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2. Keep in mind that the best pool paints stay colorful and retain their gloss far more than one season. Many pools repainted only the second or third year. This makes such paints more economical than cheaper grades which quickly fade, become dull, peel or powder away.

3. An appealing pool, of course, attracts more members. It pays, therefore, to use a paint which will stay attractive. It's a big disappointment to find a pool losing its brightness a few weeks after painting.

4. Do you have a steel or concrete pool? Find out about specialized pool paints for each type before buying. Conditions surrounding the painting of submerged steel are different from those of submerged concrete. Investigating this difference can save your club money.

5. In reference to gloss or flat finishes, there is no question that a smooth, glossy rubber-base finish will do much to make your pool outstanding. But this is not the only advantage of using this type of paint. The gloss finish of chlorinated natural rubber-base paint is far easier to clean than the flat finish. And because dirt and algae are much less inclined to adhere to a rubber-base finish, the pool's surface stays

cleaner longer and hence requires less maintenance.

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First Course Clinic Held In Santa Cruz, Calif.

A two-day Golf Course Planning and Operating Clinic — the first ever held — was presented at the Seventh Annual California Recreation Conference in Santa Cruz, California, on February 14-15, under the joint sponsorship of the National Golf Foundation of Chicago and the California Recreation Commission.

More than 120 community recreation leaders, from the seven state area represented at the Conference, crowded the opening session of the Clinic on Monday, February 14, presided over by chairman Arvid O. Pauly, Superintendent of Recrea-

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tion for Sacramento. Rex McMorris, executive vice president of the National Golf Foundation, briefed the audience on the current progress of golf course development in the United States in general and on the situation on the West Coast in particular.

McMorris said that interest in municipal golf course facilities is mounting because, while municipal courses comprise only 15% of the 5147 golf courses in operation today, the municipal layouts bear 40% of the total traffic! He pointed out that, in the overwhelming majority of cases reflecting sound management practices, the municipal course is not only self-supporting but often produces an excess of income over operating costs. This profit is being used in many communities to build and maintain other recreation facilities.

Highlight of the opening session was the showing of the recently produced Golf Foundation color slidefilm "Community Planning Gets a Golf Course," followed by the presentation of case histories of community golf course development in California, by representatives of the communities involved. These case histories outlined the various methods used in suc-

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cessfully financing, promoting and operating recently opened municipal golf facilities. Representatives and the communities on which they reported included: William Miller of Palo Alto, Dr. Cecil B. Hollingsworth of Alondra Park (near Los Angeles), and George Mifflin and Herman Reice of Kern County.

The second half of the first session was devoted to the problems and considerations involved in actually building the golf course. Speaker William F. Bell, secretary of the American Society of Golf Architects, outlined the various requirements for a golf course-land area, water, use of natural features, etc. Charles G. Wilson, Western Director for the United States Golf Association Green Section, discussed turf development and maintenance in detail.

The Pasatiempo Golf Club near Santa Cruz, operated by Sam Nigh with the aid of golf professional Tony Videtta, played host to the second session of the Golf Course Clinic on Tuesday morning, February 15. The course itself, well-groomed for the occasion under supervision of superintendent James Babino, was thrown open to conference members in the afternoon for a friendly tournament.

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Montebello Golf Course manager Keith Jacobs acted as chairman of the Tuesday meeting which featured Verne Wickham, Los Angeles County Golf Director; George Lake, former president of the Southern California PGA and an officer of the national PGA, and Tommy LoPresti of Sacramento, California.

Wickham gave a slide illustrated talk on the man-hour needs of golf course maintenance, including organization charts of 10 cities, comprehensively covering the groundskeeping side of municipal golf course operation.

Lake and LoPresti spoke on pro shop operations and concessions and listed the reasons why an experienced golf professional is a valuable asset to any golf operation. All sessions were thrown open to animated discussion and questions at the conclusion of the programmed talks.

Rex McMorris of the National Golf Foundation expressed satisfaction with the results of the golf clinic. He said:

"We achieved two basic objectives. We have a better picture of golf course de-

velopment on the West Coast which will enable us to more effectively help the communities striving to obtain municipal golf facilities in this area and, recreation leaders here now have a better understanding of what the Golf Foundation can do to help them with their golf problems, through its services and other aids."

McMorris added that the enthusiastic response to the clinic and the interest aroused in golf course development suggests the possibility of staging similar golf clinics in other regions. He said the California clinic pointed up the wide interest in golf facilities among municipal recreation leaders and served to underline the facets of municipal golf which are of prime concern to community recreation planners and operators.

Conference officials expressed surprise and gratification at the wealth of technical information and data exhibited by the National Golf Foundation during the clinic and indicated that a repetition of the Golf Clinic at future conferences would be a significant and welcome addition to the annual program.