

# SWINGING AROUND GOLF

## NEWS OF THE GOLF WORLD IN BRIEF



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Greensboro (N. C.) CC recently signed George Corcoran to his sixth three-year contract as pro, meaning that George is starting his 16th year there . . . He was at Starmount, also in Greensboro, for about 15 years . . . Corcoran probably is one of the few pros in the business who operates on a long term pact . . . Galion (O.) CC getting new pro shop, swimming pool and is renovating its clubhouse . . . Bob Dale, who has been teaching at a range in Ft. Lauderdale this winter, is the Galion pro . . . Andy Bathgate, the New York Ranger hockey star, reportedly has been offered a good pro job in Winnipeg, but it's doubtful if he'll take it . . . He's only 28, had a pretty good year on the rink and could go on for another eight or ten years . . . Andy shoots in the 70s.

New Jersey section of PGA to hold its annual championship Aug. 16-18, according to Monte Norcross, tournament chmn. . . . Latest information had eligibles for Tournament of Champions, to be played at Desert Inn CC, May 4-7, pegged at 26 . . . Damon Runyon Memorial Fund, which benefits from this event, has received more than \$300,000 from eight champions tournaments . . . Frank Paley named secy. and admissions dir. of Muttontown (L. I.) CC . . . He has been a leading L. I. amateur for many years . . . In a feature in the Newark News, Emery Thomas, pro at Forest Hills, advised players through golf writer, Des Sullivan, to go easy the first few times out in the spring . . . Emery told golfers to lay off long woods until they've developed muscle tone.

The 1961 Rutgers field days will be held Aug. 8-9 in New Brunswick, N. J. . . . First day will be devoted to lawn

problems and the second to golf and fine turf . . . Dumas Invitation will be held again this year at North Plains CC, Dumas, Tex., Aug. 5-6 . . . Don Morton is the publicity chmn. for the third renewal of this event . . . Bob Hickson is North Plains' pro . . . Sixth annual Chick Evans Amateur to be played July 17-21 at White Pines GC, Bensenville, Ill., with proceeds again going to finance scholarships for boys and girls of the Chicago

### FRONT COVER

The 18-hole course, operated by the Grand Hotel in Pt. Clear, Ala., is one of the finest in the South. In the photo you see the ninth green with the cypress clubhouse in the background. Tall pines, azaleas and camellias frame the entire picture. The par 70 course is 6,468 yards, expandable to 7,000, and 12 of the 18 holes are doglegs. Designed by Perry Maxwell, the course was built in 1947 and has watered fairways. The competitive record of 68 for Pt. Clear is held by Bobby Locke and Tommy Bolt. Ewing Pomeroy is the pro here.

Boys Clubs . . . Roy Faber named pro at Scotch Plains, Westfield, N. J., succeeding Steve Doctor, who resigned . . . Faber had been an assistant at Braidburn for five years and in 1960 was runnerup for New Jersey Open title.

New Jersey PGA section planning series of hole-in-one contests, coupled with exhibitions and clinics, at leading ranges in the state this summer . . . Ray Jamieson goes from assistant's job at Hackensack GC to head pro position at Rockhill CC, Sparkhill, N. Y. . . . He succeeds Johnny Spencer who is recuperating from a heart attack suffered last year . . . Ed Roberts

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