



TOM JACOBS-PREPS FOR OPEN

# Jack Nicklaus Is Favoured For U.S. Open Tournament

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Fog, wind and Jack Nicklaus—that's the setting for the 66th United States Open golf championship which starts here today.

Nicklaus, 26, is the 6-2 favorite to add this title to his Masters crown and complete half of professional golf's grand slam.

The other two legs are the British Open and U.S. Professional Golf Association tournament.

No one ever has won all four in a single year, although Ben Hogan captured all but the PGA in 1953.

Hogan, at 53 still one of the game's great precisionists from tee to green, is in the field of 151-133 pros and 18 amateurs—who begin a four-day wrangle with the tight and treacherous Olympic Country Club course.

It's not Nicklaus' power that makes him the choice but his faculty for flying soft, high lob shots to the greens.

**GREENS MAY DECIDE**

"The tournament will be won around the greens," insists Arnold Palmer, second favorite to Nicklaus at 5-1. "The guy who can hit the greens or get down in two from the fringe will have the edge."

He concedes this edge to his old rival, Nicklaus, who beat him in a playoff for the open title at Oakmont in 1962.

Defending champion, Gary Player of South Africa, also rates Big Jack the man to beat. The 210-pound Golden Bear

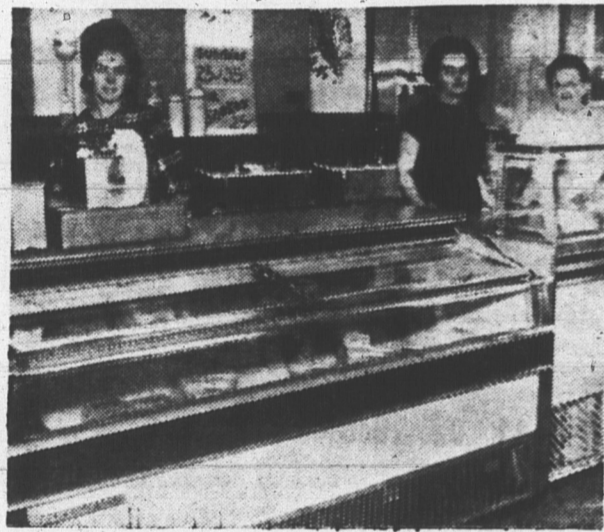
doesn't cringe from the favorite's role.

"I'm driving better than I have since Oakmont, but I haven't putted well in a long time."

Pre-tournament betting odds rate Doug Sanders and Tony Lama behind Nicklaus and Palmer at 6-1, with Gene Littler at 12-1 and Player surprisingly bracketed with Bill Casper, PGA champion Dave Marr and in two from the fringe will have the edge.

Player has cut down on his competitive play since winning the open a year ago and confesses, "I've lost my urge. Now that I've won the Masters, PGA, British and U.S. opens, I can't get excited any more."

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There will be both instruction and free court periods this summer for all interested male and female. The program will officially begin July 4.

## U.S. Athletes Are Handicapped

HANNOVER, Germany (AP)—American athletes may be handicapped because of the U.S. Olympic Committee's decision not to support a high-altitude

research project for the 1968 Games at Mexico City, the man who would have directed the project said Wednesday.

Dr. Bruno Balke, an authority in high-altitude research, said the project was vetoed by the committee's board of directors at a meeting in Washington May 22.

Balke, who is a professor of physical education at the University of Wisconsin, said he did not know the reason for the rejection.

He had proposed taking 24 athletes—18 distance runners and six swimmers mostly from colleges—through an eight-week test project to determine the best techniques for training American Olympians for Mexico City, which lies 7,500 feet above sea level.

Ironically, Balke said, the techniques he previously had applied in an independent research project were being adopted by Japan and other nations.

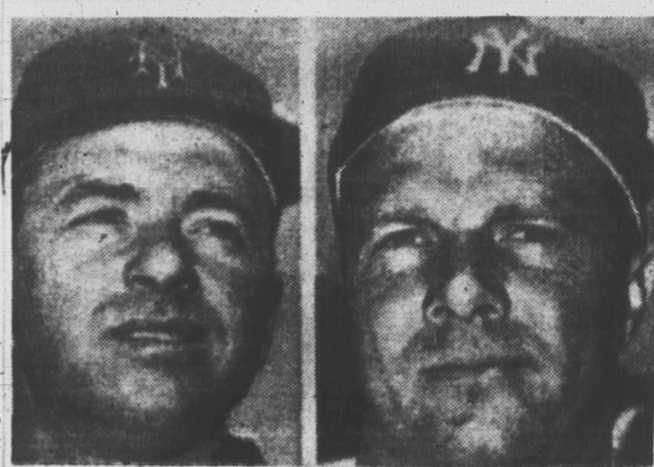
Furthermore, he said, France

## GOLF DRAW

The following is the draw for the first stage of a four-stage point match sponsored by Mrs. F.W. Prowse to be played at the Belvedere Golf and Country Club.

1-15 G. Harbour, M. Hunt; 1-22 H. Baker, E. Cox; 1-29 M. MacNeill, M. Weir; 1-36 L. Sampson, J. Beer; 1-43 S. Stacey, C. MacMillan; 1-50 M. MacMillan, H. Likely; 1-57 D. Rogers, E. MacDonald; 2-04 B. Moreside, A. MacLean; 2-11 I. Laidlaw, F. MacKenzie; 2-18 J. Horne, E. Buntain; 2-25 M. Cannon, P. Drysdale; 2-32 K. Mustard, E. Friend.

Alexander the Great, Louis XIV, and George Washington had one thing in common—a liking for ice cream.



## METS MOVE

The New York Mets bought veteran pitcher Bob Friend, right, from the New York Yankees yesterday, and asked waivers on Dick Stuart, left. Friend went to the Mets for \$30,000 and a minor league player to be named later. The waivers on Stuart were asked for the purpose of giving him his unconditional release. (AP Wirephoto)

## Corran Ban Beats Juniors

The Corran Ban Cobbers preserved their winning streak at Victoria field last evening as they defeated the Juniors 8-4 in a regularly scheduled City softball league game. The combination of Vince Bradley and Fred Morrison on the mound allowed only three hits but walks proved costly to Morrison as he loaded the bases and then allowed his only hit of the game, a double.

Errors hurt the losers as they committed six back of losing pitcher Greg Doucette who went the distance and allowed only eight hits.

Pitcher Morrison helped his own cause considerably at the plate getting on base three times while another Morrison was two for three at the plate.

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