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building new 18 at Columbia, Ill., across the Mississippi from St. Louis . . . Al also building a semi-private 9 in St. Louis . . . Interlachen CC, Minneapolis, in \$450,000 clubhouse program . . . Interlachen's supt., Pat Johnson, at GCSA convention proudly showing the club's beautiful new scorecards which carry colored view of Interlachen's 9th hole where Bob Jones skipped a shot across the pond onto the green . . Probably the luckiest shot of all of the Grand Slam year . . . Harold Stodola, from Keller course at St. Paul, to work with Art Synder, supt., Paradise Valley CC, Phoenix, Ariz.

Trenton (N. J.) CC did itself and its supt., George Kerns, proud by presenting Kerns with impressively beautiful plaque which read "Achievement Award to George Russell Kerns, Greens Superintendent, as a vote of thanks for outstanding service and accomplishment in the care of greens and fairways under extremely adverse weather conditions during the year 1957." . . . Then followed officers' signatures . . . Kerns happily showed the plaque to other supts. at Washington.

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Pushing work on Tanglewood Park 18 at Winston-Salem, N.C., that Robert Trent Jones designed for Reynolds Foundation ... Gainesville (Fla.) CC 18-hole course, for which Jones was architect, is to be in play late this year ... Leonard Hazlett, jr., from Green Oaks CC, Pittsburgh, Pa., to Country Club of Cleveland, O., as supt.

Starting on Air Academy 18 at Colorado Springs, Colo., also designed by Robert Trent Jones . . . Site is cleared and pipe has been laid . . . Bellerive CC new course in St. Louis dist., to Jones plans, now being constructed and club hopes to move from its present site to its new course and clubhouse in June, 1959.



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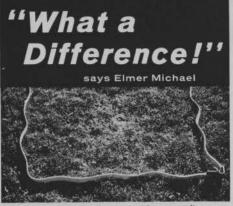
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Golf Writers Assn. thanks Carol Mc-Cue, The Girl of the Chicago Dist. Golf Assn. and her staff for re-typing entries of news stories and columns submitted for Jack Schram (Burke Golf Co.) prizes . . . There were 77 entries . . . Gene Gregston of Fort Worth Star won first for a news story, and Dan Jenkins, Fort Worth Press, won first in the columns and features class . . . Schram putting up \$750 to continue competition this year.

Roy Cook, managing editor, Sarasota (Fla.) Journal, says: "According to the records golf was introduced into the United States (in 1884) by John Hamilton Gillespie when he arrived at Sara-



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George Scott from Whitemarsh CC (Philadelphia dist.) to be pro-supt., Jeffersonville CC, Norristown, Pa. . . . George Fazio has leased the Flourtown 9 hole course in the Philadelphia dist. . . . It used to be known as the Sunnybrook CC . . . Fred Findlay, now 84, is the oldest golf architect in the U.S. . . . He's still very much alive and leaves his home at Farmington, Va., to serve as a consultant to other architects and builders . . . Al Emery, supt. of Salt Lake City muny courses for 23 years, and now supt. Bonneville GC at Salt Lake City, is father of Clare Emery who is pro at Washington (D. C.) G&CC.

Superintendents sure get steady work in the Buffalo dist. . . Ed Lorence is in his 35th year at the Park Club and Norman Haas has been at Transit Valley CC for 33 years . . The veteran Joe Mayo, supt. at Oakmont CC, Glendale, Calif., is putting in a fully automatic watering system . . . Plus an extra outlet





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Architect Chick Adams draws plans for 9-hole course for Monroe (Ga.) G&CC ... Columbia Hills CC (Cleveland dist.) to install pool ... Paul McGuire, asst. to Jimmy Walkup at Shaker Heights CC (Cleveland dist.) to Paradise CC, Crystal River, Fla., for year-around pro job where he will be with Chick Harbert in the winter ... PGA championship at Llanerch CC (Philadelphia dist.) now has over \$10,000 advance ticket sale ... Event to be played July 17-20 for first time as a stroke play competition.

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