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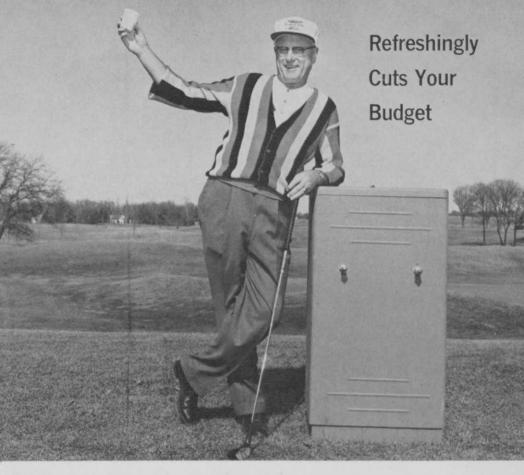
What the tremendous ticket-selling power of a well-regarded community charity means in putting over a golf tournament is evident in the Thunderbird Classic in Metropolitan New York . . . Last year the United Hospital Building Fund raised \$150,000 through the tournament sponsored by Thunderbird dealers . . . Prize money was \$100,000 . . . United Hospital Building Fund this year again will be beneficiary of the tournament, June 3-7 . . . Fred Corcoran directs the event.

The ticket-selling gimmick for the Doral Open at Miami, Fla., included play in preliminary "celebrity" pro-am event . . . sales plus the program "muscle" reduced deficit of the third Doral tourney to the extent that Doral CC and hotel owner, Alfred Kaskel, may increase the purse next year . . . Frank Strafaci as Doral tourney director, Johnny Dolan, manager of the club, and Pro George Buck had the Doral tournament operating like one of the seasoned ones . . . Jim Yancey, supt., can take bows for the A-1 condition of the course . . . Jerry Dobin, Doral press agent, did a job that's hard to beat in publicizing the event . . . One letter explained how each club in the Miami area can run its own tourney and get one pro-celebrity place for each 20 Doral season tickets sold at \$10 per . . . That's an idea other clubs can use.

The Cleveland \$100,000 Open lost money its first time on the circuit last year... Not enough to cause pain to any of the eight commercial sponsors... The Cleveland Open TV rights, which didn't bring in much, went to the sponsors and will go to them this year... That comparatively minor amount keeps the angels happy and the pros playing for \$100,000 ... Shows you how golf tournament TV situation needs realistic and foresighted handling.

Loren Shook returns to Saginaw (Mich.) CC as pro succeeding Bill Markham who is building a course at Gainesville, Fla. . . . Shook was pro at Saginaw in 1936 after serving there as assistant to Leo

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Fraser . . . Then, Shook went to pro jobs at Flint (Mich.) CC, at Saugatuck, Mich., and Warwick Hills G&CC, Flint . . . His daughter Patti is one of Michigan's girl amateur stars . . . Ron Young, Clearwater (Fla.) Sun sports writer, says contestants in American Seniors' championship last winter got valued expert help from their caddies' advice about greens . . . And some players hadn't the slightest idea that several of the helpful caddies were hotel bellboys who'd never caddied before but were mustered into service in a caddie shortage.

Springfield (O.) Snyder Park public course had 36,541 rounds in 1958 . . . Then Springfield's Reid Park course was opened . . . Last year Snyder Park had 43,091 rounds and Reid had 40,133 . . . Springfield is figuring on building two more courses . . . E. C. Losch Co., Inc. wants to build 18-hole Par-3 at Costa Mesa, Calif. . . . Open nine-hole Par-3 at Driftwood Beach Club, Huntington Beach, Calif., adjacent to motel and to mobile home community . . . Palm Springs, Calif., is considering building a muny "executive type" course.

Oceanside Land Co. is planning to build Par-3 nine in San Diego area . . . Kenneth Polakowski plans to build Par-3 near Williamsport, Pa., White Deer course . . . Gordon Hinn and Chick Adams are building 18 par-60 course at Yacht Club Estates, Clearwater, Fla.

New England amateurs and pros will have their annual "Tee Party" with Ole Clark, pro at Longmeadow (Mass.) CC, as guest of honor, in Springfield, Mass., April 15 . . . At Amherst, during the Turf Council section of the turf management short course program, Orville Clapper, president of the Clapper Co., West Newton, Mass., was presented with a plaque on which was expressed gratitude for his long and valuable service to New England turf interests . . . The veteran Clapper served for the past three years as the Council's secretary-treasurer . . . The Council signed 81 new members at the Amherst meeting . . . There were 578 registered at the University of Massachusetts turf conference . . . I doubt that there were 50 present when Professor

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L. S. Dickinson started that pioneer golf course management conference at Amherst . . . Assistant professor, Joe Troll, is substantially developing the university's service to golf course supts., owners and officials every day.

Building new course and clubhouse at Corpus Christi (Tex.) CC . . . Present site has been sold . . . Robert Trent Jones is architect of new course . . . Ben Goldsmith from Scottsbluff (Neb.) moves to manager post at Cheyenne (Wyo.) CC . . . Pittsburgh Parks Director, George B. Mc-Donough, asked county commissioners for approximately \$40,000 to improve North Park course for 1965 USGA Public Links championship.

James L. Kellerman now manager at Country Club of Indianapolis . . . Old course and clubhouse of Grand Forks (N.D.) CC has been bought by group including Douglas Blackmun, who has been the club's manager for some years . . . New course and clubhouse are being built . . . Blackmun and associates will operate the old property as a daily fee course.

Pro changes in Washington, D.C., dis-

trict: Lloyd Kelley to River Road CC replacing Jim Hightower who moved to Northwest Branch, new course to open in June . . . Kelley has been assistant to Clagett Stevens at Brooke Manor . . . Frank Abood now pro at Laurel Pines . . . Abood has been assistant to Jimmy Clark at Argyle CC . . . Nick Petrillo now pro at Bellport (L.I., N.Y.) GC . . . Lawrence Ostrander from Bethlehem (N.H.) CC to pro job at Windham (N.Y.) CC . . . Paul Munro, for past six years assistant to Bill Barclay at Salem (Mass.) CC, now pro at Meadow Brook CC, Reading, Mass.

Richard J. Murphy, 55, pro at Chester Valley GC, Fraser, Pa., died recently in his home at Merwood Park, Pa. . . Prior to his service at Chester Valley, Mr. Murphy was at the Pennsylvania GC for 17 years . . . He is survived by his wife, daughter, Jean and son, Richard J. . . . Terry Lally, son of veteran Joe Lally, sr., pro at Louisville, Ky., Seneca club, and for three years assistant to Ed Kerby at Fairlawn CC, Akron, O., now pro at Owensboro (Ky.) CC . . . Terry was

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"Bed tax" on motel rooms is proving partial means of financing municipal courses to attract tourists to smaller California communities that have resort possibilities . . . Mackle Brothers, the firm that developed Cape Charlotte and Port St. Lucie, fine new communities in Florida with excellent golf courses, is to develop Marco Island in Southwest Florida . . . Expect to build two courses at Marco in next few years . . . Mackle Brothers also to have course in new Florida community between Orlando and Daytona Beach . . . Jerry Marlatt is new manager at Northmoor CC, Ravinia, Ill.

Beaumont (Tex.) CC building \$464,000 clubhouse . . . Los Angeles County's Western Ave. course to have new clubhouse . . . The Western Ave. 6,020 yd. course averages almost 340 rounds per day for 12 months . . . Los Angeles public golfers also getting \$148,500 clubhouse at Marshall Canyon Regional Park.

Frankenmuth (Mich.) CC to open in July . . . Owners are Carl A. and Mike Hegenauer . . . Mike will be pro at Frankenmuth . . . Critical water shortage in Brockton, Mass., area has Brockton CC, Thorny Lea CC and Pine Valley CC faced with problem that may require expensive answer.

Government participation in golf club financing is giving editorial writers a juicy subject to chew pro and con . . . Utica (N.Y.) Press commenting on Farmers Home Administration guaranteeing \$190,-000 loan for Skenandoa GC, Clinton, course, clubhouse, tennis courts, swimming pool and picnic area, said: "The club is patriotically pursuing a course that will

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A popular program on Channel 11 in Pittsburgh, "Luncheon at the Ones," has western Pennsylvania pros giving television lessons to women on making the shots, rules and etiquette . . . Owen Griffith, Hartford Courant golf writer, pays tribute in his column to Don McKay, who has retired after 27 years as supt., of Hartford GC's 27 holes . . . Don built the third nine . . . His successor, Al Hawkins, not only worked with Don but with Don's son, Don, Jr., at Wethersfield (Conn.) CC . . . He, also, was with George Stumpf at the East Hartford GC.

Ernie Gerardi now is pro at Shennecossett CC at Groton, Conn., succeeding the late Vic Panciera . . . Gerardi is former Connecticut and New England amateur champion who has served as pro at Edgewood and Manchester clubs in the Hartford area . . . Al Bove is new pro at Hartford's Goodwin Park municipal course . . . He has Howard Pearson with him.

More changes in Connecticut: Gifford Nutbrown from Scarsdale (N.Y.) CC to pro job at Brooklawn CC, Bridgeport . . . ~ His assistant is John Stevens . . . Bob (Spike) Repass now pro-manager at Edgewood CC . . . Floyd Gensler now pro at CC of Waterbury, succeeding Ardy Guilbault . . . Toby Lyons signed as pro by Burning Tree CC, Greenwich . . . Johnny Farrell's son, Billy, goes to another new club in Greenwich, Stanwich, CC as pro.

Bill Salvatore, who won four Connecticut Junior titles, and Don Zabat are copros at Crestbrook CC, Watertown, succeeding Mickey Cresh . . . Cresh was