

# Swinging around Golf

## NEWS OF THE GOLF WORLD IN BRIEF

Backstage of some golf turf research history you perhaps didn't know: Start of valuable turf research program in Texas was made after Texas club officials asked USGA Green Section for special regional work . . . USGA said Texas might be big in everything else but was only child-size in USGA membership with 17 clubs belonging . . . Graham Ross, Dallas Athletic Club CC pro and Frank and Howard Goldthwaite of Texas Toro put on campaign that got USGA 87 member clubs in the state . . . Then great research work was started at Texas A & M.

Job situation in golf now as we see it: . . . Managers fairly steady . . . Heavy rush of applicants for every good pro job open and too many clubs inclined to take the guy who'll work for less . . . A lot of pro jobs over-rated for earning possibilities, by club officials and pros . . . Best tip in hiring younger pro is to get close-up on him from good pros for whom young man worked as assistant . . . Trend toward hiring veteran pros as shop assistants at larger clubs where they do better for clubs, pros and themselves than on smaller jobs where they have to operate combination jobs.

Serious shortage of good supts. . . Big clubs in replacing supts., several of whom have retired, are having tough problems and hiring men away from other clubs . . . Most successful older men fall in love with their courses and don't want to move . . . Some fine grass growers at smaller clubs who could move into bigger time if big club officials thought these men could handle larger labor problems.

Smaller clubs, many new, who need men to run the whole works and promote growth of club, having problem getting



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men qualified for exacting task of conducting pro dept., maintaining course and operating clubhouse.

Barron's, big business magazine, carried article in Nov. 15 issue on serious problems of club managers . . . Quotes Corwin W. Gelwick, director Club Managers Assn. of America, "Country clubs are the most unorganized big business ex-

istent, individually the most overorganized. Most clubs are beset by waste, extravagance, and constantly changing policies due to rapid turnover of directors and committees, and far too many fingers in the pie. No other type of business could escape bankruptcy under similar handicaps."

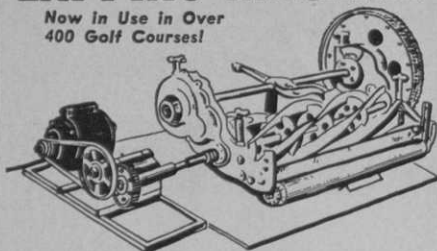
GOLFDOM'S oft-repeated advice still stands up about hiring a good manager and letting him manage being the success secret of practically all businesslike club operations . . . Some excellent managers lose jobs in taking the rap for officials' mistakes in judgment.

George S. May cutting annual dues at Tam O'Shanter (Chicago dist.) \$100, to \$560 for next year . . . Tam O'Shanter now has car-washing service for members while they're in clubhouse or on course . . . May says early project is modernizing pro shop to bring it up to high architectural standard of rest of clubhouse.

Jack Gage now pro at Ojai (Calif.) CC . . . Chicago District GA adds senior tournament to 1955 events calendar . . . Fred Slyder reelected CDGA pres. . . Slyder long a hard worker in CDGA veterans' hospital program, biggest of any golf association and financed and operated with Ill. PGA and women's organizations . . . CDGA reports 16,832 members of CDGA clubs have handicap cards . . .

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L. R. Shields, supt., Woodmont CC, Rockville, Md., elected pres., Mid Atlantic Assn., of Golf Course Supts. . . . Shields was pres. in 1951 and 1952 . . . Tom Dawson, CC of Virginia, elected vp; and Robert E. Scott, Jr., Bonnie View GC, Baltimore, re-elected sec.-treas. . . . Mid Atlantic sets annual conference for Baltimore.

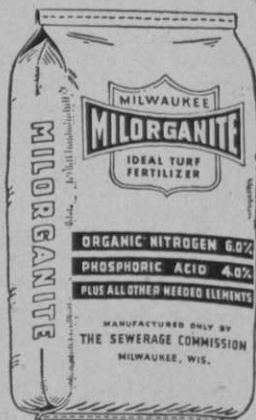
Wm. P. Bell, Jr., architect, has started building first 9 of new Antelope Valley CC, between Lancaster and Palmdale, Calif. . . . replaces old sand green Piute CC . . . Ray Davis from Medinah CC (Chicago dist.) to North Shore CC (Chicago dist.) . . . Gerald Dearie from Edgewater GC (Chicago dist.) to Medinah as supt. . . . Low Tide CC sand green and sand fairway 9-hole course, built for Pan American World Airways employees, Coast Guardsmen, Standard Oil employees and CAA staff at Wake Island, 4,655 miles west of San Francisco . . . At high tide course is under 3 feet of water . . . Great bonefishing on course then.

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Hayward (Calif.) GC adding second 9 to plans of Dick Fry, Lake Chabot CC pro . . . Present 3400 9 built for \$55,385 . . . Equipment and buildings added made total \$72,441 . . . Club showed \$4,104 9-months profit . . . Barney Persall is pro . . . Horton Smith signed for 10th year as pro at Detroit (Mich.) GC . . . Horton made phenomenal record last year as club pro, PGA pres. and player winning all Michigan state championships in

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New Jersey pros, after looking over new north course of Canoe Brook CC, Summit, and playing 7,150 yds. from back tees (150 yds.) longer than Open at Baltusrol, say course one of the greatest.

Four of New York City's 10 munny courses open for play this winter when conditions are O. K. for turf . . . Golf supt. Ed Brady urged the policy and sold it to Commissioner Moses . . . First time in 30 years NY munny courses in winter play . . . Women's N. J. Golf Assn. inaugurates girls' state championship this

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year . . . Mrs. James Dormont of Montclair new pres. of Jersey women's group.

Willie Turnesa, former US and British amateur champion, elected pres., New York Metropolitan Golf Assn . . . Jerry Volpe signs long-term lease on Englewood (N. J.) GC . . . Maurrie O'Connor, Branch Brook (N. J.) CC pro, out of hospital after successful operation on knee . . . Jack Mitchell, Essex County (N. J.) CC pro injured leg bowling.

Maurrie's and Jack's leg injuries remind us that sacroiliac injuries seem to be getting fewer among golfers . . . Prominent doctor told us one time pros could practically eliminate sacroiliac injuries in golf if they'd learn from MDs how feet should be placed and teach their pupils . . . Added that this knowledge would make pivoting easier and safer.

New Jersey golfers at Forest Hill Field Club tourney dedicated plaque honoring the late Harry Nash, golf writer of the Newark News and pioneer golf broadcaster . . . Plaque will be hung in Newark News office . . . Sam Kinder, Plainfield (N. J.) CC pro, more than content with his 79 at Pine Valley made the first time he ever played Agony Jungle.

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Wm. P. Bell busy continuing course architectural and construction work to high standard set by his dad . . . Bill planning new 18 for Modesto, Calif., munny course, has construction started on the new 18 munny at Palo Alto, Calif., and recently had first 9 of North Ridge CC, Sacramento, Calif., opened.

Sea Island (Ga.) GC annual seniors' (from 50 up) tournament at the club's Colt and Allison designed course Jan. 20, 21, 22 . . . Sea Island barbecue and fish fry and a midnight "raid the kitchen" party, two attractive events for knife-and-fork golfers . . . Bill Roach, Don Brown and Tom McNamara are Sea Island pros.

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Warren Cantrell working on plans for new muni course at Lubbock, Tex. . . . Cantrell also completing new semi-public course owned by McMillian and Sons, at Lubbock . . . Other Cantrell jobs include the 9 almost completed at Floydada, Tex., and new 9 under construction at Tahoka, Tex.

The Washington Glide, a new dance step based on different golf strokes used by Pres. Eisenhower, originated by president of the National Association of Dance and Affiliated Artists . . . Brien Charter, former asst. to Ed Dudley and for past two years asst. at Fisher's Island (N. Y.) CC, now pro at Janesville (Wis.) CC.

Athens (Ala.) CC 9-hole course construction directed by Bill Curtis, Decatur (Ala.) CC pro-supt., sure got action for 9-hole construction at low cost . . . Work started last April; new in every way, Bermuda greens, seeded fairways and greens, made pond for water storage, 100 ft. well, green and tee watering system, 9-hole practice green, 3-unit fairway mower and power greens mower . . . Total cost about \$8,000 . . . Curtis says, "now don't everybody expect every 9-hole course can

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Joe Devany, pro at Grosse Ile (Mich.) G&CC, says article in Oct. 1954 GOLF-DOM on making rules for golf car use best thing any club's directors could read for seeing how to go at this job . . . Mike Serino, pro at Ft. Jackson Armed Forces GC, says Eddie Johnson, 2-time post champion and starring in other army tournaments, has bright future in tourney golf when he gets out of the army . . . Eddie was asst. at Panama City (Fla.) CC before he was signed by Uncle.

Letter in Chicago Tribune "Voice of the People" column thanks Bob Cromie of Trib's sports staff for piece on golf etiquette . . . Letter writer says golf public, especially beginners, need education in etiquette . . . Among 1954 achievements by pros' daughters was that of Marilyn Herpel, daughter of Homer, pro at Algonquin CC, winning Missouri women's for 3d time.

Tom Mahan re-elected pres., and "Skip" Wogan re-elected sec.-treas., New England PGA . . . Directors re-elected: Phil Friel, John Boda, Jim Browning, Jack Igoo,



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New Hampshire pros talking about starting caddy scholarship fund . . . Jimmy Hines now will spend 9 months each year as pro at Thunderbird CC, Palm Springs, Calif. . . . Hines succeeded as pro at North Shore CC (Chicago dist.) by his asst., Bill Ogden.

Women's Metropolitan Golf Assn. reports 1954 its biggest membership year . . . 123 member clubs and 1,253 individuals . . . A new trophy for Scotch Four-some tournament went on WMGA list last year . . . It's the John B. Mackie, Sr., trophy presented by the daughter of the late Jack Mackie, many years national treas. of the PGA and for decades pro at Inwood CC (N. Y. Met dist.)

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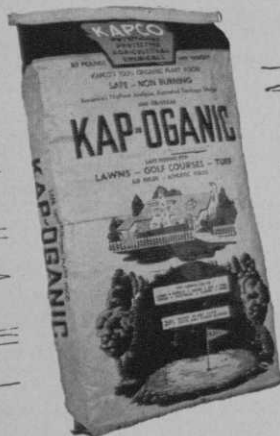
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New organization of supts. in Norfolk, Va., territory . . . It's the Tidewater Turf-grass Assn. . . . Started with 28 members . . . Pres. is Harry McSloy, Aero-Pines GC; Sec.-treas. is W. E. Renn, Oceana Naval Air station . . . Directors: F. G. Bingham, R. H. Jernigan, F. E. Sappenfield and H. Savage.

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eran who's been pro in Indiana for years . . . Jim's brother Fred, for 29 years pro-supt. at the Mott Park and Swartz Creek courses at Flint, Mich., died Oct. 17 at the age of 65, in Flint after two years' illness . . . On the way home from Fred's funeral Jimmy got word that his wife had died in Brownsburg, Ind., at the home of the Lawson's daughter to which the kindly and beloved Mrs. Lawson had gone from Bradenton, Fla. . . . The Lawsons had moved to Bradenton several years ago in the hope that the location would improve Mrs. Lawson's health . . . Fred was credited with having "done more to develop golf in Flint than any other person" in the many tributes paid to his memory . . . His sons George and Mac were winners of the Flint Junior Golf Assn. championship, an event which Fred helped found and vigorously promoted . . . In gratitude for his valuable service to Flint golf Fred and his wife, Betty, were given a trip to Carnoustie in 1953.

Half page ad in new Sarasota, Fla., newspaper used by Lee Pounders, pro., and Bob Hamesworth, mgr., inviting golfers to use facilities of the Bobby Jones GC, Florida's only 27-hole muni course . . .

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Michigan PGA presents Veterans' Administration hospital, Grand Rapids, Mich., with \$3,500 toward financing \$12,000 new golf clubhouse and shelter . . . Clubhouse at 9-hole course will be under supervision of Jack Phelps, pro at Kalamazoo (Mich.) Elks CC . . . Ron LaParl, pro at Battle Creek (Mich.) CC, was prime mover in getting his PGA teammates financing the new building.

Carl Grygiel, General Electric employee at Utica, N. Y., and one of a family active in pro golf, has opened 9-hole 3200 yd. course at Frankfort Center, N. Y. . . . Carl worked five years in his spare time to build his excellent new layout . . . Millionth GI guest of USO in Detroit, guest of Horton Smith and Eddie Guest at Detroit, (Mich.) GC.

Carl Croft, Annandale CC, Pasadena, elected pres. Southern California Golf Assn. . . . Croft also vp of California Golf

Assn. and a member of USGA Handicap committee . . . Other SCGA new officers: 1st vp Gen. Stanley E. Rifferhoff, Santa Ana and Laguna Beach country clubs; 2d vp Julie Bescos, Virginia CC; sec. Dick Gibson, Lakeside and John C. McHose, Wilshire . . . The SCGA has 46 clubs and more than 20,000 individual members.

Martin Issler, Essex County CC, re-elected pres. New Jersey State Golf Assn. . . . Coral Ridge CC, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. to open this winter with championship 18, two 9-hole par-3 courses, large practice range and one-acre practice green . . . Par-3 course inside magnificent course of Club de Golf de Mexico at Mexico City getting heavy play from Mexican businessmen who haven't time for full round.

Midwest Regional Turf Conference set for March 7-9 at Purdue university, LaFayette, Ind. . . . Orville Decker goes from Tripoli CC (Milwaukee dist.) to become supt. at Bryn Mawr CC (Chicago dist.) succeeding veteran Jimmy Bedoni who is retiring . . . Robert Lora, pro-

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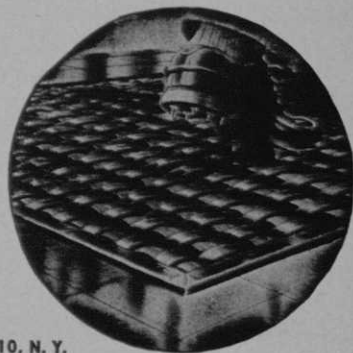
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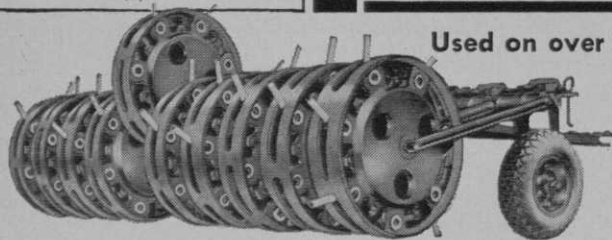
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owner, Shady Acres GC, McComb, O., recovering from heart attack which hospitalized him in October.

Annual meeting of Western NY GCSA was held at Transit Valley CC, East Amherst, N. Y., where Norman Haas has been supt. for 25 years . . . Transit Valley officials and management put on a fine affair for the supts. . . . The association re-elected Chas. B. Ludecker of Brookfield CC, its pres.; Wm. Stephen, Niagara Falls CC, vp; and Edward Cichuniec, South Shore CC, sec. . . . James Strain, Moon Brook CC, Jamestown, N. Y., was elected to the directorate for a 3 year term.

Bill Rach given new contract as PGA magazine editor and publicity man . . . Bill does a swell job for the PGA . . . He was especially helpful to press covering PGA annual meeting at St. Paul . . . With a flock of committee meetings, business sessions and the usual tournament hassle Rach had his hands full.

Marcos Hotel Corp., Chandler, Ariz., announces appointment of George Keyes, summer pro at Old Elm Club (Chicago dist.) as winter asst. to Red Leonard . . .

Bob Toski's \$65,891 as top money-winner in PGA events of 1954 was \$45,678 ahead of second place Jack Burke . . . The \$50,000 at Tam O'Shanter as King of the May makes all the rest of the prize money look puny.

Older tournament stars think the dash and tactics of Bud Holscher's game rank him ahead of Gene Littler as prospect for top honors . . . Littler was 13th in prize money (\$13,983) his first year of pro golf . . . Holscher was 20th with \$12,774 . . . Hagen thinks Littler has best swing of all the rising stars . . . Looks to us like Bo Wininger is about ready to rank among the big ones . . . He won \$12,774 to be 15th among money-winners last year . . . Another likely prospect is 28-year-old Bob Rosburg.

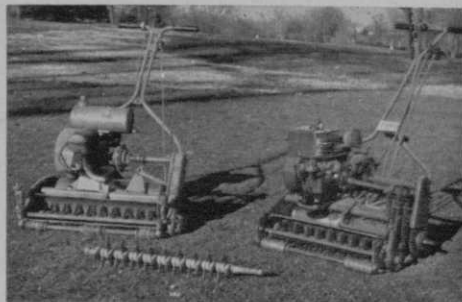
Belvedere CC, 9-hole West Palm Beach course, sold for housing site . . . Patty Berg leading Ladies PGA prize winner of 1954 with \$16,011 . . . Zaharias second with \$14,452 and Suggs third with \$12,736 . . . Tom Clark who retired after 40 years as pro at Blue Hills Club, Kansas City, Mo., given round trip ticket to his old home, Montrose, Scotland, by Blue

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Golf lost another grand gentleman when Fielding Wallace died in Nov. at Augusta, Ga. . . . He was USGA pres. in 1948 and 1949, previously was chmn., Green section . . . He also had served as Georgia GA pres., Augusta CC pres., and was sec., Augusta National CC from its start in 1931 until his death.

Al Houghton elected to 6th term as MidAtlantic PGA pres. . . . Jack Forrester to Eastward Ho, Chatam, Mass., as pro. . . . Minnesota Turf Conference at Curtis

hotel, Minneapolis, Mar. 9, 10, 11 . . . Black Canyon par-3 course and range, built by Art Snyder, opened at Phoenix, Ariz.

Howard Denny, Meadowlake CG, elected pres., Heart of America GCSA . . . Other officers: Harold Henry, Milburn G&CC; sec-treas. L. E. Lambert, Oakwood G&CC, Dodson, Mo. . . . Directors newly elected: Norvin Price, Victory Hills; and Kelly G. Clark, Swope Park.

Joe Kirkwood headed home after most successful trick shot exhibition trip to Australia, Java, Sumatra, Ceylon, India, Burma, Malay States, Siam, China, Philippines . . . While Joe was in Australia he discovered that he was born on Fore st. in Canterbury, New South Wales.

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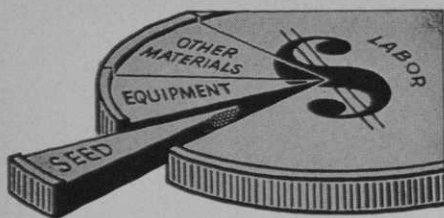
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J. J. Link now supt. Santa Fe Hills GC (KC dist.) . . . If you're figuring on using a zoysia better read Gene Nutter's piece in Florida Turf Assn. Oct. 1954 Bulletin . . . Grand Junction, Colo., to have 9-hole golf course as feature of new development planned by oilmen Welborn Foreman and Lucien Cullen, both of Houston, Tex.

O. J. Noer at Oklahoma Turf conference was made a life member of the association and presented with a silver tray by Oklahoma supts. . . . PGA winter circuit of 15 events concluding with the Masters' sets record of \$250,000 prize money, \$17,000 more than last year . . . Carl Croft of Annandale and Rancho Santa Fe elected pres., California GA . . . A. A. Douglas, Napa, Calif. elected pres., National Assn. of Left-Handed Golfers . . . NALG will have its 1955 championship at Washoe GC, Reno, Nev., Aug. 8-11.

Highland course at Tulsa, owned by Hugh Bancroft and Paul A. Wilson sold for approximately \$4,000,000, highest price ever paid in Tulsa County for extensive subdivision acreage . . . Tract of 120 acres to be residential and shopping center . . . McFarlin course in Tulsa sold for subdividing about 2 years ago . . . Bob Toski to author "Beginner's Guide to Golf" to be published by Grosset and Dunlap.

Madera (Calif.) first 9 of 18 designed by Bob Baldock now open . . . Danny Montgomery is pro and Roy King, who worked with Baldock on construction of Merced, Sy Ranh and Madera courses, is supt. . . . Detroit radio station WXYZ awarded 72 silver belt buckles to Detroit area golfers who made aces in 1954.

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eventual 18 designed by Wm. Langford on Didier property south of Chicago . . . Ben Hagge becomes managing director of Ben Stevenson's Southmoor CC in Chicago dist. which is being converted to private club . . . Harry Pezzulo, Ill. PGA pres. and pro at Mission Hills GC, conducting Winnetka (Ill.) Park District indoor golf classes this winter.

Pat Tiso from Meadowlands CC, Philadelphia, returning to Long Island after 20 years' absence to become pro at de luxe new Pine Hollow CC . . . Mildred Zaharias receives University of Tampa award as "Outstanding Athlete of First Half of 20th Century."

Southern California GC publishes comprehensive list of member clubs and their members and committee reports in very useful book . . . E. R. Foley elected pres. Northern Calif. GA . . . Why not try shorter cutting and more fertilizing on tees if you have complaints?

MidAtlantic Assn. of Golf Course Supts. elects John Connolly, Fairfax (Va.) CC, pres.; Charles Schalestock, Norbeck (Md.) CC, vp.; Robt. E. Scott, jr., Bonnie View CC, Baltimore, CC, sec.

Ralph Plummer is busy architect . . . He's recently designed 18 for Port Arthur, Tex., 9 for Columbian Club at Dallas, Tex., 9 more for a Houston club, and 18 for Garland (Tex.) CC . . . Jimmy Thomson's official title with A. G. Spalding & Bros. is Golf Relations director . . . His headquarters are at Spalding's executive office, 161 Sixth ave., NYC 13 . . . Tex Consolver, pro at MacDonald Park course, Wichita, Ks., says 66 players in "speed ball" event on their 9-hole course hit the ball around in 5 min., 13.3 sec., holing every putt, for what they think is a world's record.

Eugene F. (Skip) Wogan starting on his 46th year as pro at Essex CC, Manchester, Mass. . . . Essex was first club to join USGA after USGA's five charter members . . . David Levinson, widely known Spalding midwestern official, recently married to Mrs. Prudence H. Lagoni . . . The Levinsons now at home at 435 Diversey Parkway, Chicago.

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Al Escalante from Mexico City CC back to Brownsville, Tex., to be pro at Brownsville CC . . . Mickey Wright, at 19 is youngest of girl pros at Sea Island (Ga.) Ladies 36-hole open invitation event, Jan. 15-16 . . . Otto J. Dreibus, 722 Encelia dr., La Jolla, Calif., and associates planning to build 18-hole semi-private course in San Diego area soon.

John Patterson, Eddy Farms, Sparrowbush, N. Y., has been elected pres., Pocono Turf Assn. . . Ray Bloxham, Elkview CC, Carbondale, Pa., is new vp; Al Wolfong, Wyoming Valley CC, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., was re-elected sec., and Russell Scott, Mountain Manor GC, Marshalls Creek, Pa. is new treas. . . Dave Hendry of Elmhurst CC, Moscow, Pa., led a field of 52 from total attendance of 100 at annual meeting, in winning the Drennan memorial trophy . . . Pocono group has meetings tentatively set for this year at Berwick CC, Valley CC, Camp Taminment, Glen Oaks, CC of Scranton, Elmhurst and Buck Hill courses.

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Tom Foree from Troy CC to be pro at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base course, Dayton, O. . . Bill Dalghety is new pres., Central NY PGA . . . Ken Murray is beginning 52nd year of Murray family service as pro at Royal Montreal GC . . . Ken's father, Charley, was pro there for 34 years and Ken succeeded him.

Long Beach, Calif., considering plans for building 18 and 9-hole courses and par-3 course in muny airport area . . . Portsmouth (Va.) City council approves lease of ground to Chandler Harper for building 18-hole course . . . Mass. state government asked to build 9-hole course in Cooley Brook reservoir at Chicopee.

Ray Vaughan building 9-hole course for new Tri-Cities G&CC at Christianburg, Va. . . Carl Cunningham, Jr., Radford, pres., new club . . . Madison, Wis., parks

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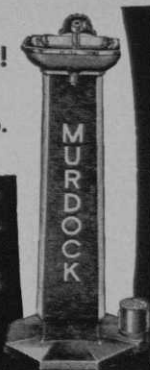
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New course planned for Mahopac Falls, N. Y. . . Wm. Bell working on plans for semi-private course near Gillespie Field, El Cajon, Calif. . . Cartersville (Ga.) opened new course last Nov. . . To open Venango Trails, Pittsburgh, Pa., new munny course, about June 1 . . . James Harrison designed course.

Tennis Schrechengost and Salvatore Tuchiarelli to build 9-hole course at Amherst, N. Y. . . Waterbury, Conn., Park Dept. plans to build second munny course . . . Richard Kepple, owner of Export Tire Co., Delmont, Pa., in group to build new course at Delmont . . . Jaycees to build munny course at North East, Pa.

Gastonia, N. C. munny 18 being built this winter . . . Billings, Mont., Chamber of Commerce committee survey made to see if interest warranted building munny course got 1200 replies from people saying they wanted to play . . . Covington

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Richland, Ore., new Edgewater GC 9-hole course opened in Nov. . . Cullman, Ga., Times in pushing for local course says attraction of course for employees of industries looking for new locations, aroused paper's interest.

Malone, N. Y., Chamber of Commerce supporting Malone GC program for enlarging from 9- to 18-holes . . . Lake Cheland (Wash.) G&CC opens 5 holes of its 9-hole course built by members' labor . . . Home-made course being built in beautiful site in Oakridge-Westfir area near Eugene, Wash. . . Alliance, O., to expand munny course from 9 to 18 holes this year.

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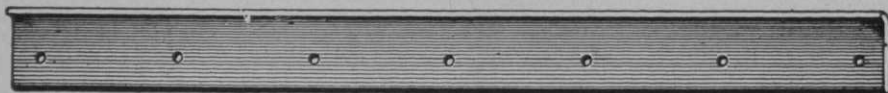
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Paul Runyan moves to La Jolla (Calif.) CC as pro . . . Alex Antonio, pro at Forsgate G&CC, Jamesburg, N. J., honored by his members with an Antonio Day . . . Henry Bontempo, pro at Franconia, and John Raimondi, pro at Memorial, Springfield, Mass., muni courses say 1954 play at their courses biggest ever with heavy increase of women and juniors.

John P. Gaghan, supt. Goodwin Park course, Hartford, Conn., re-elected pres., Connecticut Assn. of Golf Course Supts. . . . Re-elected also were sec.-treas. Charles Traverse of Mill River and asst. sec.-treas. Andy Lentine of Tumble Brook.

Bill Wallace, Miami, Fla., golf writer says LaGorce am-pro, annual March event, out this year because PGA Tournament bureau wanted \$350 for conducting 18-hole one-day event . . . Bye-bye to juicy picking for some tournament pros hungry at the end of winter trail.

University of Michigan to open par-3 1,102 yd. course this spring . . . Adjacent to Michigan's championship course designed by late Dr. Alister Mackenzie . . . Fritz Crisler, U of M athletic director; Bert Katzenmeyer, Michigan's pro and Bill Slack Jr., who succeeded his dad as supt. of the big course, responsible for design and construction of the par-3 layout . . . U course had more than 32,000 rounds from April 25 to mid-Oct. last year.

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Morrie Talman's 50th year in golf and 37th as Whitmarsh Valley CC (Philadelphia dist.) pro celebrated by pro-member tournament and dinner . . . Members presented Morrie and his wife gifts . . . Philadelphia planning muni course at League Island Park . . . Robert Trent Jones looked over Oak Hill CC (Rochester, N. Y.) East Course, scene of 1956 National Open with Oak Hill pres. Bill Chapin and supt. Elmer Michael . . . Tour was interrupted by fire which de-

stroyed maintenance barn . . . Equipment saved . . . Jones thinks Ben Hogan can win 1955 Open at Olympic CC, San Francisco.

Swaim Field, second 9 with Nick Todd as supt., and new 9 near Lunken airport, with Joe Allan as supt., are Cincinnati muni courses to open this year . . . Fred Bangs changing from Beverly CC (Chicago dist.) to Chicago GC as mgr. . . . Mexican golf officials puzzled at new tournament at Los Angeles using name of Pan American . . . Name is that used for several years by top money Mexican open event.

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(Wis.) CC . . . Jim Gourlay now pro-supt.-mgr., Mt. Pleasant (Ia.) CC . . . Russell Broman from Janesville (Wis.) CC to Maple Bluff CC, Madison, Wis., as mgr.

Beautiful tributes to Bob Harlow in columns of Merrell Whittlesey in Washington (D. C.) Star, Herbert Warren Wind in Sports Illustrated and a lot more of the fellows who were pals of the beloved Bob . . . Whittlesey suggested that USGA Seniors' trophy for the event to be inaugurated this year and for which Harlow vigorously campaigned, be named in Bob's honor . . . Action begun on this idea was halted in favor of action on Carolina pros' proposal that annual Harlow memorial award be made to the club "pro of the year."

A. D. Stein, Jr., has bought Bridgton (Me.) Highlands GC and will operate it . . . Paul Hahn cutting William Tell act from his trick shot show . . . Says some people got so scared about the Hahn per-

formance of driving a golf ball from a tee held in a girl's mouth they told him their nervousness reduced their enjoyment of the rest of the Hahn exhibition . . . The beautiful girl who started that act with Paul and has teamed in it thousands of times is Mrs. Hahn . . . He didn't dare damage her pretty teeth.

Chet Nelson, owner of Ingleside course on which Pan-American Open in Los Angeles area is to be played toughened the course with new bunkers and tougher rough . . . Plans for \$111,300 clubhouse remodeling and new maintenance building of Flint (Mich.) GC in attractive booklet presenting program to members.

Good tip for golf writers planning 1955 feature comes from Bergen (N. J.) Evening Record Week-End Magazine . . . In it Kenneth G. Wallace described his choice of 18 best holes on Bergen County courses . . . Three-page feature strikingly illustrated by 6 photos by Gordon L. Corbett . . . Selections of finest 18 of any district courses always interesting to the area's golfers.