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Ian R. Dowie of the Carling Brewing Co., which is sponsoring the World Open late in August, tests re-worked No. 8 green at Oakland Hills, Birmingham, Mich., where the tourney will be played. Observing his style are Al Watrous, Oakland Hills pro, and Robert Trent Jones, the architect.

professionals that frank information and open discussion would have avoided the loss of time, money and reputation for business judgment which the Palm Beach Gardens deal cost the PGA.

There's nothing in the Cantrell report to be concealed . . . It could be sent to golf writers . . . In case the writers wanted to read what the score is at Palm Beach Gardens the report would clear the air of numerous rumors and show that the PGA is stabilizing itself for continuance and extension of the association's invaluable service to golf.

PGA nationally and sectionally would benefit greatly by fully informing its members and golf writers of what's going on . . . The organization hasn't got a thing to hide . . . In fact, it has a multitude of collective and individual achievements to proclaim proudly . . . Yet, veteran PGA members observe that in many instances secrecy and politics are handicapping the growth of pro business and prestige . . . Any pro who hasn't learned the silliness of "club politics" never will grow up.

PGA members aren't the only ones confused by the Palm Beach Gardens deal . . . John MacArthur, the promoter, the real estate agent, the golf course architect, the course watering system engineer, Lou Strong, who was PGA president when the deal was made and until recently, manager of the PGA National GC operation, and lawyers for all concerned seem to be

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bumping into each other in a fog . . . Only the Chicago bankers who said they'd look into the deal regarding a loan, stayed in the clear . . . They ran, didn't walk, towards the nearest exit . . . Nor did they make the loan requested.

Strong, a personable, well-liked fellow and a competent club professional, was in over his head several miles in engineering the arrangement which made the PGA a shill for a real estate promotion . . . Palm Beach Gardens is a beautiful new suburb that will become one of Florida's finest, but not suited to be the national headquarters of a major professional sports organization.

It must be said for Strong that he isn't the only guy in world history to be reluctant to admit that he guessed wrong and was left holding an empty bag... Not even in PGA history... The PGA-tournament sponsors TV tangle is another case of the PGA being "sold" something instead of "buying" with full information and deliberation.

The sunny side of the situation is that the Cantrell administration is modernizing the PGA and bringing into its operation the sound thinking and guidance of pros who are good businessmen but who have no interest in politics.

Cantrell had served a hitch as a PGA national officer and had a good idea of what it was all about . . . He and Max Elbin and George Hall were not elected as sweethearts of the PGA but as realists who would run the risk of hurting some feelings in correcting conditions in the organization . . . Cantrell in more ways than one is the ideal man for the PGA at a critical time . . . He is one of the few qualified members who can afford to be



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president under the prevailing antiquated operating method.

No action on the suggestion advanced by Towar Arnold that a national association of semi-private course owners be organized . . . Sectional organizations of owners which are practical discussion groups and avoid legal complications, etc., seem to be doing very well for their members . . . Currently one of the interesting subjects at fee course owners' meetings is government financing of competition.

Robert O. Reynold and Don R. Schwab, 1717 North Highland Ave., Hollywood, Calif. are co-chairmen of the Maurie Luxford Testimonial Dinner committee . . . Dinner will be held June 24 at Sheraton-West hotel, Hollywood . . That should be the biggest testimonial dinner in golf with golfers of California and elsewhere showing their gratitude to Maurie for what he has put into the game.

More than 100 of his fellow club members at Chattanooga G&CC played in a recent tournament honoring Jack Harkins, First Flight Co. board chairman, official of the Arnold Palmer Co., and a Chatta-

nooga G&CC member for more than 30 years . . . Jack was sick at home and couldn't play in his own party . . . His friends at the club sent him an autographed plaque . . . Two of Jack's teammates in the golf business, Bob Robinson, general manager of the Arnold Palmer Co. and Lew Oehmig, First Flight president, were among the prize-winners at the Harkins' party . . . Jack's come a long way from Tipperary, his birth place . . . After a couple of fiscal rocketing performances, the ebullient lack and his cheerful wife, Emily, scored solidly . . . Harkins got into golf business by picking up what was left of MacDonald Smith's clubmaking venture . . . Jack always has been vigorously "pro only."

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Congressional Spends \$300,000; Gets Big Share of Open Receipts

To get ready for the 1964 Open, it is estimated that Congressional CC has spent between \$300,000 and \$400,000, but it will keep 40 per cent of the take from admissions at the three-day event. It will also keep the parking fees of \$1 per car. About 10,000 cars will be handled daily. The club also will receive 87½ per cent of ad revenue from the Open program and a share of concession receipts. However, the USGA retains all TV receipts.

The back nine at Congressional was built about 10 years ago and the front nine was completely revamped in 1962. Actually, the club has 27 holes and some of those on the third nine will be used for the Open. Par for the Open route, which extends to 7,073 yards, is 70.

died at his home in England after a long illness . . . He was a past president of the British PGA and captain of the Royal and Ancient . . . He was in U.S. with British

Ryder Cup team in 1959.

E. W. (Pop) Harbert, five days after his 76th birthday, recently scored 75 at the Airco Flight 18 course at St. Petersburg, Fla., making the 11th consecutive year he has scored his age or better . . . Harbert played with clubs he had made himself . . . Harbert, father of Chick, former PGA champion, is on the pro staff of Sarasota's Par Three course.

Tom Kerrigan, 68, who has been pro at the Siwanov CC, Bronxville, N.Y., since 1914, died May 6 at Lawrence hospital, Lawrenceville, after three months' illness . . . Tom's 50th anniversary was scheduled to be celebrated by the club the Saturday after Tom died . . . He was born in North Quincy, Mass., and after caddying he became pro for a year at The Dedham (Mass.) Country and Polo Club . . . His best showing in a National Open was in 1921 at the British Open at St. Andrews . . . Jock Hutchison and Roger Wethered tied at 296 (Hutchison won the play-off) and Tom was third at 298 . . . His best showing in the US Open was in 1915 at



Officers for 1964, elected at the 65th annual meeting of the Western Pennsylvania GA, are (I to r): John McKeever of Youghigheny CC, vice-president; Charles Kunkle of Sunnehana CC, retiring president; James Potts of Edgewood CC, secretary-treasurer; and John Brand of Oakmont CC, president. The association currently has 25 caddies in school under its caddie scholarship program. Over the years, 117 caddies have been aided by WPGA grants.

Baltusrol when he tied for tenth . . . Tom was in the Navy in World War 1.

Gus Moreland, who was on the 1932 and 1934 Walker Cup teams, now is assistant to Hart Warren at Pampa (Tex.) CC . . . Allie Russo, for some years pro at South Shore CC (NY Met district), tossed a big party for Staten Island golfing pals of his, saying farewell as he moved to Sportland, Rutherford, N.J. . . . At Sportland he operates an 18-hole Par-3, a 100-tee range and a miniature course . . . He also makes a practice glove . . . At the dinner Russo expressed his gratitude for the grand things done for him and said he's going to make the dinner an annual affair . . . He is donating a trophy to the Staten Islander who does most for golf each year.

Anaheim (Calif.) City Council plans to make another attempt to get a beer license from the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board and halt operating loss at its city course . . . Anaheim is considering lighting nine holes of the 18 of its city course.

City of Sarasota, Fla. and its Bobby Jones muny course, got fine publicity when the club's supt. John Reiter and its manager, Harry Schaefer, were hosts to Florida West Coast GCS April meeting . . . Supts. went away praising excellent condition of the heavily-played course



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When Jack Nicklaus purchased a twin-engine \$240,000 plane recently, he took Arnold Palmer, a seasoned pilot, along with him to check it out. With Nicklaus and Palmer here are Jim Wade, sales manager of Aero Commander Aircrafts of Oklahoma City and Karl Keller, test pilot for the firm.

. . . Play at Bobby Jones course has increased in past decade from 30,000 rounds to more than 100,000 rounds annually . . . Schaefer believes the course may have 120,000 rounds this year . . . City has acquired land for fourth nine which is expected to be in play by 1966.

Thomas W. Crane, executive director and counsel of the PGA, out of Presbyterian-St. Luke's hospital at Chicago after successful operation for cataracts . . . Mother and daughter teams will compete on Aug. 4, first day of Illinois Women's GA three day stroke play invitation tournament for Barbara Harris Dobbins memorial trophy . . . There are many new events in the Mater Filia class on women's golf association programs and club schedules this year.

Jack MacDonald, 68, died April 28 at St. John's hospital, Jacksonville, Ill., after a brief illness . . . Jack was born in Dornoch, Scotland and served in the Seaforth Highlanders in World War 1 . . . He was assistant to his brother, the late Bob MacDonald, at Bob o' Link in the Chicago district, and was pro at Washington Court House, Lima, O., Jacksonville, Ill., and Southmoor in Chicago . . . He taught at the 4Gs Range, Glenview, Ill., for eight years.

Robt. Bontempo, assistant to his father, Henry, pro at Franconia municipal course, Springfield, Mass., signed as pro by new Twin Hills CC, Springfield . . . Al Tull architect for Radley Run CC, West Chester, Pa., owned by Nicholas DuPont and Edmund Pringle . . . Radley Run has 27 holes on 900 acre development with club membership and property ownership tied-together . . . In five years members will own the club . . . Tull also architect of Southampton Beach & GC, \$200,000 18-hole Par-3 course operated by Bermuda's Princess hotel . . . The Par-3, owned by multi-millionaire shipowner, D. K. Ludwig, has 14 of its holes along the ocean.

Marion B. Scobell, who retired after 33 years as pro at the Baton Rouge (La.) muny course, is one of the fellows who built the False River G&CC at New Roads, La. . . . Scobell says the golf interest and play that President Leo Mongeat and a few others have stirred up in a year has most of the leading families of the community in the game and bringing others in.

The new Sugarbush GC in Warren, Vt., has appointed Shirley Spork pro and director of golf activities . . . Mrs. C. D. Lee of El Paso, Tex., won her sixth consecutive Texas Senior Women's champtionship at Fairway Farm Hunt Club in San Augustine, Tex. . . . The Western

Amateur, played last month at Tucson (Ariz.) CC, will return to Point O'Woods CC, Benton Harbor, Mich., in 1965... Eastern Amateur tournament is set for Aug. 17-23 at Elizabeth Manor G&CC in Portsmouth, Va.

Chicago Golf Show again to be held at McCormick Place on Chicago's lake front, may run four days in 1965, according to Illinois PGA president, Harry Pezzullo . . . Bill Peterson of Cleveland, O., won his first major amateur at Fred Waring's Spring Invitational . . . Dave Matroleo replaces Fred Bove as president of the South Calif. GCSA . . . Bove served five years as an officer of the association.

Southern California PGA hailed a successful old pro, Ted Woolley, president, Golfcraft, Inc., recently at a banquet . . . Woolley was born in Scotland and was a clubmaker there . . . He came to the U.S. in 1921 and made clubs for a while, then worked at pro jobs in Michigan and California . . . At San Diego he built one of the first Par-3 courses . . . He got into club manufacturing in the U.S. with Jake Dubow at Chicago, then was with Allied

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Golf, then with Horton Mfg. Co. . . . He started Golfcraft after World War II and moved its plant from Chicago to Escondido, Calif., in 1952 . . . Woolley was chairman of the National Golf Foundation committee that, in 1952, devised the financing plan which gave stability and impetus to the Foundation's development.

Jack Jolly, who came from St. Andrews' to New York in 1901 to a job as assistant to Alex Pirie at Forest Hill CC, Bloomfield, N.J., died May 19 at his home in Bloomfield, N.J. . . . Alex took Jack in with him when Jolly was ill as a stranded Scotch sailor in New York . . . Pirie moved to another job and saw that Jolly was hired as his successor . . . Pirie later became president of the PGA . . . Jolly became one of the founders of the PGA Seniors . . . After serving several clubs in the N.Y. Met district as pro, Jack went into the golf ball business . . . His first one was the Kempshall.

Jack got the idea of the frozen-core golf ball by experimenting with nipples for baby bottles . . . He filled them with water, froze them with dry ice and wound the thread around the cores . . . His Colonel ball was a big seller for years . . . Jack's 75th birthday was celebrated at St. Andrews and recordings were made of talks and sent to him . . . Jack competed in several National Opens early in the 1900s . . . He was a dapper fellow