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SWINGING AROUND GOLF

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Metropolitan Golf Assn. of New York Sept. 21 handicap list showed 5,373 holders of MGA handicap cards . . . MGA has 15 players at scratch, of whom Ted Bishop, Dick Chapman, Joe Gagliardi, Jim McHale and Tom Robbins are Winged Foot members.

Dates for Bing Crosby's invitation tournament at Pebble Beach, Monterey Peninsula and Cypress Point courses, set for Jan. 8, 9 and 10 . . . Harry Pressler's 25th anniversary as pro at San Gabriel (Calif.) CC celebrated . . . Harry says Ellie Vines was best working pupil he ever taught . . . Construction soon to start on course to design of William K. Wilkinson at Pali on the other side of Oahu from Pearl Harbor.

Life magazine's "Beat Ben Hogan" event as National Golf Day event in association with PGA this year, raised \$84,000 . . . Split between USO and other beneficiaries to be selected by committee of PGA officials and amateurs . . . 1953 event probably will have men competing against Julius Boros, National Open champion, and women against Betsy Rawls, leading winner of the women pros this year.

Fair trade practices in sports goods industry subject of session men in sports goods industry and government officials, held at Chicago, Sept. 18 . . . Discounts one of the matters submitted for later discussion and action . . . Northern California-Reno pro-am and open, Washoe course, Reno, Nev., Oct. 9-12, field limited to 75 pros and 150 amateurs . . . \$7500 prize money . . . \$1000 in prizes to amateurs . . . Peter Marich, host pro.

St. Petersburg and Clearwater (Fla.) sports writers enthusiastic about tremendous improvement in first 9 of PGA National Course at Dunedin, Fla. reopened for play after shutdown since May for extensive rehabilitation . . . Greens of Gene Tift Bermuda pronounced excellent . . . Progrmr. Leo O'Grady and Supt. Gordon Mueller, having done fine job on reconditioning all details of out 9 are improving the incoming 9 . . . Newspapermen on playing inspection tour were accompanied by O'Grady, Irv Schloss, pro at Baltimore's Mt. Pleasant course and member of PGA's Dunedin management committee, and Frank Sprogell.

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