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## NEWS OF THE GOLF WORLD IN BRIEF



BY HERB GRAFFIS

The National Amateur championship needs a serious overhauling by the USGA . . . It was a tired, ailing affair at St. Louis . . . The 6 and 4 victory of Deane Beman over Bob Gardner in the final of the 60th Amateur probably didn't draw half as many people as the 25th Amateur, Sept. 17-24, 1921 at the same club, the St. Louis CC . . . Jesse Guilford beat the late Bob Gardner of Chicago, 7 and 6, in the final for that title . . . The first day the field and caddies in the 1960 Amateur outnumbered the contestants.

This year's Amateur field possibly was the scoring superior of the 1921 National Amateur field which included besides Guilford and Gardner, Bob Jones, Tommy Armour, Willie Hunter, Chick Evans, Francis Ouimet, Jimmy Johnston and George Von Elm (who lost in the first round, 5 and 4, to Guilford) . . . Deane Beman, 22, 5 ft. 6 in., 137 lbs., is one of the great little players . . . He figured to win the 1959 British Amateur and he did by beating Bill Hyndman . . . Beman defeated Hyndman again, in 19 holes in the quarter finals at St. Louis . . . Beman's morning round Saturday was 36-32-68. . . . This was three under par for the 6,616 yd. St. Louis CC course . . . The greens

were somewhat round around the hole positions but that was due more to the traffic than to any maintenance procedure . . . The fact is, considering the blistering days and muggy nights St. Louis had for 10 days or so before the Amateur started, the greens on the old course were in good condition.

In 1947, at the St. Louis CC for the National Open, the yardage was 6,532 and par was 71 . . . The winner, Lew Worsham, scored 70-70-70-71 — 282 — 69 and Snead added up: 72-70-70-70 — 282 — 70 . . . (Worsham won the playoff) . . . So Beman in playing the first 18 of the final match of the Amateur did better than Worsham and Snead who played on a shorter course and under weather conditions that were better for the greens . . . In 1921, Ouimet, with 144, was medalist at St. Louis . . . Guilford qualified at 151, Armour at 155, Gardner at 152, Willie Hunter at 154, Jones at 151 . . . Five qualified at 162 and one, Russell Smith, at 163, got in . . .

That sort of scoring wouldn't have got anybody very far in this year's National Amateur . . . So, obviously, the trouble with the Amateur isn't that the quality of the field is unattractive . . . The field is good and would be much better if the date of the National Amateur were advanced a few weeks to get collegians before they have to go back to school . . . Coeds drawn to the gallery by varsity contestants also would give the Amateur something it needs . . . Amateur's usual date now bumps into tough competition from football and finishing days of the baseball races.

The Amateur's blind draw required the defending champion, Jack Nicklaus, to open his defense in an 18-hole round

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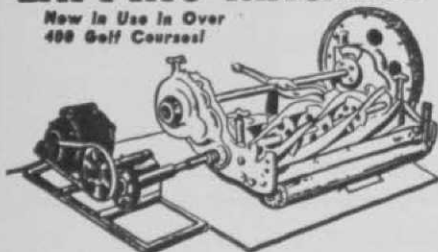
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against a seasoned competitor, Jack Donahue, who was closed out on the last hole . . . That doesn't make much sense when there were 56 byes in the first round field of 200 . . . The catch-as-catch-can practice round starting on Sunday accounted for arguments and complaints that a starting time sheet would have avoided.

Practice on the St. Louis CC polo field with the Amateur contestants hitting balls out of their own practice bags and from 6 to 17 caddies looking into the sun to shag the balls, luckily didn't result in the blinding or death of a kid . . . One boy, though, was hit on the head by a ball and hospitalized . . . While an attendant from the Red Cross tent and others examined the fallen boy then hauled him off the field on a stretcher, one idiot continued to hit balls from the temporary practice tee . . . If the dimwit shot scores as low as the IQ he exhibited in this case, he would win every golf title but certainly no award for having all his marbles.

It is only a question of time until some caddie is killed in golf tournament practice . . . At the 1959 Amateur at Broadmoor the contestants were required to use the club's range balls . . . At Southern Hills CC, Tulsa, in practicing for the 1958

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National Open, the contestants used balls the club got from leading ball makers for the practice range . . . Some contestants don't want to use club range balls for practice . . . Toad bad — but not nearly as bad as injuring a caddie.

Possibly some of the Amateur's health and interest may be restored by putting on the 1961 championship at Pebble Beach, and at another superb golfing resort, Pinehurst, in 1962, and at a good, live moderate-sized city's club, Wakonda, Des Moines, in 1963.

Bill Sherman of National Golf Foundation recently did some research showing men's PGA Tournament circuit events increased 30 per cent in past 10 years and prize money increased 163 per cent . . . Prize money in 1960: \$1,102,474 . . . Ladies' PGA percentage of increase was even greater . . . In 1960 women played 145 per cent more events (27) than in 1950 and for 185 per cent more prize money . . . Women pros' arrangements with manufacturers have them on exhibition and demonstration tours among clubs during a number of weekends of the summer, ruling out tournaments on these dates . . . The promotion must be work-

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ing O.K. as percentage of increase of women's golf in the past five years has exceeded percentage of growth of men's golf, according to careful guessers . . . At numerous private clubs this year women will play as many rounds as men.

Martha (Mrs. Larry) O'Toole, former pres., Women's Western Golf Assn., honored by women of her club, Edgewater GC, Chicago, at luncheon and invitation tournament and by having women's tournament named for her . . . She has been head of the women's rules committee at Edgewater for 18 years . . . She is a leader in Junior girls' golf program development in the central states . . . Kemper Insurance group of Chicago sponsoring Sunday golf shows that will continue through March, 1961 . . . It is Celebrity Golf (5 p.m., EDT) in which Sam Snead meets the best players of the entertainment world . . . Third annual Dorado Beach Invitational tournament to be played Oct. 26-29 in Puerto Rico . . . Southern Seniors will play their Championship at Dorado, Dec. 2-6.

Guido Cribari, Westchester golf writer, says he'd like to see a match between U. S. Ryder Cup and Walker Cup teams, co-sponsored by USGA and PGA with pro-

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ceeds to be used for staging a national caddie championship . . . He also suggests a Snead vs. Hogan match with the money being turned over to the ailing Porky Oliver . . . Pacific Grove (Calif.) municipal course building \$50,000 clubhouse.

Begin construction of Bow Creek CC 18 near Virginia Beach, Va. . . . Fred Sappenfield is pro-supt., supervising construction of the course which will be opened in summer 1961 . . . John Aragona is owner of the 2000 acre project which will have motels, hospital, home sites, playground and lakes . . . Building \$500,000 clubhouse at El Macero CC, Sacramento, Calif. . . . C. Bruce Mace and Sons have spent more than \$1 million to date in developing the 800 acre residential and golf site.

Ed Carter, PGA Tournament Bureau mgr., in two week trip to England, told British PGA how to get more money out of sponsors and put more life and drawing power into tourneys by letting down bars for British assistant pros and getting more U. S. entries in late summer and fall when income tax situation, World Series

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and football competition cut down U. S. open tournament play . . . Acknowledges that the minor league idea of pro tournaments hasn't worked out but believes that problem will be solved by there being more potential tournament sponsors than there are desirable available dates . . . Las Vegas Tournament of Champions difficulty being solved with Waco Turner being angel for an open at his course near Ardmore, Okla. which will be played at same time as the select rich affair at Las Vegas . . . That will give the fellows who don't qualify for Las Vegas a place to play for plenty of money . . . Sentiment in England is for Ryder Cup foursome play at 18 holes, (as often suggested by Golfdom) instead of 36.

North Hills CC gets \$5,250,000 for its 132 acres, course and clubhouse at Douglaston, L. I. . . North Hills paid \$450,000 for the land 15 years ago . . . High taxes forced sale and club's removal to a new site . . . Joe Belcer heads committee proposing to build course at Kinston, N. C. . . Bradford, Pa., to build many course . . . Raymond Bayer, Thompson, Conn., building 18-hole course at Sutton, Mass. . . Expect course to be playable in spring, 1961.

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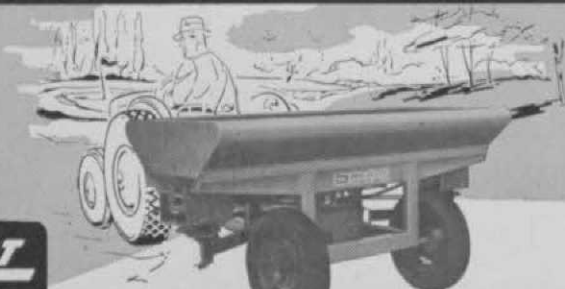
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Mike Rubish, owner of Golf City range at Durham, N. C., planning to build a Par 3 . . . Mike is conducting free classes weekly for 150 kids . . . Those kids will be among the golfers who will make his Par 3 course profitable . . . Garden of Eden area in Wilmington, Mass. to have 18 hole course . . . General Electric Athletic Assn., planning to build 9-hole course on Oakledge Manor property the company employees' organization is buying in Burlington, Vt.

Talking about a course of the Sam Snead chain to be built at Lakewood Plantation, south of Myrtle Beach, S. C. . . Project to include 9-hole Par 3, range and 18-hole standard size course to plans of Ellis Maples . . . Los Angeles Turf Club's 3,200 acres of Lake Arrowhead property to be bought by William E. Newell and associates who will build 18-hole course and de luxe country club on part of the acreage . . . Lake Tahoe CC at Tahoe Valley, Nev., opens first 9.

Migell, Inc., headed by Fred Kassner of Liberty Travel Service, N.Y.C., leases Spring Rock CC, Spring Valley, N. Y., from Irving Maiman, and will build 9 more holes . . . Club will continue with private membership . . . Wilton Garrison, sports editor of the Charlotte (N. C.) Observer says a gentleman he knows

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laments that by the time he could afford to lose a golf ball he couldn't hit it that far.

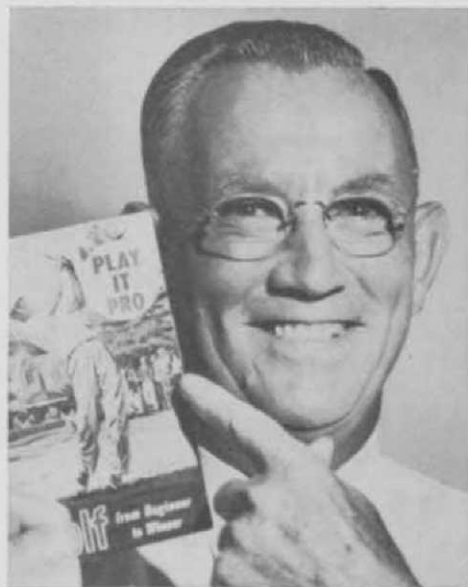
Jim Flanagan, for 26 years pro at Me-gunticook GC, Camden, Me., presented with station wagon by club members . . . Flanagan also conducts community recreation program in winter . . . Bill Page now asst. to Tommy Ryle at Bacon Park GC, Savannah, Ga.

Louisville, Ky., area to get another de luxe golf development, Echo Hills . . . Project headed by New York real estate investor, George Roche, Jr. . . . Roche also is interested in Executive CC, south of Louisville, where plans include three courses by Robert Trent Jones, home sites and \$2 million motel . . . Building 18-hole course to plans of Fred Federspiel of Oswego, surrounded by 424 building sites, near Hillsboro, Ore.

Paul J. Roth, Sunnybrook Enterprises, Saratoga, N. Y., heads group planning to build 18-hole Winding Brook CC, Valatie, N. Y. . . . Ridgeway CC, 7500 Blue Ridge extension, Kansas City, Mo., to build 18-hole course . . . Harry Lamm heads group planning to build Long Range GC, Wilson, N. C. . . . Lawrence, Ind., Jaycees to build 18-hole club . . . Dr. Owen Miller is pres. Illahee Hills CC, Salem, Ore., which plans to begin construction of clubhouse in Dec. . . . Course is now being built.

Paul Morgan is pres., Boyle Aire Club,

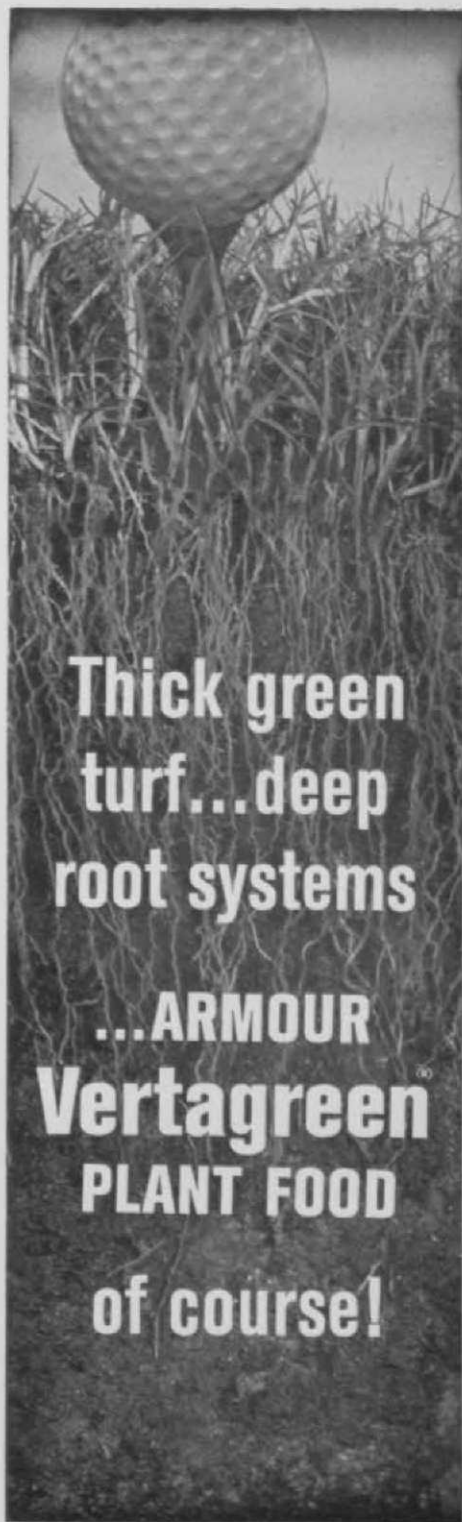




Dr. J. E. Ailor, a Knoxville dentist, playing at Deane Hill CC in Sept., joined about a score of golfers who, in the last 50 years, have scored two holes-in-one during the same round when he aced the 152-yard sixth and came back with another on the 134-yard 17th. Normally an 85-shooter, Dr. Ailor had an 80 for the round. Probably the most publicized double ace came in 1949 at Plum Hollow in Detroit when Roy McGuire of Birmingham (Mich.) CC holed out two tee shots in a USGA Open qualifying round.

Danville, Ky., which is building 9 hole course to plans of Buck Blankenship of Frankfort, Ky. . . . Kenosha, Wis., talking about building an 18-hole munny course . . . Veteran Freddie McLeod getting a new pro shop at Columbia CC in Washington, D. C., which is promised to be something really special.

Pete Gardner and Robt. Johnson of Morro Bay, Calif., planning to build 18-hole Morro Valley CC . . . Course to be bordered by building sites . . . Paul R. Thesier building 9-hole course at Carthage, N. Y. . . . Howard Ware, supt., Linwood CC for past nine years, moving to Fairmount CC which is being constructed at Madison, N. J. . . . Youngstown (O.) CC in \$295,000 clubhouse improvement program . . . Oconto Falls (Wis.) CC organized with Edward L. Packard, LaGrange, Ill., designing its course . . . Fayetteville (Ark.) CC spending \$90,000 on clubhouse improvements . . . Tonkawa, Okla., plans to build 9-hole course . . . Jack Snyder designing 9-hole course for Show Low, Ariz. . . . Begin building



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Bolo Corp., Los Angeles real estate development firm to build course near Twenty-nine Palms, Calif., to plans of Lawrence Hughes . . . Jack Hirbe, pro at Pasadena CC. St. Petersburg, Fla., and Jack Christophere and Mel Johnson of the pro staff conducted an 8-weeks course for Juniors who are members of the Police Athletic League . . . Southern Pines Jaycee again sponsors the Golf Carousel which gives the entrant a "once-a-year" chance to play Pine Needles, Mid Pines and Southern Pines in one tournament . . . It's scheduled for Nov. 17-20.

Alfred H. Tull, Larchmont, N. Y. architect, recently completed designing a 9-hole course for the Mendham (N.J.) G & Tennis Club . . . Rosswood CC, Pine Bluff, Ark., which Tull designed, opened its first 9 in Sept. and is working on the second 9 . . . The club is sponsored by International Paper Co. . . . Anthony Barbara, 65, one of New England's best known course operators, died in Sept. . . . A onetime restaurant mgr. and CPA, Mr. Barbara bought Sandy Burr CC, Wayland, Mass.,

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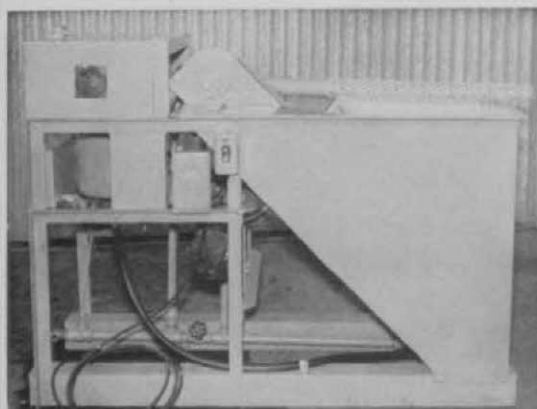
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The Northern Calif. Open, which had been pushed back to Nov., has been cancelled . . . N. C. PGA couldn't find a co-sponsor . . . But the Alamaden Open with

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Bob Cochran, runnerup in the British Amateur and Western Amateur this year, broadcast the National Amateur six times daily in St. Louis . . . Bad back kept the 47-year-old star out of competition . . . His check went to Evans Caddie Scholarship Fund . . . First of the Celebrities golf matches on NBC to get on the air was an entertaining 9-hole affair between Sam Snead and Bob Hope . . . Detail on several holes wasn't filmed but was covered by comment which saved time and kept interest alive . . . Snead cut Hope down with birdies . . . Finale of a putting tip from Snead was interesting . . . Hope's payment went to Cerebral Palsy Fund.

Loren Tibbals, Akron Beacon-Journal sports editor, who was prime mover of the highly successful PGA championship at Firestone CC, wants to put on "Summer Masters" in Akron each August . . . Tibbals' proposed tournament would have field limited to 60 or 70 players . . . At present he is calling the proposed tournament the Champions Invitational . . . Metropolitan (NY) PGA will ask other PGA sections at annual meeting to eliminate Caucasian restrictive clause from membership requirement . . . PGA and USGA some time ago began accepting Negro entries for tournaments . . . Conduct of Negro tournament golfers and Negro spectators at tournaments at white private clubs generally has reflected good judgment and manners . . . Tournaments at private clubs are getting to be more on an invitation basis . . . These clubs primarily are selective membership organizations . . . Despite vast improvement in economic and social status, Negroes haven't established a selective membership private country club with a very good golf course

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Max Elbin (center), pro at Burning Tree Club, presents Frank Pace trophy to Jamie Gough III (r) and Gen. Floyd L. Parks trophy to Tom Hahn as their awards in leading Army Navy CC team to victory in Washington D. C. Interclub Junior golf league. Army Navy defeated Columbia CC, 5 to 4, in playoff at Burning Tree. More than 275 boys between 14 and 17 and a few girls were on the rosters of the 18 teams that took part in the Junior competition. The long established Washington Interclub league is anxious to help other cities get similar competition started. A letter to Joe Gambatese, 7119 Exfair rd., Bethesda, Md., league dir., will bring all necessary information.

## Swinging Around Golf

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... The opportunity is a big one for Negro self-improvement and demonstration of equal capacities.

National Federation of State High School Athletic Assns. reports that 4,232 schools have 36,847 students participating in golf . . . That's an average of fewer than 9 kids per school . . . Football is reported as having largest number of participants (570,951) at 11,564 schools . . . This averages over 41 boys per school playing football . . . Dutch elm disease is killing many trees on golf courses in central states . . . foresighted superintendents and green chmn. are putting in tree nurseries.

Louise Suggs, who had won \$14,962 as of Sept. 15, was barely ahead of Mickey Wright and Betsy Rawls as the top money winner in Ladies PGA competition . . . Mickey's earnings were \$14,315 and Betsy's, \$14,244 . . . Joyce Ziske, who had her most profitable summer since joining the women's tour five years ago, was right behind the three perennial leaders with \$12,279 . . . Newark Evening News recently stated that Chuck Fatum, a 1957 Rutgers grad and supt. at Braidburn CC, Florham Park, N. J., may be the youngest greenmaster in the business . . . He's only 24 . . . Fatum played in the National Intercollegiate tournament in his Senior year . . . In spite of his tender age, Chuck

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Bannockburn CC, part of the Bannockburn CC Estates, north of Chicago, is now under construction with ground breaking ceremonies having taken place in mid-Sept. Looking over the plans of the 36-hole layout are (l to r) Harry Pezzullo, pres. of the Illinois PGA section; William E. Casselman, member of the Chicago Board of Trade and pres. of the club; and Dick Knopf, well known Chicago area pro who will be Bannockburn's athletic dir.

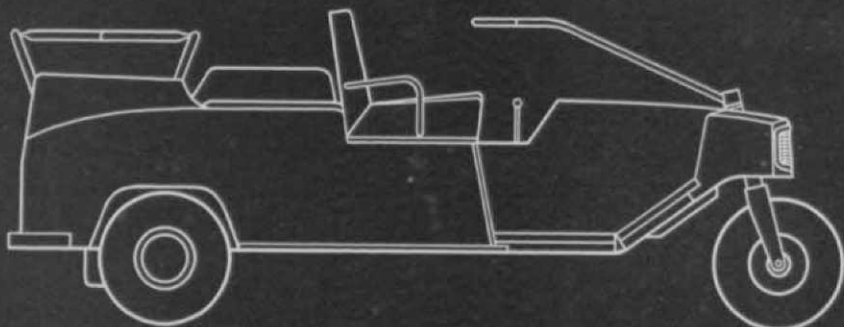
must know a few secrets about managing greens that some of his elders haven't learned . . . When Arnold Palmer and Bill Casper played an exhibition at Braidburn both said they were thrown off their putting by the excellence of the bent.

Quite a few young fellows who are breaking into golf as pros look to New Jersey as a starting point because the N. J. PGA section holds so many lucrative tournaments . . . These include weekly competitions for assistants during the summer with cash prize offerings . . . Northern Ohio GCSA leads the field in signing up national members in 1960 . . . So far it has had 14 men accepted . . . Mid-Atlantic GCSA is second with 11 . . . Virginia Polytechnic Institute recently added a full time turf management staff position to its agronomy dept., according to Roy E. Blaser, head of the section . . . Richard E. Schmidt has been appointed to the post . . . Supts., seed dealers and hardware men have been fighting for the addition for a long time.

A two-day conference for Virginia turfmen will be held Feb. 14-15, 1961, at the Hotel Jefferson in Richmond . . . Northern California Open, scheduled for Sept. 21-23, was postponed because of a conflict in dates . . . It probably will be played in Oct. or Nov. in Salinas . . . It's a \$4,000 event . . . First \$10,000 National Left-handers Open will be played Dec. 5-10 at De-Soto Lakes G & CC, Sarasota . . . Entries for the event close on Dec. 1 . . . There is a 265 player limit . . . As of Sept. 5th, Jerry Barber was 12th on the PGA's official list but he was the leading “unofficial” winner with \$11,357 . . . Jack Fleck was second in this respect with \$7,454 . . . Charley Hadwick, supt. at Jefferson City (Mo.) CC, has been retired by the club . . . Ralph Sehr, supt. at Westwood CC, St. Louis, recently completed strip sodding fairways at his club, placing 2-in. strips on 16-in. centers . . . He estimates that eight miles of sod were required to do the job.



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There was a nostalgic touch to the "Green Breeze," the Cincinnati GCSA publication, in Sept. . . . A photo of the 1933 membership was shown along with another of the 1960 contingent . . . Twenty members were pictured in the early group and 19 in the contemporary one . . . The Cincinnati GCSA was organized in 1931 largely through the efforts of Ben Cohee, James Muiredan and George Benvie . . . Woodmar CC, Hammond, Ind., set aside Sept. 10th as John Block Day in honor of the gentleman who has served as a dir. and secy. of the club for 35 years . . . Jack A. King, supt. at Columbia Edgewater CC, Portland, Ore., was killed in an accident on Aug. 19th . . . He had been at Columbia for 23 years, 19 as supt., and for many years was an officer of the Oregon Turf Mgrs. Assn.

Gene Witzel of Sanford Naval Air Stn. won the fifth annual South Atlantic Amateur, played at Ellinor Village, Fla., on Labor Day, with a 145 . . . 14th annual Chairman-Supt. meeting, sponsored by Philadelphia Golf Assn., was held at the duPont CC on Aug. 29th . . . Sidney K. Allman, Jr. of Philmont CC and G. L. Sayre, Plymouth CC, represented chmn. on the panel and Marshall Farnham, Philadelphia CC, and E. R. Steiniger of Pine Valley spoke for the supts . . . Charles K. Hallowell of the USGA green section was moderator . . . When the maintenance crew at Richmond (Calif.) G & CC thinned out the pine trees on the sixth hole recently it was very much surprised by the num-

ber of golf balls that were found nesting in the branches . . . Tommy Thomas, U. of Pennsylvania Business Administration graduate, recently was added to the Richmond pro staff . . . He joins Joe Reboli, head pro, and Wes Ward.

The National Baseball Players' Championship will be played in Miami Springs, Fla., Feb. 16-19, according to George Jacobus, tournament dir. . . . Jim Hearn, formerly of the N. Y. Giants, is defending titleholder . . . Joe Rey's Junior clinic, held three times a week at Boulder Creek (Calif.) driving range, consistently attracts at least 50 kids . . . Hillcrest CC, Lincoln, Neb., recently held a "day" for Bunny Richards, its pro for the last 15 years . . . He was given a station wagon, gold watch and shotgun and his wife, Margaret, was presented a combination radio, TV and phonograph set . . . Roy Kirsch, pres. of the club, was in charge of the arrangements.

Al Collins, who retired as pro at Sleepy Hollow CC (NY Met dist.) spent the past summer as teaching and playing pro at Golf Club Kitzbuhel, Tirol, Austria . . . Club, one of 9 in Austria, is owned by Baron von Pantz and Prince Hohenloe . . . As famed resort course it gets players from many countries . . . Numerous Austrians are keen golfers although game is so new that there are only nine players with 8 or lower handicaps . . . Austria sent young team (Fritz Yonak, 28; Alexander Maculan, 19; Klaus Nierlich, 16; and Wolfgang Pollack, 16) to the World Amateur championship at Merion . . .

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Non-playing captain was Dr. Hugo Eckelt, pres., Austrian Golf Assn. . . . Toni Sailer, seven times world ski champion, and many other ski instructors are Collins' pupils and Al says they are ardent golfers and developing fast . . . Collins is returning for winter to Nassau where he has been pro at the Bahamas CC for many winters.

Morrie Talman, for many years pro at White-marsh Valley CC, Philadelphia, and now at the new Wesfield's Golf Park in the Philadelphia dist., says the de luxe ranges and first new Par 3 courses will be the best thing that's happened for private clubs and pros . . . Explains that these golf facilities attract the type of people that includes a majority of desirable private club members . . . Wesfield Golf Park advertises, "First double-decker range in the east," 50 tees, 9-hole Par 3, miniature course, best practice balls and fine clubs, beautiful lake and colorful fountain, and "Pro lessons by famous Morrie Talman." . . . Morrie reports the advertising pulls; his problem is to get more hours in the day.

On a swing around the Republic of Ireland, England, Scotland, France and Germany, I saw that public, resort, and private gardens in these countries usually are of higher standard of design and maintenance than gardens in U. S. but American turf areas at courses, parks and homes are far, far superior to those of Europe in freedom from weeds and in appearance and density . . . Reminded me of remark made by John Monteith, Jr., former director, USGA Green Sec-

tion, after visiting British courses; "Never saw grass for which God did so much and man so little," said John.

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Republic of Ireland has some magnificent courses . . . It is the great playground discovered by comparatively few American golfers . . . Portmarnock, where Canada Cup matches were played, is a course with more truly "great" holes on it than you find on most courses that are rated "great." . . . Members didn't play the Portmarnock fairways for three months prior to the Canada Cup international pro matches . . .



The "Swing's the Thing" troupe at the White Face (N.Y.) Inn put on regular shows all through the summer for guests at the resort. It is composed of (from left) Carl Watkins, head pro, Joe Montala, Steve Merritt and George Hoseman, and represents the Obitz-Farley Co. in operating the resort pro shop. According to F. B. Fisher, vp at White Face Inn, the club is presently constructing a \$50,000 clubhouse and lockerroom which will be ready in the spring.

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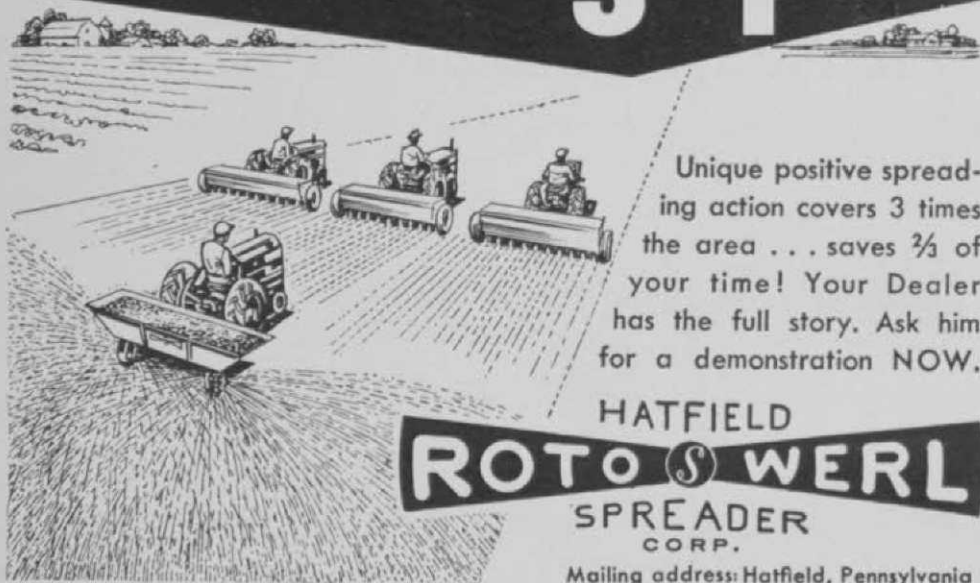
They hit the ball into the fairways then played succeeding shots to the green from "winter rule" lies in the rough bordering the fairways . . . Imagine members of any American club putting up with that inconvenience to get and keep a course in excellent condition for a championship? . . . Lahinch, rugged and picturesque course on Ireland's west coast, is sort of an Irish Pine Valley . . . It is exciting and looks tougher than it is, even if your tee shots are straight and fairly long . . . The course of Killarney Fishing & GC that Sir Guy Campbell designed is a gem that would be talked about a lot if it were in the U. S. where a great many would play it.

Wm. B. Langford, veteran Chicago golf architect and Palm Beach Old Guard sec., was in Scotland and England this summer playing and studying courses for a month . . . Waveland Ave. (Chicago Park Board) 9-hole course to have second 9 that is expected to be in play next year . . . Course, heavily played, was designed by the late Al Espinosa.

Petition of Joseph S. Cyr to construct golf course granted by Lawrence (Mass.) Zoning Board of Appeals because state disapproved building of 133 homes on the site . . . Land was found unsuitable for homes using septic tanks . . . Golf course, not requiring sewerage to considerable extent and enhancing value of property, is O. K. in Zoning Board's opinion.

Meadow Hills CC, Nogales, Ariz., organized to lease and operate course being completed by Potrero Resort and Development Co . . . L. E. Sexton elected Meadow Hills pres . . . Monterey Peninsula CC, Monterey, Calif., to build its second 18 . . . It will be called the "Shore" course and will be north of Cypress Point . . . Bob Baldock is architect . . . Hamilton, O., to build 18-hole public course and clubhouse on 200 acres donated by Dwight Thomson, chmn., Champion Paper & Fibre Co.

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Another case of a good golf course and a smart, active and personable pro giving a small town a big reputation is at Boone, N. C., where Joe Maples is pro . . . Boone C of C is a real live outfit and is making the golf course a strong point in ballyhooing Boone as an attractive summer resort and business center . . . Boone GC scorecard can be used as a postcard to send back home bragging of a good round.

Jerry Barber's members at Wilshire gave the little giant one of the most beautiful wrist watches you ever saw . . . It was inscribed "To the Champion of Champions from the Wilshire Gang." . . . A. W. (Buddy) Cook from Boca Raton (Fla.) Club winter pro staff to Greenbrier as host pro for spring and summer, succeeding Gary Nixon who is in an executive capacity with Snead chain of Par-3s and motels and real estate-golf developments in southwest.

Par-3 course building continues without any sign of slowing . . . Par-3s seem to be making good returns on investment . . . Among localities to get new Par-3 courses soon are Sioux City,

Ia., Conneaut Lake, Pa., Centerville, O., Smithfield, R. I., West Palm Beach, Fla., Waynesville, N. C., Norfolk, Va., Rutherford, N. J., Fraser, Mich., Ft. Myers, Fla., Yakima, Wash. and Virginia Beach, Va. . . . Ralph Plummer designing municipal course for Arlington, Tex. . . . Eddie Ault planning 18-hole course for Potomac Electric Power Co. employees' recreation center near Dranesville, Va. . . . Morgan Tiller will be recreation director and pro at the power company course . . . Ault also designing second 18 for Chantilly National G&CC in Washington dist.

Don Soper, well known Michigan pro, to build 9-hole public course at Royal Oak, Mich., on 20-year lease of city-owned land . . . Soper now is operating a range at Royal Oak . . . Par 3 course being built by USAF at Osan, Korea, is on Hill 180 where a brutal battle was fought . . . R. Casey Stintzcum, Jr., is special services officer who got the course going . . . Kunsan Air Base in Korea is building a Par 3.

Jack Miranda now mgr., Westborough CC, St. Louis . . . John Chereka from Highland CC, Pittsburgh to manager post at Highwood CC, Allison, Pa. . . . Leslie B. Smith now mgr., Lenoir (N. C.) CC . . . Donald A. Staples named mgr. of Pottawattomie CC, Michigan City, Ind.

New Zealand wants 1962 World Amateur golf championship . . . Western Seniors in 1961 will be played at Blue Mound CC, Milwaukee, where the Western veterans played their tourney in 1954 . . . Mt. Prospect (Ill.) CC having money trouble that Chicago papers tell about . . .



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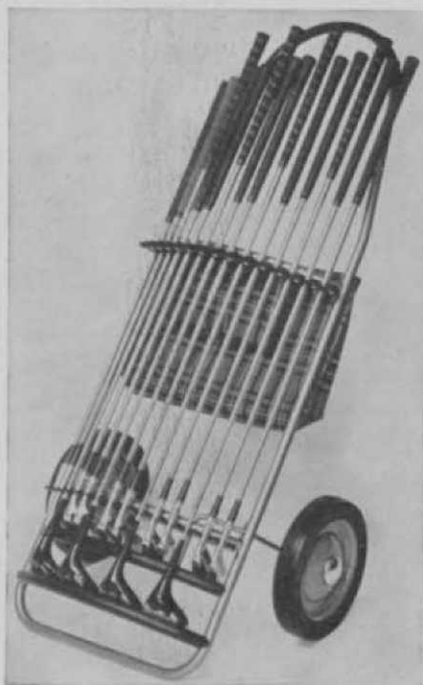
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Veterans Administration hospital at Tomah, Wis., finishing 9 hole course . . . Jack Sloan, Erv Kordus and Joe Burgess pushing construction of their River Hills CC, Wausau, Wis. . . . Two members of Wisconsin Gov. Gaylord Nelson's staff, James W. Wimmer and Howard Koop, have joined Joseph Checota in buying Barry's Dells GC, Wisconsin Dells, Wis. . . . Harry Hedding has opened his Spring Valley CC 9-hole course at Union Center, Wis.

Ralph R. Bond, owner of Old Orchard Turf Nurseries in Madison, Wis., says there's more course building in Wisconsin than at any other time in past 20 years . . . Messrs. Benzie, Brown and Peck of Baraboo, Wis., will start construction of course at Baraboo soon . . . Dr. James Weigen, James Harker and Al McGovern building 18-hole course at Sun Prairie, Wis. . . . To build course at Montello, Wis. . . . Paul Wilson, owner of Windy Acres 9-hole course and tourist cabins at Monroe, Wis., planning to sell location because of illness.

Arthur Jack Snyder, Scottsdale, Ariz., golf and landscape architect, has designed a 4 sq. mile town, including 18-hole course, near Casa

Grande, Ariz. . . . Start building first 9 in Oct. . . . Snyder also has designed 18 for Hawley Lake CC, Fort Apache Indian Reservation, Whiteriver, Ariz. . . . This is feature of summer resort at 8500 ft. elevation . . . An Apache tribal organization White Mountain Recreation Enterprise, is doing the developing of the resort.

Snyder has designed 18 for Lake Montezuma CC, Rimrock, Ariz., and supervised construction of first 9 . . . He also designed and supervised construction of 18 new greens for Apache CC, Mesa, Ariz., is remodeling the La Jolla (Calif.) CC 18 hole course, designing a new second 9 for Copper GC, Magna, Utah, planning 18 for Black Canyon CC, Boulder City, Nev., 9 for Monticello (Ut.) CC, 18 for Indian Lake CC, Scottsdale, Ariz., 9 with perimeter residential lots for Show Low (Ariz.) CC, and a 2,600 yd. course of 16 par 3s and two par 4s for the luxury Mountain Shadows resort Del Webb and Jim Paul are developing at Scottsdale, Ariz.

Snyder's son, Jack, designed and built the White Mountain CC at Pinetop, Ariz., in collaboration with Milt Coggins, pro at Encanto in Phoenix and White Mountain pres., and Gray Madison, White Mountain green chmn . . . Freddie Martin, golf mgr. of Greenbrier's Golf & Tennis Club, at White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., retires after being at Greenbrier since 1918 . . . Freddie is the one who "discovered" Sam Snead and got him off to a good start . . . Sam gave Freddie a Valiant sedan as a retirement gift . . .



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Mrs. Merle Stonehouse, who had helped her husband operate courses in Dixon, Ill., Galion, O., and Middleport, N. Y. in recent years, died in August in Miami, Fla. . . . Stan Terry has built a 2,300 yd. course in the infield of his Portland (Ore.) Meadows race track . . . Diversa, Inc. opening 18-hole Par 3 in Oct. to go along with its standard 18 and driving range in Ontario, Calif. . . . Company also is dickering with San Bernardino officials to build a course there . . . Eddie Duino of San Jose (Calif.) CC, who has about another month to go as PGA home pro-of-the-year, and Guy Bellitt of Whittier Narrows GC headed the 13th Cal Poly workshop in San Luis Obispo . . . More than 80 physical education instructors attended . . . Dick Miller, former general mgr. of Rialto (Calif.) El Rancho Verde GC, is in charge of developing Anaheim's new muni 18.

Milipatas' (Calif.) Glenhaven CC, now under construction with Bill Chastain supervising building to plans of Jack Fleming . . . Chastain's brother, J. D., probably will become course supt. . . . New 18 hole course going in on 153 acre tract in Menlo Park, just north of Stanford U. . . . Land has been made available by Duncan MacDonald, real estate developer . . . Construction starting on new Santa Clara muni course in Santa Teresa Park . . . Country Clubs, Inc. starting new development in Walnut, Calif., near San Gabriel Hills . . . Project developer is A. C. January . . . Charlie Sifford, who won the 1960 Negro National Open, played in Chicago, collected a \$500 bonus from U. S. Rubber Co. for his victory. . . . He's a member of the U. S. Royal staff.

A total of 210 golfers took part in the five-day Bill Waite Memorial tournament played during the Labor Day break at Fred Waring's Shawnee-on-Delaware, Pa. course . . . Howard Everitt and Bill Baker won top flight honors by beating Dick Chapman and Reg Worthington, 1 up . . . Waring teamed with Jim Miller of Chicago to defeat Jim McAlvin and Bill Nixon in the Senior div., 3 and 2 . . . and the collegiate winners were Rich Weyand and Bob Schmid who outlasted Bud Badger and John Grubb . . . Union County, N. J. is setting up a five-year plan for establishing park and recreation sites (including golf) . . . It now operates 45 holes but on a recent Sunday when 1,100 players played the county's two courses it was seen that a five-year plan is needed.

John Barnum, Blytheheld CC, Belmont, Mich., won the Western Michigan PGA Championship, played on Sept. 11 at Owosso CC, defeating Eldon Briggs in a playoff after the two had tied with 140s . . . Jim Barfield and Cliff Settergren were tied for third with 141s and John Carsok had a 142 for fifth . . . 24 pros played for a \$1,700 purse . . . The new Palmetto GC in Miami will be in shape for a mid-November opening

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... Jim Yancy, former pro-supt. at Sebring, Fla., is club mgr. . . . Hal Winston is head pro and Jack Cummins, associate pro . . . The latter will retain his TV sportscasting job in Miami . . . Dick Wilson designed the course which can be expanded to 6,850 yds. from the standard 6,350 . . . El Niguel CC, under construction about 50 miles south of L. A., will be ready for play about June 1, 1961 . . . About 7,000 yds. in length, it will have two practice greens and a range . . . Club expects to have around 500 playing members.

When Mickey Wright shot that 278 in the Memphis Open, played in Sept., she erased the former women's record of 279 established in 1956 by Mary Lena Faulk in the St. Petersburg Open . . . At Memphis, Mickey was 12 strokes ahead of Louise Suggs and Ruth Jensen, the runnersup and won her sixth 1960 tournament . . . Al Brosch won his ninth Long Island PGA Championship in Sept. with a 216, edging Pete Mazur and Shelly Mayfield by one stroke . . . Sea Island Invitation, which launches Ladies PGA campaign, will be played Jan. 12-15 with Mickey Wright defending the title for the fourth consecutive year . . . Plumas Lake G & CC, Marysville, Calif., building second 9 to go with original one, according to George Walker, pro . . . Supt. Charles Williams is directing construction.

George Keyes, summertime pro at Old Elm CC, Ft. Sheridan, Ill., and wintertime pro at the Biltmore Hotel in Phoenix, has been named

pro at Tam O'Shanter CC, Niles, Ill., succeeding Lou Strong, whose contract with the club expires at the end of the year . . . Jimmy Demaret again is commentator for All-Star golf that will occupy regular Saturday afternoon spot on ABC-TV through mid-April . . . Henry Thomas, New Orleans, succeeds John J. Monfrey, San Antonio, as pres. of International Golf Sponsors Assn.

Storm that washed out two days of the USGA Seniors Championship was mild compared to the debate about USGA okay on use of golf cars in the 36-hole round of 8 . . . Two of the 8 players used cars . . . J. Clark Espie, Jr., defending champion and one of 32 qualifiers, objected to USGA allowing cars and withdrew . . . Too bad . . . Espie, who has won the title twice and won Western Seniors, might have been able to win this one walking around Oyster Harbors course on his hands, so his friends say, so why get stormy about what really is only a game? . . . Michael Cestone won title in 20 holes from David E. Rose . . . Cestone is a retired letter carrier . . . He walked . . . Very classy Second World Amateur team championship program prepared by Sports Illustrated and nobody was sandbagged for advertising.

Record field assured for North and South Seniors . . . Last year's field numbered 325 . . . Two weeks before N&S entries closed, 343 had entered . . . More than 22 entries for N&S Senior Women's received a month before that event begins at Pinehurst, Oct. 25 . . . USGA Seniors entry was 512 . . . Betsy Rawls is new pres., Ladies PGA, succeeding Marilyn Smith . . . Marlene Hagge has been elected vp and Mary Ann Reynold, secy . . . Barbara Romack is publicity chmn.