



Fay Coleman (above), 1959 Southern California PGA pro-of-the-year, received trophy and plaque as memento of the selection. At right are John Clock, USGA pres., Harold Dawson, secy. of SCGA and Guy Bellitt, pres. of SCPGA. Dawson was given honorary life membership in SCPGA for his service to golf and Bellitt was re-elected to head the SC section.



Southern California PGA Section Salutes the Deserving

The 35th meeting and merit award dinner of the Southern California PGA section was held early in April at Palos Verdes CC with more than 200 pros and club presidents in attendance. The two leading awards were given to Harold Dawson and Fay Coleman. Dawson, executive secy. of the Southern California GA, was made a life member in the PGA organization for his services to the game. Coleman was recognized as the section's home pro of the year for 1959. He is located at Brentwood CC in Los Angeles.

Guy Bellitt of Whittier Narrows GC, South San Gabriel, was re-elected pres. of the section.

Joe Novak, Bel Air CC, L.A., was master of ceremonies at the award dinner. John Clock, pres. of the USGA, Wendel Alexander, pres. S. C. Public Links Assn. and Ray Pep, pres. of S. C. Junior Golf Assn. were among the notables who attended the affair.

S. C. PGA also gave a special award to Singing Hills CC, San Diego, for having the greatest number of participants in the 1959 National Golf Day.

The section's annual report showed that \$66,000 in tournament prize money was awarded in 1959's five Open events, 10 special events and 25 pro-ams. Jerry Barber was the leading money winner with \$4,378 and Jimmy Clark, who won \$2,820, was runnerup. The report added that S. C. PGA is the largest section in the U. S. with 318 members, 162 of whom have Class A ratings.

Western Open in Detroit

One of the country's four major tournaments, the Western Open, will be played at Western G & CC, Detroit, July 14-17. This is the 57th playing of the event. A large portion of the proceeds from this tournament go to support the Evans Scholarship Fund for caddies.