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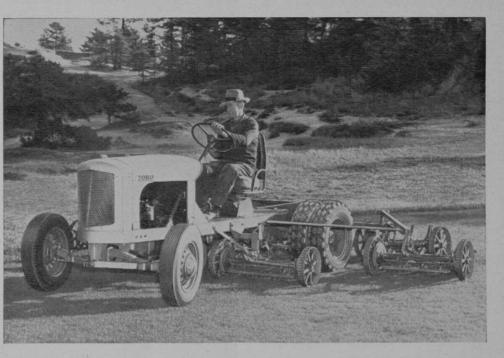
golf course receipts for 1950 were \$41,000 ahead of 1949 . . . Inglewood, Calif. abandons plan to acquire as public course 120-acre plant of Inglewood CC.

Harry E. Krueger now mgr., California GC, San Francisco . . . Club recently celebrated its 25th anniversary . . . Robins Air Force base 9-hole course at Macon, Ga. to be completed in April . . . Hugh Moore, Sr. and Capt. Mark L. Johnson have installed a fine layout . . . Jack Sheridan now in his 15th year at Brentwood GC (NY Met. dist.) used to caddy for Vardon and says Sam Snead is the only other golfer he ever saw who, from time he addresses the ball until he follows thru, looks like the great Vardon . . . So the indefatigable golf reporter, John M. Brennan, records Sheridan.

Employees of Dan River Mills at Danville, Va., form golf club with 9-hole course to be constructed by Dick Wilson of Wilson and Troup, Inc., Miami, Fla. . . Alameda (Calif.) citizens advisory committee recommends increase in muny course fees that will amount to about \$10,000 a year, according to estimate of golf supt. Earl Fry . . . Larry Steffens and wife signed as pro-mgr. team by Sullivan (Ill.) CC.

Two distinguished veterans of American golf, John Duncan Dunn and John Junor, died recently on the Pacific Coast, thin-





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Grass Seed, Ferilizers, Golf Equipment 132 Church Street New York 8, N. Y. ning the grand old legion of Scots who nursed the game in this country . . . Dunn installed and operated the first American indoor golf school in New York City and of recent years was teaching at the Los Angeles A. C. . . Junor (69) died at his home in Vancouver, Wash. . . . For many years he was pro-mgr. of Portland (Ore.) GC and also served at the Tullatin CC . . . The Junor and Dunn families have made for themselves honored names in golf.

Too bad Jack Burke, Jr. and Clayton Heafner picked up at Long Beach and eliminated themselves from Vardon Trophy race . . . The Vardon Trophy deal needs more of a build-up publically at lowest scoring honor of the year . . . Maybe publicity of standings on tournament scoreboards might help . . . But nothing means nothing except who's ahead in purse winnings . . . Well, that's what counts when you're playing for money . . . Something else counts too, and that's the very fine honorable job the pros have done in keeping the reputation of the game immaculate . . . Spots in collegiate basketball were stinking for years before the blow-off came . . . The fight game is such a haven for disreputable characters it almost makes you womit . . Baseball is having its com-

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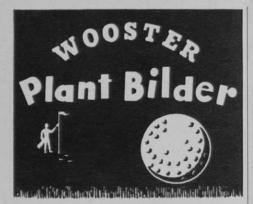
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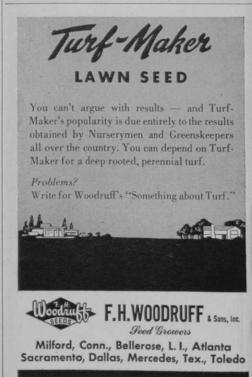
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learned what it was all about and certain magnates felt the leash binding . . . Pro football has an unsavory association with rackets the Kefauver committee says is the national underworld circuit . . . College football has its worries about who's pro and who's amateur . . . Golf continues unsullied . . . Hallelujah, brothers and sisters.

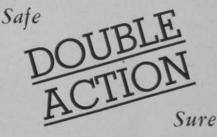
But listen; there is just too damned much money in some of these Calcuttas to be healthy for amateurs . . . and pros . . The USGA is absolutely right in trying to crack down on them . . . We don't want those Calcutta winnings to be so high golf will have to do the ridiculous thing done in sports by collecting a reward to be paid to a young colored basketball players for staying honest . . . I should think the kid, who seems to be a stand-up honorable lad, would say, "I appreciate your kindness, but no thanks. I expect to make a living the right way by staying honest." . . Incidentally, we haven't seen any dope on the scholastic standings of the fouled-out collegiate basketball players . . Could be that the schools haven't got any too pure position.

Alice and Marlene Bauer, according to Daddy Dave, made \$30,000 in their first year as pros. . . Leonard Dreyfuss, Essex Falls CC, tells John M. Brennan, New Jersey caddies gross more than





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SWIFT & COMPANY Plant Food Division U. S. Yards Chicago 9, Illinois \$3,000,000 annually in fees . . . Essex Falls caddy fees cost members \$38,000 a year . . . Toney Penna and Walter Burkemo opened de-luxe new range at West Palm Beach, Fla. . . New England PGA and Massachusetts GA to have annual tee-off dinner at Statler hotel, Boston, April 12 after NE PGA annual meeting . . Everett Stuart switched from Meadow Brook CC to be pro at Sankaty Head club, Nantucket, Mass. . . Jack Gracy now mgr., Hempstead (N.Y.) GC . . Don Fry, son of Fred X., now promgr., West Side GC, Dos Palos, Calif.

Wonder how wage freeze will affect salaries in golf? . . . Freeze probably would result in switch of a lot of jobs, especially among greenkeepers who, in majority of cases, haven't been getting much or cost of living increases . . . Talk of building course near Beaverton, Ore. . . . Lackawanna County (Pa.) Common Pleas court ruled Apawanna GC was responsible for loss of eye of caddy working on course, although caddy not actually employed on the course . . . Jacksonville (Fla.) Junior C of C estimates it will cost them \$16,500 to run \$10,000 prize money Jacksonville Journal sports editor, says event gets more national publicity for city than any other sports event.

Mayor Elmer Robinson and the park and



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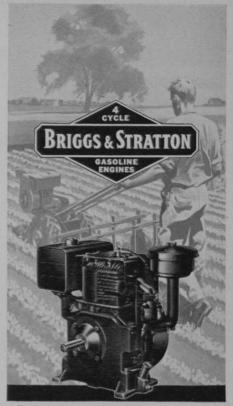
This tool promotes root development and relieves compaction of greens. Ideal for use before adding soil conditioners.

DAVE W. JUSTICE 501 S. W. 44th St. OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA. recreation commission of San Francisco being pressured by petitions from local citizens and outlying golf clubs to name new municipal nine hole golf course in Golden Gate Park in memory of the late George MacRae... requests ask that new course be named either "MacRae Memorial Course" or "MacRae Meadows" in honor of the man who was for many years the USGA Public Links representative and did a great job for the promotion of muny golf in the bay area ... Cecil Hollingsworth and Gomer Sims have new clubhouse and golf shop to begin second year of business at their Alondra Park (Calif.) CC development.

Salt Lake City's Nibley Park course opened for public play Feb. 10... earliest opening in history... Alex McCafferty is pro... Many improvements being made at all SLC courses ... All tees being improved and enlarged ... McCafferty has new pro shop... work under way on new starting house at Forest Dale ... clubhouse to be remodelled later as well as clubhouse at Bonneville, according to Warren White, parks boss.

Three courses suffer as rivers flood Seattle area . . . section of Maplewood GC east of Renton torn up to obtain sand for sandbagging Cedar River . . . Earlington GC under several feet of water . . . Only six holes of Foster GC remained playable as main current washed down 17th and





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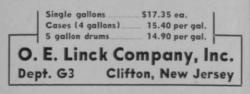
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18th fairways. Completion of Pocatello (Idaho) G&CC's new clubhouse assured by City Development company OK of loan from stockholders... clubhouse has been two-thirds completed.

N. Y.-Conn. Turf Assn. holds afternoon meeting Feb. 14 to beat old man winter from cutting attendance . . . popular move with members ... W. A. Roberts elected pres., Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co., succeeding the late Walter Geist . . . It's a girl for the Paul Bells, Arsenal GC, Rock Island, Ill., wintering in Naples, Fla. . . . Roberto de Vicenzo, Argentine top professional, flying to Mexico and U. S. . . . first appearance here will be Miami Beach Open in which he was a money winner last year . . . Frank Metzger going to Red Run GC, Detroit dist., to be ass't. to Frank Walsh . . . Metzger now at Miami Shores where he has been for four years following 38 months in the service. Walsh hiring Marshall Benjamin, local athletic director and supervisor of sports activities at three schools, to coach and supervise Red Run caddie department . . . first activity scheduled before season opens is a bird house building contest . . . Prizes to be offered and all birdhouses bought from the boys.

Kelly Cook, starting 16th year as supt., Willow Wood GC, Hinton, West Va. . . . Black Knight G & CC, Beckley, W. Va., recently purchased by members from Ra-



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