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NEWS OF THE GOLF WORLD IN BRIEF

In driving around the country to golf clubs we've often been reminded the golf club entrances frequently are serious traffic hazards . . . The club road often comes abruptly out on a main highway with heavy high speed traffic, and vision of the main highway as well as of the club road generally is concealed by ornamental gates and high, thick landscaping of the club entrance . . . Supts., pros and managers should call this peril, if it exists at their clubs, to the attention of officials and request permission to correct the condition.

Bert Purvis, Spalding pro salesman in up-state N. Y. now is in his 31st year with the company . . . Jim started in the Spalding store on 5th ave. . . . From Bert's notes . . . Bob Klink, formerly asst. to "Smiling Emmett" Kelley at Green Lakes CC, Fayetteville, N. Y., now pro at Auburn (N. Y.) G&CC . . . Bill Smith, pro at Orchard Park (N. Y.) CC now running his winter school in Statler hotel, Buffalo . . . Fine new pro shops for Walter Bemish at Town & Country Club, Lockport, N. Y., and J. Ray Welsch, East Aurora (N. Y.) CC.

Harry Todd from Lakewood CC, Dallas, to be pro at new Riverdale CC, Dallas, when Riverdale opens about April 1 . . . Jim Dunkerley who's going from pro job at Peachtree, Atlanta, Ga., to succeed Charley Hall who is retiring from Birmingham (Ala.) CC, gets Milton Ward as asst. . . . C. E. (Corky) Dahl, formerly asst. to Wally Mund at Midland Hills CC, to Southview CC, South St. Paul, Minn.

Guadalajara (Mex.) CC whose annual invitation tournament always is a gay golfing fiesta for Mexican amateurs and their



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guests from the U. S. expects, within a couple of years, to be host to one of the big international tournaments usually held in Mexico City . . . Guadalajara to enlarge clubhouse . . . Its course is one of finest conditioned south of the border . . . The club's gen. mgr. and supt. says help he's received from O. J. Noer and other experts and from supts. he's met at supts.' meetings in the United States has been of great value to the club.

Bill O'Hara signed as pro by Westbrook CC, Mansfield, O. . . . O'Hara was asst. to Felice Torza at St. Charles (Ill.) CC, then during 1955 to Jim Foulis at LaGrange (Ill.) CC . . . Frederick A. Marsh is new pres. Metropolitan (N. Y.) Golf Assn. . . . Marsh, long a valuable member of the Met official family, succeeds Willie Turnesa as head of the 227 member club organization . . . Mrs. Eugene K. Lydon of South Shore CC and Beverly CC (Chicago dist.) re-elected pres., Women's Western Golf Assn. . . . Women's Western has 305 member clubs.

Paul A. Divico, formerly asst. mgr., Findlay (O.) GC, now is Burlington (Ia.) CC mgr. . . . Karl W. Ernst named mgr. of new Osage Hills CC, Tulsa, Okla. . . . U. S. Army to build eight courses in Germany and France at cost of \$420,000 financed mainly by Post Exchange profits and using no U. S. tax funds . . . Courses army personnel have been using are being derequisitioned and returned to owners.

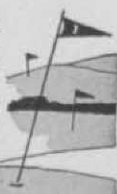
Westchester County, N. Y., to build \$300,000 clubhouse at Dunwoodie course . . . Chapel Hill (N. C.) CC adding 9 holes, addition to clubhouse, and swimming pool . . . L. A. Newnham in charge of course



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construction . . . Charleston (S. C.) Post editorial lauds "energy and ingenuity" of two Negro men, their relatives and friends who've built a 6-hole course with clubhouse, on James Island . . . Course has grass greens watered with a hand pump from a portable drum.

Jim Turnesa moves from Briar Hall CC to be pro at John Handweg's new 27-hole Empire State CC at Spring Valley, N. Y. . . . Doug Turnesa to be Briar Hall's pro . . . Ellsworth Vines from Tamarisk CC, Palm Springs, Calif., next spring to be pro at Inwood CC (NY Met. dist.) succeeding Art Doering.

National Assn. of Left-Handed Golfers to hold its 1956 championship at Catawba CC, Hickory, N. C., Aug. 8-11 . . . Dr. Charles E. Cloniger of the Catawba club is NALHG pres. . . . Golf business now has two former baseball major league notables, Jack Russell of Scoggins and Eddie Sawyer of Plymouth Golf Ball Co. . . . Russell, once a pitching star, and Sawyer who managed the 1950 National League champion Phillies, were active at the PGA annual meeting.

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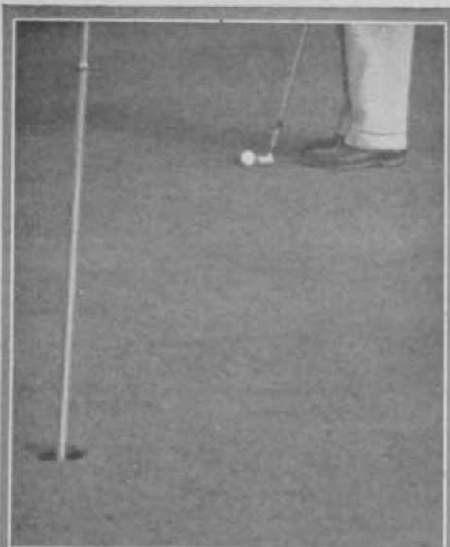
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moted to mgr. Bonnie Briar CC (NY Met dist.) . . . Court House CC, Fairfax, Va., now in its new clubhouse . . . Charley Arena signs as pro at Buena Vista CC, Vineland, N. J. . . . Club recently was organized and schedules early start on construction of Gordon-designed course.

Art Peterson building 9-hole course at his Stehekin Valley resort near Chelan, Wash. . . . Golfers of Bristol, on border of Virginia and Tennessee, pushing for many course . . . Ralph Marvin gets County Planning commission approval for construction of 18 hole course at Florin, Calif.

"Citizens' Committee for More Golf Courses in San Francisco" organized . . . Al Dermody is chmn. . . . Group includes members of San Francisco's three many courses . . . Lynn H. Beard plans to build 18-hole course at Tulsa, Okla. . . . Gabe Gup heads group planning to build third private country club at Mobile, Ala.

San Francisco golf writers urging that lot of work be done in preparing Harding Park course for 1956 USGA public links championship . . . Bob Goethals in SF Chronicle says that despite heavy play seven days a week at Harding, course needs to get "the works — from top to bottom" . . .

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Canon City, Colo., to have muny course with Jaycees working with municipal authorities on the project . . . Work progressing rapidly on Henie Hills G&CC 18 between Oceanside and Vista, Calif. . . . Course designed by Wm. P. Bell . . . Club is private, adjoining 1600 acre subdivision. . . . Preliminary engineering completed on proposed muny 18 at Burbank, Calif.

Russell Frease to build 18 at Federal Way, Wash. . . . Erie County (Buffalo) N. Y. Board of Supervisors ask legislature to appropriate funds for building 18-hole course in Beaver Island state park . . . Considering building public course in Rotterdam, about 15 minutes from center of Schenectady, N. Y.

Allentown, Pa., municipal golf course paid another \$10,000 out of 1955 operating profit, toward liquidation of debt created for development of the course . . . University of Maryland course now being built financed by \$67,000 from Maryland's share of 1951 Sugar Bowl game and \$100,000



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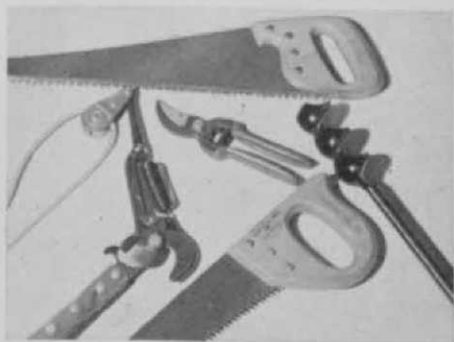
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from university's athletic receipts.

New Jersey seems to have far more YMCA and YWCA and adult night school golf classes than any other state . . . Mike Amorelli, pro at Copper Hill CC conducting winter golf classes at Flemington (N. J.) high school . . . Philadelphia (Pa.) CC to build \$1,250,000 clubhouse at its Spring Mill course . . . Building program includes Olympic-size swimming pool, four bowling alleys and six tennis courts.

Twin Oaks GC, 9 holes, semi-private, being constructed by J. T. Cook at Duncan, Okla. . . . Gene Bowman to add second 9 to his Mount Hood GC, Portland, Ore. . . . Winchester (Va.) CC to spend \$100,000 for additional 9 holes and new clubhouse . . . Paul Koenig heads group to build 6-hole Willow Creek CC course at Heppner, Wash.

Expect to have first 9 of 18 of Glendale GC, Allentown, Pa., opened by Sept. . . . A 9-hole short course is being built at Greensboro (N.C.) Women's College . . . Miss Ellen Griffin of the school's physical education dept. says the course will be valuable as a teaching aid, recreational opportunity that can be used in limited time available between classes, for con-



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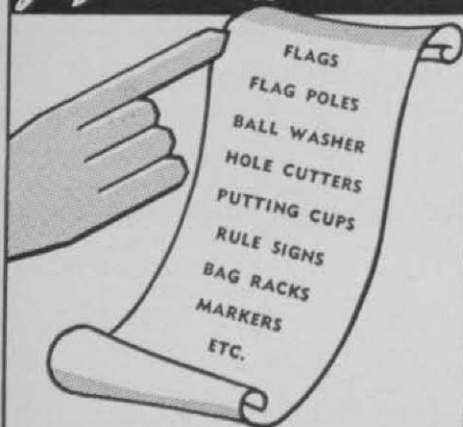
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Southern Golf Assn. 50th anniversary amateur championship to be played at Druid Hills GC, Atlanta, Ga., May 7-12 . . . Date was moved up from June or July so tournament can be played on rye greens . . . Druid Hills will have its great annual event, the Dogwood invitation tournament, the week before the Masters . . . Gen. Mgr. Chapeau, Supt. Shields and Pro Miller of Druid Hills will be plenty busy with big tournaments in a little less than a month.

Robert Trent Jones building course in beautiful seashore location for Lawrence Rockefeller's Dorado hotel in Puerto Rico . . . A bust in memory of the club's beloved pro, Tom Galloway, who died on a trip to Scotland last year, now is at Hermitage CC, Richmond, Va.

Andy Bertoni, supt., and Chick Harbert, pro at Meadowbrook CC (Detroit dist.), helped caddies build a few short holes in the caddy year . . . Kids call it the Hornetsville CC . . . They maintain it in pretty good shape, mowing greens, watering, fertilizing . . . Meadowbrook caddies do picking-up jobs on course at Meadowbrook and

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as reward are allowed to play in the evening . . . Herbert and Bertoni are a fine team . . . Chick insists that Andy's name as supt. be on a sign in the pro shop as he believes the supt. should have publicity as well as shop responsibility.

USGA Green Section considering re-writing some of the material in its regional turf bulletins so this information may be displayed on club bulletin boards or used in club magazines . . . This news of problems of supts. and Green chmn. and work being done to solve the problems should give most golfers a view behind the scenes in course maintenance that golfers now don't have . . . Green Section also thinking about making some public education turf exhibits at USGA national championships.

James E. Thomas, supt., Army-Navy CC, and Ruth Massey, asst. mgr. of the club, were married at Arlington (Va.) Methodist church . . . Adm. Jack Phillips, Green chmn. of the club was Jim's best man and Col. Richard E. Daley, the club's mgr., gave the bride away.

Shirley Spork on winter teaching staff of Ellsworth Vines at Tamarisk CC, Palm Springs, Calif. . . . Bill Williamson, former

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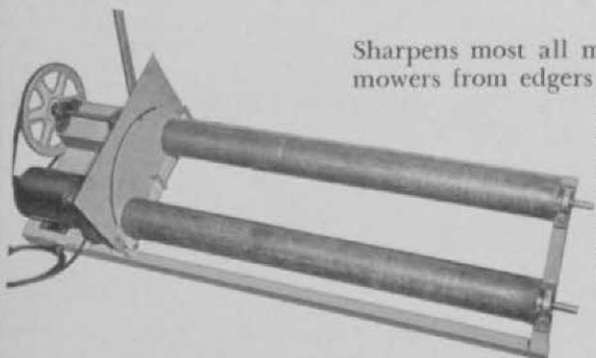
owner and operator, Fairview GC, Ft. Wayne, Ind., has bought Crestview GC, 9-hole semi-private, with range, in Muncie, Ind. . . . Chick Monroe taking over full operation of Fairview club . . . Wally Harden new pro at Barbara Worth CC, El Centro, Calif.

Dallas tournaments with \$30,000 purse May 24-27 and \$70,000 May 31-June 3 promise to give George S. May competition as being best provider in pro tournament golf . . . George says he welcomes rivalry and will raise his purse whenever needed to rate top billing as the pro's Mr. Money . . . The boys ought to start tournament rounds by holding prayer meetings for George's continued good health.

Tommy Armour's golf lessons syndicated to newspapers by the Chicago Tribune-New York Daily News Syndicate running through the winter is sure sign of year-around nation-wide interest in game . . . Eugene F. (Skip) Wogan beginning his 46th year as pro at Essex CC, Manchester-by-Sea, Mass. . . . Skip certainly doesn't look or act that calendar yardage . . . He and his son are partners in a successful golf course design and building enterprise in the East.

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Pools bringing youngsters out to clubs greatly increase opportunities for junior golf promotion . . . New York state pros whose clubs have new pools include Charlie Keating at Corning CC, Tim Gagen at Schuyler Meadows Club, Jack Gormlet at Walferts Roost CC, George Ramsden at Shaker Ridge, Al Getz at Sadaquada CC, Frank Fortune at Niagara Falls, Alex Leipner at Westwood CC, Ed Brown at Columbia CC and John Lisk at Oswego CC.

University of New Mexico golf coach Dick McGuire is confident the Albuquerque school's William H. Tucker invitation tournament will become one of the nation's largest college tournaments . . . It is a memorial to the architect and builder of the university's course . . . Men and women's divisions (individual and team events)

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and a mixed event drew very well last year, the first playing of the event . . . The 1956 Tucker tournament for college men and women will be played Oct. 10-13 at the U of N.M. course, Albuquerque . . . Charles S. Lanier, Albuquerque city commissioner and mgr. of the course is working with McGuire to make the event a major affair. Marty Lyons and Skee Riegel preparing interesting innovation in group golf instruction for colleges in the Philadelphia area . . . "Kids' disease" as supts. call juvenile dimwits' vandalism on golf courses, also hits pro departments . . . Emil Beck, pro at Black River CC, Port Huron, Mich., tells of kids hooking about two dozen rental carts together one night and rolling them down hill from storage adjoining pro shop, over cliff deep into a river.

Elmer Ward and Palm Beach Co. raised Palm Beach tournament charity contributions to nearly \$500,000 when Jug McSpaden gave Harry Moffitt a check for \$12,600.47 for PGA benevolent fund . . . Udo Reinach and Willie Turnesa, once Udo's caddie, have established caddie scholarship foundation along lines of Chick Evans' plan, to provide scholarships for Westchester County, N. Y., caddies . . . Reinach starts fund with pledge of \$20,000.

President Eisenhower's return to golf with approaching and putting practice after his heart attack won him the Golf Writers' Assn. of America Ben Hogan award as the golfer who proved to be an inspiration to his community by overthrowing a physical ailment or handicap and continuing to play golf . . . Dale Bourisseau who lost a leg at Anzio, then returned to play golf and establish highly successful Possibilities Unlimited, annual golf championship for physical handicapped, ran second to Ike . . . Tommy Armour says news pictures showing the President practicing approaches indicate considerable improvement in the Eisenhower form although stiffness of right knee still is a flaw.

Al Salamone to Deerfield (Conn.) CC as pro . . . Switch of Bing Crosby tournament dates to October welcome to pros for several reasons . . . Weather is far better in October than in January on Monterey peninsula . . . October date with Bing solves problem of football competition that discourages tournament promoters in fall . . . October date also avoids competition with January meets in Caribbean—they are going to grow!

Simon and Schuster to publish "The Walter Hagen Story" this spring . . . Pete Schwed, S&S executive and editor who got Tommy Armour cornered into giving birth to a book that has sold 250,000 copies, kept after Hagen after Walter had worn out four writers . . . Lincoln Werdin of the New York City Times, pres. of Metropolitan Golf Writers' Assn., and fellow scribes lined up fine party with sell-

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Big party Jan. 20 welcoming PGA headquarters to Dunedin, Fla. . . . Some Florida fairways set back by January freeze . . . Sierra View CC, Roseville, Calif., opens second 9 . . . Bill Brooks is pro . . . Woodbridge CC, Lodi, Calif., where Dave Dillion is pro, submerged by floods . . . Building another 9 at Haggin Oaks GC, Sacramento, Calif., where Tom LoPresti is pro.

Leighton Calkins, 87, originator of Calkins handicapping system and member of first USGA committee to work with R&A on standardization of rules, died recently at his home in Plainfield, N. J. . . . He was pres., New Jersey Golf Assn. in 1907 and 1908, and sec. of USGA and Metropolitan Golf Assn. . . . Born in Buffalo, N. Y., he served three terms as mayor of Plainfield . . . He retired in 1938 as a member of the New York law firm of Bard and Calkins. Henry T. Hughes, 89, architect of Cherry Hills CC, Denver, Colo., Broadmoor GC, Colorado Springs and other courses, died recently in a Denver hospital.

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course near Phoenix . . . Course, eventually to be 18, will be flanked by sites of fine residences . . . Dr. Sol Leider buys Watsonville (Calif.) course from Pat Markovich, Joey Rey and Hugh Mauer.

The MacGregor Hunters now parents of another young Mac Hunter . . . He's first grandchild for Mr. and Mrs. Willie Hunter . . . Firestone course at Akron, O. having three new holes built by Supt. Bill Lyons due to alterations required by building 1 billion gal. water reservoir on part of the course . . . Lyons will have job finished without interrupting play . . . New greens of Pennlu . . . Alterations will speed play.

Oak Grove course, Alliance, O., bought by Elmer J. (Rusty) Ellsworth, supt. at Bunker Hills GC, Medinah, O. . . Ellsworth rehabilitating old course and has nine greens in Pennlu . . . Will open as semi-private about June . . . World's largest lawn clinic, annual affair sponsored by Akron (O.) Beacon-Journal, to be held April 5-8 . . . Clinic brings in supts. as consulting turf authorities and has been instrumental in making Akron a city of fine lawns . . . Bill Lyons and other local supts. got Beacon-Journal into the deal as a community service several years ago.

Golf Course Supts. Assn. of New England shows sound publicity policy . . . GCSA of NE appropriated \$200 for its publicity committee to use in increased publicity for the association, the supts. and education of golfers in maintenance cooperation. GCSA of New England's '56 officers: Pres. Mike O'Grady; 1st vp Manuel Francis; 2d vp Albert Allen; 3d vp Narry Sperandio; Sec. William Ash; Treas. Arthur Cody; Educational committee chmn. Ray Brigham; Golf committee chmn. Joe Butler . . . Daniel Silva elected trustee for 3 years . . . George Rommell and John Keilty voted in as auditors.

Port Paradise Hotel, Crystal River, Fla., figuring on 18-hole course to be designed by Walt Ripley . . . Turf Research Foundation, 53 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago 4, tested seed sales promotion organization, announces its advisory board has been increased by inclusion of a number of men widely known in golf turf research.

Alan Cook, for past nine years asst. to Roy Bearden at Santa Anita (Calif.) CC now pro at newly opened Glendora (Calif.) CC . . . Jim Swaggerty from Brookside CC, Pasadena, Calif., to pro spot at Oakmont CC, Glendale, Calif. . . Swaggerty succeeds Don Erickson who left Oakmont after 11 years to be pro at new Antelope Valley GC, near Lancaster, Calif.

Robt. Williams, supt., Beverly CC, Chicago, has been elected pres. Midwest Assn. of Golf Course Supts. . . Williams succeeds George Roloff . . . Amos Lapp elected Midwest's 1st vp . . . Wm. Stuppel, editor of the association's lively publication "The Bull Sheet," elected 2d vp and Al Johnson re-elected sec.

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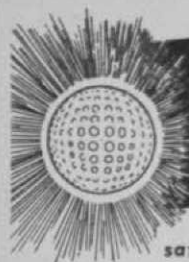


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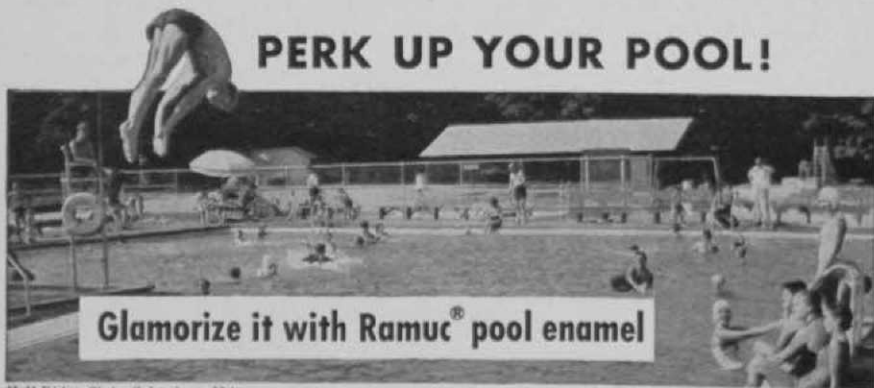
treas. . . . George Roloff, Dave Mastroleo and Gordon Brinkworth are directors.

Henry Cotton coming over to play in Masters and will stay until National Open in which he hopes to compete . . . Cotton will play in other events . . . Former British Open champion was 49 Jan. 20 . . . For past two years has been playing some grand golf in competition . . . Henry began wearing glasses for reading some months ago . . . Says it's rested his eyes and he now can look at the ball better and hit it squarely without hurrying . . . Mrs. Cotton will accompany Henry.

Ralph Guldahl will be at the Masters (Apr. 5-8) for first time in years . . . Ralph has a Masters' title among other championships that identify him as once one of the world's best . . . After winning two National Opens, three Western Opens and a Masters', Guldahl got tired of big time competition . . . His son, Buddie, now an asst. shows flashes of his daddy's brilliance.

With Baederwood GC (Philadelphia dist.) being replaced by shopping center and subdivision a busy nursery for fine golfers goes out of business . . . Club was known as Huntington Valley until 1928 when it became semi-private . . . Bob Aitken is the last of a line of grand pros the place had . . . Bob, one of the best as teacher, developer of golf activity, and golf businessman, should be signed by another

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club without having to wait too long . . . Others who were pros at Huntington Valley —Baederwood: Jock Campbell, Dave Cuthbert, Jack Hobens, George Low, Jack Park and Joe Kirkwood.

Mrs. Ernest R. Anderson, widow of former sec.-treas. of PGA, during PGA Seniors' Week was hostess at her home, 827 Victoria dr., Dunedin, to many of the friends she and Ernest made in pro golf . . . Nevada Amateur at Washoe CC, Reno, first week in Oct. . . Nevada Open at Ruby View, Elko, in Sept. with George Schneider defending title . . . Fourth annual Tournament of Champions at Desert Inn CC, Las Vegas, Nev., Apr. 26-29, will have course in best condition of any in southwest Howard Capps, pro, promises.

Veteran members of Glen View (Ill.) GC where Jock Hutchison, sr., retired as pro after many years of service, are campaigning for Jock's admission to Pro Golf's Hall of Fame . . . Charles S. Smith, mgr.-supt., Guadalajara (Mex.) CC, says first Mexican inter-club tournament, to which the Guadalajara club was host, drew 235 players . . . Women's classes had some fine play and pictorial evidence shows women contestants a really beautiful bevy.

Max Elbin, pres. Middle Atlantic PGA and the section's vps, Severn White, Johnny Musser and Roger Peacock, planning business and instruction educational program at all MA meetings . . . John Flattery, pro at Green Spring Valley CC (Baltimore dist.) serving as section's sec.-treas. for 16th term . . . Al Houghton, Middle Atlantic pres. for six consecutive terms preceding Elbin, who is pro at Burning Tree, Washington, withdrew from section office to become national vp of PGA.

Joe McDermott, supt., Audubon CC, Louisville, Ky., says combination of increased play and horrible weather for grass probably makes it necessary for supts. to learn more about soil conditioning and watering than they'd learn in a dozen normal years . . . Says 1955 also was a boon to golf in having so many greens so hopelessly bad that reconstruction can't be delayed any longer.

Allen R. Rankin, pres., western Seniors' Golf Assn. and Ray Roberson, gen. chmn. of the 1956 Western Seniors' tournament at Highland G&CC, Indianapolis, June 21-22 have appointed committee heads for tournament . . . Wm. V. Kingdon, Western Seniors' sec.-treas., whose offices are at 7520 N. Pennsylvania ave., Indianapolis 20, Ind., says organization's membership has continued to grow during the winter . . . Illinois has largest number of members in the Western.

December business at new shop of Willie and MacGregor Hunter, Riviera CC (Los Angeles dist.) surpassed any previous month's volume at shop . . . Christmas gift business, naturally . . . Willie says it's a surprise to him as a pro veteran to see golf wear sales beat equipment sales volume but he doesn't mind being surprised by the profit.

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C. E. (Scotty) Stewart, 18357 Homewood ave, Homewood, Ill., specialist in golf course watering and drainage, had record year in '55 with his golf watering jobs alone running almost to the \$1 million mark . . . Scotty says prospects for 1956 indicate another new record, with many old clubs modernizing watering systems and a large number of new clubs ordering complete systems.

Northern Calif. GCSA elects following officers for '56: Verne Conklin, LaRinconada CC, pres; Walter Boysen, Sequoia CC, vp; Wesley H. White, Green Valley CC, secy-treas. . . . Board members are Leigh Hulbert, Presidio GC and Richard Viergever, Woodbridge CC. . . . W. H. (Tige) Stanley is supt. of new De Anza CC, Borrego Springs, Calif. . . . Tige, member of Green Committee of USGA moves from Yuma, Ariz. CC to take job . . . DeAnza's first 9 will be completed this year and 18-hole course will measure 6,613 yards when finished . . . Ralph Zegarac named to fill unexpired term of Alfred May as secy-treas. of Iowa GCSA . . . May has moved to Arizona.

Dick Scott, supt. at Rolling Road GC, Catonsville, Md., died Dec. 31 . . . He had been with that club for 23 years . . . Mid Atlantic GCSA gave Dick, a charter member, a Life Membership in '53 . . . Wellsville, N. Y. CC has installed fairway irrigation system . . . Funds raised through bond issued among members . . . Cleveland Dist. GCSA changes name to Northern Ohio Dist. of National GCSA . . . Stan Graves, Westwood CC, Rocky River, is pres. and Robert Famin, Kirtland CC, Willoughby, is vp and secy-treas.

Herb Evans and Herman Riece of Kern County Parks and Recreation, starting first Service Club tournament . . . some 24 service

clubs have sent entries to pros, George Mifflin and Chet Foss . . . Tournament will be held at Kern River GC near Bakersfield . . . Glendora CC, Calif. opens first nine of 18-hole course . . . Alan Cook and Jimmy Griffiths are pros.

Tampa Women's Open drew its largest total gate this year . . . Leo MacNamara's collection of old clubs subject of feature story in a Sunday edition of New York Daily News . . . Leo, Wilson salesman and son of the late Tommy, has more than 500 old clubs . . . Supt. Elmer Border practically completed rebuilding of Oceanside course of Olympic Club, San Francisco, without closing it . . . Indian relics dug up during construction of Singing Hills, new course near San Diego, Calif., built by Gomer Sims, Cece Hollingsworth, O. W. (Spud) Moorman, Edwin C. (Babe) Horrell, Robt. Price and John Kressin.

Prospect Hill G&CC, Glenn Dale, Md., 18-hole course owned by Maj. Terrill Brazelton, has restored mansion, built in 1742, as temporary clubhouse . . . Supts. in Mid-Atlantic section rejoicing at miraculous recovery of Charley Schalestock, supt., Norbeck CC., who was believed to have been doomed by a rare form of paralysis.

Strategic Air Command to build four more 9-hole courses and install golf ranges and practice greens at several more bases . . . Sacramento, Calif., has plans for course in new foothills Farms . . . Daytona Beach (Fla.) GC formed to bid for municipally-owned Daytona Beach CC and hopes to build additional 18 . . . Jimmy Nichols, one-armed pro star, doing fine job of promotion for Spalding in crowded exhibition calendar.

New 18-hole Chestnut Ridge CC, near Baltimore, Md., to be in play about May 30 . . . Danny Dianco to Pine River CC, Alma, Mich., as pro . . . Dr. John V. Brannon heads

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group to build 9-hole private club at Bridgeport, W. Va. . . . Forest Smith, builder of Clock CC, Whittier, Calif., to build courses with homesites bordering at Yorba Linda and at San Juan Capistrano.

Memphis (Tenn.) CC to have new million dollar clubhouse, pool and cabanas . . . New 18-hole course of Deepdale Club (NY Met dist.) designed and built by Dick Wilson seeded by South German bent from same source in Germany that provided bent seed for original Deephole in '25 . . . Churchill County Golf Assn., to build 9-holes at Fallon, Nev., says Dick Berney, one of association's organizers . . . Three golf cars and 200 carts and sets of clubs destroyed by fire at Woodbridge G&CC, Lodi, Calif.

Herman Coeller from Southside CC, Paducah, Ky., to pro job at Bowling Green (Ky.) CC succeeding Charley Lamb, retired . . . Neil Christian from Downriver CC to new Esmeralda course at Spokane, Wash., as pro . . . Chuck Priddy succeeds Bill Stewart as supt., Hillcrest CC, Los Angeles . . . Bill retires on pension . . . John Steinberg, Hillcrest mgr., retires and made Hillcrest life member.

Willborn Jamison now pro at new Tullahoma (Tenn.) CC . . . Patty Berg 54 points ahead of Babe Zaharias as AP "woman athlete of year" . . . Third was women's tennis champion, Doris Hart . . . Shows how women's pro golf has grown up . . . J. H. Alexander now pro at Jonesboro (Tenn.) CC.

Bill Tryon at his 20th Hole Golf, 15 W. 5th ave., Center, Scottsdale, Ariz., has every practice and instruction gadget he's been able to locate, in use for his customer . . . Bill says quite a few of the gimmicks that pros may be inclined to view as "Rube Goldbergs" have been definite helps in practice.

New Antelope Valley CC, between Palmdale and Lancaster, Calif., designed by Wm. F. Bell, one of most picturesque newer clubs with fairways winding between grotesque Joshua trees . . . Don Erickson is pro here . . . Midwest chapter, National Shade Tree Conf., have 11th annual meeting at LaSalle hotel, Chicago, Feb. 22, 23, 24 . . . Suprenant National GC, Bolton, Mass., now building, publicized as going to be "world's longest course." . . . Burt Suprenant is owner of the course, originally 9-holes . . . Clarksdale, Miss. getting new 9-hole public course with "Doc" Livingston as pro-supt.

James G. Harrison got five new courses built in 1955 . . . Jim designed and built Maplehurst CC, Frostburg, Md. . . . 18 for Sleepy Hollow CC, Nitro, W. Va. . . . Walnut Hills CC, Columbus, O. (18-holes, plus three practice holes) . . . Warwick Hills CC, 18 at Flint, Mich. . . . Harrison also remodeled Highland CC, Pittsburgh, Pa., and selected site for new course at Tyrone, Pa.

Bill and Dave Gordon building 18 for Buena Vista CC, near Vineland, N. J. . . . Buena Vista will be opened in spring, 1957 . . . Charley Arena from Melrose CC (Phil-

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adelphia dist.) to be pro . . . Gordons have finished another 9 for Saucon Valley, Bethlehem, Pa., giving that club 36 championship holes, plus a junior course of 6 holes . . . Other Gordon jobs include design of 9-hole course for Ethicon Suture Co. employees at Somerville, N. J.; modernizing Brookside CC, Macungie, Pa., and alteration to eliminate some mountain climbing at Buick Hills CC.

Frank Tull, Hercules CC, Wilmington 99, Del., elected pres. of Philadelphia Assn. of Golf Course Supts. at group's annual meeting . . . Clarence Fry, Jeffersonville GC, Norristown, Pa., was elected vp; Frank I. Shuman, 309 Oreland Mill Rd., Oreland, Pa., sec.; and James W. Morrison, Philmont CC, Huntingdon Valley, Pa., treas. . . Directors elected to serve three-year terms: William Baskin, Edward Riley, D. J. Thomas.

Philadelphia Section PGA reelected Henry Poe, Reading (Pa.) CC to its presidency and returned Walter Silkworth, Rydal (Pa.) CC to office as treas. . . Leo Fraser, Atlantic City (N. J.) CC was elected 1st vp; Harlan Will, Lebanon CC, 2nd vp, and Angelo Paul, Meadowlands CC, sec.

Jack Greer is owner and operator of new 18-hole semi-private course at Lawton, Okla. (pop. 55,000) . . . Course adjoins Ft. Sill which has population of about 25,000 . . . Course is 6,977 yds from back tees . . . Seaside greens . . . Pro is Ed Hesler with Wayne Pierce and Jackie Moore as assts. . . Supt. is Guy Greer.

Intensely interesting story of historic Tchoupitoulas plantation, now Colonial G&CC at New Orleans, written by Dr. Eugene Louis Fortier of the family which acquired the site in 1808 . . . Title for the land traces back to 1741 . . . Robert C. Lavacek from Silver Lake CC, Rockford, Mich., to pro job at Green Ridge CC, Grand Rapids, succeeding Danny Nowak, drowned on hunting trip last fall.

Steve Bull, former Wisconsin amateur star, is new pro at Meadowbrook Town & CC., Racine, Wisc. . . Randy Quick is new assistant to Hank Gardener, pro at Tripoli GC., Milwaukee, scene of this year's Miller High Life tourney . . . Merrill Hills CC., Waukesha, Wis., will stage its 2nd annual Snow Ball golf event Febr. 12 . . . Elks Club (Manitowoc, Wis.) bought former 9-hole layout of Lakeside CC which moves to new 18-hole course.

Floyd Farley building par-3 course in Tulsa for Seth Hughes, Phil Braniff and C. M. Warren . . . 15 acre site about a mile from Southern Hills CC . . . Farley asked to design and build another par-3 course on 20-acre site and busy with several full-size courses in Oklahoma now on drawing boards.

Los Angeles city golf courses played 690,665 rounds in 1955 according to the annual report of General Manager George Hjelte and Golf Supervisor Americ Hadley of the City Recreation and Park dept. . . . Rancho golf course, site of last LA Open, led the play with 123,662.

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Joe Kirkwood, Jr., reports 21,000 people used the facilities of his Golf and Sports Center in North Hollywood in the first two weeks of operation. 18-hole par-three course to open soon . . . Mrs. Mary T. Hastings, mother of Claude Hastings, well known golf salesman, died Jan. 22 at the age of 82 following long illness at a rest home in Newton, Mass. She is survived by sons Claude and Ed and daughters Mrs. Margaret McCarthy and Mrs. Helen Murphy . . . New address of the Detroit office-warehouse of Walter Hagen Golf Div. is 4094 Telegraph rd., Bloomfield Hills, Mich.

Norman S. Johnson, after nation-wide civil

service test, awarded permanent appointment as supt. of Los Angeles County Parks and Recreation . . . Johnson has been with LA County since 1934 and formerly was asst. to previous supt., B. P. Gruendyke . . . Billy Milward to pro spot at Oncida Golf & Riding Club, Green Bay, Wis. . . . William H. Diddel is architect for new course to be built at Elkhart, Ind. . . . Tommy Armour's book, "How to Play Your Best Golf All the Time" recently published in France . . . Olivier Lesourd, French publisher and golf enthusiast, did the translation . . . Desourd also translated and published for French golf promotion the National Golf Foundation's booklet "Golf Lessons."

Officers of the newest PGA section, that of Florida, are: Pres. Denny Champagne, Orlando; Vp Clyde Usina, West Palm Beach; Vp Lou Bateman, Ocala; Sec. "Skip" Alexander, St. Petersburg, and Treas. Henry Bolesta, Tampa.