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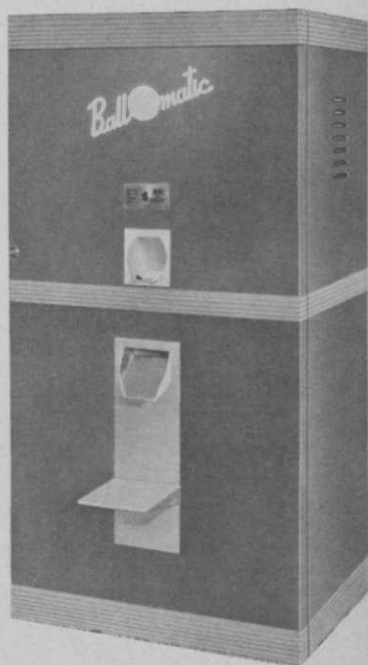
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Renominate Winters to Head USGA for Second Term

John M. Winters, Jr., Tulsa, Okla., has been renominated for another term as president of the USGA. All other members of the executive committee, with one exception, also have been re-slotted.

Other officers renominated are: Vps — Clarence W. Benedict, White Plains, N.Y. and William Ward Foshay, New York; Sec. — Bernard H. Ridder, Jr. St. Paul; Treas. — Hord W. Hardin, St. Louis, Mo.

The new nominee for the executive committee is Morrison Waud, Chicago, who replaces Harold A. Moore, also of Chicago. The latter is unavailable for re-nomination. Others named to the executive committee are: Fred Brand, Jr., William C. Campbell, Robert F. Dwyer, Edward L. Emerson, Edwin R. Foley, Robert K. Howse, Eugene S. Pulliam, Henry H. Russell and Charles P. Stevenson.

Philip H. Strubing, Philadelphia, has been renominated to be general counsel.

The annual meeting of the USGA will be held in the Biltmore Hotel in New York on Jan. 26.

At the green section education program, which will be held on the 25th, the mounting problems arising from constantly increasing traffic on the course will be discussed. The all-day program will cover the extent of traffic, both pedestrian and vehicular, and suggestions for alleviating it. Speakers and panel members will be William H. Bengeyfield, Richard S. Tufts, J. B. Moncrief, Marvin H. Ferguson, Richard R. Davis, Alex M. Radko and James L. Holmes, all connected with the USGA or its green section, and Henry A. Barnes, commissioner of traffic for New York City. Midway in the program, John M. Winters, Jr. and Henry H. Russell will present the green section award to a recipient not yet announced. Lawrence S. Dickinson, professor emeritus of the U. of Massachusetts, got the award in 1962.

Smallwood, Jenkins Win Golf Writers Prizes

Highest honors in the Golf Writers Association's sixth annual Brunswick-MacGregor writing awards competition were won by Irwin Smallwood of the Daily News, Greensboro, N.C., and Dan Jenkins of the Dallas Times Herald.

Smallwood, golf editor of his paper,



Bobby Nichols (l), who did so well in the 1962 Open and was named to receive the golf writers' Ben Hogan comeback award, grips a slightly unfamiliar object at the Hillerich & Bradsby plant, getting advice from John Hillerich (center), H & B president, and Bill Kaiser, vp and sales manager.

won \$250 for his first place news division story of the U.S. Open duel between victor Jack Nicklaus and Arnold Palmer. Jenkins, a former award winner and long known for his fine writing style, did an excellent story on golf professionals — as putters — which captured first place, and \$250 in the feature division.

The awards competition drew an all-time record number of entries, 106 in the news story division and 60 in the feature division. Judging was by a board of the University of Illinois College of Journalism.

Second place in the news division and a check for \$150 was won by Charles Bartlett, golf editor of The Chicago Tribune, for a story on Jack Cupit's Western Open victory. Third place, and a \$100 check, went to Jim Trinkle of the Ft. Worth Star-Telegram for a story on Palmer's win at Las Vegas.

In the feature division, second place went to Gene Gregston of the San Diego Tribune for a story on the late George S. May. The third place feature by Ray Haywood of the Oakland (Calif.) Tribune was a chuckle-filled column of the reaction of club members after their once-easy 6,500 yard course had been converted into one of "championship" class.

Public Course Meeting

A special meeting for public golf course owners, operators and officials will be held on Feb. 15 at 9 a.m. at the El Cortez Hotel in San Diego in conjunction with the GCSA turf conference. On the following day, the Pacific-Southwest recreation conference will start at El Cortez.

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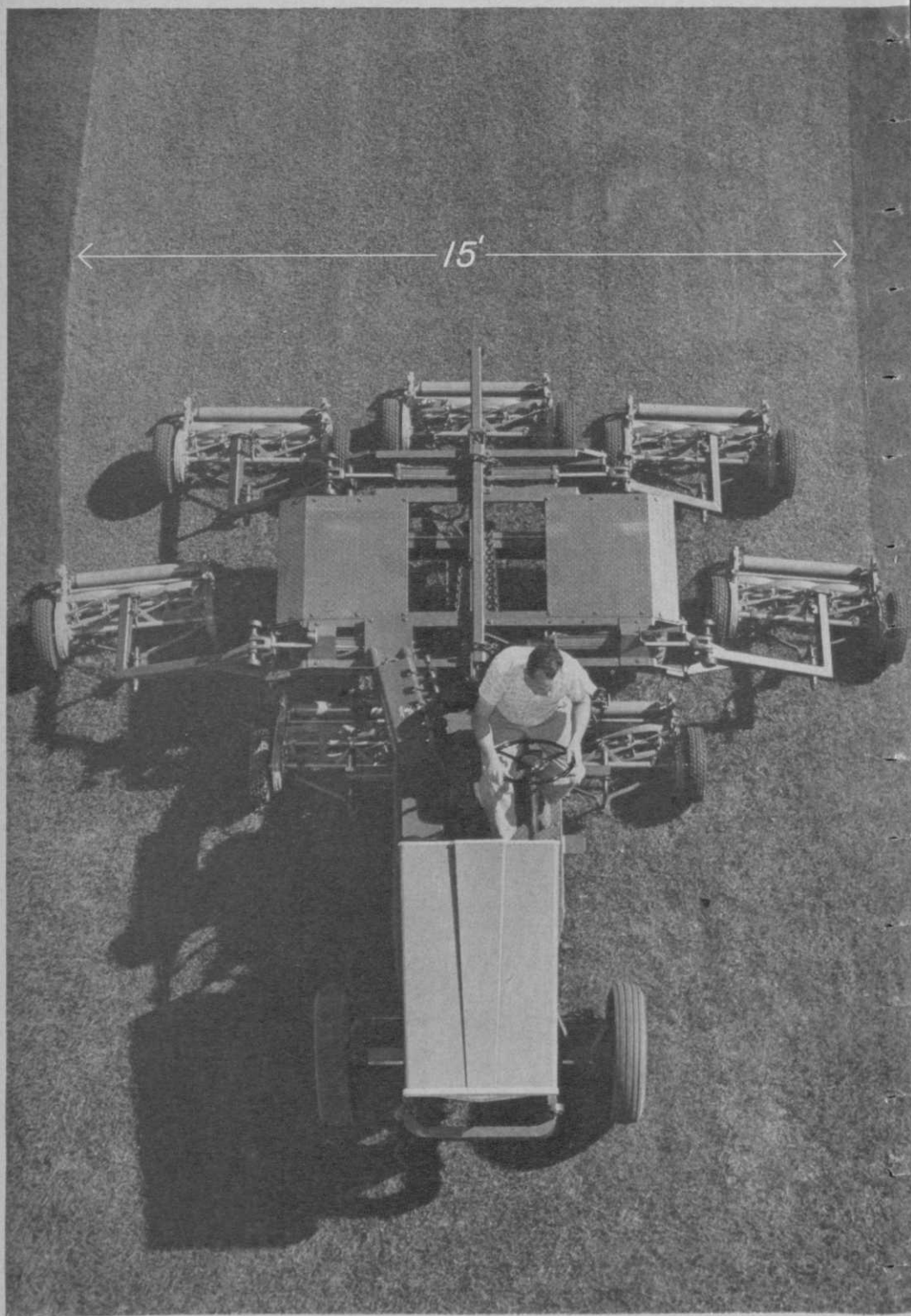
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**USGA Relaxes Pro Status
Rules on Caddies, Others**

It is no longer a violation of the amateur status rules for persons of any age to receive compensation for working as caddies, caddiemasters, assistant caddiemasters or shop assistants, according to a recent USGA ruling. Formerly, amateur status was forfeited when any person 21 or over worked in these fields.

It was decided last fall by the USGA executive committee that persons who serve as caddies, caddiemasters or shop employees have no more advantage over the amateur golfers than do those who are employed as club managers, supts., etc. The latter always have enjoyed amateur status.

Under its new ruling, the USGA describes shop employees in this manner: "Persons engaged in making, repairing or cleaning clubs or selling golf merchandise in a golf shop at a place where golf is played, practiced or taught."

Chaperons Are Exempted

The USGA has revised the language of the exception to Rule 1, Section 3 (Instruction) prohibiting giving instruction for compensation. The revised text makes it

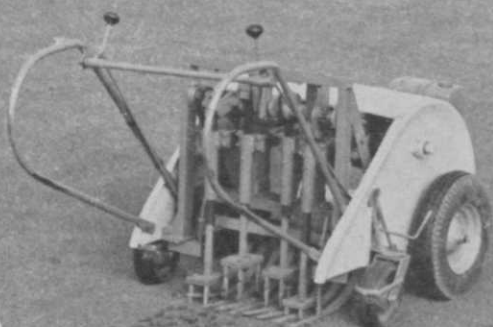
quite clear that the exception only applies to faculty members of educational institutions whose instruction is incidental to academic duties and is given without additional compensation. This applies, for example, to a history teacher who may double as a golf instructor without being reimbursed for doing so. Usually, a teacher in this case plays more the role of a chaperon than an instructor.

Hits P.E. Teachers

Regular physical education teachers and camp counselors who teach golf, however, are classified as professionals under USGA rules. The National Golf Foundation, which seeks to enlarge golf instruction in high schools and colleges, long has protested the USGA's stand in this connection, maintaining that it stifles the promotion of Junior golf, but the Association hasn't seen fit to rescind this rule.

The executive committee also sought to clarify its stand on "professional intent". Less than overt action to turn professional actually is a violation of USGA rules under the amateur status code. A player only has to state that he plans to turn professional at some time in the future to trespass against this rule.

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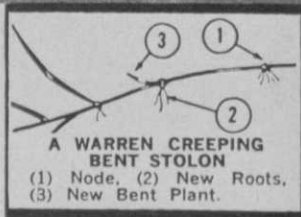


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Midwest Turfmen Describe 1961-62 Winterkill Damage

Midwest supts. who attended the association's 10th turf clinic at Olympia Fields (Ill.) CC, Nov. 27-28, were particularly interested in the post mortem on 1961-62 winter damage which was prevalent in their part of the country. Mike Britton, U. of Illinois pathologist, discussed the theoretical aspects of winterkill, and Dudley Smith, John Ebel and Ted Woehrle described the damage it did to greens at their courses last year.

Winterkill, said Britton, undoubtedly is a suffocation condition in which oxygen is shut off from the roots of the plant and carbon dioxide accumulates under great pressure, resulting in widespread toxicity. Studies of turf which have been damaged by winterkill, Britton said, show that proteins are precipitated, the plant becomes badly dehydrated, and tissue is killed or severely injured by ice crystals that penetrate plant cells.

Smith, Ebel and Woehrle described the trying days they went through when they discovered that winterkill had knocked out from one-third to two-thirds of the greens at their clubs. When the winter's

ice accumulation finally melted in late March it was found that the turf was either black or a disheartening gray and gave off a sickening odor. All three immediately aerified the putting surfaces extensively and overseeded with Seaside. Later they verticutted and, in one instance, treated with fungicides when it appeared that the turf was starting to revive.

Recovery Slow

Recovery generally was slow and in most cases, temporary greens had to be used well into May. By late June or early July, thanks to heavier than average rainfall throughout the Midwest, the greens returned to normal and by the end of the season were in excellent shape.

All three supts. agreed that C-15 turf held up quite well and Toronto and Penn-cross made creditable showings in face of the winterkill. They also agreed that when ice accumulates on greens for as long as 20 days, damage can be expected. However, Smith, Ebel and Woehrle couldn't offer any ideas for effective removal of heavy ice accumulation and, for that matter, neither could anyone else who attended the clinic.

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Golf Books

The World of Golf. By Charles Price. Random House, 457 Madison ave., New York 22. It is claimed that this is the first complete history of the game since part of the book goes back to the 15th century Scot practitioners and then proceeds to the present day circuit pros. Bob Jones contributes the Foreword to the book which has more than 200 illustrations (many supplied by Jack Level) with eight pages in full color.

Charley Price analyzes the records and offers many illuminating insights into the games of Vardon, Travis, Hagen, Jones, Hogan and others. He attempts to probe the reasons why some men are or have been more consistent winners of major tournaments and why others seem to be doomed to finish with the pack. Interesting anecdotes concerning all aspects of golf are skillfully woven into the book.

How to Play in the Low 120's By Stephen Baker. Prentice-Hall, Inc., Englewood Cliffs, N. J. Price \$4.95. The author makes the point that flailing, sobbing, distraught golfers may appear to be lunatics, but what casual observers don't appreciate

is that these people are having fun. He thinks that the majority of players lose confidence too soon . . . they play 10 or 15 years, hear that others are breaking 120, and then finally go to pieces when they find that they can't touch this figure. The book is illustrated with ludicrous photos by Howard Zieff which show a chubby, soulful duffer proceeding from trap to rough to trap as he hacks from the No. 1 tee to the 19th haven.

Stephen Baker wrote "How to Live with A Neurotic Dog" in 1961. Probably the word 'Dog' could be changed to 'Golfer' and nobody would know the difference.

San Diego Preview

Supts. and turfmen who are planning to make the San Diego trip for the annual GCSA convention may want to get a preview of the city by reading "The Good Old Days" by Oscar W. Cotton (Exposition Press, 386 Park ave., New York 16 — Price \$4.75). Just off the press, the book tells how San Diego blossomed into California's third largest city from an obscure settlement. The writer is a realtor with a sagebrush background. He has written a few articles on golf in his day and includes a chapter on the game in his book.