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with local sections of the PGA in co-operation with local chapters of the American Association of Health, Physical Education and Recreation (AAHPER), can set up clinics and workshops designed for teachers' needs.

PE instructors are not golf professionals, nor do they have to be. They are competent, well-trained men and women whose specialty is training youngsters in basic skills of coordination, timing and other essentials necessary for athletic achievement. It must be remembered their scope is limited; their facilities inadequate; their time restricted. Yet, with all these limitations they can do an outstanding job in transmitting basic knowledge to large numbers of young students. They will actually create and inspire golf interest.

What happens then? The youngsters will search for an outlet, for the play is the thing, whether it's golf, baseball or dominoes. The only place to play golf is at a golf course.

I remember Mondays at Evergreen Country Club in Chicago. These were caddie days, and if I didn't play 72 holes I certainly played 54, or the rain was pretty heavy. I don't think I could have played that much golf unless there was

some skill to whet my interest.

The interest of youth in golf forms a nucleus for tomorrow's vast army of golfers. The high schools will be the source that feed tomorrow's professional ranks. More golfers, better golfers, more jobs and a better profession! These are the reasons I want and will work for golf in our high schools. It's a plan that makes my business better today and insures it will be even better tomorrow.

Indianapolis Club Gives Lee Nelson Life Membership

74-year-old Lee Nelson, Indianapolis pro who has been making a living in golf since the turn of the century, was given a life membership in July in the local Riverside CC. The certificate, presented by Bud Owen, secy-treas. of the club, was only the fifth awarded by Riverside, one of the oldest municipal courses in the city.

Lee was introduced to golf in 1900 when he became assistant pro at the old Indianapolis CC where Woodstock CC now is located. In 1904 he was named pro at Riverside. Five years later he took over at the original Highland CC. In 1918, Nelson went to Miami Beach (Fla.) CC

where he had as many as 14 pros working for him at one time. One of his assistants there was a young carpenter turned golfer, Gene Sarazen.

While in Florida, the Indianapolis veteran helped design the Bayshore course at Miami Beach and the original Hollywood Hotel layout.

Works With Brother

Lee returned to Indianapolis after World War II and became head pro at Coffin CC, formerly Highland. For the last nine years, he has been assisting his younger brother, Wallie (age 71), at Riverside where both carry a big teaching load and still shoot in the low 70s.

Besides Lee Nelson, other holders of life memberships at Riverside are: Russell Stonehouse, Wallie Nelson, Stanley Graves, former supt. of Indianapolis many courses and now at Westmont CC in Cleveland, and the late Charles Wishmeier.

Orrin Smith, Veteran Architect, Dies in Connecticut

Orrin E. Smith, 75, one of the pioneer American course architects and builders, died at New Britain, Conn., July 22, after several months illness.



O. E. Smith

He was born in Southington, Conn., and got into course work in 1916 supervising building of Shuttle Meadow GC, New Britain, Conn., to the design of Willie Parks. He stayed with Shuttle Meadow three

years as course supt. In 1919 he went with Donald Ross and supervised building of seven courses and assisted in the design and construction of several more. In 1924 he went into business for himself designing and building courses and was responsible for design or remodeling of 40 courses. The Westover Air Base course at Chicopee Falls, Mass., and an addition to the Stanley course in New Britain were his last jobs.

James G. Harrison of Pittsburgh and Wm. F. Mitchell of N. Sutton, N. H. are among prominent architects who received training from Mr. Smith. Harrison was his supt. for some years. Mr. Smith's son, Edward, later became his supt., and in recent years Albert Zakorus, Bethel, Conn., was his supt. and associate.

Mr. Smith is survived by his widow, Letty, to whom he'd been married for 54 years, two sons and three daughters.

Cooper, Penn State Agronomist, Dies of Heart Attack

Albert E. Cooper, extension agronomist on the Pennsylvania State University staff for more than 20 years, died suddenly in June in Centre County Hospital, Bellefonte. Death came two hours after he suffered a heart attack while at work on campus. He was 53 years old.



A. E. Cooper

Mr. Cooper was graduated from Trinity Vocational School, Hickory, Pa., and attended Geneva College for one year before transferring to Penn State where he was graduated in 1928 with a bachelor of science degree. He majored in horticulture. Prior to his appointment as assistant professor of agronomy extension at Penn State in 1937, he held positions as propagator with Jackson and Perkins Nurseries, Newark, N. Y.; orchardist with Thorn Hill School, Allegheny county; orchardist and assistant farm manager with Hillcrest Farms, Chester, W. Va.; supervisor with Farm Security Administration, and conservationist with the Soil Conservation Service of the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture.

In recent years Mr. Cooper devoted full time to fine turf management and was the author of two popular agricultural Extension circulars, "Establishing a New Lawn" and "Lawn Management."

Survivors are the widow, Helen, a son, Albert G., and two sisters.

\$5,000 Goes A Long Way at Lakehurst Station

The appropriation for building the 9-hole course at the Lakehurst (N. J.) Naval Air Station was only \$5,000 but with all kinds of donated labor available and free use of machinery, it was possible to complete the layout within a year after it was started in the summer of 1956. Now, with golf having proved to be the favorite diversion of station personnel and everyone again willing to chip in with a large variety of skills, a second 9 will be built with construction starting this month.

Four Navy officers served as members of the construction committee for the first 9 with Capt. R. F. Tuma as chmn. A total of 3,278 hours were expended in getting