Major Problems Highlight Managers' Report

The 19th annual convention of the Club Managers association of America, February 16th to 19th, Pennsylvania Hotel, New York City, will revolve about the seven main problems of club supervision, according to assn. sec'y, Fred H. Bernet, Missouri Athletic Club, St. Louis, Mo.

Subjects to be given the limelight are: 1. Outlook on Future Markets (Equipment, Liquor and Food). 2. Economies By New and Improved Machinery and Methods in Kitchen and Laundry. 3. Club Interior Decorating and Modernization. 4. Modern Sanitary Methods. 5. Employer-Employee Relations. 6. Benefits and Retirement Plans for the Club. 7. Modern Accounting Methods for the Club.

Speakers already scheduled include such outstanding authorities as Dorothy Draper on Decorating; Mr. James McCarthy, Sec'y New York City Hotel Association on Employer-Employee Relations; and Professor James Muldowney on Accounting.

Round-table discussions will be held on "Town, Country, Beach and Yacht Clubs". Members' wives will find an alert entertainment committee has many surprises for them. Pres. Eric G. Koch, North Hills GC, Douglaston, L.I., N.Y., anticipates a record attendance for the four-day conference.

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The novel contest, won by Hank Kaiser,



Toasting Kaiser, the winner, are (left to right)
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pro at Racine's Johnson Park, who fired a frosty 40, drew 79 contestants. With entries from every southern Wisconsin city, 18 holes of medal play were planned, but a shortage of colored golf balls forced cancellation of the final nine. Although more than 300 balls were reported lost in the snow, the players declared that a creditable and fun-packed game could be played under the "impossible" winter conditions.

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"From Rags To Riches" or "How To Get Your Club Out of the Red" might well have been the theme of the testimonial banquet honoring Carl Suedhoff's 20 years as sec'y-mgr. of Fort Wayne (Ind.) CC last month. For under his guidance that is exactly what happened.

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Previous tribute to Suedhoff's management was made during the war when the club was awarded citations by the army and navy for aid in recruiting and for its entertainment of servicemen stationed at

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At the banquet honoring him and attended by almost 300 members of the club, Suedhoff was presented a plaque bearing the names of all those in attendance.

VETS EVENTS SCHEDULED — Examination of club tournament schedules for 1947 so far received by GOLFDOM show that a number of clubs have listed events for members who were in military service. Variations include army vs. navy events and events in which each vet selects a partner from members who were not in military service.

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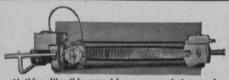
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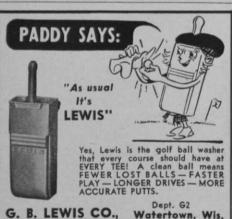
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Putting On a Front

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GOLF PIONEER DIES

One of golf's best known old-timers died December 27th at his home in Charleston, W. Va. Edward Galligan, 67, whom everyone knew as "Pop", was stricken with a heart attack Thursday and passed away a day later. He had helped with the construction there of Meadow Brook GC and for many years had been pro at Capitol View GC.

Pop grew up with golf, beginning as a caddy, then apprentice, club maker, and finally pro and GC consultant. He served his apprenticeship at the Formby GC, Lancashire, England, where he made the first hand-wound golf ball in the world, and later introduced it into this country. It was in England that he numbered among his many golf students Lady Alice, Lord Stanley, and the Prince of Wales.

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Amateur John Munn led the field with a remarkable 73 and 20 others won prizes. Winners finished before the snow storm struck, while over half the field blew up in a 35 mile blizzard. Nearly 100 players completed the round.

HOOSIER GREENKEEPERS IN ANNUAL MEET AT INDIANAPOLIS

Wilbur Shaw was guest of honor at the annual pheasant dinner of Riley Lawn & Golf Equipment Co., for the Greenkeepers Assn. of Indiana, Jan. 10, at the Country Club of Indianapolis. Shaw showed movies of past and present Memorial Day Speedway auto races-great pictures. Pete Coval, the Country Club's grnkpr., was reelected assn. president, with James Rees of Willowbrook GC appointed delegate to the GSA meeting. The assn. now embraces two-thirds of Indiana's turf management men, including Stan Graves in charge of the Hoosier capitol's popular muny courses, Max Parson, an eastern import now at Highland CC, and Carl Bretzlaff whose record as a turf specialist is nationally known. Carl has had 25 years continuous service at Meridian Hills. Clem Coble, whose mammoth putting green at Broadmoor is second in size only to the state of Texas and whose service at the club covers 27 years; Tex Harvey, Hillcrest CC, Jack Fortner, Speedway Corp. and Doc Coval, Ulen CC, and a host of other Hoosier aces in the art of turf maintenance attended the dinner meeting. Pete Coval, looking like one of Lord Calvert's "Men of Distinction" beamed upon his renewed presidential responsibilities with the assurance that Indiana's courses will have the finest of care in 1947.



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