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## NEWS

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raising dues. The National Invitational sustains it. The municipal courses are expected to raise green fees and pros will further feel a financial pinch if the city tightens its grip on golf car and concessions revenue . . . **Puerto Rico** may become part of the Florida Professional Golfers' Assn. It has professionals in the Bahamas, Bermuda and in other Caribbean courses talking about whether or how they might join . . . Even before the confusion over stainless steel shafts has settled, talk of **beryllium** is quietly circulating. However, nothing has gone beyond the experimental stages yet, and the likelihood of a beryllium-bearing shaft appearing on the market within the near future is extremely slight. According to one metallurgist, a major problem in developing such a shaft would be the toxic character of beryllium, requiring that it be stabilized within another metal—copper being the likeliest candidate. Aside from this, the characteristics of beryllium match favorably with conventional carbon steel. Functionally, beryllium would impart tensile strength to a shaft and aesthetically a beryllium-copper combination would give the shaft a rich, deep brown color . . . Twenty-one states and the District of Columbia will be affected this spring by one of nature's strangest insects—the **17-year locust**. A regular chemical control program should be established to avoid damage to trees. As soon as adults appear, apply carbaryl; each spray provides protection for up to three weeks. After the locust have disappeared, prune back to healthy wood all twigs that are too badly damaged to be saved. Burn these to destroy any eggs still present.

### CORRECTION

Later developments in the National Golf Foundation elections necessitate the following corrections in our earlier report (GOLFDOM, May, page 72). Board director E.R. Woolley was elected vice president, replacing William Bommer, who resigned. Mark Cox was elected to the NGF board.