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Cedar Hill G&CC, Livingston, N.J., had 203 entries in National Golf Day and 30 of them beat or tied **Bobby Nichols'** mark of two-over par . . . Paul Hahn seems to get younger on hard work . . . His trick shot schedule this summer is heavier than ever before . . . One of his big shows was for Ballantine brewers during the National Retail Grocers' convention in Chicago . . . Hahn is to me the PGA championship clinic again this

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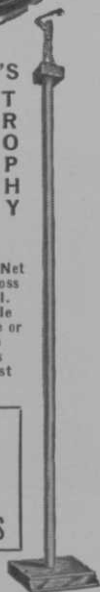


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Cute merchandising tie-up Shakespeare Co. had in an ad on the National Open pairing and starting time folder . . . There was a "special tournament offer" of Shakespeare Fiberglas center balls when the pairing sheet was presented to pro Bob Ross, Jr. in his pro shop at Bellerive CC . . . With Gary Player winning the Open the Fiberglas-cored ball and the Fiberglas shafts will be getting a strong pro shop push by Shakespeare.

The Laramie (Wyo.) CC has opened its new clubhouse, pool, and the first nine of a proposed 18-hole course, according to general manager, Bert Goldsmith . . . The first nine is a par-35, 3275-yard layout, with ladies' par 38, says supt. Larry Lockwood . . . Pro for the Wyoming course is Ford Willey, formerly at Sun City GC in Phoenix, Ariz. . . . Members of Paradise Valley CC, Las Vegas, Nev., have formed a corporation to operate the 18 hole course as a private club, with an option to buy from owners H. M. Greenspun and Lloyd Whaley, according to Pro Charley Teel.

A Long Island (N. Y.) landmark, the Pioneer miniature course in New Dorp, which opened in 1929 as a pee wee course, will be replaced by a pizza drive-in restaurant . . . A group of Stronghurst, Ill. businessmen have organized to promote a four-hole layout with sand greens that will be located near the Stronghurst schools . . . All support and labor is voluntary.

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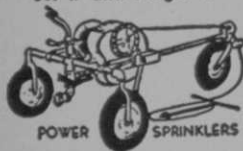
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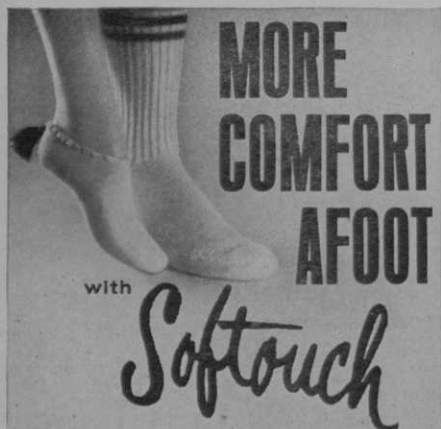
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The repeal is the climax of a battle led by the CMAA, NCA and other organizations over the past 10 years. The CMAA warns clubs against trying various tax dodges, such as voiding dues for the balance of 1965 and trying to recoup them next year without taxes. It will only be a matter of time before an IRS agent discovers this. The deficiency penalty that may be imposed will far outweigh any gain.

ed by Larry Farnan, should be ready for play in Sept., according to Thomas O'Hara, manager . . . The 18-hole course measures 6800 yards.

Lakewood public GC, Georgetown, O., opened its full 18 holes recently, according to Forrest Wahl, owner . . . A new 9hole semi-private course, Homestead GC, has opened near West Milton, O. . . . A pre-planned residential sub-division near Tyler, Tex. already has a course under construction.

Pro John Wisinski retained as manager of the Big Whitefish Lake GC, Howard City, Mich., although the club has changed hands . . . Owners Maurice and Grace Newell have sold the club to Walton Pierce . . . Geoffrey Cornish is designer for the Powder Horn GC in Lexington, Mass. . . . The 47-acre, 2820-yard, Par-3 course is owned by Murray and William Howard who operate it on land that has been in their family over 50 years.

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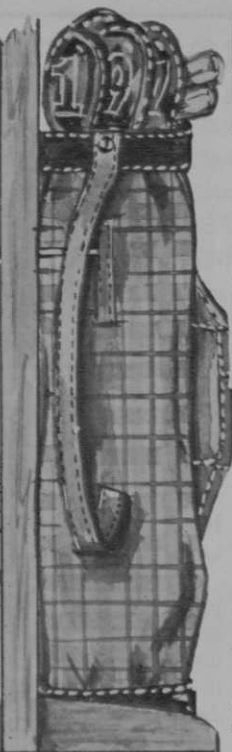
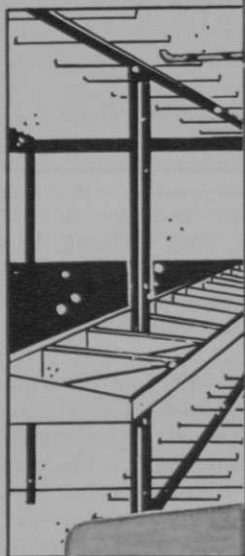
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The new Central City (Ky.) GC opened this spring . . . Life memberships were presented to officers and employees of the Peabody Coal Co., which donated machines and labor to do most of the work on the course without charge . . . St. Bonaventure GC, Olean, N. Y., has revamped the 9-hole course adding a stroke on the seventh to raise par from 35 to 36 . . . Greencastle, Ind. has a new Par 3, 1341-yard course called Allenhill . . . Owners and operators are Bayard Lee and John D. Allen . . . Pro is Larry Brant.

Mavor Boyd is new supt. at Calumet CC in Homewood, Ill . . . Ronnie Reitz is pro at the Green Hill CC, Louisburg, N. C. succeeding Gene Samaske . . . The new Dennis Pines GC on Cape Cod in

Mass., measures 7200 yards and plays to a par 72 . . . Lou Thibeault is pro and Peter Kirouac is supt. of the community owned course. The Loch Ledge G & CC, Peekskill, N. Y., plans to open its course this fall . . . Vacationland Open to be played Aug. 12-15 at Poland Spring (Me.) GC for \$15,000 in prizes.

Pro-manager of the Passaic County public course in Wayne, N. J., Jerry De-Rosa, says plans are afoot to acquire more land to take care of the rapid increase in the number of golfers playing the links . . . De Rosa is also an associate professor of physical education at Montclair State College . . . Owners Frank and Pete McLean have added a new nine to Genegantslet GC's layout to bring the course to 18-holes . . . Genegantslet is in Greene, N. Y. . . Maurice Witherspoon, Jr. is director of operations for the Atlanta, Ga. Athletic & CC . . . Previously he was manager of Travers Island for the New York Athletic Club.

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tract in Winterton, N. Y. . . . It is scheduled for completion in Sept., according to the builders . . . The Val Halla CC, Cumberland, Me., has completed its first nine and clubhouse . . . Official opening was June 15 . . . The three operating heads at Oak Ridge public course in Clark N. J., pro **Dan Billy**, manager **Charles Alioth** and supt. **Mike Yarussi**, say that play will be speeded up considerably with the fleet of 22 new golf cars acquired by the course . . . **Jim Champman**, formerly assistant at Detroit's Tam O'Shanter, now pro at Chagrin Valley CC in Ohio.

Linden Hall, formerly St. James Park, CC in Lower Tyrone township, Pa., is being renovated, according to supt. **Frank Uzman, Jr.** . . . The pro shop is also being moved closer to the No. 1 tee, according to Pro **Francis Barrett** . . . **Osborne** and **Stewart** are designers of a 9-hole course to be built below Grizzly Dam, Portola, Calif. . . . Architect **John Fleming** will serve as a consultant on this project . . .

W. Theodore Baptist, manager of the Audubon Golf Club, New Orleans, La., died suddenly in late May . . . A 36-hole miniature putt-putt course, operated by **Jerry Laurie**, opened recently in Ashtabula, O.

The 6715-yard, 18-hole, par-72 semi-private course at Sportsman's CC, Harrisburg, Penn., has opened according to owner **George C. Winterling** . . . The port of Seattle (Wash.) commission has executed a lease for 25 years on a 97 acre tract just south of the Seattle-Tacoma international airport to the GMP Co. for construction of an 18-hole course . . . Commissioners have awarded contracts for the development of an 18-hole course in Spanaway Park for Pierce County Tacoma), Wash.

Gene Renz and **Bud Miller** have opened a new putt-putt miniature course in Sharon, Pa. . . . **Shirley Englehorn**, until recently president of the Ladies PGA, has taken a position with Brookhaven CC, Dallas, Tex., according to pro **Joe Black**



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