

Swinging around Golf

NEWS OF THE GOLF WORLD IN BRIEF

9-hole course being built at Fairless Hills in suburban Philadelphia . . . Marion V. Packard is architect . . . "Side-walks of New York" reporter in New York (N.Y.) Post asked 5 at Pelham-Split Rock course "When golfing, do you strictly observe all the rules?" . . . Pro Mike Colombo and two amateurs answered "yes" . . . One woman and a young amateur said "no." They improved lies anywhere on the course.

First 9 of Locust Valley CC 18 at Allentown, N.Y. to open in July . . . Al Cerino in charge of construction and will stay on as supt. . . Mike Rubish is pro . . . Very helpful piece by Fred Byrod on "Golf in Delaware Valley — How to Get Started and Where to Play in This Area" in Philadelphia Inquirer Spring Sports Section . . . Bob Hopkins now pro at Martinsburg (W. Va.) CC.

Harry Carlson now supt., CC of Northampton County, Easton, Pa. . . Braintree, Mass., town meeting votes to buy local golf course, appropriating \$75,000 for the course and \$15,000 for improvements . . . Harry Cooper pro at Metropolis CC (NY Met dist.) adds Leo O'Grady to his staff for the summer . . . O'Grady will return to PGA National course at Dunedin, Fla., in fall.

Metropolitan (N.Y.) PGA pros guests of U.S. Rubber at dinner following Met section spring meeting at Park Sheraton hotel, April 25 . . . "Red" Canup, Anderson (S.C.) Independent sports editor says nation now is in cycle of interest in participating sports and it's reflected by golf interest in Anderson . . . Says there's need of another course at Anderson . . . Talk about buying Swannburne farm near Newport, Tenn., as course site . . . New Tennessee resort hotel and course being planned by Col. W. C. Taylor, Townsend motel executive.

Wm. Gourlay, 76, for 26 years pro at Suburban CC, Union, N.J., died April 22 at his home, following a heart attack . . . He was born in St. Andrews, Scotland, and came to



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Suburban from Canada in 1911 . . . He left pro golf in 1937 and went with a manufacturing company.

North East, Pa., building new 9-hole public course . . . Expect to have second 9 of Pine Lake CC, Myrtle Beach, S.C., completed by fall . . . Circle Bar GC, Oakridge, Ore., building clubhouse . . . Blackfoot, Ida., service clubs get together boosting course for city . . . Construction

begun on 18 of Glendora (Calif.) CC . . . Lakeside (Calif.) CC, 9-hole fee course owned by Al Pilon expected to be in play by June 1 . . . Laramie, Wyo., pushing for muni course.

Expect to have new Round Meadows G&CC, Christiansburg, Va., in play soon . . . Will open Silsbee (Tex.) G&CC 9-hole course next month . . . Lovell E. Spurgeon heads group planning to build club at Cloussa, Calif. . . E. Guenter Skole now mgr., Winchester (Va.) GC . . . Harold Kirk and wife operating Elks CC at Pittsburgh, Ks. . . John Zuccaro is new mgr., Natchez (Miss.) CC.

Ridgeway CC, formed and will build course and clubhouse between Covington and Clifton Forge, Va. . . Oklahoma state planning and resources board approves plans for 9-hole course at Quartz Mountain state park.

Jack Wyllie named mgr., new 18-hole Topoka (Ks.) public course which is scheduled for opening this summer . . . Faribault (Minn.) G&CC sells its site to lumber company and has bought other property for new course . . . Don Bateman back as mgr., Eagle Grove (Ia.) CC after 3 years away in club and restaurant business.

Elk City, Okla., building 9-hole course with fairway watering . . . Joe Houch of Borger, Tex., constructing the course . . . Walter and Edward Martinath, in opening their new 9-hole Pinecrest CC at Clinton, Mass., worked with recreation commissioners of Clinton and Berlin, Mass., to extend junior membership cards good for Monday,

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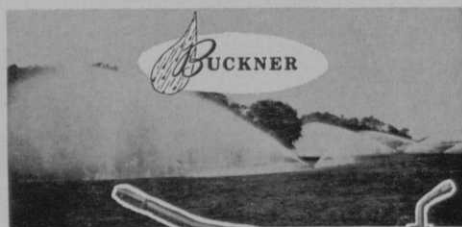
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Working on Rolla (Mo.) GC . . . To open in spring, 1956 . . . Air force personnel at Mitchel Field now playing 9-hole course recently bought by Air Force when former Meadow Brook course was cut up by highway construction . . . Rolling Green CC at Greenville, S.C., now building 18-hole course . . . New club did quick job in getting 500 members.

Stanton Heights GC, only private golf club within city limits of Pittsburgh, Pa., sells its 9-hole course for \$165,000, to be subdivided after club uses course this season . . . Frank Blake who was at Wayland (Mass.) CC last year now pro at Marlboro (Mass.) CC . . . Eddie Rack has bought Seven Springs GC, 18-hole semi-private course near Elizabeth, Pa., and will operate it . . . Rack will turn pro . . . He's won 10 of the 13 Union Printers' International tournaments in which he has competed.

Open first 9 of the new Richland G&CC at West Richland, Wash. . . . Probably plenty of reconstruction due on Dunwoodie course which Westchester County, N.Y., recently bought for \$650,000 . . . Dunwoodie was built in 1900 as a "sporty" course with



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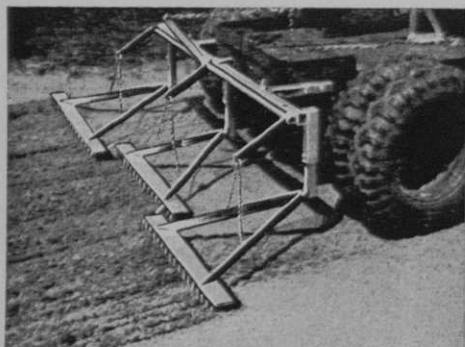
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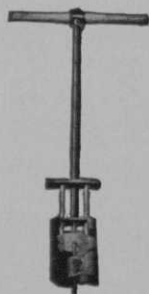
Joe Dante goes to Rockaway River CC, Denville, N.J., succeeding Danny Williams, Jr., who returns to the Knoll GC to be playing pro on the staff of his father, Danny, Sr. . . . Bill Schaff to Forest Park CC, Adams, Mass., as pro . . . Howard S. Pearson signed as pro by CC of North Adams, Mass.

Howard Atkisson is new mgr., Manor CC (Washington, D.C., dist.) . . . Dillon (S.C.) CC reconstruction with change of its 9 greens to grass, completed by C. C. McCuiston of Morehead City, N.C. . . . Ted Bickle, Jr., now at new Sports Center range, Allentown, Pa. . . . Hugo (Wick) Legnini now pro at Fountain Springs CC, Ashland, Pa.

Robert J. Gillis, from Intervale CC, Manchester, N.H., to pro spot at Concord (N.H.) CC . . . Propose building new public course north of Boston, Mass. . . . Edward M. Burke, well known in New Jersey club management, now mgr., Forsgate CC . . . Henry (Dutch) Fahrenwald, signed as pro-supt. of new Swan Creek CC, Oakington,

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Glenn Spivey now pro at Rose City course, Portland, Ore., munny course . . . Gordon Jenkins now pro at Redmond GC, Kirkland, Wash. . . . More than \$1,000,000 spent in past 12 months by golf clubs in Harrisburg, Pa., area for new construction and rebuilding . . . Biggest job is Colonial CC new \$390,000 course, clubhouse, pool, etc.

Tucker H. Shoemaker engaged as supt., Sierra View CC, Roseville, Calif., and will supervise construction of additional 9 . . . Kings River G&CC, Kingsburg, Calif., completing construction of its 9-hole course . . . The club worked fast in getting its charter membership of 250 signed up and is taking no more members . . . All over the country it seems that newly organized clubs are rapidly obtaining full membership lists.

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Chattanooga (Tenn.) G&CC authorizes \$100,000 improvement program . . . Robert Trent Jones buys interest of Robert C. Abel in Coral Ridge CC, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. . . Membership roster about 90 per cent filled . . . Richards Vidmer, former sports columnist, now is executive vp of Coral Ridge . . . Vidmer also associated with Jones in Cotton Bay course on Eleuthera island, 60 miles east of Nassau.

Tullahoma (Tenn.) G&CC building new 9-hole course . . . Pete Grandison and Bubber Johnson, Nashville pros, helping new club with course design and construction . . . Bill Wall now pro at Broadmoor GC, Portland, Ore. . . Land adjacent to Venice (Fla.) Air Base being sought as course site.

Miami, Fla., City Commission to build new clubhouse at Miami Springs course this summer . . . No more annual memberships for \$90 at Miami Springs . . . Winter rate per round will be \$1.50 and summer rate 75 cents . . . Waynesboro (Va.) CC

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team at Oak Knoll GC, Ashland, Ore. . . .
Frank Duda now mgr. Elks CC of Oelwein,
Ia., and Elks' city club also . . . Ray White-
side, formerly asst. to Chuck Congdon at
Tacoma (Wash.) G&CC, to Coos CC, Coos
Bay, Ore., as pro . . . Clem Bissing build-
ing 9-hole private club at Hays, Ks.

Emporia, Ks., considering building 9-hole
grass green course to replace present sand
green course . . . John Seyfert now supt. at
Jack Chiarelli's Exeter 9-hole fee course
near Reading, Pa. . . . Course now is in its
second full season and play has warranted
planning second 9 . . . Louie Quarandillo
returning to Logansport (Ind.) CC as pro-
mgr.

First 9 of Alisal Ranch course north of
Santa Barbara, Calif., opens . . . Billy Bell
supervising construction of Alisal's second
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Begin construction of Osage Hills CC at Tulsa, Okla. . . Alameda, Calif., estimates that 130,000 were turned away from the city's munny links last year due to inability to make room for them . . . Alameda course played 125,433 rounds last year and had net profit from all sources of \$52,700 . . . Bob Goethals in San Francisco (Calif.) Chronicle says S.F. is "in dire need of another 18-hole municipal course." . . . Bob says present courses so crowded there's hardly room on practice putting greens at some courses.

Shorewood CC, Dunkirk, N.Y., expanding from 9 to 18 . . . Oakland (Calif.) Speedway, auto racing plant, figuring on installing infield course . . . Arcola CC, Hacken-

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Broadacres GC, Bloomfield, N. J., owner Bob Axt, gets \$163,000 from state for land taken for Garden State highway . . . Axt having Robert Trent Jones design course alterations to restore establishment to its 9 holes . . . Toll highway boom in east and central states, promoted by road building lobbies and bringing fat funds to politicians and bond houses selling "tax-exempt" bonds, doing ruthless jobs of damaging suburban communities . . . "Studies" prior to highway routing are entirely estimated on vehicular, mainly truck, traffic and little, if any, consideration is given to destruction



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P. W. LeDuc, supt., Argyle CC (Washington, D.C., dist.) elected pres. of club . . . Le Duc has been green chmn. of club during its entire 30 years . . . First time we've ever heard of a supt. being elected to country club presidency . . . Charley Danner putting in 7 more bent greens at Richland CC, Nashville, Tenn. . . . First 11 bent greens doing fine . . . Danner started bent planting when rye went out, saying late start means too much loss of growing weather.

Most interesting newspaper press release we've ever read on a resort course pro is one sent about Bob Middleton, for 30 years pro at Galen Hall CC, in scenic mountains near Wernersville, Berks County, Pa. . . . Bob, after World War I service with 51st. div. of "The Ladies from Hell," went home to Montrose, Scotland, picked up his clubs and came back to be pro at Highland CC,

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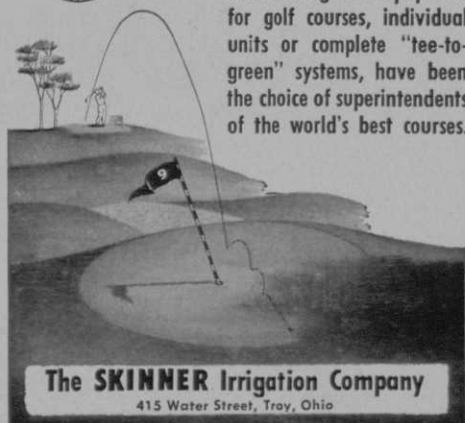
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Middle Bay CC (old Oceanside) at Oceanside, N.J., completes \$450,000 job of building new course on reclaimed marshland . . . Al Tull is architect . . . Grant Bennett, pro, Florence (Ala.) CC, doing a swell job of writing a "Golf Talk" column for Florence News . . . Bennett comments on small response to his offer of free class for girls under 18 . . . Some other pros have same experience and wonder if co-ed classes aren't more attractive to the sub-debs . . . Several pros have told us biggest thing in getting younger girls keenly interested in golf instruction is reminder that golf is program feature at many of the smartest girls' schools.

Essex County (N.J.) will have \$90,000 clubhouse at Hendricks Field course completed by late summer . . . Jacksonville Beach (Fla.) City Council approves plan to design \$1,000,000 recreation facilities, including golf course . . . Philadelphia PGA

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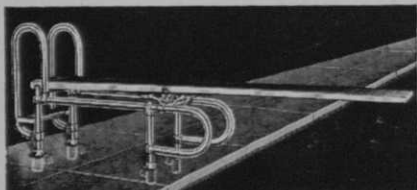
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Ed Brady, New York City supt. of its 10 golf courses, expects more than 650,000 rounds to be played on the courses this year . . . To celebrate Danny Williams' 10th year as pro at Knoll Club in New Jersey, schedule pro-member tournament between Hartford Insurance City Open and \$50,000 Cavalcade of Golf at Schackamaxon, Sept. 8-11 . . . Tom Casella now pro at Lake Hop-atcong (N.J.) CC . . . Course being enlarged from 9 to 18.

Joe Dey, USGA sec., to Florence (S.C.) CC, going over plans with Grant Bennett, pro, Florence CC officials and members of Florence Women's GA, for USGA Junior Girls' championship, Aug. 15-19 . . . Pica-tinny Arsenal in New Jersey, to improve and enlarge course to 18 holes . . . Con-

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Tom Mahan, United Shoe Machinery CO pro, at company's Beverly, Mass., course, adds to his pro staff Ronnie Kirby, son of veteran pro, Paul Kirby, who also started pro career as an asst. at United Shoe . . . Fred Grounauer, pro at Sands Point Club (NY Met dist.), scores again in Stork tournament . . . Fred and his pretty wife, Molly, recently welcomed their fourth son.

Yakima, Wash., golfers organize to push for public course . . . Play at Sacramento, Calif., many courses so heavy that as many as 75 a day are being turned away . . . Air Force to build 18 hole course at Beale base near Marysville, Calif. . . . Air Force has found golf courses are helping answer problem of getting desirable fellows to stay in . . . Part of re-enlistment difficulty Air Force faces is that airmen and their families haven't had attractive, healthy recreation at bases so far out the eagles have love affairs with the owls.

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Par-3 course to be built at MacArthur Park, La Mesa, Calif. ... New clubhouse for Fairfield (Ia.) G&CC... New clubhouse for Pine Hills CC, Minden, La. ... Salem, Ore., Parks Advisory Commission considering proposal for city's third public course... Cost between \$250,000 and \$300,000.

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Ade Jensen, pro at Racine (Wis.) CC, in two feature stories in Racine papers recently . . . One was on Jensen's work with school principals and local board of education in presenting Wisconsin GA Allis Caddy scholarships to high school students who caddy . . . Jensen made fine caddy recruiting material out of the presentation . . . Other story was on Jensen's persistent work with golf when he was a kid and fighting osteomyelitis . . . Jensen, a Danish-born lad, conquered the disease . . . Won freshman golf numerals at U. of Wisconsin before he had to quit school for work . . . His wife, Betty, won the PGA Ladies' championship at Dunedin in 1954 . . . Jensen is sec.-treas., Wisconsin PGA.

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Nearly 7000 have applied for special permit to play Saxon Woods course, since its use has been restricted to residents of Westchester County, N.Y. . . . County is considering building another 18 adjacent to Saxon Fields . . . Never have seen a fellow stay young and lively as long as Jack Jolly . . . Jack was at the Masters', looking them over . . . Jack and his son have their ball business going very good.

Englewood (N.J.) CC pool completed . . . Hackensack (N.J.) GC building pool . . . USGA and R&A officials to confer on rules when USGA men are in St. Andrews about time of Walker Cup matches . . . Tony Marlowe, formerly asst. to Herman Barron at Fenway CC (NY Met dist.) now pro at High Ridge (Conn.) CC.

John Inglis re-elected Met PGA pres. . . . This is Johnny's 28th consecutive year as president of the Metropolitan N.Y. organization . . . Paul Wisham promoted from asst. to pro position at Cedarbrook CC

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(Philadelphia dist.) . . . Charley Grant, while on winter pro job at Useppa Island, Fla., conducts church services Sunday as there is no church on the island . . . Grant is pro at Barrington (Ill.) CC in summer.

Norman C. Johnson, former pres., Golf Course Supts.' Assn. of America, goes from San Jose CC, Jacksonville, Fla., to become supt. at La Gorce CC, Miami Beach, Fla. . . . Joe Zakarian, Golfcraft and Bowen-Hull rep. in Ohio and Michigan, says Bob Hamrick, new pro at Fremont (O.) CC, can testify it pays to keep a pro shop tidy . . . Bob leaned over to straighten a rug in his shop just as a 3-wood wild shot made by member Sandy Miller whizzed over the Hamrick konk . . . Hamrick recently married and is reminded by the bride to do his share of good housekeeping.

Robert J. Dawson, member of Western Seniors' GA, sends Western Seniors' directors letter protesting against ban of golf cars at Western Seniors' annual tournament at Scioto CC, Columbus, O., June 23-24 . . . Says he isn't only Western Senior who planned to play but will be ruled out by doctor unless golf car use is permitted . . . Ben Hogan only player exempt on two counts from qualifying for 1955 Na-

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Gene Littler went home to San Diego for a rest with his family, after the Masters' . . . The lad is rawhide but the grind with trailer travel is too wearing, even on a wiry, calm young man . . . Two rounds at the Masters' Harvie Ward played as well as any amateur star you ever saw . . . Lt. Joe Conrad sparkled at spots, too . . . The amateur who, according to the old pros, shows tremendous possibilities is the long, lean intercollegiate star, Hillman Robbins . . . Could be another Middlecoff.

Speeding driver whose car skidded out of control on rain-slicked Old Savannah rd., four miles from Bush Field airport at Augusta, put Walter Moynihan, promotion mgr., Miller Brewing Co.; Warren Brunke, Needham, Louis & Brorby, advertising agency executive on Wilson Sporting Goods Co. account, and taxidriver Charles T. Wombles, in University hospital, Augusta, Monday following the Masters' . . . Brunke and Moynihan, each with a broken leg and other injuries . . . Wombles with crushed lung, broken ribs, broken collar-

bone, and additional damage . . . Badly shaken and bruised was Mrs. Jackie Burke . . . Other passenger banged about but walking out was this writer.

Taxi was bound for airport when jet-propelled kid-driven car swept around curve on wrong side of road, went out of control and skidded broadside into taxi prow . . . After one of those you can hold prayer-meeting when anybody gets out alive . . . Moynihan, Brunke and Wombles will be in hospital for weeks . . . Toney Penna and Jackie Burke picked up Mrs. Burke and Graffis who flew to Houston and Chicago, respectively, after hospital formalities.

Twenty-five members of Golf Course Supts. Assn. of New England plan to take Dale Carnegie course next winter.

Larry and Irene Robinson announce arrival of Keith Thomas Robinson to join Larry, Jr., 6½, and Roberta, 2, in the Robinson nursery . . . Pop has been writing golf for N.Y. World-Telegram Sun since about time the jug was under the apple tree at St. Andrews . . . A. H. Tull designing new 9 for Passaic County course at Paterson, N.J. . . . Tull has about completed recon-

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struction of Pelham CC (NY Met dist.) and has started an extensive alteration job at Elmwood CC (NY Met dist.) in addition to considerable other remodeling work.

Halldor Bjarnason of Reykjavok, Iceland, writes to U.S. for information on course design and building . . . Intends to build a course in Iceland . . . Spencer Murphy delayed in starting his 31st year as pro at Glen Oaks CC (NY Met dist.) . . . Spencer laid low for a week with virus . . . First time he's been sick on the job.

Bill Gordon and son Dave planning modernization of Chambersburg (Pa.) CC and Susquehanna Valley CC, near Sunbury, (Pa.) . . . Gordon-designed muni course at Bethlehem, Pa., opening this month . . . Gordons are designing Waterbury, Conn., muni course which they expect will be one of country's finest public courses . . . Gordons also busy on construction of new course to which Sunnybrook CC (Philadelphia dist.) will move next spring, and on 18-hole course for Army at Aberdeen (Md.) Proving Grounds.

From the communique of Bert Purvis,

Spalding's busy boy on the Upper New York State beat: Jimmy Stravino's new clubhouse at Birch Run GC, Allegany, N.Y., opens . . . Joe Rock, pro at Grover Cleveland Park GC, Buffalo, N.Y., and Bill Smith, pro at Orchard Park (N.Y.) CC, back at their jobs after busy winter in their golf schools . . . Mike DeGregory opening new range in Rochester, N.Y. . . . Al Polagyi from Elkdale CC, Salamanca, N.Y., to pro job at Tri County CC, Forestville, N.Y. . . . George Lipps, Jr., succeeds Polagyi at Elkdale.

Also from the Purvis note pad: Frank McGuinness back at Pine Brook GC, Gloversville, N.Y., after spending another winter on staff of Tommy Armour at Boca Raton . . . Steve Piech at Mike Parco's range and Ted Tonnies at the Tee-Off range, both in Buffalo area . . . W. H. Osborne to operate Lake Pleasant (N.Y.) CC this season . . . Lionel Calloway now pro at Maplehurst GC, Lakewood, N.Y. . . . Rudy Doctor is new pro at Niagara Frontier CC, Youngstown, N.Y. . . . Alex Leiper to Westwood GC, Williamsville, N.Y., as pro.

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F. E. Berdine has bought Belden Hills GC, Port Crane, N.Y. . . . Paul Kern now operating Windsor (N.Y.) GC . . . Name of Syracuse Yacht and CC, where Grant Newlove is pro, has been changed to Lake Shore Yacht & CC . . . Address is Clay, N.Y. . . . 9-hole course to be built at Samson (N.Y.) Air Force Base . . . Bob Buchanan will be pro . . . Central N.Y. Open back on schedule . . . Will be played at Drumblins GC . . . Purvis says practice ranges at clubs in his territory are getting heavy use and clubs that haven't got convenient and ample ranges among their facilities are figuring on how to install them.

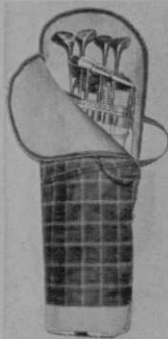
Talk by Charles E. Johnson, pres., Highland CC, Indianapolis, Ind., at Indiana PGA meeting on "What A Club Expects From A Pro", declared by listening pros to be the most valuable speech they'd ever heard about handling their jobs wisely . . . Jack W. MacDowell, pro at Rockledge G&CC, Coca, Fla., has done a swell job in getting that club back into lively, attractive status . . . Club also is a boon to golfers at nearby Patrick Air Force base.

Robert Trent Jones designing new 18 for Benton Harbor (Mich.) CC . . . Bill Kaiser,

widely known Hillerich and Bradsby pro golf sales mgr., recovering in good style from operation at Baptist hospital, Louisville, Ky., which excavated his gallstones . . . Homer Herpel, pro at Algonquin CC (St. Louis dist.) also is competent cartoonist.

Ralph Plummer has designed course for new Eastern Hills CC, Garland, Tex. (near Dallas) . . . Construction started with Lafayette Franks, formerly asst. to Graham Ross at Dallas AC CC, supervising building . . . Franks will stay on as pro-supt.

Banning, Calif., between LA and Palm Springs, planning new course . . . Al Shawhan, formerly asst. to Harry Pressler at San Gabriel and Elly Vines at Wilshire (LA dist.) named pro at Alhambra, Calif., 9-hole course opening this month . . . Los Angeles 5th annual junior championship drew more than 200 qualifiers, reminding Verne Wickham of big differences from early days of junior golf around LA when you almost had to send taxis for kids to get a field . . . Tommy Bartlett's Welcome Travelers program recently featured 13-year-old Charles Stadler of Wakefield, Mass., as a winner of Tommy's "Your Child's Dream" contest



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... Young Stadler after TV appearance got a lesson from Johnny Revolta and played in rain with Johnny, Chick Evans and Bob Cunningham of Welcome Travelers cast... The Stadler boy has dreamed of becoming a pro... Better not let the USGA know about his dream as the amateur status rule about intention to become pro is strict.

George (The Brute) Bayer getting a lot of exhibition dates and giving the customers plenty to remember about the way he whams the ball... University of Colorado golf team guests at Wilbur Clark's Desert Inn at Las Vegas, Nev., during interlude in schedule of matches with southwestern college golf squads.

Women's Western GA does usual informative job at press luncheon releasing WWGA 1955 tournament schedule which begins with the association's 26th Invitation Open, at Maple Bluff CC, Madison, Wis., June 23-26... WWGA 55th Open at Olympia Fields CC (Chicago dist.) June 25-30... 29th Junior Invitation Open at Lake Geneva (Wis.) Aug. 8-12... Notice how the WWGA girls, always correct, use the word "invitation" instead of the Father Divine grammar of "invitational?"... In-

vitational is not in a dictionary, nor is amateural or openal.

Paul Hahn to make Canadian exhibition tour, then after U.S. summer dates to make his trick shots exhibitions in Britain, the continent, and around the world... British Ryder Cup team to play exhibition at Atlantic City (N.J.) CC shortly after landing and before going to Palm Springs for Ryder Cup matches, Nov. 5 and 6... Hogan intensely pointing for the National Open... Worked out a lot this spring with Claude Harmon... Ben aspires to be the first one to win the Open five times... If his putting gets better than it was at the 1954 National Open and at the Masters' the past two years Ben will be a tough man to beat.

Harry Pezzullo, Illinois PGA president, star performer as ringmaster at the association's annual spring banquet... Harry qualified as the pro's George Goebel... Boris Steinberg, blind amateur of Chicago dist., presented Illinois PGA with big check to be used in aiding handicapped golfers... Lockerroom at new Coral Ridge CC, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., very attractive job with foot lockers and hangers for clothes

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Future Masters' tournament for youngsters, annual event at Dothan (Ala.) CC has become so popular with southern kids it's become necessary to limit entries this year to 175 . . . Telfair Ghioto, Dothan pro, and his members have done a marvelous job in building that tournament . . . Dick Wilson designing 18-hole private club course for Palm Beach, Fla.

Chick Evans honored by American Seniors' GA as their "Golfer of the Year." . . . Award, first of presentations to be made annually by the ASGA, was determined by a committee headed by Richard Tufts . . . Eloquent presentation address, voicing spirit of the old-timers, made by Pres. Fred L. Riffin, Sr.

Patrick Walsh, 94, died in his sleep at his home in Chicago, April 5 . . . He was father of four surviving sons in pro golf, Tom, a former president of the PGA; Frank, Packey and Marty; and of four daughters, Mary, Sara, Catherine and Agnes . . . He was born in County Galway, Ireland, and had lived in Chicago 55

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U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce expects 30,000 teen-age lads in local qualifying rounds for Jaycee Tenth Annual Junior championship, to be played at Columbus (Ga.) CC, Aug. 15-20 . . . Allen Geiberger, who at 16 was youngest to win Jaycee National Junior title, will defend . . . Cliff Whittle, pro at Twin Falls (Ida.) GC, as officer of local Exchange club got club raising money which will finance Idaho junior tournament, July 25-29 . . . Local Jaycees made Whittle, Bud Davis and Ed Purves honorary members for reviving Idaho State Open which Jaycees last year conducted at a profit.

Western Golf Assn. to have its 53d Amateur, at Rockford (Ill.) CC, July 18-24, 72-hole medal play which will qualify 8 for 36-hole match play, to test idea of eliminating upsets in 18-hole matches . . . Western Amateur two-man Team Best-Ball championship will be played at Memphis (Tenn.) CC Oct. 5-8 . . . Event was changed from last year's match play to

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USGA Green Section presents \$1000 from National Golf Fund grant, to Kansas State college for turfgrass research . . . Sixth annual turf conference at Ontario Agricultural college, Guelph, Ont., Can., set attendance record with more than 150 attending . . . Empire State CC, Spring Valley, N.Y., clubhouse is first country clubhouse completely air-conditioned . . . Building opened this spring.

Edw. Rafferty, formerly of Waconah CC, Dalton, Mass., to Waccabuc (N.Y.) CC as supt. . . Sectional organizations of supts., managers and pros beginning to give attention to welfare and retirement plans for club employees . . . As GOLFDOM has been reminding department heads many club officials realize that the welfare and retirement plans are inevitable if clubs are to have healthy employment situation but club officials change often and don't know where to begin on the planning . . . Associations of club department heads that fail to get busy exploring this subject and presenting tentative plans for club officials' study and consideration are neglecting a most timely and important duty . . . Club Managers' Assn. of America far ahead of GCSA and PGA, mainly because many members of CMAA are managers of city clubs and are right up against demands of waiters' and bartenders' unions.

John Kinder in 20th year as pro at Plainfield (N.Y.) CC . . . Johnny subject of very interesting column by local sports editor Don Murray . . . Charles S. (Bugs) Erswell, 92-year-old "Father of Maine Golf", still playing . . . Opened the season at Brunswick (Me.) CC . . . Maine pros say Erswell, founder of Maine GA and Maine Seniors' GA, and winner of 100 trophies, is the liveliest old gent in golf.

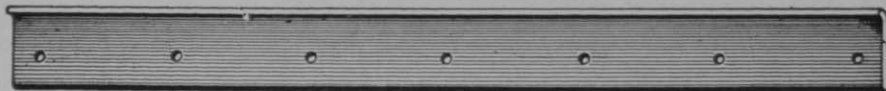
Ella Mae Roessler, winner of many women's amateur events, has turned pro and is teaching . . . She's daughter of Ed-

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die Williams, Louisville (Ky.) CC pro . . . Ella Mae turned down pro offers when she was in her teens . . . Now she's mother of sons who are 12 and 10 years old, and will devote spare time to instruction . . . She's applied for membership in the Ladies' PGA . . . Charles Reed heads group planning new country club at Roswell, N. M. . . . Tim Boyer, protege of Joe Novak and Lou Bola, is new pro at Ojai (Calif.) Valley CC . . . Elmer Bertucci now in his 44th year as supt. Old Elm Club (Chicago dist.) . . . "The Mole" in the Midwest Supts.' Bull Sheet, says Elmer is oldest supt. in years of service in the midwest.

Hillcrest CC (LA dist.) gave their pro Mortie Dutra, a gala dinner after an afternoon's golf tournament honoring the PGA Senior champion . . . The club also gave Mortie \$1000 to ease his problem counting British change when he goes abroad to meet the British PGA Senior champion . . . About 250 Hillcrest members at the dinner, including many members who are movie and wireless notables.

Col. Frank Ward elected pres., West Coast (Fla.) Greenkeepers' Assn., and Peter A. Chuita, sec.-treas. . . . West Coast organization has leased Tarpon Springs course from the city and will operate it, with Chuita as pro-mgr. . . . West Coasters hope to make the Tarpon Springs course a model of maintenance . . . Jimmy Blackledge has opened his own golf course equipment and supply distrib-

uting agency in Florida.

Ohio Turf and Field Day at Ohio State University experimental station, Sept. 19 . . . Gus Wortham, Houston (Tex.) insuranceman, buys Houston CC at price rumored to be around \$1,625,000 . . . Will operate as a fee course after 18 months during which Houston CC will retain use of property while building new club.

Fred Corcoran puts across deal for Babe Zaharias life story in six installments in Saturday Evening Post . . . Harry Paxton writing the story . . . Corcoran has arranged for book publication of the Babe's story in fall and movie based on the story is being negotiated.

Lee Harrington, 70, for 19 years with Wilson Sporting Goods Co., as salesman, advertising mgr., and merchandise mgr., died April 12 at St. Cloud, Fla. . . . He was a football and basketball letterman at the University of Michigan, from which he graduated in 1908 . . . During World War II he was purchasing agent for armed forces athletic and recreational material at the Chicago Quartermaster depot . . . He is survived by his widow, Amy, and a sister, Mrs. Robt. Cook of Waukegan, Ill.

Albert Forrester, from pro job at Jal (N. M.) CC to be pro at new all-grass munny course at Hobbs, N. M., to be opened July 1 . . . F. Lanier Reed to Cleveland (Tenn.) G&CC as pro-supt. . . . Reed doing daily golf column for Cleveland

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(Tenn.) Daily Banner that combines sound instruction and lively promotion for golf in the community.

Expect to open new 9-hole Pickens (S.C.) CC course soon . . . Course built by J. P. Traynham who operates Paris Mountain (S.C.) CC which, due to heavy play, is planning to return to private status . . . Bob Renaud, pro at Pickens County (S.C.) CC, says last year before the 9-hole course was built the county had 35 golfers . . . Now the club has more than 200 active golfers . . . Completing construction of 9-hole course for Greer CC, near Apalache, S.C.

Chicago District Club Managers' annual spring stag at Morrison hotel, April 18, biggest party the Chicago managers ever put on . . . Ralph Lang from Indian Hills G&CC, Ft. Pierce, Fla., to pro job at Carolina CC, Raleigh, N. C. . . . Howard Pluth to Tuckaway CC (Milwaukee dist.) to replace Carl Rather as pro . . . Rather has retired . . . Tuckaway and Ozaukee in Milwaukee dist., building new clubhouses . . . Jimmy Milward now pro at North Hills CC (Milwaukee dist.) . . . Billy Sixty and wife now grandparents and the veteran golf writer is celebrating . . . The

new arrival is Guy Stephen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Billy, Jr. . . . Billy, Jr., now asst. to Jules Platte at Knollwood club (Chicago dist.)

Frank Stagner now pro-supt. at new Gainesville, Tex., muni 9, designed by Ralph Plummer . . . Course has watered fairways, well contoured Bermuda greens and big grass tees . . . It's 3400 yds., with 36 par . . . has three waterholes. . . Course which will open in July, will be one of finest in north Texas, Stagner says . . . City mgr. Homer Bly enthusiastic about course as civic asset.

John F. Beier, 70, who came into golf course construction and maintenance as aide to the late Joe Roseman, died April 8 at Glenview, Ill., where he was supt., Naval Air Station course . . . He helped build and was supt., at Pickwick GC, which was name of the course before the Navy took it over.

Bill Langford, architect, and member of USGA Public Links committee, arranges 10-man team matches between Chicago and Milwaukee public links players as trials for Publinx championships, and to raise funds for financing teams' trips to national championship . . . Langford designing 18 hole semi-private course to be built and owned at Mundelein, Chicago north-west suburb, by Ray Didier, formerly supt., Tam o'Shanter CC (Chicago dist.)