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John N. Penn, as good for the next 25 years . . Bill, born in Cumberland, Eng., went to Canada and was mgr. of a city club . . . W. C. Fownes, George Ormiston, Gordon Montgomery and "Dutch" Loeffler brought him to Pittsburgh for lunch and hired him for Oakmont before the waiter brought the check . . . Bill married Dutch's sister Marie and they have a daughter 23 and a son 21

. . W. C., George, and Dutch are gone . . . Montgomery is retired . . . the Loefflers are represented at Oakmont by Bob, the course supt.

Vermillion (S.D.) GC to build new clubhouse . . . Bill Adams, pro at Sioux City (Ia.) Elmwood course, working with Vermillion pro Wm. H. Peterson in planning course alternations including new grass greens . . . Bob Quiroz, mgr., Davenport (Ia.) CC took over in the kitchen when chef walked out during Western Open . . . Members and guests ate high . . . Bob used to be chef-steward at famed Indian Creek Club, and previously was with Waldorf-Astoria and Netherlands Plaza after coming from France.

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rest of the year after getting all the exhibition dates he wanted . . . Packy Walsh produces fine color golf instruction movie "Inside Golf." . . . Johnny Murphy and Fred Barrowclough get John P. Burke Memorial Caddy scholarships from Rhode Island GA . . . Bill Cowen, father of Henry, MacGregor pres., was 70 on Aug. 1 . . . He doesn't look that mileage . . . He's been a grand guy all the route and is good for many, many more birthday celebrations.

George Calderwood, pro at North Hills CC (Milwaukee dist.) has a splendid kids' organization within the club . . . Boys and girls run it themselves, have their own officers and discreet adult supervision . . . Start at 10 years . . . Youngest have putting contests first few weeks, then after instruction can play 1st, 2d, 17th and 18th holes . . . Kids 13-18 allowed to play 9 holes once a week . . Organization functions during winter with teen-age dances.

Reunion of fellows who caddied at Beaver Dam CC (Washington DC dist.) between 1923 and 1938 was an affair worth copying by many clubs . . Beaver Dam now is Prince Georges CC . . Cramer Mahan now Mgr., Walnut Grove GC, Dayton, O. . . Play at Dayton, O., three muny courses (Community, Madden Park and Miami View) up 5 per cent over corresponding period of 1950 . . . Thru July the three courses had 67,253 rounds.

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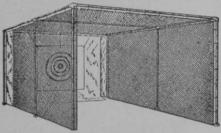
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opening of its 9-hole course Labor Day, had caddy school of six two-hour sessions... School was limited to sons of employees of Dan River Mills for whom the course was built... Supts. of Long Island courses have had a trying summer, with turf diseases and pests, says John M. Brennan in Long Island Star-Journal... Ironton (O.) CC new 9-hole course construction completed.

J. Clive Helferich, for many years an official of Detroit District Golf Assn., succeeds James D. Standish, Jr., USGA pres., as pres., Michigan Seniors' Golf Assn. . . . Oldest player in 1951 Michigan Seniors' tournament was Charles B. Hays, Kalamazoo, 88, who shot 102 on North course of Detroit GC . . . Wichita, Ks., improving MacDonald Park muny course, formerly Wichita CC property . . . Wichita also has heavily played Sim Park muny course . . . Prescott, Ariz., considering building muny course near airport.

Clarence Williams, new mgr., Bethesda CC (Washington DC dist.) . . . Lester Rice in NY Journal-American column on Peggy Mackie, daughter of veteran pro and former PGA treas. Jack Mackie, says 50 years ago Mackie and Jack Jolly, when Jack was pro at Roseville CC in Newark, N. J., devised the four-ball match play formula of best ball and aggregate, known as Minnie and Aggie . . . Bing Crosby playing in shorts at Hayden Lake course near Spokane, Wash., on vacation last summer . . .

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Alameda (Calif.) muny course having record year . . . July was its biggest month with 12,977 beating previous record month of August, 1950, which played 11,866 . . Nassau County (N.Y.), formerly Salisbury, on a recent day played 1,927 on the Red course, on the White, 1,497; on the Blue, 1,749; and on the 9-hole No. 1 there were 974 rounds . . . Don't see how they possibly could do it even with daylight saving and vigilant course patrolling, but the figures are checked by receipts.

Heavy play at public, semi-public and private courses this summer accented another pro and club official responsibility, teaching and other provisions for safety . . . Pro instruction of kid classes at clubs and schools has done very well on the safety angle but very little has been done elsewhere . . . Consequence has been, apparently, a rise in accidents, especially serious ones such as eye loss . . . Strangest one was in Washington DC district where shot off the toe of a player's club hit a tee marker and bounced, destroying an eye of a companion player . . . We've often noticed, during past 12 months, caddies standing perilously close to players on tees and elsewhere, and caddies risking accidents due to double-caddying . . . Pros and caddy-masters need to pay more attention to this fault . . . Clubs are due to conduct



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... Pros plan a North vs. South California junior tournament ... Seven junior tournaments in Monterey Bay area alone tip off how far California is going in junior golf promotion ... It shows this year in USGA junior boy and girl champions being Californians.

Ben Jaques, sec.-treas., New England Golf Assn. suggests it might speed play in state tournaments if 50 cents would be added to caddy fee when matches require more than 4 hours . . . What if the players ahead are slowing play? . . . Jaques also suggests an extra 50 cents for caddy if the bag exceeds a certain weight . . . In many districts caddies don't want to work unless they can get double-toting jobs . . . Double-caddying adds to the time required for a round.

Deering Harbor course on Shelter Island, NE of Long Island, NY, one of oldest courses in US, will reopen as Gardiner's Bay GC, in 1952 . . The beautiful seaside links was badly damaged by 1938 hurricane and maintenance discontinued in 1942 . . .



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