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Pro Businessman Featured in Bank Advertisement

Herb Snow, pro at Keller course, St. Paul, was spotlighted in a 3 column 10 in. advertisement Empire National Bank ran in the St. Paul Dispatch, July 22, during the PGA championship at Keller.

The ad told that Herb and his wife, Hazel, opened a joint checking and saving account at the bank 20 years ago and have made increasing use of the bank's facili-



Snow is a smart pro businessman as other pros who dropped into his shop at Keller during the PGA saw. The shop is small but displays are made to make it easy to buy.

One little display stunt has greatly increased his hat, cap and visor sales. He's got a wire stretched from one wall of the shop to the other and from it, by clips that don't injure the merchandise, are strung headware of many styles, colors and sizes. The display is high enough to be out of the way but easily reached by buyers. The price of a couple of screws and some wire were all the display cost him. It makes a colorful decoration in a pro shop, and it certainly does sell.

Another highly profitable idea Snow uses is in connection with his display rack of putters. When Herb sees anyone handling a putter he goes over to the interested shopper, gives him a ball and says "Take two or three of those putters out to the practice green and see which one is best for you."

With two or three putters chances are good one of them will score with the shopper. Snow sold nine putters one day recently with this idea.

He has the Burgett golf glove display case on top of his ball case right by the door to the shop which is close to the first tee. He says the combination display and storage device has boosted his glove business plenty.

Snow has a good selection of shirts on a table in his crowded shop and does a lot of business in shirts, and a surprisingly good volume of shoe business. He says cellophane display wrappers are essential on pro shop shirt displays.

Hot Weather Protection Often Neglected

Doctors say too many golfers are suffering seriously and unnecessarily from the heat. Every locker-room should have salt tablets.

Golfers who don't wear head covering playing under blazing sun, if not already goofy, may be. Perhaps already suffering from the heat are pros who have hats and caps for sun protection in their shops and don't wear head covering themselves to protect themselves and increase business with a good example.

Incidentally, eye authorities say eyeshade provided by hat, cap or visor generally is just as good for eyes as dark glasses.

The latter part of July and August are good months for inspecting your members' bags as many of them may have been away on vacations and suffered some damage to their golf equipment, if not outright loss. Bags, particularly, take a beating during the summer vacation trips and with the contrast the bright new bags now provide with the old and worn bag sales of new bags aren't especially hard to make.

- Eddie Duino

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Back of Pro Shop Needs More Attention

By BILL HARDY

Co-Professional with Ward Burgess at Chevy Chase (Md.) Club

Most of us in professional golf, and our members, have seen remarkable improvement in pro shops as sales facilities but when we look behind the scenery we seldom find the needed improvement in the back of the shop.

In the first place, when we consider location of the shop with respect to service to members we often neglect shop location with respect to caddy service and supervision. We don't want the kids where they'll be noisy and apt to make a litter that doesn't look well from the first tee. But we do want them so they can get bags out of shop storage quickly and return them quickly.

Many times bags must be toted in and out through the shop display room and moved again from the club-cleaner to the rack room.

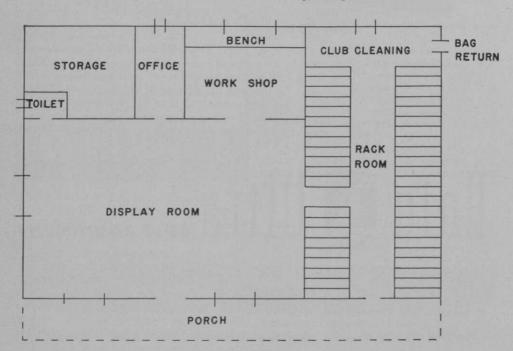
As is shown by the diagram of the Chevy Chase shop we take the bags from the rack and place them on the porch for the caddies. That gives the pro staff a chance to make an inspection of the bag and clubs just to make absolutely sure everything's O.K. The ideal would be to issue the clubs directly from storage to the caddy with careful supervision in the shop.

Club cleaning should have plenty of space handy to the club return window so the cleaner can handle the bags without there being the usual rush-time pile-up and disorder.

Bag numbering should be on the order of the accompanying diagram to protect

against hasty misfiling.

Not only the location, arrangement and size of bag handling, club cleaning and storage facilities needs more attention in most pro shops but the racks themselves are due for revision. The sharp edges — wood or metal — of many storage racks are no good for the bags. The racks should have rounded fronts and supports. Possibly when pipe again gets available improved bag racks can be constructed. There is plenty of room for improvement in this detail of pro shops.



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1349 WEST RENO OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA Besides the cramped space of club cleaning and storage quarters there often is the additional handicap of dust. More attention must be paid to making it easy to keep this part of the shop clean. We're going to find that more necessary as the brightly colored nylon bags are in more extensive use.

Part of the pro department service members have a right to expect at a good club are immediate minor repairs. Not many shops have facilities for making such repairs correctly, conveniently and quickly.

A storage room for inventory not on display must be adequate, convenient and theft-proof. This should be arranged so a pro can make quick inventory, keep his books in good shape and have his buying order signals conspicuous. There also should be a pro office for the paper work that must be done in bookkeeping, club tournaments and handicaps and other activities for which the pro department must be responsible. This office also is useful for receiving salesmen and learning from them all a pro staff should know to be able to select the best merchandise and get information of interest and help to the member buyers.

A toilet is an essential to the pro shop that is in a building detached from the

The display room size, fixtures and floor plan depends on the size and character of the club and on individual judgment of the pro and officials. Opinions will vary on the placement of the stock but almost always experience will endorse the idea of having the ball case deep in the shop so members will see much displayed merchandise when entering and leaving for ball purchasing.

It's A Long Road the Supt. Has Traveled

By AL SCHARDT

Supt., Wanakah Country Club, Hamburg, N. Y.

WE'VE COME a long way in golf course maintenance. I see some of the route as I look through my files of GOLFDOM which are complete from 1927 on. And a lot of the path of progress I can retrace with laughs from my own experience.

I recall my first years at Inverness in Toledo when each vehicle of course maintenance had as standard equipment a broom and shovel to clean up the solid exhaust from the motive power.

Then, the contents of the baskets, along with what came out of the backdoor of the barn were important sources of supply for the all-important compost pile.

The greens were cut by the sweat of our brows and along toward the end of that job the man mowing the greens would be grunting louder than any greens mower engine does now.

If the fairways were cut once a week that was something to brag about.

The rough was let grow tall enough to harvest and make good fuel for the horses. As Chick Evans said at one of our superintendents' conventions, to find a ball in that kind of rough you had to lie down and roll until you felt a bump; then you hoped it was the ball.

In those days most golfers took the full five minutes—or more—to find a lost ball. When the ball was found what a thrill it was to see some guy with a 50-in. waist-line trying to whack the little pill back onto the fairway.

The main event then was put on by the redhot golfer who wrapped a hickory-shafted club around the nearest tree after something had gone wrong with a shot. At one short hole, to save a beautiful shade tree, we planted what became known as the "whipping post" so a player after missing a shot could break shafts to his heart's content without damage to our nice tree.

I once saw a golfer break three shafts around that post after dubbing his tee shot. That was beautiful business for the pro.

It seems that the golfers had to be more rugged in those days. They asked or gave no quarter. Shots were played from any kind of a lie and putts had to be made over mountains of worm casts. Bunkers, sand traps and old chocolate drops with grass 8 to 12 in. long, were places to keep away from.

I heard Ted Ray tell a golfer who questioned the location of a bunker that no trap is misplaced as long as the golfer knows it is there; keep away from it or take the penalty without complaining.

With the steel shafts, high compression balls, mechanized maintenance equipment and chemicals for solving maintenance problems came great advances in methods of course maintenance and much is yet to come. The manufacturers have done a good job for golf.

And I might also say, so have the superintendents. Their job of course maintenance gets more exacting each year apparently, but they seem to survive, keep cheerful and healthy and possess their faculties after many testing years in the business. Working on a golf course in the old days probably automatically selected the durable and optimistic ones. The rest were killed off or went into easier work — and there was and has been quite an amount of easier work around the country.



Construction costs were cut by member co-operation in building this new maintenance headquarters at Portage Country Club, Akron, O.

Model New Building Aids In Portage Maintenance

At Portage CC, Akron, O., Supt. Nelson Monical has been receiving numerous superintendents and green-chairmen on inspection visits to the new course maintenance building at the club.

Monical, a veteran authority in course maintenance, was instructed by club officials to present ideas for the most practical building that could be provided for course maintenance equipment, supplies storage and working facilities. The greencommittee and club officials approved Monical's plans quickly.

The result is a brick and steel structure 150 ft. long by 40 ft. wide, well lighted, with door space thoughtfully arranged and all facilities for efficient work and comfort of the maintenance staff.

Principal sections of the building are those for implement storage, fertilizer storage, topdressing preparation and storage, repair shop, supply room, locker, toilet and shower facilities, office, paint room, and furnace room. Hot air heating is provided for comfort and economy in cold weather work.

Monical and his staff gave considerable thought to planning placement of all equipment, materials and repair machinery in the building so no time would be lost in securing material, properly checked-out, and in replacing any machinery or implements used, or in inventorying the building's contents.

Construction costs were kept at minimum by cooperation Portage members gave their club's green-chairman and superintendent in providing construction material free or at their cost. Some work on the building was done by the Portage course staff.

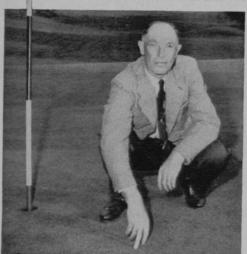
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Gassing Out Bermuda in Building Bent Greens By HARRY M. RAINVILLE

THE construction of the golf course at the Clock CC in Whittier, Calif., presented the troublesome problem of no soil free of Bermudagrass for building bent greens.

The terrain is rolling hills of red and yellow clay covered with an average of one foot of black adobe. The entire area has Bermudagrass all through the topsoil. As the undersoil is not usable, the regular methods of stripping could not be used.

We covered the greens with the best soils available and then treated them with methyl bromide. This was done by using two plastic tarps, each 50 by 100 ft. After putting all the desired humus, etc., on the greens a smooth path was raked down the center line. Number one tarp edge was placed along this line but not covered. Then the three remaining sides were placed in a smooth trench about 4

in. deep. The trenches were saturated with water to help seal in the gas.

After placing the edge of the tarp in the trench it was covered with strips of old canvas. The canvas served two purposes, to protect the light plastic tarp and to aid in removing the dirt after fumigation.

When these three outside sides were covered we placed the second tarp on top of the first tarp. Next canvas and dirt along this edge, sealing the two tarps at the green's center line. Now the second tarp is unfolded, like the opening of a book and covering the other half of the green. Seal these edges the same as the others.

Before placing tarps on the green we filled 80 old sacks with straw and tied them with cord. These stuffed sacks are scattered over the green allowing the gas to disperse evenly. Also two ¾-inch hoses (must be rubber) were placed under each side for the gas.

A small butane boiler with copper coil running through the hot water was loaned by the Neil A. Maclean Co. of Los Angeles. They also made the tarps. The methyl bromide bottle was set on a bathroom scale for measuring the gas by weight.

With the water boiling the liquid gas enters the coils and comes out roaring in a tremendous volume of fumes. Ten pounds of liquid gas to 1,000 sq. ft. will kill most everything. This operation does not sterilize the soil and planting can start in a couple of days.