

SWINGING AROUND GOLF

NEWS OF THE GOLF WORLD IN BRIEF



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William Kennedy and others to build course in Bancroft, Ia. . . . Golf Four-somes, Inc., headed by Paul Evans, to build course at Arvada, Colo. . . . Frank Hummel of Greeley is designing the Arvada course . . . Wing Point G&CC in suburban Seattle opens new course and clubhouse . . . Open first nine of River Island GC near Porterville, Calif. . . . Ted Ensslin is president . . . Bob Bottoms, the general manager and Dixon Robb, the pro . . . Bob Baldock was the architect.

Bill Bell has designed 18 for Parkridge Estates development in Corona, Calif. . . . Bowie (Tex.) G&CC to build nine . . . Vernon McAn, Victoria, B.C., architect for Sunland 18 near Port Angeles, Wash. . . . Start building nine at Golden Circle Valley development, Escondido, Calif. . . . Heritage Construction Co., Fullerton, Calif., to build course on 11,000 acres near Brea, recently acquired for community development.

Planning to build 18 at North Andover, Mass. . . . Robert J. Hammond appointed vice-chairman of committee to investigate possibilities for public course in Ypsilanti, Mich. . . . Golf commission, appointed by council, to consider public course at Corry, Pa.

Can't tell for sure but after looking over a lot of reports on public course rounds of play for 1963 (to Aug. 1) it appears that play on municipal courses may average 10 per cent more than in the same period of 1962 . . . Appellate Division of New York Court of Claims granted an appeal of Albany CC to have its property award raised from \$3,079,646 to \$3,602,806 . . . Club property was taken for State college campus . . . Club is building new

FRONT COVER

Michigan State University's 6,800 yard course (par 71) was a gift of a Detroit alumnus, Forest Akers. Designed by W. Bruce Matthews, East Lansing architect, it was put in play in 1958. It's rated one of the best layouts in the Big Ten and has been the site of several collegiate tournaments. Hundreds of trees are planted each year and all are labeled. Akers, a noted tree fancier, has paid for all the plantings. Pictured is No. 4, which is 380 yards. Photo was taken from a truck and boom.

course and clubhouse . . . Appellate Division rejected state's claim that original award was "excessive" and held it was "inadequate." . . . "Specialty purposes" value such as water supply, tree development and residential development potential of 98 acres not used for country club purposes were held to warrant increased award . . . Case probably will be studied plenty by lawyers for clubs that are having property condemned.

To build nine at Rainbow Lake, Geneva, Ind. . . . Marco Development Corp. to build 18, motel, etc., in recreation center in Edmonson County, Ky. . . . Project partially financed by \$640,000 loan from Area Development Administration . . . Building municipal 18 at old Cliff Maus airport, Corpus Christi, Tex., to plans of Leon Howard . . . Ed Newman, Kansas City, Mo., has leased the course for 30 years . . . Expect to have it in play early in 1964.

Open 18 in Green Valley Park, Sioux