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NEWS OF THE GOLF WORLD IN BRIEF

Club Managers Assn. of America pres., Royce Chaney, in letter to members, blasted a Washington outfit calling itself National Assn. of Country Clubs, Inc. and promising to do things the CMAA already has done for country clubs (and city clubs, too) in tax relief and other matters . . . Letter sent around by the National Assn. of Country Clubs, Inc., didn't identify backers of the outfit or give their qualifications . . . Circular of the Washington outfit didn't show any savvy about club managers' and officials problems and accomplishment . . . All that was made plain by the communique out of Washington was that some boys are eager to make a fast buck.

Agar Brown out as sec. treas. Golf Course Supt. Assn. . . . National Golf Fund to have annual meeting of members and directors at Ft. Harrison hotel, Clearwater, Fla., Jan. 26 . . . Net proceeds of Golf Day, 1958, were \$61,498 . . . Net proceeds of previous year were \$56,421.

PGA Assistants' School at Dunedin, Jan. 11-16, is to have a record registration . . . West coast school getting off to strong start . . . Master pros who have attended sessions of the Assistants' School at Dunedin have suggested that name of the school be changed to have it cover Class A pros as well as assistants . . . These schools are one of the best things PGA ever has done for its members and their clubs.

Conflict of dates of superintendents'



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annual convention, PGA Seniors' Week and USGA green section meeting cuts into attendance at all three of these gatherings and their possibilities for service to clubs . . . The jam could be prevented easily by foresighted cooperation of the three associations which talk sincerely about teamwork between golf club department heads . . . Winter meeting of USGA Green Section has grown in practical value for green chmn. and supts. of big clubs . . . Its dates also must be fitted into a wisely coordinated program of meetings.

Architect who has built several Par 3 courses says 60 per cent of play on lighted courses is in the evening . . . He estimates that course now building in Eastern city should gross \$50,000 a year with maintenance cost of \$16,000 to \$20,000.

Starting on clubhouse of new 18-hole Green Valley CC, Greenville, S. C. . . . Club part of development having 150 home sites from 1½ to 10 acres . . . George Cobb, course architect and gen. mgr. of the property for Hollyridge Development Corp. . . . Almost 10 per cent of courses opened (178) and under construction (301) last year were golf course and residence site combination operations . . . That combination long has been a prominent factor in golf business . . . Garden City GC (NY Met dist.) and Indian Hill Club (Chicago dist.) are among two of fine clubs started on the combination basis many years ago.

Front Cover

When C. A. (Gus) Hook, Baltimore (Md.) park supervisor and his staff, undertook to convert a watershed into a golf course, sceptics said it couldn't be done. But here you see it — all 6,820 yards of the Pine Ridge public course which was cut out of almost impregnable thicket. The course was completed last fall, almost six years after Hook started to agitate for its construction. Pine Ridge is the future site of the Eastern Open.

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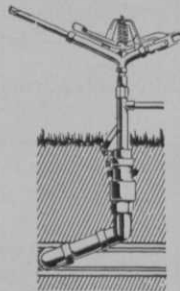
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Jimmy Thomson, veteran pro who has been 42 years at Mohawk CC, Schenectady, N. Y., and now spends winters as instructor on Pompano Beach, Fla., staff, tells of boom day golf course-subdivision development in Florida when a fellow would get a club membership and a lot with 20 orange trees in a deal . . . Train loads of buyers were brought from the north.

PGA Seniors' 20th annual banquet at Ft. Harrison hotel, Clearwater, Fla., Thursday, Jan. 29 . . . Never before in sports history have any professionals (or amateurs) in sports had the happy influence on a nation that the veteran golf pros have had . . . Fred L. Riffin, sr., and Louise celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary . . . Fred is pres. of National Golf Fund, nationally prominent in senior golf and in business.

Henry Cotting is writing a new book . . . Cotton won British Open in 1934, 1937 and 1948 . . . Cotton now eligible for PGA senior competition . . . Still is one of the best and most colorful golfers in Britain . . . According to one authority there are fewer than a half dozen electric golf cars in Britain.

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Britain's 14 most likely possibilities for its Walker Cup team are training intensively . . . They've received instructions relative to diet, physical conditioning and shotmaking practice . . . British think they've got a good chance to upset the usual Walker Cup results because so many of better American amateurs are turning pro.

Cost of amateur golf competition in the U. S. is now so heavy that only fellows who are well fixed financially, belong to fairly wealthy families or who have angels back of the scenery can afford to play more than a few tournaments . . . Distances are big, travel expenses are heavy and first class competitions so frequent that a young fellow who is married and raising a family and trying to pay off a mortgage possibly makes more of a sacri-

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Somerset county park commission to build course near Somerville, N. J. . . . Hoboken golfers campaigning for public course saying that Hudson county is only New Jersey county that doesn't have a pay-play course . . . Waynesboro, Pa., council approves building of 18-hole course.

Braidburn CC, Madison, N. J., bought from Hans K. Lorentzen by corporation headed by Milton N. LaPibus, Short Hills, N. J. . . . Extensive improvements planned for 27-hole Braidburn plant . . . Jimmy Powers, New York Daily News sports columnist, in commenting on National Golf Foundation report of 5,718 golf courses in U. S. says, "Baseball people wish there were 5,718 crowded ball parks." . . . Greenville (S. C.) News in commenting on group of Negroes demanding use of municipal golf course and consequent sale of many course: "The Negroes stand to gain nothing — unless depriving the whites who use it as a golf course can be counted as a gain."

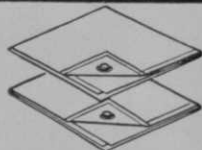
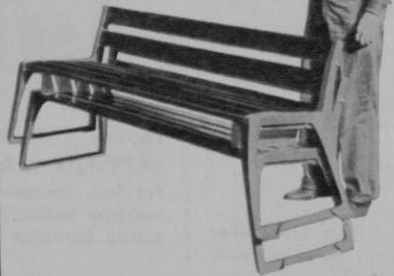
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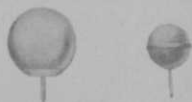
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D. E. Winebrenner Co., canning firm, to build 18-hole course on farms owned by the company near York, Pa. . . . Expect to open first 9 in 1960 . . . This will be 11th course in York county . . . Freddie McLeod, oldest National Open champion and pro at Columbia CC (Washington dist.) recently won a Thunderbird sports car at Laurel race track . . . Freddie doesn't drive.

Roland Proud goes from job as asst. to Bill Barker, at Capital City CC, Atlanta, Ga., to be pro at Forsyth CC, Winston-Salem, N. C., succeeding the late Mel McAdams . . . Mel Shorey resigns after 19 years as pro at Indian Springs CC (Washington dist.) and is succeeded by Bill Mitchell.

Tuscon (Ariz.) CC will have 11th annual invitation amateur tournament Mar. 4-8 . . . Pro Errie Ball says that due to last year's large field '59 field will be limited to 192 . . . Saugerties, N. Y., talking with architect Hal Purdy about designing a muny course.

E. E. Forrester, pro, Hobbs (N. M.) CC gives sets of head covers each year to man and woman champion at the club . . . Head covers read "(Champion's name)/Hobbs CC/ Champion/ (year) . . . Says

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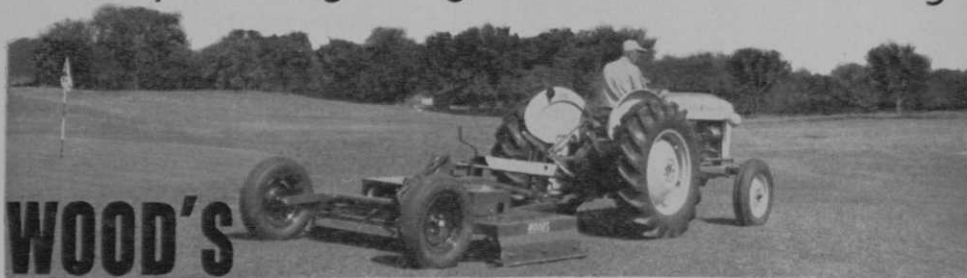
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Dunes Golf & Beach Club, Myrtle Beach, S. C., where the 1960 Southern Amateur will be played (and fumigate the course of some of the golf played during the Golf Writers' annual tournament Monday before the Masters) got big returns from new fairway watering system and new planting of greens . . . Green fees in 1958 amounted to about \$45,000.

Buell Patterson, noted public relations expert, died of a heart attack in Miami the night of return from Havana where he was in charge of publicity for the Havana International tournament at Villa Real GC . . . Cuban government's Sports Commission which, with hotels, Nacional, Riviera, Capri and Hilton, sponsored the tournament, is client of Communications Counselors, Inc., with which Patterson was associated . . . Patterson had promoted golf as South American air tourist attraction.

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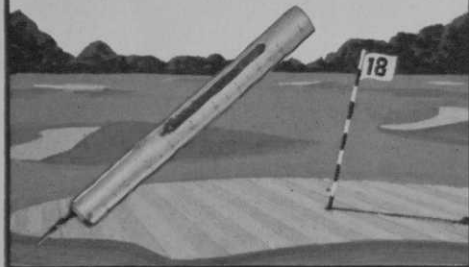
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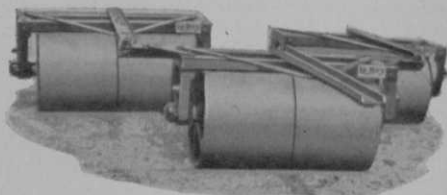
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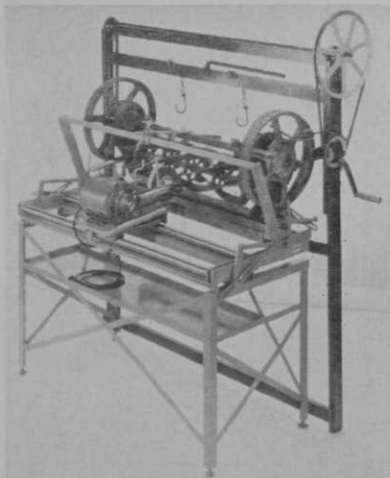
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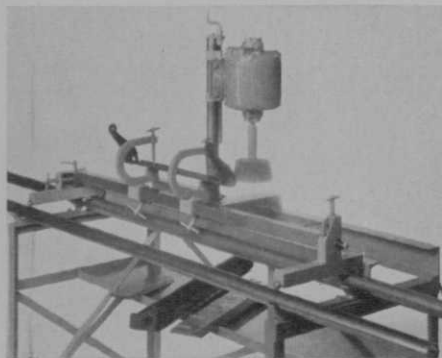
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don doesn't want it owning the Villa Real clubhouse.

Wm. B. MacDonald, Bal Harbour, Fla., golf enthusiast, was chmn. of the \$45,000 tournament and got a gang of celebrities over for the pro-am . . . PGA tournament management ran MacDonald out as angel for big Los Angeles and Miami opens but somehow managed to keep Bill interested in the Havana party.

Havana hotel gambling casinos scenes of rescue of a few boys who were running out of folding paper required for making the tour, eating, etc. . . . Pool's 10 per cent was split between "expenses" and Havana's Boys' Town which cares for 200 kids between 1 and 6.

Warren Cantrell, Lubbock, Tex., national PGA treas., is a busy golf architect . . . Cantrell designed Webb Air Force base, Big Springs, Tex., course, new greens for Albuquerque (N. M.) CC, has completed plans for Arlington (Tex.) 18, 9 hole addition to the 9 he designed for Robstown (Tex.) CC and for a 9-hole private course for Farmington (N. M.) CC . . . The Farmington course will have the backing of the El Paso Natural Gas Co. which has 6000 employees in that area . . . It is intended to be one of world's finest 9-hole layouts.

High tribute paid to the Sargents by Bob Jones at the PGA banquet . . . Bob said: "At East Lake they give me credit for winning a lot of things but not for the best thing I ever did for the club - hiring George and Harold Sargent." . . . Jones got a laugh when he acknowledged, at the

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dinner, gift of a book written by Lou Cummings, pres., Canadian PGA . . . Cummings' book is entitled "It Goes Where You Hit it." . . . Jones said "That's the most intelligent thing I ever heard about golf." . . . The way Jones gets around cheerfully despite physical handicap following his operations, makes the fellow even a bigger champion than he was in 1930 when he won the Grand Slam.

Tom Braak, 25-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Al Braak, was ordained to Catholic priesthood at Dubuque, Ia., Jan. 1 . . . Al is pro at Wakonda Club, Des Moines . . . Tom was an asst. to his father . . . The Braaks' son, Albert G., who also was an asst. to his father now is a salesman for Dunlop covering part of the Ia., Neb., Ks. and Mo. territory . . . The other son, James W., who was an asst. to his dad, now is asst. mgr. of the Johnson Service Co. in Denver . . . Now Al's looking for an assistant that he hasn't raised . . . In getting another boy like his own kids Al will be getting a star.

Pros who were at the PGA President's dinner have been talking about Bob Goldwater's after-dinner speech as the frankest good advice that could be given the

PGA . . . The head of the PGA's Advisory committee said: "Use what strength you have built up, for the good of golf and be careful not to abuse it. You have power in some quarters. Make sure that it is used modestly and discreetly. Businessmen are beginning to ask, with reason, who are these people who tell me what to do at my club."

George Smith is program chmn. for the eight meetings the Pocono Turfgrass Assn. has scheduled for 1959 . . . Newly formed Mass. Turfgrass Assn. encouraging supts. as well as homeowners to join . . . Albert Allen is pres. and Orville Clapper, secy.-treas. . . CMAA Newsletter of Dec. 12, 1958, pertaining to club income tax exemption, is one that should be closely studied by everyone having anything to do with club financial picture . . . Nub of explanation is whether social clubs do or don't advertise facilities for nonmember patronage.

Women who have handicaps of 12 or less are encouraged to enter 27th Helen Lee Doherty Women's Amateur tournament at Coral Ridge CC, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., Jan. 21-25 . . . First National Winter Golf Week to be held Feb. 7-13 . . . Sponsors headquarters is Hollywood Beach Hotel in Hollywood, Fla. . . First 9 at Vandenberg AFB, the big new missile center in California, being rushed for a spring opening . . . Bob Baldock has designed 18 holes for the base course and says it may eventually go to 27

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or 36 . . . Construction on a second Baldock job at George AFB, Victorville, Calif. to get underway soon.

Southern Turfgrass Assn. to hold its spring meeting, Feb. 23-24, at Ridgeway CC in Memphis . . . Clarksdale (Miss.) CC clubhouse destroyed by fire last fall and two weeks later the residence of Doc Livingston, supt. at the club, was burned to the ground . . . Bob Langley, formerly of Malvern, Ark., is now Tom Lundy's asst. supt. at Greenville (Miss.) CC . . . C. H. Elam becomes supt. of Newton (Ark.) CC, succeeding Earl Kidd . . . Ed Creasy formerly of Pine Hills (Ark.) CC takes over as pro-supt. at new West Memphis CC.

R. Albert Anderson, architect and builder, building 18-hole Lehigh Acres (Fla.) CC course . . . Anderson also is drawing plans for 18-hole Cape Coral course at Ft. Meyers and has a Par 3 under construction south of that city . . . Ed McCauley, pro-supt. of Pine Bluff (Ark.) CC, killed in auto accident last fall.

Two of New Jersey's oldest pros, Harry K. Smith and Jack Semple are retiring . . . Smith has been at Green Brook CC, North Caldwell, since 1923 and Semple has been at Rock Spring Club, West Orange, for 30 years . . . Both, however, will continue to be associated with their clubs in advisory capacities . . . Smith, born in Sussex, Eng., came to U. S. in 1915 and worked for Bob White, the PGA's first pres., almost continuously for eight years except for time out to serve with the Signal Corps in World War I . . . Harry helped build Green Brook and re-
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Burke Golf Sales has announced that on Nov. 1, 1958, it purchased the contract of and will replace Jack Moone who, since 1956, had been marketing agent for the PGA merchandising program.

Pete Bullis, Veteran Golf Salesman, Dies Suddenly

C. G. (Pete) Bullis, one of the best known golf salesmen in the Midwest, died suddenly at his home in Crystal Lake, Ill., early in December. Pete, who covered Wis., Minn., and N. D. for The MacGregor Co., had completed his fall sales trip only a day before his death. He had worked for MacGregor since 1948 and before that had been employed by Burke Golf Sales, Inc. for about 25 years.

A Navy veteran of World War I, Pete was 60 years old. He is survived by his widow, Claire.

Bob Kennedy, Veteran Golf Salesman, Dies in East

Robert F. Kennedy, the oldest active golf salesman covering the New England and Eastern states, died at his home in Boston in December at the age of 81. Identified with the golf business for more than a half century, Bob's introduction to the game came when he went to work as a salesman for Wilson. Later he was a golf ball salesman for U. S. Rubber Co. In more recent years he worked for Golf Associates of Boston and was active with this firm until the time of his death.

He is survived by a son, Robert F.

Midwest Spring Conference

The Midwest Regional spring turf conference will be held in the new Memorial Center at Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind., Mar. 2-4. Theme of the conference will be "Modern Turf Practices."

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ained as pro-supt.

Semple, a native of Glasgow, Scotland, came to U. S. in 1926 . . . He was a leading Scottish amateur star and was headed for Canada to work as a salesman when the late John G. Anderson of Winged Foot, a leading U. S. amateur, persuaded him to turn pro . . . He first worked for Bill Green at Rumson CC and spent a lot of time in clubmaking . . . Jack started numbering irons from 1 to 9 and, as far as he knows, was the first to do so . . . Shortly after this, Semple went to Rock Spring to start his 30-year tenure.

"Turf Traffic Tolerance" was theme of fall meeting of Southern Calif. Turf Institute held at Riviera CC in Pacific Palisades . . . An all-star cast took over the rostrum as speakers and panel experts and included John J. Stark, Tom Mascaro, O. J. Noer, Russell Perry, Victor B. Youngner, O. R. Lunt, Marston Kimball, William Benguefield, V. T. Stoutmeyer, Tosh Fuchigami, Jack P. Bockes, Bill Beresford, Frank Stewart, Carl Bloomfield, Charles Wenger and John Coogan.

John C. Harper, II, a 1948 agronomy graduate, has been appointed to the Penn State University faculty as associate professor in agronomy extension . . . He's a World War II combat vet, former Penn State golf captain and member of both the Minnesota and Mid-Atlantic GCSAs . . . Second Irish Hospitals \$15,000 Open to be played July 10-12 in Dublin . . . Carl E. Dilsaver, new supt. of PGA National GC course, formerly was at Dorado Beach GC in Puerto Rico . . . He replaces David Henry who was at Dunedin for about two years.

Calif. Left Handed Golfers Assn. shooting for membership of 600 . . . It is outgrowth of No. Calif. Lefties organization and covers entire state . . . A. A. Douglas of Napa is pres. . . . Ralph Plummer kept busy working out plans for second 18 at Houston's Atascocita CC last fall . . . He'll design a second 18 for Concord Hotel, Lake Kiamesha, N. Y., this winter . . . Jim Thompson and Bob Dedman, Dallas, form Golf Courses, Inc., to design and build courses . . . It's outgrowth of their management concern, Country Clubs, Inc.

Leon Howard & Assoc. is new firm of golf architects . . . It's located in Bryan, Tex. . . . 1959 National Am mixed foursome championship returning to Tequesta CC, Jupiter, Fla., Feb. 10-14 for second straight year, according to John E. McAuliffe, tourney chmn. . . . Four day Rutgers turfgrass conference will be held Jan. 12-15 in New Brunswick . . . Bob Hamrick goes from Fremont (O.) CC to Champaign (Ill.) as pro.

More than 200 San Diego residents recently gave Mickey Wright, winner of the 1958 LPGA Championship and Women's Open, a "night" . . . Among those helping to salute Mickey was her first pro, Fred Sherman . . . 14th annual meeting of Midwest Chapter of National Shade Tree Conference to be held Feb. 18-20 in La Salle Hotel, Chicago . . . Third Men's Amateur



First pro-amateur team matches for Carolinas players were held last fall at Dunes Golf & Beach Club, Myrtle Beach, S.C. under sponsorship of the Carolinas PGA and Carolinas Golf Assn. The pros won the first match, 75½ to 44½ by Nassau scoring. Players who participated are shown above.

International 4-Ball Championship to be played at Orange Brook GC, Hollywood-by-the-Sea, Fla., Mar. 18-22 . . . Joe Markey, the only caddiemaster Merion GC, Ardmore, Pa., ever has had, is retiring Jan. 30th . . . He has been on the job for 39 years.

Four per cent of million adult men in Minnesota play golf, according to new Mr. Minnesota Survey made by Minneapolis Star and Tribune . . . Of these, 78 per cent own their clubs . . . Tam O'Shanter CC, Niles, Ill. and Mr. and Mrs. George S. May have made a total contribution in 10 years of \$119,477 to Evans Caddie scholarship fund . . . Their 1958 donation amounted to \$16,642.

Rollie Brubaker, pro and partner of Harvey Slagell at Hillcrest Golf Center, Washington, Ill., a Par 3 and miniature combination, reports that he had a beginners' class of 75 kids last year and expects to have an even larger group in 1959 . . . Instruction covered all phases of golf including miniature play . . . 125 persons attended St. Louis Field Day last fall at Link's Nursery and Westwood CC . . . It was sponsored by St. Louis Turf Research Fdn., headed by Leo Bauman, Oscar Bowman and Al Linkogel and Mississippi Valley GCSA . . . A first hand look at research work and experiments carried out by Ray Freeborg, Purdue undergraduate, and Linkogel, was had by those attending . . . Others prominent in putting over the program were Bob Mitchell, Ray Keen, O. J. Noer, Marvin Ferguson, William H. Daniel and James Monerief.

Floyd Farley, Oklahoma City architect and builder, has completed 18-hole Riverview CC course, near Wichita . . . He also drew plans for 18-hole course at McConnell AFB and is working on those for 18-hole layout at Tinker AFB, near Oklahoma City . . . Another Farley work in progress is 18-hole, semi private course for Dr. Herb David, Sr. and Herb, Jr. of Omaha.

Bernard Belknap, formerly at Mission Hills in Kansas City, is supt. at Wichita's Riverview . . . Claude Turner, late of Tomahawk Hills, Kansas City, has moved to University of Missouri course as supt. . . . It will be ready in the spring . . . University of Massachusetts's

annual turfgrass conference will be held in Amherst, Mar. 5-6 . . . Three courses J. Press Maxwell is building for Brookhaven Club in Dallas will be in play by April, one year after they were started . . . 18-hole course for mixed play was, in fact, opened in December . . . One of the other two will be exclusively for males and the third for females . . . Press also built new 9 and rebuilt an old one at Longview, Tex., during 1958 and at end of year was ready to start on 27-hole Pinecrest CC in Denver.

North Plains CC, Dumas, Tex., has three growing tourneys on card for 1959 . . . Women's Invitation Partnership will be played June 18-21; West Texas Pro-Am Cup matches, Aug. 4-5; and Dumas Invitation, Aug. 6-9 . . . 18-hole course on 155-acre tract planned for Avon, O. in spring of 1960 . . . Harold D. Paddock, Sr. is designing it and it is eighth course being planned for Lorain county . . . Bob Dunning of Dunning-Jones, Tulsa, Okla., is doing fine



First shot fired at Knollwood GC, Granada Hills, L.A. county, came from wedge of Earl Martin, pro at L.A.'s Western Ave. GC. Watching him (l to r) are: Grabel Duvall, associate pro at Western; Bill Reynolds, Santa Anita County GC pro; Bill Morris, Santa Anita supervisor and Heinie Coughlin, County golf dir. Knollwood, opened in November, is one of several courses L.A. County has put into play in recent years.



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job of keeping supts. abreast of latest technical advances through his foldout type pamphlet, "Turf Tips."

German Amateur, Women's Open and Men's Open to be played within one week this summer, from July 20 through the 26th . . . LPGA competitors will play for more than \$200,000 this year, says Fred Corcoran, their tournament director . . . This will be their biggest year financialwise . . . Nine winter engagements on LPGA schedule will be worth more than \$50,000 in prize money.

Central Plains Turfgrass Foundation conference, held at Kansas State College in mid-October, again attracted a large delegation of supts. and others interested in turf . . . Three day meeting was addressed by no less than 26 speakers who represented all branches of the turf field . . . One of the features of the meeting was a "Brag Night" in which supts. were encouraged to bring and show their 10 best course color films.

W. T. Slader, Wheatley Hills GC, elected 1959 pres. of Long Island Golf Assn. . . Mrs. C. T. Woodford, Montclair, named pres. of N. J. Women's Golf Assn. . . Somerset (N. J.) board of freeholders okay \$332,000 bond issue to build 18-hole course in Bridgewater Twp. . . Milton N. LaPidus, pres. of corporation that bought Braidburn CC, Florham Park, N. J., says \$1 million is being invested in the purchase . . . \$150,000 of this will go into improvements, mainly of clubhouse . . . H. K. Lorentzen, who

sold club, said disastrous fires of 1949 and 1950 were factors in his decision to sell.

Fred Jolly and Cliff Island building first 9 of Jolly Acres CC eventual 18 at Rapid City, S. D. . . Ed Livingston, pro., Minnehaha CC, Sioux Falls, S. D., and Minnehaha's former supt., Cliff Anderson, designed Jolly Acres . . . New



USGA Open tournament office at Winged Foot, Mamaroneck, N. Y., site of the 1959 Open, sent out thousands of circulars suggesting that above tournament admission certificate would make fine Christmas present for recipient's friends Admission badges will be sent to certificate holders around May 25th.

member of staff at North Olmsted (O.) CC is Scott F. Yesberger who arrived in Oct. . . His daddy, Earl, owns and operates the North Olmsted club.

Bill Jackson, formerly supt. Camargo Club, Cincinnati and for 40 years a golf turf expert, golf architect, pro and supt., thought he'd retired

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several years ago to his plantation at Pittsview, Ala. . . . But Eufaula (Aal.) CC got him back in by making him honorary member, director and golf chmn.

Belair G&CC 18 and lighted Par-3, 9-hole course at Bowie, Md., adjacent to Bowie race track and Belair estate, expected to open this spring . . . Murray and Roberts were Belair architects . . . Doug M. Smiley is pres. . . . George Vitense, who resigned as pro at Nakoma CC, Madison, Wis., and was honored by club members at party last fall, is expecting a big year at his large range and 18-hole, Par-3 course in Madison . . . Wisconsin Golf Assn., state PGA and other Wisconsin golf organization officials have listed 73 events on 1959 calendar . . . Heaviest schedule they've ever had.

Dow Finsterwald again showed at PGA Presidents' dinner that he has a world of class . . . In acknowledging his "Pro Golfer of the Year" award, he said, "I owe golf everything. I only hope some day to be able to give back to golf what it has given me." . . . Same sentiment earnestly voiced by Harry Pezzullo, winner of the Golf Pro of the Year award . . . (Wish we could remember the difference between the Professional Golfer of the Year and the Golf Professional of the Year awards so we wouldn't have to look up the answer.)

Canadian PGA has 350 members . . . John Anderson, former pres., GCSA, who retired several years ago, has moved from Florida to RFD2, Old Brickyard Rd., Freehold, N. J. . . . John had a heart attack last Aug. and his pals will be glad



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builder and pro in Arkansas . . . Hackbarth recently retired as pro at the Little Rock CC . . . John Freitas, pro at Waterville (Me.) CC, thinks a record was made at his club in 1958 . . . Three aces were scored on the well-trapped 140 yd. second hole within 24 hours.

Club Managers Assn. of America's 32d annual convention at Shamrock-Hilton, Houston, Feb. 18-21, will see an energetic follow-up on the managers' work in successfully campaigning for club federal tax relief . . . Country and city club managers showed PGA and GCSA how to get going in collective operation to help clubs by pushing club tax relief effort . . . National Golf Foundation was effective spearhead of the tax relief campaign and CMAA work, directed by its former pres., Dick Daley, mgr. Army-Navy CC, Washington, who more than any other one man, was responsible for easing the tax load.

Robert Trent Jones making some changes on Firestone course at Akron for PGA 1960 championship . . . PGA already has bids for 1961 championship . . . Hopes that new arrangement it worked out with Minneapolis for this year's PGA championship will give the pro association a chance to make some money instead of getting shorted as it has the last few years.

Sunset Ridge CC (Chicago dist.) gave big party, \$2500 and golf watch to Dominic Grotti, its supt. for 25 years . . . You won't believe that Mike Brady is 72 but he is and is consistently shooting under his age at the PGA National course . . . Ray O'Brien doing a marvelous job in arranging and conducting the Championship Golf TV events . . . Up to Dec. 1, 1958 these

TV programs had brought \$162,500 to pros . . . Who got most? . . . Sam'l Jackson Snead, shore 'nuff — \$29,000 . . . Bill Casper is next with \$13,500.

Four annual Naples (Fla.) Seniors' invitation tournament at Naples Beach Hotel course, Jan. 20-24, limiting field so everybody will be able to play without pressure . . . Faust Bianco, Dearborn (Mich.) CC pro, again can say that the pro who doesn't start early getting after Christmas pro shop sales is tossing away money . . . Faust again had a record year's Xmas shop business . . . He began campaigning early and in Oct. had signed \$4000 for Christmas delivery . . . Tarpon Springs, Fla., leases muni course to George Bernard, owner of Turf and Surf CC, Tarpon Springs, which is operated separately from the muni course.

Hope Maj. Nevin Gibson's "Encyclopedia of Golf" sells very well or it won't be kept up to date and revised so additions, such as Seniors' tournaments and International Golf Assn. worldwide pro tournaments, can be added . . . Barnes was stuck with a bale of Golf Guides a few years ago and had to be teased into publishing the Gibson opus.

The Al Baldings expect their first baby in January . . . They'll be away from the tournament circuit and at their home, 30 Westmoun Park rd., Toronto, while the stork is awaiting his starting time . . . Never played a more pleasant course than the 2029 yd. Par 3 course of Club de Golf de Mexico . . . Smartly trapped . . . Rubber tee mats . . . Well-maintained greens . . . No night lighting . . . First lighted Par 3 we can remember is now used for residence sites, west of Wilmette (Ill.) CC.