who made 1948's "outstanding contribution to the game" named M. F. "Scotty" Fessenden, Western GA pres. from list including Mayor Jim Rhodes of Columbus, O., Bing Crosby, Bob Hope, Fred V. Grau and Ted Payseur, chmn., National Collegiate GA.

Scotty Maisack going from Riverwood GC. Dundec. Ore., as pro to Grants Pass (Ore.) G&CC . . . Col R. Otto Probst, South Bend. Ind., owner of world's largest private golf library suggesting to Indiana congressman that golf postage stamp be issued . . . Otto says since Congress has approved stamp honoring circus man P. T. Barnum and baseball's centennial had a stamp, there can be no argument against a golf stamp . . . Let's have the glue on the stamp Scotch-flavored . . . With what the postal department proposes to do in hiking magazine mailing rates and the increase this year, a golf stamp had better come quick or we won't have the price of one left.

Metropolitan (NY) GA to revive Metropolitan Open at Metropolis CC, Sept. 20-22 . . .
That used to be one of the big events of the year. Cal Winsborough, golf architect who used to be with Tucker, Tillinghast and Sherman outfits, now back in golf with Wyatt C. Hedrick at Ft. Worth, Tex. . . . Harry E. Flora going from winter job at Douglas (Ariz.) CC to Marquette (Mich.) G&CC . . . Tom Siler, Knoxville (Tenn.) News-Sentinel sports columnist and director of Golf Writers Assn., married to Helen Cox.

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Ben Hogan picks "18 toughest holes" in Sports World . . . Total distance is 7,621 yds. . . . Riviera (Hogan's Alley) 2d, 4th and 15th selected by Ben . . . Colonial CC 3d and 5th, Pebble Beach 8th and 18th, Pinehurst No. 4 6th and 11th, also picked . . . Other holes named are at Oak Hill, Brook Hollow, Boca Raton, Whitemarsh Valley, Southern Hills, Augusta National, Cherry Hills, Cypress Point and Winged Foot.

Ed Gibbs' Newsletter for liquor trade says there's a "marked antagonism" to clubs . . . "A good many misguided Americans, particularly in the tavern business, are forever berating clubs." . . Judging from our experience in trying to get liquor and beer advertising brewers and distillers are a long, long way from being pro-club . . . They'll stand on their heads for night joint business where a shot is served with an eyc-dropper to the diminishing crop of suckers but show very casual interest in developing golf club endorsement of brands . . . In 1948 government collected \$154 million less in liquor taxes than in 1947 . . . Bar business at majority of golf clubs slumped though play increased . . . Oh, well, we can take it or leave it alone.

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appear in the club's magazine. Wilson Sporting Goods Co. building new golf club plant at Tullahoma, Tenn . . . National Lefthanded Golfers' Assn. already assured of their biggest championship in 10th annual affair which will be played at French Lick Springs, Ind., Aug. 15-17 . . . U. S. – British Seniors' matches to be played July 11-12 at Woking GC near London . . . Event is a revival of competition last played in 1938 . . . 1950 U. S. – British Curtis cup matches to be played at Country Club of Buffalo, N. Y.

Chandler Harper signed as pro by Elizabeth Manor CC, Portsmouth, Va. . . . Course now under construction . . . Kelso (Wash.) Elks GC building new clubhouse. New Jersey chapter, Club Managers Assn. of America, to be host to Connecticut CMA, Metropolitan CMA, Club Managers of the City of New York, Club Managers Assn. of Philadelphia, May 9, at Montclair (N. J.) GC.

At annual meeting of A. G. Spalding & Bros., Inc. stockholders Pres. Charles F. Robbins said company is bringing out an iron to retail at \$5 . . . Robbins added "Since the war the lowest priced iron has been \$6.50; and that \$5 club is the lowest priced iron that manufacturers can make, and we do not make very much profit on it."



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Green Section Suggests "Best Playing Conditions"

Green Section of the USGA sets forth "standards of maintenance suggested for best playing conditions." The Green Section's observations:

Better turf for better golf is the goal of all pest control programs (weeds, diseases, insects, and small animals), but the development of the most desirable types of turf for golf depends also upon skill in management. The characteristics of turf affecting the ball in play are highly important. Close cutting, maximum density, and firmness with resiliency are 3 terms most applicable to turf of tournament quality on all but the roughs. These guides to maintenance are suggested:

TURF ON TEES should be firm to give confidence in the stance and be resilient to permit ready insertion of the peg tee. Turf should be cut sufficiently close to allow the ball to stand clear of uncut grass (1/2 to 3/4 inch). Large flattened tees permit cutting with power units (fairway mowers) and frequent rotation of markers. Creeping or spreading grasses largely are selfhealing. Generous fertilization, improved





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TURF ON FAIRWAYS should be firm to provide a "short roll" for the ball, resilient to facilitate walking, and of maximum density to hold the ball up so that it does not sink down into the grass. Long blades of grass which partially hide the ball destroy the player's confidence and tend to affect the shot. Thin, open turf requires closer cutting than dense, firm turf, to produce the desired lie, which is provided by choice of adapted species, generous balanced feeding, minimum irrigation, and mechanical treatments to promote deep penetration of moisture, nutrients and roots, and to avoid "fluffiness," "spongi-ness," and "matting." Top-flight golfers have stated their preference for the playing qualities exemplified by well-kept (1) Bermuda turf, (2) fescue turf, and (3) bentgrass turf. The worst enemy of good shots on the fairway is deep, soft, lush, overwatered turf. A small divot usually indicates better playing conditions than a large divot.

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benefitted from this friendly and helpful exchange of ideas. But there's still a lot of room for progress in the mutual understanding of professionals' and officials' problems. Whether the club is private, daily fee or public this idea of professionals and officials talking over their observations for the good of the cause, is bound to mean smooth operation and, probably, discovery of details that need attention before they become complaints.

"Maybe, for diplomatic reasons, the initiative in establishing these pro-officials meetings as a regular thing should come from the officials. But, at any rate, the teamwork should be made a fixture in conducting the affairs of every club."

N. Y. Turf Assn. Organized At Cornell Conference

By John F. Cornman

One Hundred forty-six turf men from all parts of New York State and some adjacent states met in Ithaca from March 1 to 4 at the Second Cornell Turf Conference. The problems of fairway renovation and management were thoroughly discussed by C. K. Hallowell, F. V. Grau, and O. J. Noer.

