story says golf is "October's game" . . . That is promotion golf in central and northern states will welcome as helping to extend the season . . . Miserably hot spells reduced play in some areas during the past summer and autumn play in grand weather should be encouraged . . . Fortune story cites successful publicity use of golf by George S. May and John Jay Hopkins.

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Iowa Golf Course Supts.' Assn. got fine publicity in Iowa State Fair exhibit set up by Charles Calhoun and Clarence Yarn . . . Wm. J. Roach, Jr. succeeds Capt. W. H. Lewis as pro at Sea Island (Ga.) GC . . . Lewis is retiring after 23 years . . . Roach has been pro at Wyoming (O.) GC for past 8 years . . . Don Brown of Piping Rock (L. I. NY) Club and Tommy McNamara of Glen View (Ill.) Club returning to winter pro staff at Sea Island.

Harry Cebalo from Grass Valley, Calif., to Garden City (Ks.) CC as pro-mgr. . . . Jack Ledwon, pro at Camelback range, Phoenix, Ariz., resumes golf classes at Phoenix College . . . Jack stirred up so much interest in student golf instruction he now has about 200 in college classes . . . He gives them mid-term exams on golf IQ.

Ivan E. Anderson of Wayne (Neb.) GC won a prize in Lincoln Arc Welding Foundation national contest for describing his ingenious use of arc welding in constructing the course's watering system . . . Bunny Richards, Hillcrest CC, Lincoln, Neb., pro., at Mayo clinic, Rochester, Minn. for check-up . . . Reports are O. K. . . . Jack Redmond, trick-shot performer, has



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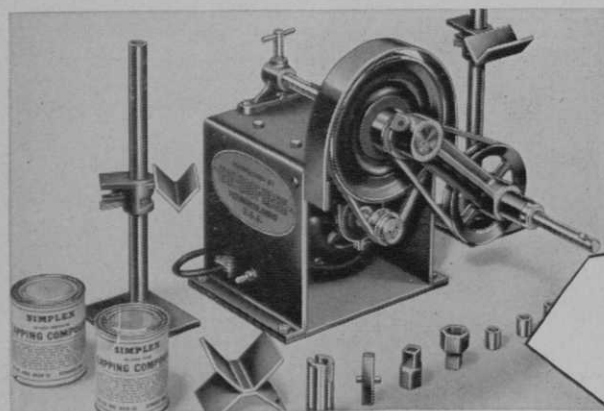
Beautiful and warranted tribute to Danny Williams, pro at Knoll GC, Boonton, N. J., in special issue of club's magazine . . . The Knoll members put on a big tournament and dinner for Danny Sept. 18.

Women's Western Golf Assn. elects Mrs. Eugene K. Lydon of South Shore and Beverly country clubs in Chicago dist. pres. to succeed Mrs. John Eliot Warner of Glen View . . . Mrs. Warner reported at WWGA 53'd annual meeting that the association added 18 new clubs during past year, bringing membership to 295.

British Golf Monthly says responsibility of R&A and other high level British golf bodies in financing teams for overseas competitions calls for publishing balance sheets of major championships . . . Then those asked to contribute to finance the travel would know what the financial score is.

Metropolitan (N. Y.) GA publishes 1954 handicap list showing 156 players of member clubs have handicaps of 3 or less . . . MGA current handicap is approximately 2 strokes higher than USGA basic handi-

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cap . . . Green Brook CC, North Caldwell, N. J. giving college scholarships to one caddie and one kid from club office.

Harry Pezzullo, Mission Hills, elected pres., Illinois PGA, succeeding Bill Gordon, Tam O'Shanter, retiring after 7 years as Illinois pros' chief . . . Guy Paulsen, Medinah is Illinois PGA new sec . . . Illinois PGA planning to revive team matches with neighboring sections.

Gene Ward, golf writer N. Y. News, wrote great column on Whipoorwill CC, stressing beauty of the location and course . . . Seems to us not enough accent is given to beauty of some course locations which is an element that charms most players . . . Get a course of delightful scenery and it will appeal to many who will pardon shortage of maintenance perfection and deficiencies in architecture.

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Dave McMeekin, pro at Whippoorwill CC (NY Met dist.) was one of 16 children, every one of whom helped their father build the Northfield GC at Vale of Levan, Dunbartonshire, Scotland . . . Tam O'Shanter (Chicago dist.) to air-condition its men's locker room at cost of more than \$30,000.

Topeka, Ks., 18-hole munny construction work completed quickly after Mayor George Schnellbacher, attorney Mike Casey, Gen. David Wade, CO, Forbes Air Force Base, and other energetic citizens made speed record in getting course drive organized and followed thru . . . Course to be played in spring.

Dave Eckberg, pro-mgr. Greenville (Mich.) CC, says kid interest in golf classes shows decided increase, judging from his experience this summer . . . Eckberg adds that all pros have to do to realize immense importance of junior development is to look at population statistics . . . Considering 18-hole semi-private course at Brigantine Beach, N. J. . . . Talking about building 9-hole public course at Blairsville, Pa.



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Harry Cooper has had one of his busiest seasons teaching during his first year at Metropolis CC (NY Met dist.) . . . J. Edwin Carter who put across big National Open program for Baltusrol working on 1955 National Open program for Olympic CC at San Francisco . . . Central NY Golf Course Supts.' Assn. after its 5th meeting its first year already has proved big value to clubs in the area . . . About 65 clubs are in the district and the association hopes to have supts. of at least 50 of them on its roster.

Interesting table on variations in June and July rainfall in various parts of Chicago dist. compiled by Bob Williams for Midwest Assn. of Golf Course Supts. Bull Sheet . . . South side location in June had 2.73 in., west side had 4.89 in., northwest had 9.11 in. and one area of northern part of district had 6.53 in. . . . Chicago had one of wettest summers although many other parts of U. S. suffered severe drought . . . I. R. Tannehill, asst. chief, U. S. Weather Bureau says U. S. now is in dry cycle liable to last for 7 or 8 years.

Club Managers' Assn. of America membership report as of Sept. 1 shows 1,167 which is 156 more than same time last



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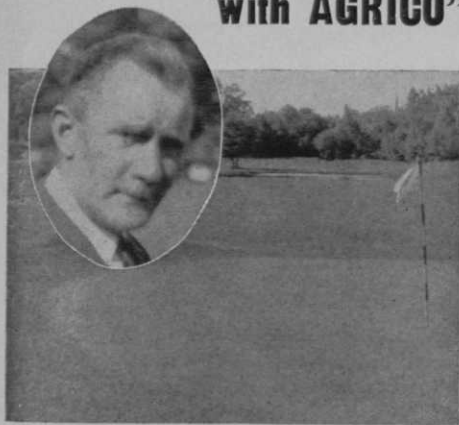
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year . . . Pro Bill Wrenn at Hoberg's Lake County (Calif.) CC reports ace made on 135 yd. 5th first day new course was opened, by Tom Dillon, playing first round in 12 years, and with borrowed clubs.

O. J. Noer and Charley Wilson featured speakers at Royal Canadian GA Golf and Turf Field Day held at University of Alberta, Edmonton, Sept. 25 . . . Evans Cad-die Scholarship Foundation annual outing at Bob O'Link CC (Chicago dist.) Sept. 9, attended by 172 Evans scholars, 30 alumni, 15 Western GA officials and 10 guests.

Hubert E. Stoddard, pres. S. B. Church Co. water engineering specialists, told Connecticut Clubs and Managers' Assn. Sept. meeting at Woodbridge CC that water supply problems are being increased by water requirement for air conditioning . . . Organize at McConnelsville, O. to make drive for 9-hole public course.

National Golf Fund, Inc. members and directors to meet at St. Paul, Dec. 1, during PGA annual meeting to consider applications for allotment of receipts from 1954 National Golf Day . . . Applications for golf educational and charitable purposes that will qualify under Internal Revenue Dept. regulations, should be submitted to

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Tom Walsh in promotion bulletin of his Westgate Valley CC (Chicago dist. semi-public) advises as his "golf tip of the month:" "Watch your right thumb. If you apply pressure with it you will spoil many shots. Ask us about it the next time you are out." . . . The Walsh brothers, Tom, Marty, Frank and Packey are operating the O'Hare Field GC, at Bensenville, Ill. . . . Course on property to be occupied by O'Hare airfield, formerly was Twin Orchard CC which bought and now occupies the former Skycrest CC.

State men amateur champions from Iowa, Idaho, N & S Dakota, Montana, Wyoming and Nebraska played in annual "Tournament of Champions" at Sheridan (Wyo.) CC . . . Bruce Cudd, with 213 successfully defended his title . . . Willard Memorial tournament at Hardscrabble CC, keeps Calcutta from getting into floating crap game high rolling class by limiting

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Oakland GC (Bayside, N. Y. Met dist.) which was bought from members for subdividing, will continue as fee course during 1955 . . . Marty Lyons is mgr., and Alex Ednie, pro . . . Course will play about 50,000 this year . . . 1955 Metropolitan Open to be played at Fenway CC where Herman Barron is pro . . . Expect to have \$10,000 purse for the event . . . 1955 Triangle Round Robin for women, sponsored by Jack McAuliffe's plastic pipe company, will be played at Grossinger CC (N.Y. Met dist.) June 14-18.

Helen Lengfeld, pres. American Women's Voluntary Services and Joe Devany, pro at Grosse Ile G&CC (Detroit dist.) and chmn. PGA Active Services and Veterans' Program committee, working on plan to coordinate PGA sections with Swing Clubs of AWVS . . . Jack R. Fry-

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Pat Markovich, pro-mgr., Richmond (Calif.) CC, says indication of the way California is growing in population and golf is seen at Contra Costa which wasn't able to support a 9-hole course in 1946 but now has an 18 with 486 members and a waiting list . . . Joe Kirkwood returning as winter pro to Boca Grande (Fla.) Hotel with 27 holes of golf and great fishing . . .



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Andy LaPola, pro at Preakness GC, Paterson, N. J., after being out of action for 20 months following heart attack, in his first round returning to competition shot 67, and with a member, Mrs. A. Benjamin a 64 to tie for first in pro-lady's event . . . Mortie Dutra, Hillcrest CC (LA dist.) repeated as Southern California PGA senior champion.

Everett Leonard, pro at Butte des Morts GC, Appleton, Wis., for the past 19 years, honored by dinner at Riverdale GC, Sheboygan, Wis., as pro who did 1954's outstanding job in golf promotion in north-eastern Wisconsin . . . Elmer G. Border, for past 2 years Supt. at Mexico City CC and at Club de Golf de Mexico, leaving Oct. 20 to become supt., Olympic Club, San Francisco, succeeding Sam Whiting who is retiring after many years with Olympic.

Date of Las Vegas, Nev. \$35,000 "Tournament of Champions" at Desert Inn CC, switched from April 21-24 to April 28-May 1 . . . Ed Furgol, Marty Furgol, "Mr. Dutch" Harrison and Tommy Bolt to Australia for series of matches, Ampol tour-

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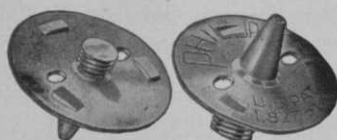
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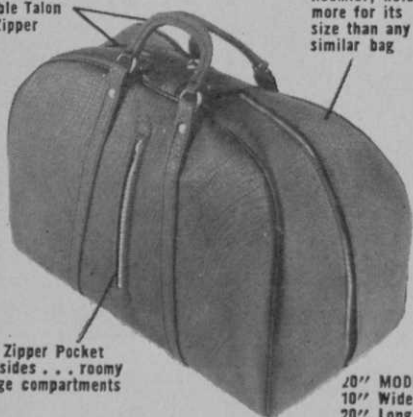
nament and clinics starting Oct. 13 . . . Quartette will depart for U. S. Nov. 16 . . . PGA list of money-winners from first of year to Sept. 29 has 22 collecting more than \$10,000 per . . . Leader of course, is Bob Toski, with \$65,891 of which \$50,000 was gathered by his victory in World Championship . . . Jack Burke second with \$20,213; and Marty Furgol third with \$19,909 . . . Gene Littler did well his first season of eligibility for prize money, getting 13th place with \$13,983.

Don Richards, Spalding pro salesman in Okla., Ark., La., Miss. and Memphis, Tenn., says junior golf is getting immense boost from pros on his beat . . . Reports that Ned White, pro at Querbes Park, Shreveport, La., has 85 entries in his annual junior tournament . . . Sons of B. F. Dickson, pro at McAlester (Okla.) CC have 14 trophies between them . . . Ben Dickson, Jr., has been member of Oklahoma A&M team for several years, won Mo. Valley conference title in 1951 and 1954 and is 1954 Oklahoma Amateur champion . . . Bob Dickson, 10, has won a string of "pee wee" titles, the Junior Masters at Dothan, Ala., and driving, pitching and putting competitions . . . His lowest round is a 76 at Stillwater, Okla.

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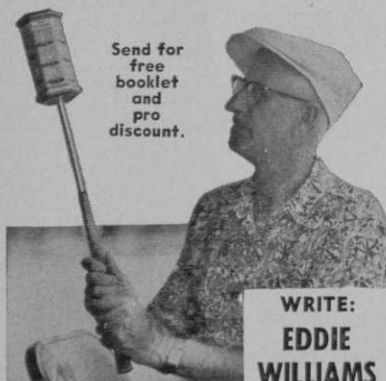
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"Boots" Porterfield, Wisconsin State Open champion and formerly asst. pro at Milwaukee (Wis.) CC appointed pro at Ozaukee CC, Thiensville, Wis. . . . Much of federal-aid airport program of \$20,425,843 for fiscal year ending June 30, 1955 which is to be matched by local government, goes for "Doolittle clear zones" adjacent to airport which in some cases is land suitable for golf course construction.

Richland (Wash.) Edgewater GC to open this month, says Mgr. Bill Walton . . . Construction schedules on numerous new courses delayed by weather this summer . . . Sonoma (Calif.) G&CC owners Dr. and Mrs. Cecil A. Saunders considering expansion after survey made by George S. May Co. . . . Harold Stone now mgr. as well as pro at Sonoma . . . Robert Trent Jones hopes to have new Coral Ridge CC, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., de luxe establishment, completed by Jan. 15.

Organizing Shelby County CC with 9-hole course near Montevallo, Ala. . . . Henry Hughes, Denver, planning many course for Loveland, Colo. . . . New many course proposed as part of Burbank, Calif., \$10 million Capital Improvement



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program . . . Pro Joe Sylvester, North Hempstead (L. I., N. Y.) CC pro credited by John Brennan, Long Island golf writer, with being "magician behind the scenes" responsible for development of many Long Island junior stars.

Paul Hahn, trick shot star, playing almost every day to large galleries in the west . . . Joe Kirkwood doing his stuff on crowded schedule in east . . . Tom Clancy, Jr., son of pro at Northport GC (NY Met dist.) semi-finalist in Long Island Boys' championship . . . Jack Westland, 1952 National Amateur champion, and congressman from Washington, says federal land should be used for expansion of golf facilities.

Ernie Garlen pro at new Westbriar CC, Vienna, Va. . . . A. H. Tull was Westbriar architect . . . Sheldon Weiss and Earl Thompson, promoters of Hudson (Wis.) CC, Inc., have bought 155 acres for club . . . Bill Walton, formerly asst. to Eddie Hogan at Riverside CC, Portland, Ore., signed as pro by Pendleton (Ore.) CC . . . New clubhouse at Peninsula State Park course, Sturgeon Bay, Wis., started.

Werner R. Rademacher heads incorporators of new Sylvan Dale CC near Al-

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buquerque, N. M. . . Nassau County, N.Y. to build \$1,700,000 clubhouse at Nassau County park and course, Salisbury . . . Hayward (Calif.) GC to be expanded from 9 to 18 . . . Architects of new public, private and semi-private courses certainly doing good jobs in providing convenient practice range areas . . . Several new courses have ranges opened before courses and ranges have steamed up lot of eagerness to play . . . Lights on some of the course ranges.

New watering system at Cherry Hills CC, Denver, enabled Supt. Vic Lindholm to have the course in presidential condition for Ike . . . Howard H. Peck now pro at Sleeping Giant GC, Cheshire, Conn. . . Edward C. Lapierre, 110 Cameron st., Pawtucket, R. I., planning to build 9-hole course at Attleboro, Mass.

Pickens County CC., Easley, S. C. formally opens first 9 of its eventual 18 . . . Bob Renaud is pro . . . Engineers recommend to city of Greenville, S. C. that when present site of city dump is filled in estimated 5 years, property be used for many course . . . Open \$100,000 9-hole addition to Geneva-on-the-Lake, O. many course . . . James G. Harrison architect of the

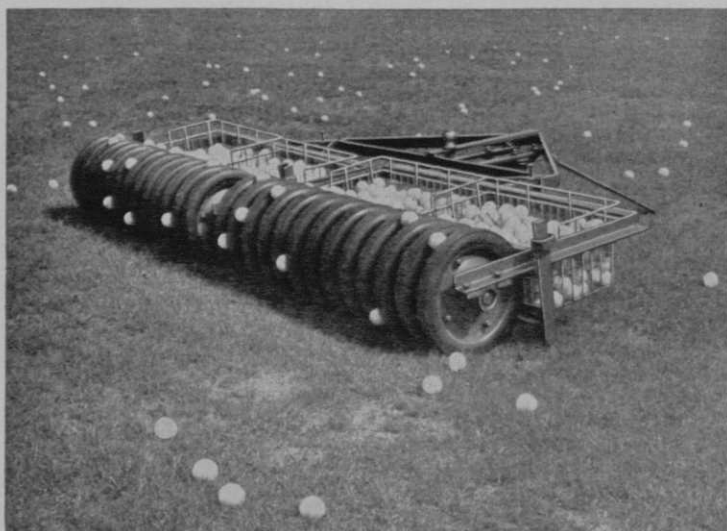
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Santa Maria (Calif.) CC \$25,000 clubhouse replacing one destroyed by fire May 31, opened . . . White Mountain GC plans building course in Sitgreaves National Forest near Pinetop, Ariz. . . Milt Coggins, pro at Encanto, Phoenix; John Hanley, supt., Sundown Ranch GC, Scottsdale, and H. Glenn Lawis, landscape architect for the forest service, collaborating in designing course.

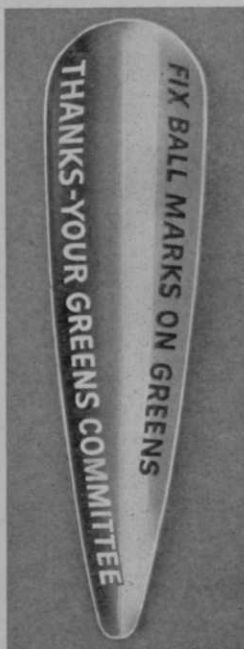
Bernie Guenther, San Clemente, Calif., proposes to build course at Rancho Carrillo, near Coronado, Calif. . . . Budd L. Aven heads Antelope Valley CC, planning to build 9-hole course near Lancaster, Calif. . . . Student volunteer workers from 3450 Technical Training Group build 9-hole course on military post near Cheyenne, Wyo.

Hillmoor GC, near Lake Geneva, Wis., modernizing clubhouse . . . Earl Brickner proposes building 9-hole semi-private course at Ellsworth, Wis. . . . Second 9 of Kinston (N. C.) CC course opened . . . Gene Hamm pro, Mount Airy (N. C.) CC.

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SWINGING AROUND GOLF

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Pro plans for Christmas golf gift sales campaigns which resulted in "Christmas Shopping at Your Pro Shop" book are spreading rapidly . . . "Christmas Shopping at Your Pro Shop" originally set for circulation of 40,000 among pro shop potential customers, got about 97,000 circulation ordered by pros . . . Numerous orders received too late for handling . . . Campaign is first nation-wide effort by leading businessmen pros to put pro shop golf gifts high on Christmas shopping lists.

Al Houghton, Prince George G&CC, elected pres., MidAtlantic PGA for 6th consecutive year . . . Don Saylor, formerly asst. to Max Elbin at Burning Tree

Club (Washington dist.) now pro at Andrews Air Force Base course in Maryland . . . Police catch teen-age gang that robbed pro shops at Burning Tree and Columbia (Washington dist.) . . . S. G. Loeffler plans 9-hole addition to Langston GC at Washington, D. C.

Jim Thomson of Mohawk GC, Schenectady, N. Y. is quoted in Northeastern GCSA "Collaborator": "A beautiful golf course is like a beautiful girl; wonderful to look at but damned expensive to keep." . . . Among many features of 5th annual Central Plains Turf Conference at Kansas State College, Manhattan, Oct. 20-22 will be inspection of golfturf plots that went all summer without artificial water . . . Lambert, Wagner, Pickett, Quinlan, Keen and others of Central Plains and Kansas State may be developing the answer to the biggest problem of golf course maintenance in many localities.

Hellzapoppin' again for PGA Tournament bureau . . . Brawl this time between PGA and Los Angeles Junior Chamber of Commerce which plans to run its 29th LA Open at Rancho, Jan. 7-10, for \$20,000 . . . Bob Leacox, PGA Tournament Coordinator announces PGA-sponsored \$25,000 Pan-American Open at Ingleside CC (LA dist.) Jan. 6-9, with trailer manufacturer Wm. MacDonald (sponsor of Miami International 4-ball) and oil man A. T. Jergins as financial backers . . . Jaycees claim PGA repudiated agreement made with winter sponsors . . . Los Angeles press takes Jaycees' side . . . In present confusion and controversy it looks like home club PGA pros of the district will be put in the middle with the young and aggressive local Jaycees steadily becoming more important in official activities at their own clubs.

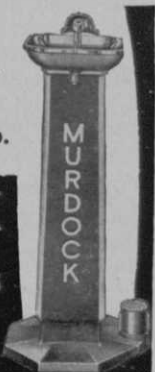
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Tommy Galloway, 25 years pro at Hermitage CC, Richmond, Va., died Sept. 19 in his native Glasgow . . . The beloved Tommy and his wife had returned to Scotland after 30 years' absence . . . Trip was a gift from the club . . . Tommy, battered from injuries with Cameron Highlanders, came to U. S. in 1922 with Tommy Armour and Bobby Cruickshank . . . The club staged a big party for the Galloways in 1948 . . . Tommy and his "wee Momma" and their daughters Margaret and Ann were one of the loveliest of families . . . Tommy was a jewel of American pro golf and his passing is a personal loss to every one who knew him.

There's talk about national associations of pros, supts., and club managers getting together to formulate outline for employee pensions and insurance that would be practical for many clubs . . . Officials of some leading clubs privately believe general pattern may be inevitable despite seasonal nature of many clubs' operations and high operating costs and taxes.

Joe Valentine, Merion GC supt., receives first honorary membership in Merion Bluegrass Assn. during Penn State College Turf Field Day in recognition of his discovery of the grass . . . The association was formed to extend and protect market for certified Merion . . . Midwest Turf Foundation Field Days, Sept. 27-28 at Purdue university, drew record crowd . . . Highlights were outstanding performance of Pennlu creeping bent on Midwest plots, inferiority of Bermudas to bents on mid-west greens, soil temperature research, effective crabgrass control, promise in poa annua control, Merion blue excellent showing under lawn management.

First 9 of new semi-public Commack Hills (L.I., N.Y.) CC open . . . Second 9 to be opened next spring . . . Geo. Jacobson and Geo. Cameron are owners . . . Fine 7000 yd. layout designed by Alex McKay . . . Pro is Frank R. Sposato, for 23 years with Huntington (N. Y.) Crescent Club and asst. to Lenney Peters since 1946 . . . Lenney says Frank knows pro dept. operation "inside out" and will make good in a great way on the new job.

"U. S. Has 5000 Courses; 4000 Out of Date" is head of good article by Paul Gardner in October Nation's Business . . . The piece has interesting, informative quotes from Robert Trent Jones, Jr., on golf architecture and by Ed Casey, Baltursol CC supt., on supts.' work in maintenance.

Charlie Hallowell, Pennsylvania county agent who's been immensely valuable in his work with course supts., visits California for first time in 4 years . . . Charlie says Paul Addressi has done marvelous job getting Tamarisk CC, Palm Springs, into condition . . . LA CC has its 1955 Amateur championship course in championship condition right now . . . LA County turf survey, spearheaded by Colin Simpson, is impressive, close-up information that will have tremendous influence eventually all over the country in increasing financing required for turf research.

Finance company advertises "pay as you play" plan for financing golf playing equipment purchases thru pro shops, in British golf magazines . . . Gives example of about \$188 worth of equipment (9 irons, 4 woods, canvas bag, cart, "sundry all-weather equipment" and dozen balls) for about \$15 down and 18 monthly payments of about \$10 each.

Harris, Kerr, Forster & Co., club accountants, survey of average maintenance cost per hole in 1953, covering 576 holes at 29 clubs, shows average per hole of \$2,232 . . . Salaries and wages are \$1,534, equipment maintenance and repairs are \$158; Sand, seed, soil, chemicals and fertilizer are \$277, and sundry supplies are \$263 . . . Wonder what really practical value, if any, those figures are? . . . But some golf club officials will forget some of the 576 holes may be 125-150 yds. long without fairways, and others 470 to 525 with fairways and flanking traps.

John Perelli signed as pro at Golden Gate Fields course in infield of race track across bay from San Francisco . . . Frank Stranahan now on MacGregor Golf advisory staff.

Fairdale CC, Allendale, S. C. formally opens new course and clubhouse . . . Pas-saic County, N. J. to add 9 to its 27 holes . . . Sunnysbrook GC (Philadelphia dist.) accepts \$525,000 over for 40-year-old plant and will build new course and clubhouse in Whitemarsh township . . . Present Sunnysbrook site will be subdivided.

New 9 of New Bern (N. C.) CC expected to be in play in Nov. . . . Ellis Maples designed the new layout . . . W. P. Murphy of recently chartered El Refugio CC, Albuquerque, N. M., says club will build 9-hole course early . . . Portland, Ore. opens \$40,000 range with covered tees at Eastmoreland muni course with Oregon PGA pros' demonstration . . . Dave Killen is

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Commission appointed to study proposed Lowell (Mass.) munny course . . . Industrial golf leagues have registered big increase in play this year . . . Davie Low, veteran clubmaker from Carnoustie, visiting U. S. showed 50 of his collection of historic clubs at British Travel Assn. offices in N. Y.

Bobby Craigs retiring Jan. 1 after 41 years as pro at Audubon CC, Louisville, Ky. . . Bobby made club life member and given pension . . . He's going to make a trip in spring to see old pals in Monifieth, Scotland . . . Bobby's sure brought a lot of fine pros and amateurs into golf . . . Craigs went to Audubon when he was 27 . . . Club's going to give him a big party in December.

Bob Hudson back in Portland, Ore., after 3 month European trip with Mrs. Hudson, son Jack and daughter Pat . . . While abroad Bob did some campaigning for International Golf Assn. idea conceived by John Jay Hopkins and says next

International affair may be abroad next year . . . Fred Corcoran working on promotion of the plan . . . Hudson to stage Western Open at Portland (Ore.) GC next year.

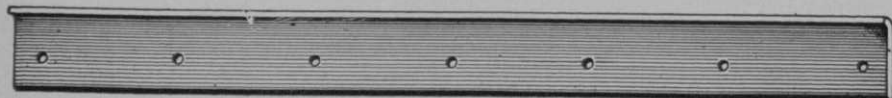
Interesting, attractive 50th anniversary book on 10-men team matches between Sadaquada and Yahnundasis clubs at Utica, N. Y. tells brief history of the clubs and of McLoughlin Cup competitions . . . Yahnundasis won 36 and Sadaquada 13 of the matches up to this year . . . It's oldest competition of this kind in the U.S.

Bill Edgar, sales mgr., Australian Steel Shafts Pty., Ltd., Melbourne, Australian True Temper shaft makers, home after trip to Britain and U. S. . . Edgar visited American golf manufacturing plants and clubs and spent considerable time learning of operations of National Golf Foundation and Western Golf Assn. caddie program while in Chicago . . . Over 500 at Home Owners' Lawn Clinic in Topeka, Ks. auditorium Sept. 10 . . . W. R. Yerkes, Topeka Commissioner of Parks and director of Central Plains Turf Foundation arranged program which included Chet Mendenhall, supt. Mission Hills CC, Kansas City; Marvin Ferguson, USGA Green Section, Prof. Ray A. Keen and Prof. L. R. Quinlan of Kansas State College as advisory panel.

Albert F. Vickery, 54, supt., South Shore CC, Hingham, Mass. for 28 years, was found dead of natural causes in his car in

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front of his home, Sept. 7 . . . Mr. Vickery is survived by his mother, three daughters, two brothers and his sister . . . He was a well liked, competent man who made a labor of love of his work on the course.

Conrad Schubkegel, 78, died recently at his home in Hemet, Calif. . . . He was born in Germany and came to the U. S. in 1903 where he established a reputation in landscaping and golf course construction . . . His first course was at Essex Fells (N. J.) CC . . . he retired and moved to California 12 years ago . . . He is survived by his brother Adam.

Fred Slyder, Chicago District GA pres., and Ed Schuemann, Chicago golf enthusiast, supplying answer to prizes for tournaments at Danville (Ill.) vets' hospital, which CDGA financed and supports . . . Most popular prizes are Hawaiian shirts.

Some brilliant golf writing has been done in newspapers this year but thus far we've seen none better than the column Gerry Hern of the Boston Post did on Roland Hancock about the time of the NE PGA meeting last spring . . . Dramatic piece about how missing a shot that cost him the 1928 National Open didn't ruin his life by a long way . . . If that isn't picked among the best sportswriting jobs of the year the pickers are wrong.

Albert Hornstein, opens Par Golf Range at Savannah, Ga. . . . Leases other space on his 20 acre tract to Oscar and Lois Nichols for putting course . . . Alex Radko, USGA Green Section NE Section director, says trend to bent fairways in NY metropolitan district has brought thatch trouble . . . "Golf's Trouble Shots" series which featured San Francisco district pros' picture and type instruction as gathered by Nels Cullenward, reprinted in 4-page folder by Call-Bulletin . . . Makes swell circulation promotion piece.