

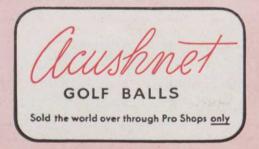
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Louisville, Ky. new Iroquois muny course designed by Robert Bruce Harris opened. . . It's the city's fifth muny course. . . Earl Ruby, Louisville Courier-Journal

### NEWS OF THE GOLF WORLD IN BRIEF

By HERB GRAFFIS

Jerry Glynn, pro at Skycrest CC (Chicago dist.) is bragging, with reason of his women's team which won the Women's Western Maschmeyer team trophy the first year the club ever entered a team in the Women's Western amateur... Art Melville, pro at Fort Washington GC, Fresno, Calif., says we were given a bum tip on his holding of the Carnoustie record. . . Art says as "an apology to the Smiths, the Simpsons, Martins and hundreds of other brilliant golfers who hailed from famed Carnoustie" he wants it made clear that he made no claim to having shot a record 66. . . To best of Art's knowledge the Carnoustie championship record is 70 scored by amateurs Hector Thompson and A. E. McLeod and pros R. A. Whitcombe, Charley Lacey, Ed Dudley and Henry Picard.

H. (Ossie) Pickworth retained Australian Open title with 285 victory at Royal Queensland GC at Hamilton. . . Second at 290 was Billy McWilliams, pro at Sydney's North Brighton course. . . McWilliam's first

veteran sports writer, says the new layout is a "remarkable project." . . . Pete Doll is Iroquois pro. . . Seeding and stolon planting was made to Green Section recommendations . . . War combats have been doing O.K. in regional tournaments this year. . . Frank Strafaci, Pacific battle vet, recently won Metropolitan amateur title for fifth time.

Russ Needham, Columbus (O.) Dispatch sports columnist, says a cross-country series of matches between Nelson and Locke for "world's golf championship" in 20 to 50 cities, with 70% of net to winner, would make "a quarter of a million" for the promoter.

Columbus, O., sports writers lauded Spec Hammond for his smooth handling of recent Columbus Invitation, won by Locke... The affair, of course, was called "Invitational" and we still can't get it into our heads why the "al" on the end of "invitation"... They don't call open tournaments "openals" or amateur events, "amateurals." ... Oh well, who are we to champion the cause of literacy, grammar, syntax or spelling?

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George Schoux of the tournament circuit married at San Francisco to Dorothy Genochio. . . Mrs. Schoux is a graduate of University of California who met George while she was taking golf lessons from his brother Al at Sharp park. . . Bobby Locke says Hagen taught him to putt by telling him "stroke your putter at the hole." . . Locke thinks the Ryder Cup matches will be a walk-away for the U.S. because the Britishers can't putt. . . Locke is adding to his U.S. winnings by cabling a daily column to a Johannesburg newspaper.

New Orleans would like to get 1949 Western Amateur. . . Tommy Barnes, Southern amateur champion, is one of seven golfing brothers... All started to play on Atlanta's James L. Key muny course. . . Cree Meadows course at Ruidoso, N. Mex., opened. . . Some talk about Joe Louis' figuring on playing the tournament circuit. . Second 9 of Hickory, N. C., Catawba CC opened.



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Manley McWilliams elected temporary pres. of Carmel CC, new club at Charlotte, N.C. . . . Tournament co-chairman Ernest Cook of Columbus (O.) pro invitation tournament estimated that from 600 to 800 workers of the Columbus CC and tournament sponsors, the Zooligans, contributed their time and work to putting the event over. . . Keswick Corp. formed at Charlottesville, Va. to build new club and 18 hole course at Villa Crawford estate.

Southern Women GA 1948 tournament to be played at Bellemead CC, Nashville, Tenn. . . . Arizona CC, formerly Ingleside, at Columbus, Ga., to build new clubhouse and pro shop. . . Emory Thomas, pro at Forest Hill F.C., Bloomfield, N.J., holed fifth ace in N.Y. World-Telegram Hole-in-One 14 year history on 135 yd. specially

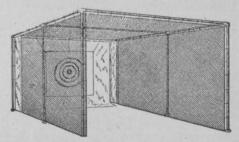


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Jackson, Minn., to build a course. . . 500 attended opening party of new 18 hole Morgantown (W. Va.) G&CC. . . Al Spencer is pro. . . Frank P. Corbin is pres. . . Editorial in Morgantown Post hailed opening of club as evidence of "revived belief in Morgantown and its future." . . . H. R. Pickens, Editor of Canadian Sport Monthly, in commenting on the Babe's win of the British Ladies' championship, says the British overlooked a point in their own regulations, not to reinstate to amateur status a woman who has been a professional. . . Pickens says he understood that when Joyce Wethered married and became Lady Heathcoat Amory she wanted to regain amateur golf status.

Novelty event at Pine Ridge CC (Cleveland dist.) is Sunrise breakfast party at 6 A.M. with guests coming in pajamas and playing golf after breakfast by swimming pool. . . Steve Hart, asst. pro at San Fernando Valley CC, Woodland Hills, Calif., has stored nearly 250 wood head covers that members lost on the course and never called for. . . Owners of Southern California CC, formerly Midwick (LA dist.), figuring on new clubhouse, new watering system and restoring the Midwick name.

Funny thing that although Atlanta, Ga. is the home of some fairly well known golfers its first national championship will be the Publinx at North Fulton park next year. . . Ed Danforth, sports editor of Atlanta Journal, says the city's public courses "entertain five or six times as many players as the private clubs." . . Arrowhead 9-hole course near Atlanta reopened by Dickinson brothers.

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Hurray for Valerie Hogan, Ben's wife... She told a girl reporter at Columbus, O., "We (tournament pros' wives) are really fortunate. We see more of our husbands than most wives."... Delightful change from the tales of torment about the tournament circuit... The Hogans have been married 12 years... They met when they were going to the same Sunday school in Fort Worth... Valerie is quoted as saying she and Ben have "been collecting things all over the country" to put in the home they'll build in "two or three years."

Jack Comer, pres.-mgr., heads new Deane Hill country club to be built west of Knoxville, Tenn., on estate bought for "more than \$100,000."...John M. Brennan who writes one of the country's top golf columns in Long Island City (N.Y.) Star and Journal said in a recent column, "When the 10 best golf course maintenance men of the nation are listed the name of Larry King, North Hills' greenkeeper, must be included."... Larry's been at course maintenance work for 40 years and at only two courses, Old Country and North Hills on Long Island.

Three-cornered mixup between Rome, Ga., Junior Chamber of Commerce, promoters of North Fulton GC Open at Atlanta, Ga. and PGA seems to have the Georgians somewhat riled. . . Rome cancelled its proposed tournament. . . Mike Calandra's "Tee to Green" column in Buffalo (N.Y.) News has been running helpful series of tips from district's pros.

Camp Lake GC, Sparta, Wis., sold to Harold Lester, Chicago. . . Annual "Crazy" golf tournament of Central Ohio Traffic club has players making some shots with shovels, croquet mallets and baseball bats and shooting while seated on a table. . . Bainbridge (N.Y.) News carries 3-column story on "Golf—A Sport for All" by Lewis H. Carris. pres., Sidney G&CC.



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Navy's purchase of Del Monte hotel as a Pacific Coast cadet school means new hotel will be built for the golf trade at Del Monte.
. . Hatherly GC, Scituate, Mass., clubhouse burns. . . Loss \$100,000 and about 150 sets of clubs in pro Igoe's shop. . . Russ Needham in Columbus (O.) Dispatch did a swell column on Herb Lape, Columbus GA official and tournament promoter. . . Russ told about how Herb's liking for golf helps make his shoe business big.

Little Louise Suggs' convincing victory in Women's Western amateur championship at Evanston (Ill.) GC had the other girl players and pros who watched the field saying that Didrikson turned pro at the right time. . . The girls give The Babe credit for having provided competition that made the pace of women's golf faster. . . Don't think that the Suggs kid can't whack the ball far and away. . . She's so small she

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looks like she could go in one of Ben Hogan's pockets but I stepped out one drive of hers that went 245 yards and several over 230.

The girls are grim but not catty contestants . . . Peggy Kirk is one of them who seems to have a lot of fun at it. . . Women's golf tournaments just don't draw as they should, considering excellence of play and complete perfection of tournament management such as is almost invariable in Women's Western GA affairs. . . Advance publicity releases were informative, lively and frequent.

Comment of pros, man amateur stars, veteran male galleryites and newspapermen is that Women's Western tournaments provide tougher playing conditions than pros generally meet except in the National Open. . . Exacting placing of cups, the rough bordering fairways and greens and strict observance of the rules in the Women's Western competitions never bring a yowl from the contestants.

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Tam O'Shanter CC (Chicago dist.) invites Hines VA hospital disabled patients to its annual member-guest tournament and sees that they get a swell time including swims (if they're able).

E. M. Prain's golf book "Live Hands" published by MacMillan Co. goes deep into the principle of hand control as a major factor of the golf swing...J. Douglas Edgar was a great one for that... Tommy Armour, with a magnificent pair of "live hands" developed the Douglas idea, as did Bob Macdonald... The Texas school put strong accent on the "live hands" idea after the Macdonald and Armour emphasis of Edgar's theory.

