

Paly golfers triumph
Coach Ralph McElyea's Paly High golf team scored a 17-2 win over Salinas High School early this week on the latter's course.

Dick McElyea led the winners with a hot 72 round.

Saturday the Paly team will meet the Stanford freshmen on The Farm course. The Viking team will be made up of Duffy Blabon, Grant Spaeth, Roger May, Pete DeBall and McElyea.

Take Novice Meet

Prelude the city prep tennis tournament, the Academic Athletic Association's novice championships yesterday resulted in a team triumph for Lincoln High, a singles conquest for Bob Blumenfeld of George Washington and a doubles title for the Lincoln twosome of Al Munn and Ed Anderson. The latter pair defeated Tom Guerin and Mark O'Donnell from St. Ignatius, 6-3, 6-2. Blumenfeld won his title by beating Poly's Jack Levine, 6-3, 7-5.

GOLF

Golf Coach Bud Finger of Stanford will field a strong links team this coming season.

The Indians will get their first test Feb. 22-24-25 in the San Francisco City tourney. Finger said today that he plans to enter 15 golfers from the frosh and varsity teams.

Number one man for the Indians is Dick McElyea, former Palo Alto High ace, who was crowned champion of the southern division conference last season.

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The Stanford golf course was the scene of much activity two weeks ago when the Stanford Invitational Golf Tournament was going on. The Paly High golf team came out with one first place. Don Patch, number four man on the squad, captured the Director's Flight, which was worth the effort seeing that he received a \$20 merchandise order. Other members who took part in the tourney were Dick McElyea, Arnold Brown, and Duffy Blabon. The number three man, yours truly, stooped to caddyng and while bending over picked up \$23. McElyea is now down at Carmel, the lucky dog, trying to win another championship.



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Spaeth Fires 144 In U.S. Golf Test

By Harry M. Hayward

Grant Spaeth of Stanford led the National Amateur qualifying yesterday at the California Golf Club.

Spaeth, whose father is dean of Stanford's law school, shoe

71-73—144 to pace thirty-two candidates for the five places allowed this sector in the nationals. Par is 72-72—144.

He fired eight birdies, eight bogies and 20 pars to gain a four-stroke edge over the field.

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Tied for second with 73-75—148 cards were Jim Molinari, three-time San Francisco champion; Stan Heywood of the home club and Pfc. Dick Yost of Fort Ord.

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Paly golfers star for Farm Frosh

Two former Paly High golfers—Dick McElyea and Duffy Blabon—sparked the Stanford Freshman golf team to a 21-6 win over Lincoln High of San Francisco Saturday morning on the Stanford course.

McElyea with a one-over-par 73 defeated Ken Venturi, Northern California Junior champion, while Blabon downed Bill Blackburn, 3-0.



Palo Alto's Grant Spaeth wins trip to Chicago for junior golf tourney

Palo Alto's Grant Spaeth, no slouch when it comes to playing football, has gone and won himself honors in another sport. He reached the finals of the San Francisco junior golf tournament yesterday and automatically qualified for a free trip to Chicago—where he will compete in the Hearst national junior golf championships.

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Golfers Cop Second in PAL

Surprising everyone, including themselves, the never-say-die Paly High golf team copped the runner-up position with 362 strokes, in the annual P.A.L. tournament, which was held at the Peninsula Golf and Country Club, May 23. The winning squad was San Jose High, who accumulated only 336 strokes, for four men. The medalist for the tourney was Gene Butthenuth of the Bulldogs, who hacked his way to an 80. Teammate Glenn Dooley, the pre-tournament favorite for the low-net honors, blew up, attempting to hit the ball 89 times.

South San Francisco placed third with a 371 total, while San Mateo, playing without the services of first-man Ned Eichler, copped fourth at 373. Blingum swung at the ball 383 times, with Lincoln not far behind. Last and largest in the number of shots required were our friends from up the road a piece, the Cherokees, whose score was so high that they lost count.

Captain Dick McElyea was way off his usual stride, taking 86 blows to navigate the course. Throughout the tournament a hard wind was blowing, which affected the players, as can be seen from the scores. Second-man Grant Spaeth hacked the pellet 94 times, while Arnold "Buster" Brown took 94 blows. Ben Winkelman, who had not touched a club for quite a while before this season, was one of the main reasons for victory, blazing around the difficult Peninsula course in 94 strokes. Duffy "J.C." Blabon was the fifth member of the Viking aggregation.

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The boys are sponsored by Hod Ray Sr. and will open their season in early April.

The team is rather uncertain at the moment, but Grant Spaeth, Gordo Liebendorfer, Al Talboy, and Ross Carley appear to be the nucleus of the team. Vaughn Williams, Ole Holsti, Claude Minard, Paul Bowen, Earl Van Wagoner, Tom Rowe and Jerry Larson are among the assorted lads battling for the other two slots on the team.

S. F.'s Spaeth Fires 74 to Pace Hearst Junior Golf

CHICAGO, Aug. 2.—(INS)—Grant Spaeth of San Francisco posted a 74 today to lead a field of twenty-four entrants in the fourth annual William Randolph Hearst National Junior golf tournament.

The husky California youth was even par 36 on the first nine holes but skyrocketed to a 38 on the backswing.

Boston's Don Hoenig trailed only one stroke off the pace. He took only 35 shots on the first nine but needed 40 on the second nine holes.

Others who cracked 80 were Tom Brennan Jr., of Milwaukee and Cliff Cooper of Los Angeles. Brennan had 77 while Cooper carded 79.

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GOLFERS SHUT-OUT

Paly's intrepid golfers were brutally crushed by the Lincoln Lion 17-0 in their opening match of the season. Undaunted they will try again this afternoon when they tangle with the powerful Stanford Frosh, led by last year's Paly captain, Dick MacElyea, on the Stanford links. Representing the Vikes will probably be Grant Spaeth, Stumpy Liebendorfer, Ross Carley, Al Talboy, and maybe Vaughn Williams and Ole Holsti.

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The Palo Alto youngster, 17 years old and a recent Paly High graduate, has difficulty in deciding which sport he prefers—golf or football. "Golf, I think," he said yesterday. "No, golf and football together. Well, maybe I like golf a little bit better." In case you don't follow high school sports, he made the second all-Peninsula Athletic League football squad at end last season.

He told this department that he's quite thrilled about the Chicago trip, and I'd have been able to tell it from his manner even if he hadn't. All expenses are paid, and he'll meet the nation's

finest junior golfers on the Medina Country Club course—scene of this year's national open tournament.

This fall the young athlete—son of Dean Carl B. Spaeth of the Stanford Law School—will attend Phillips-Exeter Academy in New Hampshire. And after that? He hasn't quite made up his mind. His present favorites are Stanford and Dartmouth. But whatever school he decides upon, he'll probably be heard from athletically—in football, golf, or both.

Paly's Grant Spaeth wins golf tournament

Grant Spaeth of Paly High captured the second flight of the Northern California Junior Golf Tournament concluded yesterday at the Lake Merced Club.

Spaeth downed Tony Lem 3½-2 to capture the championship.

In the championship flight Ken Venturi of San Francisco finished on top by clipping Bob Silva of Modesto, 6-5.

Hoenig leads Spaeth in junior golf play

CHICAGO, Aug. 3 (AP)—Don Hoenig, Thompson, Conn., today took the lead at the halfway mark in the fourth annual William Randolph Hearst National Junior Golf Championship at Medinah Country Club.

Hoenig shot a sparkling 73, one over par, for a 36-hole total of 148. This placed him three strokes ahead of 17-year-old Grant Spaeth, Palo Alto, Calif., who scored a 76 for a 36-hole total of 151 in the medal play.

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The golf team is set up if it can take San Jose. With Grant Spaeth down around par, and Al Talboy, Pudge Liebendorfer and Ross Carley in the 80's, it looks as if the team is hard to beat.

Spaeth loses but West defeats East

CHICAGO, Aug. 2 (AP)—A team of western junior golfers defeated an eastern squad 9 to 3 at the Medinah Country Club yesterday.

The team matches were preliminary to the opening today of the fourth annual William Randolph Hearst junior golf tournament for boys under 17.

Fourteen-year-old Jerry Hyde of Berkeley, the youngest lad in the tourney, shot a 44-41—85 to win his match from Milt Steiner of Pittsburgh, who shot 46-42—88.

East-West team results included:

Dan Hoenig, Thompson, Conn., 49-39—79; Grant Spaeth, Palo Alto, 42-43—85.

Cliff Cooper, Pasadena, 44-39—83; Frank Lisak, Turtle Creek, Pa., 45-42—87.