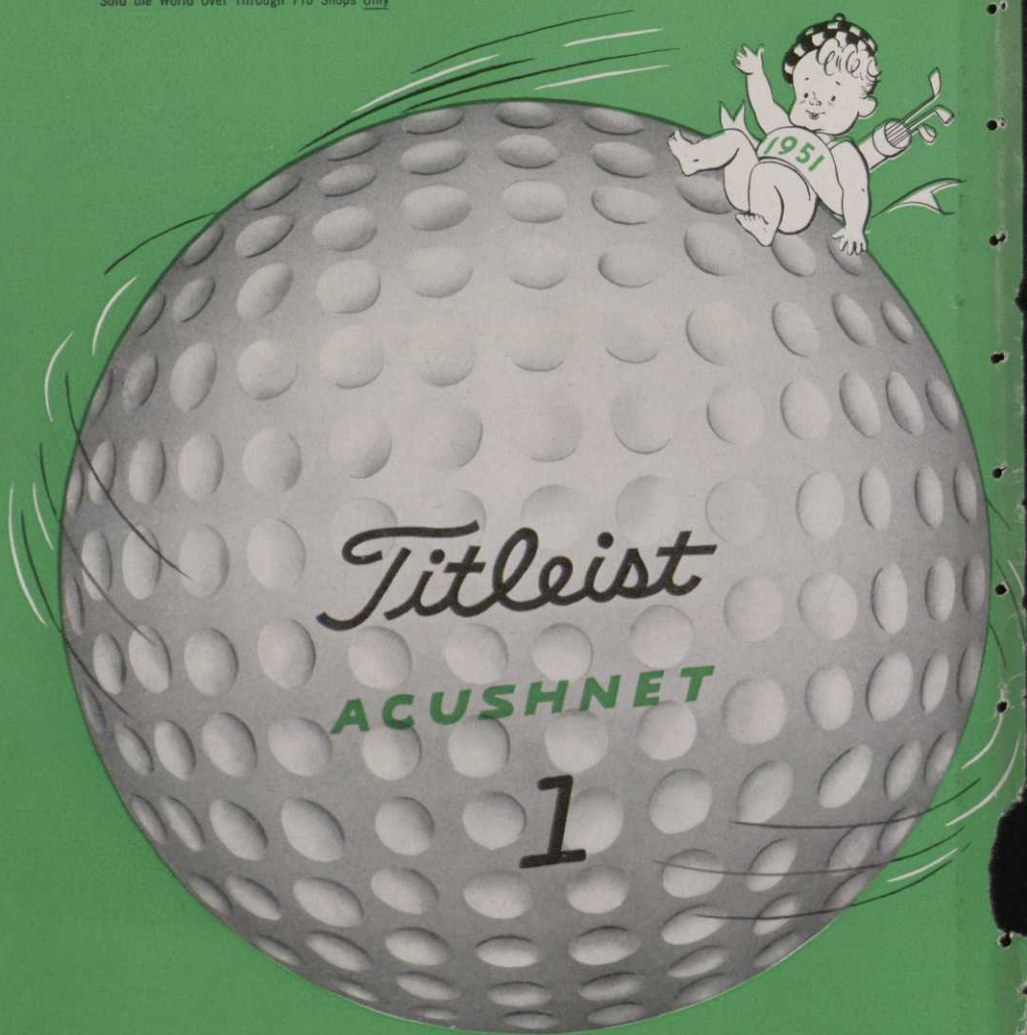


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THE GOLF NEWS IN BRIEF

Wouldn't you know it'd happen? . . . Ben Hogan's had tough time trying to teach a good golf swing to Glen Ford who plays Hogan in the movie of Ben's career . . . Oak Park CC (Chicago dist.) sent Christmas cards to 500 kids who caddied at the club last year . . . Washington (D. C.) Post sends out promotion book on its 4th annual Celebrities Golf Tournament . . . The four events raised \$65,000 for underprivileged kids.

Paul Hahn, pro at Kings County CC, Hanford, Calif., starting out on trick shot exhibition dates . . . Hahn's a fine trick-shot performer with attractive personality and smart showmanship . . . Snead by winning the Vardon trophy in 1950 shares with Hogan honor as 3-time winner of the trophy . . . Ben won in 1940, 1941 and 1948 . . . Sam won in 1938, 1949 and 1950 . . . US Junior Chamber of Commerce reports its 1950 National Junior championship at Ames, Ia., finale of the largest tournament in golf, was conducted for \$5,270 . . . Deficit was \$411.

Reggie Spencer honored by party and gifts for his 30 years as pro at Fairmont (W. Va.) Field Club . . . Mrs. Spencer and daughter Barbara also received gifts from the club that's very happy and proud in having this grand family on the job . . . Henry G. Glissman & Son converting Emmetsburg (Ia.) CC 9-hole course from sand to grass greens this spring . . . Glissman also to restore Ralston (Neb.) CC to play . . . They plan building new 9-hole fee course near Omaha this year.

Press quarters at major golf tournaments won't be the same merry places now that O. B. Keeler's gone . . . Bet he has the heavenly hosts laughing . . . In passing of James Braid in London at the age of 80, curtain went down on an era . . . Braid won British Open in 1901, 1905, 1906, 1909 . . . The calm Englishman from 1899 thru 1912 never finished below 5th in the British Open.

Fourth Cornell turf Conference at Statler Hall, Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., March 6 and 7 . . . Southern Turf Conference at Tifton, Ga., May 10 and 11.

Clarence Doser, Scarsdale (N.Y.) CC pro set course record of 63 on Pine Needles (N.C.) GC with 30 putts . . . Yardage 6413, par 71 . . . Beats a lot of tournament stars' figures . . . Sumner J. Robinson, gen. sales mgr., Bigelow-Sanford Carpet Co., elected director of A. G. Spalding & Bros., Inc. . . . Al Fortier will open second 9 of Albany (Ore.) 18-hole fee course along banks of Willamette river this spring . . . Roger V. E. Sherman, new mgr., Flossmoor CC (Chicago dist.)

Oakmont CC, Pittsburgh's famed course where PGA will be played this year, will bid for National Open in 1953, Oakmont's 50th anniversary . . . Bill Stitt, Oakmont's executive sec., in his 25th year at the club . . . Yearly tickets at four 18-hole courses of Bethpage State Park (NY Met dist.) good for all days, discontinued this year . . . Twin Orchard GC, condemned for expansion of O'Hare airport northwest of Chicago, valued at \$1,250,000 by members . . . City of Chicago offers \$165,000 for Twin Orchard . . . Club recently bought Skycrest CC and signed Babe Didrikson Zaharias as its pro . . . Babe was Skycrest pro in 1950.

Green Hills G&CC, Selma, Ind. to open this year . . . Willie Hunter in Riviera CC magazine says: "We feel it is only fair that our members regularly buying golf balls from us will get priority in any shortage." . . . George Von Elm now pro-gkpr. at Hacienda CC, La Hembra, Calif. . . . International G&CC, Calexico, Calif, now on grass greens.

Impressive evidence of extent and value of golf turf research shown in Turf Research Review compiled by USGA Green Section . . . Book lists turf project workers, projects, financial support and publications of experiment stations . . . Metropolitan Golf Assn. moves offices to Golf House, 40 E. 38th St., New York 16 . . . Bob Watson and Joe Moore, Jr. now co-pros at Metropolitan CC (NY Met. Dist.) . . . Both were Jack Burke's asst's. last year . . . Jack concentrating on tournament circuit under colors of Houston's Shamrock hotel . . . Moore, a Texan, is an LSU grad, and Bob, also a Texan, is a Texas U grad.

Skip Alexander still in Deaconess hospital, Evansville, Ind., at Christmas, for more operations . . . Coming along good but understandably slow . . . MDs say Skip's amazing guts and morale will complete his recovery . . . Tommy Kerrigan starting his 37th season as pro at Siwanoy CC (NY Met dist.) and his 40th as a pro . . . Siwanoy made Tom an Honorary Life Member at a big party last fall . . . A great competitor when younger Tom became one of the top teachers and a master pro whose



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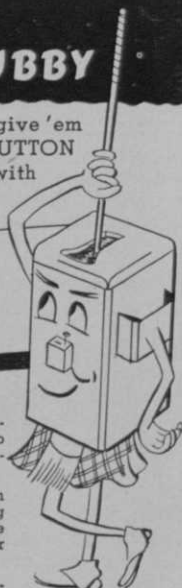
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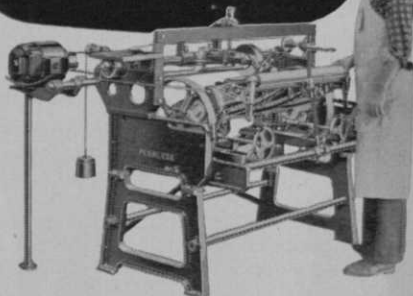
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Dr. Roy A. Bair, formerly in charge of golf turf at Everglades Experiment station has resigned to enter private practice as turf, pasture and field crop consultant with office at 133 W. First St., Belle Glade, Fla. . . Emil Beck, Black River CC, Port Huron Mich., elected pres., Michigan PGA . . . Vps: Maurie Wells, Edmund O'Connor, Joe Belfore and Al Watrous . . . Sec-treas. Tommy Shannon . . . Directors: Warren Orlick, Frank Walsh, Horton Smith . . . Joe Devany was elected honorary pres. and Frank Sprogell, honorary vp . . . Warren Orlick named publicity chmn. to continue splendid publicity work of Michigan section.

Bert Coghill, 60, one of the energetic developers of first class fee course golf died recently at Rochester, Minn., after a brief illness . . . Bert with his brothers Marty and Jack built the Coghill 36-hole plant in the Chicago district and vied with many private clubs in character of course maintenance and house operations . . . After Bert's passing Marty, the surviving brother of the course operators, sold Coghill to Joe Jemsek, owner and operator of the highly successful St. Andrews fee course plant west of Chicago.

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rebuilt Excelsior Springs (Mo.) GC . . . Club's 18 new greens built by Smiley Bell of Kansas City, Mo., will open in spring . . . Ray is succeeded at Falls City (Neb.) CC by Wm. Mark from Woodhill CC, Minneapolis, Minn. . . Roundup of 1950 shows seniors' tournaments had record entries . . . Among surprising turn-outs was 186 for Kansas Seniors' event at Salina (Ks.) CC . . . Salina pro R. E. Barnes says astonishing class of many seniors suggests pros start thinking of promoting senior-junior events as unique affair in sports.

National Left-handed Golfers Assn. already setting stage for its 1951 national championship at Tippecanoe CC, Youngstown, O., July 30-Aug. 1 . . . Nobody came close to Ben Hogan and Babe Zaharias as Man and Woman Golfers of 1950 . . . Babe also won 1950 title as First Lady Golfer at the Sponsors' Checkbooks . . . British Golf Unions' Joint Advisory Council standard scratch score and handicapping system in effect Jan. 1, 1951.

George Knox, 65, died recently at Homewood, Ill., after a three months illness . . . George came from Edinburgh, Scotland, his birthplace, in 1907 to be pro at Hamilton Hunt Club, Brantford, Ont. . . He then went to Kalamazoo (Mich.) CC, LaGrange (Ill.) CC, and in 1915 became first pro at Northmoor CC, Ravinia, Ill. . . In 1920 he went to Calumet CC (Chicago dist.) as pro

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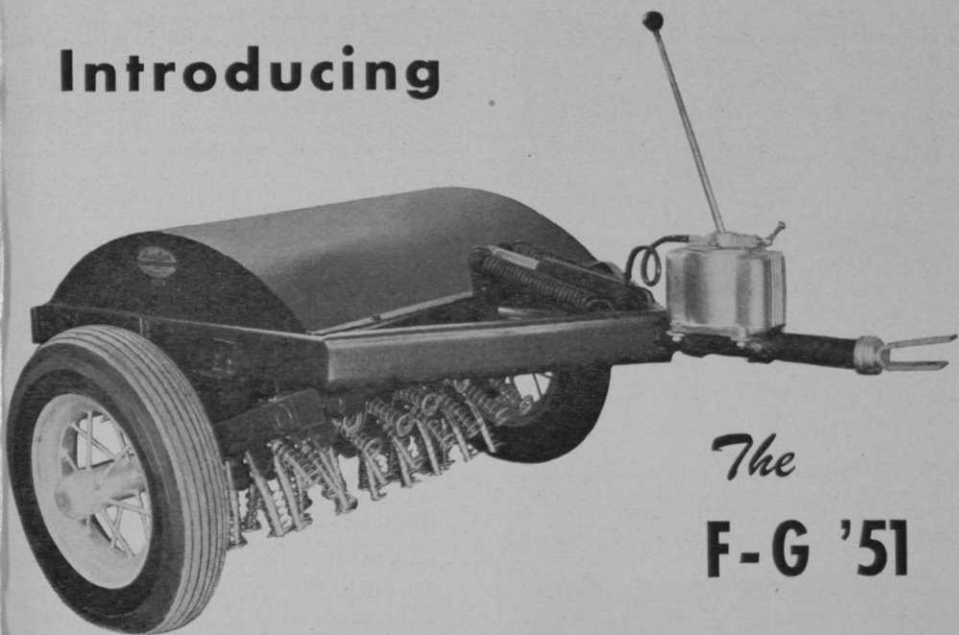
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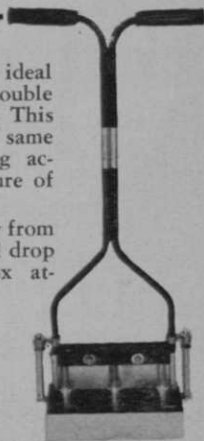
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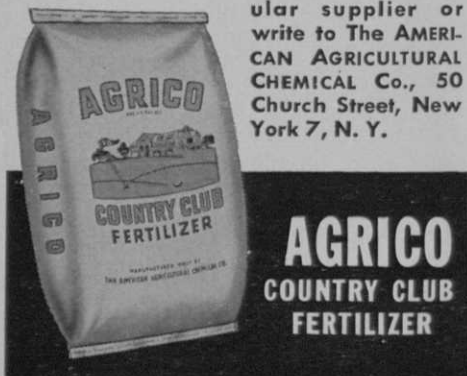
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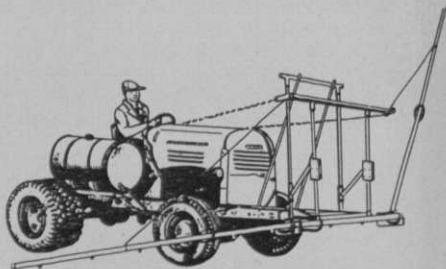
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Diegel Day put on by Southern Cal. PGA at Inglewood CC, with Snead, Hogan, Mangrum and Coleman as players, Jimmy Nichols in exhibition, and headline movie talent as side-show clicked for over \$6 Gs . . . Glen Oaks GC (NY Met dist.), where Leo was pro 26 years ago, put on a day for The Dutchman with members and pro Spencer Murphy coming through as Leo's pals and gentlemen sportsmen . . . So did Al Ciuci and members at Fresh Meadows . . . Leo was the spark plug of the PGA's national drive for golf facilities at vet hospitals and always was first man up when benefits were booked . . . Tucson Open to honor Diegel this year . . . Leo's battling cancer . . . The way Leo and that great wife of his, Vi, are keeping chins up is something to make us all stop bellyaching about our minor troubles.

Aileen Covington, bright and energetic lass who's doing so well with Golf Life, Southern Calif. magazine, reports some complaint of women golfers against Northern Calif. women's association ban on slacks and pedal pushers as attire for association events . . . Aileen says golfing girls wearing skirts in winter weather suffer from freezing fannies, or words to that effect . . . Fifth annual Gulf Coast Invita-



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