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ON THE COVER

An industry in transition gains the focus in this month's GOLFDOM. For over 20 years, golf cars have served golf business well, adding more profit to clubs and opening another potential market. Is the industry coming to a crossroads? Will cars continue to make their mark on courses throughout the country? These and other aspects of the business are looked at in depth, starting on page 6. AFTER CUSHMAN — WHAT? One of the golf car industry's top companies has decided after this year, it will no longer manufacture its line. A shock to its competition, dealers and customers, Cushman's exit from the market is reviewed in a concise GOLFDOM report along with new directions for the car _____6

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