

GOLFAGRAPHS

Local PGA Qualifying to Start Tomorrow

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Local qualifying for the national PGA championship takes place tomorrow at Riviera with 26 players battling for five spots. The nationals will be played June 27-July 3 at Oakmont, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Cries of the touring pros that they be given more consideration were heeded by the PGA in setting up qualifying plans this year. The 30 leading money winners in 1950 PGA cosponsored tournaments and the 20 low scorers at the Colonial Invitational at Ft. Worth this week end are exempt from the regional qualifying test.

Here are the pairings for tomorrow's 36-hole test at Riviera:

9:00—Chappy Chapman, Marvin Clawson, Al Borla.
 9:10—Chet Coleman, Mike Dorovic, Earl Martin.
 9:20—Eric Monti, Howard Schmidt, Bill Black.
 9:30—Jack Gage, Harry Bassler, Babe Lazane.
 9:40—Zell Eaton, Ellsworth Vines, Paul Runyan.
 9:50—Bernie Guentner, Mike Austin, Al Shawhan Jr.
 10:00—John Dilloure, A. J. Lazane, Pete Lamb.
 10:10—Eddie Novak, Ray Hanes, L. Pat Martin.
 10:20—Bob Tucker, Eddie Susalla.

Macbeth Tourney

The Norman Macbeth Invitational at Wilshire, June 9-10, has more than 500 entries and Chairman Nip McHose figures that's the biggest of any tourney in California outside of the State championship . . . It's best ball, foursome medal play. Qualifying is June 7-8 for visiting clubbers . . . The 60 low scoring teams go into the 36-hole tournament proper . . . Competition is for the silver tankard won by MacBeth in a club tournament in England, the cup being more than 200 years old.

Ace report from Griffith Park: Alvin Alexander at 146-yard 15th of Wilson, Albert Schwartz at 112-yard 10th of Harding and Walter Pacer at 135-yard 5th of Harding. Pacer, a visitor from Toledo, was scoring his third hole-in-one . . . Speaking of aces, consider an Illinois golfer, an insurance salesman, who protects himself via insurance against all contingencies, including holes-in-one. When the golfer, Cliff John, bagged an ace this week he smugly produced a Lloyd's of London policy good for \$400. The policy had expired eight days earlier . . .

Clubhouse for \$3000

California Country Club's swank clubhouse, scene of many a golfing party through the years, was peddled by Sanford Adler to a wrecking company for \$3000. It is now being demolished . . . Nine holes of the

course remain, at least temporarily, with Jack Gage operating it as a public links . . . Although San Diego has been virtually assured it can have the dates vacated by Long Beach on the winter golf tour, there appears to be some question of sponsorship to be settled before the tournament becomes a reality . . . If held it likely will be played at Mission Valley . . . In another year, Agua Caliente hopes to put on an open, with its full course to be ready by then . . . A beautiful clubhouse is in use and nine holes are now in play . . .

Lakeside Women's

Lakeside's Women's Invitational, June 5-8, will be all match play at handicap with no qualifying . . . San Gabriel's annual Red and Blue team tourney, with the losing side bouncing for dinner, takes place June 2 . . .

Forrest Tucker ("Fighting Coast Guard") is going to play in the Celebrities Day tournament in Washington and attempt to qualify for the National Open while there . . . Tucker, who is Jim Ferrler's No. 2 fan (Mrs. Jim is No. 1, natch), says if he doesn't qualify for the Open he'll go to Detroit anyway and caddie for Ferrler . . . Between Los Angeles and San Diego premieres of his new picture, Forrest had a couple of sharp rounds at Rancho Santa Fe, including a par-72 effort.

Pinehurst's famed No. 2 course will be toughened for the Ryder Cup matches in November. It will be lengthened to more than 7000 yards and a number of bunkers will be replaced to offer more of a threat to the booming drives of the pros.

