

American Golf Story Fascinating But High Priced

By JIM BECKER
NEW YORK—(AP)—If you are among the 5,000,000 Americans blighted with the disease known as golf you probably will find "The Story of American Golf" as fascinating as I did.

It is a massive volume about the size of an encyclopedia. In it you will find the history of this insidious game from its introduc-

tion in this country in 1888 (only basketball is a younger American sport) up to the golden pro-tour-nament trail of today.

The author is Herbert Warren Wind, who has been stricken even more violently than most by the game. He has produced a wonderfully readable volume instead of the more ponderous stuff you would expect from the title and size of the book.

Included are some marvelous anecdotes from the careers of the golfing greats—from Walter J. Travis to Walter Hagen to Bobby Jones to Gene Sarazen to Byron Nelson, Ben Hogan and Bobby Locke. Golfers will find it difficult to restrain their enthusiasm for the terrific job done on these stories by the author. The personalities of Travis, Hagen, Jones and Sarazen leap from the pages like the ball from the club on a well-stroked drive.

It is unfortunate, however, that this wonderful volume was not priced within the reach of every golfer for they all would like to have it. (The book retails for \$15.) It is to be hoped that a cheaper edition will be prepared soon by Farrar, Straus, the publishers. This is too good a book to be offered only to a restricted clientele. But if golfers cut down a bit on their nineteen-hole expenditures they may be able to fit it into their budgets. They won't be sorry.

Potential Power Shortage Worst In Northwest

SEATTLE, Nov. 26.—(AP)—The Pacific Northwest has the worst potential power shortage of any region in the United States, Edward Falck, power consultant of the National Security Resources Board, testified here.

He made public for the first time, he told a special hearing called by the State Department of Public Utilities, a series of reports to President Truman by Arthur M. Hill, his board's chairman.

The most recent board study, made last month, indicates that the regional shortage this winter will range from 271,000 to 396,000 kilowatts. It will become more critical in succeeding years, with a 729,000-kilowatt shortage estimated for 1951 under adverse water conditions, he said.

The first report last May 24 said that "every effort should be made by the federal government to expedite power expansion programs in the Pacific Northwest in view of important aspects of national security involved."

Because the situation was regarded critical, a special subcommittee was organized to make a study of the region. In June, it recommended an accelerated program of power construction calling for appropriations of \$75,000,000.

"Unfortunately none of the actions recommended were taken by Congress, so a situation then serious has become more so," he said.

Washington PUDs Plan to Take Over Private Systems

By CHARLES D. WATKINS
WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.—(AP)—Negotiations are under way for 15 to 30 public utility districts in Washington State to take over millions of dollars worth of property of three Northwest private power companies.

Disclosing this, Frank A. Stewart, Washington State director of conservation and development, said the matter has been under discussion for many weeks.

He told a reporter the companies are the Puget Sound Power and Light Co., The Pacific Power and Light Co. and the Washington Water Power Co., all of Washington State. He said he could not estimate the total figure involved in payment for the three companies.

Under state laws the public utility districts are authorized to purchase private companies to distribute public power generated at government dams.

There are 30 such utility districts in 39 counties of the state, Stewart said. He added that he could not identify at this time the 15 districts concerned with the present negotiations.

"We hope the state of Washington, as soon as possible, will be the second state in the nation to be complete public power," Stewart said. "Nebraska now is an all public power state."

He said the negotiations have been going on in New York and elsewhere between the state fiscal agent, Guy W. Myers, and owners of the private utilities. He said he is optimistic that the plan will be worked out satisfactorily for both the districts and the private companies.

Bachelors Give Up As Baby-Sitters

CHICAGO, Nov. 26.—(AP)—Two bachelors who shared baby-sitting duties for three days decided yesterday the routine was cramping their style of living.

They took the baby, an 18-month-old girl, to the Central Police station and explained their baby-sitting experiences to Sgt. Larry Gorey.

Eugene Everett, 22, said the baby was left in his South State street hotel room by the baby's mother, whom he met last Monday night.

Everette said he worked nights

so he had to call his friend, Max Starbanks, to take over the baby-sitting job. Starbanks works days, so Everette cared for the child in the daytime.

They told Gorey they didn't know much about caring for babies. But they said the baby appeared pleased with the food they gave her—chocolate milk, cheese, crackers and hamburgers.

Police turned the baby over to St. Vincent's orphanage. They started a search for her mother. Everette said she was Marie Wolf, 27, formerly of Green Bay, Wis.



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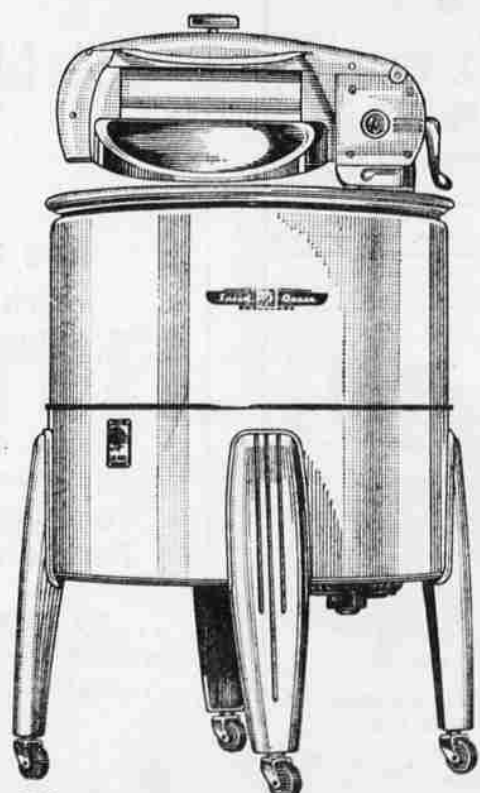
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