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Swinging Around Golf

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Assn., Santa Clara County, Calif., protests plans for building of county owned course . . . Assn. says present courses are sufficient and another one would make it tough for all to operate profitably . . . Loss to Plum Hollow CC, where clubhouse, burned to ground in Nov. near Pontiac, Mich., was estimated at \$750,000.

Construction started on Sewickley Heights GC course, near Pittsburgh, Pa., in Nov. . . . It was designed by James G. Harrison and was the 74th course he has designed . . . \$450,000 public course planned for Ojai, Calif. Planning to rebuild old Spring Lake CC, Waco, Tex. . . . Plan to expand Calloway Park, North Richland Hills, near Dallas, from 9 to 18 . . . Course was opened last fall . . . Construction started on 18-hole course in Gladwin, Mich. . . . Arvida Realty Co., which purchased winter quarters of Ringling Bros. Barnum and Bailey, Sarasota, Fla., for real estate project, has 18-hole community course in its plans.

Start work on course in Montrose, Colo., which is being built to Henry Hughes' plans . . . Geoffrey Cornish designs course for Spring Valley CC, Sharon, Mass., which will be first club built in Greater Boston area in 20 years . . . Muncy course costing \$100,000 is in \$3 million recreation plans of Lincoln, Nebr., park board . . . 18-hole Hogan Park muncy course put in play in Midland, Tex., in mid Nov. . . . Dick LaConte named pro at Pebblebrook CC, Cleveland, O.

Berkeley CC, Moncks Corner, S. C., has construction going on its 6,800 yard course . . . It was designed by George Cobb . . . Construction

on 18-hole course of Lakewood CC, near Rockville, Md., started in Nov. . . . Entire club project will cost \$1.5 million . . . Coldstream CC, Forestville, O., to be ready for play in May . . . Last fall, Pres. Eisenhower was reported as having been observed giving a lesson to a woman player . . . But it was case of mistaken identity . . . The teacher turned out to be Wiffy Cox, pro at Washington's Congressional CC, who looks like Ike.

Bill and Dave Gordon has designed courses recently in three different states . . . All are part of real estate developments . . . They are Clinton Springs CC, Wheeling, W. Va., Danville (Pa.) CC and an additional 9 at Lancaster (O.) CC . . . Lou Quarandillo will have his range and miniature ready Apr. 1 in Elkhart, Ind. . . . First DeSoto Open to be played at DeSoto G & CC, Bradenton, Fla., Mar. 21-27 . . . The purse: \$35,000 . . . Planning to build golf course as part of recreation center on 530 acre Whitney estate, Old Westbury, L. I. . . . Approval of village is needed before anything can be done . . . Purse for Yorba Linda (Calif.) Open, Jan. 14-17 is \$25,000.

CMAA holding the line on dues for 1960 . . . Paul Hahn has changed his address from Anaheim, Calif. to Paradise CC, Crystal River, Fla. . . . 55 Evans Scholars alumni are working on advanced degrees in graduate or professional schools . . . Nic M. Bel Castro succeeds Joe Akai as club mgr. at Tam O' Shanter, Niles, Ill. . . . Akai becomes George S. May's asst. in the May Co. . . . Edwin O. Pratt, charter member of the Heart of America GCSA, died in Nov. at the age of 84 . . . He worked at Shawnee CC, Topeka for many years.