Clark was a World War I veteran, a member of the American Legion and Masonic Lodge . . . He is survived by the widow, Myrtle Wieman Clark, and three brothers.

Charles Clark recently observed his 77th birthday by making a 170-yard hole-in-one at the Hancock (N. Y.) GC . . . Paul Kern, East Windsor (N. Y.) GC pro, won first Endicott Johnson Guide Step Open in June with a 67 . . . He won \$1,000 . . . Second and \$500 went to Bobby Hill of Rochester and third and \$350 to Sam Urzetta . . . Hill had a 69 and Urzetta a 70 . . . New tournament, played at En-Joie GC in Endicott, N. Y., had prize pool of \$3,300.

22-year old Dave Altergott, Jr. named pro at George Diamond CC, Antioch, Ill. . . . It's operating first year as private club, having been converted from former Chain O'Lakes semi-private . . . Altergott was an assistant at Tam O'Shanter, Niles, Ill. and formerly played on Louisiana State University golf team . . . 18-hole course recently opened at Tennanah Lake House, one of the country's oldest resort hotels, Roscoe, N. Y.

Aptos Beach GC, near Santa Cruz, Calif., has opened a driving range . . . Ed Holbrook is pro-mgr. . . . Amateur championship of the Women's Western Golf Assn. (July 6-11) has been played for 59 consecutive years without any interruptions due to war, etc. . . Low medal qualifying score for the first one in 1901 was a 96 with eight women winning right to play at match for the title . . . Championship has continued through the years at match play.

In the last official money winners' list, released by the PGA a week before the Open, Bill Casper, Jr. was in 24th place . . . Proving that success comes to them who are prepared for it, about 20 members of Cherry Hills CC in Denver travelled to Mamaroneck to take in the '59 Open and see how it was run . . . Cherry Hills will be host to the big event next year . . . Scott Paper Co., Chester, Pa., planning recreation center with 9-hole course for its 2,400 employees . . . Other industrial courses being opened or planned: Titmus Optical Co., Petersburg, Va., 9 holes; Bethlehem Steel Co., Lackawanna, N. Y., 18 holes; Brockway (Pa.) Glass Co., 9 holes; Union Switch & Signal Co., Monroeville, Pa., 18 holes.

Comparative figures for Philadelphia's five muny courses for first quarter of year



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show a gain of 18,000 rounds for 1959 over 1958 . . . Gross receipts were up \$20,000 . . . In 1958, total play at courses was 210,000 rounds . . . Three years previously it had been 161,000 rounds . . . Fees are \$1.25 on weekdays and \$1.50 on weekends and holidays . . . For ranges and miniatures courses, Philadelphia leases land to concessionaires for six years with additional four-year options . . . These must be built according to city specifications and operations must be in accordance with regulations drawn up by the city . . . Concessionaires have built golf centers ranging up to \$80,000 even through they revert to the city after 10 years — so they must be profitable.

Waterbury, Conn., building a second muny 18-hole course . . . It is being built to the plans of Bill and Dave Gordon and will be ready in 1960 . . . Greenwich, Conn., hopes to build 18-hole city course next year . . . More than 60,000 rounds were played at 18-hole municipal course in Schenectady, N. Y., last year . . . Play there brings a net of from \$6,000 to \$10,-000 annually . . . City has fine Junior program going . . . 10,000 sq. ft. practice green usually is crowded with kid players . . . At Ponkapog GC, 36-hole layout in Canton, Mass., more than 100,-000 rounds were played in 1958 . . . Fees are \$1.50, weekdays, \$2.50 on weekends.

USGA to Ease Penalty Rules on One-Year Trial Basis

Beginning Jan. 1, 1960, penalties for balls lost, out of bounds and unplayable lies will be reduced by the USGA. Rules covering these contingencies will be given a one-year trial. This was decided at a rules meeting in Scotland in May where USGA and British officials agreed to the trial in the U. S. only.

The 1960 U. S. rules for balls lost or out of bounds call for a loss of distance only. In an unplayable lie situation, the player may either choose a stroke and distance or drop directly behind the unplayable position for a one-stroke penalty. Penalties for a ball hit into a water haz-

ard do not change .

Full text of the 1960 USGA rules will

not be available until this fall.

Changes in the rules for next year are the outgrowth of agitation by the Southern California GA early in 1958 to abolish what is called unfair penalty strokes (Golfdom, Feb., p. 49.)



Lawton Carver, who covered major golf championships and all other top sports events during the years he was with International News Service as its sports editor, has opened a new restaurant at Second Ave., and 47th st., New York. Where you would expect them to be on the opening evening are Carver, Fred Corcoran, Craig Wood and Toots Shor. Carver, a noted epicure and talented cook, went into the restaurant business after 30 years at sports writing. Tuck your bib up at his place in N. Y. Telephone is PLaza 2-1390

Building Par 3 at Spruce Point Inn, Boothbay Harbor, Me. . . . Davis Hotel in Falmouth, Me., planning to convert adjoining 15 acres to a short course . . . Infield at Suffolk Downs in Boston also to be converted to Par 3, according to present plans . . . Stadium GC, Schenectady, opens Par 3 and driving range to supplement its present regulation 9 . . . Short course also to go in adjacent to Portland, Me's 18-hole muny course . . . Joe Misky, who resides near Windsor, Conn., is converting 55-acre farm to a regulation course . . . Bill Mitchell is handling the blueprint work for him.

Neal Lang, vp and gen. mgr. Hotel Roosevelt, New York, widely known among golfers and sports writers, was host to press cocktail party at the Roosevelt during the Open . . . Philip P. Rosette, formerly active in golf field as a fertilizer sales executive, has bought Wyman's Garden Center in No. Abington, Mass., and has renamed it Nursury Land . . . Jack Shields now pro at Shady Oaks CC, Ft. Worth, Tex., succeeding Dick

Metz.

Jim Blair, 62, pro at Minikahda Club, Minneapolis, for 30 years, died late in May at his home where he'd been taken after suffering a heart attack while playing . . . Jim was born in St. Andrews and served as a professional in Canada before coming to Minikahda . . . He is survived by his widow and son, David . . . Jim, was one of the fine old school pros His asst. for eight years, Bobby Reith, succeeds him as Minikahda's pro.



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Mark Mahannah to design and build the Grand Bahama Island 18-hole course for Jack Tar hotel chain . . . Bert Mc Grane, Des Moines Register golf writer says Val Brooks' new clubhouse at his Okoboji (Ia.) course, is the finest in Iowa . . . Clubhouse costing over \$300,000 will open in July . . . John Sheehan who operates Albemarle CC, Newtonville, Mass., which was forced by real estate developments from full length 18 to 3 9, says moderate time of play and absence of tough distances, have par 3 courses "really catching on" around Boston.

Par 3s are "catching on" all over the country . . . The par 3 popularity could indicate that the USGA is going at the ball problem upside down by trying to curtail the long hitters instead of helping the short hitters who are about 95 per cent of golf's roster . . . Encouragement of smart architecture in the design of intriguingly trapped short par 4 holes between 310 and 380 yards, that require two shots by star and average golfer, will solve the golf course acreage problem better than all the messing around with ball specifications has been able to in the nearly 30 years since the unpleasant and costly experiment with the balloon ball.

Only two of the 82 leading sports writers, who picked National Open prospective winners in GOLFING magazine's poll, named Bill Casper . . . They were Oscar (Fearless) Fraley of United Press International and Mal Mallette of the Winstonsalem (N. C.) Journal-Sentinel . . . Arnold Palmer, writers' top choice to win, finished in a tie with Ernie Vossler and Doug Ford for fourth, four strokes back of Casper's 282.

Green River CC, designed by Lawrence Hughes, opens . . . John Popa is pro . . . Club is near Riverside, Calif., and is built in three counties . . . Talk about building 9-hole semi-private course near Des Moines, Ia., airport . . . Caldwell, Ida., to build 18-hole muny course . . . Wayne Recreation Assn., Inc., to build 9-hole course near Lock Berlin, N. Y.

Jaycees get 4,545 names to petition asking for new 18-hole public course at Sioux City, Ia. . . . Wendell Ross opens his 9-hole Pequot GC at Stonington, Massimus 19-hole Pequot GC at Stonington, Mas

tain, Conn.... Open new course of CC of Ithaca, N. Y.... Geoffrey Cornish is architect of course the club built on its new location ... Eddie Steere, formerly club champion of Asheboro (N. C.) CC, now is the club's pro.

L. W. Keisel planning to build 18-hole course in Meadville-Cochrant, Pa. area . . . James G. Harrison will be his designer . . . Robert C. Whitney, mgr. of Ridge Manor G&CC, Dade City, Fla., reports that construction will soon begin on second 9 . . . Ridge Manor clubhouse was opened a short time ago and a swimming pool is now being built . . . George Cobb has designed seven holes for High Hampton Inn & CC, Cashiers, N. C. . . . Addition will bring course to the full 18 . . . Loudon G&CC, Purcellville, Va., planning to build second 9 this fall.

Robert G. Menzies, Australian prime minister, and Sir Dallas Brooks, governor of Victoria, will be honorary officials of the seventh Canada Cup and International Trophy matches when they are played in Melbourne in Nov. . . . 34 nations say they will have teams in the competitions . . . Fred Corcoran, IGA tournament dir., already has been in Melbourne to straighten out all details with W. G. Walkley, who is running tournament from the Australian end . . . Best 18 of the 36 holes at the Royal Melbourne course will be used for the four-day event.

The only hole-in-one scored during the Open proceedings came off the 2-iron of Bart Haltom of Ft. Worth, Tex., on Winged Foot's 212 yard 13th . . . Haltom is a high school mathematics teacher who works as a pro during the summer months . . . Southern Calif. GCSA members enjoyed a day at the races at Hollywood track on June 9th as guests of area turf dealers . . . Rod Barker, Sr., resigned in May as supt. at Los Coyotes CC, Buena Park, Calif., to go to Mexico City where he is building a course . . . Harold Stallings, formerly of Santa Ana CC, has succeeded him.

Tom Cusick now on teaching staff of Chick Rutan, pro at Lochmoor GC, Grosse Pointe Woods, Mich. . . . Cusick formerly worked for Al Watrous . . . Columbus, O. Dispatch recently had interesting magazine feature on Vaughn Barnhard, who bought a 270 acre farm some years ago, decided in 1955 to convert into a golf course . . . With the aid of his wife, daughter, two sons, and two former supts., Sam and Noah Salyers,



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Entries pouring in for Paul Bunyan Maine Open, \$7,500 tournament which will be held Aug. 19-23 at Penobscot Valley CC, Aug. 19-23 . . . Al Biondi of Augusta CC won first Maine Open last year . . . Castle Harbour Hotel in Hamilton, Bermuda, expanding its 9 to 18 . . . It's the fourth 18-hole course for the island . . . John Arrowood, pres. of Central Plains Turf Fdn. and supt. at Hickory Hills CC, Springfield, Mo., died in May following illness of several months.

Carl Benkert, sales vp for Hillerich & Bradsby Co., and pres., National Assn. of Golf Club Mfrs., shot a 3-under par 68 to win 13th Braemar tournament, held in Lexington, Ky. in June, and became first man to win this event for the second time . . . Clubhouse at El Campo CC, Newark, Calif., to be ready Aug. 15 Course was recently opened.

Architect Ellis Maples, who now operates out of Martinsville, Va., has these courses in construction or on the drawing board: 9-hole private club at Cameron, S. C., 9-hole Calhoun (S. C.) CC, which

will be completed this year; second nine at Marian, Va., which is in planning stage; and a second nine at Emory Wood Club, High Point, N. C., which also is in plan-

ning stage.

Here is a rundown on Bob Baldock's various architectural undertakings . . . Plans drawn and construction pending on 18-hole course in Davis, Calif., which will be part of an 800-acre housing development . . . 18-hole course in Fairfield, Calif., nine of which will be built this year . . . 9-hole semi-private for P. E. Spaman group in Oakdale, Calif. . . . 9-hole course for Truckee Public Utility Dist . . . Drawings made for the following Air Force courses which are either under constructon or will be in the near future: Forbes, Topeka, Kans., Stead, Reno, Dyess, Abilene, Tex. and McCord in Washington.

Warren Bidwell, formerly supt., Seaview CC, Absecon, N. J., now supt., Olympia Fields CC (Chicago dist.) . . . John H. Morris now mgr., Ponce de Leon GC, St. Augustine, Fla. . . . Waynesboro (Miss.) CC building 9-hole course . . . Wm. A. Aull now mgr., Westchester Hills GC, White Plains, N. Y. . . . Never

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