

## Golf Coach Describes Work of A Golf Association

If there is a question as to the functions of a golf association, Sid Milligan, Eugene, Ore., attorney and coach of the University of Oregon golf team, attempted to answer them at a recent meeting of the Pacific Northwest GA. Here is an outline of what Milligan said the 65-year old West Coast organization does in the course of a year:

All courses in the Pacific Northwest and Western Canada are being rated by a qualified committee of outstanding golfers and PGA directors.

A coordinated handicap system is being established by the use of a computer system. Each day more and more courses are installing them. A fee of \$1.25 or \$1.50 per member per year is very nominal for receiving foolproof handicap arrangements.

The administration of the Chick Evans Caddy Scholarship.

The promotion of tee markers with accurate yardage marking, which are available at a nominal cost for an 18 hole set.

**Tournament Organization:** There are so many tournaments now being played in the area, that unless they are cleared thru one major office there are many conflicts in scheduling.

**Development of Junior golf.** Many of our present leading men and women golfers in this area have benefited from the experience gained in playing in PGA tournaments.

**Regular PGA Tournaments:** These have been looked forward to as the outstanding events in the area and have developed many golfers who have gone on to national prominence.

### Golf Ball Noise Subject of Zoning Board Inquiry

How much noise a golf club makes when it hits a golf ball was questioned at a recent zoning hearing in Philadelphia's City Hall.

Richard H. Buford, a zoning board of adjustment member, made the inquiry during the discussion of a proposed golf driving range for city-owned land in the Germantown section of Philadelphia.

Twenty-five residents of the area attended the hearing and objected to the



Ben Hogan (l) accepts Gold Tee award from Sen. Abe Ribicoff at the 12th N.Y. Met Golf Writers' dinner, held in January. Award was presented in recognition of Hogan's achievements in golf and courageous comeback following a near fatal automobile crash in 1949. Hogan, president of AMF-Ben Hogan Co., won three of his four Open titles after he came back.

proposal. The residents said the driving range would attract too much traffic and noise and the lights used at night would be bothersome.

Buford wanted to know how much noise is made when somebody on a driving range hits a golf ball.

"From my 26 years in golf," Alex Horwitz, who proposed the range, replied, "I doubt whether you'd be able to tell whether a golf ball was hit if you were 25 to 30 feet away." Horwitz, president of Arleigh Enterprises, Inc., was one of five who submitted bids to the city to build and operate the range.

As the selected bidder, Arleigh Enterprises would spend \$60,000 to build the range. It would include a one-story service building, miniature course, snack bar, and parking lot for 200 autos. The land would be leased from the city under a six-year contract.

### Erwin with GCSA

Eddie L. Ervin, Jr., has joined the GCSA as publications manager. For the past two years Ervin was public information manager for the USGA. Previously he was associate editor of *Golf World*.

At GCSAA he will serve as managing editor of the *Reporter* and as manager of the association's publications.