

## LITERATURE

*Modern Golf Course Superintendent*  
By Dick Viereger  
Thomson Publications  
Fresno, Calif. \$9.50

Viereger's compactly written 100 pages cover the superintendent's professional picture and prospects, his education, responsibilities, his management operations and relations, the structure and training of his crew, his maintenance of property and equipment, his budget management, his appraisal of his job and his personal and family position in the community picture.

This book is an excellent roundup of the superintendent's duties at his course and as a citizen involved in a highly important business. "The Modern Golf Course Superintendent" will contribute to the superintendent's self-examination and pro-

gress and to the mutual understanding of superintendent and club officials. It is a practical supplement to the classic "Turf Management" by the late Burt Musser and others and to those historic items "Turf for Golf Courses" by Piper and Oakley and "Golf Course Commonsense," edited by Gertrude Farley.

—Herb Graffis

*Jacklin The Champion's Own Story*  
By Tony Jacklin  
Simon and Schuster  
New York, N.Y. \$6.50

"There is a natural law in games by which, periodically, a genius arises and sets the standard of achievement perceptibly higher than ever before. He forces the pace; the rest have to follow as best they can, and end by squeezing out of themselves just a yard or two more than they would have believed possible." Bernard Darwin wrote that in 1932 about the triumvirate: Harry Vardon, J.H. Taylor and James Braid.

It could have been written about young Tony Jacklin, who captured the 1970 U.S. Open at the Hazeltine National GC and proved that Great Brit-

ain at least for his time in the sun was no longer a second rate golfing power. Coupled with his British Open victory the previous year, he became the only Briton ever to hold both titles at the same time.

In "Jacklin The Champion's Own Story," we see how he set the pace at Hazeltine with a brilliant first round in murderously high winds and later how he responded to mounting tension and leg cramps during the final round when his lead became precarious. "It's difficult to describe how I felt," he writes. "One minute everything is going for me, the next that odd feeling of loneliness and isolation which is heightened by the fact there seems to be millions of people around but none of them can help.

"After winning the British Open," Jacklin writes, "the first fellow I spoke to was Nicklaus. I said, 'God, Jack, I never knew anyone could be so scared, so frightened.' He grabbed me warmly and said, 'Don't worry. It happens to everyone in the big ones. . . it even happened to Hogan.'"

Indeed, this is a warm and insightful book by one of the brightest personalities on the world's golf scene.

—Dick Miller

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