

Swinging around Golf

NEWS OF THE GOLF WORLD IN BRIEF

Steady increase again showed this winter in keeping good men on maintenance staff on year-around payroll... Supts. have no trouble at all having plenty of work for these men during cold weather... Policy shows to good advantage in spring openings of central and northern courses with equipment, course work and key labor all set... Getting tougher, even with general employment situation somewhat soft, to get most desirable course workers back on jobs in spring... Company employment at good wages, extra time, vacations, benefit plans has been taking many men supts. would like to keep.

Bob Scott, Sr. retiring after 34 years as supt. of Baltimore (Md.) CC two courses... The courses are 5 miles apart... Bob was in course architecture and building before coming to the Baltimore job... He's a gardener and landscape as well as turf expert... Gave a valuable helping hand in building of many other courses in the Baltimore area... With O. B. Fitts the senior Scott got together the group that formed the Mid-Atlantic Greenkeepers' Assn... Dr. Stuart Edgerton, Baltimore (Md.) CC, is looking for a man to succeed Bob.

Mid-Atlantic Golf Course Supts. Assn. sets 1955 schedule of 11 meetings... Announces program for its annual turf-grass conference at Hotel Lord Baltimore, Baltimore, Feb. 7 and 8... One feature is a panel on "What Can We Do for Each Other", comprised of a supt., green chmn., pro and mgr., with Adm. John S. Phillips of Army-Navy CC as moderator.

Sorry case of bad judgment by a really green green-chairman is that of a chairman who's experimenting with everything on greens where trouble is bad old construction... Fairways show need of renovation and fertilization the club easily



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could afford... Supt. has been kept scared to ask for enough money to do the work he knows is needed... Club has fine, ideally operated clubhouse where money isn't stinted... Peculiar part of the story is that the supt. could get bigger salary elsewhere, being a man other supts. rate as one of most competent in the district but is kept on the job by unfortunate personal reasons.

Dick Kennedy, supt., div. of golf, Indianapolis, Ind., celebrating arrival of daughter Kristin on Jan. 7... She and son Stuart keeping Pop and Mom busy... Dick has done considerable reconstruction on Coffin, one of Indianapolis' six munny courses, where Publinox championship will be played... Gordon Wright, sec. Ganton (Eng.) GC, member of Board of Sports Turf Research Institute and honorary member of English Greenkeepers' Assn., busy visitor to GCSA convention and equipment show... Wright took off from St. Louis to Ottawa, Can., where he is to be married to a Canadian belle.

Grand jobs of reporting with pictures and talk by O. J. Noer, Fred Grau and Jim Watson in their GCSA convention spiels... These fellows are among star exhibits of tremendously valuable jobs of sales engineering done by manufacturers' and dealers' representatives in the golf course maintenance field.

That Noer is an iron man... The guy has the same pep and the fresh investigative mind he had when he started on the beat almost 30 years ago... The energetic Grau started a lot of lively discussion with his suggestion that it might do clubs and supts. much good if supts. had offices in the clubhouse as Joe Valentine has at Merion... General opinion was that Joe's situation (and Joe) differs from that at other clubs... Supts. all agreed with Grau's conviction that a supt. ought

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Rancho Santa Fe (Calif.) CC completing new clubhouse and is going into private club status . . . Ben Chlevin of National Golf Foundation staff has done informative series of articles on industrial golf appearing in Industrial Sports and Recreation magazine . . . Research by Chlevin shows golf growing big as strong, pleasant link of workers and management.

British Golf Foundation reports that from start of its junior golf instruction in 1952 at six schools the program has grown to teaching 6000 boys and girls . . . Last summer golf coaching was provided at 200 schools . . . Other schools were on waiting list to be cared for when the Foundation's funds increased.

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six apparently authentic cases of "Mulligan's" start in the U. S., we learned that mulligans had been taken for many years by collegiate golfers at Eton in England, under the name of datchets.

Golf, the official organ of the Federación Espanola de Golf, is new monthly magazine published at San Bernardo 13, Madrid, Spain . . . J. H. Taylor, writing in Golf Monthly of Edinburgh, says the first golf bag was made by Bryant Hunter, an ex-sailor, at Westward Ho! before 1883 . . . Bryant sewed sail cloth together to encase the clubs and keep the grips dry . . . The first bags were carried under the caddies arms . . . The straps were added later.

Wm. F. Cody is only architect to design three new golf clubhouses . . . He designed and built clubhouses at Thunderbird, Tamarisk and Mission Valley, all in California . . . They're very modernistic but not to the degree they look like jukeboxes as so many ultra-modernistic buildings do.

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Planning early construction of 9-hole course west of Dinuba, Calif. . . . Organizing to build 9-hole course at Ware, Mass. . . . Duffy Martin and Fred Billen building 9-hole semi-private course and range at Oklahoma City, Okla., to plans of Floyd Farley . . . Expect first 9 of new munny course at Norfolk, Va. to be open in June . . . Second 9 of \$200,000 plant to open in June, 1956.

Westchester County, N. Y. park commission wants one, possibly two, new courses with play limited to county residents . . . Plans for buying Dunwoodie course as Westchester facility not favored by county and Yonkers city officials who want to keep it on tax rolls . . . Golf Course of the Piedmonts, at Piedmont, S. C. expects to have 9 holes of eventual 18 in play by May, says sec.-treas. Charles T. Kimbo . . . J. P. Traynham of Greenville building Piedmont course.

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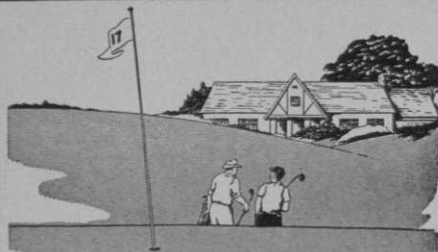


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Marin County Golfers' Assn., San Rafael, Calif., Harold Keaton, pres., has acquired 200 acres for course . . . Middle Island GC, West Union, W. Va., group headed by Frank Leggett, to build 9-hole course . . . De Anza Desert CC, near Borrego, Calif., soon to start course building to plans of Lawrence Hughes . . . Estate development to surround course . . . George Fazio hired for \$12,000 to be head pro at Philadelphia, Pa. 5 muni courses . . . Park commission increases fees by 25 cents to \$1.25 to those not holding season permits . . . Increased revenue to improve courses which operated at \$57,000 deficit last year.

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conic GC, Williamstown, Mass., building \$62,000 new clubhouse . . . Meadowland GC (Philadelphia dist.) has "Meet the Pro" dinner to welcome new pro Angelo Paul . . . Lexington (Va.) CC building new clubhouse . . . Hannastown GC, Greensburg, Pa., bought by group headed by T. S. Jamison, Jr. . . . To continue and improve course.

Naval Air Station, Cecil Field, Jacksonville, Fla., opens 9-hole course . . . George Jacobus, Ridgewood (N. J.) CC pro and former pres., PGA, named to condemnation commission to determine value of Arcola CC, Paramus, N. J., acquired for Garden State Parkway . . . South Hills CC, Fond du Lac, Wis., adds \$100,000 clubhouse wing.

Northeastern Wisconsin Golf Assn. annual spring business clinic, bringing together club officials, pros, supts. and managers of clubs in that area will be held at South Hills CC, Fond du Lac, Wis., May 2.

Delavan, Wis., Delbrook muni course to have new clubhouse . . . Port Arthur (Tex.) CC building new \$465,000 course and clubhouse . . . Ralph Plummer



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Fairfield (Ia.) CC clubhouse burns with \$50,000 loss . . . Clarence Ehresman, pro at Ashbourne CC (Philadelphia dist.), along with other club employees and caddies, honored at dinner formally opening new clubhouse . . . Work in progress on new 9 of Congressional CC (Washington, D. C. dist.) to design of Robert Trent Jones.

New 18 at Portland, Ore. Scholls Ferry rd. many course will have dual tees and greens on the four par-3 holes . . . Idea conceived by Robert Trent Jones and first used on New York City many course then on many course Jones designed for Columbus, O.

Henry Lindner, pro at Belle Meade CC, Nashville, Tenn. got women's golf interest blazing with group classes that drew 100 women, mostly beginners . . . First couple of weeks Lindner sold \$600 worth of equipment to women . . . He had a special of a set of two woods, five irons and a close-out bag, for \$59.50 . . . Says women's golf increase has brought a lot

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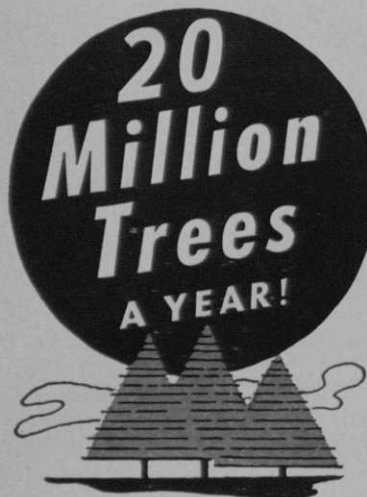
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Air Force Academy to be built at Colorado Springs, Colo., to have two 18s . . . USGA Greens Section divisional directors are concerned about width of tires on bag carts and golf cars . . . Say some of bag cart tires are too narrow . . . Sports Illustrated carried story of 4-tee one-green course (holes of 100, 140, 120 and 80 yds.) Robert Trent Jones designed for Ike's hide-away, Camp David, in Maryland's Catoctin mountains.

Art Doering, resigns as Cincinnati (O.) CC pro to succeed Vic Ghezzi as Inwood (LI, N. Y.) CC pro . . . Sam Penecale, former Philadelphia city amateur champion, hired by Bob Marshall as Bob's asst. at Bala (Phila. dist.) CC . . . Bob and Johnnie McDermott, first homebred to win National Open, were proteges of the late Jack Burke, Sr. . . . McDermott visits Marshall occasionally.

Danny Williams, Jr., doing big business at winter golf school at Kresge's in Newark, N. J., which he took over from his dad, Knoll GC pro, several years ago . . . John Handwerg already getting many members for his 27-hole Empire State



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Westchester County, N. Y. plans to get new public course with use restricted to residents of the county, has New York City public course golfers urging more courses . . . NYC Park dept. planning on new 27-hole layout near Floyd Bennett Field in Brooklyn . . . George S. May signs with National Broadcasting Co. at Chicago for 13 TV shows from 10:30 to 11 p.m. Tuesday nights, starting at Tam O'Shanter (Chicago dist.) June 7.

There's always a chance for a bright young pro to make a good sideline hook-up as Al Mengert proves in signing as touring pro for Norelco electric shaver . . . Third annual Desert Inn Tournament of Champions at Las Vegas, Nev., April 28-May 1, to have \$35,000 prize money plus \$35,000 donation to Damon Runyon memorial fund for cancer relief.

National Golf Day this year to have 5 per cent of total income split 50-50 between charities designated by Ed Furgol and Babe Zaharias . . . Ed probably selecting Crippled Children's organization and Babe, cancer-fighting association.



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Daughter of Percy Clifford, pro at Club de Golf de Mexico, who began golf two years ago playing with Wiffi Smith, now scoring in 70s . . . Miss Heidi Hagge, daughter of Bob and Alice Bauer Hagge, had starting time of 8:09 p.m. Nov. 13 at Sarasota and scored 8 lbs. 9 oz. first round on the scales . . . Most beautiful doll in golf her mammy and pappy say . . . Families of Bob Toski and Frank Stranahan soon will be playing threesomes.

Jim Searle, elected honorary member of Lake Placid Club, Essex County N. Y., and given silver service, in appreciation of 25 years grand service as the club's pro . . . Nordica Koch Love, one of the top stars at resort publicity, handling Pinehurst publicity this season.

Month-long turf management course conducted by the Sports Turf Research Institute at St. Ives Research Station, Bingley, Eng., limited to 20 . . . Fee is about \$22 . . . George Sargent, former pres. PGA playing golf again after long layoff with heart attack.

Wm. F. Gordon and son Dave building new course for Sunnybrook GC at Militia Hill, Philadelphia suburb . . . Course to be ringed by members' homes . . . Sunnybrook got \$525,000 for its old course, to be a real estate development . . . Gordons also doing an additional 9 for Langston GC, in Washington, D. C., and modernizing Green Acres CC, Lawrenceville, N. J.

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One of the liveliest club papers we've seen is 19th Hole of Tualatin CC, Portland, Ore. . . . Deft job of publicity and information for pro dept., course care and house business done along with great coverage of members with words and pix . . . Ray Daley appointed pro-mgr. Pompano Beach (Fla.) CC, built by Robt. F. (Red) Lawrence and to be opened this month.

Irv Cooper, Southern Calif. amateur star turns pro . . . He is salesman for Autoette golf car . . . Large mural of air-view of Fall River (Mass.) CC grounds presented to club by pro-supt. Marty Higgins . . . Drive for additional public course for Westchester County, N. Y., going strong in area's newspapers.

Maury Fitzgerald, Washington Post and Times Herald golf writer, says 1½ acres have been planted to C-1 and C-19, an acre in U-3 for tees and 7½ acres in Ber-

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Waterbury, Conn., Board of Park Commissioners, engage architects Wm. F. Gordon and son Dave to design city's second munny course . . . New Britain, Conn., considering additional 9 at Stanley munny course . . . Gatlinburg, Tenn., building 18-hole public course; hope to have 9 open by summer.

Oakland GC at Bayside LI, N. Y., will continue this year as a fee course . . . Played about 50,000 rounds last year . . . Del Kinney for past 5 years pro at New London (Conn.) CC, starts April 1 on his new job as pro at Hotchkiss School course at Lakeville, Conn. . . . Connecticut PGA third annual spring golf show at Avon CC, April 18.

George Diamond, Chicago restaurant owner, buys Chain O'Lakes GC, Antioch, Ill. . . . F. A. Wahl new recreation director, Firestone Tire & Rubber Co., Akron, O., replacing P. P. Sheeks, a pioneer booster of industrial golf, who retired

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Wm. Buescher, gen. mgr., swanky new Beach Club, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., gets his executive chef Harris Burtch from Knollwood Club (Chicago dist.) . . . Burtch previously was with Edgewater and Ridgemoor in Chicago dist. and Westwood CC, Cleveland . . . Country club managers say Burtch is one of the stars in fine cuisine, reasonable food costs and handling culinary help.

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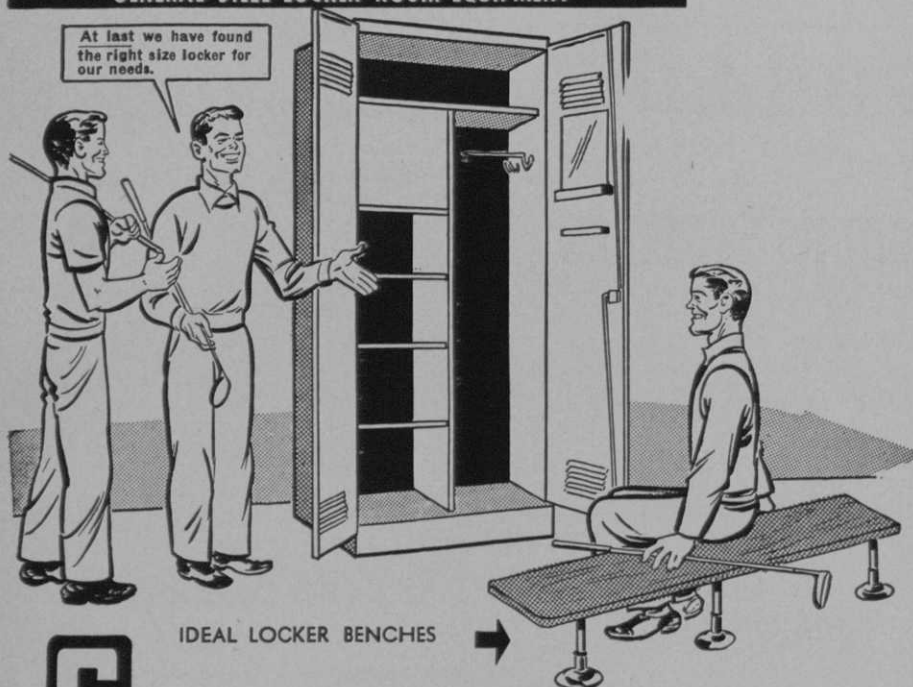
pros off an uncomfortable hook . . . Lloyd Mangrum battling siege of bad health which had him pretty nearly under at the PGA annual meeting.

West Texas Pro-Amateur Golf Assn. played benefit for Harold Smith, pro at Lamesa (Tex.) CC who had \$4500 pro shop fire without insurance . . . George Fazio in line for job in charge of Philadelphia's five muny courses . . . Courses played 197,000 rounds last year, getting \$180,000 in fees and had \$57,000 deficit.

Alice Bauer Hagge, her sister Marlene, daddy Dave, and Alice's husband Bob, signed for TV instruction series of 13 films . . . Will Simpson from Harmony Landing CC, Louisville, Ky., to succeed Bobby Craigs as pro at Audubon CC, Louisville . . . Simpson previously has been pro at Manikiki CC, Cleveland, O., and broke in under Eddie Williams at Westwood CC (Cleveland dist.).

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Jack Redmond making the beat in Texas, tying-in with his TV film of trick shots and golf equipment . . . He's among roving ambassadors for Harlingen (Tex.) CC "Life Begins at 40" annual tournament.

Royal Canadian Golf Assn. announces March 17 and 18 as dates of annual turf conference at Ontario Agricultural college, Guelph; and May 2 and 3 as dates of Maritime turf conference to be held at Nova Scotia Agricultural college, Truro, N. S. . . . Canadian western turf conference, usually held in spring, will be held this fall . . . Date and place to be set.

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Ed Brady, supt., New York City muni courses has kept Clearview, Mosholu, Dyker and Latourette of the city's 10 courses, open all winter . . . Pros at the courses doing big business in pocket-sized handwarmers.

Edwin B. Knapp, Jr. goes from USGA staff to become executive sec., New York Metropolitan District Golf Assn., largest district golf association . . . Tony Pedone going as asst. to Bill Leach at Overbrook (Pa.) GC . . . Excellent 9-hole, par 35, 3,017 yd. course built at Ardmore (Okla.) Air Force Base by fellows under Col. A. S. Penniston, CO of the base.

John J. Gordon, 67, died Dec. 29, at his home at Snyder, N. Y., after a brief illness . . . Jack was a native of Dumfries, Scotland, and after pro assignments in

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Scotland and England came to the U. S. as pro at the Rhode Island CC . . . From there he went to the Buffalo (N. Y.) CC in 1918 . . . After 9 years there he opened the Transit Valley CC and in 1944 went as pro to the Westwood CC from which he retired last year . . . Jack's father was a famed golfer, gardener and Latin scholar . . . His brothers George and Hugh are active in pro golf . . . Two of his sisters, Elizabeth and Margaret, won Rhode Island state championships . . . Another

sister, Mrs. Edythe Peckham, also survives . . . Jack and his widow, Mrs. Lillian Barnes Gordon, before illness struck him, had planned to leave for a Florida golfing vacation . . . Jack was author of an excellent book on golf instruction . . . He was a fine, helpful, studious man and a high credit to pro golf.

Russ Davidson who has been at Westwood CC (Cleveland dist.) for 26 years, is getting a new \$30,000 pro shop between the lockerroom and the first tee . . . Charley Wolff, father-in-law of Paul Leix, supt., Allegheny CC (Pittsburgh dist.) was one of the earliest pros in the U. S. . . . Wolff, who has been out of golf for some years, was a pro in 1898.

LaBatt Open, with \$25,000 prize money, to be played at Summerlea G&CC, Montreal, Aug. 25-28 . . . St. Andrews Citizen tells of circular 60 years old, recently brought to light in Fred Mackenzie's golf shop, advertising a lawn mower-bicycle combination . . . The mower took the place of the front wheel customary on a bike.

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Nicky Gudzan, 27, pro at Beaufort (S. C.) Lady's Island CC, died recently in Memorial hospital, New York, of cancer, following four operations . . . First one was last spring, and took away an arm . . . Nicky, father of three children, came back from that operation to his job . . . Dan Parker, NY Mirror sports editor said Nicky was "the gamest athlete I ever met." . . . Carolina pros played several benefit matches to finance operations on Gudzan.

Henry Hughes designs new course for Sterling (Colo.) CC which is converting from sand greens and will have watered fairways and new clubhouse . . . Midwest

Assn. of Golf Course Supts. re-elected George Roloff as pres. . . . Frank Dinelli was elected 1st vp; Bert Rost, 2d vp; Al Johnson, sec.-treas.; and Ed Stewart and Peter Bild to join Ray Davis, Wm. Krafft and Wm. Stupple as directors . . . The organization has 174 members.

Joe Donato of Norwich elected to third term as pres., Connecticut PGA . . . Nancy Maples, daughter of Palmer, Rocky Mount (N. C.) CC pro, planning to get back into girls' tournament golf this summer when she's not teaching at Queens College in Charlotte, N. C. . . . Carolina pros to give their sectional winner of the "home pro of the year" award a 7-day trip to the PGA annual convention.

Prince Georges G&CC (Washington, DC, dist.) being bought by 100 of its members at \$685,000 reported price . . . Joe Konwinski, supt., Lake Worth (Fla.) course can testify his 146 yd. 4th hole is in absolutely perfect condition . . . He made it in one stroke Jan. 5 . . . Walter Keller, promotion chmn., Southern California PGA working on plans for that PGA section to raise goodly sum to help S. C. golf course supts. be hosts to GCSA

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Charley Penna suggests that each pro be given two chances (at \$1 per) to beat Ed Furgol's National Golf Day score when the pros are playing the PGA championship sectional qualifying rounds . . . New Orleans building \$250,000 muni course . . . Joe Kirkwood back as winter pro at Boca Grande (Fla.) hotel course . . . Richard Lundahl now pro at Annandale GC (LA dist.).

Supts. saying new litter nuisance is filter-tip cigarette butts that don't weather away as quickly as plain butts . . . Alex McKay now building new 18 for Gatlinburg (Tenn.) CC . . . McKay resigned as pro-supt., Greeneville (Tenn.) CC and is succeeded by his asst., Robt. F. King . . . New Board of Los Angeles CC withdrew as prospective host of 1956 National Amateur after previous board announced acceptance of USGA bid.

Russ Newland, 54, first president of the Golf Writers Assn. of America and for 30 years a sports writer with San Francisco bureau of the Associated Press died of a heart attack, Jan. 7 at San Francisco . . . He is survived by his widow, a son and a daughter . . . Newland, a grand fellow and highly competent reporter and writer, was unanimous choice of the golf writers as their head when they revived their national organization during 1946 PGA championship at Portland, Ore.

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British Open increases its first prize money \$700 to make approximately \$2800 to 1955 winner, R&A announces . . . Jim-

mie Lawson to Tippecanoe CC, Monticello, Ind., as pro-supt.-mgr. . . Lexington (Ky.) CC building new pro shop for Charles Vittitoe . . . After Tim Holland, Long Island amateur champ, reportedly gave \$75,000 check to Shackamaxon CC (NY Met dist.) as down-payment for \$100,000 in May it was discovered that Ft. Wayne had the date Holland and his associates wanted . . . Ft. Wayne will keep the date . . . Looks as though the Shackamaxon \$100,000 may be off for this year.

Compromise which settled LA Open between two courses which took LA district home pros off an uncomfortable hook won't need to be repeated if Southern Calif. section goes thru with its plans to insist on new tournament policy at the

PGA 1955 annual meeting . . . Southern Calif. home pros, privately admitting some bullheaded details on both sides of the LA open conflict, say the tournament jams which always seem to come to a head about time of PGA annual meeting are inexcusable.

North Jersey Industrial Golf League organized . . . Willie Turnesa elected pres., Metropolitan (NY) Golf Assn. . . Frank Donovan, pro at Clover Hills GC, Des Moines, Ia., gets interesting column from veteran golf writer Bert McGrane on the 14 that is the best-ball score on Clover Hills' 2,815 yd. course . . . The 14 includes 5 aces, two of which were on 310 yd. holes.

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USGA Green Section staff, is working out of the Section's Southwestern office at Texas A&M college, College Station, Tex., with Marvin H. Ferguson, director . . . Bill Moran goes from Concord CC, Concordville, Pa., to pro job at Baldoc CC, Irwin, Pa.

Hollywood Beach (Fla.) Hotel course after redesigning and reconditioning job by Mike Mahannah, in very attractive shape . . . Vic Oberhammer and Joe Gerlak are winter pros there . . . Bunny Richards in good health again after tough siege and is returning to his pro job at Hillcrest CC, Lincoln, Neb.

Colonial CC annual invitation at Ft. Worth advances date this year to first weekend of May (4-8) . . . Prize same as in previous 2 years, \$25,000 . . . This is largest prize for PGA co-sponsored event in which entry fees are not charged . . . This year Colonial will follow Las Vegas Tournament of Champions . . . Then comes Waco Turner's Ardmore Open, then the Kansas City Open . . . This will eliminate

cross-country jumps from the Palm Beach invitation.

Western Pennsylvania Golf Assn. now has 20 caddies in college on its scholarships . . . Ed Morey, owner, Morey's G&CC, Milford, Mich., continuing fight against decision restricting use of lake water on Morey's course . . . Morey appealed decision against him . . . Morey's been bearing entire costs of suit which he says effects all Michigan courses taking water from smaller lakes . . . Asks other courses to join in financing continued legal action.

Earl Stewart, Jr. named as pro at new Oak Cliff (Tex.) GC . . . Cook County (Ill.) Forest Preserve 5 18-hole and 1 9-hole courses got almost 200,000 rounds in 1954.

E. I. DuPont de Nemours & Co. in book on "Employment Opportunities" tells of American workers' \$31 billion yearly recreation budget . . . Says "Golf has more than 5 million followers. Several million other people are eager to play but cannot find room on the nation's 5000 courses. Golf today is the number one field sport in terms of equipment sold." . . . Says golfers spend \$230 million per year at their game.