

Swinging Around Golf

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Seiling (Okla.) 9-hole sand green course in play late last year . . . Gillbert A. Currie, sr., donor of Midland, Mich., Currie muny course, designed and helped to build a 9-hole par 3 addition to the muny course . . . New layout expected to be in play in June . . . Charles Smith retires after 34 years as pro at North Shore CC (N. Y. Met dist.) . . . The Association of Golf Salesmen of the N. Y. Met district has been revived . . . Leo McNamara of Wilson is pres. . . Maurie Marabon, Mike Long, Fred Decker and Jack Lust also are officials.

Hal Langdon, pro at Colonia CC, Woodbridge, N. J., already has the winter golf instruction schedule going strong . . . Langdon is teaching evening classes in beginners and advanced golf at Cranford (N. J.) Adult High School . . . Present indications point to this being by far the biggest winter in indoor golf instruction.

Dick Wilson, Delray Beach, Fla., designed new course being built for Harder Hall at Sebring, Fla. . . . Robert J. Coffee, director of Mercer County (N. J.) Recreation dept., George R. Coulton, county supt. of public works, and Russell Kerns, Trenton (N. J.) CC supt., who is in consulting capacity on new Mercer County public 18 say efficient use of county machinery and key personnel is keeping construction costs remarkably low.

Bayside Links, in Queens, N. Y., which closed last fall after 24 years and is being subdivided, was designed by Dr. Alister Mackenzie who also designed the Augusta National course, Pasatiempo and other fine courses . . . Bayside was on 97 acres and laid out so no slice was out of bounds . . . Walter Grego kept the course in great condition despite traffic that averaged 1,500 a week in season . . . Turf from several of the Bayside greens was given by Jack Parker, buyer of the course, to the club where he is a former champion, Fresh Meadow.

Manuel de la Torre re-elected pres., Wisconsin PGA . . . Harry Pezzullo re-elected pres., Illinois PGA . . . Leo Fraser elected pres., Philadelphia PGA . . . Dugan Aycock re-elected Carolina PGA for 11th time and Purvis Ferree re-elected Carolinas PGA sec-treas. for 14th time.

Mrs. T. E. Patterson, Lubbock, Tex., re-elected pres., Women's Trans-Mississippi Golf Assn. . . . The 27th Women's Trans-Miss will be played at Desert Inn CC in late October or early November.

With Golfdom's last issue each year on our ten-times-a-year schedule combining our October, November and December issues, we don't get a chance to record the grand parties that clubs put on in the fall for stars who work for them . . . Last fall saw many such gala

Tournament Dates

MEN'S EVENTS

January

- 4-7 Los Angeles Open, Rancho GC
- 10-13 Bing Crosby, Del Monte, Calif., Cypress Pt. & Pebble Beach GCs
- 10-13 Panama Open, Balboa, C.Z.
- 16-19 Colombia Open, Bogota
- 17-20 Caliente Open, Tijuana, Mex.
- 24-27 Thunderbird Open, Palm Springs, Calif.
- 24-27 Jamaica Open, Kingston
- 25-27 PGA Seniors, Dunedin, Fla.
- 29-30 PGA Quarter Century, Dunedin, Fla.
- 31-Feb. 3 Phoenix Open, Arizona CC
- 31-Feb. 3 Puerto Rico Open, San Juan

February

- 7-9 Venezuela Open, Caracas
- 7-10 Tucson Open, El Rio CC
- 14-17 Texas Open, Brackenridge Park, San Antonio
- 21-24 Houston Open, Memorial Park GC
- 28-Mar. 3 Baton Rouge Open, Baton Rouge (La.) CC

March

- 7-10 Pensacola Open, Pensacola CC
- 14-17 St. Petersburg Open, Lakewood CC
- 21-24 To be announced
- 24-25 Miami Beach Open, Miami GC
- 28-31 Azalea Open, Cape Fear CC, Wilmington, N. C.

WOMEN'S EVENTS

January

- 11-13 Sea Island (Ga.) Open
- 17-20 Tampa Open, Palma Celia
- 24-27 Lake Worth Open, Lake Worth GC
- 31-Feb. 3 Havana Open, Havana Y & CC

February

- 7-10 Miami Open
- 14-17 St. Petersburg Open, Sunset G & CC
- 21-24 Sarasota Open (tentative)
- 28-Mar. 3 Jacksonville Open, Hyde Park CC

March

- 13-16 Titleholders, Augusta (Ga.) CC
- 21-24 Phoenix Open, Arizona CC (tentative)
- 28-31 Tucson Open (tentative)

affairs among them being the 11th annual tournament for Danny Williams, pro at the Knolls, Boonton, N. J. . . . More than 220 men and women, pros and amateurs, played and at a dinner hailed that grand gentleman who's served in Jersey pro golf for 35 years . . . Bruce Matthews, mgr. and supt. at Green Ridge CC, Grand Rapids, Mich., for 25 years, was honored by a tournament and a dinner at which he and his wife were crowned with laurels and oratory . . . Bruce, prominent nationally as well as regionally in turf maintenance work, has been active in the planning of the course now being built at Michigan State College.

Among the other fiestas honoring golf notables was that given Armand Farina, mgr.-pro at Schenectady (N. Y.) Municipal course at which Mayor Sam Stratton, sports editor, Al DeSantis, and other luminaries spoke in praise of Armand and his work . . . They gave him a diamond studded wrist-watch . . . Course workers gave him a desk set . . . Another party was for A. B. Thorne, pro at Lancaster (Pa.) CC . . . Thorne got a check along with the kind words . . . Bernard (Bun) Quinn, pro at the Watertown (N. Y.) CC, was honored by his club at a dinner following an afternoon tournament.