day) includes this story about Don Graham, chairman of the board and CEO of the Washington Post Company: "So deeply ingrained was Graham's reluctance to be the center of any story that it gave rise to stories about that reluctance. Bob Woodward told one. At the chairman's 60th birthday party, Woodward remembered a day of golf with Graham and sports columnists Tony Kornheiser and Michael Wilbon. 'Don wore a pair of khaki pants that he probably got in Cambridge when he was an undergraduate,' Woodward said. 'On about the sixth hole he was teeing off-and the pants split. A total wardrobe meltdown. All the thread, which was 20 or 30 years old, just evaporated. And it was like he was in pantaloons rather than

pants. Instead of acknowledging it, he takes towels and tucks one in the front, the other in the back-like a Tahitian loincloth. Now, this would be the moment most people would fall apart on the golf course, right? Kornheiser, Wilbon and I can hardly play. Don never says a word, just keeps playing. The more intense the pressure, the better he plays. When the drink-cart lady comes by, he takes her aside, and we see him peeling off a couple \$20 bills, which is big money for Don. She leaves and comes back with two pair of Bermuda shorts. He goes behind a tree and changes out of his pantaloons and Tahitian loincloth into his new shorts - a total wardrobe upgrade. And he's back on the golf course. And never said a word to us." . . . Spain's bid for

the 2018 Ryder Cup includes plans for a 25,000-spectator capacity par 3 to be known as Plaza de Toros: the Bull Ring. The Club de Campo Tres Cantos is to be built by 2015 in Madrid.... Dallas Cowboys quarterback Tony Romo gives the Fort Worth Star-Telegram his five favorite golf courses: (1) Augusta National; (2) Racine (Wis.) Country Club ("It's back home"); (3) Dallas National; (4) Preston Trail in Dallas; (5) tie between The Club at Carlton Woods, The Woodlands, Texas; Black Wolf Run, Kohler, Wis. . . .

QUOTABLE

Brent Schlender in Fortune magazine: "When Bill Gates formally stepped away from an active role at Microsoft in July 2008, he also hung up his golf clubs. His explanation was

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as simple as it was revealing: 'It takes up too much time to get any good at it.' "... Former tennis champion Andre Agassi, telling NBC's Matt Lauer that if Agassi's father could do it again, he would have pushed his son to take up golf or baseball "because you can play it longer and you can make more money." . . . Bob Ryan in the Boston Globe: "Mundane concerns such as actually qualifying to play in a golf tournament have never before been a part of the Tiger Woods experience. But as Bill Russell once said after his Celtics had fallen behind, 2-0, in a playoff series, 'These new experiences keep piling up.'" 🏶

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