HERB GRAFFIS

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Hawaii some veterans are recalling that Art Bell, who succeeded the late Cam Puget as pro at Pebble Beach, was born in Hawaii where his father was pro at Oahu CC for 35 years . . . Art was pro at Maui CC and Wailae CC in Hawaii before he came to the mainland to be pro at Midwick in Los Angeles, then at San Francisco CC, Cailfornia GC (for 19 years) and Carmel Valley before going to what amounts to the Pacific Coast's St. Andrews.

Southern Seniors GA spring tournament at Dorado Beach (Puerto Rico) GC had all possible room reservations booked by members almost a month before the event, May 3 through 7 . . . What a happy thought it was for the American Seniors GA to present its Distinguished Senior Award to Egon (Eggs) Quittner . . . Quittner, 66, has been a member of Old York Road CC (Philadelphia dist.) since 1912 and has won Western Seniors, American Seniors and numerous other championships including

the championship of his own club four times, one of them on his 65th birthday . . . He says that since he became a senior he's played better golf than ever before.

There'll be a lot of driving contests in senior tournaments this summer since the driving contest in the PGA Seniors last winter stirred so much talk . . . Just to refresh your memory; Mike Brady, 78, who tied Johnny McDermott for the 1911 National Open championship and Walter Hagen for the 1919 title (and lost in the play-offs) won the PGA Seniors contest with a whack of 266 yards . . . Mike said he won the previous driving contest in which he'd competed (but he didn't say when) with a 320 yd. shot . . . Charley Mayo gave his drive a valiant arthritic bat of 212 yds. . . . Venerable Johnny Inglis got 191, Victor East, 189, George Livingston, who's 85, hit it 181 vds.

FIVE YEARS AGO

New Ryder Cup format used for first time, U. S. downing Britain, 14½-9½, at St. Anne's-on-the-Sea, England, as Arnold Palmer won three matches, tied one.



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