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Speakers at Leon Short & Son's turf meeting in Keokuk, Ia., were (I to r): Stan Fredrickson, Mallinckrodt; Leon Short; Paul Sartoretto, W. A. Cleary Corp.; Jim Holmes, USGA agronomist. (Right) Trophy at Bob Dunning show was so large that Dunning could hardly transport it to Bill Price, supt., Elks CC, Shawnee, Okla., who won golf honors.



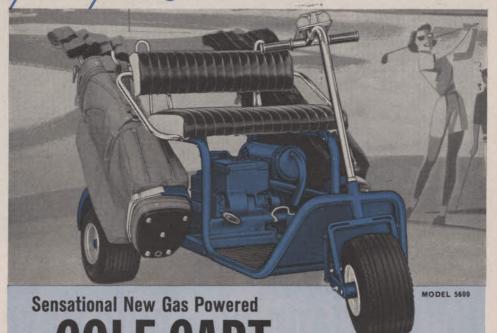
Miss. Valley GCSA turned over \$1,123 check to St. Louis Turf Research at fall meeting. Shown at presentation are (I to r) Al Linkogel, Ray Freeborg, Oscar Bowman, Joe Lammert, Ralph Guyer, Joe Switzer, Robert V. Mitchell and Vertus Mitchell. (Inset) Gene C. Nutter (center), executive dir. of the National GCSA, was toastmaster at banquet held in conjunction with Florida Horticultural Spraymen's Assn. meeting. Shown with him are Doyle Conner (I) and Charlie Johnson, retiring association pres.

quet toastmaster was Gene C. Nutter, the GCSA's executive dir.

Illinois Turfgrass Conference: The second of these meetings, staged by the University of Illinois' college of agriculture, was held in Urbana early in Dec. A good deal of emphasis was put on the understanding and testing of soils, identi-

fication and control of diseases and insects, and golf course problems. Speakers for the most part were recruited from the U. of I. faculty and included C. Y. Arnold, Malcolm Shurtleff, H. B. Petty, M. P. Britten, F. W. Slife and others. R. R. Davis of Ohio State University, Jim Holmes of the USGA green section and Tom Mascaro of West Point Products Corp. also spoke.

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# Better Planning Would Have Helped Fairless Hills

#### By JOSEPH W. DRAGONETTI

It has been estimated that of the 200 or more golf courses currently being built about 15 or 20 per cent of them may be surrounded by housing developments. At numerous sites, golf facilities are being offered as an inducement to prospective home buyers. Probably typical of the golf community development combination is Fairless Hills, operated in connection with the Fairless Hills housing settlement about three miles from the Fairless Works of the U.S. Steel Corp., in Bucks County, Pa.

Bucks County, Pa.

Fairless Hills was one of the earlier courses built in conjunction with a housing development and has had some significant experiences which might be helpful to others. Interviewed for this article were H. Fred Lening, manager of the club,

Developers didn't anticipate Golf Rush that has exploded even beyond growing population

William J. Williamson, Supt., and Harvey Miller, professional.

The 9-hole course was opened on Memorial Day, 1957, six years after the housing project was started. Fairless Hills is now a community of 2100 homes with a population of 8,000. The homes are built for persons in the middle income bracket. Play at the course is on a fee or annual membership basis and is open to residents of the community. Operation of the course is under the direct supervision of the Danherst Corp., Columbus, O.

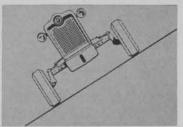
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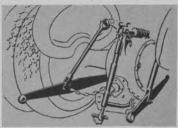


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See it at the International Turf Grass Conference, Miami Beach, Florida, January 28 through February 2,1962 but two associations, formed by residents of the community, offer recommendations on course operations, improvements, etc. These are the Fairless Hills Women's Golf Assn., and the Men's Golf Assn.

President of the Club is John W. Galbreath, also head of the Danherst Corp. and one of the owners of the Pittsburgh Pirates. VP is George R. Galbreath, who fills a similar capacity with the developers corporation. In addition to managing the golf course, Lening is the chairman of the green committee and manages the other recreational facilities in the project including the bowling center and swimming pool.

Objectives behind the building of the course are stated in a resolution to members by John Galbreath and posted in

the clubhouse. It states in part:

"Whereas it is universally recognized that proper and adequate recreational facilities unquestionably provide a substantial contribution to the moral development of a community's people, and to their general health and happiness; therefore be it:

"Resolved, that we, the directors of the Fairless Hills Golf Club, do hereby dedicate these golf facilities to the continued enjoyment of residents of Fairless Hills."

#### At Break-Even Point

Although the course was operated at a deficit in the first few years of operation, it is now at a break-even point, according to Lening. Income is derived from annual memberships of \$64, which gives all club privileges and includes individual playing fees, locker fees, etc., for all day. Saturday, Sunday and holiday fees are \$1.00 for nine holes and \$2.00 for all day. Guest green fees are \$2.00 on week-days and \$3.00 on Saturday, Sunday and holidays.

The course was designed by Marion Packard of Columbus. It is short, but no pushover with a par of 31. There are four par 4 holes and five par 3s. The golfer must keep straight, as the course has many trees and traps and on every hole there is a water hazard. Length of the 9 holes is 2200 yards. The playing season is from April through Oct. or Nov., depending on the weather.

Some things done at Fairless Hills might have been done differently, according to those interviewed for this article, and there are a number of problems inherent in an operation of this kind which



Fairless Hills' management trio consists of (I to r)
Fred Lening, general mgr., Harvey Miller, pro, and
Bill Williamson, supt.



When course was dedicated nearly five years ago, Ben Fairless (I), retired U.S. Steel Corp. board chairman, and John W. Galbreath, pres. of the firm that built the layout, were among the speakers.

weren't realized when it was undertaken.

#### Should Have Been 18

The developers probably would have built a regulation 18-hole course if they had known that the golf demand would be so great. One of the limitations was the ground made available for the course. A swampland was reclaimed to build it and it was two years in construction. Actually, an 18-hole course can be simulated by putting in extra tees and the second half of the 18-hole game can be played from different angles. But it is agreed that this isn't satisfactory.

Another important phase of planning for the future is the contemplated installation of shower rooms. At first it was thought that no showers were necessary because the players lived so close to the course, but many members have expressed a preference for having shower rooms in the clubhouse and these may yet be built. The general feeling is that the clubhouse should have been made larger to take care of the social activity that goes on. There is however, a good pro shop

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# Turf Questions ...and answers

FRED V. GRAU



## Measure Elements of Success for Future Progress

In order to look ahead effectively, we must indulge in some objective backward glances. Let's resolve not to make the same mistakes twice. In every failure or disaster there are the seeds of success if only we will sift them out. Something went wrong—Why? It is no disgrace to make an honest mistake but, when it has happened, let us learn from it. Those who make no mistakes do nothing. Only those who try to achieve something can make a mistake.

In evaluating our progress in the future let's try to measure elements of success. Why were we successful in 1961? What were our major accomplishments? What improvements can we make in the

coming year?

Let's look first to "self improvement" Have we done all we can to cement friendly relations with the pro, manager, club officials and the members? Are we doing enough outside reading to improve our minds in things other than greenkeeping?

The water situation steadily grows more critical. Are we planning our management so that we can produce quality turf with minimum irrigation? We re-state the proved principle: "Hungry grass plants require five times as much water as well-fed plants".

#### Seedbed Protection Neglected

When a new seedbed has been prepared, limed, fertilized and grassed, there is a significant investment involved. Seedbed protection has been neglected and ignored on many newly built golf courses. Erosion creates problems and additional

expense for no good reason. Today, with materials such as straw, wood cellulose pulp, liquid rubber emulsions, and various fiber nets there need be little excuse for permitting new seedbeds to be ruined by wind and water erosion. This subject well could be a major one at meetings and conferences.

Fairway improvement has been marked with great success where warm-season grasses have been involved. Bermudas and zoysias have produced outstanding turf where fertilization and management have been adequate. We have not seen the same degree of perfection developed with cool-season grasses. Here is a fertile field for investigation and development.

#### Great Progress Made

The best defense against weeds is a vigorous healthy turf. There are times when chemical weed control is worth its weight in gold. Progress in pre-emergence control of annual summer grassy weeds has been phenomenal. There are many specialists who can discuss this vital subject at meetings. Meanwhile, let's not neglect mechanical and cultural weed control. The new thatching machines and vertical mowers do a tremendous job, especially when aided by a generous fertilization program.

Have we made the best use of the superior varieties of grasses developed for turf? To get the best in every grass we must understand its needs and meet those requirements! It makes absolutely no sense to plant an improved strain and then proceed to manage it as though it

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were a common ordinary strain.

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#### **Aerifying Benefits**

O. I have been aerifying my greens for the past three years with a machine that punches about 36 holes to the sq. ft. I know from experience that this practice is very beneficial but will you give some good technical reasons why this is true. I want to pass them on to my members when they ask about it? - (Penn-

sylvania)

A. Putting greens, to be satisfactory, must be irrigated frequently and the soil must be kept moist. In this condition, under heavy foot traffic, soils become compacted. Compacted soils are starved for oxygen. Oxygen is utterly essential for activity of micro-organisms upon which most fertilizers depend in order that they may become available. In the absence of oxygen, there is no bacterial activity and many good fertilizers actually can become poisonous to the grass because certain compounds are formed in the absence of oxygen that will kill grass in a short time.

Additional benefits come in the fact that less water needs to be applied to the greens. The water that is applied is more efficient since it is absorbed into the soil. Compact soils absorb water with great difficulty. Another reason is that the fertilizer that is applied is allowed to get into the root zone where it can be

the most effective.

#### This Zoysia Is Outstanding

O. Several years ago someone planted some zoysia on our course. No one seems to know what kind it is but the members notice and like it. We have given it no attention aside from routine mowing with fairway mowers. The turf is outstanding because it is weedfree, but it looks hungry at times. No one seems to care that it loses its green color at the end of the golf season. What are your suggestions for improving our zoysia and for spreading it over the course? - (Virginia)

A. From what you say, your zoysia needs nothing much except once-a-year fertilization to yield 4 to 5 lbs. of nitrogen to 1,000 sq. ft. A 2-1-1 or 3-1-1 ratio fertilizer will serve well, especially if most of the nitrogen is insoluble. The best time for applying fertilizer is at the start of the growing season. Split applications (spring and late summer) also may be made if desired. Well fed zoysia will hold its green

color late into the fall.

#### **Tell How to Detect Products** of Questionable Value

Writing in the Turfgrass Adviser, published by the University of California's agricultural extension service, Milton Fireman and Albert W. Marsh, who are connected with the bureau, warn turfmen to beware of products of questionable value. They point out that equipment and supplies, often overpriced and not designed or formulated to do the jobs they are purported to do, sometimes are sold by persons who basically are honest but probably too enthusiastic about their merits. Usually, these salesmen are long on scientific jargon in which the benefits promised are products of pure fancy, but they can't back up their claims.

According to Fireman and March, any product should be regarded with suspicion if any of these claims are made for it:

It has a secret part or contains an unknown ingredient;

It operates or acts on a newly discovered, secret principle;

It is so new that scientists haven't yet heard about it;

Use of the product gives many beneficial extra dividends, all desirable, but clothed in mysterious language;

Benefits claims are supported by large numbers of testimonials - all unsolicited, of course.

Zoysia benefits from close, regular mowing. A height of 1/2 in. on tees and 1/4 in. on fairways is approved. Much zoysia turf is ruined by mowing too high and not cutting often enough.

When drought is so prolonged that zoysia turf starts to curl and wilt, it will respond quickly to a good deep soaking. For the most part, well-fertilized zoysia turf can provide excellent playing turf with little or no irrigation except in arid regions. For non-irrigated courses it has a place within its region of adaptation.

Several methods are useful for spreading your zovsia turf: Plugging - 4-in. plugs may be set any time of the year that soil is workable; Sodding - Strips of sod may be cut and relaid; Sprigs - Excellent sprigs can be harvested all during the growing season at weekly intervals by operating an Aero-thatch, or similar machine to full depth. Each time it is used it should be operated in a different direction. The playing quality of the turf will remain good improved, in fact. Harvested sprigs can be planted in a prepared nursery area for the production of additional sod or they may be sprig-planted during the warm season directly into fairways.

### Musician Takes Shortcut; Club Not Liable for His Injuries

By William Jabine

An occasional dance for members and guests is essentially a country club function and a good band is equally essential

for a successful dance. These two irrefutable facts set the stage for a lawsuit recently brought by a member of a band against a Southern country club.



The band arrived at the club

at about 7 p.m. in a bus. It first stopped at the main door and the band members took their instruments inside. Then they climbed back into the vehicle which then took them to the parking area where they spent about an hour shaving and

dressing inside the bus.

At about 8 p.m., when it had grown dark, three members of the band left the bus and started for the clubhouse, following a lighted gravel road. When they came within 75 or 100 feet of the clubhouse, they realized the road led to a rear door. They could still see the front door and decided to take a short cut across a lawn to reach it. When they had gone about 10 or 12 feet in the direction of the front entrance, one of the trio fell in a hole in the lawn.

Although he was able to play at the dance that evening he sustained injuries that caused him to bring suit against the club. He contended the club was negligent in permitting the hole to exist in

the lawn.

#### Not Insurer of Safety

The case went to the supreme court of North Carolina which ruled in favor of the club. The court pointed out that the musician was on the club's premises as a business invitee and that, as such, the club owed him the duty of ordinary care, but was not an insurer of his safety. It also said that by leaving the regular path and cutting across the lawn, the musician was guilty of contributory negligence. On these points the Court said in part:

"In this case all evidence shows that the plaintiff fell into the hole while intentionally and materially deviating from the premises which were within the scope of his invitation — a part of the premises not designed as a road or path and the use of which for such purpose at night could not be reasonably anticipated by the defendant. When the plaintiff fell into the hole, he was a licensee and the only duty the defendant owed him was to refrain from acts of willful or wanton negligence and from doing any act which increased the hazard to him while he was on the premises.

#### Contributory Negligence

"It is manifest that the plaintiff's evidence establishes facts necessary to show contributory negligence as a matter of law so clearly that no other conclusion can be reasonably drawn therefrom. The plaintiff being unfamiliar with the premises left the provided road, and proceeded through darkness beyond the scope of his invitation to walk across the lawn on such premises without being able to see what dangers such darkness may have concealed. There are no circumstances to show he was misled through a false sense of safety, and there are no emergency or stress of circumstances that render it necessary that he should cross the lawn and not use the provided path." (Cupita v. Carmel Inc., 133 S.E. 2d 712.)

#### Damages Awarded, Denied in Two Recent Golf Decisions

Two law cases, of interest to golfers as well as clubs, were decided in November. In Stockton, Calif., a superior court jury awarded \$85,000 damages to a 13-year old boy for injuries suffered when he was hit in the head by a golf ball in May, 1958. The damages were assessed against the Stockton G & CC because it was decided that the club induced boys to come on to the course by paying them for lost golf balls. The player who hit the ball was not held liable for the injuries the boy suffered.

In Atlanta, the Georgia court of appeals ruled that anyone playing golf assumes the risk of being hit by a golfer in another fairway. The decision was the outgrowth of a \$25,000 damage suit that originated in Albany. The court had this to say: "For this court to hold that it was negligent for one to play golf who was not able to control the direction of his shot would not only be unreasonable, but would remove all congestion on golf courses."



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# PGA Removes Caucasian Clause from Constitution

Probably the most important decision made by delegates to the PGA's 45th annual meeting, held in November, was elimination of the "Caucasian race" clause from the organization's membership requirements. An amendment to the first paragraph of Sec. 1, Article III of the constitution let down the barriers so far as admission of Negro professionals to the PGA is concerned. This was an aboutface from proceedings of the previous year in Scottsdale, Ariz., when delegates voted to withhold recognition of Negro pros until people of their race had established enough clubs of their own to justify their being taken into the PGA. Difficulties in making tournament arrangements because of the Caucasian elause had a good deal to do in prompting delegates to approve the amendment to the constitution.

A second membership amendment, adopted at the 1961 meeting, eliminated the clause, "residing in North or South America."

As a result of these changes, Sec. I now reads: "Pro golfers over the age of 18 years who can qualify under terms and conditions hereinafter specified, shall be eligible for membership." All other membership requirements remain unchanged, including the five-year experience rule.

#### Lou Strong Re-elected

At the Hollywood-by the-Sea meeting,

the delegates also voted to:

Install Lou Strong in a second term as president. Re-elected along with the 48-year old pro from Oak Hill CC in Rochester, N.Y. were: Wally Mund, St. Paul, sec., and George Hall, Ithaca, N.Y., treas. New vps are: E. E. Johnson, Nashville, Tenn., Dave Bonella, Sr., Ottumwa, Ia., and Dick Forester, Houston, Tex.;

Okay the reorganization of national headquarters and the establishment of an executive staff composed of Thomas W. Crane, Robert L. Russell and Lloyd

F. Lambert

Approve the appointment of Jim Gaquin

as tournament bureau manager;

Approve the three-year lease the organization took on a new headquarters building, north of Dunedin, as well as the moving of the National Golf Club to Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.;

Continue development and expansion

of the merchandising program.

Every person who attended the annual meeting in an official capacity received what could amount to reading for a lifetime. There was a 203-page report of the officers and committees; a 98-page treasurer's report; a 66-page opus on the foundation for education service; a 163-page treatise prepared by the executive committee with additional tournament committee minutes; and a 247-page proceedings book covering the 1961 annual meeting. If these weren't enough, various officers, chairmen and department heads supplemented their written reports with verbal discourses. All of this material, a PGA release pointed out, is to be assembled and digested by delegates so that they can disseminate it to section members.

The President's dinner, a traditional affair, was held in the Calcutta Room of the Diplomat CC and was attended by about 300 persons. Henry C. Poe of Reading, Pa. was the toastmaster. Among those he introduced were Don Padgett, Muncie, Ind., home-pro-of-the-year; Jerry Barber, PGA champion and player-of-the-year; and the three newcomers to the Hall of Fame, Johnny Farrell, W. Lawson

Little, Jr., and Henry Picard.

proved were:

A time limit on applications for memberships that require that a pro apply within five years of the date he becomes eligible to make such application;

Other resolutions that delegates ap-

A provision giving Class A status retention to 25-year PGA members so long as they remain active in the golf

profession:

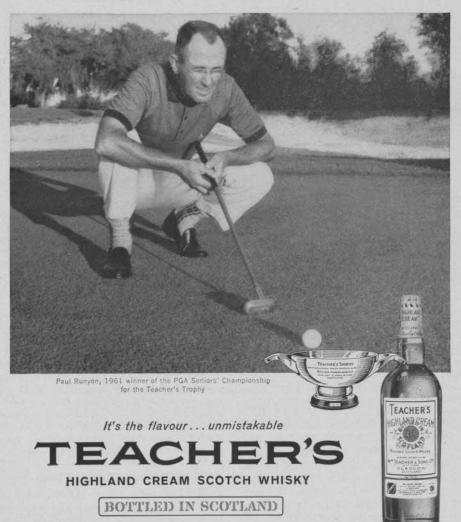
Elimination of the H apprentice classification except for those who held or had applied for it on Nov. 9, 1961.

#### **PGA Merchandise Show**

The annual merchandise show of the PGA will be held at Dunedin, Fla., during the week of Seniors' Championship (Feb. 12-18). As in other years, the show will be housed in two tents. A total of 110 display booths are available to exhibitors. Frank Sprogell, pro-mgr. of the National GC, is in charge of arrangements.

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### Bartlett, Haywood Win MacGregor Writing Awards

Top honors in the Golf Writer's Association of America fifth annual writing awards competition were won by Charles Bartlett of the Chicago Tribune, longtime secretary of the association, and Ray Haywood, golf writer of the Oakland (Calif.) Tribune.

Bartlett, golf editor of the Tribune,





(Above) Charles Bartlett (r) accepts plaque from L. T. Peifer, executive vp of Brunswick sports div. which, with \$250, was his award for his sterling writing in GWA news division competition. At left is Ray Haywood who repeated as winner in the feature division.

won \$250 first place in the news division with his story of Jerry Barber's comefrom-behind victory in the 1961 P.G.A. championship at Chicago's Olympia Fields. Haywood captured \$250 for first place in the feature division with his column on Charley Sifford's appearance in the Crosby Pro-Am and also won the third place award of \$100 with a feature on holesin-one, including one of his own. Haywood also won the feature division award in 1960.

#### 135 Articles Submitted

The awards contest, sponsored for the first time by Brunswick-MacGregor, drew a record number of 135 entries. The contest board was directed by Dean Theodore Peterson of the University of Illinois' College of Journalism. Judging was supervised by Jay Jensen, head of the journalism department.

Second place in the news division and

a \$150 check was won by Kaye Kessler of the Ohio State Journal, with third going to Bill Rives of the Dallas News. Second place in the feature division went to Billy Sixty, Sr., of the Milwaukee Journal. Kessler wrote of Jack Nicklaus' fine performance in the 1961 National Open at Detroit. Rives' entry was a story on Gary Player's victory in the Masters. Sixty's second place winning feature was based on golf galleries.

### Osgood Inducted as 28th Pres. of Chicago District GA

Stacy W. Osgood, Chicago attorney, has been elected pres. of the Chicago Dist. GA for 1962, succeeding Andrew W. Gatenbey, who retired after two years in the office. Osgood also doubles as general counsel for the assn. Other officers are Horace G. Barnhart, vp; James L. O'Keefe, treas.; and Lennox G. Haldeman, sec. The new officers and the District's 16 directors were inducted by Gatenbey at a dinner, attended by about 500 persons, held at Chicago's LaSalle Hotel in Dec.

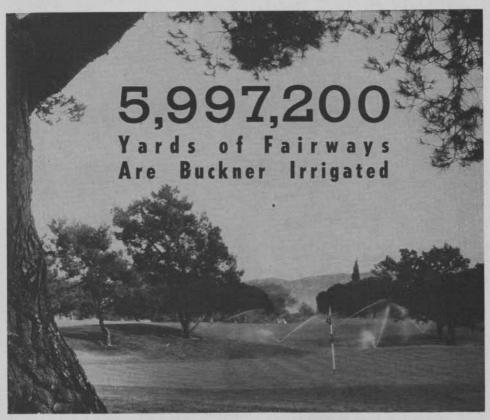
Osgood, a member of Flossmoor CC, is the 28th president of CDGA, which

was founded in 1914.

In reviewing the District's accomplishments for 1961, Gatenbey said that handicaps were kept for more than 20,000 golfers at 124 member clubs. CDGA sponsored 21 tournaments in which about 2,000 golfers competed and it published the 12th edition of its Directory of Information, widely used by golf clubs and associations throughout the U.S. as a reference guide. The new 9-hole VA hospital course at Downey, Ill., made possible through donations amounting to \$40,000 by District member golfers was dedicated during the year. CDGA also provided member clubs with the usual legal and tax counseling service in 1961, sponsored a one-day trip to the Masters tournament in Augusta, and arranged for 5,000 caddies to attend a night baseball game as guests of the Chicago White Sox.

#### Coll Writes Another Book

Ben Coll who wrote a little book, "I Love Golf," several years ago has come up with another one, "The Country Club." It is published by Carlton Press, New York. Written in prose and rhyme, it states the case in defense of the common golfer.



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### Swinging Around Golf

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July 27-29 . . . In a recent "Jobs Open" ad for a supt. we noted that the hiring club wasn't interested in a fellow in just "good" health . . . They wanted "above average" . . . That isn't a bad idea, though, when you consider how a fellow's health can deteriorate in July or Aug. when he gets a severe case of wilt.

Awarding of the 1963 USGA Senior Amateur to Sea Island (Ga.) GC is another indication of the eagerness of the leading resorts to be host to Senior tournaments . . . This year's USGA Seniors will be played at Evanston GC, Skokie, Ill. . . . James L. O'Keefe, former pres. Western GA and of Evanston GC, and now an official of the Chicago Dist. GA, recently was made public administrator of Cook County (Chicago), Ill. John Budd named pro at Pennhills Clubs, Bradford, Pa., succeeding John Capebianco, resigned . . . Bob Watson now pro at Wykagyl CC, New Rochelle, N.Y.

Second 18 (Saints' course) at Port St. Lucie, Fla., got a big play from pros during annual PGA meeting . . . They commended it highly . . . Courses often are in play long before they're ready but this one, according to Warren Orlick, visiting pro from Tam o'Shanter CC (Detroit dist.), looked like it had been finished for years instead of months . . . Tees were especially satisfactory to the pros who frequently say that tees are far too long . . . One prominent club pro, an understanding friend of supts., remarks that the greemaster can give all golfers a better break with a shorter cut of turf on the tees instead of having it so long on many of them so long you have to use a wedge off them . . . Maybe larger tees and ample tee turf nurseries would provide the answer.

Guido Cribari, golf reporter for the White Plains (N.Y.) Reporter Dispatch, says that golf's tremendous growth calls for the pros engaging a "commissioner, someone in complete authority"... He adds that Joe Dey, Jr., executive director of the USGA, is "thoroughly equipped for the assignment."

Mrs. Johnny Farrell, chmn. American Women's Voluntary Services, recently ac-

Women's Voluntary Services, recently active in AWVS work of supplying facilities and equipment to veterans' hospitals and military bases in N.J., N.Y. and Ill. . . . Fred Corcoran back from Argentina

and work on this year's International Golf Assn. matches . . . Argentinians are enthusiastic about the prospects of the international pro competition . . . Let's hope this one isn't fouled up by more of the bird-brained performances that embarrassed American golfers last year.

Arlington Park race track in Arlington Heights, Ill., working on multi-million dollar program at west end of the track that will provide year-around recreation . . . It consists of construction of an 18hole Par 3, designed by Dave Gill of St. Charles, Ill., double-deck, covered range, putting green, clubhouse, motel, rink and bowling center . . . Harold Sargent, pro at East Lake CC, Atlanta, former PGA vp and chmn. of the Ryder Cup committee, has been named an honorary member of the Royal Lytham & St. Anne's GC, site of the 1961 Ryder matches . . . He and Bob Jones are the only overseas members of the club . . . James C. Diamond has been elected pres. of the Connecticut

#### Club Managers' Conference

The 1962 CMAA educatioanl conference will be held in Miami Beach from Feb. 28 through Mar. 4. To enable persons attending the meeting to bask in the Florida sun, most of the education sessions will be started between 7:30 and 8:30 a.m. and be concluded around noontime. The formal reception and dinner dance will be held the evening of Mar. 1.

CMA for 1962 . . . Other officers are Grant M. Ruse, Leon Sherman and Gino Torcellini.

When the Central Virginia Turfgrass Assn. holds its monthly meetings at a country club, it usually grades the course after an inspection trip . . . Supts. appreciate knowing what other turfmen think of their acreage . . . Four youths who pleaded guilty to damaging golf cars at Baird Park, near Poughkeepsie, N.Y., each got 30 days in jail recently and had to pay restitution totalling \$1,600 . . . Leo Fraser, owner of Atlantic City CC and pres. of the Philly PGA section, has completed building a Par 3 near Atlantic City and has another in the works in the same area.

Micky Homa is the pro at Rolling Hills CC, Wilton, Conn., which is opening this spring . . . It was designed by Alfred H. Tull . . . Homa was at Westchester Bilt-