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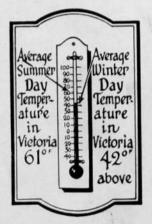
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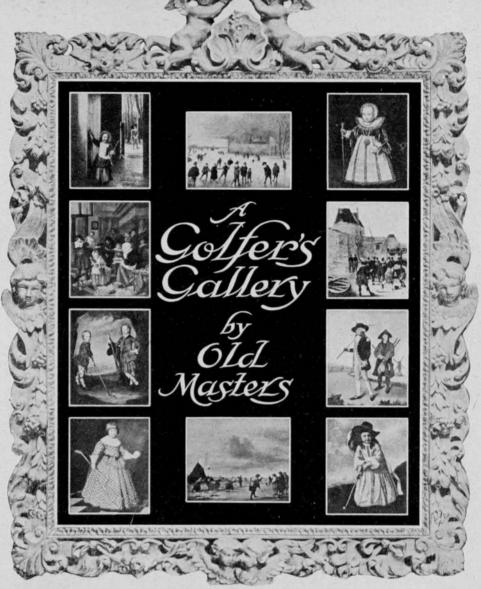
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The Ranking of the U. S.
Stars in 1927.
And this is the way the experts in the United States figure out how the golf stars rated in 1927: Women's ranking: 1, Mrs. Miriam Burns Horn; 2, Miss Glenna Collett; 3, Miss Maureen Orcutt; 4, Mrs. Harry Pressler; 5, Miss Helen Payson; 6, Mrs. Dorothy C. Hurd; 7, Mrs. Alexa S. Fraser; 8, 100 (1998)

Miss Ada Mackenzie; 9, Mrs. Cortland Smith; 10, Miss Bernice Wall.

The year's best amateurs: 1, Robert T. Jones, Jr.; 2, Charles E. Evans, Jr.; 3, Harrison R. Johnston; 4, Francis Ouimet; 5, Roland R. MacKenzie; 6, Maurice McCarthy, Jr.; 7, George Von Elm; 8, Arthur V. Yates; 9, Edward Held; 10, George J. Voigt.

The best pros. for 1927: 1, Tommy Armour; 2, Walter Hagen; 3, Johnny Farrell; 4, Bobby Cruickshank; 5, Harry Cooper; 6, Gene Sarazen; 7, Johnny Golden; 8, Joe Turnesa; 9, Al. Espinosa; 10, Willie Macfarlane.

Mrs. Burns Horn, of Kansas City, is given premier place as a result of winning the National Championship and Miss Collett second place because she won more golf tournaments than any other player—the Eastern, the North and South and the Wolf Hollow. It will be noticed that Miss Helen Payson, who captured the Canadian Open at Lambton, is put in fifth place. Considering that the Lambton field was just as classy as that in the U. S. Open this hardly seems the correct rating for her. She should have been placed second or third.

In the men's list "Chick" Evans is placed second to Jones, because he reached the final in the U. S. Open. It is sometime now since Evans has been

rated so high, although a decade or so ago he was generally at the top of the list or thereabouts.

Armour is placed ahead of Hagen in the professional lists, and deservedly so, too, as a result of his winning both the U. S. and Canadian Open. Little fault can be found in according Johnny Farrell third place and wee Bobby Cruickshank, the former Scottish amateur, fourth place.

Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-seven Record Year for Golf in Canada Already some of the bigger city golf clubs have had their annual meetings and judging from the reports received by the "Canadian Golfer," 1927 will go down in golfing records as the greatest year in the history of the Royal and Ancient game in Canada. Without exception the reports financially are of the most encouraging description. Receipts have exceeded expenditures in every case, whilst assets generally

speaking, have been greatly augmented and indebtedness reduced. From indications, what is true of the larger clubs will also hold good in

regard to the smaller clubs, the majority of which do not hold their annual meetings until February or March, which by the way is a mistake. All clubs should wind up their business and elect officers for the ensuing season by the end of January at the latest. That is good business.

Prospects golfingly, for 1928 are of the brightest. Many new courses will be put into play and thousands of additional players will be added to the one hundred thousand odd already enrolled as devoteees. This season will see over six hundred clubs in Canada—the total to-day is well over the five hundred and fifty mark.

The pre-historic Scottish shepherd who first played the game in a crude fashion over the hills and dales of Auld Scotia with crook and polished pebble from the burn, whilst tending his sheep, certainly in the vernacular, "Started something doing."

## THE OLDEST GOLF CLUB IN THE U.S.

#### OLF ILLUSTRATED," New York :

"Sarasota, Florida, has entered the claim of possessing the first golf course in the United States. This is based on a course of eight holes built by Col. J. Hamilton Gillespie, an ardent golfer from St. Andrews, who gathered some friends together and in 1884 converted a potato field into eight golf holes. It would be interesting to know accurately when the first course was built in the United States. Savannah has a claim that antedates anything known, but the only evidence seems to be a program of a ball at the Golf Club. Golf was supposed to have been played on the streets of Albany by the old Dutch settlers, but this was no doubt the Dutch ice game of Kolf, a sort of hockey game. We know that our first golf club was St. Andrews, which was born in 1888, and that this was the outgrowth of the old 'Apple-tree' course at Yonkers, but just where and when were the first golf holes? Chicago has some claims in this connection. It would be interesting to gather these facts and publish them.''

[No matter what claims any city in the United States may make in connection with the first golf club to be established in that country, there is no question but that The Royal Montreal Golf Club, Montreal, has the honour of being the oldest golf club in America. It is now universally accepted that the history of modern golf on this continent began with the founding in 1873 of The Royal Montreal, whose members originally played over Fletcher's Field in Mount Royal Park and who are now domiciled at Dixie, so named by a colony of Southern refugees who gathered on the outskirts of Montreal at the time of the American Civil War, where the club has now two famous 18-hole courses. The second oldest golf club in America goes to the credit of Quebee, founded in 1874 and the third to the Toronto Golf Club, 1876. Niagara-on-the-Lake also had a golf club in 1876, but for some years it did not function. Brantford is in fourth place, the club in that city having been established in 1879.—Editor "Canadian Golfer."]



(The Editor is always glad to answer questions about the Rules, and other golfing matters, but owing to so many of these requests coming in every month, he must ask in future that stamped-addressed envelope be enclosed with all such communications, otherwise they will not be answered).

Don Carrick, Canadian Amateur Champion, is not only a great golfer and footballer, but this winter is demonstrating that he is the speediest kind of a hockey player. He is playing brilliantly for Varsity with the puck.

The Editor has to thank scores of golfing friends throughout Canada and the States and England for greeting cards during the Festal season. Two especially handsome and much appreciated cards were from Mr. Charles Evans, Jr., of Chicago, ex-U. S. Open and Amateur Champion, and Mr. "Don" Carrick, Canadian Amateur Champion, Toronto.

His Worship, Mr. J. C. Pendray, the Mayor of the City of Victoria, B. C., writes the Editor and writes tritely and truly:

"At this time of the year we really have a great opportunity to attract golfers to the city. At present, we are enjoying ideal weather for golf. No snow or frost. Other parts of the country have given up all thought of golf until the Spring. Our Winter is really the most enjoyable time for golf, the fairways and greens are in wonderful shape, the weather is nice and bracing, making golf a real pleasure."

Tommy Armour, U. S. and Canadian Open Champion, evidently doesn't think Walter Hagen is "the world's greatest professional golfer." With characteristic Scottish modesty (?) he does not include himself in the following list which he considers the ten best pros in America: 1, Bobby Cruickshank; 2, Johnny Farrell; 3, Walter Hagen; 4, Harry Cooper; 5, Gene Sarazen; 6, Bill Mehlhorn; 7, Leo Diegel; 8, Al Watrous, 9, Will Macfarlane; 10, Al Espinosa.

It will be noticed that in this list Armour does not mention his fellowcountryman, MacDonald Smith, winner of the Canadian Open in 1926 and Runner-up to Armour last year in this event. That is certainly an oversight, as Smith is one of the greatest golfers, unquestionably, in the States to-day.

The 82nd issue of "The Canadian Almanac (\$3.50), has just been issued and is an outstanding credit alike to the Publishers, The Copp Clark Company, Ltd., Toronto, and the Editors, Messrs. Arnold W. Thomas and Horace C. Corner. As usual the Almanac contains authentic legal, commercial, statistical, astronomical, departmental, ecclesiastic, educational and financial information of Canada from Coast to Coast. The publication is a perfect compendium of things Canadian and simply invaluable to the student, the financier, manufacturer and merchant.

Mrs. George Blenstein, Chairman of the Women's Golf Committee of the Buffalo Country Club, writes the Editor that the Country Club will hold its Eighth Women's Invitation Golf Tournament the week of June 25th to 30th inclusive. This is one of the most popular Ladies' Tournaments on the season's calendar and is always participated in by the leading players of both Canada and the States. There is always a fine week of golf-plus hospitality unbounded.

"The Metropolitan Golfer," New York: "The Scotch are not taking a back scat in American golf these days. To be sure there was a time when the Scotch pros had more than a little to worry about in Open Championship events. After Alex. Smith won the Open in 1910 it was fifteen years before another Scotchman laid claim to the U. S. blue ribbon title. Macfarlane's victory at Worcester broke the ice, then Armour followed it up with a victory last year again hoist-ing the colours of old Scotland. This came on the top of the splendid work of Bobby Cruickshank last winter and spring and the always steady work of Macdonald Smith. The Scots would make a very strong team to go against a combination of United States homebreds. There was talk of a team match between the foreign born pros and the homebreds but nothing came of it. This year there may be more talk and something may come of the match."

A worm was the cause of so much discussion among golfers at Bournemouth, England, recently that the Royal and Ancient was called upou for a decision. H. C. Shaw, of the Meyrick and Queen's Park G. C., while playing in a competition on the Queen's Park course, found a worm adhering to the ball at the tenth green. "Can I take the worm off?" he asked, and the caddie replied. "Yes sir, if you don't move the ball." Shaw thereupon put one finger on the ball to prevent its moving and snapped the worm off, afterward making his putt. When he returned to the club house the question arose as to whether he had not transgressed the rules by touching the ball. The club Rules Committee, unable to solve the matter, referred it to the Royal and Ancient, which ruled that Shaw should be penalized one stroke for touching the ball. The penalty, however, did not prevent him from winning the competition.

Women in the role of inventor are not common, so the story that comes from Hamilton about Mrs. F. L. Snively having devised something to make church-going more comfortable is rather unique. Mrs. Snively has received letters patent covering what has been called by the Hamilton "Spectator," "a novel improvement to church pews," consisting of something suggestive of a locker in a golf club-a rack "disposed beneath the pew and spaced from the pew bench, to receive outdoor apparel," all the other "impedimenta of occupants," with "special provision for parasols, etc." Let us hope the etcetera will include goloshes. The rack is designed in metal and not only is said to hold all the outdoor "impedimenta," but successfully hides it from view, so that it will prove no distraction to the occupants of the pew immediately behind. The inventress claims for her device that it is "simple and very easily handled," and believes that it will fill the proverbial "long felt want."

Mr. George S. Lyon is already an honorary member of a score of golf clubs or so, and now he has been extended the same honour in the Toronto Cricket Club. At the 96th annual meeting last month of this representative club, the veteran champion golfer was elected to a life membership. Mr. Lyon, who is known to most of the present day followers of sport as a golfer, was one of the greatest cricketers of his day in Canada, before he started playing golf, and his record of 238 runs not out has survived years of unsuccessful efforts by cricketers of succeeding generations to duplicate. Mr. Lyon was never a member of the Toronto Cricket Club, playing for Rosedale when following the Old Country game, but he has taken keen interest in the sport

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#### NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

U. S. Public Links Golf Championship Southern Open Golf Championship North and South Open Golf Championship North and South Amateur Championship

#### CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Alberta Open Golf Championship Alberta Amateur Championship Alberta Ladies' Championship Province of Quebec Open Golf Championship Province of Quebec Amateur Championship Maritime Amateur Golf Championship Maritime Professional Championship Western Canadian Amateur Championship Western Canadian Open Championship Western Canadian Professional Championship Manitoba Amateur Golf Championship

#### SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Southern California Open Championship Women's Western Championship Upper Peninsula of Michigan Championship Long Island Open Golf Championship Western Amateur Golf Championship Central Ohio Golf Championship Trans-Mississifpi Golf Championship

#### STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

OREGON OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP CALIFORNIA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP WASHINGTON STATE GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP OHIO STATE OPEN GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP ILLINOIS PROFESSIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP NEW JERSEY OPEN GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP PENNSYLVANIA OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

#### LOCAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

METROPOLITAN OPEN GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP Philadelphia Open Golf Championship St. Louis District Golf Championship Women's Golf Championship of St. Louis

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at large, and of late years has been greatly interested in the efforts of the Toronto Club to encourage the game among the juniors. His son, Fred, who also gives promise of becoming a great golfer, is a very fine young cricketer indeed.

Mr. Bobby Jones is again out with the positive assertion that he will not defend his British Open Championship next May at Royal St. George's, Sandwich. It will be remembered that last year the Atlanta Ace also positively stated that he would not have his hat in the ring at St. Andrews, but a few days before the open event he rushed off to Scotland and lifted the title again. It is a pretty safe wager that "Bobby" will be at Sandwich all right next May. He is very popular in the Old Country and is assured of the heartiest kind of a welcome.

It is with much regret that the "Canadian Golfer" records the death of Lieut.-Col. Charles Stephen Jones, R.O., who, after a short illness, passed away at his late residence, 41 Turner Road, Toronto. The late Col. Jones was of United Empire Loyalist stock, being the second son of His Honour Judge Jones, late judge of the county court, Brantford. He practised law in Brantford with the late Hon. A. S. Hardy and Mr. A. J. Wilkes, K. C., and was for many years colonel of the Dufferin Rifles. Removing to Toronto he accepted a position in the crown lands department of the government, being chief of the patent branch. He was a member of Eaton Memorial United Church and a member of the Dickens Fellowship and the Canadian Club of Toronto. He is survived by two sons, Arthur C. R. Jones, of Brantford, and Harold J. D. Jones, of Toronto, and by two daughters, Mrs. H. J. Metcalfe, of Minneapolis, and Mrs. Harold Langford, Toronto. Police Magistrate S. Alfred Jones, K.C., is a brother. Col. Jones was a director of the recently formed Ava Golf Club, Brantford. Much sympathy will go out to the bereaved family from friends throughout Ontario.

## "FATHER OF MUNICIPAL GOLF IN THE WEST"

M<sup>R. S. P. JERMAIN, of Toledo, Ohio, the "father of Municipal Golf in the West," and a particularly valued friend of the "Canadian Golfer," of which magazine he is a charter subscriber, has just resigned from the important position of City Welfare Director of Toledo, in which city he is an outstanding resident. Toledo owes very much to Mr. Jermain. During his tenure of office the parks and playgrounds of the city have been greatly added to and improved. One of the parks has been named after him and fittingly so, too. He is an enthusiastic believer in "golf for the masses," and his advice has been frequently asked for and gladly given to Canadians interested in Municipal golf undertakings.</sup>

### BASEBALL STAR AND GOLFER

<sup>66</sup> J<sup>IGGER"</sup> STALZ—a good golfing soubriquet that, the baseball star, was junior golf champion of Massachussetts before he saw the inside of a major-league ball park. He only a few days ago still retaining his fondness and skill, for the Royal and Ancient game ,playing over the San Gabriel course in California, returned a snappy score of 66, which headed all the competitors, amateur and professional alike. Incidentally "Stuffy" Mc-Innes, late manager of the Phillies, is a good golfer. So is Aaron Ward, of the White Sox. Babe Ruth plays a fair game and hits a long ball, naturally. Jacques Fournier is also a golf devotee, but not so good. "Uncle" Wilbert Robinson is in the same class, likewise Ty Cobb. Sam Rice is far better than the average. But "Jigger" Staltz is a brassie shot ahead of all of 'em.

## BEAUTIFUL PEBBLE BEACH COURSE

Will Be Still Further Improved for the U. S. Amateur Championship Next Year—Some \$50,000 Will Be Spent by the Del Monte Properties Company in Bunkering, Etc.

#### (By M. C. Hall).

D EL MONTE, Jan. 11th, 1928.—Actual work on the task of improving the celebrated Pebble Beach Course in preparation for the United States National Amateur Golf Championship here in 1929 will start in the near future, following the announcement yesterday of Messrs. Chandler Egan, Robert Hunter and Roger D. Lapham, as a committee of three to suprevise this work.

The projected improvements will be made in such a manner that they will not interfere either with state or other important tournaments scheduled for



A Scene on the charming Pebble Beach Course, where the U. S. National Amateur Championship will be held next year.

the Pebble Beach course or with a single day of individual golf play between now and the National Amateur Championship in 1929, is another important announcement made following this conference.

The Pebble Beach course will be put in as fine shape as possible for the 1929 event. Mr. S. F. B. Morse, President of the Del Monte Properties Company assured Mr. Lapham that the Del Monte Properties Company will finance any improvements deemed necessary by the committee of three.

"The Pebble Beach links today are a splendid test of golf, but when the refinements determined on by this committee are effected, it will be an even finer test of golf," Mr. Lapham declared.

"The golfers of the Pacific Coast want Pebble Beach to make a lasting impression on the Eastern visitors," he continued. "Not only must the playing value of the links measure up to the standards set by such courses as Oakmont and Marion, where recent championships have been played, but the condition of the links itself must be as nearly perfect as possible. The greens at Pebble Beach can be made just as fine as the best in the East.

The committee will do its utmost to make the play at Pebble Beach in 1929 one long to be remembered by those who take part in the Championship."

Ever since Pebble Beach was definitely named for the 1929 national amateur event, there has been much speculation as to who would be the archi-



tect to supervise the changes. The names of both Egan and Hunter have been freely mentioned, but the announcement that both will collaborate on the task, with Mr. Lapham as the third member of the committee, comes as a distinct surprise. This announcement followed a long conference between Messrs. Lapham and Morse.

Mr. Lapham is president of the California State Golf Association and member of the Executive Committee of the U. S. G. A. He is the man most responsible for getting this big golfing event allocated to California. Egan, a veteran golfer, was California amateur golf champion last year. He lives in Medford, but spends each winter at Pebble Beach. Hunter has attained more than national fame as a golf architect, and golfer. He lives at Pebble Beach and is now engaged in supervising the construction of the new Cypress Point Club on the Monterey Peninsula.

This is the first time that a U. S. National Amateur Championship has ever come west of the Rockies, and it is only the second time in the history of the U. S. G. A. that the Championship has been allocated to a "Hotel" course.

The Del Monte Properties Company has agreed to spare no expense in putting the course in wonderful condition for the titular event. Between \$30,000 and \$50,000 will probably be spent on reconstruction of the various holes, which the U. S. G. A. believe need to be stiffened.

It is too early to predict exactly what changes will be made, but it is generally believed that most of the work will be done on the first nine. The changes will probably add length to these holes and increase the boldness of the traps.

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The second, third, fourth and fifth holes will undoubtedly be stretched out so the second shots will be longer and the carries more severe.

The second nine needs little attention, for it is one of the finest nines in the world as it now stands. Here the golfer is nearly always battling a fair breeze, as on the best seaside courses abroad. The construction of the fourth,



Prominent golfers ''snapped'' on the Pebble Beach Course. Reading from left to right:
''Bobby'' Cruickshank, H. Chandler Egan (ex-Amateur U. S. Champion and Golf Architect), Roger Lapham (President of the California Golf Association), Tommy Armour (U. S. and Canadian Open Champion), and Al Espinosa.

fifth, sixth, twelfth and fifteenth greens will undoubtedly be brought up-todate."

Over twenty of the finest golf architects in the world have inspected Pebble Beach at various times during the past twelve years, and not one of them has ever suggested an improvement on the routing of the course or the position of a single green or tee.

The Pebble Beach course was originally laid out by Jack Neville and Douglas Grant in 1915. Since 1920 it has been the permanent site of the California State Amateur Championship.

The selection of Pebble Beach for the 1929 National Amateur Championship will be a great thing for golf on the Pacific Coast. It will not only give the Westerners their first opportunity to see Bobby Jones and many other noted Eastern Amateurs in action, but it will give the leading golfers of the nation a chance to visit California and its courses. Undoubtedly many of them will play the new Cypress Point course now under construction, the Dunes Course at Monterey Peninsula Country Club, and the Del Monte course, all of which are in close proximity to the Pebble Beach links.

### THE PUBLIC GOLF COURSES OF CANADA

#### Further Reports Tell of the Splendid Work Being Done Throughout the Dominion by These Institutions

I N the December issue of the "Canadian Golfer" appeared several illuminating reports of the activities throughout the Dominion of the Publicity-owned golf courses. Here are some more:

When the Hastings Park municipal golf course, Vancouver, B. C., was opened in 1925, the cost to the Exhibition Association for construction was \$23,051. Information obtained shows that since then \$14,022 has been written off, and this amount represents a contribution in improvements on the golf course property.

Besides this large sum, the Exhibition Association has returned to the city treasury since 1925, \$8,000, making a total contribution of \$22,022.

It is the desire of the Association to continue to build up the property at Hastings Park, and the approval of the ratepayers is being therefore asked to the by-law for new buildings, which will be placed before them at the municipal election, subject to the approval of the City Council.

The receipts in excess of maintenance for the year ending October 25th, 1927, were \$688.28. Total receipts in excess of maintenance since the opening of the course, May 5th, 1925, are \$5,937.74—a most excellent showing. Mr. George C. Martin, General Traffic Manager of the Toronto, Hamilton & Buffalo Railway, Hamilton, and President of the Chedoke Civic Golf Club in that city, in which he has taken such an outstanding interest, writes:

"The salient features of Chedoke's activities in 1927, are as follows: Paid-up membership, 675. Green fees paid by visitors, \$2,745, or an increase over 1926 of over \$700. Our total receipts, including lunch counter profits of \$837.75, were \$14,604, a gain of \$1,414 over last year, and after capital expenditure of \$571.00 on the club house, renewals of field equipment, etc., we had an actual cash balance on December 21st, 1927, of \$7,740.13, from which we paid bonuses of \$150, \$333.33 on the pro green keeper's house, and \$675 for a new tractor for next year, and \$6,000 to the City of Hamilton to be credited to the purchase price of the property, under our guarantee to the city, leaving a cash working capital of \$584.46, all of which indicates a very successful season.

I might add, for your information, that the city, on the recommendation of the Club and Parks Board, have purchased a very valuable piece of property amounting to some 26 acres to the west of our present course, on which it is the intention to construct several new holes, and doing away with several of our central fairways, thus widening out the course, and relieving the congestion. When this work is completed, Chedoke should be about the finest municipal course to be found anywhere.''

### MARQUIS OF DUFFERIN AND AVA PRESENTS CUP

THE new club in Brantford has been christened the Ava Golf Club. In connection therewith the following interesting letter from the Marquis of Dufferin and Ava, Clandeboye Castle, County Down, Ireland, received by Mr. S. Alfred Jones, K. C., a director of the new club, will be found unusually interesting:

"I shall be delighted to accept your invitation to become Honorary President of your new golf club and I am much flattered by the suggestion. I am a golfer myself and shall be so interested to hear that the project is a success.

Having been in Brantford, I can picture the surroundings of the new club, which naturally makes my presidency the more interesting to me.

When the club is started perhaps you will allow me to present a Cup for competition, and when that time comes perhaps you will let me know.

I look back to my visit to Brantford with so much pleasure and hope so much that I shall have the opportunity of once again visiting that delightful spot.

Wishing you a very Happy Christmas and New Year, I remain, Yours sincerely,

DUFFERIN AND AVA."

## AN OUTSTANDING B.C. GOLF CLUB

Vancouver Golf and Country Club Has Successful Season—Indebtedness Reduced the Past Few Years

THE annual report of The Vancouver Golf and Country Club, Ltd., New Westminster, B. C., has just been issued and makes interesting reading. Total revenue amounted to \$30,073.—a very satisfactory figure. Of this total dues were

refer briefly to the Club's financial position.

"At the time when I first joined the Board the Club was in debt to some \$125,000.00.

The total indebtedness of the Club is now \$69,900.00, and current



The Charming Club House of the Vancouver Golf and Country Club at New Westminster, B. C.

\$23,518, whilst green fees accounted for \$5,427, showing the popularity of the course with visitors. The sum of \$8,072. was spent on the course wages, tools, seed, fertilizer, etc. After allowing for substantial depreciation the sum of \$737 was transferred to surplus account. Altogether a capital report. Assets figure in the statement at \$193,395. Extracts from the interesting report of the President, Mr. F. B. Lewis:

"In retiring after many years from active connection with the Board of Directors, and as your President, I think I should take the occasion to liabilities of \$9,900. Offsetting the current liabilities are current assets of \$14,900.00. A reserve of \$2,000.00 was set up this year against accounts receivable.

"If, for the purpose of clearing away any reservation, there may be as to the cash value of accounts receivable, a further allowance of \$3,-500.00 is made for reserve which allowance is more than the total of all past due accounts, even then the liquid assets would show a liquid surplus of \$1,500.00. On this ultra conservative basis, the absolute indebtedness of the Club is the mortgage of \$60,000.00 less the liquid



surplus thus arrived at, or a net indebtedness of \$56,500.00.

"As security for this we own this splendid Golf Course and its equipment, one of the best in the Province, this Club building and other buildings with all their equipment.

"The book value of this property is \$174,000.00, which is a sum much lower than its cost or its replacement value.

"Summing up, the Club has reduced its indebtedness during these years from \$125,000.00 to \$58,500.00. A reduction in debts paid of approximately \$66,000.00.

"I am, and always have been, a confirmed optimist with regard to the position and future of this Club.

"The policy of your Directors for many years, has been to keep the expenditure within the income, and to make provision for maturing obligations.

"It has been no easy task to do this, and at the same time to keep on improving the golf facilities, and the Club's premises. Yet it has been accomplished, and the evidence of it surrounds you on all sides.

"As I leave the Board I recall to mind all those who have given their time and ability to the Club's problems, and with respect to the financial position, which has been the foremost problem, the one who stands most clearly in my mind is Mr. K. A. McLennan. He gave to the Club's financial affairs the same energy and ability that he devoted to his own. The policy he laid down, notwithstanding much opposition was the foundation upon which the financial position of the Club has been made secure.

"There are still many problems to be faced in the near future by the Board of Directors which will require their most careful action, if the Club's position is to be maintained.

"This Club is one of Vancouver's institutions, and has been so regarded by the men who fostered and guided its course since its inception. It will develop with the City of Vancouver. All it needs is to be guided in a safe and sane manner.

"I have nothing more to say except to thank you all for the support I received as your President, and to say that although I shall be absent from the Board, I shall still be taking a keen interest in the Club's affairs, and willing to do all in my power to promote its interests."

The following are the officers of this outstanding B. C. Club for 1927-28: Hon. President, F. B. Lewis; President, F. H. Clendenning; Vice-President, A. J. Brunk; Captain, H. A. Robertson; Vice-Captain, O. A. Olsen. Directors—M. Avery, A. J. Brunk, F. H. Clendenning, W. Ellis, D. Hayes, T. J. Lewis, A. S. Matthew, J. Scott, F. B. Thomson. Secretary-Manager, W. H. Watts. Accountant, J. G. Wilson.



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## THE CORRECT GOLF SWING

#### For Driver, Brassie, Spoon and Cleek.

(By J. B. Batley).

A<sup>N</sup> hour spent watching players drive off a tee on any golf course, convinces one that those who have a really good swing, are lamentably in the minority. There



No. 1. Showing the Address with a spot four inches in front of the ball.

is no necessity for anybody to mar what should be a graceful movement by grotesque contortions. A style has to be cultivated, why then should it not be a good one? It is not difficult if set about in the right way.

In the first place, it is of not the slightest use for a would-be golfer to imagine that he or she, can teach themselves. They can't. "We never see ourselves as others see us," is a trite aphorism, but in the game of golf it is a thing to be remembered, Through ignorance and inability to watch our every movement, some fault will probably be contracted by the self-teaching novice which will render progress impossible without the eventual aid of an expert. A waste of valuable time and weeks of hard work is the result, for a fault in the beginner takes a long time to overcome and that carefully acquired swing has to be remodelled.

The importance of a comfortable, correct stance cannot be stressed too much: half the battle is overcome if the beginner concentrates on acquiring this. Then think of three wellknown sights: a cricketer jerking the ball in from long field; the batsman hitting the ball over the bowler's head and a man playing bowls. In each case, the beginning of the swing is the all-important part and on the first movement of the hand or hands depends the success of the shot. The start of each stroke compares very favourably with-in fact, resemblesthe golf swing and I am sure, after years of teaching, that in the upswing lies the making of the shot.

The object of the player in going back, is to keep his or her arms well into the side of the body and in order to achieve this, place a spot twelve inches behind the ball and practice keeping the club inside it during the beginning of the upswing. Illustration 1 shows the address, with a spot four inches in front of the ball, of which I shall speak later; and illustration 2 shows the back movement of the club. Another helpful method is to place a handkerchief under the right arm-pit and see that it does not fall as the club is taken back (Illustration 3). In order to keep it there the arms, of necessity, must be kept well in to the sides and the movement helps the player to keep the head still.

One reads a great deal about turning the face of the club out in the back swing. I suggest that if the arms are kept in to the side, the toe

of the club is always working outwards and the face of the club is, therefore, open without the player being conscious of the fact. This prevents the club head coming on to the ball with a shut face and causing a smothered or floundered shot.

Another point to notice in speaking about the back swing is the fact that when the club is at the top of the swing, the grip of the left hand should be looser than that of the right. This is important, because I am convinced that many bad shots are played through the club being gripped too tightly by both hands at this point. The release of the left hand enables the player to get the much-desired whip of the club head into the ball at the moment of impact and this is



No. 2. The Back Movement of the Club.

a movement that can only be performed by the right hand.

If the club is taken back in the correct way, the left foot will automatically turn on to the inside as the club starts to ascend. It is important to get back on to this foot immediately the club starts to descend, as this



No. 3. With Handkerchief under the Arm.

allows the right foot to begin working and enables the player to follow through quickly and easily.

In practising the follow through, it is an excellent plan to place an object 4 inches in front of the ball and aim at sweeping it away with the club head after the moment of impact (Illustration 4). This prevents the player from falling back and so topping the shot, and it also helps him to keep the ball straight.

I am convinced that the hitting hand in golf is the right hand. One hears a lot about pulling the club on to the ball from the top of the swing with the left hand, but I totally disagree with this theory.

The right hand has a firm grip of the club at the top of the swing and a



No. 4. Practising the Follow Through.

golf shot is a distinct hit with all the force in this hand. It is, therefore, quite unnecessary to think about pulling the club down with the left hand, when the player should be devoting his energies to whipping the club head on to the ball with the right hand and so achieving length.

A naturally right-handed man or woman plays right-handed, and a left-handed person with left-handed clubs. In each case, the more powerful hand is in a position to imitate that fieldsman who is jerking the ball from long field, and to jerk the club head down on to the ball. If the left hand is the one with which the hitting should be done, why then have not all been created left-handed?

[Editor's Note: James B. Batley is recognized as one of the best instructors in England. He has been for many years professional at the Thorpe Hall Golf Club, Thorpe Bay, Essex. He is the father of "Reg." Batley, the clever young player who came out to Canada last season as assistant to Jimmie Johnstone at Rosedale and afterwards professional at the Sandy Hook Golf Club.]

## "THE LUCIFERS"

#### British Golfing Society will in Future Give a Cup for Competition for Empire Overseas Players

#### "Golf Illustrated," London).

'HE Lucifers had a wonderful gathering for their dinner last week at the Carlton. Among the ninety-six members and guests who sat down were included many notabilities. Sir Harry Greer was, of course, in the chair, with Lord Riddell as guest of honour. Well-known golfers comprised Mr. A. C. M. Croome, Sir Ernest Holderness, Mr. C. B. Macfarlane, Mr. G. H. Pilerman, Mr. E. R. Tooth. Mr. G. H. Pilerman was looking fit enough to show, if called upon once again, his devilish ingenuity as a wing forward. Probably the greatest all-round judge of sport was there too-Mr. Tom Webster.

After expressing his profound regret at the news of Sir Pomerov Burton's serious operation and a wish for his complete and speedy recovery, Sir Harry Greer outlined a scheme for knitting together golfing friendships throughout the Empire. With this end in view, the Society has initiated a competition to take place each year for Empire overseas players making a visit to England. Any member of a reognized golf club in the British Empire (overseas), whose handicap is 18 or under, is heartily welcome to take part. A handsome cup will be presented by the Society each year to be won outright. The competition, which in 1928 will take place on Wednesday,

June 27, at Sunningdale (Berks), will consist of 36 holes of medal play under handicap. All entrants are also invited to attend a dinner as the guests of the Lucifers at the Savoy Hotel, on the night following the competition. It is hoped that the Right Hon. the Earl of Birkenhead, P. C., will be present as the principal guest of the evening.

Entries should be addressed to the Hon. Scribe, and the lowest club handicap of the entrant should be stated, together with an address in England to which further particulars can be forwarded. Entries will be limited to the first 200 received, the latest date on which they can be accepted being May 15th, 1928. Sir Harry concluded with a glowing tribute to Lord Riddell for his never flagging interest in the artisan movement.

That Lord Riddell was in merry mood was very soon apparent. He commenced by relating a series of appropriate stories; some were old; some were new; but all were good. He got the room quickly laughing and kept it laughing. His speech was in every way a model of after-dinner speaking. It was short, it was amusing, and it finished on a serious yet generous note. He voiced a general approval in whole-heartedly applauding the scheme propounded by Sir Harry Greer, and explained that the Walton Heath Golf Club would be delighted to extend the hospitality of



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their club and links to all overseas competitors, by making them honorary members. This generous offer got what it merited—hearty applause. He concluded with a tribute to the ideals that animated the Lucifer Club—the ideal of friendships made on the links and maintained through all the ups and downs of life.

## LEO DIEGEL WINS SAN DIEGO TOURNAMENT

His many golfing friends were glad to hear that our ex-Open Champion Leo Diegel, has won the first of the big California Tournaments (\$2,500), at San Diego, a few days ago. Diegel the past season had no lucky breaks at all and did not land a solitary event of importance. He is a grand golfer and possessed of an engaging personality. He is off to a good start, however, this Winter, and his hosts of Canadian friends will sincerely hope that the season of 1928 will be a more successful one for him than 1927.

Bobby Cruickshank, with a card of 71, 71, 74—216, and Horton Smith, of Springfield, Mo., who made 70, 71, 75 —216, shared second place honours. Billy Burke, Florida professional, took third money with a total of 218 strokes, while Ed. Dudley, of Hollywood, and Al. Espinosa, shared fourth place with totals of 221 each.

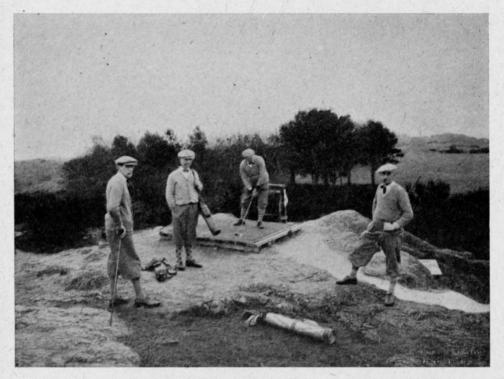
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## GOLF IN VICTORIA, B.C.

## Where the Royal and Ancient Game is Played Throughout the Year.

(By Frank Giolma)

O<sup>F</sup> course the Victoria golf courses require no introduction to any golfer who has ever been out in the Pacific North West, for it is inconceivable that any player could visit this part of the continent and not Victoria not only on the Mainland, but also on Vanvouver Island itself showed cold and drear under its white mantle, there was no snow in Victoria and the daily temperature varied between 39 and 53 degrees above zero.



On the Victoria Golf Course, December 25th (Christmas Day), 1927. Golf is played every day throughout the year.

have a game on one or more of the five Victoria links. And what is more, it would not matter in what season of the year he came, because barring perhaps one or two days in particularly bad years, golf is played in Victoria from year's end to year's end.

The south east end of Vancouver Island, on which Victoria is built, seems to be in a kind of good weather pocket. Thus during the middle of last December, when snow and ice reigned supreme over the whole continent, the cold wave striking far south, although the country round Great golfing weather you'll agree, with a blue, cloud-flecked sky overhead and a soft breeze blowing in from the sea.

It is of course, because of these ideal conditions, and also because of their exceptionally beautiful settings that Victoria golf courses have more visitors playing over them each summer than play over any other courses on this continent. And visitors are welcome at all five. No irksome introductions are necessary, although all the courses are strictly private clubs. All the visitor has to do is to go to the club house and ask for the Secretary

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—simply that and nothing more. As Victoria golfers are sociable people, the stranger within the gates, or rather on the links, is sure of getting a game.

And now so that this article may be of real, practical value, I am going to give a few particulars about each course, just those points that I believe will be of help to the visiting day. Visitors are welcome. Eighteenhole course. Professional, Phil Taylor. Phone 3529. Take Oak Bay Car (No. 1) to terminus, or taxi.

The Colwood Golf and Country Club, seven miles west of the city, is accessible both by train and motor, as it lies on the main Island road. The course has been constructed on park land, and is most beautifully laid out.



Macaulay Point Golf Club, Victoria, B.C. A very beautiful course in full view of the Olympics.

player, and will save him time in getting to his game when he next visits Victoria.

The Victoria Golf Club is situated a short distance from the city, on the shores of Oak Bay. It is of a typically seaside nature, and is noted for its splendid greens. The length of the course is 5,385 yards. Par 68, bogey 76. Secretary, Capt. J. V. Perks. Visitors' fees, \$30 per month for men, \$12.50 for ladies. Green fees, \$1.50 per day, \$2 Saturday, Sundays and holidays. Members of clubs affiliated with the Pacific Northwest Golf Association pay \$1.50 per day, any The greens are good and the turf of the fairways exceptionally so. Visitors may play at any time upon payment of green fees, which are as follows: Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, \$2 per day; other times, \$1.50 a day; \$25 per month. Length of course, 6,291 yards. Par 70, 18-hole course. Professional, A. Marling, an ex-Scotch professional champion. Secretary, W. Parry. Phone Belmont 41.

The Uplands Golf Club, under three miles from the city on the electric tram line. Its greens are as fine as any on the coast, and the course is laid out on exceptionally beautiful lines. over 5,800 yards in length. Par 71; bogey 77. Out-of-town visitors may play at any time and may join by the month for \$10. Green fee, \$1.00 per day, including Sundays. 18 holes. Major Sisman. Professional, F. E. Burns. Phone 1495.

Cedar Hill Golf Course. Near the end of the Hillside car line. Nine holes, 3,480 yards. Green fees, 50c



Secretary, J. Caven. Professional, W. Gravlin. Phone 3574.

Macaulay Point Golf Club. A ninehole course, delightful for practice and beginners, is situated overlooking the Royal Roads. Has a magnificent view of the sea and mountains. Club fees, \$5 per month. Green fee, 50c per day; 75c on Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays. Secretary, per day. All greens are made from natural turf. Professional, H. W. Eve. Phone 2096.

Now that information is, I believe, about as condensed as possible, and I don't think I have left one item of interest out either. But if I have, all you have to do is to write to any one of the secretaries named, and he will, I know, send you a full and complete reply by return mail.

## THE BRITISH AMATEURS IN SOUTH AFRICA

G OLFING tours certainly do come high. It is costing the Royal and Ancient £1,200 to finance the four British amateurs, who are touring South Africa and that only covers the expenses to Cape Town and back. The South African Union pays the shot whilst the Britishers are in South Africa. A lot of money, but it is ear-marked by the R. and A "for the benefit of the game" and possibly is warranted. The Britishers, by the way, are find-

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The Antipart of the season of 1928 Further Improvements in their Cang Mowers and Tractors They are putting on the market next Spring a power driven Putting Green Mower, also a hand Putting Green Mower, also a hand Putting Green Mower. Define Later.

ing foemen worthy of their clubs in South Africa. The long-hitting Cyril Tolley will unquestionably have cause to remember his participation in a fourball match in Kimberley, in which he was partnered by Capt. A. G. Pearson against Strachan and Weatherby (professionals). Tolley and his partner were beaten by 2 and 1, but in the other game R. H. de Montmorency and Major C. O. Hezlet defeated Col. Harris and Grimmer by 5 and 3. Later, Tolley and Pearson beat Harris and Grimmer by 3 and 2, and Montmorency and Hezlet beat Strachan and Weatherby by 6 and 5. Tolley, it must be related, broke two clubs, a cleek and a heavy iron, during the match.

## THE "PINE NEEDLES" GOLF COURSE

THE latest adjunct to the ever growing and widely celebrated Pinehurst system, Pinehurst, N. C., is rapidly nearing completion and is to be christened "Pine Needles," an appropriate as well as euphonious name. This new development, the ground for which was broken just prior to the close of the famous North and South Championship last April, lies situated some four miles from Pinehurst proper and includes in its scope more than 500 acres of rolling country, beautified by countless vari-coloured oaks and pines.

The magnificent fire-proof hotel, almost ready for occupancy, forms the center of the carefully conceived plan, inasmuch as the eighteen hole golf course—Pine Needles' chief claim to popularity and distinction—completely encircles it. The golf course designed by Donald Ross whose fertile brain has already been responsible for each of the different Pinehurst lay-outs, will undoubtedly be acclaimed by experts the greatest of its kind in the world.

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In the first place, the terrain, being as it is, of an exceeding undulating nature, obviously makes for more interesting holes; each hole in itself through the untiring and successful co-operation of Mr. Ross with Mother Nature, contains more character and color than any other one hole in this vicinity, no matter from what course it is selected. For example, anyone familiar with Pinehurst layouts, or with any course, for that matter, in the land of the runup and the thirty-yard putt, remembers full well how difficult it was to recall at the end of the first round, the outstanding features of each hole. An exactly opposite state of affairs is found to be the case with Pine Needles, since as the writer is perfectly able to testify, a photographic vision of the entire course, hole by hole, remains imprinted on the retina of the eye which has had the good fortune to behold this veritable golfing paradise. In some mysterious way, moreover, Mr. Ross, together with the invaluable assistance of his numerous aides, has managed to create in Pine Needles a severe, but nevertheless wholly just, test of golf, while at the same time, by means of a miraculous display of legerdemain, he has however, designed the course in such a fashion that the ordinary golfer, as opposed to the star, will not feel that the latter is being exclusively catered to, but will on the other hand derive a great and lasting pleasure from the playing thereof.

The present condition of the turf, considering the date of sowing, is something to marvel at, inasmuch as it compares more than favorably with that of the Number 2 course at Pinehurst and to those members of the golfing clans

who appreciate finding their ball lying beautifully through the fairway and who take a keen delight in that crisp sensation—so generally foreign to sandy courses—coincident with the impact of an iron—the Pine Needles turf will be a "thing of beauty" and a "joy forever."

The trapping is another worthy subject for praise with the placing of each bunker, giving clear evidence of painstaking forethought on the part of the architect. The shot to the green, while of an exacting nature, must not necessarily be perfect in order to escape penalty, nor need it be on a dead line to the pin; however, on the other hand, the missed shot will never, by some freak of the terrain or by faulty trapping, find itself on the green, but will most definitely be in trouble.

The settings of the individual greens closely approach the acme of perfection, bringing to mind, as they quite often do, their Northern cousins at the latter's best. Every green, with its never failing background of stately pines, is surrounded by a grassy, undulating approach ranging from ten to twenty yards in breadth, thereby leaving plenty of leeway for the good shot to stop within putting distance.

## "MANCHESTER GIANT" HAS HAT IN THE RING

RCHIE COMPSTON, "the Manchester Giant," who was among the British pros who visited Canada and the States with the Ryder Cup Team last summer and who recently in the Old Country has been playing very fine golf indeed, is out with a challenge of £500 to play any pro in 1928 at 72 holes-Walter Hagen preferred. Compston is especially a prodigious driver, but he certainly did not demonstrate in this country that he has much of a chance to pick up \$2,500 from players of the calibre of Hagen, Armour, "Ted" Ray, Havers, etc. He is certainly to be admired from the standpoint of ambition. There should be no lack of applicants willing to cross clubs with Compston this season. Ray, it is stated for one, is quite anxious to take a fling at the challenger.

Compston's showing in Canada last summer was very disappointing. He had rounds of 81 and 78 at Toronto and 77 and 74 at Montreal for a total of 310, or 14 strokes back of Havers, who had the winning score. On his return to England he played much better golf and last September won



Compston (left), who is out with a £500 Challenge. On right Ted Ray, who will probably "accommodate" him.

the  $\pounds 1,000$  "News of the World" Tournament, which is looked upon more or less as the Professional Championship of Great Britain. He also won this event in 1925, besides the Gleneagles Tournament and in addition was in second place in the Open Championship. Since 1925 he has not figured much in the picture.

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#### PROVINCE OF QUEBEC GOLF ASSOCIATION The Green Section Will Again "Carry On" the Coming Season—The Splendid Work of Mr. Harry Simpson

SPECIAL general meeting of the clubs members of the Province of Quebec Golf Association was held at the Mount Royal Hotel on Monday, December 5th, 1927, for the purpose of deciding upon the question of continuing the operations of the Green Section of the Association. The Green Section was formed as a separate organization from the Green Section of the R. C. G. A. at a meeting held in Montreal in December, 1926. The following gentlemen were elected to act upon the committee for the initial year: Messrs. W. G. Kent. Chairman; A. J. Hills, Jas. Buchanan, T. O. Lyall and G. H. Forster. As a new organization the first difficulty to be overcome was that of raising sufficient money to ensure the successful operation of the section and to ensure satisfaction to the clubs supporting the venture. The Provincial Association with its limited resources were unable to give financial support and so it was decided after considerable discussion to ask the clubs for voluntary contributions. The result was the raising of a little over \$3,800.00 subscribed for in varying amounts by all the clubs in the province. The larger clubs in the Montreal District contributed sums varying from \$100.00 to \$500.00, whilst the outlying clubs made contributions of

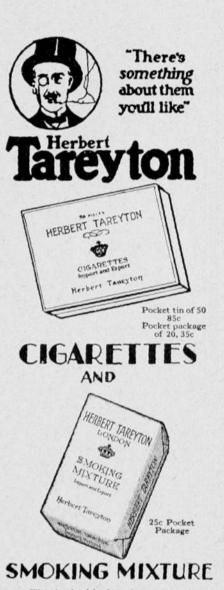
\$25.00 up. The Committee was successful in engaging an expert greens man, Mr. Harry Simpson, who is well known throughout the Dominion, being the choice from a large number of applicants. Mr. Simpson commenced his duties on the 1st of January. 1927, and immediately started upon the huge task of assembling data covering the purchase of the numerous articles of supplies that are necessary in the maintenance of a golf course. Office space was offered by the Chairman of the Green Section and office expenses were kept down to a minimum. The purchases made by member clubs during the season amounted to over \$30,000.00 and resulted in an approximate saving of about 12 per cent. This saving alone was about the same figure as that subscribed by the clubs. During the season Mr. Simpson made over 112 visits to member clubs and rendered 64 written reports to the clubs covering the condition of their courses and embodying recommendations for improvement and correction where the same was necessary. As the season progressed and it became possible to give more time to interior organization a number of bulletins for distribution to the clubs were prepared. To date three of these bulletins have been issued and copies have been sent to

the President, the Chairman of the Green Committee and to the Greenkeeper of each member club. The bulletins have been well received and favourably reported upon.

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At the meeting called on December 5th sixteen clubs were represented, and the Province of Quebec Golf Association was represented by A. Collyer, President; R. J. R. Stokes, Honorary Secretary-Treasurer; T. O. Lvall, James Wheatlev and N. M. Scott. Mr. Collver addressed the meeting, touching upon the various activities of the Green Section as follows: "It has been necessary to call this meeting to decide whether it is desirable to continue the Green Section, trying to put it upon a permanent basis for the advantage of the clubs associated with the Province of Quebec Golf Association. A few weeks ago I forwarded to the Presidents of all the Associated Clubs in the Province a copy of the report of the Committee in charge of the Green Section, which has been carefully considered by most of you according to the number of letters received and from personal conversation that I have had with the Executives.

I think we can compliment the committee in charge of the Green Section for this very favorable report. In the first place, it shows the activities of Mr Harry Simpson, Greens Expert, and what he has done by personal visits to all subscribing clubs. Also it is shown that a number of the clubs have benefited considerably through making their purchases through the Green Section. Unquestionably this has been a saving to these clubs of between three and four thousand dollars, and if you will take advantage of the Service Station arranged for in Montreal, repairs on your tools during the winter will be done at approximately 20 per cent. saving over what is charged by the average repair shop. From all this, it would seem to me that it is not hard to decide that the Green Section is filling an important part in the activities of all golf clubs and should be



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However, to secure the greatest possible advantage from the Green Section, it will be necessary for us to have your assurances of at least the same contributions as last year and if possible a bit better. From the balance sheet you will have seen that we have come through in a satisfactory manner, but to put this Green Section operating on a permanent basis, we must be prepared to allow them some clerical help, some office furniture, such as files, to maintain a record of all the reports to the various clubs and the collection of data of benefit in purchasing material for you all; and for headquarters to which you can all be sure of having your correspondence properly attended to, answered, etc. This work has been done largely in the office of the Chairman of the Green Section.

and we owe him a great deal of thanks for what has been done during the past year, but it will be to the advantage of all the associated clubs if your incoming Committee is placed in a position that they can take care of records of the Green Section in a business-like manner.

I will, therefore, ask you to consider this whole question on the following headings:

First—Is it to the advantage of all concerned to continue the Green Section?

Secondly—Are you prepared to continue your contributions and if possible better them for another year, so that the business of the Green Section could be put on a permanent basis?

I would like to say at this point that so far your Committee has not seen any way to fairly divide the expenses of the Green Section by making fixed calls on all clubs according to membership, etc. This may and probably will come in the future, but I think it will be necessary to go on the present basis for another year before an equitable arrangement can be made.

Thirdly—I would ask you for a free and open discussion of your requirements from the Green Section with any constructive suggestions as to its operation, so that it can increase its usefulness to all member clubs.

At the conclusion of his address, Mr. Collyer called upon all delegates present to express their opinions as to the work of the Green Section and to whether they deemed it advisable in the interest of golf to continue the work in 1928. All delegates were loud in their praise of the work that had been accomplished and every one heartily endorsed the proposal to carry on. Subscriptions were promised in excess of last year's contributions and several clubs who had not joined the movement a year ago expressed their intention of doing so for 1928. A very important activity that has not been referred to previously was the regular meetings of the held Greenkeepers, which were

throughout the season. These meetings were held every alternate Monday and assembled at the various clubs in the province. In this way the Greenkeepers became acquainted with the methods followed by their colleagues and in many instances were they able to pick up new ideas for the benefit of their own club. These meetings were held under the auspices of the Green Section and it is intended to further develop and intensify this part of the Green Section work during 1928. The following list will give a general idea of the purchases made through the Section during 1927. The coming season should see at least a 50 per cent increase in this department alone.

October 15th, 1927.

#### GREEN SECTION, P.Q.G.A.

	placed to date.	
Seed—20,728 lbs	\$ 9,000.00	
Fertilizers-56,000 lbs	1,861.00	
Sand-1,580 tons	2,640.00	
Worm Eradicator-32,000 lbs	1.657.00	
Semesan-125 lbs.		
Humus-335 tons		
Manure-1,600 tons		
Tile-5,850 ft.		
Equipment and Tools-		
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4 bbls. Mosquito Oil; 21 doz. flags, 18 hanks cotton rope, flag poles, compost screen, pair shears, grindstone, 8½ gals. paint, 2 bbls. tractor oil, 20 scythe blades, 6 scythe handles, 3 doz. tee brushes, 9 doz. towels, two 4 gal watering cans, 2 wrenches, 2 pair plyers, 1 screw driver, 2 doz. saw blades, 3 stationary blades, 21 screws for same, 2 weed pullers, 2 sod lifters, 2 edging tools.

The election of the new Committee of the Green Section is deferred until the Annual General Meeting of the Province of Quebec Golf Association which will probably be held in the second week in March.

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who did join the Section in 1927 are welcomed to do so in 1928 and should communicate with the Honorary Secretary, Mr. R. J. R. Stokes at P. O. Box 2721, Montreal, for further details. Ottawa Clubs whose courses are situated in the Province of Quebec are also eligible for membership. Other Provinces in the Dominion will do well to consider the advisability of following the lead so firmly established by the P. Q. G. A.

## FIVE STARS IN 1927

#### Accounted for Twenty Tourneys in the Golf Season Just Closed—Armour and Hagen Feature Last Year's Performances

#### (By William D. Richardson, Golf Editor, New York "Times").

F ATE played some queer pranks on the links during 1927. Instead of following her usual custom of distributing honours among many, she bestowed all her bounties on a few. Five players, one amateur and four professionals, gathered in no fewer than twenty tournaments.

The most highly favoured was Johnny Farrell, professional at the Quaker Ridge Club, who won eight tournaments during the season. Bobby Cruickshank, of the Progress Club, came next with four and onehalf; then came Bobby Jones with three; Tommy Armour, professional at the Congressional Club in Washington' with two and one-half, and Walter Hagen with two.

Victories seemed to run in cycles. Little Bobby began by winning first honours in the Los Angeles Open, the initial major event, which netted him \$3,500. For the next three months the little Scot was a giant among men in golf. He won three other major events and earned a half share in another.

He led the field in the Texas and South Central open championships, and with Armour as a partner captured the honours in the international foursomes at Miami, and then successfully defended his North and South open title at Pinehurst. In only the Southern open at Atlanta, in which Bobby Jones had a walk-over, did he fail.

Shortly after the Winter season closed the professionals assembled for the Metropolitan open championship and Cruickshank's march was halted. Farrell nipped him at the tape and the victory provided an impetus that sent the Quaker Ridge professional on a rampage that gave him an unparalleled string of victories.

Then the British forces were routed by the home-breds commanded by Hagen in the Ryder Cup play. At the United States open championship at Oakmont Armour tied Harry Cooper by a sensational finish and won the title on the play-off, coming from behind to snatch the victory. It was at Oakmont that Jones put up a very lame defense of the title he had won at Scioto the year previous. Such a poor showing did Bobby make that he changed his mind about going abroad, and the British open found him back in his usual form and an easy winner with a startling round of 68, which broke the record for the St. Andrews course, and three 72s.

From then on until September Farrell won the Wheeling open, the Shawnee open and the Eastern open in succession. Armour brought Farrell's march to a temporary stop by winning the Canadian open championship, after which the latter gained victories in the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and the Massachusetts open tournaments.

#### Hagen Again Prevails.

Hagen then stepped in to win the Western open for the second year in succession, but Johnny came back to win the Chicago open. Then came the P. G. A. championship at Dallas and Hagen created a new record by winning the professional title for the fourth year in succession. Just before the season closed Joe Turnesa, who had been runner-up to Hagen, won the Mid-South open at Pinehurst.

In amateur golf there was just one notable achievement—that of Jones at Minikhada. There is no one in sight who is worthy of comparison with Bobby, but the youngsters are coming on apace.

Women's golf saw three more or less newcomers crowned—Mrs. Miriam Burns Horn, of Kansas City in the United States championship and the Trans-Mississippi; Mrs. Harry Pressler, of California, in the Western and Miss Helen Payson, of Portland, Me., in the Canadian. Mrs. Horn has long been listed among the elite of women's golf, but prior to the championship at Cherry Valley her name was not as

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prominent as those of Miss Glenna Collett, Miss Maureen Orcutt, Mlle. Simone Thion de la Chaume, the little French and British champion, and Mrs. Alexa Stirling Fraser.

Transcending everything else during 1927 was Hagen's victory in the P. G. A. That made a new history for never before had a major title of such importance been won by the same player four times in a row.

Early in the year George Voigt, Washington Amateur, turned in two remarkable qualifying rounds of 67 and 68 on the Pinehurst No. 3 and 4 courses in the North and South amateur. Then followed Jones' 68 at St. Andrews and his 67 at Gleneagles. In the open championship the scoring honours went to Al Espinosa and Bill Mehlhorn, the first of whom had a sensational round of 68 and the latter a 32 for nine holes. The next thing of note was Hagen's 281 in the Western open, especially his first three rounds -70, 67, 69. And finally there was Joe Turnesa's sensational 64 in the Mid-South open at Pinehurst.

Premier in their respective spheres were Armour, Jones, Hagen and Mrs. Horn. Armour's victories in the two major tournaments, the United States and Canadian open, stamped him as the leading pro medal player: Jones' triumph at Minikhada put him again at the head of the amateur division; Hagen was the outstanding match player among the pros., while Mrs. Horn took first honours among the women. Farrell's string of triumphs was the most notable sustained scoring feat and mention must be made of Jess Sweetser's marvelous triumph in T. Suffern Taller's Newport, tournament.

## "HEARD ON THE LINKS"

(Contributions for this Column by Subscribers will be greatly appreciated).

and be at rest!"

A Russian physician named Boris,

Married Doris, the pride of the chorus, With twins they were blessed.

And I'm here to attest,

They now have a wee Doc and Doris.

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Under the garden wall,

It was there that I lost my ball.

The lady was there-

She heard me swear-

And she is the old man's only heir, I lost my ball and the lady fair

And the chance to become a millionaire.

Under the garden wall.

. . .

"Some people are born golfers—like my sister Ceeil. Some become golfers—like myself. And some have golf thrust upon them—like my husband."—Mrs. Guedalla (English Lady Champion, formerly Miss Edith Leitch, well known on Canadian courses).

#### CERTAINLY NOT!

She: "Is it true that single players have no standing on the course?"

Her: "Certainly not! They have just as much right there as married ones."—"Golfing."

#### BUT THE BALL WAS STILL THERE.

Short-sighted Novice (after several futile attempts to hit the ball): "There! It's gone at last!"

Caddie: "That's yer wrist watch, sir."—"London Opinion."

#### SLAMMING THE SCOTCH.

"SONG OF THE GOLF BALL."

"Oh, that I had wings to fly away

A friend encountered a Scotchman just coming back from the Florida golf course, leading an alligator along.

"What are you doing with the alligator?" he asked.

"The son of a gun has got my ball," replied the Scotchman.

#### ACTOR'S BITTER LESSON ON THE LINKS.

Jerry Travers once threw a brassie into a cornfield alongside the Baltusrol course, and Bobby Jones broke more than one offending club in his early days. Frank Craven, the actor, was talking to Jones on the subject, in the Oakmont locker room, said the "New York Times."

"I'm glad you don't do that any more, Bob," said Craven. "I once had a terrible lesson."

He was playing a round years ago with the late Digby Bell and in the course of the round he broke a club over a tee box to an accompaniment of thunderous and explosive oratory.

"Don't ever do that again," said Digby Bell in a dignified manner. "I came out here to enjoy a game of golf, to get wholesome exercise, to view the beautiful scenery. It's an outrage to ruin a companion's sport by such a senseless exhibition of bad manners.

Why break the club? Break your arm, if you wish. It was your arm that spoiled the shot. I beg of you to remember this."

The match continued. A few holes later, Digby Bell sliced his drive into the woods. He said nothing. On the whacked the turf until the club was splintered. Then, rushing on the caddie, he grabbed the bag of clubs and heaved the whole kit into a nearby pond.

Thus Frank Craven learned his bitter lesson.



Golf Bug-Hang it all, man, your ball's in the cup. You've holed in one! Proud Novice-Tush! Give me a good day and I'll beat that.

following hole he topped into a brook. He said nothing. On the next three greens he missed three short putts.

"Young man," he said, shaking his fist in his companion's face. "You broke a club back there, didn't you? Let me tell you to your teeth that you are a petrified piker, an unspeakable conservative, a bloodless turnip, a skulking shadow of a man. I'm going to break the whole blasted links!"

With that be grabbed a brassie and

Nurse: "Whom are you operating on to-day?"

Surgeon: "A fellow who had a golf ball knocked down his throat at the links."

Nurse: "And who's the man waiting so nervously in the hall? A relative?"

Surgeon: "No, that's the golfer—a Seotch gentleman. He's waiting for his ball."

### TWENTY YEARS AT THE TOP

The Wonderful Record of "Chick" Evans Is Not Properly Recognized These Days of the Jones' and Hagen's

NEWSPAPERS and magazines nowadays are so crammed with news and pictures of Bobby Jones and Walter Hagen, as these two stalwarts progress on to victory after victory with mashie and nilblick, that comparatively little notice is taken of a golfer whose twenty-year record entit leaves a mark for golfers to shoot at, says Mr. Warren D. Devine in the "Bridle and Golfer." Chick Evans is the golfer in question. Evans began to play out in Chicago before Bobby Jones had cut his last tooth and before Walter Hagen had placed anywhere near the top in a national tournament. A glance at his record will show that no golfer has ever surpassed the smiling Chick for steady bril liance over a span of many years His first important win was as a schoolboy in 1906, when he captured the Western Interscholastic, an event which is no longer held. Here is his record since then:

French Amateur: 1911.

National Amateur: 1916, 1920.

National Open: 1916.

Walker Cup Team: 1921, 1924.

Western Amateur: 1909, 1912, 1914 1915, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923.

Western Open: 1910.

Chicago City Amateur: 1911.

Western Interscholastic : 1906, 1907 1908

Western Junior: 1907, 1908, 1910.

Runner-up, National Open: 1914.

Runner-up, National Amateur 1912, 1922, 1927.

Runner-up Western Amateur: 1910 Important Tournaments Won: 24.

It will be noted that Evans is the only golfer who ever won both the American amateur and open titles in the same year. Chick did this in 1916. Bobby Jones in 1926 came as close as anybody could come to equal ling this astonishing feat but the strain of Baltusrol proved too much even for him. By compiling his imposing string of 24 important tournament wins, Evans may boast of a record that, for sheer brilliance over a span of years surpasses that of any living American golfer. Hagen has won 19 events of importance and Bobby Jones 11. Just as Hagen has

established a monopoly of the National P. G. A. championship, so Evans for year after year ruled as king of the western amateurs in a field that grew steadily in talent and individual brilliance. He won the Western amateur eight times and was runner-up in 1910. He won the title four times in a row, 1920-23. When in 1910 he won the Western Open Championship this marked the only time in the history of the event that it was won by an amateur.

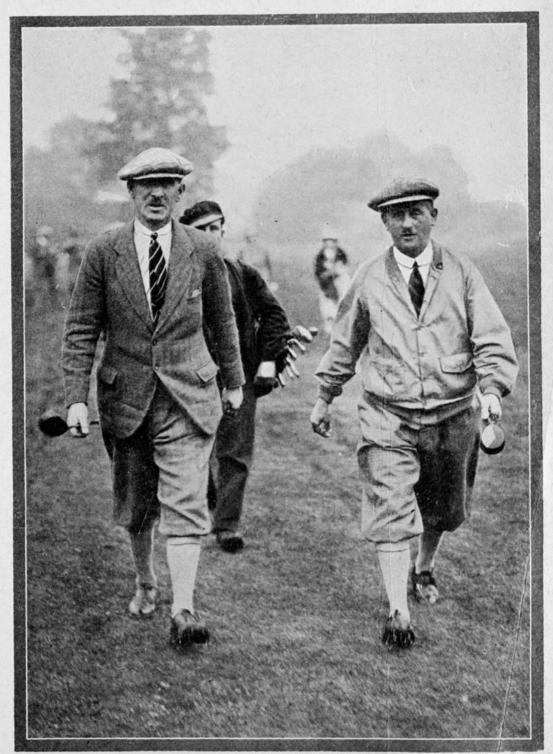
In what seems to have become Bobby Jones' pet tournament, the National Amateur, Chick Evans has been uniformly successful. Before he relinquished his scepter as chief of the simon-pures to the boy from Atlanta, Chick had won the tournament twice and had been runner-up three times more.

Internationally Chick Evans' record bears no comparison to that of his famous amateur rival. But he has not tried for international fame as often as Jones has. He did win the French Amateur in 1911, however, and twice was Uncle Sam's chief mainstay on the Walker Cup team. Wherever Evans has taken his bag of clubs he has met with steady success. Bobby Jones for several years came to be known as a "runner-up," but Chick was a winner from the time he began to wield his clubs. In the west for nearly twenty years he had no rival, just as Jones has none in the South to-day.

# GREAT BRITAIN AND OVERSEAS

Interesting Happenings on the Courses of England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales and the Overseas Dominions

A STATEMENT was published in an American golfing journal to the effect that George Duncan had received a tempting offer from the millionaire Wiltshire Country Club, of Los Angeles. It was stated that the figure was in the neighbourhood of £3,000. Duncan, however, states emphatically that he is not going to the States, neither has he fixed up another tour there. Recent play of Abe Mitchell has proved that his long illness has not impaired his skill, for in a 36-holes match for  $\pounds 50$ , over the Brockenhurst Manor Club's course, he defeated Ernest Whitcombe by 6 and 4. Mitchell was in brilliant form, and, thanks to a round of 71—a record for the course—he finished the first half with the commanding lead of 6 holes. Whitcombe's approach play improved



The Return of Abe Mitchell to the field of Competitive Golf. A particularly good photo of Great Britain's greatest player (on left), taken at South Herts Golf Club, Totteridge, London, N. on the occasion of his winning the Hertfordshire Open Championship with rounds of 74 and 67 for a total of 141. Mitchell had been out of the game since May, when he was operated on for appendicitis. On the right of photo, James Bradbeer, of Porters Park.

in the second round, and, winning the fourth, fifth and seventh holes, he was only 3 down. Mitchell, however, quickly recovered his lead, and ended the game at the 14th. On the following day another 36 holes were played. Whitcombe was partnered by A. E. Phillips, and they defeated Mitchell and J. S. Pearson by 3 and 2. At the end of the morning 18 holes Mitchell -who played like a machine-and his partner were 1 up, and they became 2 up at the second hole in the afternoon. After this, however, Whitcombe and Phillips recovered in brilliant style, and, squaring the match at the seventh, they turned 1 up, won the 10th, and eventually became dormy 3, a half at the 16th giving them the match.

Those two promising young professionals, T. H. Cotton, of Langley Park, and Jack Smith, of Wentworth (whose portraits and records appeared in the December issue of the "Canadian Golfer") are playing a challenge match this month for £50 a side. Thirty-six holes will be played over Sunningdale and thirty-six holes over St. George's. Harry Vardon will referee this interesting match. Cotton offered to play Compston for £50, but the latter refused to do so.

In the annual report of the Artisan Golfers' Association is the interesting announcement that the following clubs have been affiliated during the year: Henley, Moor Park, Woodsetts, United Services, Sutton Coldfield, Stanmore, Hoylake, Bungay, Potters Bar, Isle of Wight, Rodway Hill, Knebworth, Southwold, Effingham Manor, and three additional divisions of the L. G. O. C. Sports Association. The total has now reached 60. Notwithstanding this increase, the council of the A. G. A. feel that the number of artisan clubs, in proportion to the number of golf clubs in England and Wales, is very small, and appeal to the committees of clubs who who have not already done so to encourage the formation of artisan sections by granting playing facilities

over their courses. In addition to the annual Artisan Tournament, for which the "News of the World" present the majority of the prizes, there will be held next spring a tournament confined to northern artisan clubs. The "News of the World" will also provide a challenge cup and prizes for this competition. There has again been a profit on the year's working, and the balance in hand is now just over £188.

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An interesting figure in the Oxford team this year is Mr. R. A. Baugh, an American Rhodes scholar. He has played with a considerable measure of success in the term matches.

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The Professional Golfers' Association announce the following fixtures for this year: Irish "Open" in week commencing May 28, at Newcastle, Co. Down; Findlater Shield, qualifying, April 11th (course to be decided later), finals May 2nd, Stoke Poges; "News of the World" Southern Qualifying. August 29th and 30th, final Fulwell, September 18th-21st (course to be arranged).

Arthur Gilligan, the Test captain, says the "News of the World," told an amusing story against himself at the London golf captains' dinner. "I had scored only 10 in a small match," he stated, "when my friend observed that golf was more in my line than cricket. The following day we played a golf match, but I got an awful hiding. At the conclusion my friend exclaimed: 'I withdraw that remark I made yesterday, Arthur. You stick to ericket.'"

Sir Granville Ryrie, High Commissioner of Australia, was another speaker at the captains' dinner. "I play a great deal at South Herts," he said, "where I am credited with being an expert on Australian language. But I do not think I have infringed the rules of the club in that respect. One day I had a large following of caddies, and I inquired the reason why. 'Ah!' replied a member, 'they all like to hear you play!'"

CANADIAN GOLFER

The Sunday Golf War at Aberdovey came to an end with the issue by Mr. Justice Astbury, of a perpetual injunction against leading residents in the village, restraining them from any further acts of interference with Sunday players on the course. Costs were given against the obstructors.

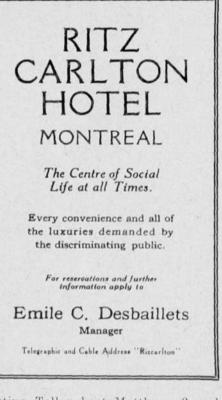
It is announced in golf circles in England that "The Daily Mail" £1,200 professional tournament, one of the most important events of the golf season, will not be held in 1928. The present multiplicity of big prize money competitions, coupled with the fact that next May, the month usually selected for "The Daily Mail" tournament, will be fully occupied with three national championships, has, no doubt, influenced the promoters in making their decision.

The event has been decided nine times. It was started in 1919, when British golf was in process of recovering from the disorganization caused by the World War.

There was no open championship in 1919, but "The Daily Mail" tourney, decided under conditions similar to the championship event, was won by Abe Mitchell at St. Andrews, and the same player was successful again last season. Other winners of the principal prize have been George Duncan, who captured it twice; A. E. Hallam, Ted Ray, C. A. Whitcombe, C. Johns and A. Boomer.

The final in the Middlesex Amateur Championship, 36 holes played at Crews Hill, was won by Mr. L. A. Wilson (Muswell Hill), who defeated Mr. F. H. Rowse (West Middlesex), 3 and 2. Mr. Wilson also won the championship last year.

The British amateur tourists in South Africa, playing at Johannesburg, defeated a representative Transvaal team by four matches to two. In the four-ball matches, C. J. H. Tolley and R. H. de Montmorency, beat Matthews and Stuart by 2 and 1, but Major Hezlet and Captain Pearson finished 2 down to McLelland and Smitheman. In the singles the long-



hitting Tolley beat Matthews 3 and 2. Hezlet lost to McLelland by the wide margin of 5 and 4. Pearson beat Stuart 1 up and de Montmorency beat Smitheman 3 and 2. This tour of the Royal and Ancient team in South Africa, it is generally admitted, will be of incalculable good to the game in that country, where golf, as in Canada and elsewhere, is becoming increasingly popular.

Mr. Norman Boase (who was a visitor to Canadian courses a year or so ago), Chairman of the Championship Committee of the Royal and Ancient. has been elected Provost of St. Andrews. Every voter in the Grey Auld Town is a golfer.

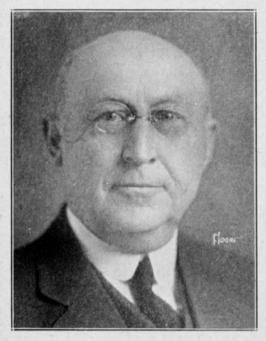
Army championships this year will be played over the course of the Royal Lytham and St. Annes Club during the week beginning May 7. The individual championship will be decided on the first two days, and the team event on the third day.

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## PROMINENT LAWYER AND GOLFER

### Sudden Death of Mr. Frank Reid, of Simcoe, Ontario, Leaves a Place in the Community Hard to Fill

THE sudden death of Mr. Frank Reid, of Simcoe, Ontario, last month came as a great personal shock to many legal, golfing and other acquaintances, throughout Ontario. He was an outstanding personality, not only in his home town, but throughout the Province, and his



A prominent Simconian, the late Mr. Frank, Reid, for over thirty years a member of the Norfolk Golf and Country Club.

passing will be sincerely mourned by scores of friends, among whom the Editor of the "Canadian Golfer" deemed it an honour to be numbered.

Mr. Reid filled a very large place indeed in the varied activities of the town of his adoption. For twenty years he was Treasurer of the Town of Simcoe. Only a few days before his demise he was elected President of the Children's Aid for the twentyfirst time. He was for many years Treasurer to the Board of Education. He was Secretary-Treasurer of the Long Point Company, and of the Oakwood Cemetery Board, and Treasurer of the Memorial Committee and of several fraternal societies. In all these capacities his work was always performed capably and judiciously, and given personal attention, despite the fact that he enjoyed an extensive and lucrative practice in law.

He was a man who had convictions and the courage of his convictions, blended with a healthy toleration for the view points of others. On the question of prohibition and temperance, in debate he gave no quarter. In politics he was a Conservative. He was for more than a quarter of a century superintendent of the Sabbath school at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, and for a long time a leading figure in the higher church courts.

Mr. Reid was one of the first men in Ontario years ago, to take up the then little known game of golf. For thirty-three years he had been an energetic member of the Norfolk Golf and Country Club, Simcoe-one of the oldest and most virile clubs in Ontario, and took a very active part in the affairs of this organization. occupying every position in the gift of the members. He was also an ardent devotee of curling, that other famous Scottish sport. Mr. Reid was a charter member of The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association, a prominent Mason and an enthusiastic Rotarian. His place in the community will indeed be hard to fill.

To his only son, Mr. Francis Reid, B. A. (his wife predeceased him a few years ago), the sincerest sympathy of friends throughout Ontario will go out, in which sentiment the Editor begs leave to be associated.

> Life's Work well done, Life's Race well run, Life's Crown well won, Now Comes Rest.

### GOLF IN CANADA IN 1927

## Results of Championships in the Dominion last year, in all of which there were record fields of Entrants.

The year Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-seven will go down in golfing history as the most successful ever recorded in the annals of the game in Canada. The number of clubs was increased by the score, until nearly six hundred are now on record on the "Canadian Golfer's" exclusive files, whilst the number of players was also greatly augmented. It is a conservative estimate that 100,000 and more Canadians are now playing the game from coast to coast. Showing indubitably the progress and improvement of the game too, there are now some 250 professionals employed by the clubs in Canada, compared with 100 only a

few years ago. All major competitions had record

entries and particularly high class play was witnessed in every one of them. In the Amateur Championship held on the course of the Hamilton Golf and Country Club at Ancaster, there was more than one contender from the States with an International standing, but the title was again retained in Canada, the championship being won by Mr. "Don." Carrick, of Toronto, who also annexed the title in 1925. This championship ever since it was played for, 33 years ago, has always been won by a resident of Canada. For the ninth year in succession, however, the Open Championship was annexed by an entrant from the United States (Tommy Armour, of Scottish birth and training, however). The Ladies' Championship, too crosses the border once again, thanks to Miss Helen Payson, of Portland, Maine. It was won in 1926 by Miss Ada Mackenzie, of Toronto.



Mr. "Don" Carrick, Canadian Amateur Champion, 1927.

Prospects for the 1928 season

throughout the Dominion are of the very brightest. A wave of prosperity is sweeping over Canada from the Atlantic to the Pacific and business and financial conditions generally are of the most encouraging character and that, of course, means more and better golf courses and more money generally, for expenditures along golfing lines.

The following are the results of the principal championships in 1927:

Amateur Championship of Canada, Mr. "Don" Carriek, Scarboro Golf Club, Toronto; runner-up, Mr. Frank Thompson, of Chicago (twice Canadian Amateur Champion, whilst resident in Toronto). Mr. Carrick also won the Qualifying Round with a score of 141 for 36 holes.

Open Championship of Canada, "Tommy" Armour, Washington, D. C., score 288; runner-up, Macdonald Smith, Long Island, N. Y., 1926 Champion, score 289.

Ladies' Championship of Canada, Miss Helen Payson, Portland, Maine; runner-up, Miss Fritzi Stifel, Wheeling, Va. (This is the first time that a final witnessed two Americans fighting it out for supremacy.

Ladies' Close Championship, Miss Ada Mackenzie, Mississauga Golf Club, Toronto (who repeated); runner-up, Mrs. E. W. Whittington, Toronto Golf Club.

Canadian Professional Championship, James Johnstone, Rosedale Golf Club (who repeated), score 146; Andy Kay, Lambton Golf and Country Club, runner-up, score 152.

Canadian Assistant Professional Championship, Willie Lamb, Toronto Golf Club, 153; runner-up, G. L. Cumming, Toronto Golf Club, 156.

Canadian Western Amateur Championship, Mr. J. T. Cuthbert, Norwood Golf Club, Winnipeg; runner-up, Harold Parker, Norwood Golf Club, Winnipeg.

Canadian Western Open, Fred. C. Fletcher, Moose Jaw Golf Club, Moose Jaw, Sask., score 141; runner-up, Mr. J. T. Cuthbert, Winnipeg, 143.

Canadian Western Professional, Fred. C. Fletcher, Moose Jaw Golf Club, Moose Jaw, Sask., 293; runner-up, Eric Bannister, St. Charles Club, Winnipeg, 295.



Miss Helen Payson, Canadian Lady Champion, 1927.

Saskatchewan Open Championship, Fred. C. Fletcher, Moose Jaw Golf and Country Club, Moose Jaw, Sask .; runner-up, Mr. J. T. Cuthbert, Winnipeg.

Western Junior Championship, "Billy" Hudson.

Amateur Championship of Ontario, Mr. Ross Somerville, London Hunt; runner-up, Mr. Hugh Borthwick, Islington, Toronto.

Pacific Northwest Amateur Championship (held at Victoria, B.C.), Rudie Wilhelm, Portland, Oregon; runner-up, Frank Dolp.

Pacific Northwest Professional Championship, Walter Pursey, Inglewood Country Club, Seattle, Wash., 297.

Pacific Northwest Ladies' Champion-ship, Mrs. S. C. Sweeney, of Vancouver, B. C.; runner-up, Mrs. J. Hutchison, Victoria, B. C.

Open Championship of Ontario, Andy Kay, of Lambton Golf and Country Club, Toronto (who repeated), score 150, after a play-off with Nicol Thompson, Hamilton; J. Johnstone, Rosedale, Toronto, and Lex Robson, Weston, Toronto.

Ontario Ladies' Championship, Miss Ada Mackenzie, Mississauga, Toronto; runner-up, Mrs. Gordon Ferrie, Hamilton Golf and Country Club.

Junior Championship of Ontario, Gordon Gunn, Mississauga Golf and Country Club, 157; Gordon Duncan, Brantford, runner-up, 163.

Saskatchewan Ladies' Championship, Mrs. J. Blair, Regina Golf Club; runner up, Mrs. R. S. Ridout, Wascana Golf Club, Regina.

Saskatchewan Amateur Championship, Mr. T. Russell, Moose Jaw Golf and Country Club, Moose Jaw; runner-up, Mr. T. D. Forbes, Riverhurst.

Quebec Amateur Championship, Mr. Norman Scott Royal Montreal Golf Club, score 151, after playing off with Mr. Hugh Jaques (151), of Whitlock, the 1926 champion.

Quebec Ladies' Championship, Miss Helen Paget, Royal Ottawa (who repeats); runner-up, Miss Kinsella, Senneville, Montreal.

Quebee Open Championship, Karl Keffer, Royal Ottawa Golf Club (145), after a tie with Jack Young, Royal Montreal (145). Keffer and Young were again tied on the first play-off at 18 holes, but the former won the Championship on the second play-off at 18 holes. This constitutes a record in Canadian championship golf. Quebec Junior Team Championship won by Rosemount Team, J. McCubbin, D. McLean,

E. B. Pritchard and W. Russell. Total 356. Runners-up, Whitlock No. 1 Team, C. H. Gausden, W. Bonner, W. Dancey and F. Webber. Total, 366.

Amateur Championship of Alberta, Mr. Carson MacWilliams (who repeated).

Open Championship of Alberta, T. Morrison, Mayfair Golf Club, Edmonton. Ladies' Championship of Alberta, Miss May Mountifield, Edmonton.

Junior Championship of Alberta, R. Aitken, Calgary.

Amateur Championship of the Maritimes, Mr. T. A. McAvity, Jr., of St. John, N. B.;

runner-up, Mr. F. R. Risteen, Fredericton, N. B. (Note: The Mielke Brothers, of Halifax, for seven years had held this title between them).

Professional Championship of the Maritimes, S. W. Lingard, of the Riverside Golf Club, St. John, N. B., score 142; runner-up, J. R. Williams, Moncton, 145.

Manitoba Amateur Championship, Mr. C. L. Hodgman, Niakwa Golf Club, Winnipeg; runner-up, Mr. H. R. Parker, Nor-

wood Golf Club, Winnipeg.

Manitoba Ladies' Amateur Cham-pionship, Mrs. K. C. Allen, St. Charles

Country Club, Winnipeg; runner-up, Mrs. R. K. Beairsto, St. Charles Country Club, Winnipeg (1926 champion).

Junior Boys' Championship of Manitoba, Ronald Bannister (77), St. Charles Club, Winnipeg; runner-up, Joe Troman (79), St. Charles Club, Winnipeg. Girls' Championship of Manitoba, Miss Iris Chapman,

of Elmhurst Golf Club, Winnipeg; runner-up, Miss Lois McLaren, of the St. Charles Country Club, Winnipeg.

British Columbia Amateur Championship, Mr. R. L. Moore, Victoria, B. C.; runner-up, W. Davidson, Seattle, Wash. (Note: The winner is only 18 years of age, and is Canada's youngest champion). British Columbia Ladies' Championship, Miss M. Say-

ward, the Colwood Golf Club, Victoria, B. C.; runner-up, Mrs. Harold Hutchings, Winnipeg. (Miss Sayward won on the 19th hole).

Canadian Seniors' Championship, Mr. F. R. Martin (161). Hamilton Golf and Country Club, after playing off a tie with Mr. George L. Robinson (161), Lambton Golf and Country Club.

International Senior Championship, Mr. C. P. Wilson, K. C., Winnipeg, 81 (six players tied for second place, Hugh Halsell, United States; Dr. W. S. Adams, United States; J. E. Caldwell, Ottawa; C. D. Cooke, United States; W. G. Ross,



#### "Tommy" Armour, Canadian Open Champion, 1927.

Montreal, and F. A. Parker, Toronto. Mr. Caldwell won the "draw."

Alberta Seniors' Tournament, Mr. N. D. McLean (177), Edmonton Golf and Country

Miss Ada Mackenzie, Canadian Lady Close Champion, 1927.

Club. Seniors' Northwest Golf Association, Dr. F. R. Van Tuyl, Seattle, Wash., at the 25th hole; runner-up, Mr. J. E. Wilson, of Victoria, B. C. (The International Match, Canada vs. the United States, was won by Canada 301/2 points to 141/2 points.)

Maritime Seniors' Tournament, Mr. J. W. Frazer, Moncton, N. B.; Hon. F. B. McCurdy, Halifax, runner-up.

Maritime Ladies' Championship, Miss Edith Bauld (7th time); runner-up, Miss Audrey McLeod, St. John, N.B.

Canadian Seniors' Ladies' Championship, Mrs. A. E. Mussen, Montreal (President of the Association); runner-up, Mrs. Sidney Jones, Toronto.

An innovation last season was a Toronto Tournament for young girls, which proved a great success. Miss Ada Mackenzie was responsible for this delightful event, which was won by Miss Aileen Aked, of Bayview,

Toronto; runner-up, Miss Mary Howlett, Weston. It would be a good idea this season to include all Ontario clubs in this Tournament.

The Lambton Golf and Country Club, one of the best known clubs in Canada, celebrated its Silver Jubilee with a Tournament, which was won by Mr. Alan Skaith and by Mrs. A. Alison in the men's and women's events respectively.



The "Willie Park" Tournament at Weston, which always attracts one of the finest fields of the season, was won by Dr. J. A. Sullivan, of Rosedale, with the record score for the event of 74.

A notable event of the 1927 season was the visit of the British Ryder Cup team to Toronto and Montreal. At Toronto the Canadian professionals had all the best of the argument against their British cousins, "Jimmie" Rimmer, of Jasper Park, with 145, taking first place; Davie Black, of Vancouver, second place (147), and Eric Bannister, Winnipeg, third place (149). In Montreal, however, the visitors played better golf, with the result that Arthur Havers, ex-British Open Champion, led the field with 296, closely followed by Davie Black, of Vancouver, with 297. Andrew Kay, of Lambton was in third place (299), and Eric Bannister, Winnipeg, fourth (301). Altogether the Canadian professionals made a most enviable reputation for themselves against the pick of Old Country professionalism.

### NEWS OF THE MIDDLE WEST

### Many Successful Annual Meetings of Provincial Clubs in Winnipeg and Elsewhere

THE annual banquet of the Dauphin Country Club was held last month in the Hotel Hamilton, Dauphin, Man., with J. A. Campbell, President of the Club, in the chair. His discourse and theme were a prophetic vision of the club's progress in the future, when, instead of playing on a nine-hole course as at present, the members would be playing over an eighteen-hole links in one of the most beautiful locations in Western Canada.

Presentation was made by the chairman to H. A. N. North, of a magnificent silver cup for winning the club championship. Mr. North replied in fitting terms, and then the same player was made the recipient of the handicap cup at the hands of J. L. Bowman. Owing to the absence of Mrs. C. W. McLachlin, the ladies' championship cup was not presented, but Mrs. Heaslip was presented with the Robson Cup by Wilfred Robson, for the ladies' handicap. Appreciation was expressed by each of the recipients.

Addresses were given by Past Presidents W. H. Armott and J. L. Bowman, the latter taking the opportunity of congratulating the club on its membership and on possessing the splendid course which was praised by all who had the pleasure of playing on it. He also thought it would not be long before the club would be playing on an eighteen-hole course, as predicted by the chairman, and this to a great extent would depend upon the enthusiasm and support of the members.

Enthusiasm was the key-note of the annual meeting of the Winnipeg Golf Club in the board room of the "Free Press," Winnipeg, when President Gordon Hunter occupied the chair, with over fifty members in attendance. While the reports presented showed that the membership was not as high as desirable for the proper maintenance of the club, rigid economy during the past year had resulted in the financial statement showing a much improved position over a year ago.

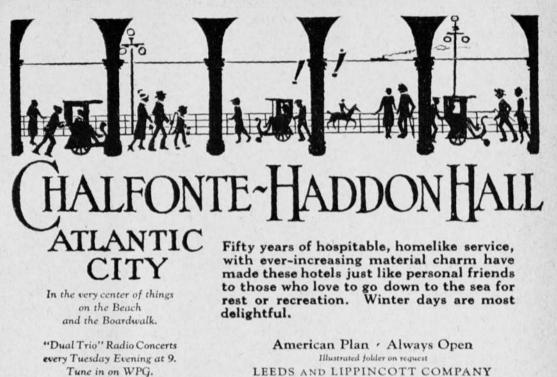
The following Directors were elected for a term of two years: W. J. Mundell, Wm. Reynolds, C. L. Mc-Laughlin, Dr. W. J. Sharman and W. G. Laird. A hearty vote of thanks to the retiring board for their untiring services during the year, and the name of Secretary Bruce Thompson came in for special mention.

The loss by death during the year of an old member of the Board in Hon. T. H. Johnson was noted with the deepest regret.

It was decided that the prizes won during the season would be presented at a social event to be held later in the winter, which would also serve as an excellent opportunity for the members to get together during the off-season.

At a subsequent meeting of the Board the following officers were

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elected for the coming season: Honorary President, Manilus Bull; President, C. L. McLaughlin; Vice-President, W. J. Mundell. The appointment of a permanent Honorary SecretaryTreasurer has been deferred to a later meeting. In the meantime, B. W. Thompson, who has been the energetic Secretary for several years, will carry on in this position.

The following committee chairmen were also appointed: Green, Wm. Reynolds; Match, W. Percy Over; House, Roy Leighton; Grounds, S. C. Trewhitt; Membership, Dr. W. J. Sharman; Entertainment, Dr. L. T. Ainley; Roads, D. J. Wright. The appointment of a Chairman of the Finance Committee has also been deferred, Bruce Thompson continuing in this position for the time being.

E. S. Macklin, President of the Winnipeg "Free Press," and for many years an enthusiastic devotee of golf, was re-elected President of the Pine Ridge Golf Club, Winnipeg, for his second term at the annual meeting held recently, when Glen C. McDonald was returned to office as Secretary, Arthur Wilson as Assistant Secretary, and F. J. Boulton as Treasurer. The new Board was elected as follows: E. H. Macklin, J. R. Murray, F. J. Boulton, C. C. Fields, F. O. Fowler, Dr. W. H. Reid, R. J. McGuckin, J. M. de C. O'Grady and W. R. Bawlf.

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The President's report reflected a successful season for the club, and dealt mainly with the proposed watering system for the fairways. After several attempts, an adequate water supply was found last summer, and it was decided to go ahead with the project in the spring. The contract for installing the system has been awarded, and all winter work possible will be done, so that there will be no delay in the completion next summer.

At a meeting of the Board of Governors of the Elmhurst Golf Club, Winnipeg, following the annual meeting of the club, Robert Jacob was returned to office as President for a second term. A. F. Emery was elected Vice-President, and Jack McCulloch went back for a fourth term as Honorary Secretary-Treasurer.

The annual meeting held at the Fort Garry Hotel was well attended, and reports presented showed one of the finest years in the history of the club. The financial statement showed a marked improvement in the position of the club, a full membership having been enjoyed during the year, with every prospect for a continuance of this state of affairs next season. The course was in the finest condition in its history, while from a playing standpoint the club met with success, winning the Hutchings Challenge Trophy from the Brandon Club, and defending it successfully against threats from the Assiniboine, Alcrest and Norwood Clubs during the season.

Reports presented to the meeting from the various committees were made as follows: House and Finance, A. F. Emery; Match and Handicap, E. H. Smith; Green, Col. J. N. Semmens; membership, R. P. Halliday, and Transportation and Good Roads, A. E. Lewis.

Considerable discussion centred on the report of the Green Committee and the recommendations made for the incoming Board. The meeting expressed itself as favouring the lengthening of the course where possible, and the Board was empowered to proceed with any alterations deemed advisable along these lines next year. The Governors were also authorized to provide increased accommodation at the club house within the limits of the budget passed on at the meeting.

Governors for a two year term were elected as follows: R. Jacob, W. N. Noble, W. K. Charge, T. L. Cavanagh, W. Archibald, H. Whellans.

The annual meeting of the St. Charles Country Club, Winnipeg, one of the leading clubs in the West. was held in the Board Room of the Grain Exchange, when a splendid year was reported from every angle. It was decided to proceed next year with the completion of the watering system for the fairways. Ten holes were piped last summer and fine results were obtained, and the remaining eight fairways will receive attention in the spring.

The Board of Governors was reelected in a body as follows: P. J. Montague, J. C. Gage, C. G. K. Nourse, D. W. Dingwall, C. I. Hall, G. W. Matheson, K. L. Patton, J. V. Nutter, C. F. Joyce, D. C. McLachlan, R. K. Beairsto and C. W. Jackson. They will meet in the near future to elect officers for the coming year.

### OUR "HOLE-IN-ONE" CLUB

### A Few Belated Returns Brings the Total up to Over the Two Hundred Mark for 1927

FEW belated "Hole-in-One" scores in 1927 are here reported:

Mr. Arthur E. Haynes, an old and valued member, negotiated the 7th hole on the Victoria golf course, 208 yards, in one, whilst playing with the Captain of the Club, Mr. J. Virtue, and Messrs. G. M. Lynes and Harold Haynes.

Wm. Walker, the professional of the Red Deer Golf and Country Club, Alberta, "got his" at the sporting 4th hole, 127 yards. He was playing at the time with Messrs. Humber and Hunter.

Mr. Rudolph Dunbar, the Manager of the Los Angeles Branch of the Canada Life Assurance Company, came all the way to the Manoir Richelieu course at Murray Bay, Que., to record the stunt. He was attending the annual convention of the Big Producers Club of the Canada Life at this popular resort, when he negotiated the 17th hole, 135 yards, in one. Congratulations.

The Essex County Golf and Country Club, Windsor, is again in evidence. On the 115 yard 5th hole Mr. O. M. Perry successfully found "the tin from the tee."

And here are two "oneers" from the Saskatoon Golf Club, one of the most progressive clubs in the "Province of Broad Acres." Dr. J. G. Countryman holed out in one on the short 7th hole and not to be outdone by his fellow "countryman and club mate," Mr. H. B. McKenzie afterwards performed the same feat at the same hole.

Total number of "Holes-in-One" recorded in Canada in 1927, 203, or 26 more than in 1926. And what will 1928 record?

### PROMINENT MONTREALER PLAYS LAST GAME OF ALL

### The Passing of Mr. Ernest A. K. Bernard, One of the First to Take Up the Game of Golf in Canada.

T is with very deep personal regret indeed, that the Editor of the "Canadian Golfer" is called upon to record the death of Mr. Ernest A. K. Bernard, Vice-President of the Cradock, Simpson Real Estate Co., Ltd., who passed away, deeply regretted and mourned, on the evening of December 13th at his late residence, 132 Durocher Street, Montreal.

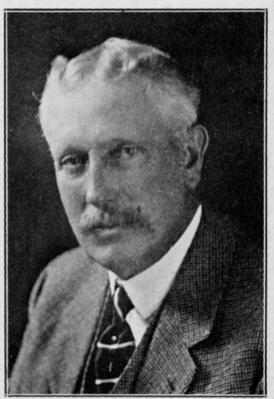
Mr. Bernard, who was born at Richmond Hill, Ontario, came to live in Montreal soon after his marriage to Miss Helen McCreary Sims, sister of the late Mr. A. Haig Sims, also a particularly well known and popular Montrealer. His wife pre-deceased him two years ago. He was a member of St. George's (Anglican) Church and took a great personal interest in its many activities.

From his earliest days Mr. Bernard had been a keen sportsman; an amateur boxer of much repupte, and he was also exceedingly fond of riding, fishing, bowling and shooting, but in late years devoted his leisure time especially to golf, shooting and curling.

He was one of the first men in Montreal to take up with the Royal and Ancient game, playing on the historical Fletcher's Field in the early days of golf with the Hodgsons, the Hutchisons, the Taylors and others who were outstanding members of The Royal Montreal before this, the oldest golf club in America, moved to Dixie, its present abiding place. If he had lived until the 24th of January Mr. Bernard would have been 70 years of age. He was a brother of Mrs. John Dick, of Cobourg, who with her husband, were very prominent in golfing circles some years ago. In fact, the whole family were more or less prominently associated with the game in its early days in Quebec and Ontario, and did much, very much, to

make it the popular pastime it is today throughout Canada.

Mr. Bernard played a very good game of golf, indeed, and had many fine trophies to show as evidence of



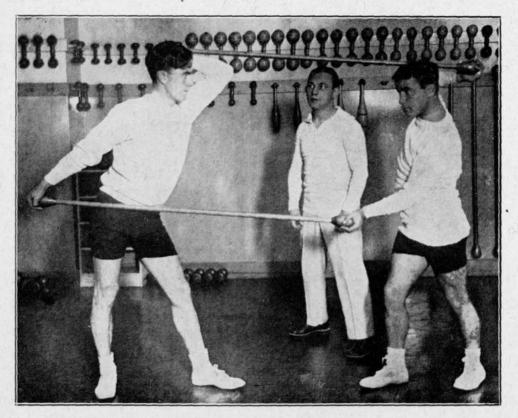
The late Mr. E. A. K. Bernard, one of Montreal's outstanding citizens.

his skill with wood and iron. He was a charter member of The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association and in the Tournament of 1923, won the coveted W. R. Baker Championship Cup in Class C against a strong field of entrants. He was for thirty years an enthusiastic member of the Thistle Curling Club, where he was also successful in carrying off many prizes. He was a Director too, of the Fish and Game Association of Canada, and his advice and counsel were of very great benefit to that Association and eagerly entertained and appreciated. In all sports he held to the British tradition of "fair play." He always "played up, played up and played the game," and was an inspiring example of a clean, manly sportsman. His genial, kindly nature endeared him to all who knew him—and they were counted by the hundred—and few men will be more sincerely mourned or held in such happy memory.

A Montreal correspondent—an oldtime friend, writes:

"It was a joy to play any game with him because he played it like a boy. He put his whole heart and soul into it, and win or lose, he took it all in good part. He has left a gap in Montreal which can never be filled. We did not like him. We loved him."

Could anyone earn or desire a finer tribute than that?



Preparing to Make Golf History in a Gymnasium. Gene Sarazen and Johnny Farrell, two of the foremost Professional Golfers in the country have recently been training at Artie McGovern's Gymnasium, New York City, in order to get in good physical condition for their Southern Invasion. Photo shows Johnny Farrell (left), and Gene Sarazen (right), exercising, with Artie McGovern in the centre. That the training is bringing good results is demonstrated by the fact that Sarazen recently won the big Miami Beach Tournament, with Farrell in second place.

### HIGH PRAISE FOR "A GOLFERS GALLERY"

M. R. Baker, C.V.O., of Montreal, Founder, and Hon. President of the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association, is the first Canadian to secure, through "The Canadian Golfer," an autographed edition de luxe of "A Golfer's Gallery," recently published in London. He writes:

"It certainly is a most interesting and artistic production and I have never seen anything approaching it before."

Praise such as this, coming from a well known art critic, is praise indeed.

### THE PASSING OF MR. W. A. HENRY, K.C.

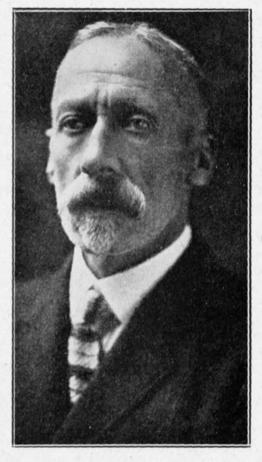
THE "Canadian Golfer," last month regretfully recorded the passing of Mr. W. A. Henry, K. C., of Halifax, possibly the best all-round athlete in his time in Canada. He took part in cricket, football, lacrosse, baseball,

golf, hockey, running, jumping, snow shoeing, tennis, badminton and other sports, in some of which he was a star, and a complete record of his activities would be practically a resume of the various sports in which he was an outstanding participant.

A Halifax correspondent pays the following well deserved tribute:

"Mr. Henry was a type of the real amateur, always a gentleman, participating in the various games for the love of the sport, keenly contesting every event, but with the greatest fairness, never taking an undue advantage of another he lived up to the ideals of sport for sports' sake. He was a thorough student of the rules, he knew all about every game in which he took part, he always stood for what was right, and argued for such, backed up by his superior knowledge. He always strove to win in a fair, square way for the honour of his club, and much of his success was due to the judgment he used.

The qualities he showed in sport were also prominent in daily life. He was a man whom it was a pleasure to know; genial, off-handed and with a thorough knowledge of any subect which he discussed, and his conversations were most illuminating. No better idea of his characteristics could be given than the manner in which he went through all his troubles, his several operations and the great blow that he received with the death of his son. while yachting, but he bore them all in a manner that would drive some people to despair. He was a good friend, a fine citizen and a devoted husband-a man whose memory will be long honoured with respect and esteem."



The late Mr. W. A. Henry, K.C., famous amateur sportsman.

### LORD HUDDINGTON ON THE GAME

M<sup>R.</sup> C. W. ALLAN, Master of the Merchant Company, as Captain, presided last month at the annual dinner of the Edinburgh Merchant Company Golf Club, held in the Merchant Company's Hall, Edinburgh (Scotland), and attended by a company of about 140. Those present included the Earl of Haddington, Sir W. L. Sleigh, Mr. T. A. Gentles, K. C.; Mr. W. Scott Morton, Mr. W. A. Murray, Mr. G. C. Manford, Mr. W. J. Gauld, Mr. D. A. Cotton, Mr. Thow Munro, the Rev. C. W. G. Taylor, and Mr. Smith, the Secretary. The croupiers were Messrs. T. Kershaw Bonnar, H. Kingsley Brown, F. P. Hendry, H. W. Shannon and Lord Dean of Guild Bruce.

The Earl of Haddington proposing "The Golf Club," said the term "golfer" was a very elastic one. Many who called themselves golfers would be better described as gardeners, ploughmen, or excavators. He was afraid his own membership of the links would not allow him to claim kinship with golfers even in the widest sense of the term. Golfers, he had noticed, possessed to a very marked degree a fine knowledge of the English vocabulary. He could claim what to him was a very interesting historical fact—that the first home of the Merchant Company, the parent body of the club, was also that of one of his ancestors, better known as Tam o' the Cowgate. He was a wholehearted devotee of the game. Who could fail to be so? Was there anyone who had once felt the keen delight when the ball went off with a smack and watched it sailing down 250 yards away—it did not often happen to himself, or who had recovered from a seemingly impossible lie to lay his approach dead a yard from the pin—who had felt the thrill of such a moment and did not want to live that moment over again? It was a great and absorbing game. The real golfer was oblivious to everything else.

He heard a story the other day of a golfer who was also a murderer. The story did not tell whether he murdered an opponent who had laid him a stymie on the last green. The time came for him to pay the extreme penalty, and he was standing on the scaffold with the rope round his neck, and the executioner was waiting to shoot the bolt, and he was asked what his last request was, and he said—"May I have a few practise swings before I die." (Laughter). There was no game that provided such a lasting study of the human character. He had seen the gloomiest pessimist transferred to the seventh heaven on holing out a thirty-yards putt, and had seen the mildest individual transformed into a veritable fiend when he had taken six strokes to get out of a bunker. He had heard of two Scotsmen playing on a hot day last summer, when one of them had a paralytic stroke on the ninth green, and the other made him count it. He would ask them to adjourn to the nineteenth hole and drink long life and prosperity to the Club. (Laughter).

### "MORE THUMBNAIL SKETCHES"

### "Glorious Gleneagles" and "The Royal Scot." Famous Scottish Course Very Popular Last Season with Golfers from Canada and the United States

#### (By the Editor).

THE famous London, Midland and Scottish Railway can boast, and boast not unduly, of having amongst its other assets two of the most wonderful institutions in the Mother Land—the world's fastest non-stop train, "The Royal Scot," and the world's finest inland golf course—Gleneagles in Scotland.

I had the very great pleasure a few weeks ago in travelling from London to Glasgow on the train de luxe, "The Royal Scot." We pride ourselves on this continent on our railways and their equipment, but there is nothing in the States nor Canada to excel or possibly equal this crack express of the L. M. & S. which runs at about a mile a minute without a shock or a jar from start to finish. The compartments are luxurious and well ventilated, the dining car service is remarkably good, whilst the tariff is most reasonable. The handsomely uniformed officials are courtesy itself, and the whole environment of the train leaves nothing to be desired. It is impossible to imagine a more delightful trip through a most picturesque country, redolent with romance and the time passes only too quickly for the fortunate passenger on this regal string of corridor carriages.

Only a few days ago some very interesting tests indeed were made with a dynamo-meter car in connection with the running of this famous express between Euston and Carlisle, which promise to have far-reaching engineering results. The car was coupled to the engine. In one of the tests, Premier Baldwin, who traveled on the train to Edinburgh, was conducted to the



Miss "Betty" Nuthall (right), the charming English Tennis Champion, playing golf at Gleneagle's; Miss Chamberlain (left), on the putting green, who has been stymied by Miss "Betty."

dynamometer coach by Sir Josiah Stamp, President of the London, Midland and Scottish Railway Company, and before he left the train the Premier took the opportunity of inspecting the Royal Scot locomotive and chatted for some time with the engine driver, William Wardle, of Crewe.

The dynamometer is an intricate piece of machinery and has the appearance of a printing press in a railway saloon coach. It faithfully records the

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draw-bar pull of the locomotive, wind and track resistance being taken into account and also notes the speed of the train over every yard of the journey. In conjunction with the tests the coal and water consumption of the journey is carefully measured, so that the actual performance of the engine is recorded.

The data recorded on the graphs of the dynamometer are being scrutinized in the office of the mechanical engineer, and it is expected that valuable information as to the powers of the Royal Scot type of locomotive as compared with other types will be obtained. The dynamometer is electrically worked and is superintended by two officials of the company. The papers on which the graphs are recorded by stylo pens is operated by friction drive off the track. The schedule time of the 300 miles non-stop journey of "The Royal Scot" between Euston and Carlisle is 345 minutes.

From either Glasgow or Edinburgh "Gleneagles" is only a short run over the L. M. & S. lines. Here have been evolved and developed the last few years inland links which admittedly are incomparable. The London, Midland and Scottish Railway is the sponsor for this magnificent undulating course, involving an expenditure of hundreds of thousands of pounds. Nature has smiled most graciously and sweetly upon Gleneagles. Sixty or seventy miles of grand Highland country stretches away, and away. To the left, are the heights of Ben Voirlich, immortalized in Scott's "Lady of the Lake," and to the right the Grampions and all about a pageantry of panoramic loveliness. Great sweeps of mysterious moor, huge splashes of maroon heather, stains of olive-green furze—and brooding over all, behind and before, the exquisite blue-grey mountains.

There are two 18-hole courses at Gleneagles, appropriately named the King's and the Queen's, and it is very hard indeed to determine which is the better of the two. They were laid out by the famous professional and five-

times British Open Champion "Jimmie" Braid, and he certainly was inspired, when he planned and mapped out this Gargantuan test of good golf. Every hole is different. Every hole of the thirty-six, whether short or long, has its distinct individuality. This seems extravagant praise, but I have had during the past quarter of a century or so, the privilege of playing over links, almost without number, in many countries, but the courses of Gleneagles will always remain with me the most fragrant and most outstanding memory of them all. They are an unforgettable combination of nature and art, interwoven to a superlative degree.

I was very gratified to hear when at Gleneagles that in 1927 an increasingly large number of golfers from both Canada and the United States visited the courses and the superbly equipped L. M. & S. hotel which is run in connection with them. No golfing visitor to the Old Country should miss playing a game or so at Gleneagles. The trip is a "well-worth-while one" in every sense of the term.

So popular has this world-famous resort become with golfers that it has been found necessary to construct a new 9-hole course in order to relieve the pressure on the King's and Queen's courses during the season. Seven holes are to be laid out on the ground to the left of the private road leading from the station to the hotel, and the two remaining holes will be on the left of the first fairway on the King's course.

Gleneagles is of course not by any means the only links reached by the London, Midland & Scottish Railway. There are scores of others, many of which are worthy of a visit from the most exacting follower of the Royal and Ancient game from this "side of the Atlantic. But "Glorious Gleneagles" is unquestionably and deservedly, predominant."

### E. WAKELAM APPOINTED BROCKVILLE PRO.

S TILL another golf appointment for next season has been announced. Ernie Wakelam, of the Kent Golf Club, Montmorency Falls, Que., has been appointed to the Brockville Club, Brockville, Ont., a position vacated by A. F. Macpherson, who goes to Islesmere, Montreal. Wakelam learned his game at famous Hoylake, Liverpool, where Mr. John Ball, eight times

amateur Champion of Great Britain, resides, his house being adjacent to the course. From present indications several other new professional appointments will be announced shortly, both in the East and West. There will be no lack of applicants, as there are alike a number of British and Canadian pros. looking for positions in 1928.

Wakelam left Hoylake for Prenton and then after the war came out to Canada to accept a position with the Island of Orleans Golf Club. Leaving the Island he came to the Kent Golf Club where for the past two or three seasons he made a fine reputation for himself. In the Quebec Tournaments he has



"Ernie" Wakelam, promising young professional, who is appointed to the Brockville Country Club, the coming season.

always figured well at the head of the lists. He holds the record for the Kent course—a very fine 62 the par being 68. Wakelam is thoroughly equipped in every department of the game and Brockville golfers have unquestionably made a very good selection for the coming season in appointing him as their professional. He should do much for golf in Brockville and vicinity.

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### Turf Growth in Relation to Natural Forces

(From an address given at the annual meeting of the U. S. G. A. Green Section)

HE study of soils and soil conditions and their effect upon turf growth; the study of grasses suited to varying conditions of soil and exposure; the study of fertilizers and their effect, and the study of chemicals for the control of pests and diseases, have within the last few years, greatly modified and regulated our methods of course maintenance. Green-keeping as a practical business is a de-velopment of the old art of gardening, which in those sections of the earth blessed with a suitable climate, has long reached a high stage of proficiency and has acquired results of outstanding merit. It must be remembered, however, that while a great deal of credit is given to the climate and to the natural grass flora that lends itself to such practice, still the early greenkeepers had evolved from custom and observation, a system on which rest the basic rules of modern greenkeeping. In recent years, due to the rapid expansion of the game of golf, the science and practice of greenkeeping has had to widen considerably its scope to embrace circumstances under which it was formerly thought impossible or at least uneconomic to grow and maintain turf of the quality demanded by the game.

Extremes of climate and other natural phenomena bring up problems that are being gradually solved, both by close study and analysis in the laboratory, and by trial and error in the experimental plot. This has been going on apace until there are very few sections left where it is not possible to produce at least a fair to medium turf.

Success in turf culture lies in thoroughly understanding the various influences, whether natural or artificially produced, that bear upon the life history of the grass plant and being able to eliminate or modify those that have an adverse effect and to promote or stimulate those that are conducive to healthy development. It means that we should seek to study as closely as possible the intimate relation of the common circumstances under which turf is growing.

The early greenkeepers possessed a vast amount of this information which, acquired by the long process of constant observation, became practically an intuition and could meet most emergencies with simple but effective methods even if they did not understand the underlying causes from a scientific viewpoint. Since that time, however, a great change has taken place and we approach the practice of turf culture from quite a different angle. This is not a revolt against old-time methods, as many old-timers are inclined to think, but an evolution that is bound to come with the general advance in all lines of endeavour. The spread of the game to new territories, the intrusion of diseases and pests hitherto unknown, the rising standard demanded by players and the immense sums now spent on course maintenance, have all lifted the industry to a plane before undreamed of. To this end the up-to-date greenkeeper has to organise his information and regulate his methods as never before. He must be prepared to delve beneath the superficial symptoms of trouble in order that he can treat for permanent improvement, he must cope with a wide diversity of weather and climate and he must be able to recognize disease and pests and know how to treat for them or where to get the necessary information to do so.

What are the underlying principle of turf growth? It is necessary to know, in the first instance, that there are certain essentials for the growth and development of grass and without which we could get no results. These are: light, heat, air, food and water. Without entering into a long explanation of each it might be well to tabulate the main points.

Light is essential because it is intimately associated with the green colouring in the leaves: without this green matter the plant could not digest its food and build up its structure. It explains in part why heavily shaded greens are not healthy and also brings to our notice that some grasses need more light than others, hence those that can get along with less are the ones for the shady places.

Heat or warmth starts the plant functioning, puts the life processes under way. Grass has a liking for moderate temperature, above and below such it will become dormant or semi-dormant. And we also notice that in these outside temperatures, disease may readily develop and do severe injury.

Air is a necessity because it contains lifegiving cxygen, essential to the plant and to the countless numbers of bacteria that are busy preparing other food into condition to be absorbed by the plant.

Food, of course, is obvious in order to increase the plant structure. The various substances that the plant feeds upon are generally present in the soil though not always in sufficiently available quantities to supply all the needs; those most often deficient are nitrogen, phosphoric acid and potash. These are the chemicals that are supplied under the heading of fertilizers.

And water: It is characteristic of grasses and practically every other form of plant life that it takes in its food in solution so that all food chemicals must be dissolved in water before the grass plant can get it at all. So we see that absence of moisture not only dries the plant out, but theoretically also starves it.

It might be well also to consider the conditions of growth from an environmental point of view. While it is possible to grow a plant in a glass jar with just the necessary things already mentioned, still it would not be robust or healthy. That is purely laboratory method. In the ground there are other factors. There is the soil type most suitable for the free movement of moisture and food, for the easy penetration of roots and air. This is the physical consideration and is associated with the texture of the topdressing material that is applied to the surface of the turf. There is the matter of food supply which deals with the fertilizers necessary to procure the best development. This is the chemical aspect. And thirdly, organic or biological requirements must not be overlooked, for without a competent amount of humus as is supplied by good compost or top-dressing material, there would be insufficient bacterial action, and an unsatisfactory texture to the surface soil. Compost, or its active essence, humus, is very vital to the wellbeing of a close-cut turf.

And again, in the production of a high quality turf, there are other influences at work which have a modifying effect upon continuous and healthy growth. There are those that come from natural causes, as climate, and, related to that, seasonal growth, and also perhaps disease might be classified here. There are those of artificial origin as, for instance, greenkeeping methods.

The influences that favor the fullest development of turf are worthy of mention because in the practice of course maintenance it is imperative that these conditions should be assisted and methods so systematised as to bring about in an artificial way, if possible, such a happy combination as would not be naturally provided.

A maritime or insular climate has, for decades, been considered the ideal in which to produce good lawns. The temperate coolness, and the moisture-laden breezes, combine with the native grasses to make the fine leaved, compact, hard-wearing mat that suits the purposes of golfers so well. A salubrious climate is a very favorable influence.

Secondly, a satisfactory soil texture has a marked influence. By the term satisfactory, we mean a soil of a fairly loose, friable structure, that permits water to either go down or come up with comparative freedom, does not bake and crack in hot dry weather or become puddled when wet, nor one that dries out too easily. It also means one that has a sufficient amount of organic matter in it to regulate the food requirements of the plants.

Thirdly, adequate and balanced food supply.

Looking at the situation from the reverse side of the picture, it is perhaps more illuminating to mention those conditions that retard rather than advance the development of turf for golfing purposes.

1. No doubt the most generally submitted reason for poor turf is dry weather, and it is a fact that except in very favoured sections it is impossible to maintain a stand of closely clipped turf by depending upon the natural precipitation. Large sums of money are spent on water systems, not as a luxury but as a necessity, for without it the expenditure on seeds, fertilizers and grounds maintenance would be a useless waste. It is so obvious that it needs no comment.

2. Starvation. Here is a very general cause for a large proportion of poor turf that is found throughout the country. This particularly refers to putting greens. Clubs are gradually becoming enlightened on this matter, are being more liberal with compost and fertilizers for their putting greens, but it appears that there will still have to be done a lot of further missionary work in this direction before adequate replenishment of the food supply in the putting green soil is a universal practice. In discussion with committees on this point the answer is often given that funds will not permit, that enriching the soil brings attendant trouble as worms, disease, etc., but nevertheless, there is gainsaying the fact that if we do not put into the greens at least as much as we take off. in the course of time there will be little or none to take off. The regular removal of grass clippings takes away from the turf a large quantity of real fertility, and besides, the close mowing limits the root range of the grass so that it is unable to feed as deeply as it would do if allowed a heavier top growth. Grass can be starved in two ways; by taking off (stealing), all it produces, and limiting its roots so that it has to find the most of its food within a very narrow surface laver. The only answer to this condition is to feed the top laver well and wisely. It requires care and close ob-servation to do this properly, since by an injudicious hand it is possible to do much damage. The turf to do well must have a balanced ration; it might have too much of one thing and not enough of another. Some elements of fertility are easily conserved, while others are lost. Composts vary in their fertilizing value and usually have to be augmented with chemical manures of one sort or another. It is in this field that special care must be exercised. Ammonium sulphate and ammonium phosphate are well established in greenkeeping practice and many now use these forcing, nitrogenous fertilizers. Some are inclined to overdo it because it makes such a fine showing in color and lushness. The nitrogen contained in this fertilizer is only one of several food elements and in overdosing with it an unbalanced condition is likely to be set up, and while the turf may present a very beautiful appearance, constitutionally it may be in very low health and unable to withstand sudden extremes in temperature, or disease.

3. Incorrect soil texture. This might well stand next in importance as having an adverse influence upon an unhealthy stand of grass. There is no doubt but that one of the big considerations in the building of a golf course outside of the architectural features is to incorporate the right sort of soil into the putting greens. The right sort of soil has already been briefly described.

4. Closely allied to soil texture is drainage. To derive the best results from drainage it must be thoroughly understood. Inadequate drainage makes the soil wet, waterlogged and cold. Air is as necessary to the roots of the grass and to the soil organisms as it is to the leaves and stems, but it cannot reach the depth required if the ground is already filled up solidly with water. The water used by the plants is that which clings as a film around the soil particles, not the water that occupies the spaces between. The water table should be kept well below the root range. The amount of artificial underdrainage depends upon the soil texture and the location of the part to be drained. Drainage in the fullest sense of the term involves the move-

ment of water within the soil and on the surface of the soil and also the movement of air currents above.

5. And again location is a vital factor. There are putting greens that have never been right nor have held a good turf because they were put in the wrong places. Due attention to the other factors as has already been given may lessen the importance of location.

6. Not by any means the least we must consider the human element, greenkeeping methods, and how they affect the natural development of grass. Mismanagement in this particular may result in poor greens even though other circumstances are quite satisfactory.

Successful greenkeeping is endeavouring to keep a healthy balance between all these influences and results from a close study of the life habits of the grass plants both when growing unhampered and when subjected to close culture. Appreciating this we might regulate our methods so as to assist its natural inclinations where they suit the golfer's purpose and bear down as lightly as possible where they do not fit so well.

Many of the common golf grasses are naturally of the tall growing sort, extending their stems and leaves and flower heads. a couple of feet or more into the air and likewise penetrating with their roots a fair distance into the ground. On the other hand there are also familiar grasses that prefer to lay their stems flat upon the ground in a prostrate fashion, and send out small roots at each joint, being somewhat of a shallow feeder. It can, therefore, be readily seen that the surgical operation of cutting off all but a fraction of an inch of the top growth is much more severe for the tall than for the low plant, not only because of the shortening of the stem but also on account of the danger of scalping, since tall growing species usually develop noticeable crowns. There seems to be a great deal of adaptability among such forms and they will conform to a remarkable degree, to the treatment of mowing and, since the absence of top growth prohibits root depth, will make up the deficiency by producing a multitude of small surface feeding roots; taking on the form, in a loose way of speaking, of the low growing types. The par-ticular point brought to light here is that the tall grasses will lend themselves to considerable modification of their natural habits, though it should be remembered that they cannot be expected to retain their full vigour and robustness when changes are carried to extremes. The most practical way of handling this circumstance is the adoption of low growing types for putting green turf as has been done in the case of creeping bent.

Another prominent habit to be observed is that of seasonal periods of growth activity. There are times of the year when growth is vigorous and times when it lags. The

slowing down may be due partly to inherent characteristics and partly a response to surrounding conditions such as the drying out of the ground and excessive heat or cold. It is possible by the use of stimulating fertilizers and much water, to induce the grass to keep up its springtime energy and continue green and lush right through the summer swelter and on till the last moment in the autumn or winter, when growth stops altogether. It is very doubtful if such a practice is at all wise. Turf that has been over-stimulated is not in good shape to weather the troublesome times of midsummer with its fungus menace nor to meet the sudden onslaught of winter. Observation tends to show that the time to feed a green is at periods when it can, by reason

of weather and inherent habit, make the most active and ready use of the nourishment. Fertilizing right through the year is possible but must be done with extreme care.

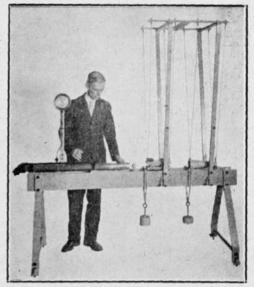
The natural hardiness of certain strains and their ability to withstand cold weather, winter kill and summer scald better than other varieties of the same species is very noticeable among the various grasses found on the golf course, whether of native origon or introduced. Immunity is another variable character. Consideration of these factors and selection with these in mind has had a great deal to do with the development of our best turf grasses for the golf course.

### A CLEVER MACHINE FOR TESTING RESILIENCE OF GOLF BALLS

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S EVERAL improvements are embodied in the latest machine built for the United States Golf Association, to test the resilience of golf balls in connection with the intensive experiments now being made by the Association, looking towards the authorization of the new official ball, which it is confidently expected will be put into play, commencing January, 1929, and

which it is generally thought will be both larger and lighter, doing away to some extent with the great distances now attained by leading players, both amateur and professional, making even the longest courses look simple. All data for a test on a given ball is obtained from a single shot of the air gun. The machine consists of a base, air gun, projectile and two "ballistic pendulums." The hardwood projectile is shot from the air gun with a velocity equivalent to that of a club head in a drive by a good golfer. The ball is centred on a 'tee" directly in front of the air gun barrel, and upon being struck by the projectile, it is driven forward with the same velocity it would have in an actual drive. The first ballistic pendulum catches and stops the projectile. The ball passes through the first pendulum without touching it, and is caught and stopped by the



The Clever Machine for testing resiliency of golf balls.

second pendulum. A sliding indicator records the distance each pendulum swings back. From the two distances thus measured, the "co-efficient of resilience" of the ball is found by a simple computation. This clever machine, it is expected, will help materially the U. S. G. A. in deciding on the weight and size of the new ball, the adoption and authorization of which is awaited with such intense interest by golfers generally. One of these remarkable machines has been sent by the U. S. G. A. to the Royal and Ancient St. Andrews, Scotland, with which also to experiment.

### DEATH OF A BRILLIANT GOLFING EXECUTIVE

T is with most sincere regret that the Editor is called upon to record the passing, last week, of Mr. Harry T. Curtiss, son of Mr. Julian Curtiss, New York, President of A. G. Spalding & Bros., the internationally-known sporting goods firm.

Mr. Curtiss, who was a graduate of Yale, was in charge of the important Chicopee, Massachusetts, factory of the Spalding's. He was, unquestionably, one of the world's greatest authorities on the manufacture of golf balls, and his advice and counsel were eagerly sought, both in America and Great Britain. Possessed of a most charming personality he endeared himself to countless friends throughout the golfing world. The obsequies from his father's residence in Greenwich, Conn., on Friday, January the 13th, were attended by many friends and representatives of the Spalding Company throughout the United States and Canada.

To the bereaved family the sincere sympathy of golfing associates in the United States, Great Britain and Canada will be extended, in which sentiment the Editor of the "Canadian Golfer," who was privileged to know him, begs leave to be associated.

### "MAC" SMITH WINS \$10,000 TOURNAMENT

#### Former Scottish Player and Ex-Open Canadian Champion Pulls Down the Big Money at Los Angeles with "Light Horse" Cooper, a Former Hamilton Caddie in Second Place

E QUALLING par for seventy-two holes with a four-round total of 284, Macdonald Smith of the Lakeville Golf and Country Club, Great Neck, L. I., the well known former Scottish player and ex-Open Canadian Champion and runner-up in 1927, won the third annual Los Angeles \$10,000 open golf tourney over the Wilshire Country Club course. His score of 69-71= 140 for the final thirty-six holes gave Smith a three-stroke lead over Harry Cooper unattached, professional from Los Angeles, formerly of Hamilton, Ontario, who finished second with 287.

Cooper, winner of the tourney two years ago, was leading the field starting the third day's play and Smith was two strokes behind him.

Abe Espinosa, of the Columbian Country Club, Chicago, holder of the Pacific Coast open championship in 1913 and 1915, finished third at 290. The first three money places were \$3,500, \$1,500 and \$1,000.

Tied for fourth, fifth and sixth places for prizes totalling \$1,600 were Tommy Armour of Washington, the U. S. and Canadian Open Champion; Al. Watrous, of Grand Rapids, Mich., and Bill Mehlhorn, representative of the Wilkinsburg Country Club, near Pittsburgh. Each totalled 291, Armour having his best round of the tournament, a 70, on the last eighteen.

Billy Burke, of the Blind Brook Club, New York, broke the course record with a 68 on his final round, making his total 293. He went out in 35 with three putts on the sixth. On the last nine, after starting with a 4, he scored a 33. Burke and Al Espinosa, of Chicago, tied for seventh place at 293.

Bobby Cruickshank, the former Scottish amateur, who won last year, finished ninth with a 294.

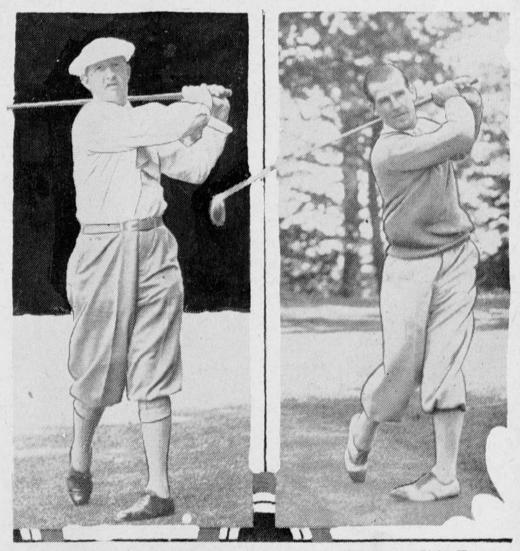
Cooper got a 75 in the morning without having a hole under par. He finished 5-5 by being short on his second shot to the seventeenth and threeputting the eighteenth. In the afternoon he played steadily except for a 6 on the long sixteenth, where his shot to the green went into the deep barranca.

The barranca which surrounds the home green cost both Mehlhorn and Watrous many dollars. Mehlhorn came to the last hole with a 4 for a 69.

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which would have made his total 289. A pushed second shot left him under a low bridge, where he was unable to take a full swing on his explosion shot.

After a wasted shot, his fourth hit the top of the bank and fell back into the hazard. He put his fifth on the green and got down in two putts.



"Mac'' Smith (left), winner of the \$10,000 Los Angeles Tournament. Right, Harry Cooper, Runner-up.

Watrous also was trapped on his approach and his third shot went across the green into the barranca to the other side. The hole cost him a 6, making his total 292.

Smith, playing easily the first nine holes, continued by holing a good putt for a 2 on the tenth and came back in 35. He had a piece of luck on the eighteenth. Here his second shot was scooting into deep Barranea when the ball hit a small sign placed to warn players practicing on the eighteenth green.

His ball rebounded to a favourable lie and he got his 4. But for the sign, his ball would have been in the ditch and possibly stymied by a small tree and a 5 or worse might have resulted. Smith was more than nine holes behind Cooper in the field and before he reached the turn he knew he could take 38 on the last nine and still win.

He was trapped on the dangerous tenth, but recovered dead to the pin for his 3, and after that, by safe, steady golf, the pars dropped regularly. Coming to the severely trapped eighteenth with a four-stroke lead, the New York professional played well to the right on his second shot and was content to take a 5, one over par.

The weather throughout the three days of the competition was clear and warm. A gallery of several thousand, including many notables from the movie colony, followed the players in the final.

The only Canadian entrant was Eric Bannister, the well known Winnipeg professional, who had no difficulty in qualifying. In the play-off he had rounds of 77, 78, 74 and 74, for a total of 303. E. Penfold, formerly of Winnipeg, now of Minneapolis, also qualified and had rounds of 78, 71, 77, 77, also for 303. The leading amateur was G. Von Elm, former U. S. National Amateur Champion. His score was 76, 74, 75, 72=297.

### ANNUAL MEETING OF THE U.S.G.A.

### Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-seven was a Record Year—Relationship with the Royal and Ancient Continued and Strengthened—Association Has Cash and Investments of \$77,000—"Bobby" Jones Comes in for Praise.

**''B** OBBY" JONES' recent quite spectacular refusal to accept the \$50,000 home donated to him by admirers in his home town, Atlanta, Ga., was quite one of the features of the annual meeting of the **United States Golf Association in** New York, Saturday, January 7th. Both at the meeting and the luncheon he was warmly praised and applauded by the delegates in the action he had taken.

W. C. Fownes, Jr., retiring President of the Association, and Melvin A. Traylor, newly elected head, praised Jones for his "voluntary act" in giving back the gift. Traylor said it was "magnificent" in that Jones was not a rich man nor the son of a rich man.

At the same time both made clear that there was no violation of the amateur rule. Referring to investigations into the facts by the Executive Committee of the U. S. G. A. and by the Committee on the Amateur Rule, Traylor said: "I myself see no violation, and if it had been put to a vote, would so vote." The statement by Traylor at the afternoon meeting brought a round of applause from the assembled delegates and when Jones' picture was flashed on the screen a little later in a golf movie, another wave of applause swept the room.

The regular ticket was elected without opposition. It made Melvin A. Traylor President, Findlay S. Douglas and H. H. Ramsay Vice-Presidents and Prescott S. Bush Secretary. Charles H. Sabin wes elected Treasurer and Jones was one of the eight members of the Executive Committee elected. Sectional and other offices were also filled by the election.

When called to the chair, Mr. Traylor made Jones and the amateur rule the main subject of his remarks. After paying tribute to Jones and his sportsmanship, Traylor said the amateur rule was probably the most difficult problem the Association had to deal with from the standpoint of interpretation. He asked for the support and good faith of the delegates and golfers in general and of the public.

It was revealed at the meeting that Mr. Norman Boase, Chairman of the Rules Committee of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club, and Henry Gul-

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len, its Secretary, probably would come to America with the Walker Cup team. It is also expected that other members of the Royal and Ancient Club will come over, thus making for better relations between the English ruling body and the United States Golf Association, the ruling body in the States.

Closer relations with England were forecast in the report of the International Matches and Relations Committee, of which J. Frederic Byers was chairman. The report praised the English golfers who visited here last year and expressed the hope that they would come again and in greater numbers in 1928.

The conflict in dates between the British and American Open Championships has been rectified, thus making it possible for golfers in either country to play in the tournament of the other country. This is expected to increase the number of players who will visit back and forth.

Herbert Jaques, Chairman of the Committee on Implements and the Ball, made a report which revealed that further tests have been going on with the machine which measures the resiliency of golf balls and "dependable data in measuring the resiliency of golf balls are now assured." Eight of the machines are to be manufactured and one will be sent to the Royal and Ancient Golf Club in Scotland.

Mr. Fownes, the retiring President,

presented the report of the Rules of Golf Committee as follows:

"No change in the Rules of Golf were adopted during the past year, either by the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews or by the United States Golf Association. The work of the committee, therefore, has been largely confined to answering inquiries bearing upon the interpretations of the rules.

The Executive Committee of the association has felt for some time that it would be desirable for the association to publish a book setting forth important rulings and interpretations that have been made by the Rules of Golf Committee from time to time. Mr. Howard F. Whitney, accordingly, undertook to compile such a report and, at the time of his death, had been engaged upon the work for some months. Many of these rulings had been made by Mr. Whitney's committee during the period of his incumbency as its Chairman, which had been extended over many years. In order that the efforts which Mr. Whitney expended in this work may not be wasted the association has appointed a committee, consisting of Messrs. Alan D. Wilson, James Francis Burke and William C. Fownes, Jr., to carry forward the undertaking to a conclusion.

Mr. Whitney had served as a member of the Rules of Golf Committee of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews. Mr. J. Frederic Byers has recently been elected a member of this committee to fill the vacancy brought about by the death of Mr. Whitney.

The recommendation of the Metropolitan Golf Association that a rule against the practice of conceding puts should be formulated was received and is expected to be incorporated in the rules."

There are now 1012 clubs in the Association. The finances are in a particularly healthy condition. Receipts for the year amounted to the large sum of \$109,559, with disbursements of \$93,673. Assets (cash in bank, bonds, etc.), amount to the comfortable total of \$77,897. The admissions to the Amateur and Open

Championships in 1927 netted \$24,159. The cost of the various Championships (Amateur, Open, Women's and Public Links), was \$5,899.

### SARAZEN PLAYS GREAT GOLF

DESPATCH from Miami, Fla., January 8th:

A "For the second time within a week Gene Sarazen, former National Open and professional golf title holder, to-day successfully defended his laurels, when for the second time he won the Miami Open Tourney. Sara-



Gene Sarazen, who is off to a brilliant start this season.

zen had a total of 289 for the seventy-two holes. However, he was compelled to play courageously to the last shot, for in the final thirty-six holes over the Miami Country Club links he took 72-75=147, and only by a solitary stroke beat out the veteran Jock Hutchison. Hutchison, the first United States citizen to win the British Open Championship ("Hutch" is a native of Scotland, but took out U. S. citizenship), after finishing in sixth place yesterday, put himself in the running this morning when he returned a flashy 68, four under par. Four birdies and two eagles on the round placed him only two shots behind Sarazen going into the final eighteen. At the sixteenth hole, with two more left to settle the championship and the winner of the major portion of the \$3,000 purse, Hutchison finally caught Sarazen. At the seventeenth they were on even terms, but here a bad "break" ruined Hutchison's chances. As Hutchison was about to make his drive a moving picture man started grinding his camera. The noise distracted Jock and he stopped. The gallery complained of the discourtesy, but it did not help Hutchison, for he then drove out of bounds, and finished with a 5 for the hole.

Hutchison tried desperately for a 4 on the home hole, which measures 517 yards, and playing against the wind he just missed the mark when his twelve-foot putt failed to drop."

### HAMILTON GOLFERS' NEW CLUB HOUSE

A T a large and representative meeting, last week, of the members of the Hamilton Golf and Country Club, the plans for a new club house, calling for an expenditure of some \$150,000, were shown to the members by the committee having the project in hand. They are beautiful plans and if finally adopted will give the Ancaster course one of the most artistic club houses in Canada.

The whole question was thoroughly discussed, both pro and con, but no decision was arrived at, that being left to another meeting, to be called later on. An alternative plan, which was brought forward at the meeting, calls for the enlarging and improving of the present club house. In the past the Hamilton Club has always paid chief attention to its courses (18 holes and 9 holes) which to-day are amongst the finest on the continent.

### MR. S. B. GUNDY, AN OUTSTANDING EXECUTIVE

R. S. B. GUNDY, prominent Torontonian, and ex-President of the Toronto Board of Trade, was recently elected Vice-President of Doubleday, Doran & Gundy, Limited, which consolidates the Canadian Business of Doubleday, Page & Co. and George H. Doran Company (Canada), Limited, under the sales management of the Oxford University Press Canadian Branch). This consolidation brings together and will include the publications of Doubleday, Doran & Company, Incorporated, New York; George H. Doran Company (Canada), Limited; William Heinemann, Limited, London; Garden City Publishing Co., New York, and S. B. Gundy, Toronto. George H. Doran, of New York, has been elected President.

Mr. Gundy has for many years been one of "the stalwarts of golf" in Canada. For several years he was President of the Rosedale Golf Club, Toronto, and then in 1924 was elected to the highest honour in golfdom in Canada—the Presidency of



Mr. S. B. Gundy, Toronto, prominent in Publishing, Financial and Golfing Circles.

The Royal Canadian Golf Association. During his tenure of office the first step was taken to make the R. C. G. A. an International instead of more or less a Parochial institution. Succeeding Presidents have more or less "followed in his footsteps" to the great advantage of The Royal and Ancient game throughout the Dominion.

### MEXICAN GOLF CLUB FINDS MEMBERS HONEST

CANADIAN visitor to Mexico writes:

A "Mexico and its government are coming in for much comment and criticism these days, because of the somewhat drastic methods employed in dealing with political opponents. Our own forefathers took their politics just as seriously, if the histories are to be believed.

At any rate, the opposition leaders who were executed knew the rules of the game when they took a hand, and fully intended to enforce the rules if they had won.

In many respects some of the qualities displayed by the people of Mexico in their daily intercourse are so admirable that to test them out in this country would be a compliment to our own people.

In one of the cities of that country they have a golf club. There is no prohibition law there and the club provides liquid refreshments of varying strengths. The club, however, has no bar man. A supply of beer and various other bottled drinks is placed in an open locker, and a list of prices is fastened to the door.

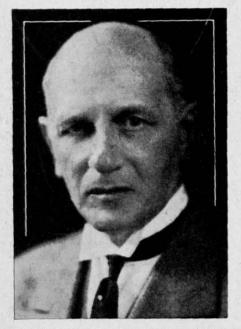
Each member may help himself, and is required to drop the price in a box with a slot. The cash is taken out once a day by the secretary, and, it is stated, that so scrupulously is the request observed, that the club actually gains by it. Members not having the right change will drop in a coin of a higher denomination. This, of course, may be an indication of excessive thirst, but a member stated that the club had never lost a centavo by this method of selling beer.

How many clubs in Canada would care to venture such a system with their members?"

### "A LITTLE TEE" WITH A BIG HISTORY

### Interesting Story of How a Professional Man, Dr. William Lowell, Virtually Revolutionized the Game of Golf With His Invention

G OLF draws its enthusiasts from all walks of life. One of the most enthusiastic of golfers is Dr. William Lowell, a professional man who resides in New Jersey. Pro-



Dr. William Lowell, inventor of the ''Reddy Tee.''

fessional men are reputed to be notoriously poor mechanics and worse business men, but it is a poor rule which does not countenance a shining exception, and Dr. Lowell is an exception.

About seven years ago, when devoting most of his recreation time to golf, Dr. Lowell, a keen observer and a practical one, studied the unhygienic, time-wasting and messy habit of using sand for golf tees. He conceived the idea of producing a clean, easily handled, inexpensive wooden tee which would serve the same purpose as a sand tee, but do it far more effectively and efficiently.

At first his friends laughed at the idea, but Dr. Lowell, undaunted and confirmed in his conviction of the soundness of his idea, went ahead with the design of his tee for this purpose. He had no precedent to guide him. As a consequence many shapes had to be exhaustively tried out before the one which has proven most satisfactory was decided upon.

Having arrived at the design upon which Dr. Lowell placed his whole confidence, samples of the tee were submitted to his fellow club members. Even these close friends who had Dr. Lowell's interests close to their hearts, derided him for his efforts. They said that golf was a game of tradition, that it resisted change, that golfers were reactionaries and would accept no such innovation despite the fact that it might improve their game, save their time and tempers and perform the functions of a sand tee far more satisfactorily. At this discouraging stage Dr. Lowell proved his mettle, tenacity and belief in his idea.

After raising the necessary funds from many sources, and investing heavily himself, he designed an interesting package and produced a quantity of the well-named and now well-known Reddy Tees. He then set out to promote his idea, to sustain a principle and to achieve commercial success with it. He had an idea that was sound and, like many other geniuses, he was not to sit by and see it defeated by adverse criticism at the outset.

By personally distributing samples of the Reddy Tee in cars that were parked along curbs, to his many friends who were golfers, to the heads of prominent organizations throughout the country and to notable characters and figures whose names appeared in the daily papers, Dr. Lowell began to lay the foundation for the success that was to be his. Slowly at first, but with ever increasing volume, testimonials of the worth of the Reddy Tee began to come in. Some were moderate in their praise; others most enthusiastic, and with each new commendation Dr. Lowell's enthusi-

asm waxed greater. Among the first to register belief in the Reddy Tee were none other than the canny and astute golfer, John D. Rockefeller, he sent an order, and such notables as Walter Hagen and Joe Kirkwood.

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Then Dr. Lowell began to advertise Reddy Tees, and in leaps and bounds their popularity grew. When the idea of using ready-made tees gained a foothold and Dr. Lowell began to liquidate some of the many bad debts which the enterprise burdened him with, imitations of the Reddy Tee sprung up. These usurpers, who had taken no part in the pioneering developmental or educational ground work, came into the field after Dr. Lowell had gone through endless and tireless efforts, to sell the idea. Imitators were able to cash in on part of the demand created by offering tees at lower prices.

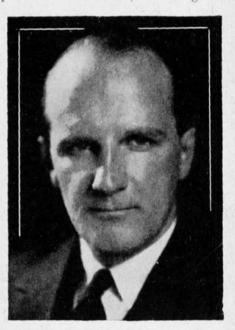
In a period of six short years, Dr. Lowell has built up a large business as a result of his belief in an idea and



Mr. E. E. Lowell, President of the Nieblo Manufacturing Company.

the courage to combat the opposition of a securely entrenched golfing tradition. In that brief period of time one phase of the ancient and honorable game of golf has been changed because a man who knew he was right was able to sell a sound idea to golfers.

The gratitude of golfers for this innovation is shown best by a recent survey wherein thousands of golfers were questioned and the response proved that over 85% of all golfers



Mr. Wm. Lowell, Jr., Vice-President and Secretary of the Nieblo Manufacturing Company.

are users of Reddy-Made tees. Less than 15% use the archaic sand tee. And the best test of golfers' allegiance to the original and genuine Reddy Tees, as well as a recognition of their superior qualities, is shown by this one fact—Reddy Tees are the largest selling and most popular ready-made tees in the world.

Dr. William Lowell, the inventor of the Reddy Tee in June, 1921, has been at the head of the company since it was organized in May, 1922. At the present time he is Chairman of the Board of Directors.

E. E. Lowell is president of the concern, and is in charge of sales and finance, patents and legal matters.

William Lowell, Jr., is vice-president and secretary, and is in charge



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Mr. W. C. B. Wade, representative for the Nieblo Manufacturing Co., Inc., in Eastern Canada, reports an ever-increasing demand for Reddy Tees in his territory, and is pleased to announce in behalf of the Nieblo Mfg. Co., Inc., that he is now prepared to supply Reddy Tees in white celluloid to the trade. Further announcements on this new addition to the Reddy Tee line will be forthcoming shortly. With the Reddy Tee in red and yellow white birch and white celluloid, Mr. Wade feels that he has a very complete line of tees to offer on the Canadian market.

The Nieblo Mfg. Co., Inc., are pleased to announce that plans for manufacturing Reddy Tees in Canada are almost completed. Arrangements are being made with a Canadian concern to manufacture Reddy Tees and box them for distribution in the Dominion of Canada. Also the complete See Tee line, which will be controlled by the Nieblo Mfg. Co., Inc.

### LAMBTON HAS PROSPEROUS YEAR

THE annual meeting of the Lambton Golf and Country Club was held at the King Edward Hotel, Toronto, December 28th and the reports presented at this, the "Silver Jubilee" meeting of one of Canada's most progressive and prominent clubs were of a most encouraging character.

Lambton's financial statement runs into big figures with an annual revenue of \$111,000 and total assets of \$205,000. During the year \$26,000 was spent on the upkeep of the course, supplies and wages, whilst the House expenses accounted for \$61,984. The income derived from annual and locker fees amounted to \$52,107, whilst green fees were \$6,015.

The members showed their appreciation and confidence in the 1927 Board of Directors by re-electing them to office. The Directors are Messrs. A. A. Allan, James W. Baillie, E. L. Cousins, C. V. Harding, B. S. Harris, T. F. Matthews, Dr. J. A. Roberts, John Westren. Captain—W. H. Firstbrook; Vice-Captain, J. H. Chipman. At a subsequent meeting of the Board Mr. B. S. Harris was re-elected President, and Mr. E. L. Cousins, Vice-President.

### IMPORTANT MEETING OF WOMEN\_GOLFERS

RS. Leonard Murray, Toronto, President of the Canadian Ladies' Golf Union, and Mrs. M. K. Rowe, of Toronto, the recently appointed Hon. Secretary-Treasurer of the Association, were in New York last week attending a very important conference of the Women Golfers of the Continent, called by the Eastern Women's Golf Association. The conference was most interesting and instructive and subjects of the utmost importance to the golfing fraternity, both in the States and Canada, were duly discussed and considered. The meeting was most enjoyable, representatives of nearly every women's golfing organizations in the States being present. The delegates to the conference were delightfully entertained whilst in New York by the members of the Eastern Women's Golf Association.

The question of giving information to the press was brought up and it was decided that no information was to be handed out until the report in full has been presented to



Mrs. M. K. Rowe, Toronto, Chairman National Pars Committee, and a well known golfer, who has recently been appointed Hon. Secy.-Treas. of the C. L. G. U.

the United States Golf Association and considered by them. It is understood that all three golfing countries, Great Britain, the States and Canada, will be deeply interested in one or two of the proposals which were considered by the ladies at their conference.

### TEMPERAMENT IN GOLF

(By R. Sutherland Simpson, "Golf Monthly")

To state that a perfect golfing temperament is of more value to a player than a perfect style is beyond doubt. A finished and approved style will help a golfer to play a good game, but without a calm, placid temperament he will never achieve great things in golf. He may play a fine game in friendly encounters, but the highly-strung, temperamental golfer seldom does himself justice when he is "up against it." And I think it may be conceded that the majority of players find they are up against it most when they are playing for score, for the score game imposes the hardest mental strain in golf. It imposes a rigeur, in competition, on the most experienced player, while to the nervous, imaginative linksman a pencil and eard is often a perfect bugbear. The player knows that every shot counts in score; he knows that one or two bad shots may mar his card, and consequently the fear of foozling his shots generally lurk in some cranny of his mind as he plays the round. Now, fear of any

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kind strains the nerves, and this nervous strain invariably takes its toll-in foozled short pitches, usually caused by the player, over-anxious to see his ball safely on the green, lifting his head too soon, momently forgetful that he must first strike the ball; missed brassie shots, the result of swinging back too hurriedly; and in jerky or timid putting. The result of this nerviness or funk is commonly witnessed when a player finds he has to play a short chip to the hole across an intervening bunker. The player is doubtless aware, and from sad experience, that he is liable to fluff the ball miserably into the waiting hazard, but this knowledge (because he cannot suppress the fear that he will go into the bunker) does not always save him the chagrin of doing so, with the result that, instead of, say, a 5, a 7 will probably appear on his card. I know that this type of shot is the bogey of many golfers, but, of course, to get the ball near the hole this shot does usually require to be very accurately played. The best advice to players who are troubled with this stroke is: Don't think too much about the pin; get your ball on the green. Better as a rule to be anywhere on the green than in a bunker.

Golf is seventy-five per cent. a mental game, in which that peculiar constituent of our make-up, nerves, play a big part. All golfers, unfortunately, do not possess iron nerves, and the only thing the nervous player can do is to reduce strain on the nerves as much as possible. You will notice that the players who consistently win matches or return good scores are the fellows who do not tire. As soon as you begin to lag, your golf is likely Now, the golfer who is to suffer. organically sound should not tire during the playing of a single round, even on the longest course, and, consequently, in the majority of cases, we can confine the cause of players fagging to strained or exhausted nerves. Now, whether or not "nerves" can be cured is debatable-many people are born highly-strung-and, in any event, the columns of a golf magazine are confined to the cure of our golf, and not to our personal, ailments. Let is suffice, therefore, for me to warn the type of golfer whom this article is mainly intended to interest, to avoid the habit of indulging in alcoholic "snacks" before going out to play. Alcohol is merely a temporary stimulant, and when its effects have worn off the player will probably find himself more shaky over those yard putts in the latter half of the game than he would otherwise be. I do not know whether milk is sold in any golf clubs, but golfers would certainly find a glass of milk before they commence a round more helpful to their golf than a glass of any stronger liquid. I am, of course, writing for the serious golfer who is anxious to improve his game, and not for the player who merely goes out for fresh air and a little exercise. If a player is not a teetotaler, let him postpone his drinks until the nineteenth hole! A bar or two of chocolate during the round helps also to maintain stamina and to stave off "that sinking feeling." With regard to smoking, while many authorities counsel against it during play on the ground that it affects the nerves, we can all mention several celebrated players who smoke continuously during a round without their nerves or stamina being affected apparently in the slightest; indeed, some of the coolest great golfers are inveterate smokers. Personally, I am not sure that smoking, in moderation, does not agree with some nervous contitutions, but do not smoke simply because your partner offers you a cigarette. Wait

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until you feel you want to smoke.

Many players, I think, make a mistake in striving too hard to knock too many strokes off their scores. What I mean is, if your average score is, say, 90, do not be too anxious to return an 80. If you do, you will probably play over-carefully and become more irritated than your general standard of play warrants when things do not come off. Be satisfied if you manage to do an 85, and after you have done a few 85's you will then probably find it easier to knock five shots off to get your 80. You will find that golfers' average scores generally fall within fairly-defined groups, e.g. 75-80, 80-85, 85-90, and to bring your scores within the first category depends largely on your possessing the proper golfing temperament.

# IMPORTANT AMENDMENT TO R. C. G. A. CONSTITUTION

#### At a Special Meeting in Toronto, After Much Discussion, Changes Are Made to Article VI in Reference to the Selection and Election of the Executive

M R. W. W. WALKER, Montreal, President, presided over a very important special meeting of The Royal Canadian Golf Association, in the Yellow Room of the King Edward Hotel, Toronto, Thursday afternoon, January 12th. There was a good attendance of delegates from the various elubs.

The meeting had been called to take action on the following letter addressed to the President:

Dear Sir:

After careful consideration the undersigned have come to the conclusion that the amendment to Article VI. of the Constitution of the Royal Canadian Golf Association, which was passed at the last Annual meeting, is not in the interests of the members of the Association. Under that amendment the members of the Executive Committee of the Association are to be elected by the various Provincial Golf Associations, which Provincial Associations are not members of the R. C. G. A., and include among their members clubs which are not members of the R. C. G. A. There are also clubs, members of the R. C. G. A., which are not members of any Provincial Golf Association.

The result of this, if continued, will be that the members of the R. C. G. A. will have no voice in the election of the Executive Committee of the R. C. G. A., except through the Provincial Associations, and in the case of clubs which are members of the R. C. G. A., but are not members of a Provincial Association no voice at all. Also clubs which are not members of the R. C. G. A. but are members of a Provincial Association will have a voice in the election of the Executive Committee. It is felt that one of the inevitable results of this situation, if continued, will be that many (if not all), Clubs will withdraw from the R. C. G. A., as there would not seem to be any purpose in their continuing their membership.

If the present system of electing the Executive Committee of the R. C. G. A. is to continue, it would seem logical that the membership of the R. C. G. A. should be confined to the various Provincial Associations which would have to provide the revenue necessary to operate the R. C. G. A, the Provincial Associations in turn collecting such revenue from their members.

We also feel that the President of the R. C. G. A. should be elected at the Annual Meeting by the members of the Association and not by the Executive Committee.

Therefore, we, the undersigne. golf clubs, being associate members of the Royal Canadian Golf Association, hereby request you to call a special meeting of the said Association for the following purposes:

(a) To consider and, if deemed advisable, to amend the Constitution of the Royal Canadian Golf Association by repealing Article VI. thereof, and substituting therefor the following:---

"ARTICLE VI.—(1) At the annual meeting the Association shall elect an Executive Committee, composed of representatives from the several Provinces of the Dominion. The number of representatives from the Province of Quebee shall be three, and the number of representatives from each other Province shall be in the same proportion to the number of representatives from the Province of Quebec as the total number of men members of clubs members of the Association in such other Province shall bear to the total number of men members of clubs members of the Association in the Province of Quebec. Pro-

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vided, however, that each Province shall have at least one representative and no Province shall have more than three representatives. Provided further, that the Provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island shall be regarded as one Province for the purposes of this Article.

Representatives from each Province may be nominated by any two clubs members of the Association in such Province, such nominations shall be in the hands of the Secretary of the Association at least five days previous to the date of the annual meeting.

In the event of more representatives for any Province being nominated than such Province is entitled to, the representatives of such Province shall be elected at the annual meeting from among those who have been so nominated. In the event of there being an insufficient number of representatives nominated from any Province, those who are nominated shall be declared elected and the remaining representatives from such Province shall be elected at the annual meeting. In the event that the number of representatives nominated for any Province shall be the exact number to which such Province is entitled, the persons so nominated shall be declared elected at the annual meeting.

(2) The Executive Committee shall fill any vacancies which may occur during the year.

(3) The President shall be elected at the annual meeting by the members and shall ex-officio be a member of the Executive Committee and shall preside at the meetings thereof.

(4) The Executive Committee may elect from its members one or more Vice-Presidents, and shall appoint a Secretary-Treasurer.'' (b) For the purpose of appointing a Committee to be composed of such persons as the meeting may deem advisable to consider and study the advisability of incorporating the Royal Canadian Golf Association, or of amending the present Constitution and Bylaws of the Association, the said Committee to report to the members of the Association at the next annual meeting.

Will you please be good enough to take the necessary action to comply with the provisions of Article V., section 5, of the Constution of the Association.

#### Faithfully yours,

R. C. H. CASSELS, President, Toronto Golf Club, Toronto.

THOMAS REID, President, Rosedale Golf Club, Toronto.

W. D. WILSON, President, Hamilton Golf and Country Club, Hamilton.

B. S. HARRÍS, President, Lambton Golf and Country Club, Toronto.

E. A. McNUTT, President, Royal Montreal Golf Club, Montreal.

KENNETH DAWES, Vice-President, Mount Bruno Country Club, Montreal.

G. W. FORSTER, President, Beaconsfield Golf Club, Montreal.

JAMES BÚCHANAN, President, Kanawaki Golf Club, Montreal.

Mr. W. H. Plant, President of the Ontario Golf Association, in a very logical speech, strongly opposed the proposed changes. At only the last annual meeting of the Royal Canadian Golf Association, Article VI. delegating the selection of the members of the Executive to the Provincial Associations had been unanimously carried and the retiring President, Mr. C. A. Bogert, had stated it was the best step ever taken to "Nationalize golf" in Canada. He read a telegram from Mr. Harvey, of Winnipeg, President of the Manitoba Golf Association, strongly opposing any changes. He claimed, too, that insufficient notice had been given the clubs throughout Canada in reference to such an important matter as that now proposed. He failed to understand this sudden change and "right-about-face" upon the part of the signatories to the letter calling for the special meeting. Mr. Plant was ably supported by Mr. W. J. Thompson, ex-Amateur Champion, and Mr. J. T. Clark, Editor of the Toronto "Star."

Mr. R. C. H. Cassels, K. C., President of the Toronto Club, for many years legal adviser to the Association, and a former President of the R. C. G. A., presented the argument for the repeal of Article Vi. and the substitution of another article, similar in many respects to clauses governing the election of members of the Executive Com-Mr. Cassels pointed out that mittee. Article VI. would permit members of clubs not affiliated with the R. C. G. A. a voice in the election of officers through Provincial Associations. He felt that a result would be the withdrawal of clubs now members in the R. C. G. A.

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Mr. Alfred Collyer, of Montreal, President, of the Quebec Golf Association, and Mr. Thomas Reid, President of the Rosedale Golf Club, spoke in favour of the amendment, the latter with certain revisions which he thought would meet the wishes of both sides to the argument.

It looked at one time as though the whole question would be referred back to another special meeting, but on the suggetion of Major W. D. Wilson, of Hamilton, Vice-President, an harmonious settlement was arrived at. He suggested that the amendment be altered by adding to paragraph two of Article six the clause: "That only members of clubs in the various Provinces may vote at the election of representatives of that Province on the Executive." In other words, each Province in Canada will elect its own members on the Executive.

This compromise was acceptable to Mr. Plant and the other opponents to the original amendment.

Article VI. which was passed at the last annual meeting, called for the Provincial Associations to nominate the Executive for their respective Provinces. This procedure has now been done away with. These nominations now must be made by two clubs in the respective Province. The Dominion at large, either by personal vote or proxies, cannot elect the representatives of any Province to the Executive. The provincial representatives must be elected by the clubs in their respective Provinces.

So harmony prevailed and the "Nationalization" of the R. C. G. A. not interfered with. It is confidently expected that all the Provincial Associations both "East and West," will be satisfied and support the new legislation.

The meeting closed with the appointment of the following strong committee to consider and study the advisability of incorporating the Association or of amending the Constitution and By-laws: Messrs. W. W. Walker, Montreal; A. Collyer, Montreal, W. H. Plant, Toronto, and T. Reid, Toronto. They will report at the next annual meeting.

Previous to the special meeting the Exexutive of the Association met. There were present Mr. W. W. Walker (President); Major W. D. Wilson (Vice-President), Hamilto; R. D. Hume, Toronto; General Mitchell, Toronto; Alfred Collyer, Montreal, and Norman M. Scott, Montreal.

A number of routine matters were discussed in preparation for the annual meeting of the Association, which will probably be held the first week in March.

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### WINTER SCHOOL FOR GOLF

#### Tom Waite, Internationally Known Instructor, Opens Up in the Border Cities

A VETERAN professional golfer and instructor, Tom Waite has recently taken up his residence in the Border cities and has opened up a Winter golf school in the Douglas



Tom Waite, famous golf instructor.

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Waite has a very fine record indeed, as a golfer and instructor. For thirty years he has instructed novices in the elementary principles of the game and coached the advanced players to improve their game. He started the now famous Leeds Golf Club in England, acting as secretary and professional there for seven years. But he played for many years at the Lytham St. Annes course, where the British championships were staged last year.

Seventeen years ago Waite came to America. Since that time he has taught golf in many parts of the United States and Canada. For the past few years he has made his home in California, instructing throughout the Yosemite Valley and in Los Angeles.

Waite has met with signal success in his teaching. For instance, at Visalia, California, he cut 15 strokes off the average score of the club president in ten months. The club officer was playing in the nineties when Waite took him in charge, and before the year was over he had turned in a 75 to win one of the district trophies.

The veteran professional has a method all his own in instructing. First he imbues his pupil with confidence in his ability to teach. He proves that he can make a more accurate approach blindfolded and with one hand than the pupil can without any handicap. Then he proceeds to demonstrate his methods—teaching a style that he has found most efficient during his years at the game.

Waite's record, and the records of his pupils, speak volumes for his ability as player and instructor. He is anxious to prove that he can be as successful with Border City golfers as he was with new and old players in California and elsewhere, and this Winter he will undoubtedly demonstrate that he can at his Indoor School in Windsor.

### ENTERS FOR "GREATEST MATCH OF ALL"

F ROM Johannesburg comes the news that Cyril Tolley, one of the British amateur team now touring South Africa, is engaged to Miss Dolores Rudd, of Kimberley, sister to Bevil Rudd, the celebrated athlete. C. J. H. Tolley, who is a graduate of Oxford, became prominent as a golfer, when he made a dramatic putt on the 37th green at Muirfield, which enabled him

to defeat Robert Gardner, twice U. S. Amateur Champion, for the British Amateur Championship of 1920. Since then he has become one of the most appealing personalities—and incidentally, one of the hardest hitters—on the Links. His crowning achievement was probably his defeat of Walter Hagen, when winning the French Open Championship in 1924. Last October, with Miss Joyce Wethered as his partner, he won the 36 holes mixed foursomes at Worplesdon.

And here is rather a strange incident. Three years ago, U. S. and Canadian papers quite featured the news that an American woman was suing for a divorce from Cyril Tolley. It was news to his friends that the ex-champion was a married man. As a matter of fact, he was not. It was a cousin, Cyril Tolley, referred to in the despatch.

### WELL EQUIPPED WINTER SCHOOL IN TORONTO

A T 57 Queen Street West, Toronto, this winter a particularly well equipped golf school is being conducted by the well known professionals, Wm. Freeman, York Downs; Frank Freeman, of Thistledown; Dave Hutchison, of Humber Valley, and Lew Cummings, of the Toronto Golf Club. The school possesses eight nets, putting matts and every other convenience for the teaching of indoor golf. There is no question that golf can be learned and golf improved in a winter school just as well as on the course. Toronto golfers have in this school, every opportunity to do both.

### IN AND ROUND THE CLUB HOUSE

### Interesting Happenings on the Courses of England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales, and the British Dependencies

Macdonald Smith, Great Neck, Long Island, N. Y., stylist (Canadian ex-Open Champion), turning in an aggregate card of 284 strokes for the 72 holes, won the \$2,500 Palos Verdes open tournament from a field of national golfers. Youthful Harry Cooper finished with a card of 285 for second place honours, while Watrous ex-Canadian another Open (also Champion), won third with 286. Cooper's rounds were 70, 74, 70, 71, and Watrous' 69, 74, 69, 74. Larry Nabholtz, of Cleveland, O., and Al. Espinosa, of Chicago, tied for fourth place. Their cards, respectively, were 75, 70, 69, 73-287, and 75, 70, 72, 70 -287.

#### Grantland Rice:

"Only three men have ever won the amateur championships of both Great Britain and the States. The late Walter J. Travis was the first, winning three American titles and then bagging the British title in 1904. Harold Hilton, British champion, then came over to win the U. S. title in 1911 at Apawamis. Jess Sweetser's victory at Muirfield in 1926 added a third name to this list.

Only two golfers have ever won three of the four big titles. Harold Hilton has been British Open champion, British amateur champion and U. S. amateur champion. Bobby Jones has been U. S. open and amateur champion and British open champion. But no golfer has ever won all four crowns. Hilton has never tried his hand at the U. S. Open and Bobby Jones has failed twice in the British amateur."

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Gene Sarazen, former national open champion this month successfully defended his Miami Beach open golf erown, winning that event with a card of 292 for the 72 holes of medal play. Johnny Farrell, New York and St. Augustine professional, was second with 295, while Joe Kirkwood, the Albany, Ga., pro, was one stroke behind him in third place. Willie Klein, Miami professional, was fourth with 298. This is the first time for many months that Joe Kirkwood, the famous trick golfer, formerly of Aus-

tralia, has figured to any extent in a big tournament. A few years ago he was looked upon as one of the world's greatest players.

Eric Bannister, the well known professional of the St. Charles Golf Club, Winnipeg, and one of the leading players of Canada, together with Tom Ross of the Wascana Golf Club, Regina, another player of note, are spending the winter golfing in British Columbia and San Francisco.

C. R. Murray, professional of The Roval Montreal Golf Club, writes from the Gulf Stream Golf Club, Delray, Florida:

"Myself and family arrived here early in December and are all settled again for the winter. It looks like a busy season here, as the members are here much earlier than usual and the course is in grand shape."

Jack Vernon, professional of the Kenora Golf Club, is amongst the fortunates spending the winter golfing in California. He is making his headquarters at South Pasadena.

A financial statement showing an excess of current assets over current liabilities amounting to \$8,150 was presented to members of the Thistledown Golf and Country Club, Toronto, which held its annual meeting last month. The statement formally closed the club's most successful season.

Mr. R. J. Niddrie, the club's President, reviewed operations of the year, which included extensive improvements to the club house and to the course, on which fifteen bunkers were built, as well as a number of tees. The major portion of the expense was met out of revenue.

During the year there was a net increase of 114 playing members. It is expected that a limit will be placed on membership early in 1928.

The following officers were elected : President, Dr. R. J. Niddrie; Vice-Presidents, Clarence Bell, Dr. W. E. Pearson, W. C. Scott, R. V. Rittenhouse, A. V. Piddington, E. G. Black, J. D. Craig and Earl McKay. Alex. Blyth was re-elected Captain. Earl

McKay was re-elected Vice-Captain. B. T. Huston, elected Second Vice-Captain. George F. Glatt was reelected as Auditor.

Bobby Jones, the golfer, has "holed out" in law. The young amateur is posted as one of seven candidates who passed examination for admission to legal practice in Georgia. Jones is in his junior year in the law school of Emory University. His father has long been a practicing attorney there. Bobby has been taking his studies seriously for some time and only recently announced he would not return to England next Spring to defend his British open title because of his class work. He said then his decision was final, adding that "it simply can't be done because school will not be out at the time the tournament is held."

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The Gold Vase Tournament, it is announced by Hotel Del Monte, Del Monte, California, will be held on the Pebble Beach course February 24-26. and the Annual Championship for Women on Feb. 27 to March 2. Both fixtures will attract several well known Canadian players.

The golfers of Powell River, B. C., are now enjoying a very active season, several club championships being under way. The course has recently been greatly improved by the lengthening of the 3rd and 8th holes.

An invitation has been extended through the United States Golf Association to the entire personnel of the next British Walker Cup team to take part in the Gold Mashie Tournament, which will be played on Mr. T. Suffern Taylor's Ocean Links, Newport, in the first week of September, 1928.

Eric Bannister, of the St. Charles Country Club, one of the leading professionals in the Dominion, has been spending the past few weeks, playing the courses of British Columbia and California. He is accompanied by Tom Ross, of the Wascana Golf Club. another outstanding Western player.

CANADIAN GOLFER



California has accepted Oregon's challenge for a four-man team match at Del Monte January 28-29. This is the word received from Roger D. Lapham. President of the California Golf The challenge Association. was issued by Edwin Noustadtor, President of the Oregon Golf Association. The Oregon team will consist of H. Chandler Egan, Frank Dolp, Dr. O. F. Willing and Rudie Wilhelm. Lapham is expected to name a captain for the California team within a few days. He has already been advised that George Von Elm will come north to play on the California team. Other possible California players include Everett Seaver, Dr. Paul Hunter, George Ritchie, Jack Neville, Dr. C. H. Walter, Fay Coloman and Heine Schmidt. The match will be played at Pebble Beach, or at Monterey Peninsula Country Club. In spite of the fact that Pebble Beach is now undergoing extensive improvements in preparation for the national amateur golf championship in 1929, it is quite possible that the Inter-state competition may be held there, utilizing the temporary greens now being used for daily play. However, the members of the two teams may elect a preference to play on the Dunes course at Monterey Peninsula Country Club after they arrive at Del Monte.

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The annual meeting of Mississauga Golf Club has been called for January 21st at the Prince George Hotel, Toronto. There are many important matters to come before the meeting, chief of which is a plan to increase the course to championship length. The present length is 6,095 yards and the plan submitted by Stanley Thompson would increase the length to 6,530 yards.

The club championships for Mississauga for the past year resulted as follows:

- Club Championship, W. J. Thompson.
- Junior Championship, Gordon S. Gunn.

Father and Son Championship, Boyd Caldwell and Henry Caldwell. Second Flight, Hugh A. Gunn. Third Flight, Forbes C. Grassick. Herbert Trophy, E. P. Atkinson. Forester Trophy, Frank H. Harris. Meilke Trophy, Mrs. Cumming and

J. deLury Barber.

Highlands Trophy, J. deLury Barber.

F. B. Robins Trophy, J. E. Hall and J. deLury Barber.

Fletcher Trophy, John M. Godfrey. Gordon Gunn, a member of the club.

won the Ontario Junior Championship; W. J. Thompson won the Uplands Tournament; Jack Cameron won the qualifying medal in the Ontario Championship at Rosedale; Bob Cunningham, the popular pro., won the Toronto and District Professional tournament at Lambton.

Some caddies were practising swinging clubs on the links of the Cologne Golf Club (Germany), when one accitally struck another on the larnyx. The blow affected a nerve connected with the heart, says Reuter, paralysis of that organ resulted, and the boy fell dead. The links were "made" by the British Army on the Rhine, and when the occupation ended the Germans received back a first-class course on which a high rental had been paid during its use by the British.

Word comes from Moneton, N. B., that a golf club along private enterprise lines will be started this season, with excellent prospects of success.

Ottawa and District will have another golf course in play the coming season—The McKellar Golf Club. Several very prominent golfers indeed are back of the enterprise.

Mr. C. A. Tregillus, of Simcoe Ontario, the well known Canadian expert on golf courses and their upkeep was in New York this month, attending the meeting of the Green Section of the United States Golf Association.

The growing popularity of golf in St. Thomas was evidenced at the annual meeting of the St. Thomas Golf and Country Club in the Chamber of Commerce rooms, Grand Central Hotel, when the report for 1927 was presented, showing that green fees were paid by 2,569 visitors last ummer, as compared with approximately 1,400 in 1926. Total receipts of the club last year were \$9,852. A surplus of \$139 was declared after \$1,650 was set aside as depreciation allowance. Notices of motions were given by J. L. Thayer, of London, that the capital stock be closed at \$50,000, and by R. M. Anderson, that the by-laws be amended next year to provide for the retirement of three directors annually, the retiring directors not to be eligible for office again for three years. The capital stock of the company at present subscribed is \$45,580. Mr. Thayer favoured closing the sales at \$50,000 and introducing an initiation

fee for new members. He said he felt that the club stock shares should be placed on a paying basis.

Mr. Anderson introduced his notice of motion in order to get new blood into the club directorate. The Board of Directors elected for the ensuing year is: J. B. Davison, Lieut.-Col. D. E. Gerrard, Dr. Perry L. King, Dr. J. D. Curtis, Dr. F. O. Lawrence, W. G. Whiteside, W. L. Agnew, Dr. G. T. Kennedy, H. T. Gough, C. St. Clair Leitch, K. C., and J. L. Thayer.

The two shareholders elected to the House Committee are J. P. Coyle, of Aylmer, and W. U. Latornel; to the Handicap Committee, R. W. Johnstor and Ald. C. H. Smith; to the Green Committee, Lieut.-Col. W. J. Green and G. S. Morley.

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Major W. D. Wilson, President of the Hamilton Golf and Country Club, and Vice-President of The Royal Canadian Golf Association, left this week on a five months' tour of South America.

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Mr. Stanley Thompson, the Toronto Golf Architect, who has in charge the extensive improvements to the C. P. R. golf course at Banff, Alberta, states that work is progressing most satisfactorily. When completed, Banff will have one of the finest courses on the continent.

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Golfing and other friends throughout Canada will be glad to hear that Mr. T. G. McConkey, General Manager of the Canada Life, Toronto, is making a satisfactory recovery from his recent operation for appendicitis.

Owing to the Spring-like weather prevailing in Ontario, reports from all parts of the Province this week are to the effect that many golfers are enjoying a round of the links, under most favourable conditions.

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Nicol Thompson, the well known Hamilton pro, and his club-maker, "Bill" Smart, are again in Bermuda for the Winter season. 100

#### A despatch from Atlanta, Ga.:

"Bobby" Jones announced to-day that he had resigned from the law school at Emory University to enter the law firm of his father—Jones, Evins, Moore & Powers. The announcement came within a week of his success in passing the State bar examination. The British Open, National Amateur and Southern Open Golf Champion said that his leaving school would not affect a previous announcement that he would not defend his British title this year. Bobby said that while he had previously said that his studies would keep him from making the trip, business now would prevent the journey.

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Mr. B. S. Scott, of London, Ontario, who joined our "Hole-in-One" Club recently:

"After being down with a bad cold for a week, the 'Golfer' brought a much appreciated breeze from the south in' its opening pages and inspired new life into the invalid in taking him out into the health-giving ozone of the wide-open fairways of Bermuda and Los Angeles. It is indeed a Christmas gift of which I am very proud. Kindly accept my grateful acknowledgements and heartiest wishes."

Arguing with her husband in Chicago, Mrs. Dora Stephens had the last word. She hit him on the head with a golf club and he had no comeback.

Mr. W. Ritchie, Secretary of the Saskatoon Golf Club, Saskatoon, Sask., during the course of an interesting letter to the Editor, states:

"I wish to take this opportunity to inform you that this club is in a very flourishing condition and we had quite a successful year last year in spite of adverse weather conditions. The Provincial Tournament is to be held here in 1928 and we intend getting together in the very near future in order to start preparing for it.

Wishing you a Happy and Prosperous New Year."

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A particularly important secretarial appointment has just been announced, that of Mr. Lex Robson, who has been appointed Secretary of the Weston Golf Club, Toronto. Two seasons ago, Robson, who was a prominent Edinburgh amateur golfer, came to Canada and, taking up professional duties, was appointed pro. at Weston. And he made good-plus. He is a most polished golfer and only last June, tied with Andy Kay (the subsequent winner), Nicol Thompson andand Jimmie Johnston for the Ontario Open Championship. Now he has given up his brief professional duties to become Secretary of Weston. A high-class, well-educated Scotsman. Weston could not positively have made a better choice.

#### LARGE SIZE HANDICAP

Assistant: Something in golf apparel, madam?

Lady: Yes; I want you to show me some handicaps. Large size, please. The large ones seem to be worn now. My husband said only yesterday that if he had had a big enough handicap he would certainly have won the match.

### CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

Advts. under this heading, 5c per word per insertion.

- WANTED by leading British professional now in Detroit, position in Canada for season of 1928. Champion golfer, fine instructor, and also with a thorough knowledge of Golf course construction. City Clubs only. Please reply to care of Editor, "Canadian Golfer," (who strongly recommends the applicant), Brantford, Ont., or Box 104, Redford, Mich.
- WANTED—Assistant professional, must be first-class shaft maker and repairer. Good wages to suitable man. Apply Eric Bannister, St. Charles Country Club, Winnipeg, Man.

Cash must accompany order.

WANTED-Position as Steward or Manager for a first-class golf club the coming season in Canada. Best of references. Apply Robert Johnson, care of Editor, "Canadian Golfer," who recommends the applicant.

WANTED-Professional, also capable woman to take on own account Dining and Tea Room, fully equipped. Splendid opportunity for capable couple. Reply with all information and testimonials to Alex. McKechnie, Secretary, McKellar Golf Club, Ottawa, Ontario.

### CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS-Continued

- CANADIAN professional open for engagement for the season of 1928. First-class player and teacher. Third Canadian in 1924 and 1925 Canadian Open Championships and runner-up in many other important tournaments. Excellent references as to character and ability. Write Thomas McGrath, 63 Wellington Street North Hamilton, Ont.
- WANTED-Well known English professional with experience in America, is desirous of obtaining Canadian appoint ment for 1928. Excellent references as to ability and character. Capable of giving special attention to the teaching of members. Apply to Box A. G., "Canadian Golfer," Brantford, Ont.
- WELL known Scotch professional seeks position in Canada. Nine years' experience with prominent British club. Expert coach and player, also first-class club maker. References as to character and ability. Apply Box N. B., "Canadian Golfer," Brantford, Ont.
- WANTED-For season 1928, well known professional with diversified British and Canadian experience, desires change. First-class player, coach and club-maker. Apply Editor "Canadian Golfer," Brantford, Ontario. (Note: The Editor unhesitatingly endorses the above applicant. Any large club would be more than fortunate in securing his services).
- JACK KELSEY, Golf Professional, open for engagement as Professional or Assistant. Write "Canadian Golfer."

WANTED—Professional with experience at leading Canadian and American Clubs is open for engagement. Excellent playing and teaching abilities and expert on course alteration and design. Splendid references. Apply to David Spittal, care A. G. Spalding & Bros., Catherine Street, Montreal.

FiRST class player, teacher and clubmaker, desires position for season 1928. Fifteen years' experience. Al construction and maintenance man, best of references, will guarantee conscientious and intelligent service. English, at present employed with Club in Buffalo, N. Y. Apply Box G. E. H., "Canadian Golfer," Brantford, Ont.

- WANTED—Professional position in Canada for the season of 1928. Applicant is twenty-six years of age. A native of St. Andrews, Scotland, where he learned the game thoroughly in all its branches, also club making, green-keeping, etc. Three years' experience in Canada, and three years in the United States. The very best of references. Please write Drawer 760, Care of the "Canadian Golfer," Brantford, Ont.
- FIRST-CLASS Club Maker and Instructor wanted, starting April 1st until November 15th. Only first class man need apply. Send copy of references, also state salary wanted. C. R. Murray, Royal Montreal Golf Club, Box 2349, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

### THE TOURNAMENT CALENDAR

Jan. 24-28.—Florida East Coast Cham ponship, St. Augustine, Fla.

Jan. 30-Feb. 4.—Twenty-fourth Annual St. Valentine's Tournament, Pinehurst C. C. Pinehurst, N. C.

January 31st-February 4th-Women's Championship of Bermuda, Riddell's Bay Golf and Country Club, Bermuda.

Feb. 6-11.-Ormond Beach Championship, Ormond Beach, Fla.

February 7th-11th-Men's Championship of Bermuda, Mid-Ocean Golf Club, Bermuda.

Feb. 11-13.—South Florida Championship, Palm Beach Golf Club, Palm Beach, Florida. Est. 22.25.—Fighth Annual Seniors'

Feb. 22-25.—Eighth Annual Seniors' Tournament, Pinehurst C. C., Pinehurst, N. C.

Feb. 27-March 2.—Women's South Atlantic Championship, Ormond Beach, Fla. Feb. 27-March 3.—Twenty-fourth Annual

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May 7.—British Open Championship, Royal St. George's Club, Sandwich. May 21.—British Amateur Championship, Prestwick Club, Ayrshire.

June 11th-Qualifying Rounds for U. S. Open Championship in various Districts.

June 21st, 22nd and 23rd-U. S. Open Championship, Olympia Fields Country Club, Chicago.

June 25-30.—Eighth Women's Invitation Golf Tournament, Country Club of Buffalo,

July 31st-August 5th-U. S. Public Links Championship (Open to Canadian Public Links players), Cobb's Creek Course, Philadelphia.

September 5th-7th-Canadian Seniors' Annual Tournament, Lambton Golf and Country Club, Toronto.

Sept. 10th-15th-U. S. Amateur Championship, Brae Burn Country Club, West Newton, Mass.

September 11th-14th—U. S. Seniors' Tournament, Apawamis, Rye, N. Y. September 13th · 14th — International

September 13th - 14th — International Senior Matches (Great Britain, United States and Canada), Anawamia Rye, N. Y.

States and Canada), Apawamis, Rye, N. Y. Sept. 24th-29th—Women's U. S. Championship, Virginia Hot Springs, Golf and Country Club, Virginia Hot Springs, Va.