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Ernest Jones, noted golf instructor and author, concluded the morning session with his talk on "How I Teach Golf." After years of study, teaching and no little research every new student presents a challenge to Jones because although he knows what he's going to teach, each pupil decides for him how he's going to teach. To Jones each pupil is different.

Jones approaches the subject of the golf swing by reducing it to its simplest terms. He pointed out that the golfer swings the clubhead with both hands and since the hands and fingers are in control, you don't use your wrists, that the wrists act only as hinges. Since contact with the club is only through the hands and fingers, one should not interfere with those hands and fingers.

Jones noted that the law of the pendulum takes over in learning to swing the club, that you cannot force a swing but at the same time it is impossible to get force without the swing and the speed with which you are swinging the club.

In the matter of keeping the head still he declared that it doesn't make sense when trying to move something as fast as possible that one should also try to hold something as still as possible. At the same time, control goes hand in hand with balance and perfect balance is the even distribution of weight essential to a basic swing.

Jones noted the body has power and that the hands are the medium through which power is transmitted. The first and most important step is to learn to

Jones commented on a remark made by Gene Littler as being noteworthy of consideration by all those who aspire to become good golfers and attributed Littler's remark that he had "practiced years getting smoothness" as perhaps being the successful ingredient in his development.

George Dochat, professor of physical education at Rutgers university in talking on "The Psychology of Teaching" reminded professionals that their reading might well include some standard works on the subject of teaching. The Rutgers authority said knowledge of the laws of learning would make instruction easier.

Dochat said that a good teacher is a good analyst and must be able to recognize individual mental and physical differences in pupils and adjust the teaching methods to the pupil.

He said that the five factors most important in teaching, learning and playing golf are skill, strength, speed, endurance and relaxation.

Fred Hawkins, newly elected chmn.. Tournament committee of the PGA replaced Doug Ford, PGA champion and "Professional Golfer of the Year," on the program as Ford was competing in the south. The personable 31-year-old Hawkins talked fluently but briefly on the tournament personalities then hit a few shots with a 7-iron.

Hawkins had his most profitable year in 1955. He said he formerly was bothered by a fast-swing but has been able to slow it down and keep swinging smoothly. He admitted that he also had a tendency to sway but now turns away from the ball.

Ben Hogan gave a smooth performance. Ben started off with the admission that he was given "a hell of a tough chore," then worked up through details of his own methods and attitude toward experimentation, practice and competition.

The Hogan talk will be reported fully in

GOLFDOM's February issue.

Bob Jones in wrapping up the teaching sessions said that in his opinion the Teaching committee was the most important PGA activity as it was directed at increasing people's enjoyment of golf.

Jones told of the difficulties he'd seen pros experience in trying to teach almost hopelessly clumsy pupils. Bob remarked that he and the professionals and amateur experts present were tremendously interested and benefitted by Hogan's talk as one for those striving for the ultimate. But Bob added, for the masses who don't need the finesse and accuracy of a Hogan the pros must have a simple and effective way of teaching.

Bob said the pro has to know the steps of every swing in order to know where to look for errors and corrections but that the swing isn't something to be taken apart. The problem of getting the language to describe the feeling associated with correct golf Bob declared was beyond solving, but pros could come close to the solution by lucid teaching.

Jones said that the activities and policies of the club and tournament professionals should be complementary. He expressed the belief that publicity of the tournament professionals might get newcomers into golf but these green ones probably won't stay unless the game is made pleasant for them by the club pros.

The Jones talk was recorded on film for television and later gave PGA immense publicity by appearing on 84 TV

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Demonstrations of West Point equipment, including a new "surprise" machine, were held at Philadelphia CC. Bert Graves, H. V. Carter Co., San Francisco, who traveled the greatest distance to attend the school, unlocked the box containing the new machine. Uses for the machine were described by Tom Mascaro, and a demonstration followed. The "surprise" machine will receive its first general showing at the 27th National Turfgrass Conference and Show in February.

Four-way aerifying of a green was done



Bert Graves opens the box to reveal West Point's "surprise" machine.

under Dr. Grau's direction. Marshall Farnham showed his procedure for aerifying thatched fairways.

Educational sessions at the hotel were conducted by R. B. Alderfer, Rutgers University; Fred V. Grau, West Point; Wm. Daniel, Purdue University; Art Schwerdle, Vineland Chemical Co.; Charles Wilson, Milwaukee Sewerage Commission; H. B. Musser, Pennsylvania State University.

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#### JACOBSEN REPORTS 98 PER CENT PROFITS INCREASE IN 1955

Sales of the Jacobsen Mfg. Co., Racine, Wis., and its subsidiaries for the fiscal year ending Aug. 31, 1955, amounted to \$11, 405,905, shareholders were told at the annual meeting in December. This was an increase of 11 per cent over the previous year.

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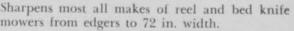
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#### DAN SHEEHAN WITH BURKE GOLF AS SALES MGR.

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Dan Sheehan, former Field Director of the National Golf Foundation, Chicago, resigned to join Burke Golf Sales Co., Newark, O. Jan. 1, as general sales mgr. In his work with the Foundation's field service since April, 1953, Sheehan has covered almost every state consulting with groups interested in developing new golf courses. In his new job Sheehan will operate out of the Burke company's home office in Newark in heading up national sales and sales promotion work.

### SPALDING OPENS DISTRICT OFFICE IN DALLAS

A. G. Spalding & Bros., Inc., has opened a district office in Dallas, Tex., to serve

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As a result of a decree entered in the above court, defendants have been perpetually enjoined from selling or marketing a fertilizer product under the name "Pittorganite" or "Kapoganic — formerly called Pittorganite" on the grounds that the name "Pittorganite" is an infringement on the tradename "Milorganite." As part of the judgment the Summers Fertilizer Co. agreed to substantial damages.

#### MIDWEST THIRD CLINIC STUDIES INSECTS

THIRD annual clinic of Midwest Golf Course Supts. Assn. held in association with the University of Illinois, was held at the U of I College of Pharmacy, Chicago, Dec. 7 and 8. In following the

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