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By  
HERB GRAFFIS

## THE GOLF NEWS IN BRIEF



Bing Crosby and Bob Hope will be in a movie short about Western GA caddy training and Evans scholarship plans. . . Film is planned to present to older golfers and caddie boys lively, broad and valuable aspects of WGA caddy program. . . Ben Hogan and Chick Evans also will be featured in the picture with other pros and Hollywood notables. . . Scotty Fessenden and Larry Crosby arranged the job. . . Jack Kennan and Cam Eddy of WGA going to Hollywood as technical advisors on the picture.

Next May 19 golf celebrities will gather at late George Ade's Hazelden GC, Brook Ind., when Ade's executors turn club over to members after the 5 years' operation since humorist and playwright's death. . . Twin Orchard CC (Chicago dist.) recently turned over another \$1,500 to Chicago District Golf Charities, Inc. for hospitalized veterans' recreation fund. . . Twin Orchard's annual pro-am events staged by club with Illinois PGA have raised \$7,000 for veterans in past 4 years. . . M. K. Karzen, Twin Orchard sports and pastimes chmn., says other Chicago district clubs have shown interest in conducting similar events.

Negro golfers' suit for \$315,000 against PGA dismissed by Reno court Sept. 20. . . Plaintiff's attorney conceded that Negroes' failure to comply with PGA regulations, rather than color, was reason for denying Spiller, Rhodes and Gunter entry at Richmond tourney. . . If Negro pros apply for admission to PGA tournaments matter will be considered by PGA Executive committee during PGA annual meeting, Dunedin, Fla., Dec. 1-3.

Six months gap between declaration to turn pro and eligibility to PGA-sponsored tournaments and additional requirements of signing PGA tournament player's contract is dismaying to amateurs who expected to turn pro promptly at winter tournaments if they score in prize money

figures. . . Necessity of reducing tournament fields given as reason for PGA action.

Leading private clubs getting increasingly reluctant to take tournaments, except national championships, Western Open and Amateur and Women's Western GA major events. . . Possibility of Negro players and gallery at private clubs where they're none too eager to have a crowd of whites is further tightening tournament prospects at better clubs. . . White pros wondering when Negro businessmen will build good courses and hold tournaments with big purses.

Longest recorded ace of the year made by Wm. Winterton on Cortland (N.Y.) CC 300 yd. 11th. . . Al Gerring, High Point, N.C., munny course pro in weekly radio program that gets many listeners. . . Annual Evans scholar day held at Bob O'Link GC (Chicago dist.) with Western GA officials as hosts. . . Willie Turnesa, National Amateur champion, tied for 3rd place in British Victory tournament at Metropolis CC (NY Met. dist.) 2 weeks after winning U.S. title.

NY Dept. of Parks annual Knickerbocker handicap tournament this year had 1,200 contestants from the city's 10 courses. . . Onondaga G&CC tells its 50 years history in booklet distributed to members. . . Bill Mitchell, Onondaga pro-gkpr., in 21st year with club. . . His predecessor, Jack Jones, was with the club 20 years. . . Joe Balnis, Bridgehampton (N.Y.) club pro starts Jan. 1, 1949 as winter season pro at Useppa Island club, Fla.

Denver stories bum-rapped Ben Hogan for leaving without accepting first prize money. . . Hogan thought Freddie Haas was a sure winner but Haas blew in the stretch. . . Hogan telephoned the club but the message was muffed. . . During the Denver Open Ben appeared on two radio programs to plug the event. . . Willow Brook CC, Tyler, Tex., considering building new 18 hole course. . . Louise Suggs on exhibition tour in southern California and southwest.

Estimated average age of members at majority of Grade A private clubs in central and eastern metropolitan districts is over 50. . . Difficult to figure out an answer for private club membership at prices highly desirable young people can afford. . . Jerry Glynn, Skycrest CC (Chicago dist.) pro and noted as developer of women golfers, points out that in Women's Western Amateur finals on a very tough course Riley and Kieley had medals of 75 and 76 and in USGA Amateur finals at Memphis Turnesa and Bil-lows had 74 and 77 as medal scores for the first 18 of the finals. . . "How weak is the weaker sex?" asks Glynn.

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appropriates \$24,000 for 6-hole course at Veterans' Administration hospital, Danville, Ill. . . . Course, designed by Allan Wyman, Danville CC pro, will be 1,885 yds.; par 23. . . Among players in Netherlands 1948 Open championship were American soldiers on leave from duty in Germany. . . Joe Frasca leaves Augusta (Ga.) CC to be pro at Parris Island (S.C.) Marine post. . . Augusta members gave Joe a farewell dinner and a deep sea fishing kit. . . John Anderson leaves Essex County (N.J.) CC to become supt., Richmond (Va.) CC. . . Jersey greenkeepers gave their widely known colleague a big send-off dinner.

A beloved veteran of golf, Alex Rose, 64, golf editor of Seattle (Wash.) Post-Intelligencer, died at Seattle, Sept. 20, following an operation. . . Alex was born in Prestwick, Scotland. . . He came to Seattle in 1906. . . For 30 years Alex wrote golf in the Northwest and was nationally known as an authority and one of the grandest fellows on courses, in locker-rooms and tournament press rooms anywhere. . . One of his entertaining tales was about caddying for Harry Vardon when Harry won the 1903 British Open at Prestwick. . . Alex is survived by two daughters, Marjorie Romano, Tacoma, and Aimee Cannon, San Diego; his two brothers who are well known in U.S. pro

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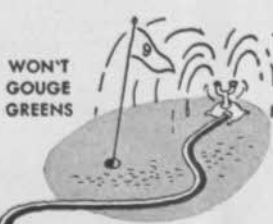
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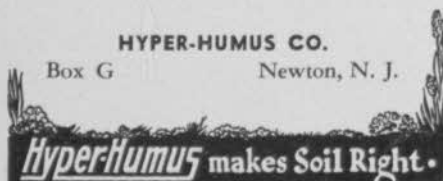
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Big party at Bonnie Briar CC (NY Met. dist.) celebrating pro Sal Di Buono's 25th year at the club. . . Fancy program issued. . . Special prize events for men and women. . . Issue of Bonnie Briar News saluting Sal and recording his progress from time he came to the club as a caddy. . . News story terms Sal "on the score of value to his club, the outstanding golf professional of the day." . . Henry Boury, Bonnie Briar, put on top feed for the gala event. . . Club members presented Sal with an automobile and Mrs. Di Buono with a gold bracelet. . . Dominick Artese, course foreman who also has been with club 25 years; Mike Barret and Joe Di Buono, Sal's assistants; and Zit Turi-

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Los Angeles new public pitch and putt course at Rancho opened with city officials, pro and amateur golf stars and film celebrities in the ceremonies. . . Rancho pitch and putt holes are from 90 to 167 yds. long. . . Fee is 50 cents a round. . . Maurie Luxford, pres., LA City Recreation and Park commission, me at this opening of first unit in the huge Rancho public golf layout.

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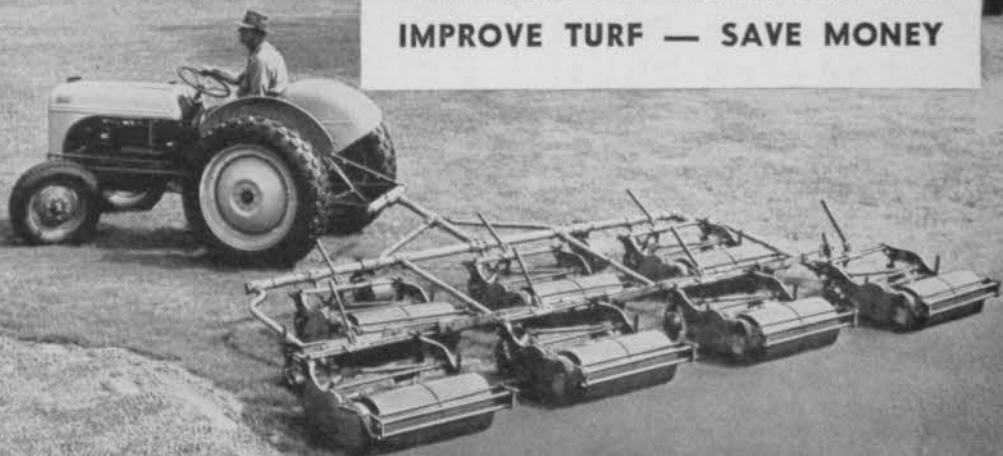
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Prince's GC at Sandwich, where Sarazen won the 1932 British Open, has been bought by a private company for about \$80,000 and will be rehabilitated. . . 17-year-old Dean Lind, Rockford, Ill., has added to his USGA Junior title, Illinois high school and Chicago DGA championships, which about put the Rockford lad in the Hogan class of junior golf.

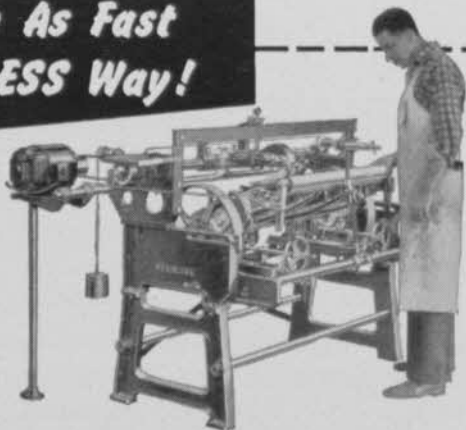
Don't be surprised if Horton Smith picks up a goodly piece of prize money in winter tournaments. . . That knee operation has Horton again hitting the ball well and he can still putt with any of them. . . His recent 62, 9 under par on Detroit GC course and his win of Michigan's Hagen Day tourney at Grand

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