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SWINGING AROUND GOLF

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nament and lauded Supt. Harry Hanson for having best greens in southern Illinois . . . Also praised Hanson for landscaping the entire layout to make it a beauty spot of the section . . . Hanson, whose wife is interested in gardening, has set a high standard of small town course conditioning . . . We wouldn't want to guess out loud and outside the family whose fault it is — members, supt., chairman or the budget—but some smaller town courses that have courses in pretty fair shape have unattractive and apparently neglected clubhouse surroundings.

Gene O'Brien, pro at Rolling Hills CC, Wichita, Ks., putting on one of the best TV programs in golf at station KAKE, Wichita . . . Program is Sunday evenings, 6:30-7 and runs the year around . . . Has many Kansas pros and amateur stars as guests . . . One of his recent features is a show on Christmas golf gifts.

Harold Paddock, Cleveland, O., architect, has designed Valley View GC, Lancaster, O., an interesting semi-private

course, for Bill George . . . First 9 of eventual 18 of Valley View to be opened in spring . . . Paddock also has designed an 18-hole course to be built at Lake Lillian between Akron and Canton, O., for group headed by Ray Martz . . . Another Paddock job is the new Pine Hills Golf Course, Inc., project which will eventually have 27 holes.

Clark Black, pro at Elyria (O.) CC, passes on a good tip to other pros . . . Black and his asst., Mike Merva, always see that prizes bought from pro shop and handed out on stag days and at other tournaments, are attractively packaged . . . They say this is such a change from having the prizes practically tossed at the winners the idea adds value to the prizes.

A pro pal of mine figured out the other day that a barber in a big city barber shop makes more per hour than many a good pro gets for a lesson.

J. H. (Buck) Pressley, pro at Clarks-ville (Tenn.) CC, died recently in Clarks-ville . . . He was busy on plans for the holidays and the new year at his club when he was stricken . . . He is survived by his widow.