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it is remarkable that so many people could find the time and were willing to work so hard to help amend a law that obviously was unfair. It is good to know that where tax encroachments are made, golfers have enough gumption to band together and correct them.

Michigan Assn. Donates \$1,000 to Turf Research Group

The Golf Association of Michigan has donated \$1,000 to the Michigan Turfgrass Foundation, Inc., to further the work of the latter organization in turf research. The check was presented by Charles G. Chapman, GAM green chmn., and Robert E. Howell, assn. treas, to Clarence Wolfrom, supt. at Maple Lane GC, and Ward Cornwell, Detroit GC, who represent the Foundation.

The Foundation, which maintains turf plots at Michigan State University, and works closely with the agronomy school there, is diverting most of its money and efforts to the study of the poa annua problem. It also is preoccupied with the effects of close cutting on bluegrass, fescue and other strains used on fairways.



Clarence Wolfrom, Charles G. Chapman, Ward Cornwell and Robert E. Howell in Michigan transfer of funds scene.

About 30 clubs, according to Cornwell, belong to the Michigan Foundation. Dues for 18-hole clubs are \$40 and for 9-hole clubs, \$25. Cornwell points out that many clubs in his state belong to the larger Midwest Turf Foundation, but conditions that exist in Indiana and neighboring states aren't always comparable to those in Michigan. It is for this reason that the Michigan Turf Foundation was founded.



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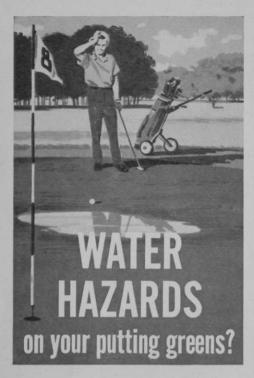
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McAuliffe Awarded Gold Tee; Smith Gets Hogan Trophy

John E. McAuliffe, pres. of Triangle Conduit & Cable Co., New Brunswick, N. J., and sponsor of the National Mixed Foursome tourney and Triangle Round Robin for women, was awarded the Metropolitan Golf Writers' Gold Tee for 1960. It was presented to him on Jan. 24 at the eighth annual National Awards dinner in New York.

McAuliffe, who started Triangle on \$500 in 1916 and saw it gross \$63 million last year, is a sportsman of long standing. In 1912 he was a candidate for the U. S. Olympic swimming team. He has won numerous regional and club golf titles, playing to a four handicap. His racing colors have appeared in the winner's circle at many tracks.

Last year's winner of the Gold Tee was Francis Ouimet.

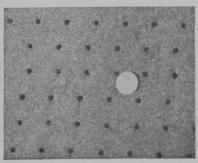
The Ben Hogan Trophy, also awarded at the banquet, went to Horton Smith. The Detroit GC pro, handicapped by serious illness and two serious operations in recent years, came back to give more than 400 teaching lessons in 1960.

Texas Turf Officers

Ken Krenek is 1961 pres. of the Texas Turfgrass Assn. Carroll Kiser is vp and Grover Keeton, sec-treas. Ethan C. Holt and John Long are co-chmn. of the conference programs; Marvin Ferguson is research dir.; and A. W. Crain is editor of the Turfgrass News.

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Swinging Around Golf

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it became the first new 18 hole standard size course in the area in 14 years . . . Ray LaCombe now pro at Zephyrhills (Fla.) GC . . . Arnold I. Harris, Teaneck, N. J. heads syndicate which bought lease on Englewood (N. J.) GC from Jerry Volpe and associates . . . New highway to take 18 acres from course which will be redesigned by Hal Purdy on 100 remaining acres.

Willard R. (Red) Steger, widely known Texas country club mgr., switches to River Oaks CC, Houston, from Corpus Christi CC . . . Mike McConnell now pro-mgr., Osceola course of Pensacola City Recreation Board, succeeding Gordy Glenz who resigned . . . Compton (Calif.) College opens 4-hole Par 3 course with Art Saxell teaching students in Compton's physical education program . . . Classes also conducted for residents of Compton, Lynwood and Paramount recreation districts.

CC of Natick, Mass., to build second 9... Spencer (Ia.) CC to build new 18 hole course and clubhouse... Harold Howe is Spencer club's pres... Marshall Lakeside CC, Marshall, Tex., planning new clubhouse... Kings Mountain CC,

Gastonia, N. C., to build new clubhouse . . . Ed F. Chobot is pres., DASAC, Inc., Chattanooga, which plans to build 27 holes to plans of Chic Adams, for Valleybrook G&CC which will be feature of de luxe subdivision.

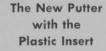
Oakland, Calif., area adjoining airport soon to start building 18 holes to design of Bob Baldock . . . Site now used as garbage dump for city of San Leandro . . . Reminds us that we've seen some beautiful courses built on garbage dumps; among them was Bayside on Long Island, designed by the late Dr. Alastair MacKenzie who also designed the Augusta National course . . . Bryn Mawr in Chicago is a garden spot and a fine golf course on what once was a dump.

First 9 of Island's End G&CC between Greenport and East Miron, N. Y., scheduled for opening in May . . . Cedar Rapids, Ia., Park dept. starts work on city's municipal course . . . This 18 planned for play in spring, 1963 . . . Little Falls, N. Y. Board of Public Works recommends building of municipal course to council.

CC of Jackson, Miss., approves \$2 million building program calling for 36 holes and new clubhouse . . . Sale of homesites on part of club's land to partially finance building projects . . . Fort Madison, Ia.,

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planning 18-hole municipal course . . . Theodore Ender, 312 Caledonia st., La Crosse, Wis., and associates receive okay from La Crosse County Board to build a course.

E. S. Carver and Don Houston, owners of Carver and Houston Tie Co., Port Orford, Ore., to build 18 hole course and subdivision at Kentuck Inlet, Coos Bay, Ore. . . . Eastern Shore Yacht & CC building 18 hole course . . . Tomoka Oaks, Inc. to build 18 holes and subdivision at Ormond Beach, Fla. . . . W. L. McElroy is pres. of Tomoka Oaks, Inc. . . . Sam Snead, Inc. to build the course.

Valley View GC to build course at New Albany, Ind., to replace course built as WPA project about 25 years ago . . . Ed Moore is Valley View sec. . . . Dominic Menichelli expects to have first 9 of his course on Milltown, Rd., Brewster, N. Y. in play in late summer.

Robert Trent Jones designing course for Haring Rock CC, Tenafly, N. J. . . . Bernard Grey, promoter of Haring Rock CC, expects the club will build 36 holes . . . Grey has owned Kenilworth Lodge, Sebring, Fla., Vernon Hills CC, Eastchester, N. Y. and Willows CC, Harrison, N. Y.

. . . San Francisco Recreation-Park dept. to have new 9-hole McLaren Park course in play this fall and will build another 9-hole course at Golden Gate Park . . . Edward V. Fox Kentucky, commissioner of parks, says state plans to build course at Buckhorn Park.

Christmas gift tournament ticket sales campaign for American Golf Classic, Firestone CC, Akron, O., Aug. 21-27, followed same pattern as 1959 gift drive on 1960 PGA championship tickets . . . Sales short of 1959 record of \$70,000 . . . Richard D. Irwin, gen. chmn. 1961 PGA championship at Olympia Fields, July 24-30 says Christmas gift ticket sales for his tournament hit \$52,000 . . . \$25 Christmas price included grounds, clubhouse and parking for tournament week . . . \$48 is tab for tournament time tickets.

Medical authorities who have examined ex Pres. Eisenhower say he is in better health leaving the White House than when he came in . . . Publicly and privately the medics give golf the credit . . . Dr. Paul Dudley White, heart specialist who was called in when Ike had his second heart attack in 1955, says if it wasn't for golf Ike wouldn't "be in the shape he is today."

Pres. Kennedy has suffered several serious illnesses but is reported to be in fine physical condition . . . He inherits a monumental load of strain and pressure and will need his golf . . .

Looking for Tourney Site

Late in January, Western Golf Assn. had not found a site for the playing of its 1961 Open. WGA, however, expects to stage the tournament on the dates originally scheduled, June 22-25, and hopes to hold it in a Midwestern city. The Western Open was slated to be played at Scioto CC in Columbus, O., but officials of that club cancelled out early in January.

So will the nation. He is about an 85-shooter, considerably better than Eisenhower, Harding, Taft or Wilson.

Tony Novitsky, formerly pro at Warren Air Force Base, Cheyenne, Wyo., selected from 80 applicants to follow John Cochran as pro at Columbine CC, Denver . . . Willie Low now in his 30th year as pro at Phoenix CC . . . Morgan Fottrell, pro for almost 10 years at Del Rio CC, Modesto, Calif., resigns . . . Fottrell, who is credited by Del Rio members with tournament, promotion and publicity work that got live reputation for the club, may become associated with Hawaiian golf-real estate project . . . Bill Mast, from San Clemente (Calif.) municipal course, succeeded Fottrell at Del Rio.

Fremont (Neb.) GC modernizing course and building new 9 to plan of David Gill . . . Al Beister is Fremont pro . . . Harry Vinall, for 3 years pro at Southern Dutchess CC, Beacon, N. Y., resigns to lease Vassar college course at Poughkeepsie, N. Y. . . . Vinall, a good sound pro businessman and instructor, will teach Vassar students and faculty and also operate the course, which is close to Main St. in Poughkeepsie, on a daily fee basis.

Paul Hahn, the trick shooting star, is getting longer parts in the Western movies in which he appears when he can take a couple days off from hs golf bookings . . . First Western we saw Paul in, gave him about as much film time as a fast back swing . . . Now he gets to cling to the ranch-owner's daughter and say, "They went thataway."

Westward Ho opens its first at Indio, Calif. . . . Pushing work on the second 9 . . . Westward Ho is 12th 18-hole course in the Country Club Valley between Indio and Palm Springs . . It has a helioport as an air terminal . . . E. R. Blades is gen. mgr. of the club and Westward Ho Golf Estates . . . Tucson's Randolph municipal course recently put its 4th 9 into play.

Jackie Burke and Jimmy Demaret staging "First annual Champions Cup Matches" at their Champions GC, Houston, Mar. 13-19 . . . Invitations sent to 50 two-man club teams . . . There'll be 72 holes of stroke play, starting Mar. 16 . . . Entry, \$100 per team . . . Johnny Revolta sold his interest in Phoenix golf pro-



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ject and is back for winter as pro at Edgewater Gulf CC, Biloxi, Miss. . . One of the great girls of American golf, Mrs. Paul Walker, retired from golf official life after 35 years on the board of the Women's Western GA . . . She was WWGA pres. in 1938-40 . . . She founded the Women's Western Open, first of the women's open championships.

Bud Korth's Hone-Kor GC at Kewaskum, Wis., designed and being built by Rudy Buuck of Crystal Lake GC, Plymouth, Wis. . . . First 9 pro proposed 18 to open in Aug. Buuck also designer and builder of an 18-hole Par 3 that Vince Hendri is adding to his Town and Country GC, Green Bay. Wis., where he has a standard 9 and a golf range . . . New Par 3 scheduled for Aug. opening . . . Mac Parson, who retired as supt., Algonquin CC (St. Louis dist.), now back in as supt. of course under construction at Cape Coral, Fla., west coast development whose operating head is Connie Mack, jr. . . . Dick Wilson designed the course.

Mike Dietz, now pro at DeLand (Fla.) CC, has 31 women in his beginners' class and 30 kids or more at his junior clinic . . . Mike and his wife, Helen, think there's more action here the year around than at any other club of 200 members . . . Dietz has weekly radio golf program . . . They credit Pug Allen and Frank Moore, who used to own the club, with lighting the golf fire in DeLand.

Francis Gallett in his 36th year as pro at Blue Mound G&CC, Milwaukee, where Western

Three-Way Confusion

At a Desert Senior award dinner in Palm Springs one of the prizes was three free golf lessons — one each from Claude Harmon, Ellsworth Vines and George Howard. After the award was made, Howard was heard to remark: "Boy, will that poor guy be mixed up!"

Seniors will be played this summer . . . Francis won Wisconsin Senior PGA championship last fall, which means he will play at Dunedin in the PGA Seniors Teacher's Trophy tournament . . . Gallett and his wife are planning a trip to see the heather and the bluebells on the course at Carnoustie . . . They haven't seen them since the summer of 1920 . . . They came over in March, 1921, shortly before Tommy Armour and Bobby Cruickshank, veteran pro and salesman, arrived . . . Jack Jolly will be 81 April 4.

Peoria (III.) Journal-Star, in Sunday feature, says Peoria is No. 1 city of the world in the manufacture of golf gloves and head covers . . . Harley Potter, golf enthusiast, printing salesman and inventor, started Peoria in golf glove business with a number he designed and manufactured . . . Potter sold out to Ken Burgett . . . Cliff Hill and Jim Noonan then established factories in Peoria . . . The three make approx-