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ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

Women admitted; jobs discussion is ethics violation, say PGA delegates

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There were no foghorn blasts from ferry boats slanting across Puget Sound to signal the accomplishments of the Professional Golfers' Association's 61st annual business meeting. The association did receive publicity across the country when the executive committee decided December 3, one day before the meeting began, to allow women to register for the apprentice program. The delegates inside Seattle's Olympic Hotel, however, worked to bolster the pros who are already in the association; they passed resolutions protecting head pros in their jobs and to move quickly to insert one of their own members when a club pro position becomes

The women's issue was set for a vote by the delegates, but withdrawn once the executive committee made their decision. A number of reasons for admittance into the heretofore men's-only group was given: women are enrolled in the golf management program at Ferris State College, apprentice men can't receive credit while working under a woman, and some applications from women are beginning to filter into the PGA offices

The delegates hoped to strengthen head pros in their jobs by voting to forbid any member or registered apprentice to even discuss the possibility of a job opening without knowing the position is vacant. Written notice is needed from their Section, or from their club or course before an application can be made. One delegate asked if a pro's freedom of speech would be violated by including the word "discussion" in the resolution. "There is a possibility it's an abridgement of the freedom of speech," said Lloyd Lambert, PGA executive secretary and legal counsel. "The delegates apparently thought it was worth taking the risk."

More responsibility for filling a vacant position with a PGA member was also placed on head pros. The delegates voted that pros must inform their Section within 10 days once they know they are leaving their position. The delegates felt that each Section must know almost immediately about any openings so the employment committees can help keep or negotiate Section standards in the new pro's contract. The move will also prevent non-PGA members from getting the position, the delegates feel.

Two other proposals aimed at pressuring incoming and inactive pros were defeated. The Metropolitan New York Section wanted to penalize members who accept jobs without notifying the Section within 30 days of a contract offer. The current provision only requires a pro to "first notify" the Section of his proposed contract. The proposal was defeated, 48-46 A resolution to place a pro on inactive status 180 days after he is

unemployed and drop his membership after one year was introduced by the Tennessee Section and voted down, 87-6. Numerous delegates thought the proposal did not give the pro enough time to find a job.

Other changes included on granting to students enrolled in the Ferris State program six additional credits toward PGA membership by attending one week of workshops and seminars following graduation. Since the college program rewards them with 24 credits, the students need just six more credits for membership following completion of the weeklong training program.

Appeal procedures for applicants and registered apprentices were also established. Previously, each Section made the only decision for applications or when asked to terminate an apprentice. Persons in either category can appeal to the board of control, which can overturn a Section's decision by a two-thirds vote. If the board agrees with the Section, an appeal can be taken to the executive committee, which also must provide two-thirds approval to reverse earlier decisions.

There were a number of requests by delegates for the executive committee to consider before next year's business meeting in Atlanta, including a change in the meeting's format. About 80 percent of the delegates

Jim Applegate (below), head pro at Washtenaw Country Club in Ypsilanti, Mich., voices an opinion before delegates vote on a proposed resoultion. The Northwest Section's William Aliment, who served as chairman during the informal business meeting (right), recognizes a delegate from the Florida Section.



want a significant expansion of the educational program. The committee will also consider changing the playing test scale for apprentices after remarks by Bob Badger, a Northern California delegate, that course ratings set by the United States Golf Association are established by amateurs. Badger called the scale "out of proportion" and said the ratings should be determined by PGA

Possibly the most encouraging news of the session was the announcement that the Tournament Players Division has signed a new contract for rights to televise tournaments on the PGA Tour with CBS. Prize money on the tour totaled \$9.7 million this year, but the TPD will earn more than \$10 million just during 1979 from the lucrative new pact. TPD Commissioner Deane Beman predicted that the prizes should reach between \$14 and \$15 million by 1982. Beman also said that the companies sponsoring the tournaments have been asked to set discount ticket prices for juniors next year and must give them lower prices in 1979.

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were also given out at a \$20-a-plate dinner on December 6. Tom Watson was named Player of the Year, Don Soper, pro at Royal Oak Golf Club in Royal Oak, Mich., club professional of the year, and Paul Runyan, winner of the Horton Smith Award. Don Padgett was re-elected to his second term as PGA president. Frank Cardi and Joe Black were re-elected secretary and treasurer.

ASSOCIATIONS

National association formed for juniors

A national association for junior golfers has been established and its headquarters will be set up in Decatur, Ga., an Atlanta suburb, the new group has announced.

The American Junior Golf Association "has been organized to promote the game of golf on the junior level throughout the nation," said its president, Mike Bentley.

The group has set a number of goals, including one to serve an information center, especially concerning the scheduling of

events

"Too many times, major junior events are scheduled at the same time on the same dates," said Bentley. "General information is also a problem as the young people who play the game have trouble finding out about certain tournaments, how to qualify, etc. We hope to end those days with a constant flow of information from our headquarters.

The association also hopes to establish strong junior programs in areas that are not well organized.

Sponsoring national tournaments is also on its list of priorities. The group's first tournament, the American Junior Golf Association Tournament of Champions, will be held August 211-25 at Inverrary Country Club in Lauderhill, Fla. State champions and others who have won various junior tournaments will be among the 150 players invited to the tournament.

Masters and British Open champion Tom Watson will serve as the association's honorary chairman, and a 15-man National Advisory Board has also been named

The members include David R. Foster, board chairman of the Colgate-Palmolive Co.; John Darr, coach at the University of Florida; Lou Miller, vice president of golf operations at Pinehurst Country Club; Don Padgett, PGA president; and National Golf Foundation Executive Director Don Rossi.

Persons wishing to contact the association should write Mike Bentley, AJGA, P.O. Box 33565, Decatur, GA 30033.

Lyons new president for public courses

Bill Lyons, owner of the Lyons Den Golf Course in Canal Fulton, Ohio. and member of the GOLF BUSINESS Advisory Board, has been elected president of the National Association of Public Golf Courses. Russ Wylie of Washington, Pa., is the vice president, and Art Young was elected secretary-treasurer.

The election of officers was held in conjunction with the National Golf Foundation's annual November management workshop.

Allied Associations meet in Chicago

The upturn in golf course construction and remodeling,

programs to attract juniors and women, and techniques to conserve water and energy were among the topics discussed at the second annual meeting of the Allied Associations of Golf on December 1 at the O'Hare Hilton in Chicago.

Representatives from each of the 10 golf-related organizations at the meeting spoke about different aspects of the game.

New USGA officers to be elected

Frank D. Tatum Jr., a San Francisco attorney and amateur winner of the Bing Crosby National Pro-Amateur tournament in 1961, is expected to be elected president of the United States Golf Association at its annual meeting January 28.

Tatum has been picked for the position by the association's nominating committee. Incumbent president Harry W. Easterly Jr. of Richmond, Va., is retiring after two one-year terms.

The nominating committee has also proposed that new persons fill three officer's positions and three seats on the executive committee. and that a new general counsel be appointed.

Will F. Nicholson Jr., of Denver, Colo., has been nominated as a new vice president; James R. Hand of Ossining, N.Y. as secretary; and William C. Campbell as treasurer. The fifth officer, Eugene S. Pulliam of Indianapolis, Ind., has been nominated for a third one-year term as a vice president.

The new executive committee members are expected to be William C. Battle, Eden, N.C.; Howard L. Clark and William J. Williams, Jr., both of New York, N.Y.

The association's new attorney will be C. Grant Spaeth, who is a deputy assistant secretary in the U.S. Department of Health. Education, and Welfare.

CMAA task force asks for authority

A task force committee of the Club Managers Association of America has recommended that overall club management should be the responsibility of a single professional with the title and authority of general manager.

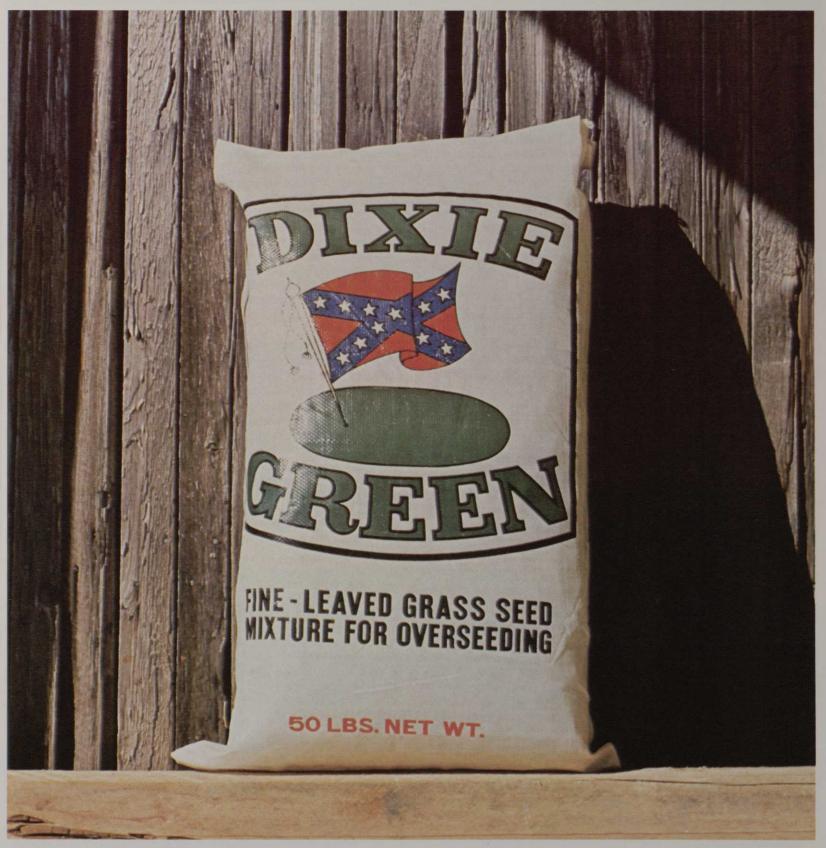
The managers hope the recommendation will help reverse the findings of a survey taken at the



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association's national conference in Chicago. It found that while 85 percent of its respondents have the general manager title, only 35 percent have the sole authority to manage their club.

"The most successful clubs tend to follow the general manager concept, while smaller clubs tend to cling to the more traditional concept of more than one manager reporting to the club officers," the task force said.

The CMAA board of directors has endorsed the task force's findings. This is the first time the single manager concept has been officially recognized by the national association.

Building, remodeling seen by architects

Golf course development and remodeling "is expected to gain momentum in 1978," say the officers of the American Society of Golf Course Architects.

President Bill Amick said there is a resurgence of interest in building new golf courses by developers of housing developments and resorts, an area that has been sluggish recently.
"Overbuilding of condominiums in some areas, primarily the Southeast, brought new development course construction to a virtual standstill for several years," he said.

Amick said the high cost of land has also made leasehold agreements popular in some communities. This arrangement allows a government agency to lease property to a group of investors. The lessee pays the government a fixed fee, percentage of income, or combination for the use of the land.

Further information on all aspects of golf course planning and remodeling can be obtained from the American Society of Golf Course Architects, 221 N. LaSalle St., Chicago, IL 60601.

PESTICIDES

DBCP can be used; safety standards set

After four months of tests, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has ruled that pesticides containing dibromochloropropane, known as DBCP, can be used on golf courses. Persons using the pesticides, however, must be certified applicators.

The applicators must also wear respirators and protective clothing which won't allow the chemical to permeate the skin while handling the pesticide. The clothing must be approved by the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health, but persons should check with companies that make the products for information on the kinds of clothing, said an EPA spokesman.

The only time course workers are not required to wear respirators is when they are driving vehicles that inject the fumigant underground, the spokesman said.

Jeff Kempter, EPA project manager for the DBCP review, said workers can use any pesticides containing the chemical bought before the government issued a temporary ban, but they must follow the new safety standards.

Pesticides with the chemical must list the safety regulations on its label before it can be sold.

Kempter said the Amvac Chemical Corp. of Los Angeles was the only firm that made the label change by

mid-December.

The agency also ruled that the chemical cannot be used on a number of fruit and vegetable crops.

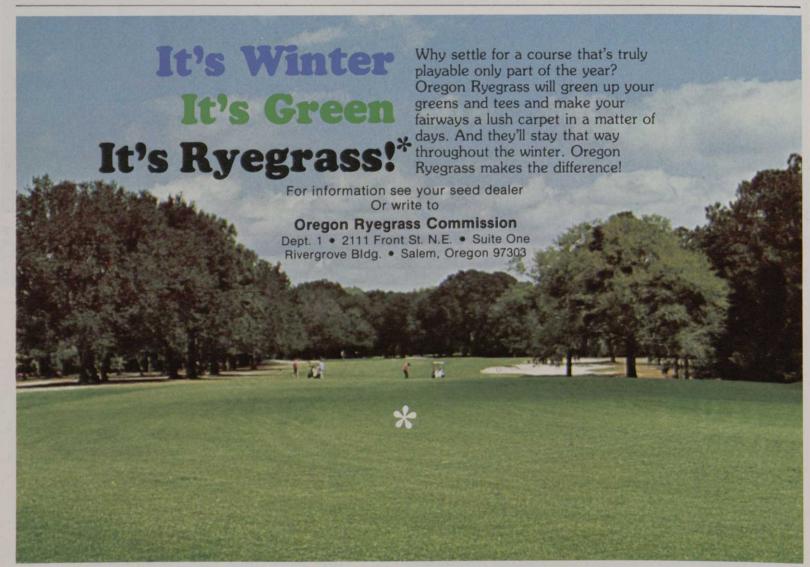
TOURNAMENTS

Club pro series gets new entry rules

Two changes in the entry requirements for pros and registered apprentices in the Professional Golfers' Association of America's club professional tournament series will become effective when the next round of tournaments begins January 5 in San Diego.

Persons applying for each series may send \$100 to reserve a spot and pay the remaining \$950 just before teeing off. The rule for the initial three series required players to pay the full entry fee before coming to the tournament site.

The PGA has also decided that a golfer does not have to play in each of the four 36-hole continued on page 19



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Ram Golf Corp., Elk Grove, Ill., has three new regional sales managers. **Earle Owen** will oversee the New England area, where he has served as assistant sales manager previously. **Jack R. McIntosh,** a former sales management employee with Spalding, will manage the seven states in the Southwest. **Pat Norton** is the new man in the Midwest, and he will continue to service dealer accounts in those six states.

Ricky W. Ryder, Jr., has moved up from assistant pro to head pro at Homestead GC in Hot Springs, Va., succeeding Nelson Long, who has retired after 44 years at the resort course. Ryder's brother, Fred, has replaced Bill Deck as head pro at Belair G&CC in Bowie, Md. He had worked at Belair for two seasons before moving to Ft. Meade GC in Ft. Meade, Md. for 18 months.

Mike Wynn, who won \$3,191 on the PGA Tour during 1977, will succeed Charles (Butch) Liebler as head pro at Elizabeth Manor CC in Portsmouth, Va. Liebler is now head pro at Cavalier G&YC in Virginia Beach, Va., replacing Tom

Mark Johnson has been picked to fill the head pro's job at the Fredericksburg CC in Fredericksburg, Va. The vacancy was created when Hal Grosh resigned.

Tom Woodall has been named superintendent at Silver Springs Shores G&CC in Ocala, Fla., replacing Jim Walker, who has taken a position with Southern Nurseries in Tifton, Ga.

George Arthur has been promoted from product manager to Eastern sales manager for Ajay Sports in Delavan, Wis. Arthur, a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University, has been with Ajay for three years. He worked previously as an associate buyer of sporting goods for the J.C. Penney Co. in New York.

Tony Kimball, former superintendent at the Deerwood Club of Jacksonville, Fla., has taken a job as general manager of production

Ricky W. Ryder, Jr., has moved up and sales with Turf Grow Nurseries from assistant pro to head pro at in St. Augustine, Fla.

Hawthorne Valley CC in Solon, Ohio has hired a new club manager and course superintendent. **John Brodella**, will oversee the facility after coming from the Fonderlac CC in Poland, Ohio. **Bill Koble** is the new superintendent. He worked previously at Zoar Village GC in Zoar, Ohio.

Charles Staples of Aronimink GC in Newton Square, Pa., and Billy Dillon of Loudon G&CC in Percelville, Va., have resigned their head pro positions and will lease and operate Greenwich GC near Manassas. Va.

Frank Dennis has left his assistant's post at Culpeper CC in Culpeper, Va. to succeed Billy Wolfe as head pro at South Wales Golf and Ranch Club in Jeffersonton, Va.

Craig Immel, two-time small-college golf All-American who placed sixth in the 1977 Northern Ohio PGA championship, has been named head pro at the Quail Hollow Inn's resort course in Concord Twp., Ohio. Immel was a teaching assistant at Canterbury CC in Cleveland this past season and has worked for three other clubs. He holds a bachelor's degree in business management from Baldwin-Wallace College.

Rodney Thompson has been named head pro at the Kenwood G&CC in Bethesda, Md. He is moving from the Burning Tree G&CC in Mt. Clemens, Mich.

Ray A. Tritten has been elected executive vice president of opera-

tions in leisure products for AMF Inc. He is responsible for the company sports products operations. Tritten was former president of the Ben Hogan Co.

Waddy Stokes is the new pro at Fairfield Mountains CC in Lake Lure, N.C.

Ben Kerns is the new superintendent at Candlewood CC in Whittier, Calif.

Warren Breham has been selected new superintendent at San Dimas Canyon CC in San Dimas, Calif.

Two former California superintendents have decided to form their own landscape company. They are **Jack Clark**, formerly of Santa Ana CC in Santa Ana, Calif. and **Randy Andreason**, formerly of Alta Vista CC in Placentia, Calif.

Hugh G. McKay of Orange, Calif. has formed Construction Group International to provide golf courses, architects, engineers, and builders with a construction management program. McKay recently left his job with The Toro Co., where he was responsible for golf course irrigation and turf equipment sales.

Dan Cook, formerly superintendent as Escondido CC in Escondido, Calif., has taken the superintendent's job at Shadow Mountain CC in Palm Desert, Calif.

Dick Anderson has been appointed new superintendent at Indian Wells CC in Indian Wells, Calif.

Dean Matthews is new club manager at Southern Hills CC in Tulsa, Okla. He moves there from the Belleview Biltmore Club in Belleair, Fla. Egon Jorgensen will take Matthews' place as manager at the Belleview Biltmore following 17 years at Old Westbury G&CC in New York. Jorgensen is a past president of the Metropolitan chapter of the CMAA.

Norman L. Oliver is managing the

San Diego CC. He was previously at Diablo CC in Diablo, Calif.

Robert J. Leenhouts is new director of club operations at Bardmoor CC in Largo, Fla. He was previously general manager at the Reston G&CC in Reston, Va.

Robert J. Fetzer, formerly club manager at the Raritan Valley CC in Somerville, N.J., is now club manager at Cedar Hill CC in Livingston, N.J.

Joseph Grenko, superintendent at Marriott's Lincolnshire Resort near Chicago, has been elected president of the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents.

Roger La Rochelle, of Woodmar CC in Hammond, Ind., was chosen first vice president, Robert Breen, of Arrowhead CC, second vice president, and David Meyer, Nordic Hills CC, secretary-treasurer.

Arvida Corp. has appointed **Peter Rummell** vice president and general manager of its Sawgrass division. He will be responsible for management and the implementation of plans to further develop the 1,200-acre residential/resort community. A company spokesman said the appointment "is particularly timely as Sawgrass begins preparations for the upcoming Tournament Players Championship."

Andy Sackett has left his superintendent's job at Mount Ayr G&CC in lowa to become grounds foreman for Lutheran Mutual Life Insurance Co. in Waverly. He remains a member of the lowa GCSA.

David Ross, who retired recently as head pro at O'Donnell Country Club in Palm Springs, Calif., died December 16 in Eisenhower Memorial Hospital in Palm Springs. He was 74. He had been a head pro since 1930, the year he caddied for **Bobby Jones** when the latter won the U.S. and British Open and amateur championships.



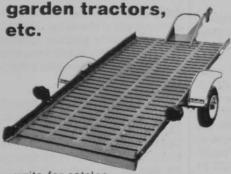


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21-USGA Green Section, southeastern regional turf conference, Holiday Inn, Fort

21-22—Capital Area Turf School, Hershey (Pa.) Motor Lodge, Convention Center.

21-23-Western Pennsylvania turf school & trade show, Howard Johnson Motor Lodge, Monroeville, Pa.

26-28—The Irrigation Association, irrigation technical conference, Stoufrfers Hotel, Cincinnati Ohio

26-Mar. 3-American Society of Golf Course Architects, annual meeting, Carefree Inn, Phoenix, Ariz.

-PGA business school I, Milwaukee, Wis.

27-Mar, 1-lowa Turfgrass Conference, Des Moines

27-Mar. 2-Canadian Professional Golfers' Association, annual executive management seminar, Humber College, Toronto.

27-Mar. 3-PGA seminar for daily fee facility pros, Indianapolis, Ind.

28-USGA Green Section, southeastern regional turf conference, Ramada Inn, Irving,

JANUARY

15-20-PGA business school II, Albuquerque,

16-19—Pennsylvania State University Turfgrass Conference, J. Orvis Keller Conference Center, University Park, Pa.

17-19—NRA seminar, bar management, Del Webb's Townhouse, Phoenix.

21-24—PGA workshop, teaching & playing, Orlando, Fla.

22-27-PGA business school II, Callaway Gardens, Ga.

23-27-1st International Conference & Exhibition on Jewish Culinary Art, Jerusalem, Israel.

25-26-14th Annual Northern California Turfgrass & Environmental Landscape Exposition, San Mateo County Fairgrounds, San Mateo.

26-29—National Sporting Goods Association, 49th annual convention & Show, Astrodome, Houston, Tex.

27-USGA Green Section, annual conference on golf course management, Mark Hopkins Hotel, San Francisco.

28-USGA annual meeting, Mark Hopkins Hotel, San Francisco.

28-31-PGA Merchandise Show, Walt Disney World, Lake Buena Vista, Fla.

29-31-Southern Turfgrass Conference and Show, Broadwater Beach Hotel, Biloxi-Gulfport, Miss

29-Feb. 3—Associated Landscape Contractors of America, annual meeting, Orlando (Fla.) Hyatt

31-Feb. 4-PGA workshop, club repair & custom fitting, Orlando, Fla.

FEBRUARY

2-5—Canadian Sporting Goods Association, national convention & exhibition, Place Bonaventure, Montreal.

6-8—NRA seminar, bar management, Sheraton Plaza Hotel, Chicago.

6-10-PGA workshop, club repair & custom fitting, San Antonio, Tex.

-PGA seminar for daily fee facility pros, Sacramento, Calif.

—PGA seminar, general club & course management, Columbus, Ohio.

12-15—American Sod Producers Association, midwinter conference, Nassau (Bahamas) Beach Hotel.

12-17-PGA business school I, Dallas, Tex.

13-16-PGA workshop, teaching & playing, Sacramento, Calif.

13-17-PGA seminar for resort facility pros, Hilton Head, S.C.

15-Golf Course Builders of America, annual president's dinner, Hilton Hotel, San Antonio.

20-24-PGA seminar for private facility pros, Dallas, Tex.

-PGA seminar for municipal facility pros, Baltimore, Md.

MARCH

5-10-PGA business school I, Syracuse.

6-8-Canadian Golf Superintendents Association, 29th annual Canadian Turfgrass Show, Hotel Toronto, Toronto.

13-15-Midwest Regional Turf Foundation, turf conference, Purdue University, West Lafayette,

13-16—PGA workshop, teaching & playing, Phoenix.

13-17-PGA seminar for private facility pros, Westchester, N.Y.

19-22-PGA workshop, USGA rules & tournament management, Boston.

27-Apr. 1-PGA business school II, Cypress Creek, Fla.

28-30-The Irrigation Association, turf short courses, Management Education Center, Troy, Mich.

APRIL

5-USGA Green Section, northeastern regional turf conference, Marriott Motor Inn, Newton, Mass

6-USGA Green Section, mid-Atlantic regional turf conference, Northridge CC, Raleigh.

12—USGA Green Section, northeastern regional turf conference, Tarrytown (N.Y.) Hilton Inn.

13—USGA Green Section, mid-Atlantic regional turf conference, Kingsmill GC, Williamsburg, Va. 17-19—PGA tour school II, Houston.

30-May 3-National Golf Foundation & Sporting Goods Industries spring meetings, Key Biscayne Hotel, Key Biscayne, Fla.

tournaments in a series if he finds another pro or registered apprentice to play in the tournaments he will vacate. For instance, one pro may want to play in the two tournaments January 5-6 and 9-10 at Singing Hills Country Club in San Diego and another pro at Carloton Oaks Country Club on January 12-13 and 16-17. The PGA will only require that the \$1,050 entry fee be paid for the series.

PGA spokesman Joe Hill denies the changes were made because of the low turnout in the series held in Florida. The first series had to be canceled since only 28 players signed up for the tournaments scheduled at Vero Beach and Jacksonville October 24. Hill said it was discovered later that this date was too early for many pros in the Midwest and Northeast to leave their duties at home clubs and courses.

A total of 72 persons played in the second series and 102 in the third series, Hill said.

TRANSACTIONS

Host Enterprises sold to Pick Hotels

Host Enterprises, Inc., which includes the Host Farm & Corral luxury resorts with 27 holes in Lancaster, Pa., has been purchased from Westinghouse



Jack Craver, president

Electric Corp. by Pick Hotels Corp., Chicago. The sale price was not revealed.

The properties purchased include two adjoining resorts with 510 guest rooms, plus an 18-hole course and executive 9-hole course with resort and convention facilities.

Jack Craver will continue as president of Host Enterprises. He has been there three years.

GOVERNMENT

Import duties wanted on Polish cars

While the U.S. Treasury
Department considers how much
import duties should be charged to
Poland for importing its Melex
brand golf cars, representatives of
Harley-Davidson have taken their
case to the Congress.

Donald A. Webster, vice president for government relations of AMF, Inc., the parent company of Harley-Davidson, has told the House Ways and Means Committee that the Treasury "has unnecessarily delayed resolution of issues" relating to the Melex case.

There has been no duty placed on the golf cars since August 1975. It is estimated by David Mueller, operations officer with the U.S. Customs Service, that between 6,000 and 9,000 Melex cars are sold annually in the United States. Webster did not know the price difference between Harley-Davidson and Melex cars, but said the latter has been "substantially lower."

Webster sees two reasons for the delay. The Treasury is having a difficult time deciding what the "fair value" of the Polish-made electric cars since they are only sold in the United States, giving officials no other countries to compare prices. But he also sees the decision as a touchy foreign policy issue that could effect East-West relations.

AWARDS

Agronomy award given to Toro vp

Dr. James R. Watson, vice president for customer relations of The Toro Co. has been named the 1977 recipient of the Agronomic Service Award by the American Society of Agronomy.

The society, a 9,400-member scientific educational organization, established the award to recognize the development of agronomic programs and practices, and effective public relations that promote the understanding and use of agronomic science and technology by the public.

Dr. Watson's research programs have concentrated on adaptability of species and strains of turfgrass, fertilization practices, snowmold prevention, and winter protection techniques.

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PGA Show: Disney world of golf

Once again, the fantasyland of Walt Disney World in Lake Buena Vista, Fla., is being temporarily transformed into a world of golf for the month of January — thanks to the Professional Golfers' Association of America.

It all centers around the annual PGA Merchandise Show, held January 28-31 this year in Disney's Contemporary Hotel. Some 250 makers and distributors of golf equipment, apparel, and related products and services will fill the second-floor exhibit area of the Contemporary Tower and several wings of rooms in the Contemporary North. Exhibit hours will be the same as last year: from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Tower and 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. in the Contemporary North on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday - then from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in all areas on Tuesday, January 31.

Special events, held in the after-

noons during the Merchandise Show, will include a golf style show sponsored by Golf Magazine; a trick shot demonstration by Paul Bumann, courtesy of PGA/Victor; and a clinic by Ladies Professional Golf Association tour players Judy Rankin and Donna Caponi Young, brought to you by Ram Golf Gorp.

Built around the PGA Merchandise Show dates is the PGA Winter Tournament Program, a series of tournaments for all types of pros, played on the three Walt Disney World courses: Palm, Magnolia, and Lake Buena Vista.

The month of golf events actually ends in February, with the annual PGA Seniors' Banquet at the Contemporary Hotel on Sunday, February 5. In addition to being an occasion for dancing and entertainment, the banquet honors the winner of the thenjust-completed Seniors' Champion-

ship tournament and new inductees into the PGA Hall of Fame.

Things to do

During the convention off-hours (and all day long for their families), pros will find plenty to do at Disney World and in the surrounding Orlando area. Foremost, of course, is the Magic Kingdom; it offers 45 major attractions, ranging from the Country Bear Jamboree to Space Mountain, from the Jungle Cruise to the Haunted Mansion. The Disney organization has created a unique, total environment that can truly be enjoyed equally by kids and adults — from the topiary-dotted grounds to the hotel restaurants to Main Street U.S.A.

Other attractions in and around Orlando include Sea World, the Stars Hall of Fame, a Wax Museum, Cape Canaveral, and quite a few good golf courses.