Golf Course Builders Form National Trade Association

Men who build the nation's golf courses have formed a trade association.

Golf Course Builders of America, with headquarters in Washington, D.C., has been created by golf course contractors as an organization to permit golf course builders to meet and solve business and industry problems.

Officers of the association are: David Canavan of Moore Golf, Inc., Culpepper, Va., president; Robert T. Vincent, Jr., of the Robert Vincent Co., Benton, Pa., vice-president; and J. James Shipe of Turf Industries, Bel Air, Md., secretary-treasurer.

Golf Course Builders has retained Harry J. Lambeth of the Washington firm of Barton and Lambeth to serve as executive director of GCBA. Its offices in the Shoreham Building are in the heart of Washington's financial district.

Membership in the golf contractor's group is open to golf course contractors who have constructed at least three golf courses. There also are associate and commercial membership classifications. Associates may be subcontractors such as irrigation specialists or others. Commercial members are industry suppliers such as equipment manufacturers, turf growers, and other firms whose products are used in constructing golf courses.

Association members will meet at periodic intervals to discuss mutual business and industry problems and have an opportunity to become acquainted with other leaders in their industry.

Contractors interested in joining the new trade group should write its executive director, Suite 632, Shoreham Building, Washington, D.C. 20005.

Sprinkler Companies Negotiating Merger

Turf Irrigation Corporation, Commack, N.Y., and Melnor Industries, Moonachie, N.J., have entered into preliminary negotiontions for Turf Irrigation to join Melnor.

Proposed terms, according to a joint statement, are for Melnor to purchase for cash the assets of Turf Irrigation equal to about \$2 per share of Turf stock with possible additional payment based on future earnings.

Turf Irrigation would operate as a division of Melnor with the same management.

Turf Irrigation makes under-

ground sprinkling equipment for residential and commercial uses. Melnor's principal products include traveling water sprinklers, oscillating, revolving and specialty sprinklers, garden hose accessories, hose reels, lawn edgers, and garden cutting tools.

Davey Tree Acquires Campe Tree Service

Davey Tree Expert Co., Kent, Ohio, has purchased the Campe Tree Service Company of Richmond, Va.

Campe Tree Service, which has

specialized in residential and estate tree maintenance and landscaping services for the past 20 years, will be operated as the Campe Tree Service Division of Davey Tree. Former owner Carl Campe will be the District manager.

Davey Tree Expert Company, called the original and largest complete tree service organization, operates from coast to coast and in Canada. Besides tree care service to residential, municipal and industrial customers, Davey offers landscape and tree-moving services, and is a leader in utility line clearing.



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