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"Use royalties from the sale of PGA-endorsed equipment. Pros would then push these lines."

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"Have a program like football and baseball players have."

"I feel that the individual should set up his own future."

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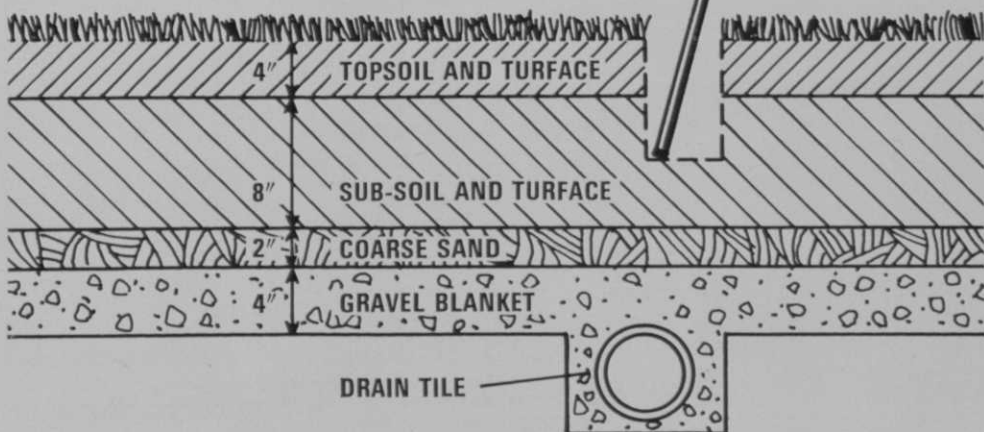
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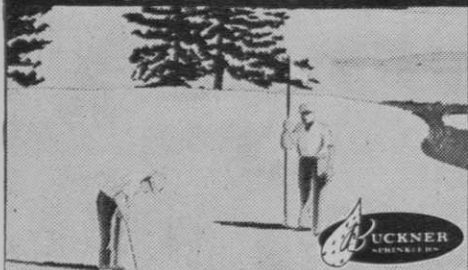


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PGA program."

"They should make it a requirement for each club in a PGA contract. The club should pay half and the pro the other half."

"I do not feel that the PGA should have a pension plan. However, I do feel that each club should organize a national golf club group and provide a pension plan for the golf professional."

"It does not seem feasible to me for the PGA to operate a pension plan for its members. This is an employer function and the club should provide a pension plan for all its employees."

"I feel that the PGA should set up a plan such as the one baseball has. Money for this plan could be raised from one pro tournament played at a course adjacent to a large population. Study each applicant for a pension and advise and help him institute a program at his job, to be invested and disbursed by the national."

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"Get the tourney pros to endorse pro line equipment only. This would be a good start."

"The teaching pro, on the tee day after day, has made the game of golf popular and the touring pro is cashing in on it. Most of them could not put a grip on a club if they had to, or do any repairs."

"Register as a union and avoid taxes."

"Something should be worked out so all the money isn't on the tour and TV. What about the club pro who sells golf for all the big money winners?"

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SHOULD PGA DO MORE?

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"Any PGA pro at a course not having full proceeds from the shop should be barred from the PGA."

"It is hard to say as there is little the pro can do if the club decides to get rid of him. I can give two examples of this happening in King Mike Brady at Winged Foot and Bill Gordon at Tam O'Shanter. The PGA could drop from its membership any pro applying for jobs at clubs where a PGA pro is located."

"I was a member of PGA for 30 years, but quit in 1954. I felt I was getting nothing out of it."

"Some plan to protect the pro from unfair price-cutting and discount houses getting pro-line merchandise, and letting the touring pros have their names associated with balls and clubs they do not use themselves."

"They could do something for the club pro—all you hear is the touring pro. Run tournaments from club pros statewide and have a play-off for the four or

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
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"I have been a member of the PGA for 49 years and I don't think they ever did much for the club pro except that his wife gets \$1,000 when he dies and he has a Class-A certificate to hang on the wall showing he is a bona fide golf professional. Very few pros I know of ever got a job through the organization."

"More focus on club pro problems and less on the glamor boys of the playing circuit. It is 7,000 other PGA members versus about 300 on the circuit."

"Control professional advertising for storeline merchandise. Some protection is needed against clubs taking the golf shops away. There should be minimum contracts for the PGA golf pro."

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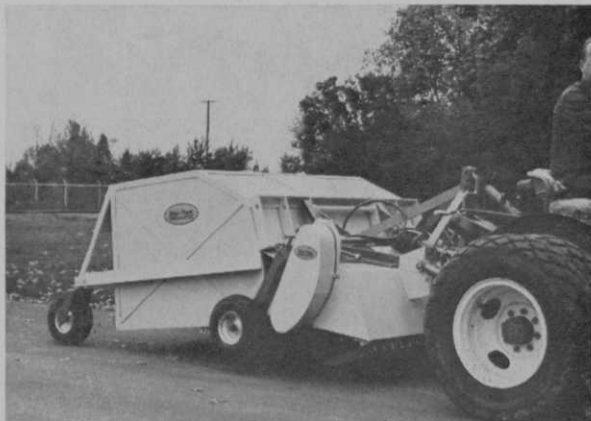
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