

Orlick, 1960 Home Pro, Is Man of Many Accomplishments

Warren Orlick, home-pro-of-the-year for 1960, has spent more than a quarter century in the game during which time he has established himself as an authority on its rules, developed outstanding Junior and women's programs, and had the foresight to devote much of his time to the training of apprentice pros. He has served for the last eight years as head pro at Tam O'Shanter CC, Orchard Lake, Mich.



Orlick

Orlick is the sixth man to be named PGA home-pro-of-the-year, is the first Michigan golfer to get the award and succeeds Eddie Duino, San Jose (Calif.) CC, who was selected for the honor in 1959.

A PGA member since 1932, Warren has worked continuously as either a head or assistant pro at Michigan clubs except during World War II when he was in service for three years. As a combat medic, Orlick won the bronze star and purple heart in the European theater.

Junior Program Copied

Orlick's methods of conducting Junior programs have been adopted by a Detroit newspaper which, several years ago, expanded them into an annual citywide project for young players. Warren also has figured prominently in conducting clinics covering the playing of the game and the rules for Detroit Dist. women. Several of his assistants, thoroughly grounded in the Tam master's methods of merchandising, teaching and operating a pro shop, have graduated to head pro positions at clubs all over the country.

A past pres. of the Michigan PGA, Orlick served in an executive capacity with that group from 1954 through 1959. For the last six years he has been chmn. of the national PGA rules committee and in 1953 he attended the Ryder Cup matches in Wentworth, Eng. as an official observer. The home-pro award is not the first that Warren has received for his work in golf. In 1959 he received a Michigan Sports Guild citation for his services to the game.

BOOK REVIEW

Cary Middlecoff's *Master Guide to Golf*. Published by Prentice-Hall, Inc., Englewood Cliffs, N. J. Price, \$10.

In about 250 large pages, 275 illustrations, Middlecoff has done a helpful job of instruction. The material is arranged alphabetically. For example; D begins with Downhill Lies, then goes into Downswing (with considerable and understandable detail in word and picture) and Driver. Middlecoff is thorough but not to the point of giving the reading golfer more than can be digested. The instruction illustrations and diagrams are clear, attractive and technically accurate.

Middlecoff's material on choice of clubs is interesting. He says he "normally" carries a driver, 3-wood, 1 through 9-iron, pitching wedge, sand wedge and putter. He brings a 4-wood to most tournaments and occasionally substitutes it for his 1-iron. He says the 4-wood comes in handy on courses that require a number of long high carries when the wind is no problem.

1960 A Financial and Golfing Success for Metropolitan GA

The annual report of the Metropolitan Golf Assn., released in Dec., shows that in 1960 the organization had a membership of 194 clubs that included 155 regular, 35 associate and 4 honorary. MGA is the largest golf assn. in the U. S.

A golf car survey, which got extensive circulation throughout the country, was the most ambitious MGA undertaking of the past year. In the report of Pres. Clarence W. Benedict, several other noteworthy accomplishments also were cited. These included providing weekend and club tournament scores that appeared regularly in the N. Y. World-Telegram and Sun; the issuance of nearly 10,000 handicaps; cooperating with the USGA in bringing as many as possible course ratings up to date; and also cooperating with the USGA in testing the 1960 rules of golf. The association's Junior golf program also was quite extensively expanded.

Several Big Tournaments

Prize money of \$5,000 was divided among the 20 low pros in the Metropolitan Open, won by Al Mengert. For various amateur competitions, the MGA awarded a total of 128 prizes. One of the highlights

of the MGA sponsored tournament schedule was the playing of the 33rd Metropolitan Seniors. Another was the staging of the 11th Intercollegiate in which 19 colleges competed.

On the financial side, the association's income exceeded expenses by about \$2,500. This was in contrast to an operating deficit of \$8,500 the previous year. The deficit financing was wiped out in 1960, the MGA report says, because of an increase of about \$13,000, realized from the Revenue Plan. Under this program, monies owed the association were collected by unrelenting telephone and personal contacts. The MGA's surplus account showed a debit balance of nearly \$25,000 on Oct. 31, 1960.

McLeod, Brady and Demaret in PGA Hall of Fame

A pair of the game's Old Guard and another great who is on the borderline between the modern and middle ages of U.S. golf were named to the PGA Hall of Fame for 1960. They are Fred McLeod, 78, the oldest man ever elected to the select group, Mike Brady, 73, and Jimmy Demaret, who recently observed his 50th birthday. Their



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selection brought to 26 the number of men who are listed on the Hall of Fame roster.

McLeod, the oldest living Open champion, was born in Scotland in 1882 and came to this country as a pro 21 years later. His Open victory came in 1908 when he defeated Willie Smith in a playoff after both had shot 322 over the regulation distance. Thirteen years later he was runner-up to Walter Hagen for the USGA title. In the intervening years McLeod tied for third once, finished fourth twice and eighth twice. Still active as a teacher at Columbia CC, Chevy Chase, Md., where he has been located since 1912, McLeod won the Western PGA in 1905 and 1907 and the North-South Open in 1909 and 1920. He was runnerup twice in the Western Open and in the PGA Championship

of 1919 lost to Long Jim Barnes in the final.

Still Plays Daily

Mike Brady, who still plays golf daily at his home in Dunedin, Fla., was among the first of the outstanding native born pros. A great money player, Mike distinguished himself in at least three Opens. He was second in 1911, lost the 1919 affair to Walter Hagen in a playoff and finished third in 1912. The 291 that Brady shot at Oakland Hills in Detroit in winning the 1922 Western Open wasn't surpassed until Ben Hogan shot the same course in 287 in the 1951 Open. Brady won the Augusta Open five times, St. Augustine Open three times, the 1917 North-South and the 1918 Los Angeles Open.

Jimmy Demaret is one of the game's busiest men, being a TV golf commentator, pro at Kiamesha Lake, N. Y., in the summer and part owner of the famed Champions GC in Houston. Undoubtedly his greatest claim to fame as a competitor stems from his victories in the 1940, 1947 and 1950 Masters. He won six tournaments in both 1940 and 1947. He was runnerup in the 1948 Open and 1951 World Championship and on four occasions was a semi-finalist in the PGA Championship. In spite of his accomplishments as a player, Demaret may be best remembered in years to come as the man who set golf U. S. fashions free. His spectacular garb emboldened thousands of players to desert the mortuary styles for those that are comfortable and colorful.

Gatenby Heads Chicago Dist.

Andrew W. Gatenbey, an attorney and member of Beverly and South Shore CCs, was reelected pres. of the Chicago Dist. GA at the association's 47th annual meeting on Dec. 6. Other officers are: Stacy W. Osgood, vp and general counsel; Horace G. Barnhart, treas.; James L. O'Keefe, sec.; and Charles N. Eckstein, ex-officio. More than 400 persons representing 119 clubs attended the CDGA dinner held in conjunction with the election and installation of officers.

Heart of America Officers

Heart of America GCSA officers for 1961 are Howard Denny, Meadow Brook CC, Ballwin, Mo., pres.; Gerald Elmer, Blue Hills, Kansas City, vp; and Tom Andrews, Mission Hills, Prairie Village, Kans., sec.-treas.