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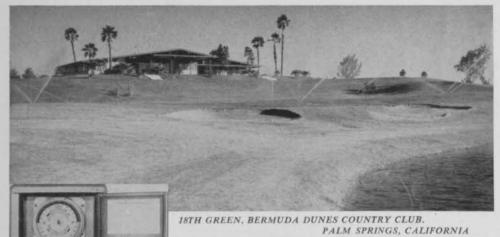
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dominated bigtime golf during the war years . . . Nobody has won the Western Open twice in a row since Sam Snead turned the trick in 1949-50 . . . Western Amateur will be played at the Point O'Woods CC, Benton Harbor, Mich., in 1963 and at Tucson (Ariz.) CC in 1964 . . . First Western States Chinese Amateur, played recently at Stardust GC in Las Vegas, was won by Arnold Lin of San Francisco . . . Matt Kiernan of South Orange, N. J., who was in the golf business as a Spalding salesman for more than a half century, died in March . . . When Spalding brought Harry Vardon to the U. S. for exhibition matches around the turn of the century, Matt served as his "guide."

A sparkling feature of the Record, magazine of Blue Hills CC, Kansas City, Mo., is Tele Teen Tattle by Margie Scheier and Susan Walsh . . . Girls named Patti and Ginger started it and got it going as a teenage girls society column . . . Margie and Susie give their telephone numbers and ask for news . . . That keeps phones ringing . . . Idea may be well worth using in other country club magazines - might also contribute to better communication between parents and youngsters.

Every year the Masters gets better . . . It's the top money tournament and everybody gets their money's worth . . . This year prize money was \$109,000 with first prize to Arnold Palmer of \$20,000 . . . Thunderbird tourney at Upper Montclair (N.J.) CC, June 7-10 will have \$100,000 prize money with first prize of \$25,000 . . . American Golf Classic at Firestone CC, Akron, O., Aug. 9-12, will have in its \$50,000 prize money \$1,000 to leader after 18 holes, another \$1,000 each to leaders after 36 and 54 holes and \$1,000 for lowest last round, also \$500 to lowest second and third rounds.

For the first time in 26 Masters, Craig Wood wasn't present . . . Craig was one stroke back of winner Horton Smith in the first Masters in 1934 . . . He was second after a playoff with Sarazen in 1935 . He had a lot to do in getting the \$100,000 Newark District Ford Dealers' Thunderbird tournament started . . . Wood continues to be one of the best known and liked guys in golf and may be active again in golf business before long.

Horton Smith played again and in his 26th Masters . . . He hasn't missed one yet . . . He got out of a hospital to play

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in this one . . . What a heart he's got . . . After talking with Horton playing the curtain-raiser on the Augusta National Par 3 course, I had a visit with Charley Boswell, the ex-football star, tank corp battler and blind golf champion and then enjoyed a reunion with Bob Jones . . . Each of the three are so cheerful they made the whole day in all of Georgia bright . . . Each of them badly battered but not a whisper of a bellyache . . . They put you in the mood of not wanting to listen to any complaints about poor putting, poor lies or anything else.

The Masters Par 3 9-hole course warmup event drew more of a gallery than you'll see at many tournaments . . . That 9-hole Par-3 course with a couple of shots over water is a beautiful, testing and popular layout . . . Some TV of that event would interest millions and be tremendous promotion for golf . . . Television of the Masters finish — the 15th, 16th, 17th and 18th — beats being there unless you are one of the lucky thousands on the hillbanks by the short 16th, or by the 17th or 18th greens . . . But on the first nine, the 10th, the 11th, the dramatic short 12th, the 13th and 14th you've got to do your seeing with your own eyes and not

the camera's eye . . . Due to time factor, TV at the Masters isn't as thoroughly done as it is at the British Open . . . Those cameras on top of fire dept. snorkles the British Broadcasting Corp. uses in covering golf championships often put on the show better than is done here.

At spots in the Masters, Palmer played some of the most excitingly poor golf I've seen in more than 40 years of tournaments . . Arnie brought back memories of Hagen who would hit a shot that would have made an 18-handicapper blush, then follow with a lucky shot, then an impossible shot and finally a miracle putt for a par . . . No matter what happened in the bunker at the last green in the 1961 Masters, or in the stretch at St. Andrews in 1960, this Palmer boy is the greatest at bearing down without stiffening when the pincers are closing on him.

Ed Miles of the Atlanta Journal being elected president of Golf Writers Assn., of America was recognition of great talent and delightful personality . . . When Larry Robinson turned over the job to Miles the performance was as graceful as U. S. Grant and Robert E. Lee reuniting the nation at Appomattox.

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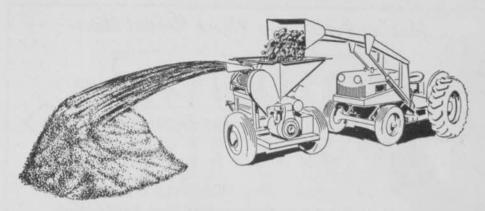
completing a golf history, won the Golf Writers championship that pro Jimmy D'Angelo and his hospitable members put on each year at the Dunes Golf & Beach Club, Myrtle Beach, S. C. . . . Price's 79 edged Nelson Cullenward, lefthanded star of the San Francisco Call-Bulletin, by a stroke . . . The USGA Women's Open will be played at the Dunes and what those girls will score there will make it good manners to forget the golf writers' scores . . . Fred Corcoran has arranged for the first four in the Golf Writers' tournament to cover the British Open at Troon in July and during a recess, play four British golf writers for an international trophy . . . The match will also be played as a benefit for Aged and Indigent Bartenders in case anyone can be prevailed upon to pay to see it.

South African Golf, published in Cape Town, is conducting campaign against slow play . . . Advocates that tournament committees display notices reading, "Warning: It is the intention of the Tournament committee to strictly enforce Rule 37-7 (Undue Delay). First Offense: Penalty of two strokes. Second offense: Disqualification."

Arthur J. Feicht, prominent Chicago district amateur, has become sole owner of Palos CC, 131st and Southwest Highway, Palos Park, Ill. . . William E. O'Connor, several times champion of Beverly CC (Chicago dist.), is Palos CC gen. mgr. . . . Ralph Delmore Kinney, 56, who recently signed as pro-mgr., Plantation CC, Farmington, Conn, which will open this month, was killed April 6 when a truck lost a wheel that hit Kinney's car . . . He was active for years in New England golf and was highly regarded as a helpful friend and competent professional by his pro colleagues and amateurs.

Mrs. Herbert S. Irwin, wife of the veteran pro, "Scotty" Irwin, and well known to Chicago dist. and southeastern Florida pros and their wives, died suddenly at Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., April 7 . . . Mrs. Irwin served with her husband at several clubs . . . Country Club Woman, a bimonthly magazine, published by George F. Walsh Pub. Co., Inc., Landisville, N. J., has issued its first number . . . Its editorial aim is to cover a wide range of interests of country club women members and not only golf.

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With ice shutting off air from the grass roots on some Chicago district greens for 103 consecutive days last winter, the area suffered more winterkill than ever before . . . Damage indicated to numerous supts. and chairmen that rebuilding the greens to modern specifications might be advisable . . . Many greens in Detroit district were badly hit . . . Cleveland courses came through winter very well.

Dick Osborne is pro-supt. at new Pinehaven G&CC in Schenectady, N. Y. area . . . Rutgers University's 9-hole course being enlarged to 18, will be closed this year as protection against damage during construction . . . Harry Obitz and his staff conducting the golf program at Montauk Manor GC on Long Island, N. Y. . . . Nick Kenny, N. Y. Mirror columnist, says

that an Obitz miracle was to make a golfer out of comedian Jackie Gleason.

Sarasota, Fla., spending \$50,000 in rehabilitating 27 holes of its municipal Bobby Jones course . . . City commissioners emphasize that course earnings are paying for the improvements . . . Lake Venice GC, Venice, Fla., selling stock to finance improvements . . . Moorland CC 9-hole course at Waukesha, Wis., bought by Society of the Divine Savior . . . New owners will lease course for operation this year.

One sign of how high operating costs and taxes are forcing private clubs to examine and adjust their operations to a sound business basis appeared in big story by Jack Tucker in Rochester (N.Y.) Democrat & Chronicle . . . Tucker queries Rochester district club presidents and managers about what is being done to balance income with costs . . . USGA's spring meetings at Washington, Chicago and San Francisco in assembling district association and club officials to discuss operating problems, is being followed by far more exchanges of business information between district groups than ever

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before . . . Officials of some district associations say the spring business meetings were the most useful business service, outside of the green section, that the USGA ever has provided member clubs.

Golf clubs seem to be getting considerably more courage in standing up for fair and intelligent deal on taxes . . . Stand is surprising politicians who are accustomed to golf clubs being gutless and afraid to fight the tax-wasters.

Also an indication of keen interest in sound business operation is the complaint of PGA members about not having a budget of the new PGA courses, clubhouse and office building to examine and discuss . . . Members wonder why an operation involving the spending of a rumored \$600,000 to over \$1 million should be conducted without full publication of a budget showing that the PGA is a model of good business.

Wm. Sloan, supt. new Old Westbury Club on Long Island in NY Met district is new pres., New York State Lawn Turf Assn. . . . Denny Walters, pro at Maple Dale CC, Dover, Del., now gen. mgr. of the club . . . Freddie McLeod, pro at Columbia CC (Washington dist.) and

winner of the 1908 National Open was 80 on April 25... Big party at the club... Freddie and Jock Hutchison, who'll be 78 June 6, had a gallery of a couple of dozen as they stepped smartly over the rolling terrain during the Masters... You ought to see the great hand action of those old boys... They don't kill any time playing... But neither one of them is much of a putter any more.

Stan Dudas signed as pro at Ramblewood CC, Moorestown, N. J., which will open in June . . . John P. McGoldrick now pro at Fairchild Wheeler, Bridgeport, Conn., public course, succeeding Leo Mallory who switched to a new club job in Orange . . . Ken Stear, for 10 years assistant to Ken Gibson, pro at Huntingdon Valley CC (Philadelphia dist.), now is head man at Huntingdon Valley . . . Gibson is new pro at Indian Spring GC, Marlton, N. J.

Dan Moore now is the mgr. of the Muttontown G&CC, Long Island club built on former Brokaw estate . . . Muttontown opening in May . . . Joe De Matteo and Paul Semo, both of Rome, N. Y., open their new 9-hole course near

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