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NEWS OF THE GOLF WORLD IN BRIEF



By **HERB GRAFFIS**

Horton Smith's getting the USGA's Bob Jones Award for sportsmanship paired two valiant spirits... Bob and Horton are in poor condition physically and have been for several years... Yet in all that time neither has done any complaining... That is something that can't be said of some of golf's notables who three-putt or get bad lies... Horton was in a hospital for 70 days of the four months preceding his hard and valuable work at the PGA school at Clearwater... He went back to Springfield, Mo., for hospitalization after the PGA school... In Horton's absence, Jimmy Thomson accepted the Jones award for him at the USGA meeting.

Thomson told amusing tales of the exhibition tour that Smith, Lawson Little, Harry Cooper and Thomson made as the Spalding "Flying Circus"... That promotion created tremendous golf interest and made thousands of new golfers, especially in the smaller towns... You wonder how that promotion compares with TV... Sarazen has been doing great as commentator on the Wonderful World of Golf series... Smith plans to play in the Masters to keep his record of never having missed one of them intact.

Nita Wotherspoon, wife of Bill, pro at Southern Hills CC, Tulsa, recovering from heart attack that hit her at home the day the Wotherspoons intended to leave for the PGA Seniors in Dunedin... Hurricane Carla, followed by miserable winter prevented Corpus Christi (Tex.) board of education director of athletics, Chester H. Allen, from starting construction of Par 3 courses at high schools until recently... Jim Fisher's ace for First Flight Co. \$50,000 during the PGA National GC

championship was a reminder not to pick up when you feel discouraged... Jim's ace on the 162 yd. 16th followed his 9 on the 15th.

Herman Barron's 9-under 135 to win the PGA Quarter Century title at Dunedin had some veterans recalling how close Herman came to National Open titles in the 40s... He and Hogan were a stroke back of Mangrum, Nelson and

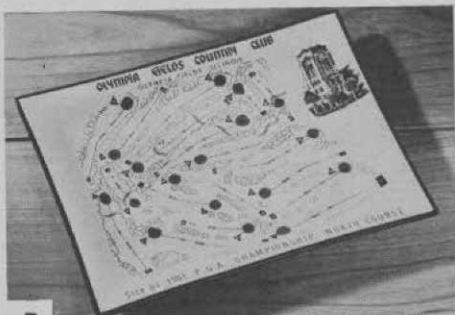
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Ghezzi at Canterbury in 1946 where Mangrum won the second 18 of a play-off... Jim Stamps, of Dalton, Ga., in winning the 1962 PGA club title in Dunedin, got an extra \$1,000 of Jack Harkins' money for playing First Flight clubs and balls... Jim works for the company... Stamps hits the ball so far it looks like it's going into orbit.

Los Angeles' 11 municipal courses had a record 983,921 rounds in 1961, up about 21,500 from 1960... Seven of the courses had their biggest play in 1960... Chicago District GA handicaps list shows 225 players from the plus 2 of Bob McCall of Flossmoor through the 3



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handicap group . . . The Jersey Golfer, Orange, N.J., plans to establish Jersey public course golfers' handicap system based on three scorecards submitted, one of which will be processed by the Callaway system.

Charles Bartlett, Chicago Tribune golf reporter and sec. of Golf Writers Assn. of America, is back in circulation again after hospitalization for a kidney infection and spinal misery . . . Paul Hahn flying the Caribbean tournament circuit putting on his trick shot exhibitions . . . Hahn's 1962 program is the brightest this sparkling golf showman has put on, the way we see it . . . Olympia Fields (Ill.) CC financial report on 1961 PGA championship showed the promoter was the leading prize winner with \$18,272 76 . . . The PGA champion, Jerry Barber, was second with \$11,000 out of total purse of \$64,800.

Ted Rhodes, veteran Negro pro, in VA hospital at Nashville, Tenn . . . Benefit for Ted recently staged by Linksmen GC, 364 E. 63rd st., Chicago . . . Trend in newer fine course architecture is definitely away from those holes that haven't much but length to make them



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testing... Line of play, bunkering and natural hazards are getting more attention in the design of courses to attract and retain play... Site selection also receiving more consideration... In many cases, especially residential projects with golf courses, courses are put in areas where property would not be desirable as building sites but really is good, scenically and architecturally for golf.

Interesting use of low value land for pleasant course made by International Minerals and Chemical Corp. in building 9-hole course on land near Lakeland, Fla., which had been a phosphate mining area... Arnold Palmer's hot shooting starting with the Desert tournament indicates that the bright young man from Latrobe learned in time that the way for a golfer to make money for himself at golf is to play golf... Byron Hareke, Chicago Park District golf supervisor, conducting series of indoor lessons in Chicago neighborhood park gyms.

Bergen County, N.J., adding 9 to its 18-hole course in Rockleigh... Start work on two PGA 18s to plans of Dick Wilson at West Palm Beach Gardens, Fla... Slight delay in starting because

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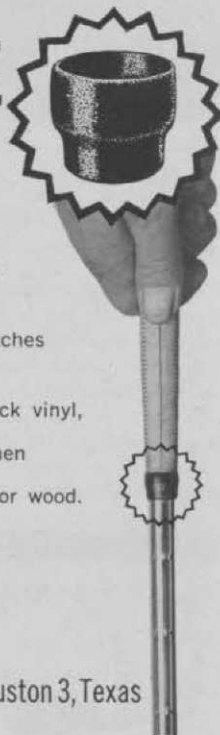
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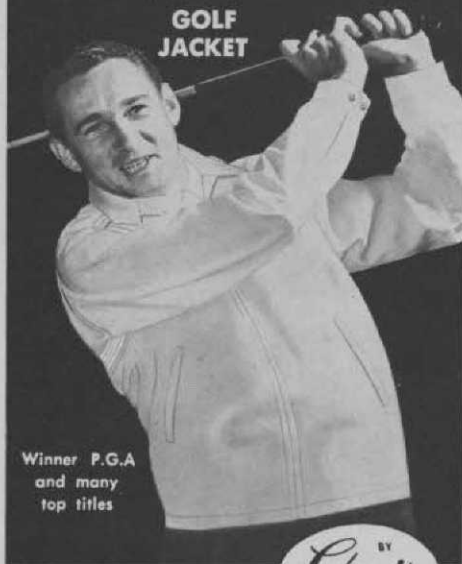
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N.Y., to be in play in July, says Pres.
Bryce Tuttle . . . "Red" Howell is pro . . .
Construction started on second 9 . . .
Robert Trent Jones is the architect . . .
Henrico County, Va. (Richmond) plan-
ning commission okays ordinance permit-
ting Par 3 courses in agricultural or con-
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Bert Purvis, that cheerful and useful
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New York, tells of some new pro assign-
ments in his territory: Dick Osborne at
Pinehaven CC, Guilderland, N. Y. . . .
John Doctor to Craig Wood CC,
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Hugh Moore, Jr., pro-supt. at Bowden GC, Macon, Ga., since 1953, goes to Brunswick (Ga.) CC as pro-supt. . . . Moore, Jr., grew up in golf business, his first memories of the game dating back to 1927 when Hugh Sr. built the Sea Island

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course... Hugh, Jr., took time away from golf to play pro baseball and for military service during World War II... Stratton Mountain Corp., headed by Frank V. Snyder, Greenwich, Conn., to build course on the company's ski area near Stratton, Vt.

Pinehaven G&CC, near Albany, N.Y., to open second 9 in June... Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation makes grant to Winston-Salem, N.C., for additional 9 at Winston Lake park... Morris Rosenblum, attorney, heads group campaigning to get muny course for Saugerties, N.Y. ... Sid Lee and sons, Denville, N.J., building 9-hole Peace Pipe CC.

James E. (Monty) Goforth, construction supt. on Bushfield CC job at Mt. Holly, Va. ... Eddie Ault designed the course ... Niagara Falls (N.Y.) to put fourth 9 holes in play at Hyde Park in July... Indianapolis park dept. expects to open 9 at Eagle Creek park in July and start building new 18 northeast of city on May 1.

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in Chester township, Orange County, N.Y. . . . Interesting illustrated story in Amherst (Mass.) newspaper on Mrs. Geoffrey (Carol) Cornish working with her golf architect husband in drawing plans and making plastic models of greens he designs . . . Geoff and Carol met while they were at the U of Mass . . . He'd come there to work with Prof. Dickinson after being with Stanley Thompson, noted Canadian golf architect . . . Carol was placement officer for women . . . Cornish now is on 12 jobs, one of them being the remodeling of The Country Club of Brookline.

Bud Cunningham from Harbor Hills CC, Port Jefferson LI, N.Y., to pro job at new Indian Hills CC, Ft. Salonga, N.Y. . . . Haas & Haynie, San Francisco contractors to build golf course and hotel at new jet airstrip at Tafuna, near Pago Pago, American Samoa . . . Hollywood Beach (Fla.) Hotel to build new clubhouse and apartment building at its golf course . . . Progress Downs is name chosen for new 18 being built by Portland, Ore., park dept. . . . Honolulu City Planning Commission approved placing of new muni 18 in Manuwai Valley.

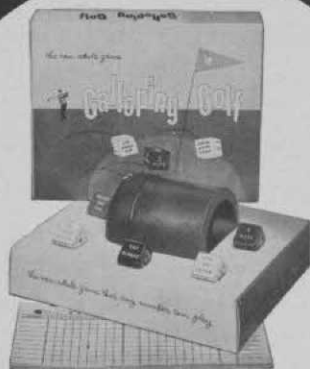
Riviera CC, Miami, Fla., in \$300,000 improvement program . . . Course being remodeled to plans of Dick Wilson . . . Clubhouse being enlarged . . . Dan Keefe now pro at Wayland (Mass.) CC succeeding Reggie Sauger who went to Bay Patch CC, West Brookfield, Mass.

Brooklyn expects to have its first additional golf course in 30 years when Marine Park, now abuilding, is opened in 1963 . . . Dyker Beach, Brooklyn's only municipal course, is heaviest played of New York City's public courses . . . Janmar Development Co., lessors of Musconetcong CC, Hackettstown, N. J., to build second 9.

Ted Sleichter switches from Gettysburg (Pa.) CC where he was Ike's pro, to pro job at Chartwell GC, Severna Park, Md. . . . Dick won the GOLFDOM trophy at the GCSA tournament preceding the supts' convention at Miami Beach . . . Tam O' Shanter G and Turf Club on Long Island, which will open this spring, will make use of golf cars by members and guests mandatory . . . John M. Brennan, Long Island golf writer, comments that the caddies were getting more money than some unionized employees of golf clubs . . . Caddies have done so well financially that a lot of them have priced

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N.Y. Golf Writers annual dinner in Grand Ballroom of Waldorf-Astoria was a sellout... About 900 attended... Larry Robinson, Linc Werden and their fellow toilers made this the best of the sports writers' windings in N.Y.... There are enough of the writers' affairs in a winter to use up carloads of bicarbonate and aspirin... Every outfit from the horseshoes and hopscotch writers and through the list of sports sells tickets and tucks up their bibs... Paul Runyan's talk about Titanic Thompson, the ace hustler of the Ozarks, at the Golf Writers dinner was amusing and informative... Ti made history and a lot of people.

Wm. C. Foster is building 9-hole Carlyle (Ill.) CC... It's first course in Clinton county... Waldemar Dietz, veteran oil producer, on a recent golfing vacation at Palm Springs, got interested in exploring Indian Wells course with an audio-sonic device he and his associates have developed... The gadget indicates so much oil at 4000 ft. that Eddie Susalla, Indian Wells pro-mgr. is scared to take a deep divot for fear of getting grease over his natty clothes... Dietz says the gimmick also showed oil potential across Highway 111 from Indian Wells on land owned by Bob Hope.

Henry McQuiston now pro at Bala CC, Philadelphia, succeeding Bob Marshall who was pro there 32 years... Joe Goldshinky succeeds Jack Williams who retired as pro at New Haven (Conn.) CC... Del Kinney, from Hotchkiss School course at Lakeville, Conn., to pro-mgr. post at new Plantation CC course in Farmington, Conn.

James Alves, 73, one of five brothers who came to the U.S. from Aberdeen, Scotland, to the gain of the U.S., and became pros, died recently at his home in suburban Cleveland, O... Jim came here about 50 years ago... His first pro job was at Oakwood CC in Cleveland... Then he was at Rochester, Minn. for

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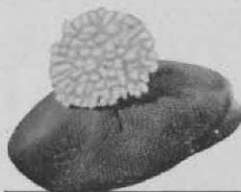
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11 years, after which he returned to Cleveland to be at Pepper Pike and at Pine Ridge... He left golf work to go with General Electric and retired from that company several years ago... His brother, Grange, died in 1939... Brothers William, Robert and John survive him... James Alves also is survived by his wife, Agnes, and son, James Robert.

Northeastern Wisconsin GA will hold its annual meeting and golf club operations clinic May 21 at Oneida G & Riding Club... The operations clinic is a valuable session for club officials and department heads... Dan Steinberg, Jr., 206 W. College ave., Appleton, Wis., is NEWGA sec.-treas.

Robert A. Stranahan, father of Frank, and founder of the Champion Spark Plug Co., died early in Feb. in Toledo, O. ... Devoted to golf, Mr. Stranahan was instrumental in bringing the Open to Inverness in Toledo in 1957... A graduate of Harvard University, he started the spark plug firm in a Boston garage in 1908 and moved it to Toledo a few years later... Besides Frank, Mr. Stranahan is survived by his wife, Page, a son, Robert, a stepson and four daughters

... Frank Hannigan has been named tournament relations mgr. by the USGA, succeeding Bob Renner, who has returned to the newspaper field... Hannigan's successor as public information mgr. is Eddie L. Ervin, Jr., formerly associate editor of Golf World... John Kile has been named pro at Willowick GC, Santa Ana, Calif., succeeding Gerald Hall, who resigned last fall... He formerly had been at the club as an assistant pro.

Gene Littler and Byron Nelson, seen recently in a TV "Wonderful World of Golf" drama, had their long shots ghosted for them by Leo Fraser, pro-owner of the Atlantic City CC... It was a most unusual situation... In the match between the two last summer at Pine Valley, the cameraman goofed and didn't catch their tee shots and long fairway shots... This wasn't discovered until the film was edited, and since neither Littler nor Nelson was available for a quick retake, Fraser filled in... He had to keep swiping at the ball until it landed where Gene and Byron had previously hit their shots... It took Leo two days to re-enact the action... Bob Shields,



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pro at Quincy (Ill.) CC recently received \$1,000 in the first Old Smugglers Sweepstakes for a hole-in-one scored last summer by one of his players, Mrs. John McCarthy . . . Her reward was \$1,000 and a trip to Scotland for herself and her husband.

General Development has started work on the second 9 at Pt. Charlotte G&CC, near Sarasota, Fla. . . . It was designed by Dave Wallace, who also drew the blueprints for the first 9 . . . Moose Nintz is the new teaching pro at Glencoe (Ill.) CC, where he is assistant to Paul Rivard . . . Also new at Glencoe is the pro shop . . . Nintz formerly worked for Byron Haecke in the Chicago Park Dist. golf setup . . . The jet age came of age on Feb. 2, at least for Dick Viergever, supt. at the Olympic Club in San Francisco

. . . He was chairman of the morning education session of the GCSA convention on that date, flew from Miami Beach to Chicago where he spent two hours in the afternoon, and returned to Miami Beach to conduct a meeting of the Northern Calif. turf council executive board from 8 to 10 p.m.

Kankakee (Ill.) CC starting \$380,000 modernization project . . . Clubhouse to be renovated, course rebuilt and an irrigation system installed . . . John Darrah, Matteson, Ill. architect and engineer, is handling the outdoor part of the program . . . Darrah also adding 9 holes at the Youche CC in Crown Point, Ind., and rebuilding the old 9 . . . Job is going to be handled so that at least 9 holes will be continuously in play . . . Andrews (Tex.) CC, where S. A. Smith is pro,



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has added 9 holes, giving it a full course with a par of 70 . . . Paul Runyan, speaking of Phil Rodgers, says: "I'm his coach, not his teacher. You don't teach a mature player like Rodgers." . . . Phil Zullo, Jack Mitchell's assistant at the Essex County CC in N.J. for the last three years, has been named pro at the new Knoll East GC in Boonton.

Ralph Trost, who handled golf assignments for the old Brooklyn Eagle and more recently was sec. of the Long Island GA, died recently . . . Gene Kunes, veteran pro who had been teaching at the Hollywood (Fla.) GC this winter, recently underwent his ninth abdominal operation in Huron Road Hospital, East Cleveland, O. . . . Eddie O'Donnell is the head teaching pro at the new Atlantis CC in Tuckerton, N. J. . . . The course

was designed by George Fazio . . . Ben Hogan has won the Colonial National Invitation five times in 15 trips and finished in the first 10 twelve times . . . Jim Vaughn, one of five pro brothers who hold golf jobs in and around Indianapolis, has been named pro at the new Heather Hills club, located in the Indiana capital . . . Jim, a pro since 1941, left Lake Shore CC to take the new post.

Joseph Dawson, Indianapolis lumberman, has been named chmn. of the 1962 500 Festival tournament, to be played May 24-27 . . . A total of 240 Massachusetts golfers took part in the Jamaica Amateur for Mass. players, held at Runaway Bay CC, Ochos Rios, Jan. 19-28 . . . The excursion was conducted by Bill Corcoran, executive sec. of the

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Swinging Around Golf

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MGA . . . Chicago Dist. GA has designated Friday, April 6 as CDGA Day at the Masters . . . This will be the fourth year the association has sponsored the Chicago to August flight . . . Johnny Linden, the onetime Yankee pitcher-outfielder, recently won a tournament at Antelope Valley CC, Palmdale, Calif., with a 74.

Oregon State University held a turf conference Feb. 6-7 in Corvallis . . . Norman Goetze of the University staff was in charge of arrangements . . . Controversy over the public links qualifying setup, that had raged in Hawaii in recent months, was settled late in January when factions representing the USGA public links committee and Hawaiian PLGA got together . . . William P. Bell, Pasadena architect, is designing 18 holes for group that is putting in a course at Saticoy, Calif., and is well along with the Pacific Palisades course in Hawaii that he designed . . . Canyon CC, Palm Springs, Calif., another course blueprinted by Bell was officially opened on Jan. 1 . . . Jack

Koennecker is pro at Canyon and Jack Quigley is the club mgr. . . . Jack Blakeslee, veteran Wisconsin pro who reached his peak as a player 35 years ago, died in Jan. in Sheboygan of a head injury suffered in a fall . . . Pat J. Markovich, pro-owner of Richmond (Calif.) GC, recently started his 24th year at that club.

Rolling Hills CC, Wilton, Conn., has more than \$300,000 pledged by members toward the building of a new clubhouse . . . It should be ready by July 4 . . . Building 18-hole course at Lake Toxaway Estate, between Brevard and Cashiers, N. C. . . . Course is located in a large recreation area . . . The 151-acre Deercrest CC in Greenwich, Conn., has been purchased by Mal Deitch and Dr. Joseph Goldstein for about \$2 million . . . They plan to renovate and keep it in operation . . . The new PGA tournament rule that penalizes a player two strokes if he falls a hole behind the group in front was roundly criticized by Jerry Barber, who says it strikes at the older players . . . Frank H. Wilson, former supt. at the Charles River CC, Newton, Mass., and a onetime U. S. Air Force agronomist, died in Feb. in Framingham, Mass., where he

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was living in retirement.

Walla Walla (Wash.) CC to stage a Senior tourney June 7-9 . . . Buck Whetsell has moved from Westbriar CC to the new Tantalum CC, near Washington, D. C., as supt. . . . Needles (Calif.) has signed a contract with William Mason to have first 9 of its munny courses started . . . Montour CC, near Coraopolis, Pa., to add second 9 this spring . . . Simi Hills CC, planned for Santa Susana, Calif., to cost about \$1.5 million . . . Jim Brandt, supt. of the Danville CC, is the new pres. of the Illinois Turfgrass Fdn. . . . Bert Rost is vp, Ben Warren, sec. and Oscar Borgmeier, treas.

Guests at the Roney Plaza Hotel in Miami can step out of a terrace dining room onto the first tee of the Hotel's Par 3 . . . The nine greens are copies of famous putting surfaces at courses throughout the world . . . Charles E. Croley of the USGA green section has been transferred from the Southwestern to the Eastern office . . . Jim Kollett, formerly of the Eastern region, has resigned to take a supt's job at a Rhode Island course . . . Officials of the Masters (which will be played Apr. 5-8) have enlarged the inter-

ior press quarters and added a large porch to the press building . . . Four new small towers have been added for photographers and a large field scoreboard is being erected near the 16th green.

Bob Baldock, Fresno, Calif., expects to complete five courses this spring, two of them Par 3s, in the Fresno area . . . He also has drawn up plans and expects to complete 18-hole courses at these spots this year: Tustin, El Segundo, Oakland, Concord and Twenty Nine Palms, all in Calif.; and Boise, Ida. . . . Bob also will build or rebuild courses in Hawaii and the Philippines . . . The average 72-hole score for all players who have participated in the Tournament of Champions since it was started nine years ago is 287.25 . . . There have been 57,449 shots taken by the competitors in the tourney's 9-year history . . . Westwood CC, near Woodbury, N. J., to be completed by July . . . It's an 18-hole layout that Horace W. Smith designed for William Raynor . . . Smith also is supervising its construction.

Joe Brown, who did so well in the PGA Senior tourney in Feb., went to Dunedin with a citation as "Iowa's pro of 1961" in

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his pocket . . . It was awarded by the Iowa GA . . . Superintendent of the year (1961) is Norm Westfall of Wakonda in Des Moines . . . Brown is at the Des Moines G & CC . . . Westfall's son and two of his sons-in-law are supts. Women's Southern GA will hold its 47th amateur tourney at the CC of Richmond, Va., May 21-26 . . . We may be wrong but it's our impression that far more pros than supts. write articles for their club magazines . . . Charles Whitaker of Diablo CC is pres. of the Northern Calif. GCSA for 1962 . . . Other officers are Paul Paulsen, San Francisco GC, vp, and Cliff A. Wag-
 oner, Del Rio G & CC, Modesto, sec-
 treas.

Chicago area unit of the UVS Swing Club held its annual meeting recently in the Ambassador Hotel . . . The Chicago group has 5,000 members and does much to promote rehabilitation at VA Hospitals, partly through golf . . . 1962 Western Junior will be played at the University of Minnesota GC, Minneapolis, Aug. 7-11 . . . Phil Marston, who won it in 1961, won't be eligible to defend his title . . . Northern California PGA medal championship is to be played Apr. 9 and

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the Open Championship will be started four days later . . . Berry Haug is the new club mgr. at Blue Hills CC in Kansas City . . . This club, incidentally, recently decided to trade its present location for another in the K.C. area . . . Tom Sams



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is the new pres. of the Kentuckiana GCSA; Bob Hinkle is vp; and Charley Cunningham, sec.-treas. . . . Morgan Boggs bowed out of the latter job after holding it for nine years.

Mrs. Mary Cromb, 85, died Feb. 15 at Monifieth, Scotland, after a long illness . . . She is survived by her daughter Stella Cromb of Monifieth, and sons, Marty and Jimmy . . . Marty is pro at Toledo (O.) CC and former pres., PGA Seniors, and Jimmy is pro at Tarpon Springs (Fla.) CC . . . They were at the PGA Seniors when informed of their mother's death . . . Marty flew to Scotland . . . Their father was on the staff of the Dundee Advertiser and wrote golf news for the World of Golf, a Scotch magazine of some years ago.

PGA members who have been complaining about being kept in the dark about the deal for the PGA course, clubhouse and office building at West Palm Beach, Fla., are promised official information soon . . . Negotiations and planning hadn't been completed at the time of the PGA Seniors championship at Dunedin but construction at West Palm

Beach of the two 18s to plans of Dick Wilson was well on its way . . . Courses will be playable in December.

Reliable sources estimate that the PGA deal at West Palm Beach is, on paper, about a \$2,000,000 enterprise . . . The PGA is being given 400 acres including the two 18-hole courses completed . . . Courses are to cost about \$300,000 each and the raw ground about \$3,500 an acre . . . Clubhouse and office building is expected to cost \$750,000 . . . Financing methods are yet to be determined . . . The \$10 the PGA charges members annually for support of the PGA course and the assessment the PGA has been adding to dues are sure to be continued . . . What PGA members would like to see is a budget for the proposed operation at West Palm Beach on the order of the budgets of expected income and proposed operating expenses that are customary at well managed private clubs.

PGA problem of informing members is part of the organization's growing pains . . . USGA is far ahead of the PGA in telling its members what is going on . . . USGA annual executive committee re-

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port, presenting summary of a year's work and a detailed financial statement, gives PGA a model to grow up to . . . Tremendous improvement in PGA routine publicity has been effected by Bob Russell . . . With Eddie Ervin going from Golf World to become head of the USGA's new Public Information department, the USGA's policy of informing golfers of what the association is doing for them is further implemented . . . Sports writers who are qualified as authorities consider the USGA the best directed and operated of all sports organizations, amateur or pro.

PGA officials deserve credit for awakening to the danger and acting to protect PGA against being used as an unwitting tool of promoters looking for a fast buck . . . They also can take bows for making progress in bringing club and tourney pros closer together . . . Club pros can make or break millions in prices of new or trade-in clubs bearing the tourney pros' names and have immense backstage influence in getting first class clubs to accept Open tournaments.

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More than 7000 18-hole and about 700 9-hole rounds played in January on the PGA National course at Dunedin . . . Moving PGA from Dunedin to its new course at West Palm Beach now being cheerfully accepted by all concerned . . . Play was too heavy on the Dunedin course in the winter to make golf there especially desirable . . . The facilities had been outgrown . . . Although Florida real estate business is in a lull, property in the attractive community of Dunedin commands a price that probably will yield a profit on what was paid for houses during the earlier years of the PGA occupancy . . . PGA will bring enough to West Palm Beach to give that new community good promotion in getting it off the launching pad.

Ralph Beach and Jack Ryan, as the two most recent past presidents of the PGA Seniors, arranged and conducted the veterans' annual banquet in the absence of the Seniors' newly elected chief, Horton Smith . . . Horton had to stay home in Springfield, Mo., for further medical attention . . . He'd worn himself down conducting classes at the PGA business school at Clearwater and wanted to



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Bob Goalby, PGA tournament player, is board chmn. of a group that is building a Par 3 and golf center in Belleville, Ill. About \$200,000 is being put into the project which will include a putting green, range, miniature course and pro shop in addition to the lighted short course. Pete Dye of Indianapolis is the designer and Clete Idoux will be the pro-manager. In the photo are (l to r) Cliff Hammel, A. Yorker Wade, Bob Goalby, Ray Erwin and Clete Idoux.

build himself up for another session at the PGA school in Dallas . . . Ronald Teacher, the sponsor whose money made the Senior PGA tournament a major championship; PGA Pres. Lou Strong, and Clearwater and Dunedin officials at the banquet, expressed gracious farewells and thanks for the memories . . . Paul Runyan's 278, putting him three strokes ahead of Joe Brown, Ernie Ball and Dutch Harrison, made the 53-year old former PGA champion the first PGA Seniors winner to repeat . . . "Little Poison" won the PGA in 1934, beating Craig Wood, and in 1938, beating Sam Snead . . . He's hitting the ball now longer than he did 30 years ago . . . He exercises and practices a lot.

National Golf Day, sponsored by the PGA will be June 2 . . . The idea of one National Golf Day for fund-raising for golf educational welfare and charity purposes, must look good to others who want to tap golfers . . . Nationwide drives on golfers for physical fitness, heart fund and cancer fund campaigns are proposed . . . Western Golf Assn. and National Golf Fund's Golf Day are the two fund-raising campaigns okayed by most private clubs and fee courses although the clubs often are strongly solicited to engage in fund raising.

. . . PGA plays its own championship by Rules of Golf as codified by the thoroughly qualified USGA and R&A . . . Hence the PGA champion is a golf champion . . . What game is played when paid golf-

ers think playing golf is too tough for them and make different rules at their ease and convenience nobody has named yet . . . But the game isn't golf by the rules that govern the play of five million golfers in the U.S. and many millions elsewhere . . . Is the man who wins a tournament not played by the Rules of Golf a genuine "golf champion?" . . . That's something the bright young men of sound judgment on the PGA Tournament committee — Don January, Lionel Hebert, Arnold Palmer and Ken Venturi — have to decide . . . Nice old ladies and men who say they are playing golf but don't count whiffs also have their rules but they don't play for money.

Gene Sarazen missed the fourth round of the PGA Seniors due to the one-day washout of the tournament and his job at N.Y. of recording more comment on the Wonderful World of Golf TV program . . . The program, which has gone across very well, is the idea of the president of Shell Oil Co. . . . Gene says the best greens the pros played on in the "Wonderful World" were in Japan . . . He also remarked that if Byron Nelson had his old touch on and around the



Paul Runyan, PGA Senior champion, (l.), sizes up Ben Hogan trophy donated to Jimmy Nichols for "golf success achieved despite handicap." Award was made at annual Metropolitan Golf Writers dinner in New York.

greens he could be the best golfer today . . . This is judging by Nelson's performance at Pine Valley against Venturi in the WW match . . . Sarazen was greatly impressed by Chen Ching-po, republic

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of China pro, who now is at Tokyo CC . . . This Free Chinese youth has been looking good for several years . . . At the end of the third round in the 1958 Canada Cup matches at Club de Golf de Mexico, he led Hogan . . . But none of them, anywhere, come close to Palmer, according to Sarazen . . . Gene says Palmer is like Jones used to be: he has the rest of the field playing for second.

Tom Creavy, 1931 PGA champion, begins his 14th year as pro at Saratoga Springs, N.Y. . . . Russell Stonehouse, pres., Indianapolis Park Board, while at the PGA Seniors, told about Indianapolis adding seven courses to its park golf system, bringing total public courses to 12 . . . Russell is a former pro . . . He and his brother Ralph, who has a semi-private

course at Middleport, N.Y., play the Stonehouse family championship each winter in matches in the Miami area.

Quite a little talk at PGA Seniors about Olin Dutra being passed up in voting for the PGA Hall of Fame . . . Big Olin is long overdue, many old pros say . . . He won the National Open in 1934, the PGA in 1932 and was on two Ryder Cup teams (1933 and 1935) . . . Something else the veterans were chatting about is the possibility of a revival of the PGA championship at match play . . . They think that in about three years the present crop of tournament pros will be rugged and colorful competitors and will want to prove that head-on they're better than the next guy . . . The long list of exemptions for this year's PGA championship had old pros laughing . . . They asked what two or three pros will have to qualify for what used to be the hardest championship to win.

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