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The golf ball manufacturers have agreed not to sell golf balls to retail buyers at less than the retail price and they are living up to this. E. C. Conlin, sec. of the Golf Ball Manufacturers' Assn., points out that this agreement which developed to a national proposition after being introduced by a Pacifice Coast PGA section and manufacturers represented in that locality, means a small fortune added to pro income and protection to the manufacturers in efforts to maintain a substantial price structure.

The elimination of price-cutting was not easy to get but balanced against the pro income from subsidy gave the pros far the best of it. Subsidy for the most part was dangerous to pros because of club official criticism of the sacrifice of buying independence and the interpretation of subsidy as petty larceny or graft.

From every angle, not the least being a revival in play, it looks like the pro has in 1934 the best chance he's had to make a profit from his service. How are you going to handle your chance? Have you planned your campaign or are you just going to take things as they come and hope for the best?

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Course and Clubhouse Work Costing \$1,613,528 Reported by 22 States

A SAFE GUESS on the amount of CWA money spent on golf course and clubhouse work while such funds were available probably would be in the neighborhood of \$3,000,000. To this figure might be added another \$1,000,000 supplied by state and local funds paying labor.

GOLFDOM solicited from all state civil works administrators data on the amount of money due on golf courses within their respective states, and the number of jobs handled. Administrators in 22 states supplied the information. These 22 states were responsible for \$1,613,528 spent on about 60 courses and/or clubhouses. The balance of the \$3,000,000 GOLFDOM estimates from newspaper clipping on jobs handled in the states whose CWA administrators don't pay much attention to correspondence.

In some states, such as Washington, no separate account was kept of projects involving golf courses as such work was handled under the heading of "recreational centers". In a number of instances, such as that at Connecticut, funds of the CWA spent for golf work were for labor only. Materials used on the projects were paid for by the town or city in which the work was being carried on. In the case of New York State the CWA supplied \$375,000 of the \$509,479 used on golf work and local government funds supplied the rest. In New York 2,054 men were employed on the state's CWA golf work.

Obviously, as a result of the CWA work on many municipal courses since the latter part of the 1933 golf season the courses this year should be in far better condition than ever before and naturally so much more attractive to players that all business phases of the sport should feel beneficial effects.

A summary of state CWA golf work:	
Oregon\$ 40,000	2
New Hampshire No cost given	2
South Dakota None	
Arizona\$116,090	3
Utah\$ 5,000	1
Montana None	
New Mexico None	
North Dakota\$ 6,425.	4
Illinois None	
Arkansas None	
Mississippi\$ 1.500	1
MichiganNo cost given	1
Georgia\$ 68,290	12
Vermont None	
New York\$509,930	8
Nevada\$ 3,930	1
Indiana\$269,166	6
(Includes Indianapolis park work)	
North Carolina\$107,560	
Pennsylvania\$ 66,000	* *
Connecticut\$192,017	**
Wisconsin\$199,056	••
Kentucky\$ 26,570	9
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PGA Tournament Bureau Advances Players' Interest

By HERB GRAFFIS

THE PGA can check up to its service of member and non-member pros and the golfing public the 1933-34 winter tournament season as one of the association's masterly jobs.

It's not running wild to credit the winter circuit events and their attendant publicity with having had a lot to do in getting a lively revival of golf started.

There were 28 events on the circuit which started with the Capital City Open at Washington, D. C., and ended with the Virginia Beach Open. Prize money amounted to \$74,300. Newspaper publicity nationally was far in excess of that of any previous year—even during the predepression period. The boys performed as competent businessmen and sportsmen of their word, despite the financial perils that the circuit has for young gentlemen who are traveling light in hope of fame, fortune and a post-graduate degree in playing and instruction technique. Only in one instance, that at Atlanta, did the impressario of the PGA tournament circuit, Bob Harlow, have to be barbecued by the hot speech of the men who sponsored the tournament. More than a dozen players who had promised to appear at the initial Atlanta tournament failed to show, and what the folks said about the run-outs did not omit words prohibited by the proposed tournament players' code.

Prize Money Division Studied

There were cases in which the prize money was not equitably distributed. Changes were made when possible after

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Harlow had gone to bat for the troupers, and in other cases the tournament promotors promised a satisfactory revision next year. In working out next season's winter schedule Harlow will ask the tournament sponsors to adopt prize distribution schedules along lines players approved in conferences held late the last season.

Pro-amateur events, other than one round purse affairs of more or less a social nature and held between principal tournaments, are not to have a place on next season's schedule.

A minimum of \$2,500 for a 72-hole tournament probably will be adopted for next season, and a standard minimum scale set for one and two-day tournaments.

Harlow again sweat with the problem of getting special hotel rates for the players but usually was whipped by the hotels contributing to the tournament guarantees and for that reason, local committees hesitated to name any one hotel official headquarters. Without this designation a hotel won't go for a group rate because it is not assured of enough players as guests. Many of the fellows who were operating on restricted capital stayed at the tourist homes where conditions generally were good and the rates low.

Judging from the winter tournament record of presenting in title debuts young men who keep hot later in the season, Henry Picard, Ky Laffoon and Ralph Stonehouse lead this year's graduating class.

The Augusta National event, of course, was the publicity high spot of the season. The club did slightly better than break even on the initial venture and intends to make it an annual event. Harlow entered into correspondence with Bob Jones right after the Masters' tournament was announced and secured invitations for some of the young men of the winter circuit who might have been overlooked otherwise. The pros regard Bob's performance in his tournament as amazingly good in view of his long absence from competitive golf and the burden he carried in playing host to a very pleasant event.

Winter Publicity a Record

Probably the most generally profitable phase of the winter tournament circuit Harlow engineered this year was the publicity references to the instruction postgraduate school aspect of the tournaments. This already seems to have registered in giving the winter tournament boys a swift "Boy . . . what a bunch switched to Penfolds this season!"

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start on big lesson business in 1934. Estimates of newspaper lineage devoted to the winter circuit this year place the total at almost twice the space of any preceding year.

20 Win More Than \$1,000

Pros who won \$1,000 or more during the winter circuit, as scored by the PGA records:

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H. Smith .													e			• :		5,306	
Macfarlane																		3,516	
Cox																		3,196	
Shute																		2,754	
Revolta																		2,660	
Wood																		2,549	
M. Smith														2				2,468	
Mehlhorn																		2,023	
Laffoon .																		1,984	
Hunter .															4			1,914	
Cooper																	*	1,880	
Creavy																		1,724	
Picard																			
Armour .											1	1.						1,393	
O. Dutra																		1,259	
M. Dutra																			
Watrous			 					 										1,135	
Thompson																		1,119	
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There were 18 of the boys who won between \$897, which was Jimmy Hines' take for the season, and \$350 which figure both John Golden and Willie Dow took in.

It begins to look like the next winter circuit will have a series of Open tournaments in the Northwest with Seattle, Portland, Tacoma and Vancouver already planning and other cities in prospect.

Plan Australian Trip

Harlow is working with Australian golf authorities on a trip of a 6-man American pro team to the Southern Cross domain. Several big-money Open events are planned in addition to the Australian Open. Present plans call for the selection of a team after the PGA championship at Buffalo, July 24-29. Bob also is trying to arrange exhibition matches in all ports of call en route from San Francisco to Melbourne. The team would leave S. F. October 16 and arrive in Melbourne November 9. It would leave on the return trip not later than December 8. Just how this tour can be worked in while the earlier U. S. tournament sponsors are kept satisfied is something Harlow is struggling with now. One thing that makes this problem easier is the big draw of tournaments in which the older big names were absent this year. People are paying money to see the hot-

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shot youngsters and talk about how they pick young Soandso to go far. The start of Horton Smith, Paul Runyan, Craig Wood and Denny Shute in the winter tournaments has had much to do with building up this angle of gate draw. The customers like to brag they "knew them when."

Harlow's problems of the immediate present are concerned with helping to make the PGA championship at Buffalo a big financial success. He is drawing on his experience with the PGA championship at Providence, previous high of PGA championship money-makers, in working with the Buffalo committee. He had worked up prospects of a number of Open events this summer but has temporarily laid them aside because of the uncertainty of getting fields. Present Open fixtures during the summer (St. Paul, Glen Falls, Lincoln, Hershey) probably will continue and though there has been some howls at St. Paul from citizens who figure their money had best go for ransom or bullet-proof lingerie.

Busy Summer for Harlow

Summer will be a busy time for Harlow on the PGA job for, in addition to the work that must be done in arranging the winter schedule, he has to get the 1935 Ryder Cup matches set and financed. He has secured several preliminary bids from cities keenly interested in holding the international pro matches.

All of the tournament pros have been mailed a questionnaire by Harlow, asking for information that will enable the PGA Tournament Bureau to function most effectively. Any professional interested in tournament golf is asked to immediately supply the information requested by the questionnaire, which follows:

INFORMATION WANTED BY THE TOURNAMENT BUREAU OF THE PGA

(It is essential that the Tournament Manager have as much information concerning these questions as it is possible to obtain at this time. Please answer as many of the questions as possible and return or mail to Robert E. Harlow, 1760 First Avenue North, St. Petersburg, Florida.)

1. Are you a P. G. A. member?

2. Do you intend to be a P. G. A. member in 1934?

3. Negotiations are under way for a fall tournament circuit which would start in Kansas City about the middle of October and move westward with events in Denver, Salt Lake City, Spokane, Seattle, Portland, Vancouver and Tacoma and possibly other cities. This tour would link up with the California events which would follow it. Would you make this tour?

4. The P. G. A. Championship will be played in Buffalo, New York, July 24 to 29. Will you play in this Championship? 5. The Western Open will be played at the Country Club of Peoria, Ill., June 15-16-17. Will you play in this Championship?

6. Columbus, Ohio; Waterloo, Iowa; Lincoln, Nebraska, and St. Paul, Minn., are all considering holding open golf tournaments during the coming summer. If these events were played in August would you participate?

7. Do you plan to play in California next winter?

8. Do you plan to play in Texas next winter?

9. Do you plan to play in the Southeastern tournaments next year?

10. In the event of a conflict in dates between a fall tournament in Miami and a Northwestern circuit of at least ten open events being impossible to avoid, would you play in Miami or in the Northwest?

11. Do you know of any cities which might sponsor an open golf tournament?



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If so please put down the names of the proper persons for the Tournament Bureau to contact.

Remarks: Please write here any criticism, suggestions, etc., you have in connection with open tournament golf.

Illinois PGA to Rescue of Midwest Turf Garden

LLINOIS PGA has authorized contribution of \$500 to the fund for the preservation of the Midwest Turf Garden of the USGA Green Section, thus making it certain that present highly important experiments at the garden will be carried through the year.

The Illinois pros were enthusiastic and unanimous in their action, endorsing the Midwest garden and the Green Section activities in general as invaluable services to American golf. The pro financial support matches that of the Chicago District Golf Assn. Pro opinion voiced by Alex Cunningham, veteran pro-supt. of the North Shore GC and echoed by his fellow members was that Green Section work made courses more pleasant for members, helped to reduce maintenance expense and uncertainty, and thus was right in line with pro service policies.

President James Wilson of the Illinois PGA, in introducing the subject, said: "Here is where we can show our clubs, the USGA and the Chicago District Golf Assn. that whatever money the pros can get is money we are willing to have spent wisely for increasing our members' enjoyment of the game."

The Illinois PGA action has not lessened efforts to secure financial support necessary for the full program of service and research that the USGA Green Section has outlined for the Midwest station providing adequate funds are forthcoming.





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COST DATA Northern California Seeks Comparative Course Figures

FOLLOWING THE LEAD of the Detroit and the Westchester district golf associations, the Northern California Golf Assn. has established the machinery to gather course maintenance cost figures from its member clubs and consolidate the data for purposes of comparison.

Last season, Bud Norwood, chairman of the NCGA green section, sent a questionnaire to each club asking for cost figures, but when the clubs responded it was found that varying methods of accounting, as practiced by the member clubs, made direct comparison unsatisfactory.

To overcome this state of affairs, the association decided to issue this year a standard blank to be filled in by the clubs in accordance with specific instructions as to what constitute proper golf course charges and what should be considered foreign to the course itself and therefore should be omitted from the returns.

The blank form, which clubs are expected to file with the association monthly, segregates golf course expense under five main heads: "salaries and wages," "supplies and expense," "water," (an extremely important factor on the West Coast), "pumping expense" "and "other expense."

First tabulation to result from the NCGA research into costs is reproduced on this

MONTHLY STATEMENT OF	GOLF COURSE EX	PENSE
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		10 0475
BALANCES AND WARES		
GENERAL MANAGER (PRO MATA)	COLOR DE LA	
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SUPPLIES AND EXPENSE		314
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Monthly Expense Form Used by N.C.G.A.

page. By request of Dixwell Davenport, chairman of the NCGA greens and grounds committee, who supplied this table to GOLFDOM, names of clubs have been omitted.

The interesting fact disclosed is the wide spread in costs, even in a table of only 16 clubs. On salaries and wages, for example, the maximum is over 5 times the minimum. Supplies vary from \$600 to almost \$5,000. Similarly total costs appear as \$4,689 for one of the 9-hole layouts and as \$26,138 for one of the 18-hole clubs.

COMPARISON OF GOLF COURSE EXPENSE FOR THE CLUBS IN THE NORTHERN CALIFORNIA GOLF ASSOCIATION

Salaries	Supplies	Water	Golf Course	Number of	
and Wages	and Expense	and Power	Reconstruction	Holes	Total
\$13,900.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,800.00	(18)	\$23,700.00
8.977.53	1,321.00	2,949.27	126.00	(18)	13,374.12
19,122.70	4,721.39	2,721.27			26,565.36
7.603.52	635.04	1,771.00		(18)	10,009.56
7,167.17	4,489.16	4,286.55		(18)	15,942.88
19,566.96	4,957.63	1,614.22			26,138.81
14,240.73	2,160.95	2,135.83	720.00	(18)	19,257.51
5,878.35	1,418.09	1,456.96		(18)	8,753.40
16,280.00	1,390.00	5,000.00		(18)	23,270.00-
11,185.87	2,973.26	2,228.38	1,093.38	(18)	17,480.00
13,000.56	1,959.94	3,048.99			18,009.49
4,800.00	500.00	2,700.00		(9)	8,100.00
16,294.00	4,686.34	3,298.63		(18)	24,279.00
3,860.00	931.00	756.56	800.00	(9)	6,347.56
3,309.00	927.34	253.32	200.00	(9)	4,689.66
9,811.65	4,918.33	1,944.59	363.25	(18)	17,037.82