

Gene Sarazen did a champion's job for U.S. foreign relations on a four-day goodwill mission for the U.S. State department to Rangoon, Burma, recently . . . Burma's government, headed by Gen. **Ne Win**, has numerous officials who are golf enthusiasts and they have a pretty good course . . . The General himself is a good businessman golfer, Gene says . . . There was a reception for Gene, given by the American ambassador and 300 attended . . . Gene's visit, first to Rangoon by an American golf champion, made page one of the communist-slanted Rangoon press.

Sarazen, the Germantown Globe-trotter, says the new course near the Athens airport is an excellent layout and bound to be a tourist attraction in Greece . . . He adds that Athens is the cleanest city in the world — and that includes German-town . . . When the Squire boosts he boosts all the way . . . Gene was in Athens for the filming of Shell's Wonderful World of Golf contest between **Tony Lema** and **Roberto De Vincenzo** . . . Tony and Roberto played for \$10,000, plus all expenses . . . Gene says that in the old days in exhibitions he and **Walter Hagen** played two months to make that much.

Bert Purvis, upstate New York pro salesman, writes from his home office at Mattydale, N.Y., of some changes in pro jobs on his beat: . . . **Red LaVergne** now is at the Lyndon CC, Fayetteville, N.Y., where **John Murray** runs the club . . . **John Johnson** now at Lake Shore Golf Center, Rochester . . . **Al Frank** is at Higby Hills CC, New Hartford . . . **Ken Sager** goes to Westvale CC, Camillus, succeeding **Bucky Hewitt**, who is at the new Cavalry CC, Manlius, N.Y. . . . **Ralph Montoya** now pro at Mohawk Valley CC, Little Falls, succeeding **Gene Taylor** who moved to Cedar Lake CC, Clayville . . . Clubhouse and pro shop of Antlers CC, Ft. Johnson, N.Y., burned May 6 . . . Pro **Frank Stuhler** doing big business from his home in replacing members' lost equipment.

Other switches in upstate New York pro lineup as noted by Purvis: **Marty Czawakiel** to Normanside CC, Delmar . . . **Glen Young** at the new Rogue's



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FRONT COVER

There won't be any problem maintaining turf at Credit Island GC in Davenport this summer. There isn't any left to maintain thanks to the rampage that the mighty Mississippi went on in April. But Davenport recreation officials aren't giving up on the course and the adjoining playland. They hope to have both rehabilitated by 1966. For the story of what happened to Credit Island and a course in Rock Island, Ill., see page 22.