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## NEWS OF THE GOLF WORLD IN BRIEF

Megargels GC (G. W. Antilla, pres.-mgr.), Decatur, Ind., will open as 9-hole semi-public course this summer . . . Joseph Fiorelli to open 9-hole semi-public Hamlin course, Jessup, Pa., about May . . . Baldwin City (Ks.) 9-hole course to be in play this summer . . . Prescott, Ariz., planning 9-hole grass course . . . Newcomertown, O., to build course . . . Einar Allen resigns as pro, Broadmoor GC, Portland, Ore. . . San Jose (Calif.) News carries pictures and story on flood at Hillview munny course . . . Other courses in Santa Clara Valley rather badly hit by floods.

Phoenix Open tournament souvenir program one of most beautiful ever published on tournament circuit . . . Lot of colored pictures of Colorful Arizona . . . Gummed, perforated labels in back of program for mailing, perforated cardboard scorecards and program insert of stubs good for daily pairings and starting times were other features of the book.

Ryder Cup 1953 matches to be played on West Course at Wentworth . . . Locke to compete in this year's British Open at Royal Lytham St. Anne's . . . Some talk now about that course being too easy for a national open championship . . . Wentworth west course, known as the Burma Road, is much tougher, although some American girl pros scored well on it . . . Wentworth, being first course near London on which Ryder Cup matches will be played, is expected to draw record galleries.

John Steinberg, Hillcrest CC (LA dist.), properly proud of his sons . . . One, a lawyer, came up with discovery of tax item on which clubs had been over-charged . . . The other boy, after wartime fighting in Marine Corps, now scoring as a journalism professor . . . Hogan to compete in Seminole Club, Palm Beach, Fla., pro-am March 18-19 . . . Ben will be training for the Masters . . . Ray Gafford, Northwood Club, Dallas, pro, out of hospital after successful operation.

Walter Scott, 58, St. Andrews native, who came to Detroit district in 1927 as asst. at Oakland Hills, died in Dearborn (Mich.) Medical Clinic, Jan. 19, of a heart ailment . . . For some years he was pro at Birch Hill in the Detroit dist., and was with Meyers' range for 12 years . . . He was an



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organizer of the Michigan PGA . . . He is survived by his widow and a son, Walter F. Scott.

Benjamin William Owen, 33, who was pro at Madison (Ky.) CC until last spring, died Jan. 5, in Veterans' Administration hospital, St. Petersburg, Fla. . . He was a former amateur star and a veteran of World War II . . . He put up a game fight against Hodgkins disease . . . He is survived by his widow

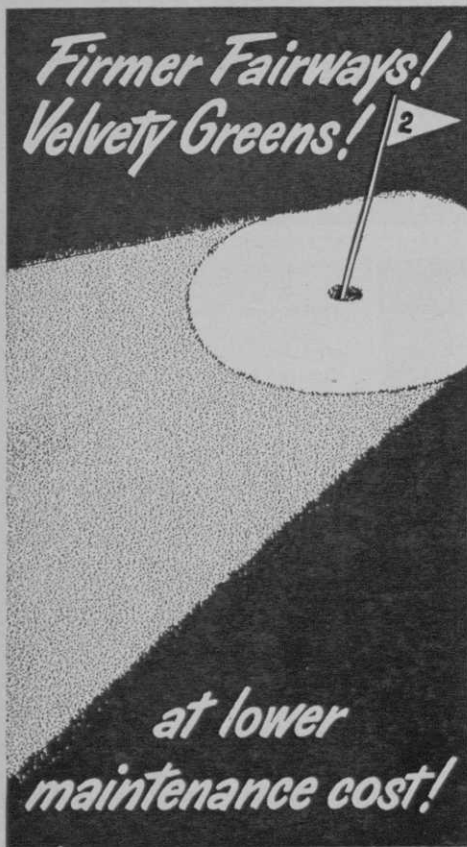
and two youngsters.

Gordon Watson now pro at Brynwood CC (Milwaukee dist.) . . . Dave Carolan goes from Rumson (N.J.) CC to be pro at Dayton (O.) CC . . . Frank Grimm named as pro at Mauh-Nah-Tee-See CC, Rockford, Ill. . . Roddy Newman now pro at Homestead Club, Spring Lake, N. J. . . Marty Cromb appointed publicity chmn. for PGA National Course, Dunedin, Fla. . . Now some copy has started to flow out of Dunedin to home town papers of pros and their members who play the PGA course.

Tommy Meehan and Bob MacDonald have opened a 4 net golf school in Sear's store at State and Van Buren, Chicago . . . One net has the Electrogolf length recording equipment . . . Lot of lessons and practice at 50 cents a pail . . . Badges at the Club Managers Assn. 25th Jubilee convention had clips instead of pins for attaching to lapels . . . A little detail but one of those things that shows good management is a lot of details and improvements.

Tom Walsh, former pres., PGA, and operator of Westgate Valley GC (Chicago dist.) elected director of Mount Greenwood State Bank on Chicago's far south side . . . Charley Hall, another former PGA pres., some years ago was made director of a Birmingham (Ala.) bank . . . Oakland Hills CC celebrated its 35 years by burning its \$124,000 mortgage . . . Club's income from 1951 National Open, after taxes, was \$69,402.58 . . . At one time club's indebtedness was up to \$800,000 . . . Part of the club's income now derived from North Hills GC, part of Oakland Hills' original layout, which was converted to semi-public course during depression of the 30s.

Wm. George now mgr., El Dorado (Ks.) CC . . . He was at Carthage (Mo.) CC in 1951 and for 25 years previous mgr., Joplin (Mo.) CC where his son now is mgr. . . Fred Eaton now pro at Pomona (Calif.)



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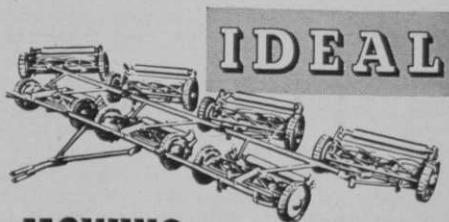
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CC . . . Jimmy Crichton, Port Huron (Mich.) CC pro operating winter school in Harrington hotel, Port Huron . . . Frank Esposito now pro at Nassau County (N.Y.) Park course . . . Men and women's amateur associations and PGA underwrite construction of additional golf facilities at St. Albans Naval hospital, Northport Veterans hospital and at Mitchel Field.

Al Gruber, pro at San Jose CC, Jacksonville, Fla. renewing deal for television program which proved big success last year . . . Oldest golf program on basis of yearly renewals is "Pars, Birdies and Eagles" which Joe Jemsek and Charley Nash are running for fifth year as effective promotion for their Chicago district semi-public courses . . . Hartford (Conn.) Junior Chamber of Commerce already going strong in ballyhoo for their \$15,000 Insurance City Open this summer . . . The Jaycees are publicizing it as "New England's Greatest Golf Event."

Joe McMorran, starter at PGA National course in winter, will begin his 34th year as pro at Indian Hill Club (Chicago dist.) this spring . . . Joe came from Troon and after landing worked with Stewart Gardner, Jock Black and Nipper Campbell . . . Jaycees have set up four year sectional rotation plan for their National Junior championship to give every part of the country a chance to be host to the event,



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George T. Swanson, IBM CC, Endicott, N. Y. named by nominating committee to be pres., New York State Turf Assn. . . Other officers named: Edward P. Brady, Pelham Split Rock, vp; Directors—Thomas Bowen, Yahnundasis; Chester Taggart, Orchard Park; M. Montgomery Maze, Blue Hill.

Bob Hoffner, Kroydon's Middle Atlantic representative, still thrills with a memory of the National Amateur of 1924 . . . He hit a grand shot off one tee at Merion and as he walked down the fairway a fair-sized gallery gathered . . . Surprised by the gallery Bob hit several more in quick succession, and through his fog of anguish heard one spectator say in deep disappointment, "Hell, that ain't Jones." . . . Hoffner was

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French Lick Springs, Ind., to have its 17th annual Midwest Amateur, April 4-6 . . . Event gets big field from Chicago, Indianapolis, Louisville, St. Louis and way stations . . . Fair balance of stars and fellows who've come for spring training . . . Roy R. Seneff, French Lick pro, is handling reservations for the tournament guests . . . Western Golf Assn. announces that for first time in history of Evans Caddy Scholar-

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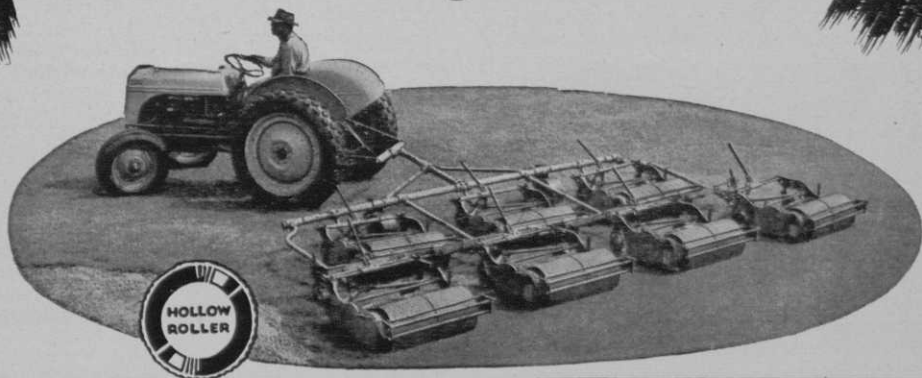
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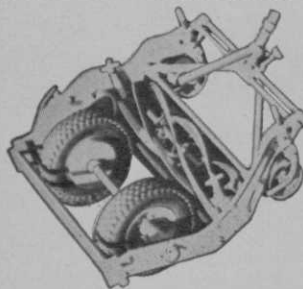
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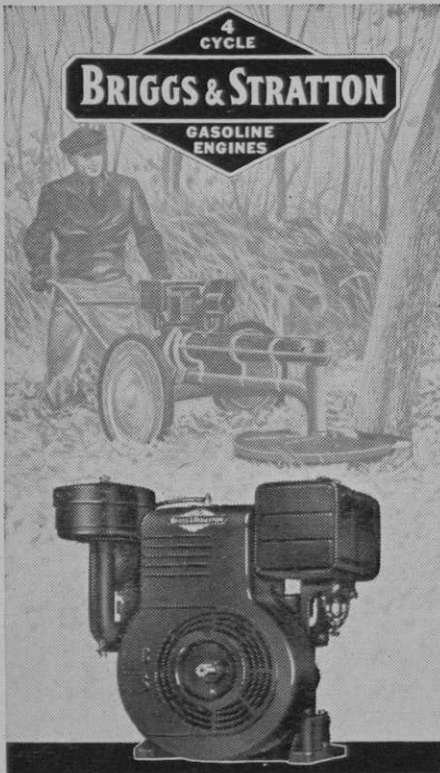


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Ocean City (Del.) getting new course to be known as Water Wood . . . Reginald D. Giddings, pro-supt., Seaford (Del.) G&CC designed the course with cooperation of Andy Lagages, pro-supt., Mapledale G&CC, Dover, Del. . . . Greens were roughed in during December and finishing work being pushed as weather permits . . . Dave Tosh to Maysville (Ky.) CC as pro-mgr.

Westwood CC (St. Louis) comes back into tournament record books with 1952 Western Open, May 29-June 1 . . . The boys

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