

IT'S YOUR HONOR

Applause from Texas

TO THE USGA:

We of course regret very much that Dr. Marvin H. Ferguson left the Texas Turf Association to renew his work with USGA Green Section. During the Texas Turf Association's Field Day held here in August, we discussed at length the implications and possibilities of the new USGA turf set-up. The Board of Directors passed a unanimous resolution commending the USGA on its down-to-earth approach to the research program and to their consulting service.

It is our belief that the golf courses in our section will get more and better attention through this program and that research will benefit greatly as it will be done in the area in which the problems occur. We realize that we will have to re-adjust our own program, as golf courses will not want to contribute heavily through our association while paying for the services of USGA at the same time. We probably will concentrate more heavily on the membership dues, which are small, and on legislative appropriations, which of course are unlimited but most difficult to secure.

We then took the program to the luncheon and business meeting and it met with approval after being explained by Dr. Ferguson and our President, Elo J. Urbanovsky. We pledge our cooperation and will assist in bringing into operation your program. We of course will continue as a turf research organization, continuing to enlist legislative and private aid for research in Texas. Our program has been one of progress and has had success in research during the past eight years. We believe that this should be continued.

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Sarazen Reconsiders

TO THE USGA:

I have your letter of September 22. I was one that voted for the new idea at the Open Championship, but, I must confess, it was too long drawn out and very expensive.

I agree with you. When a man qualifies for the Open he should be able to compete in the Open. I am delighted that you are going back to the 1952 system.

GENE SARAZEN
GERMANTOWN, N. Y.

From a Semi-Finalist

TO THE USGA:

I would like to thank you for the wonderful time I had at this year's Amateur Championship. I know that everyone in the tournament thoroughly enjoyed it, but certainly no one as much as I. Possibly it was because this was my first Amateur or because I was so very fortunate. In any case I would like to say "thanks again" for a wonderful tournament, one that I will look forward to playing in for many years to come.

BRUCE CUDD
PORTLAND, ORE.

As the Scot Said . . .

TO THE USGA:

I appreciate your courtesy in sending me the account in the July issue of the USGA JOURNAL of my lucky finish in the final of the Crane Bowl at Dedham, Mass., last June. As my old Scottish pro said to me one day when he sunk a fifty footer on the last green to defeat me, "You can't have bad luck all the time."

JOSHUA CRANE
SANTA BARBARA, CAL.

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