

SWINGING AROUND GOLF

NEWS OF THE GOLF WORLD IN BRIEF



By HERB GRAFFIS

George M. Sloan, wealthy tile company executive, has purchased the Golden Acres GC in Roselle, Ill., about 30 miles west of Chicago . . . He's planning big things for the 27 hole course, including a return of a Tam O'Shanter type tournament to the Chicago area . . . John Markel has joined the pro staff of the Berkshire CC, Reading, Pa., as an assistant . . . A fine amateur golfer for the last 20 years, he will work for Harry Markel, who has been Berkshire's headmaster since 1930 . . . The U. S. Dept. of Agriculture will hold its annual field day, Aug. 1, in Beltsville, Md., according to Felix Juska . . . David Cavanaugh has been appointed editor of the Mid-Atlantic GCSA's 'NewsLetter' . . . This year's Indianapolis 500 Festival Open tournament (May 24-28) will be sandwiched between the final days of qualifying for the 500-mile race and the big race itself.

The palatial new clubhouse of Palo Alto Hills CC, Palo Alto, Calif., scheduled to be opened in mid-May, may have the opening moved up by about two weeks . . . Workmen got the jump on the project early in the game and didn't lose their lead . . . Chicago Dist. GA has recommended to its member clubs that they conduct all tournaments under the USGA rules in 1961 . . . A couple years ago the CDGA gave moral support to the Southern Calif. GA that wanted a change in the out-of-bounds rule, but went along with the USGA regulations . . . Construction recently started on an 18-hole, 4,200 yd. private course in Allentown, Pa. . . Paul Weiss is supervising its construction . . . Holes will range from 100 to 300 yds.

Brunswick (Me.) GC planning 9-hole addition . . . Three or four holes will be built at a time . . . The architect is Geoffrey Cornish . . . Cross Creek CC, near

Titusville, Pa., which opened first 9 last spring, expects to have second 9 ready in April or May . . . There is a 22-unit motel adjoining the club and guests automatically get golfing privileges . . . John Graham now is supt. of Willow Oaks CC, Richmond, Va., succeeding Fred Sappenfield, who is supervising construction of a course in Virginia Beach . . . George Wingo recently appointed supt. of Meadow Brook CC in Richmond.

Gene Hamm, architect of Durham, N. C., has been keeping as busy as any de-

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Palm tree with curvature of the trunk is convenient bench for Ocean Reef CC players who watch Bob Toski tee off on eighth hole. Bob is golfing director at Ocean Reef, which is located at North Key Largo, Fla., about 60 miles south of Miami.

signer in the business in the last six or eight months . . . He has revamped the Green Valley course in Fayetteville, N. C., installed 13 traps at Sedgefield in Greensboro and finished a Par 3 for the Burlington Industries, also in Greensboro . . . He also designed the back 9 for Wild Wood CC, Raleigh, and it will be in play this spring . . . Other Hamm jobs: new greens for back 9 at Tuscaroro CC, Danville, Va., and a new second 9 for Forest Park CC, Martinsville, Va. . . Hamm is connected with Garland Jones Co., Raleigh, and together, they're specializing in building or converting greens to 328.

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week and it won't be much of a trick to play a leisurely 18 holes after working hours . . . He said they'll also have twice as much money to spend but didn't make clear whether it would be before or after taxes . . . \$550,000 being spent on new clubhouse at Midland Hills CC in St. Paul.

Frank Sprogel ought to get stars in his crown for the job he has done for the PGA in the past few months . . . The PGA National course was in the best condition ever for the Seniors . . . Comparatively few complaints and that's miraculous . . . Part of the credit is due, perhaps, to having the Seniors PGA championship a week later than in former years and part of the improvement is due to the front 9 greens rebuilt by Bob Simmons to the plans of Dick Wilson . . . But the big percentage of hurrahs should go to Sprogel as pro-supt. of the place . . . Frank had a staunch, smart comrade as chairman of the course committee, Paul Erath of the Laurel Valley GC, Ligonier, Pa.

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The Seniors tournament has started to draw galleries . . . Someday it will be a TV attraction . . . The last round pairing of the winner, Paul Runyan with Jimmy Demaret and Bill Goldbeck provided exciting golf . . . Runyan is a more orthodox swinger than he used to be . . . He is longer, too . . . Quite a little discussion about whether the new swing or a better ball accounted for Little Poison's hitting farther than he did in 1934 and 1938 when he was winning PGA championships and other tournaments . . . But it was Runyan's short game that again paid off . . . His recovery from a bunker to the right of the 15th green to within ins. of the hole and his 12 ft. putt for a birdie deuce on the 16th nailed down the Seniors' title for him.

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Jack Ryan's administration was a success in every way for the senior pros . . . He set a tough par for his successor, Ralph Beach, and his cabinet, to beat . . . The women's auxiliary also had its busiest program during Senior Week . . . The social formalities hit their peak with the annual banquet at which Bill Wotherpoon, as mc, kept the party moving merrily and swiftly . . . The dinner was preceded by a fashion show and cocktail party smartly put on by Kip and Evie Bowen alongside the Ft. Harrison pool.

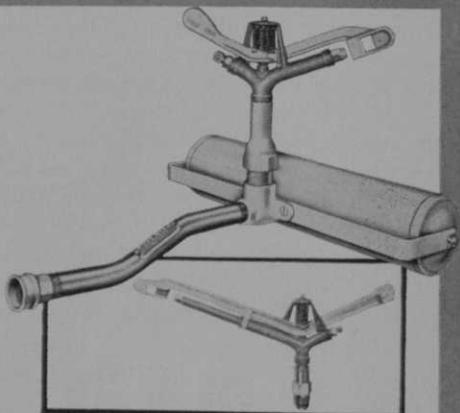
Pros at Dunedin were shown an architect's drawing of the proposed new clubhouse for the PGA course . . . One certainly is needed although neat housekeeping has improved the present clubhouse and grounds . . . Still the clubhouse and pro shop is about the worst job, architecturally, you can imagine at a place sup-

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John Bricker, Republican candidate for mayor of Canton, O., advocates a municipal golf course in one of his campaign planks . . . Ralph F. Knudsen's 700 yd., 9-hole Par 3 course at SE 14th and County Line is the first of this type of course in Des Moines, Ia. . . It got a good start

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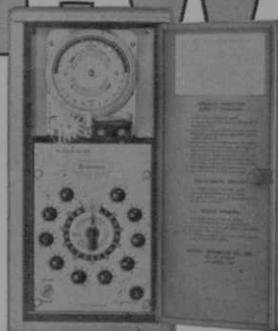
last year . . . Par 3 boom continues . . . Now it doesn't seem to be a boom but a solid growth of golf in smaller areas . . . Par 3s got a big publicity boost from the men and women pros tournament at the de luxe 18-hole course Dick Wilson designed for Mike Phipps on the Palm Beach ocean front . . . When Louise Suggs won that tournament, scoring better than such pro notables as Dow Finsterwald and Sam Snead, a lot of people began to talk about Par 3 courses.

Charley Petrino, pro at Brooklawn CC, Hartford, Conn., recently retired from basketball officiating after many years service at that very active job . . . Charley, in speaking at the Connecticut sports-writers' Golden Key dinner, said that Bob Grant and Al Winter are the two best Connecticut amateurs he ever has seen . . . Proposed plan for developing 516-acre Whitney estate in Old Westbury, N. Y., calls for a cluster of 247 town houses projecting in wings from both sides of a 5-car garage and occupying 6 per cent of the tract . . . Remainder of the tract will be devoted to courses and parks.

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Joe Benner, gen. mgr., Country Club of Miami, now under construction to plans of Robert Trent Jones, says blocks of memberships have been bought by Miami Beach hotels . . . Arnold Palmer is winter pro for CC of Miami which will have two 18-hole courses . . . CC of Jackson, Miss., to build new course and clubhouse, financing the new plant by sale of existing facilities and sale of residential property adjacent to new course . . . About a \$2 million project.

Twin Oaks CC, Springfield, Mo., clubhouse burns . . . Loss around \$150,000 . . . Tenants of two business buildings at Palo Alto, Calif., having 18-hole putting course built between the structures . . . Joe Bullins, pro at Pine Brook CC, Winston-Salem, N. C., now walking after being paralyzed as result of an automobile accident just prior to Christmas.

Rock Island, Ill., Park and Recreation Board, considering construction of a municipal course for the city, had Ralph H. Burke organization make a survey of 16 courses operated by Illinois municipalities . . . Fourteen of the 16 courses showed revenue yields above expenses . . .

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Miami Beach (Fla.) columnist stirs up considerable yakking by charging that a bit of grease of currency can get starting time at Payshore without standing in line like the peasants . . . We've heard many similar stories about public courses in many cities but don't recall that any of them stood up to the extent that the starter became a rich man . . . If there is a chance for grabbing a little graft out of a public course starter spot the primary fault is in the starting system . . . Almost all of these systems are larceny-proof, which is something that can't be said about a lot of other municipal operations.

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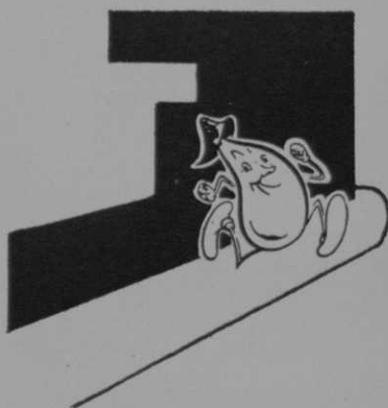
trained as a ball hunter after acquiring the dog as a pup, in California . . . Mt. Prospect (Ill.) CC opening under new ownership . . . Federal bankruptcy court approved sale of the club to group represented by attorney Joseph DiFebo, Frank Vigilante and Orlando P. Colamattio . . . Richard Hauff, Chicago night life party boy, who formerly owned the club, now is in the army . . . There was talk about Mt. Prospect, in a wholesome, attractive suburb, actually being owned by mobsters.

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Expect to have first 9 of Phoenix City, Ala., course, being built as a Jaycee project, open Aug. 1 . . . Joe Belcher heads committee financing 18-hole club at Kinston, N. C. . . . Doe Valley Corp., headed by L. H. Callaway, Louisville, Ky., developer, to build course on tract between Louisville and Ft. Knox.

Paul Ridings, who handles the publicity for the Colonial National, again has come out with his wallet-size PGA schedule folder — a handy thing to carry with your credit cards . . . 1961 Masters invitation list (U. S. section) contains 97 names, the same number as was mailed out last year . . . In it are 16 former Masters champions, 24 Open, 13 Amateur and 14 PGA champions . . . 31 amateurs have been invited to Augusta, but Tommy Aaron, who turned pro after winning the 1960 Western Amateur, didn't qualify because he hasn't yet distinguished him-

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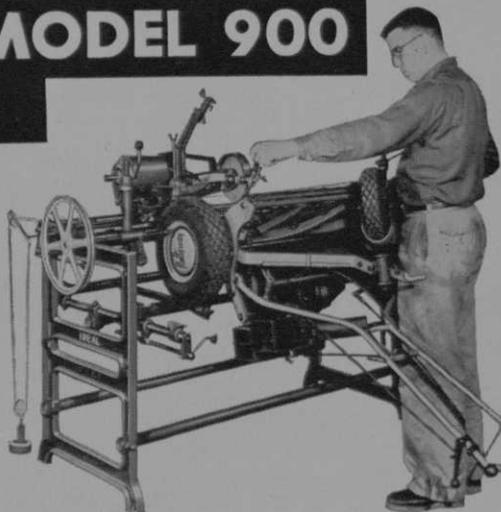
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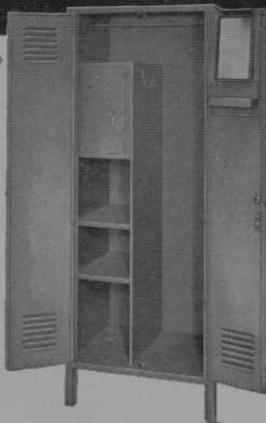
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The head on our story in January GOLFDOM (page 52), "Golfingest County in the Country!" inspired, or maybe aroused Guido Cribari, sports editor of the Westchester County Publishers, Inc., to unleash his typewriter and point out how wrong we are . . . Broward County (Fla.), the subject of the GOLFDOM piece, has only 22 courses . . . Westchester, says Cribari, has 44 "in its little old precinct." . . . We tip our hat to Guido, who also points out that there are 829 holes of golf in Westchester as compared to 351 for Broward . . . Los Angeles County, according to Tom McMahon, has 42 courses, 28 private and 14 public . . . In the Chicago area (within 40 miles of the Loop) there are 149 courses, but all of these aren't in Cook County . . . The Philadelphia GA, which operates in an area with a 45-mile radius, couldn't get figures on how many courses there are in its county, but you can bet there is a large number . . . Wayne county in the Detroit

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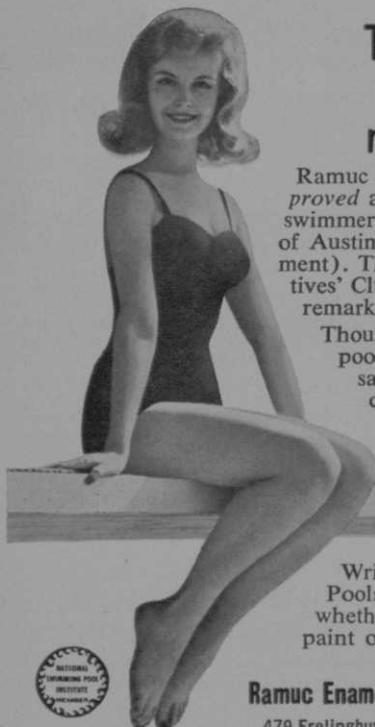
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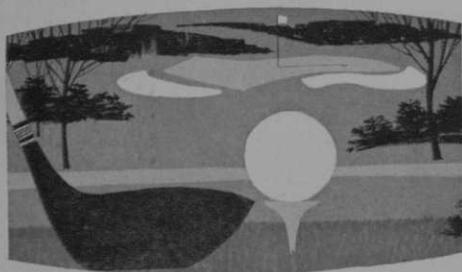
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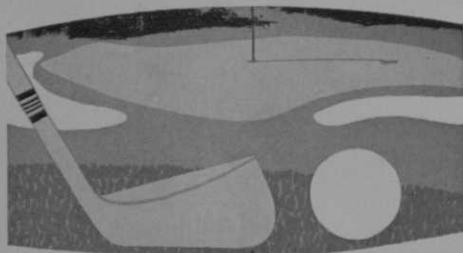
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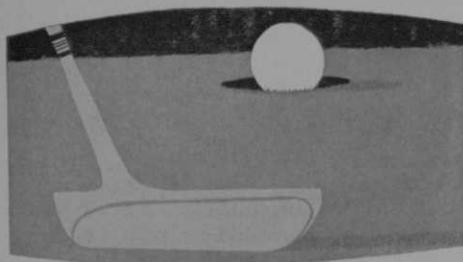
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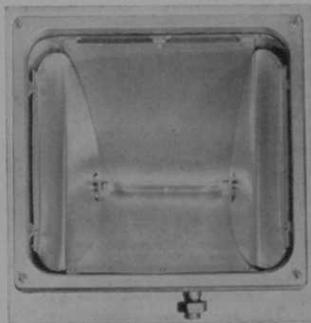
dist. has eight and Oakland county, also in the same dist., has 17 . . . GOLFDOM is interested in getting further statistics along this line.

While we are bowing our heads in shame, we may as well point out, in answer to several inquiries, that January GOLFDOM also contained another one of those slips that got by the goal tender . . . On page 21, in a story covering Harvey Penick's teaching methods, we had Harvey "placing the right thumb in the hollow of the right hand for better club control." . . . It should have been the left thumb, of course.

Geoffrey S. Cornish, Amherst, Mass. golf architect who has considerable fine work to his credit, is limiting his new course jobs to seven a year . . . He also will accept a few alteration commissions during the year . . . Cornish is limiting his practice to New England and south-eastern Canada . . . N. J. Sperandio, supt., Concord (Mass.) CC, received from his brother supts. a silver New England GCSA badge as a memento of his 25 years as a member and as a pres. of the assn. . . . Wm. Barrett, who was construction

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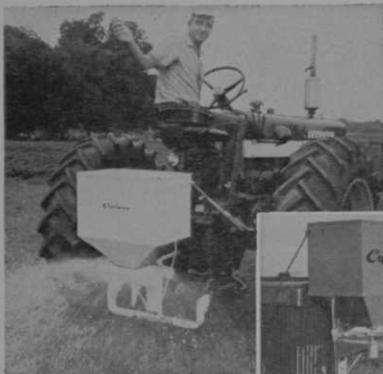
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supt. for architect Geoffrey S. Cornish at Nashawtic CC, Concord, Mass., stays on as course supt. . . . Frank Zukosky, supt., Glen Head CC, elected pres., Long Island GCSA . . . Sid Brown, St. George's CC, Stony Brook, is the organization's vp.

George Gordon now in his 52d year as pro at Wannamoisett CC, Rumford, R. I. . . . Henry Bontempo, 32 years pro at Franconia, Springfield, Mass., municipal course, has had his contract renewed for another five years . . . Quite a few golfers and non-golfers call Henry Springfield's 'First Citizen' and that's fine advertising for the city as he is a really grand guy . . . Art House, pro at Ludlow (Mass.) CC was honored guest at Springfield, Mass., golfers' 14th annual Tee Party . . . Art's brother-in-law, Frankie Carle, made the music for the affair.

Texas wants a PGA business school next winter on the order of the pro business schools that have been conducted at Clearwater, Fla., and Los Angeles . . . Frank Samo goes from Grossinger (N.Y.) CC to be supt. at Club de Golf Bellavista, Motolinia, Mexico, D. F. . . . PGA Senior field of 381 this year was the tournament's largest and moved along about 15 min-

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utes faster per 18 holes than a National Open field . . . Pete Burke, with 68-68, won the Bourne trophy, the original PGA Seniors' award . . . It has become the prize of the half-way leader now that the Teacher's tournament is 72 holes.

Phil Darbyshire to Lake View CC, North East, Pa., as pro . . . Phil has been asst. to Bruce Herd at Flossmoor (Ill.) CC in summer and to Paul Bell at Naples (Fla.) Golf & Beach Club in the winter . . . A young pro couldn't have much better training than that of working with Herd and Bell . . . Darbyshire was a paratrooper in World War II, then went back to school, graduating from Southern Methodist . . . He was on its golf team for three years . . . He was called back for military service in the Korean war.

Harry O'Hagan, veteran and widely known club Mgr., died at Jackson, Miss., Feb. 11 . . . He managed Sunset Ridge, Tam O'Shanter and other country clubs in Illinois, then managed clubs in Texas and Mississippi . . . He was a colorful personality and an authority on fine cuisine . . . He is survived by his widow, Doris.

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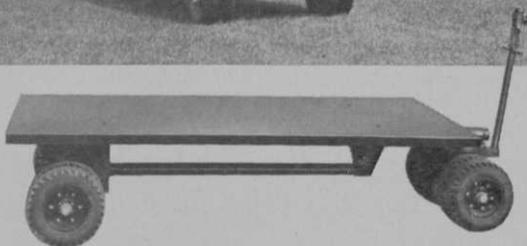
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Swinging Around Golf

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Pine Hollow CC, East Norwich, L. I., N. Y., recently acquired by 275 members and converted to a private club, has engaged George Smith as pro . . . A veteran in the game, Smith had been pro at the CC of Buffalo for the last nine years . . . Desert Inn CC in Las Vegas will be a busy place this spring with two tournaments . . . The first, the Trans-Miss Seniors, will be played Mar. 27-30 . . . The Tournament of Champions is carded for May 4-7 . . . After Joe Campbell scored that ace in the 1960 Desert Classic, Lloyds of London, which had underwritten the insurance against such a happening, increased the premium from \$4,800 to \$13,500 for this year's event . . . Then Don January came along . . . It will be interesting to see what the 1962 premium will be - probably \$100,000 . . . Palm Springs C of C erected a scoreboard in the center of town while the Classic was being played to keep the citizens abreast of what was happening . . . Had to do something to keep people shopping.

Monterey Park GC Par 3, range, miniature, restaurant and pro shop opened in Oakland, Calif., in January . . . It's being operated by Fred Hudson, veteran PGA member . . . Illahe Hills CC to open in Salem, Ore., this spring . . . Said to be the first real golf club in the Oregon capital . . . Construction to start in May on Sharon Estate course, a short distance from

Stanford University . . . Total cost of project will run to \$1.4 million . . . Course designer is Jack Fleming . . . San Leandro, Calif., expecting to put in a 9-hole munny Par 3 with a regulation course coming later . . . Work proceeding on \$650,000 Palo Alto Hills CC clubhouse . . . Northern Calif. PGA Charity tournament will be played Apr. 24 . . . Last year the pros, shunning prizes, etc., turned over \$4,400 to a boys' school in San Rafael . . . Bancroft Timmons, Alabama Motorists Assn., who has long made a hobby of visiting courses, picks these as the greatest in the world: St. Andrews, Oakmont, Pine Valley, Augusta National, Pebble Beach, Merion, Pinehurst No. 2, Oakland Hills, Canterbury and Medinah No. 3.

Southeastern Seniors' amateur "tournament circuit" this year has had bigger fields and better scoring than ever before . . . Despite conflicts in dates each tourney has about all the entries it can comfortably handle . . . Getting so there's a lot of golf by Senior contestants' wives as tournament auxiliaries . . . Pontaluna GC, Muskegon, Mich., spending \$100,000 on clubhouse modernization . . . Pros having their own winter indoor schools, or those teaching classes in high schools and other community centers, say that women's enrollment and interest beats anything they've ever seen.

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number of job changes, too . . . High operating expenses of pro department without corresponding revenue increase to pay for members' demands for services has accounted for a lot of job switches . . . "Wholesale" and trick discount house competition was brutal on pros at a number of clubs last year . . . This was evident even at a few reputedly high class clubs where members were supposed to be educated in practices and obligations of private club membership.

Don Bisplinghoff, who made quite a name for himself as an amateur four or five years ago, is the new pro at the Golf & Sea Club, Apollo Beach, Fla. . . . Nine holes of the 7,100 yd. 18-hole course have been completed to the design of Robert Trent Jones . . . German Amateur and German Ladies' Championships will be played Aug. 7-10 at Krefield, and German Open will be staged a week later at Bad Ems . . . The International Golden Circle Golf Festival, to be held at DeSoto Lakes G & CC, Sarasota, Fla., Mar. 19-26, will consist of nine different tournaments for women . . . Top features will be what is said to be the first all-women's Pro-Am and Ladies PGA 72-hole tournament for a \$8,000 purse . . . There'll also be Four Ball state team tourney, women's amateur Round Robin, 72-hole amateur event, Girls' Junior tournament and a clinic by the women pros.

Sponsors of Colonial National, to be played May 11-14 at Colonial CC, Ft. Worth, point out that its first place money of \$7,000 is higher

Western Open to be Played in Grand Rapids, Mich.

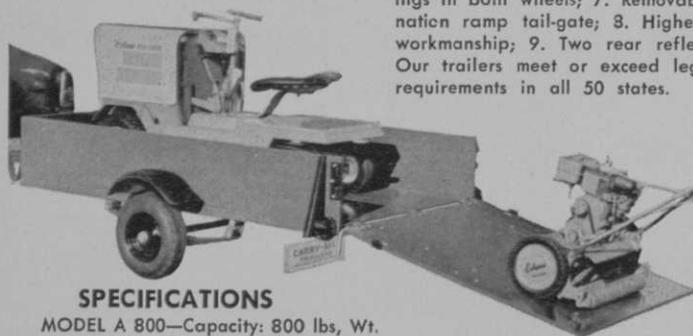
They've found a home for the 1961 Western Open tournament. You'll recall that it was orphaned several weeks ago when Scioto CC, Columbus, O., withdrew as host club. Arrangements have been made by the Western Golf Assn., sponsor of the event, to hold the tourney at Blythefield CC, Grand Rapids, Mich. on June 22-25. This is the second straight year that Michigan has had the Western. In 1960 it was played at Western GC in Detroit, with Stan Leonard winning it in a sudden death playoff with Art Wall, Jr. Blythefield was host to the Western Amateur in 1953. This will be the third time that the Western Open has been played in Grand Rapids. It was held at the Kent CC there in 1904 and again in 1911.

than the top prize in more than 80 per cent of the tournaments on the 1961 PGA slate . . . The winner's share is being increased from \$5,000 . . . Mention of Mike Brady as a member of the Hall of Fame, recalled to John Roberts of Brooklyn, who long has been interested

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in the game, that Mike scored two aces in an 18-hole match in 1917 at Siasconset GC, Nantucket, Mass. . . . The card (signed by six persons) recording the deed, still is to be seen at Siasconset.

Jimmy Ukauka, pro at Kaneohe Klipper GC at the Marine Air Corps station in Hawaii for the last nine years, has resigned . . . Philadelphia City Council has been asked by the mayor to provide \$800,000 for purchase of Holmesburg GC and adjoining 14-acre tract . . . City recreation dept. would refurbish the course and develop recreation center alongside it . . . It occurs to us that tournament publicity men would save golf writers a lot of time if they would include the dates of their events in every release they send out . . . Usually they show the dates in the first two or three releases, but those that follow usually omit them . . . That means the writer has to go diving into his rat's nest to come up with the information so that it can be passed on to the reader . . . The reader wants those dates regardless of how many different times a particular tournament may be mentioned.

Golfers at Willowick CC, Santa Ana, Calif., famous for their aces (they scored 22 in 1960), got the ball heading for the hole on Jan. 3 when Art Kidd sank a 150-yard tee shot . . . The first 1960 ace wasn't scored until Jan. 24 . . . Joe Moresco, who prepped in Claude Harmon's pro shop at Winged Foot, moves to Woodmere CC



Bob Hendricks, Jim Inglefield, Bill Kozak and Pete Manning (l to r) are shown at Dunedin (Fla.) Invitation which Hendrick, a pro from Indian Valley CC, Telford, Pa., won with a 137. It was the second time the tournament has been played and 118 pros took part. Manning and Kozak teamed up to take the pro-member event.

in L. I. as successor to Al Brosch as head pro . . . Thinking out loud recently, Joe Williams, N. Y. World-Telegram and Sun sports writer, asked why there isn't a golf trophy named for Walter Hagen . . . Joe suggests that the British probably will come up with something in the Haig's honor one of these days while American golf is doing all it can to make him disappear . . . About the same thing hap-

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pened to Babe Ruth at the hands of the baseball people.

According to Des Sullivan, Newark, N. J. Evening News golf writer, word is floating around that the New York area may be the scene this summer of a \$250,000 tournament with qualifying in four sections of the country . . . Arnold Palmer picks Bob Goalby and Dave Hill as the cream of the youngsters on the circuit, and Ken Venturi, Bill Casper and Bill Collins as the toughest of the "oldtimers" to beat . . . Venturi, incidentally, took a week off the tour in February to attend the PGA Business School in L. A. to pick up credits toward Class A membership.

Washington D. C.'s many courses (total of 90 holes) reported 325,000 customers up to Dec. 10, 1960 . . . Then the snow came . . . This was an increase of about 1,000 over 1959 and of 42,000 over '58 . . . Many operation there includes three miniatures, with 81,000 customers in '60, and one driving range, patronized by 48,000 people last year . . . More than 250,000 rounds were played at Philadelphia's five many (90 holes) in 1960, an increase of about 14,000 over the previous year . . . Receipts for many play in Allegheny County, Pa. (Pittsburgh) were \$191,000, about \$27,000 higher than they had been in 1959 . . . Boston had an increase in its many take of around 20 per cent over the previous year . . . In Rochester, N. Y., golfers played 107,000 rounds over two 18-hole many layouts . . . This

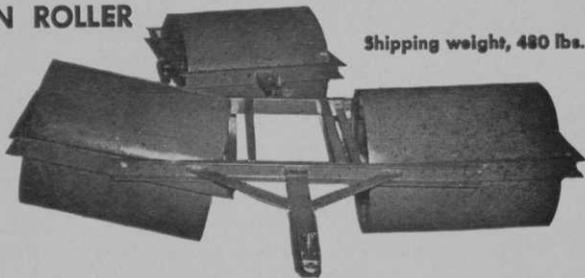
figure was up about 7,000 over 1959 . . . Nearly 28,000 of these rounds came in July.

In Bridgeport, Conn., total rounds over 36-hole Fairchild-Wheeler GC went over the 100,000 mark . . . Cash receipts of \$115,000 were up \$24,000 but this was largely due to an increase in green fees . . . Niagara Falls, with 27 holes, had 58,000 players on many courses in 1960 compared to about 50,000 the previous year . . . In Essex County (Newark) N. J., 1960 figures at Hendrick Field were almost identical with those of the previous year — in the vicinity of 73,000 persons registered . . . At the 9-hole Weequahic Park course, there were 32,910 players registered in 1960, about 300 less than the previous year.

Oglebay Park in Wheeling, W. Va., a 9-hole layout, had 69,000 customers last year, an increase of 2,000 over the previous year . . . Philadelphia residents may buy many season permits for \$30 and then pay 50 cents to golf on weekdays and \$1.00 on weekends . . . Permits for residents over 65 (male) and over 62 (female) are free . . . They pay 50 cents to play on weekdays but permits are voided on weekends and holidays . . . Bridgeport, Conn., has policy of issuing courtesy golf permits to persons over 65, meaning they play for free . . . Oldest courtesy card holder is man of 78 . . . Chemstrand Corp., Pensacola, Fla., making site available for course for its 600 employees . . . Volunteer labor will be used to build part of the layout.

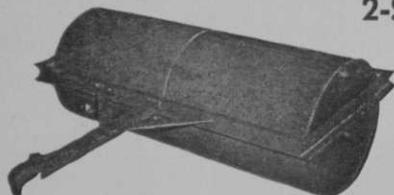
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Twenty-three pros with 31 1960 titles will be in the field for the \$40,000 Colonial National tournament to be played for the 16th time in Ft. Worth, May 10-14 . . . W. S. Terrell, Charlotte, N. C., won the Sea Island Seniors in Feb. with a 150 . . . He played in the 50-59 age group . . . Par 3, clubhouse, swimming pool and 500 homesites make up the Apple Orchard development that is going in in Bartlett, Ill. . . Joint meeting of Kansas and Okla. Turfgrass Assns. and Heart of America GCSA will be held at El Dorado (Kans.) CC on Mar. 14 . . . Tommy Johnson is pro at new

Bonita Valley CC, near San Diego . . . He formerly was at Del Rio CC, Brawley, Calif., for eight years . . . Bonita Valley, opened Feb. 15, will have total membership of 700 and is set up as a family club . . . Regular playing length of its course is 6,600 yds.

Patty Berg, Bob Toski, Connie Mack, Jr., and Jerry Goss, home pro, officially opened 3,400 yd. Colonial Palms GC, Miami, Fla., in late January before a gallery of 700 . . . Patty took the scoring honors with a 55 . . . Walter E. Swartz, recent soil agronomist graduate of Penn State U., has joined the staff of Thomas E. Carroll & Son, course architects of Silver Spring, Md. . . . In the last year or so, the Carroll firm has completed 13 courses in the Del., Va. and Md. area . . . They include Lakewood and Cherry Valley in Rockville, Md., Eastern Shore Yacht & CC, Onancock, Va., Poolsville (Md.) GC, Dover (Del.) AFB course, and Milford (Del.) CC . . . Eddie Ault, architect, Charles B. Tuley, Jr., landscape consultant, and Robert Elder, turf agronomist, also are connected with the Carroll firm.

Innis Brown, retired newspaper and magazine editor, who started the American Golfer with the late Grantland Rice, died in Lakeland, Fla., late in Jan. . . . He was 76 . . . After graduating from Vanderbilt, where he was captain of the 1905 football team, Mr. Brown worked on newspapers in Nashville, Atlanta and N. Y. . . . CC of Austin, Tex., undertaking \$350,000 rebuilding project covering the club-

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Myron Brown of Detroit has become officially associated with George Zuckerman, Asbury Park, N. J., in promotion and operation of International Miniature tournament . . . Event will be staged for fourth consecutive year this summer on the Boardwalk . . . Eastern Amateur (including a Senior Championship) will be played Aug. 16-20 at Elizabeth Manor G & CC, Portsmouth, Va., according to George Skinner . . . This one is described as the "Ambitious Eastern Amateur" . . . It will be played for the fifth time and is steadily growing in stature because of hard work by tourney officials and Elizabeth Manor members to put it over.

Chichi Rodriguez, assistant pro at Dorado Beach GC, will be the first Puerto Rican to play in the Masters when he goes to Augusta next month for the event . . . 16th International Jaycee tournament for Juniors will be played Aug. 20-26 at Wellshire Myny course in Denver . . . Wes Ellis, pro at Mountain Ridge CC, West Caldwell, N. J., is one of the few who seems to handle a home pro job full time and still make money on the circuit . . . He put in eight months last year at his club but managed to find enough time playing the circuit to earn more than \$9,000 . . . In December and January he picked up \$6,500 on the tour.

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Baltusrol in N. J., June 29-July 1, it will be the tenth time the club has been host to a major championship . . . This will give it a tie with Merion GC in Ardmore, Pa. . . Don Devore, a former tennis star, will be Bud Geoghegan's assistant at Crestmont CC, West Orange, N. J., this year . . . Archie (Pete) Craig, pro-supt. at Penfield (N. Y.) CC has resigned and is designing and building Green Hills GC, near Rochester . . . Pete also was designer-builder of Penfield and Island Valley GC, near Rochester, which will open this spring . . . Joe Checho, owner of the latter property, also helped in the construction work . . . Checho had tried for three or four years to buy a course in the Adirondacks, and failing in this, bought the property back of his home on which the 9-hole Island Valley club is located.

Gene Sanders of Flip-It, Inc., says his factory has more than 600 country club emblems for cap and hat use in stock . . . Women who have handicaps lower than 10 were allowed to tee off before noon on Saturdays and Sundays at several private clubs beginning late last summer . . . There may be more of that this year . . . The girl sharpshooters move right along.

St. Petersburg Women's Open, won by Mickey Wright, grossed \$11,681 and made money for first time since 1954 when it was

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started as a 54-hole event . . . Buck White's 63 for a PGA National course record in the PGA Seniors eased the strain on Jack Harkins of First Flight Co. who sponsored the PGA club championship the week after the Seniors . . . Jack had offered \$10,000 for a new course record if made during the club championship . . . He also offered \$50,000 for an ace made during the championship.

George Erwin of Derby Cap Co. Louisville, gave every contestant in the 1961 PGA Seniors an attractive green cap with the tournament insignia on it . . . Bob Barnhart resigns as pro-mgr. Pelican CC., Clearwater, Fla., but will continue there as teaching pro, sharing the tutoring duties with Ollie Kay . . . Dick Howell will be Pelican's pro-mgr. until mid-April when he will go to his Syracuse, N. Y. job.

Nubbins Ridge CC, formed with organization office at Box 587, Knoxville, Tenn. . . . Will

have 18 designed and built by Alexander G. McKay, Morristown, Tenn. . . McKay recently returned from a trip to Scotland . . . Eastwood GC, Charlotte, N. C., to be operated for estate of Clayton Heafner, course owner . . . Peck Alexander, Heafner's asst., has been named temporary mgr. of the course.

Two Hundred Club of Gentlemen Golfers, Senior organization, to visit Britain and play 19 matches this fall . . . Tommy Armour says he never before has seen or hopes to see again courses in as good condition as Sherwood Moore had Winged Foot last year . . . Bert Dargie tells that when he went back to Scotland last year and asked at Forgan's, St. Andrews, where he used to work if they had any clubmakers who wanted to come to the U. S. there weren't any . . . Very few bench clubmakers left in Scotland . . . Dargie, who makes custom clubs at Memphis, says he is selling more 7-woods than drivers and is making wood clubs all the way to No. 22 . . . Long shafts are another bug that's biting now . . . Dargie made a 52 in. driver to the order of a fellow 5 ft. 8 in. tall.