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Jack Ryan served as an assistant golf professional at Yale University Golf Course before accepting the head professional position at Louisville Country Club in 1936. After service in the Army in World War II from 1942-1946, he returned to Louisville Country Club for one year before accepting the position as head professional at Big Spring Country Club, where he served thirty years before retiring in 1976. Ryan was one of the finest tournament players Kentucky has known. He won ten Kentucky Open titles (the first in 1936, the tenth in 1959), played in two Masters Championships (1941-42), and numerous U.S. Open and PGA Championships. He also dedicated himself to PGA administration and leadership, serving as a national Vice-President for the PGA from 1961-1964.