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### Indio Scouts Before It Builds

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and greens. Players never lose sight of balls in flight unless they are hopelessly sliced or hooked into the desert dark.

Preliminary considerations included a manual irrigation system, but that was revised too. Careful study revealed that labor, control, maintenance and effectiveness were all on the side of an automatic system. And just to make sure, a manual override was included so spot irrigation can be done whenever it is needed.

"In the summer we expect to have play until 1 or 2 a.m.," Selman explains. "We can put on sufficient water with the automatic system in six hours a night." The system's capacity is 1¾ inches of water per week over the 33 acres that are in play.

The sprinkler system is supplied by the course's own 400-foot well. The lake, with a plastic lining, serves as a reservoir from which the water is pumped under pressure into the network of underground pipe that feeds the sprinklers.

Once all of the features were designed

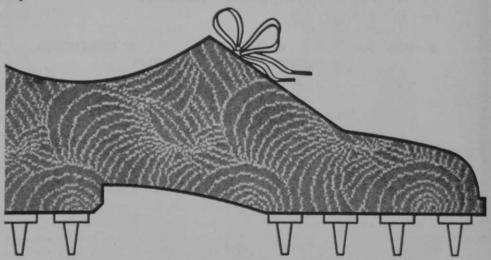
into the course, construction required less than a year. The careful preliminary work of the committee took almost twice as long.

Selman is particularly pleased with the financing, and even more pleased that play during the first months of operation gives promise of the earliest payoff that he or any of the planning committee hoped for. The city's credit is not at stake in this financing arrangement and the course is self sustaining.

Amortization of revenue bonds was set up for a 25 year period but Selman and his committee optimistically predict that it will be made in 14 years. Six months after opening, the course's income was meeting its operating costs with only the debt service to be met.

An average increase in play of 20-30 rounds per week charted in March indicated that the committee's optimism is justified. This brought the weekly average to 750, approaching the 1,156 needed between October and November to retire the bonds in 14 years.

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#### **Use Financial Projections**

When it came time to place the approval of the \$475,000 revenue bond before Indio's citizens, a committee of 25 was organized. The members leaned heavily on the projections of the financial counselors for their appeal to the public. The issue carried by a 6 to 1 vote.

Green fees are \$2 in the daytime and \$2.50 at night during the week. On weekends the daytime rate is 50¢ higher and the night rate advances 25¢. A junior rate of \$1 is in effect all the time.

A popular special event has gone over big with Indio businessmen, a 9-hole competitive event every Friday noon. 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. every day. Those who enter the Friday tournament pay an additional 75¢ which goes toward prizes. Often they wolf down a sandwich, play nine holes in the tournament and still get back to their offices by 1:30 or 2.

The municipality has recognized the unusual combination of talents possessed

by Jack Mann with an unusual kind of contract. He received a base salary plus 95 per cent of the gross from the pro shop, the driving range and the club and cart rentals. The other five per cent goes to the city. Mann receives all his lesson fees, of course, and the city gets the green fees.

Mann is required to bond all employees of the shop, collect all fees, serve as starter, manager and supervisor of maintenance personnel. The snack bar, which shares half of the handsome clubhouse, is operated by an experienced local restaurant owner who returns 7½ per cent of the gross to the city.

#### Bi-Level Merchandising

Because the Indio course is introducing golf to a lot of its players for the first time Mann follows a kind of two-level merchandising plan — lower priced equipment for beginners, and topgrade equipment for those who are experienced golfers.

"We're an incubator," Mann says, and he makes the most of it by catering to Juniors, for whom he conducts free clinics each Saturday morning with help

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from his assistants, Edna Mac Clean and Jack Laxson.

Mann is extremely proud of the appearance and condition of the course. To keep it green when the Bermuda is dormant he overseeded with seaside bent and common rye. Mann worries most about compaction. He has outlined a plan of soil testing every three months to keep tabs on its condition. The greens were seeded with Tifgreen 328 Bermuda.

A responsive and cooperative community spirit lies behind Indio's accomplishment. City planners also have enough foresight to think about nine more holes on an unused parcel of the original 80 acres. They are sure they will need them.

## Claussen, Jeffrey Added to Golf Foundation Staff

Jerry Claussen has been added to the National Golf Foundation's field staff as Mountain States region director, and Charles Jeffrey has been appointed director of publications.

Claussen makes his headquarters in Denver and covers a new region made up of 10 states between the Canadian and Mexican borders. He was graduated from the University of Oregon's school of Journalism in 1956 and is a former newspaper golf writer and editor.

Jeffrey is the Foundation's public relations specialist and is in charge of editing and revising the organization's publications. A University of Texas graduate, Jeffrey is a onetime advertising and sales promotion man and also was connected with two Chicago newspapers.



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### The Money I Don't Make

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ning up your insurance costs for them.

 A professional is expected to dress well and do a reasonable amount of entertaining. It costs him money to do these things. He also has tournament expenses.

May Not Share In Benefits

• The professional doesn't always share in the benefits that other club employees are given. These include health and accident insurance and retirement benefits. Many pros have to pay for these coverages if they want them.

• There are any number of miscellaneous expenses that a pro incurs. These include bag tags, marking tapes, repair equipment such as the lie and loft machine, vises, small tools and many lesser items. Some pros subscribe to golf magazines for their members. Club tournament prizes can run into quite a bit of money and so can for that matter, wooden tees.

It wouldn't be so bad if the routine expenses of running a shop were all that came out of a pro's gross. He is a risk enterpriser and some years the risks he takes in buying merchandise may drive him to the brink of going out of business. A delayed spring or a summer that is too hot can do great harm to his business. If he gets too much capital tied up in stock and has to borrow money to keep going, he has interest expense to pay. At some clubs, delinquent accounts or outright bad debts have been known to keep a pro on lean rations during the winter.

I have been in the golf business for six years and just now I am learning to order merchandise that I am reasonably sure I can get rid of before the season is over. It hasn't always been that way. There were years when I had to mark down some of my stock to a ridiculous figure or eat shirts and sweaters. A friend of mine who has been a professional for 25 years tells me that he still gets stuck with merchandise that is almost impossible to move.

All of us recognize that we are in a delicate position in regard to what we can tell or can't tell our members about the financial operation of our shops. Many of us, in fact, don't want them to know