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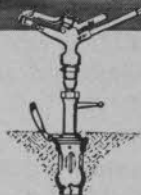
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done well in holding together runt sand hills . . . Course is on site of the old Sunset Hills where Laurie Ayton, now back at St. Andrews, was pro in Florida boom days . . . Turf and Surf will be private club with home sites and clubhouse having apartments for members.

Mrs. John Gilholm, wife of the lively Berwick gentleman who has been pro at New Bedford (Mass.) CC for 48 years, spent part of her trip south this past winter in a St. Petersburg, Fla., hospital . . . She's back home convalescing . . . John and his brother, Frank, who is pro at Highland CC, Attleboro, Mass., married sisters from Fall River, Mass.

In the metropolitan Phoenix, Ariz., area there are 14 golf courses operating, under construction or definitely announced for early building . . . That's more than twice what the Phoenix district had five years ago . . . Building of newer courses usually financed by selling lots around course sites.

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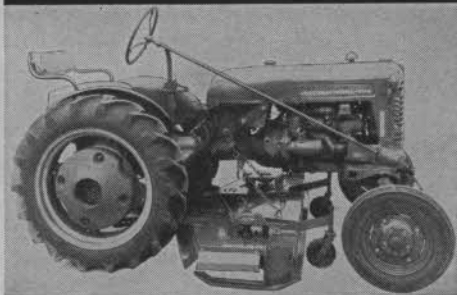
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games . . . Brilliant success of the International Golf Assn. matches at Tokyo last year, bringing together pro teams of 30 nations, showed that the time was right for truly world-wide golf competition . . . If the amateur bodies can handle the planning, financing and management problems as well as Frank Pace, Jr., and Fred Corcoran have in putting on the IGA affairs, there will be an immense boom in amateur golf . . . There are many problems of financing, tournament location and amateur status to be worked out.

PGA would do well to follow the lead of Milwaukee Braves officials who are trying to get the treasury to approve tax relief measures for athletes whose years of top earning are limited and uncertain. . . . What Braves officials want to do is to have payment deferred on annual in-

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Tournament pros need PGA help on this tax matter . . . A fellow like Dick Mayer who wins the National Open and May's World championship the same year doesn't want to play other tournaments for what, on account of the taxes, would be about a 15 cent dollar, but pay his expenses with a \$1 dollar . . . So the time out of competition might seriously curtail such a player's performance at a high competitive stage . . . Taxation is the reason Dick Mayer wouldn't go on the schedule of 50 or 100 exhibition dates George May offers the winner of his World event . . . The exhibition deal is finis now . . . Good thing, too, as it gives more of the boys chances to get exhibition dates they couldn't get when Uncle George was putting on a \$1,000 show free all around the country.

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Tom Lambie, formerly asst. to Johnny Bulla, now pro at the new Century CC, Phoenix . . . Johnny has gone into golf club operation for real estate developers . . . Our Johnny is a smart one . . . In the Phoenix area there are 14 courses operating, being built or announced for construction soon . . . Enough of the new courses are tied in with real estate developments to be making competition in selling lots on or bordering the courses very keen . . . Real estate outfits that can show sound and lasting plan of course

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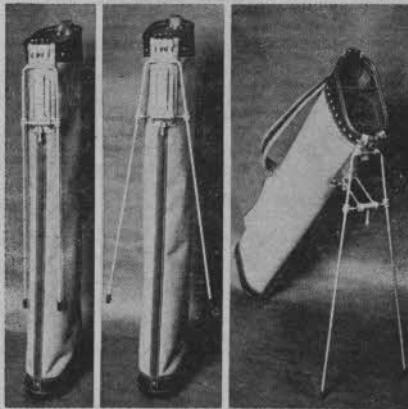
Tom Strange, winner of Virginia Open and Eastern Amateur last year, now pro at Elizabeth Manor G&CC, Portsmouth, Va. . . . H. J. McSloy is the club's new supt.

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