

Early Photo of Dogwood Course

When the golf course was initially opened, the clubhouse and pro-shop were not completed. On opening day, the pro-shop was housed temporarily in a small building near the construction entrance to the property. This old building is currently located in the back yard of Point Clear resident Bobby Radcliff. The roadway for the new clubhouse entrance was to be cut through the swampland that lay between the hotel and the golf course. Before construction could begin, the swamp had to be drained. Men were hired for the unenviable task of patrolling the highway with rifles to kill the deadly water moccasins, which emerged from the swamp as it was draining. The clubhouse and pro-shop were finished in December of 1948. Those facilities, an architectural feat, were designed and built by J. Platt Roberts, brother of E.A. Roberts. Mr. Platt Roberts designed and constructed the Grand Hotel as well.