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NEWS OF THE GOLF WORLD IN BRIEF

Joseph Pezzullo, pro at Louisiquisset GC, Providence, R.I., thought he recognized clubs in a bag alongside an unidentified man . . . Joe asked the man . . . So did the police . . . The man gave information that led to solving the mystery of a \$6000 pro shop robbery at Louisiquisset last Oct. . . . Oscar Rieflin, owner of a large farm in Rochester, N.Y. suburban Webster, plans to build 18-hole course.

Valley Forge GC (Philadelphia dist.) controlling interest bought at reported \$500,000 plus . . . New majority owners announced there'll be no change in operation of the new course . . . Robert Trent Jones restoring famous Lido course (NY Met dist.) which was made site of a naval training establishment during World War II . . . Emil Roth, 18 years mgr. at Wheatley Hills GC (NY Met dist.) now mgr., Hempstead GC (NY Met dist.)

Helen Hicks, 1931 Women's Amateur champion, now on Fred Grieve's pro staff at Glen Head CC (NY Met dist.) . . . Club was started as Women's National Golf and Tennis Club 'way back in the hopeful era before the 1929 market crash . . . North 9 of Main Line GC, Radnor, Pa., to cease operation this month and site will have a shopping center . . . Operation of south 9 holes continues.

Building 9-hole public course, sponsored by Huntington (W.Va.) Chamber of Commerce . . . Patsy Jefferson, now pro at



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Knob Hill CC, Barboursville, W.Va., to be pro at Huntington when it opens next year.

Bob Kurland wrote very interesting series in Hackensack (N.J.) Bergen Record on Jersey pros as spring features . . . Claude Harmon to be on TV job at National Open and Tam o' Shanter tournaments . . . Midvale G&CC, Rochester, N.

Y. changes from semi-public to private membership club . . . Geneva (Ala.) to have a 9-hole course at resort Jim Jones is having built.

R. L. Wenkstern, Mound, Minn., opens his Lakeview 9-hole course near North Arm., Minn. . . Filippo and Penat, San Rafael, Calif., real estate firm, considering building 18-hole course between Sonoma and Santa Rosa, Calif. . . . Hartley Corp. plans 18-hole Desert Sands CC in Ridgecrest, Calif. . . . Forrest Lewis of Morley, Mich., buys Briar Hill 9-hole course at Newaygo, Mich., from Wm. Wuthenow.

Joe Kirkwood, jr., opens golf range, par 3 course and clubhouse sections of his 45 acre sports center in Los Angeles . . . Planning course for Fredericktown, Mo. . . . Vic Oberhammer started in golf business as a caddie at Quaker Ridge CC (NY Met dist.) 48 years ago . . . He's been Quaker Ridge's pro for the past 17 years.

L. C. (Ace) Holshouser has leased 9-hole Hillcrest course at Charlotte, N.C. and after improving it is operating the course . . . Otter Kill CC, Newburg, N.Y. recently

Front

Cover

Young David Eisenhower, unlike most boys who come to visit grandpa down on the farm, is sent out to sharpen up his golf game rather than taught how to plow a straight furrow or slap the hogs. Farm prices being what they are nowadays, that probably makes a lot of sense. David's tutor is Dick Sleichter, Gettysburg CC pro, who helps him select a club and may be slipping in a few hints as to what to expect when he invades Burning Tree.

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formed and will have course designed and built by Bill Mitchell open in spring, 1957 . . . Creekside GC 9-hole course at Amherst, N.Y. to open this month . . . Owners are Tennis Schreckengost and Salvatore Turchiarelli.

Building of Chapel Hill (N.C.) course and clubhouse being pushed with hope of opening course in Sept. . . . Sapphire Valley CC 18-hole course designed by George Cobb and clubhouse designed by Byron Simpson to be built by Eugene Howerdd of Augusta, Ga., owner of Sapphire Valley Inn, Sapphire, N.C. . . . Palm Springs, Calif., may have munny 18 if city will provide the site and Hotel and Apartment Assn. pays for building course and clubhouse.

John L. Hane now pro-mgr. Del Norte GC, Crescent City, Calif. . . . Karl Wrannick now pro at Canajoharie (N.Y.) CC . . . Jim Barnes who has been in semi-retirement since leaving Essex County (N.J.) CC now is with Johnny Farrell at Baltusrol teaching on the lesson tee and in playing lessons. . . . Jim was winner of the first PGA championship in 1916.

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Hill GC, Union County Park commission course at Kenilworth, N.J. died May 2 in the clubhouse of a heart attack . . . He was an amateur champion of Union County before he turned pro and became an excellent and busy teacher . . . He was born in Roselle, N.J. . . . He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Jessie Haddon Kenely, two daughters, three brothers and three sisters.

Knollwood CC, course that Walter Keller and associates are building in San Fernando Valley region of Los Angeles, wants to put on a \$25,000 Open sponsored by movie team of Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis after the Desert Inn "Tournament of Champions" next April . . . Scarsdale (N.Y.) GC has architect Dick Wilson working on plans for altering the course to eliminate blind tee shots.

Max Elbin, Burning Tree pro and Mid-Atlantic PGA pres., is quoted by Maury Fitzgerald of Washington Post and Times Herald as forecasting rosy tournament future for four graduates of Frank Emmet's junior program at Washington, D.C. . . . The four lads, Lloyd Kelley, Jimmy Clark, Melvin Rowe and Billy Wolfe are assistant pros.

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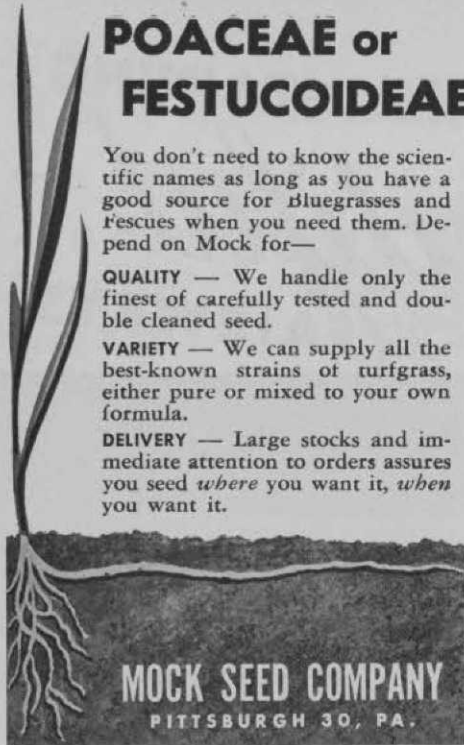
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Rome, N. Y., bought by the Acme Club . . . Course will operate on semi-private basis and will be enlarged to 18 . . . Suburban GC, Union, N. J., now in its 60th year . . . Johnny Yocum, new pro at Galen Hall G&CC, Wernersville, Pa., took up golf when he was a Seabee and was stationed at an Exeter, Eng., course for a year and a half.

West Orange (N.J.) Public Course, 18-hole layout that was home of Mountain Ridge CC when the course was opened in 1913, now closed . . . Site sold for shopping center and other development . . . West Orange now has only one other public course, Essex County CC West Course . . . Bob Leacox resigns after 2 1/2 years as PGA schedule co-ordinator . . . Job of setting tournament schedule will be handled by Tom Crane, PGA executive sec.

Winged Foot CC, Mamaroneck, N. Y., bids for 1958 National Open . . . Open was played there in 1929, the National Amateur in 1940 and the Walker Cup matches in 1949 . . . Inwood (N.Y.) CC, where 1923 National Open was played, seeks 1960 Walker Cup matches . . . Jefferson, Ga., recreation center has a two-green,

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Hillcrest CC (formerly Red Hill CC) at North Reading, Pa., building new clubhouse . . . Jamestown, N. Y. to build many course with amount raised by citizens' campaign matched by city . . . Mayor Della Chiesa of Quincy, Mass., asked that \$1.50 Monday thru Friday fee at many course be lowered for golfers over 65, saying it's too steep for many retired persons living on limited income.

Several times lately we've run across doctors' statements in newspapers and magazines to the effect that growth of golf popularity was one of the best things that could have happened to men retired at 65 by business or industry . . . Doctors say golf is keeping the veterans in fine physical and mental condition . . . With life span getting longer it looks like golf is getting to be an important factor in old age security.

Golfers who also are horse players have wondered after whom the horse Golf Ace is named . . . John M. Brennan, Long Island golf writer says Phil Weinsier, former Fresh Meadow champion, is the man . . . Storm King GC, Cornwall, N. Y., 62 years old now . . . Sebbly Melluzo now pro at

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John J. O'Donnell from Sewell's Point GC, Norfolk, Va., succeeds Irv Schloss as pro at Baltimore's Mt. Pleasant many course . . . Schloss resigned to take it easy for a year, after a heart injury . . . When pro operates the golf shop there's no 20 per cent government tax on club cleaning and storage . . . That tax applies when the club operates the shop, advises tax accountant for Buck Luce, Sands Point (N.Y.) pro.

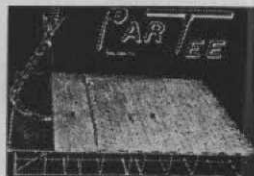
Martin Lyons back in NY Met dist. as mgr., Sands Point CC . . . Talk of building 9-hole course at Lock Berlin for golfers of Lyons, Clyde and Savannah, N. Y. . . . Wm. E. Novatny named pro-mgr. of the new many course at Bethlehem, Pa. . . . Very few Calcutta pools at invitation tournaments of first class clubs this year . . . USGA letter to member clubs advising

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Ben Lord begins his 40th year as pro at Glens Fall (NY) CC . . . Lord gets Tony Fortino, jr., for past six years pro at Ticonderoga (N.Y.) CC, as associate pro . . . Herman Fiebig, owner of the Mason (Mich.) GC, remodels several holes because of sale of property for US highway route . . . Remodelling lengthens course 99 yards . . . Fiebig enlarges clubhouse at his course . . . Lease 140 acres adjoining Navy base at Fallon, Nev., for course.

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Indian Valley GC, Inc., headed by Dr. David B. Rosehill and Robert Nyberg of San Jose, to build 18-hole course at Novato, Calif. . . . Oak Ridge CC, Farmington, Ut., expected to be in play by fall . . . Sid Eliason and Bill Neff are owners; Russ Mears is pro . . . Bill Bell designed the course . . . International Business Machines Corp., building new \$12 million plant at Owego, N.Y., will have golf course among other recreation facilities.

Deaths of youngsters hit by balls and by clubs at courses and ranges this spring threatens a sorry record year of fatalities unless pros and others in charge can protect the kids with close supervision and safety instruction that stays with the youngsters . . . Many thousands of new golfers (of almost all ages) this year increase the danger factor by their ignorance or carelessness . . . Pros have to teach safety more than ever before . . . And more than ever before see that safety laws are continuously enforced.



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News of Armour being available brought offers quickly . . . Tommy apparently in no hurry to announce plans, being very well fixed financially and enjoying the summer playing as a member of Winged Foot . . . Johnny Farrell, long at Baltusrol and continuing there, will be winter pro at new Florida CC, Delray Beach, Fla. . . The club will be open the year around and Johnny Farrell, Jr., will be its pro in the summer.

Gene Sarazen will conduct a shot-making clinic Tues., Aug. 7, at Taconic GC, Williams College, Williamstown, Mass., the afternoon before the 9th junior amateur championship of the USGA begins . . .



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Milt Woodard, Western Golf Assn. Executive vp, meets with San Francisco Jaycees and others planning \$22,500 Western Open at Presidio GC, Oct. 11-14 . . . John N. Caldwell, pro-supt. for many years at Moila CC, St. Joseph, Mo., retires . . . The annual 4-man team tournament of the Heart of America Golf Course Supts. Assn. has brought the president, green chmn., pro and supt. of clubs around Kansas City together in a handicap competition for eight years.



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Saginaw, Mich., council discusses building mny course on airport property . . . Construction started on Fallon, Nev., Churchill County Golf Assn. course designed by Bob Baldock, Fresno, Calif., architect. . . Wynn Tredway, owner of Slippery Rock (Pa.) CC and Lee Kosten, former owner of St. Clair River CC (Detroit dist.) planning to build Southdale CC near Sarasota, Fla.

Dick Sleichter, Gettysburg (Pa.) CC pro, got national publicity for turning down \$10 Ike offered him for giving a lesson to 8-year-old David Eisenhower while Grandpa was playing 9 from a golf car . . . Dick gave the President \$7.50 change . . . Much better deal than Ike has been able to get from Congress . . . Wonder if Ed Dudley, Rip Arnold and Dick Schleichter get together on what professional advice they give Ike?

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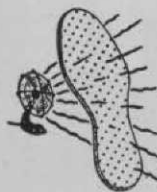
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Bethlehem, Pa., new muny 18 officially opened . . . Bill Novatne is mgr.-pro . . . Henry Bartholomew is supt . . . John G. Soltis is head of Parks dept. which operates the course . . . Colonial CC, Harrisburg, Pa., expects to move to its new course in July . . . Colonial's old course was sold for \$275,000 and will be home sites . . . New course and clubhouse planned for \$350,000 budget but will show \$500,000 investment.

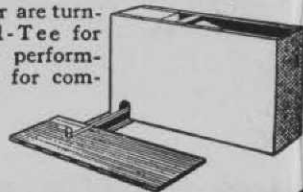
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Gary Player, a 20-year-old South African pro protege of Bobby Locke, recently won Dunlop tournament at Sunningdale, Eng., with 70-64-64-72-68 . . . "The Boy," as British pros call him, is their choice as the brightest new star in pro golf . . . Fred Corcoran saw Player play when Fred was in England arranging details of John Jay Hopkins international pro event and says "The Boy," who is about Hogan's size, looks like he could carry on from where Locke stopped.

Bob Dale succeeds Wilfred Reid as pro-supt. at Gaylord (Mich.) CC . . . Gay-
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Swinging Around Golf

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lord club opens new clubhouse and pro shop . . . Don Paul, mgr., Old York Road CC (Philadelphia dist.) resigns to go to St. Petersburg, Fla., for "reasons of family health" . . . Paul succeeded Jerry Russell as 1st vp of the Philadelphia Club Managers Assn. when Russell resigned that job and as mgr. of Brookside CC, to become part owner and mgr., Biltmore, Inn, Edina, Minn. . . . Steve Grady, Brookside pro, coaches Hill school varsity and jr golf squads and has been developing many quite competent kid players among the 75 to 80 Hill school lads who play Brookside . . . Brookside planning \$241,000 improvement campaign including 9 additional holes, new locker-room for women and new pro shop.

Midwest Assn. of Golf Course Supts. held their annual spring dinner and dance May 5 at River Forest (Ill.) GC with large and merry attendance and veterans dancing just as lively as when they were young in course maintenance profession . . . Ward Cornwell, GCSA national pres., and his wife, were guests . . . Old Elm, rich men-only of Chicago district has new watering system engineered by C. E. "Scotty" Stewart and installed under supervision of Scotty, Ray Didier, and Elmer and Al Bertucci of Old Elm . . . Didier put in two lakes as storage against water shortage which has plagued Chicago district courses in previous years . . . Certainly no water shortage on Chicago district courses this spring . . . Rain has been brutal to pro business in cutting down play . . . Ball sales suffered most . . . Club sales pretty good. Rain got so frequent that many began playing in the rain and enjoying it . . . Rain garments, rubber spiked shoes, non-slip grips provided comfort and exercise.

Bob Williams, supt., Beverly CC, Chicago, Ill., now has Ted Woehrl as asst. Ted is son of supt. at Highland CC, Kankakee, Ill . . . He attended Purdue two years and served as Army lt. . . . Williams was guest speaker on subject of "Business Practices and Maintenance" at Cleveland dist. GCSA meeting at Elyria (O.) CC . . . Stan Graves and Mel McLaren, Cleveland dist. officials, to be guests of Midwest GCSA at June meeting at Ravisloe CC.

Wm. Diddle architect of new 9 for Meadowbrook CC, Dayton, O., which will open in spring, 1957 and give Meadowbrook 18 holes . . . New York Met dist. clubs beginning to go strong for silica sands in traps.

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Richard S. Lord, for past 12 years, supt., Westwood CC, Williamsville, N. Y., died recently . . . He was in golf maintenance work more than a quarter century and was very highly regarded by his colleagues in golf course work, by others in golf business and by club members as a cheering and helpful friend and an authority in his field . . . He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Nellie Lord of Middleport, N. Y.

H. H. "Babe" Moore resigns as pro at Ellinor Village GC, Ormond Beach, Fla. . . . White Mountain GC, Arizona new summer resort course in mountains, to open in July . . . Milt Coggins, pro at Encanto GC, Phoenix, getting the White Mountain golf operation organized . . . Illinois Women's Golf Assn. to hold its 15th annual IWGA Victory tournament with \$1 entry fee for 18-hole competition among women players at any club in Illinois, before Sept. 15 . . . last year the IWGA event raised \$6726 at 87 clubs . . . Money goes to Cancer society, Evans caddie scholarships, Swing Club activities for servicemen and veterans and beds for polio patients.

Sixth annual Central Plains Turfgrass Field Day at Topeka, Ks., June 11 . . . Main themes will be fungicides, insecti-

cides and herbicides and a Gadget Show of homemade equipment for odd jobs in maintenance will feature the program . . . Central Plains Turfgrass Foundation booth at McPherson, Ks., Home Show was center of homeowners' interest . . . Bob Jones has been elected an honorary member of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews.

Clarence Clark returns to a club job as pro-mgr. at Lyons (Ks.) CC . . . Clarence went from Carey Park GC, Hutchinson, Ks., after 10 years as its pro-mgr. to operate O'Brien's Golf Center in Wichita last year . . . Back in the 1930s Clarence was one of the top tournament pros and quit that work to teach . . . Miller High Life \$35,000 Open to be played at Tripoli CC, Milwaukee, Aug. 16-19 and Supt. Frank Maurina says the course will be in the same perfect shape it's in now.

Don W. Jones, sports editor of Prentice-Hall, Inc., 70 5th ave., New York 11, devised a clever booklet for keeping a personal golf record and round analysis chart for bookstores to give away with each copy of *Tips from the Top*, a Prentice-Hall book.

Pat Mahoney from Lake Merced (Calif.) G&CC to Palo Alto (Calif.) new munny course

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as pro . . . Larry Leonard, sports editor, Richmond (Va.) News-Leader told Mid-Atlantic Assn. of Golf Course Supts. that sports pages could find a lot more news from course supts. when courses are in fine condition because the supts. sure are news when weather's against them and courses are in bad shape.

Charley Thompson, publicity director for the Palm Beach Co., sent out the best picture publicity kit we've ever seen on any tournament along with the rest of his material for the 15th Palm Beach Round Robin at Wykagyl CC, New Rochelle, N. Y., June 6-10 . . . Snead is the only fellow who's played in all of the previous 14 Palm Beach events and he's won four of them—the first, in 1938, and those of 1952, 1954, and 1955.

Dave Lilly, Toro Mfg. Co. president, told Minnesota PGA at its spring meeting the pro is in a highly important position to sell the advantages of Minnesota to businessmen visiting the state, to the caddies and to other young men . . . Lilly said Minnesota is losing 10,000 young men a year to other states . . . Bill and Dave Gordon building 9 for Saucon Valley CC, Bethlehem, Pa., giving club 42 holes.

Pete Burke, PGA Senior champion to fly to London June 20 and will play for Teacher's international senior pro trophy against a British Senior pro to be selected by British golf writers . . . Match will be played July 1 . . . Warren Sumner, Teacher's tournament director, and Tex Bomba, vp of Schieffelin & Co. distributor of Wm. Teacher & Sons, co-sponsors of the PGA Senior tournament, have Pete training and practicing like a kid.

Harry Pressler, after 29 years as pro at San Gabriel (Calif.) CC, goes to Ojai (Calif.) CC as pro . . . Brendenwood GC, 9-hole Indianapolis semi-public course shut down for some years, reconditioned and recently opened by Bill Niehaus . . . Julius Boros plays three exhibitions in Germany, May 25, 27 and 31 for George S. May Co. . . Mrs. Philip Cudone of U. S. Curtis Cup team is daughter of a physical education instructor who was a golf pro in summers . . . Pop started her with a 7-iron then had her taking lessons from the late Tom Boyd and Tom steered her to Danny Williams, then at Crestmont (N. J.) CC.

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