

Shields Honored at Opening of Woodmont's New 9

Tribute was paid Course Supt. R. (Bob) Shields, Jr. at the Woodmont CC, Washington, D. C. dist. by his green chmn., L. V. Freudberg, members of Woodmont, and VP Richard M. Nixon.

The occasion was the official opening of Woodmont's new nine holes. Bob built the club's latest addition, along with his duties of maintaining the already existing layout of 27 holes. The date of the opening ceremony was Aug. 10. Prior to this members and guests met for brunch and the presentation of guests. VP Nixon was the guest of honor for the day. Nixon, on behalf of Woodmont CC, gave Bob a portable television set and an envelope containing a bonus check as a reward for his efforts and accomplishments. Bob said later that the check was for an amount that would more than pay off the debt on his new car.

Shields in his acceptance speech paid tribute to his chairman, Freudberg; Woodmont's pro, Clarence Doser; club mgr., Ernest Oberhammer; Architect, Alfred Tull; and GC Constructor, Frank Murray.

Ray and Roy, Bob's two brothers, the twin brother combination from the Annapolis (Md.) CC, were on hand for the festivities. Ray is supt. there and Roy is the club mgr. Roy Shields is also pres. of the Mid-Atlantic chapter of the Club Manager's Association of America. President Tom Dawson of the Mid-Atlantic GCSA was present.

Sprogell Takes Over as Pro at Dunedin

Frank Sprogell, native Philadelphian and a charter member of the PGA, is the new pro mgr. at the PGA National Golf Club, Dunedin, Fla. Sprogell was given a one year contract, starting Sept. 1. He succeeds Leo O'Grady. He will have complete charge of the course and management of the clubhouse.

Sprogell, a Dunedin resident for the past few years, has been pres. of Mich. PGA for eight (8) years, vp of the National PGA 1936-1941 and secy. of the National PGA 1941-1945. He served for many years as a pro in Philadelphia and in Michigan.

Chevalier In Country Club Consulting Service

Jack Chevalier, Alden Park Manor, Philadelphia 44, Pa., formerly in hotel

Hole-In-One Nearly Causes Hole-In-Head

Herman Lindenmuth, supt., Cedarbrook CC, Philadelphia, was in his living room in the forenoon of Aug. 10, catching a wee bit of sack time. Herman's home is on the course, about 150 yards from the 8th tee and to the right of the fairway. That makes it mighty handy when a man has to get up at about 4 a.m. to attend to some early, important and delicate work on the course.

So Herman had 40 winks due him. About the time he was enjoying wink No. 35 and snoring softly, something rattled down the fireplace, bounced around, whacked Herman awake and subsided.

Herman thought it was a bad dream until there was a rap on his door. Paul Nuber, Jesse Day, Newt Croll and Linn Morrow, Cedarbrook members, greeted Herman. Nuber asked, "Herman, did you see my ball? I squirted one high and to the right into the trees and we think it hit your roof."

"It didn't. It came down the chimney like Santa Claus and hit me," Herman replied.

"What's the rule covering that?" the Cedarbrook quartet wanted to know.

"The only one I can think of," replied Lindenmuth, "is to never expect any sleep if you are in charge of a golf course."

management and with a management consulting firm, has formed a country club consulting organization which operates in connection with the current management of his client clubs. Chevalier says that his service rounds out the management experience required for efficient operation. It also brings to club business a logical connecting link between the specialized experience of clubhouse managers and the general business experience of club officials.

Turf Meetings

Sept. 10 — St. Louis Field Day, Link's Nursery, Route 1, Conway Rd., Clayton, Mo.

16 - 17 — Midwest Regional Turf Foundation Field Days, Purdue U., Lafayette, Ind.

Oct. 16 - 18 — Kansas State College Turfgrass Conference, Manhattan.