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Golf One of "the Big Businesses" of the U. S. and Canada

It is claimed that no less a sum placed conservatively at one billion dollars, was spent on golf in the United States in 1926, which makes it one of the "Big Businesses" of the country of "Big Business." Great as the expenditure was last year, golf statisticians claim that this billion mark will be exceeded in 1927. Reports indicate that a thousand new courses will be put into play this season in the States, calling for an expenditure of \$138,000,000 on construction and club buildings, with an added \$32,000,000 for new sprinkling systems, machinery and other supplies, and \$15,000,000 for salaries, entertainment and many minor items.

The expenditures of the four thousand clubs previously in existence in the Country across the Border, added to those of new ones and the incidentals of members for clubs, balls and clothing, statisticians say, will run the total golf bill far past the billion dollar mark reached in 1926.

In Canada, too, golf is now a "big business factor." There are over 500 clubs in the Dominion, some of them, of course, small organizations, but many with incomes annually ranging from \$30,000 to \$100,000. It is not "pulling a long bow" when it is stated that over \$100,000,000 will be spent by the golfers of Canada in 1927 in the pursuit of their favourite game. No other sport to-day has so many devotees. On no other sport is so much money lavished. In fact, the expenditure on all the sports in Canada combined, does not equal the money spent to-day for golf. And considering the incalculable benefits, mentally and

physically, derived from the pursuit of the Royal and Ancient game, not forgetting the strengthening of the bonds of companionship and good fellowship, who will dare deny that the vast golf expenditure, both in the States and Canada, is not well spent, or rather, well invested?

The Passing of a Great Golfer

Golf, especially in Ontario, owes much to Percy Barrett, whose recent passing, called forth such genuine regret in golfing circles, not only in Toronto and District, but throughout Canada, for his name and fame were literally known from Coast to Coast.

Coming to the Lambton Golf and Country Club over two decades ago, he found golf here virtually in its infancy. Clubs were few and golfers were numbered merely in the hundreds. Arriving in this country in the prime of young manhood and with a wonderful game at his command (he was formerly assistant to the Master Golfer, Harry Vardon, and Harry Vardon informed the writer, that he never had a better), there is no question that he was not alone a great factor in inculcating a love for the Royal and Ancient game in Toronto and vicinity, but was responsible for laying the foundation of better and more polished golf amongst hundreds of pupils and also amongst those privileged to watch him play, especially during the old Lambton days, when golfers in the making from all parts of the Province competed in their first Tournaments, and learned much, very much, from the Lambton expert.

Barrett undoubtedly, twenty years ago, was one of the best golfers in America. He should have won the U. S. Open and other important events outside of Canada, but unfortunately lacked the necessary temperament which "in the pinches" is so essential, if big championships are to be carried off. His record in Canada, however, was an enviable one, spreading as it did, over a period from 1903 to 1926, and comprising the winning of the Canadian Open, the Canadian Professional Championship (twice), and lesser events by the score.

A Master of "wood and iron" has played the last game of all, and he will be sorely missed the coming season on the courses of his adopted country and wherever golfers foregather. The laudable undertaking, launched by a strong and representative Committee in Toronto, to provide a substantial fund for the sorely bereaved wife and family, is deserving of the most hearty support of golf clubs and golfers, not only in Toronto and Ontario, but throughout Canada. A fund in the thousands should and no doubt will be the objective aimed at and attained.

BERMUDA THE BEAUTIFUL

MR. FRED. C. ARMITAGE, Manager of the Toronto Golf Club, and Mrs. Armitage, were recent visitors amongst many other Canadians to Bermuda. He writes the Editor:

"Bermuda is a most delightful place, and ideal for a real rest. We enjoyed many fine rounds on the various courses. Mid-Ocean is, of course, the outstanding test of golf. Nicol Thompson, of Hamilton, who is in Bermuda for the Winter, informed me that it is in a class with the very best on both sides of the Atlantic. I have never played on a finer course. In my estimation it far out-classes the famous Turnberry course in Scotland. As you no doubt know, Mid-Ocean is owned and operated by the Furness Withy Shipping Company. I was informed that the club house and course cost in the neighbourhood of two hundred thousand pounds. The bulk of this money was spent on the course, which produced results as above referred to."



(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).

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“Bobbie” Jones has been after more “birdies” this month. He has been quail hunting in the thick pine woods in Southern Georgia and has demonstrated that he is a good shot besides being the world’s champion golfer.

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And now it is “Aerial Golf.” A despatch from London:

The course may be rough, but most golfers never find it too rough even to tee up the ball. That’s not the case, however, with many of the air pilots at Roehampton who play aerial golf. On windy days it is impossible to tee up the balls, but when the weather’s fair, all’s well. The golf course, to be sure, is laid out on the ground and flour bags are dropped by the flyers.”

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A despatch from Halifax, January 20th:

“Lieutenant-Governor J. C. Tory played a round of golf over the links of the Gorsebrook Club to-day, in company with others. Gorsebrook links are usually, at this time of the year, the playground of the local ski and snowshoe clubs, but the mild weather that has prevailed throughout January bared the greens, and many are taking advantage of the opportunity to keep in practice.”

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What next? England, says the “Metropolitan Golfer,” has put the ban on the plus fours and they are slated to go the way of other freak styles. It is true that the baggy trousers have been overdone and modification is planned. Loud sweaters with hose to match are not favoured by the smart dresser any more. There are always golfers who must be seen and heard on the links, however, and we wonder what the fashion experts are planning for this class.

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Your Yankee manufacturer is nothing if not progressive. One of the best “stunts” put over recently by a big firm across the Border, to interest and amuse their employees, goes to the credit of a St. Paul firm. Surrounding the big Brown and Bigelow plant near that city an excellent 9-hole course has been laid out and turned over to the Employees’ Club. It has proved easily the biggest recreational project ever fathered by the firm. Two hundred and more employees play regularly and conduct many keenly contested tournaments.

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Another great movie star has fallen for the lure of the links. Douglas Fairbanks has always been a keen devotee of tennis, but this winter he has dropped “the racket” for the golf club. Every spare minute he is to be seen on the courses of the South. He is being coached more or less by two outstanding players—Mr. George Von Elm, the U. S. Amateur Champion, and Leo Diegel, ex-Canadian Open Champion. He has had several games with them this winter and if they can’t make a golfer out of “Dug” then no one can.

There was more than the ordinary amount of satisfaction for Bobby Cruickshank, the former Scottish amateur, in winning the Texas open recently, as he was "talked out" of the championship last year when Bill Mehlhorn shouted to an auto mechanic trying to start a car, "What do you know about machinery?" just when Cruickshank was making the putt that would have won the crown. The shout threw Bobby off his stride and he missed the ball, Macdonald Smith, Canadian Open Champion, capturing first prize as a result.

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The Sydney Record of January 31st, says:

"Florida has nothing on us. Nine Sydney golfers played on the Lingan Country Club links on January 30th, 1927, and there'll be more of them on the course to-day. Two ladies and seven men made up the group of players who went 'round the links on the 30th, and they reported as enjoyable a game as ever was played in Cape Breton in the balmiest days at the peak of a season. None of them found need for sweaters or any other wraps of the kind, and one or two of the men complained that they found their usual clothes a trifle too warm. The Tourist Association had better start booming Cape Breton as the home of winter golfing in Canada. But don't ask a Sydney curler what he thinks of the Winter of 1927. He'd kill you with a look."

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Mayor Rogers, the famous American humorist, writes from Orlando, Fla.:

"Had breakfast this morning with John D. Rockefeller, for which I received a fine breakfast and a brand new dime. Went out with him and watched him play eight holes of golf, for which I received another dime. Made 20 cents clear. Received more jokes from him than I gave, as he is certainly keen and has a great sense of humour. Had a very pleasant morning and would have stayed longer, but he ran out of dimes. I am trying to get him to come to California for his second hundred years. Who else will give me a dime to eat with them?"

(Ed. Note.—Mr. Rockefeller always has a pocketful of dimes, which he distributes to friends with whom he plays golf. These 10c. pieces from the only billionaire in the world, are highly prized by the recipients).

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Demonstrating the ever-growing popularity of golf in the United States amongst the rank and file, recent Government figures issued at Washington show that a quarter of a million golfers used the public courses of the country from January 1st to October 31st, last year. This compares with 198,637 tennis players and 87,612 using the baseball diamonds. It will thus be seen that golf has almost as much interest for the average U.S. citizen as the other two popular sports combined. Truly a remarkable record when it is remembered that it is only a few years ago that Municipal Golf was instituted in the States.

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The richest golf club in the world is the Detroit Golf Club. Some twelve years ago a number of enthusiasts purchased a fine piece of property only some six miles from the city, which was then probably not half the size it is to-day. Round the course and club house, choice residential lots were laid out and these have become exceedingly valuable. The club is now reported to be worth \$20,000,000. This clever real estate and golf scheme of the Detroiters is being successfully followed in other cities, Toronto this year amongst the number. There is no question that a high class course on the outskirts of a large city is a splendid "booster" for real estate in its vicinity.

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It is with sincere personal regret that the Editor is called upon this month to record the sudden passing of Senator F. F. Pardee, of Sarnia, Ont., which occurred at his hotel in St. Petersburg, February 4, at which winter resort he was spending a few weeks. The Senator was one of the oldest and most enthusiastic members of the Sarnia Golf Club, and a most valued member of The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association. He always attended the Senior Tournaments and more than once was a prize winner. He was 60 years old and recognized as one of the leading men of Ontario. He was a member of the Provincial Legislature

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from 1898 to 1902 and the House of Commons from 1905 to 1921. He was summoned to the Senate in 1922. His sudden demise came as a great shock to friends not only in his native Province, but throughout Canada. He was an outstanding figure in the Legislature, in the Commons, in the Senate and in legal and financial circles of Ontario and will be sincerely mourned by friends from Coast to Coast.

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It so happened that two famous American pros. were in an argument with a fairly good American amateur over the luncheon table recently. One pro said a certain shot should be played in a certain way. His companions disagreed with him and with each other. An innocent bystander bobbed up with a golf magazine in which photographs showed that the pros in the argument said one thing and did another. The amateur player went home and tore up all photographs of himself in action. In other words, as pointed out in the New York "Times," if there are a million ways of ruining a golf shot, there are at least three ways of getting a satisfactory result.

The idea is to get the ball from the tee into the cup in as few strokes as possible. The rest is a matter of personal taste and a perennial difference of opinion.

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"Any suggestion or tip in golf that takes away ease or relaxation isn't worth a brace of whoops along the outskirts of Gehenna," says the New York "Herald-Tribune."

The basis of good golf is bound to be relaxation. The next step is smoothness. Any one who can work out a mental attitude that carries these two aids has a big start. They need practicing as well as any physical part of the swing.

They must be turned into habits just as well as correct swinging. Few things arrive without some plan. One good way to practice is to think of these two essentials at the start and not take them for granted. They mean a lighter grip and an unhurried back swing and less frenzied intentness through the swing.

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It looks as though the idea of golf clubs exclusively for women, the next few years, will spread from Coast to Coast. Miss Marion Hollins was the pioneer in America in this respect and the club started by her at Long Island, N. Y., now boasts a long waiting list. Thanks largely to the efforts of Miss Ada MacKenzie, the Canadian Champion, to Toronto belongs the honour of successfully starting the second women's club on the Continent, with an ideal club house and course. Now comes word that Miss Glenna Collett, ex-U. S. and Canadian Champion, and a strong group of golfers are planning another ladies' club in Westchester County, N. Y., and it too is "going over with a bang." Chicago and other Western cities are also contemplating providing golf courses exclusively for the fair sex. Soon the "Adamless links" will no longer be a novelty, but will be found in all the leading golf centres of the United States and Canada.

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Andrew J. McLean, a New York City lawyer, favours an international golf championship and he wants a conference held in the near future to decide the details. He would have this conference called by the U. S. G. A. and the P. G. A. Money prizes amounting to \$20,000 for the pros. could be offered and also an elaborate trophy. Mr. McLean believes the first of these competitions should be held in the United States and preferably in September. He is of the opinion that he can induce one of America's most prominent men to donate the trophy and guarantee the money. Moved by the report that the last amateur championship brought \$23,000 to the U. S. G. A. Mr. McLean suggests that the receipts be divided among the American Legion, caddie welfare enterprises and a monument to mark the site of the apple tree which sheltered the first golf club at St. Andrews, N. Y.

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The fund being raised to send an invading team of British professionals to America this summer is now well under way and has received the official recognition of the Royal and Ancient Club of St. Andrews, who have contributed \$250 from the club funds. The Britishers are taking this matter very seriously, the avowed object being to win the U. S. Open Championship and the eight-a-side team match against American professionals for the "Rhyder" Cup. It is altogether likely that J. H. Taylor will be asked to Captain the English team. Taylor is now 56 years of age and the average age of the invaders is bound to be higher than that of the Americans. If "Sandy" Herd should be selected the team will have a grandfather on it, but although Herd is 58, he is playing as well as ever, as witness his victory last autumn in the "News of the World" tournament.

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"Canada," the weekly illustrated journal published in London, has just celebrated its coming-of-age, having first launched forth on the seas of journalism in January, 1906. Since that date, it has been an ever-increasing advertisement for the Dominion in Great Britain, commanding a high prestige and an ever widening influence, until to-day it is an indispensable link between Canada and the Mother Country. Not only has "Canada" faithfully reported to its readers the true political and commercial situation in the Dominion, but it has consistently encouraged the export to Canada of surplus labor and capital. By maintaining a rigid standard of accuracy in its comments on the industrial, financial and agricultural situation it has gained the reputation of being a reliable and impartial clearing house in Great Britain for all manner of authentic



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Advices from London state that the fund for the financing of a British professional team to visit the United States this season, is meeting with a ready response, the Royal and Ancient and prominent clubs and golfers coming down with handsome subscriptions. The team will play a return match with the U. S. pros. for the Ryder Cup, which the Britishers won by a handsome margin last year. In connection with this visit, W. D. Richardson, Golf Editor of the New York "Times" writes:

"Just what terms the match, which is for the Ryder Cup, will be played under is not known. Nor is the ultimate whereabouts of the match known. At the time of the Oakmont meeting there was a general discussion and W. C. Fownes, Jr., President of the U. S. G. A., told the representatives of the P. G. A. that they could have Oakmont for the match if they desired, but the feeling then was that it would be better to hold the affair either in the Chicago or New York district. To hold it at Oakmont on the week before the Open Championship would no doubt detract from one or the other of the two events and cut down the profits to a considerable extent. The dates have been set for June 10 and 11, which is just prior to the Open Championship, now scheduled to start on June 14.

While there appears to be nothing to prevent them from doing so, it would seem, from the sporting point of view at least, best if the American team was an all-American one; that is, one composed of men who have been born here. To pit ex-British such as Barnes, Macfarlane, Armour, Cruickshank, Walker and Smith against their own kind would not, in the writer's opinion, prove anything. To put a team composed of Hagen, Sarazen, Farrell, Turnesa, Diegel, Brady, Watrous and Cooper would add to the international aspect of the match and prove whether our golfers were superior or theirs."

OPEN LETTER OF THE U. S. G. A.

President Fownes Appeals for National Support—Activities of Green Section to be Broadened—Associate Membership Abandoned

FOLLOWING the annual meeting of the U. S. G. A. held in Pittsburg—January 8th, at which many important constitutional amendments were adopted, President W. C. Fownes, Jr., issued the following letter to members, which is of interest to Canadian golfers, in view of the increased activity of the Green Section of the Royal Canadian Golf Association. Mr. Fownes stresses the importance of a National Governing Body and many of his statements are equally applicable to the work being done by the R.C.G.A.

"Hereafter the Association will be composed of active members only, at annual dues of \$30. per year. Membership in the Association will carry with it, without further charge, the Green Section Service, including the Bulletin. The U. S. G. A. Green Section, which has functioned until now as a separate corporation, will be dissolved and the work of the Green Section will be managed by a committee of the Association to be known as the Green Section Committee. Mr. Wyant D. Vanderpool has consented to serve as Chairman of this Committee and he will be assisted by such committeemen in various

sections of the United States as he may designate. There will be no change in the personnel of the technical staff at Washington; likewise such men as Mr. H. Kendall Read, Dr. Walter S. Harban, Mr. H. Y. Barrow and many others who have worked so faithfully for the Green Section in the past will continue to do so in the future.

The total expenditures for the Green Section work in 1926 were \$20,001.93. This amount seems small when compared with the great sum of money spent annually in this country for maintenance and construction of golf courses. There are virtually four thousand active clubs in this country to-day, and placing the average cost of upkeep at the conservative figure of \$5,000 would mean a total expenditure of \$20,000,000 per year for maintenance alone. That there still is great waste in the expenditure of this money is beyond question, and that a large part of this waste can be prevented by a thorough knowledge of the principles governing golf course construction and the care and preservation of turf grasses is also beyond question. This educational and preventive work is only one branch of the activities of the Green Section, and small as its yearly budget has been, the Green Section in the few years since its inception has secured much reliable scientific information,

has distributed this information in the most effective way, and the files of the Association contain many letters giving concrete instances of where reliance on the Green Section has saved clubs many thousands of dollars.

While the Green Section service is one of the material things which the Association offers to its members, we believe that the Association merits the support of golf clubs generally for the other things which it does for the good of the game, that is to say, its watchfulness that the highest standard of amateurism is maintained, its formulation and interpretation of the rules, its control of the implements of the game, and its administration of the National Championship competitions. These matters may seem of remote significance to the average golfer,

whereas in fact they are not remote, but bear directly on the very fundamentals of the game. It is only by carefully safeguarding the fundamentals that the game will continue to grow in the strength and vigor which it enjoys to-day.

Fixing the dues of \$30. per year the Executive Committee was guided by a desire to put the membership within the reach of all clubs. If the Green Section work is to be broadened and extended as the Committee believes is desirable, it will be necessary to increase the members of the Association accordingly. You are therefore urged to use your best efforts to bring in new member clubs to the end that the enrollment of the Association and the service rendered by it may be truly national in character."

REVIVAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL MATCHES

WHEN in New York recently the Editor had a particularly interesting chat with Mr. H. H. Ramsay, a leading lawyer of the Metropolis and Honorary Secretary of The United States Golf Association. Mr. Ramsay has recently been in communication with Mr. B. L. Anderson, Secretary of The Royal Canadian Golf Association, in reference to the revival of the International Matches between the United States and Canada, which have not been played now since 1920, when the U. S. won by 10½ points to 4½ points.

Mr. Ramsay stated that he had placed the communications in the hands of Mr. W. C. Fownes and the International Committee of the U. S. G. A., and they would shortly take action thereon. He said personally he was strongly in favour of the revival of the fixture. He believed it was in the interest alike of the game and of International good feeling and fellowship. He was aware of the fact that Canada was developing a number of high-class young players and it would be a splendid thing for them to meet the pick of the U. S. amateurs. He sincerely hoped and believed that his Association would again arrange for matches to be played annually with a representative team from Canada selected by the R. C. G. A.

The revival of the fixture, the "Canadian Golfer" believes, would be one of the best things that could possibly be recorded in connection with golf in Canada, and it is satisfactory to know from all indications, 1927 will again see the pick of the Dominion amateurs, ten in number, meet the stars of U. S. amateur golfdom. It would be the golfing event of the year, and attract galleries in the thousand.

"JESS" SWEETSER AGAIN IN THE GAME

THE many Canadian friends of the British Amateur Champion, Jess Sweetser, will be delighted to know that an eminent New York specialist has pronounced him again fit, the disturbance in his lung having evidently been dissipated by his rest in Muskoka last fall and through this winter at Asheville. It was "Jess" who originated the idea of a Christmas tournament in the New York district in aid of the National Tuberculosis Institute, and his open telegram of approval put the seal of success on the enterprise, which was successful in raising a very handsome sum. One of the novel ideas in connection with the tournament was that each competitor should donate a new ball wrapped in a bill. I understand that he will remain in Asheville until the end of April, and will then resume his work. He will also be back in the game this year and

will compete in the American Amateur and also for the "Gold Mashie" held by T. Suffern Taylor on his links at Newport. Sweetser is very keen to win the "Gold Mashie" this year, which is a classic in Eastern amateur events. In 1923 he was runner-up to Jesse Guilford and in 1924 to D. Clark Corkran, Ouimet winning in 1925 and 1926. If Sweetser should win this year it will be extremely popular and that he is liable to do so is evidenced by the statement of a prominent Canadian golfer who spent Christmas in Asheville and saw "Jess" play the last nine at the Biltmore Club in 33. It is altogether likely that this young American who has made himself so popular in golfing circles both at home and abroad, will be seen on some of the Toronto courses this coming month of May.

THE COMING BRITISH INVASION

MR. P. C. PULVER, the well known golf writer of the New York "Sun," writes:

"According to latest advices from abroad, the prospect now appears bright for the financing of the professional golf team planning to play in this country next summer. Subscription lists have been sent to golf clubs throughout the British Isles as well as county unions, golf societies and firms, the idea being to have the fund represent a national effort. It is understood that over \$2,000 donations have already been received, the total desired being approximately \$15,000.

Not forgetting that American golfers have won five of the last six British Open Championships, those overseas are especially keen to regain some of their lost prestige. The visiting team would come here with two objects in view—to play in the National Open Championship at Oakmont and meet a team of American players in an international professional match. Just where the latter event would be decided is something that could be determined after it has definitely been settled that the British team is coming.

The present plan is to send this way eight players, one reserve player, and a team manager. It is just possible that when conditions for the match are being arranged the question of eligibility will be brought up. There is no doubt but that the foreign golfers would prefer to meet a strictly American team.

There are in this country a number of professional leaders who, although they learned their golf on the other side, are now American citizens. However, if it were found necessary to stick to a strictly native born personnel, little fault could be found with such citizens as Walter Hagen, Gene Sarazen, Leo Diegel, Will Mehlhorn, Joe Turnesa, Johnny Farrell, John Golden and Will Klein."

FREAK GOLF CLUBS

How the Putter Got Its Twist

("Niblick")

GOLFERS, whatever foundation there may be for the theory, are not frequently credited with having an over-abundance of sense, and in these days of plus-fours and gaudy pull-overs one could be pardoned for assuming that to-day they have lost practically all they ever possessed.

This opinion has of late been oft expressed. A conversation which I had the other day with the proprietor of an old-fashioned golf cleek and iron firm, however, led me to modify if not to change my views. It was while discussing the introduction of the razor-blade mashie that he informed me that

25 years ago he was making clubs on the very same lines. There might be little doubt, he said that the club could do all that was claimed for it, but it was certainly not a new idea.

In the course of our talk he mentioned that although golfers are quite "finicky" and critical as regards their clubs, indeed more so—than they were say, 30 years ago, the crank or faddist has almost disappeared.

Golf clubs, it seems, have always had a fascination for those of an inventive turn of mind, and many weird and fearful-looking tools have been evolved by those would-be Edisons. Few weeks

passed, the manufacturer assured me, in which he was not asked to make some extraordinary club which some crank fondly imagined would revolutionize the Royal and Ancient game. They were usually difficult to make and it was but seldom that they proved a commercial success; indeed, few ever passed the initial try-out and were thrown aside as "duds."

I was shown what must be a unique collection of these freaks of fancy. A more wonderful assortment of creations I never hope to see. Putters bulked largely, probably because putting is so difficult. On this club the amateur has allowed his fancy and creative genius to run riot. One bore the name of the "Chicken," another the "Ferret," and yet another the "Dead-or-Down." There were many other models in irons, mashies, and niblicks, few of which will survive.

"Yes," said my friend, "golfers have more commonsense nowadays. I am seldom asked to make a freak club. Who, for instance, would dream of using such a club as this," holding up a putter fitted with a shaft at either end. "To-day golfers really know what a club should be and many know as much about 'lines,' balance, and finish as the expert. We have certainly had to march with the times, and during the last twenty years there has been an immense improvement in the design and finish of golf irons."

Picking up a putter with a long socket and blade, he told me an interesting story of the original. The late Willie Park, one of Scotland's greatest golfers in the old days, was once playing at Musselburgh course. He had neither caddie nor golf bag, and on reaching one of the greens he threw down his clubs and started to practice putting. Along came a man with a horse and cart loaded with sand for filling the bunkers. Unwittingly one of the cart wheels passed across the socket of Willie's iron, an old-fashioned one with a long socket and thin blade, and the weight of the cart bent the former so that it had a nice, natural curve. When Willie picked it up he thought his iron was ruined, but on closer inspection he exclaimed, "Why this is

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the very putter I've been looking for!" And he commenced using it right away with complete success. "Park" putters became the rage, and to this day the same bend as was fashioned by the cart wheel is still, I understand, in demand.

I left the manufacturer comparing the original mashie made for the world-famous J. H. Taylor with another identical with the club he now uses. The latter was a Derby winner alongside an old cart horse.

AN IMPRESSION OF GEORGE DUNCAN

C. H. PERKINS, professional at the Vancouver Golf Club, and the only Canadian to qualify in the Los Angeles \$10,000 tournament, in writing of his California experiences, has this to say about George Duncan, whose trip to America this year proved a lamentable failure:

"Our old friend, George Duncan, seems to me to be in bad health and it has affected his scoring ability. He seems to be miles away from his work, but in the execution of individual shots he is still a great master; so easy and gentle, so quick with his decision to make the shot. His ease and grace stood out whilst playing with "Light Horse" Harry Cooper; always undisturbed, a perfect lesson to the average professional on this side of the water. If the shot he played did not come off as desired there was no exhibition of ill temper in either language or action. I really don't think I can remember as good a lesson of self control as that exhibition of Duncan's with \$10,000 at stake and not a chance of being in the money."

Perkins himself has made quite a good record in competitions along the Pacific Coast this past year. In the recent Hagen exhibition matches at Vancouver, Hagen was paired with Perkins against David Black and Davey Ayton. Hagen collected three birdies on a strange course; Black two and Perkins and Ayton one each, but Perkins had the better of it off the tee. In 16 shots with the wood he outdrove Hagen eight times, held him even three times and was out-driven five times. Perkins' 300 yard drive from the first tee with a "Henley" ball was the longest drive of the day.

CHAMPIONS AND THEIR CHANCES

(*Mr. Grantland Rice*).

THAT aged and decrepit veteran, Bobby Jones, will attempt to defend one golf title and regain another this season, if advancing years don't crowd him back. For on the 17th of March Bobby Jones will be twenty-five years old, when even his whiskers, if any, may be tinged with gray.

Bobby Jones entered the Southern championship and made a stout showing at the age of thirteen. So at the age of twenty-five he has had twelve years of competitive experience in championship company, and if this isn't a world's record we pause for a rebuttal.

He has the youth and stamina that remain at twenty-five, and he has the experience that few at thirty-five will ever get to know.

Jones will make no attempt to defend his title in the British open. But he will be there, arrayed in bells and cymbals, for the U. S. Open at Oakmont early in June, where he will be the favoured contestant.

The odds against him at Oakmont will be only 3 or 4 to 1. The odds against Hagen or any other starter will be 5 or 6 to 1. Any man who can beat Jones at seventy-two holes over Oakmont will have to step along, because Oakmont is a course he likes to play and the length and bunkering suit his game.

It was at Oakmont that Jones reached the final round of the Amateur Championship when he was seventeen years old, and it was at Oakmont that he won two years ago.

Jones hasn't finished worse than second in the Open since 1921. Here you have a record for five-year consistency never equalled in golf.

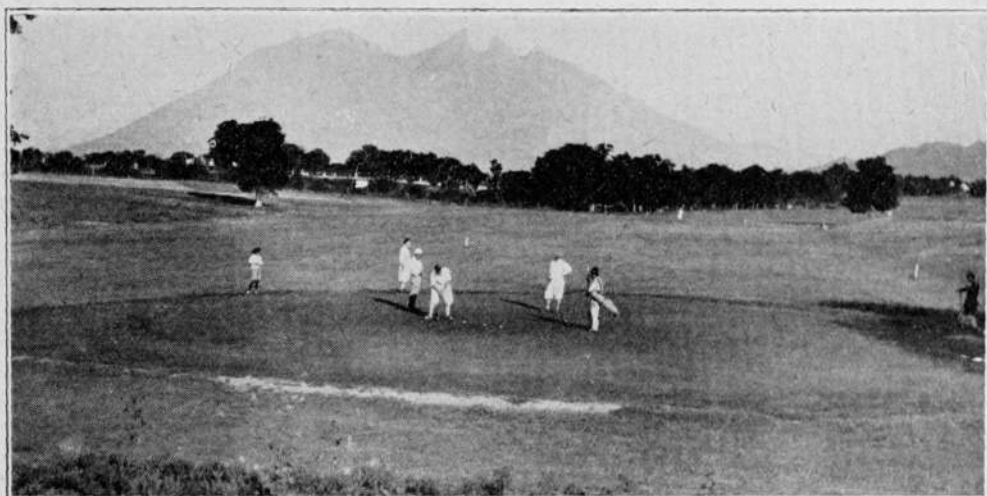
He should be the hardest individual in the field to beat off.

THE MONTERREY COUNTRY CLUB

Is One of Mexico Golf Association's Leading Clubs—Willie Lamb, of Toronto, is Club Professional

THE 1926 year book of the Mexico Golf Association, a beautifully illustrated edition of over 100 pages, just received by the "Canadian Golfer," would be a credit to any golfing organization and gives ample evidence of the popularity of the Royal

A short 9 hole course was laid out by local engineers and shortly after this Willie Symons, Jr., a San Antonio Texas, professional, was engaged to properly re-arrange the course. The Park Reservations of the Monterrey Water Works Company was put at the



A View of No. 4 Green and Fairway on the Course of the Monterrey Country Club. The course is 2,200 feet above sea level and the famous Saddle Mountain in the background rises to a height of 5,500 feet. Golf in such exhilarating surroundings is a delight indeed.

and Ancient game in that Southern country and the splendid golfing facilities provided for tourists. One of the leading members of the Mexico Association is the Monterrey Country Club and Mr. E. F. Seixas, Chairman of the House Committee in sending the Editor a copy of this year book, relates how a very insignificant golf bug flew into Monterrey during the fall of 1922 and was captured.

Ten Monterrey business men, only two of whom had ever come in contact with the bug, got together and decided that an organization should be at once formed to nurture the bug. This organization meeting was held in November 27th, 1922. Committees were appointed and on January 3, 1923, the Monterrey Country Club, S. C. I., came into being with 35 charter members.

disposal of the club at a very nominal rental, and the building formerly used as the Water Works caretaker's residence was converted into a club house. A very complete concrete locker house was built and equipped with steel lockers, shower baths, etc. Two clay tennis courts were constructed and by the end of 1923 the club had a membership of approximately 80, with a very large percentage of golf and tennis enthusiasm. The first President of the Club was Mr. J. M. L. Mackay, a Canadian resident of Monterrey.

The club grew and flourished and in 1925 Mr. William Lamb, assistant professional for the Toronto Golf Club, was engaged for the winter months as pro of the Monterrey Country Club and was re-engaged for the Winter months of 1926-27. The members of

the club have been greatly benefited by his instruction and he has also improved and lengthened the course to the standard distance.

In 1926 the Mexico Golf Association was formed and the first annual amateur and professional tournaments were held at the Mexico City Country Club in Mexico City. The Monterrey Country Club was well represented and Mr. J. M. L. Mackay was a semi-finalist

and Mr. William Lamb won the Professional event.

At the time of the foundation of the Monterrey Country Club there were two clubs in Mexico City and one in Tampico, and at the time of writing, besides the Monterrey Country Club, there are also golf courses at the following places in the Republic of Mexico: Pachuca, Guadalajara, Torreón, San Luis Potosi, El Oro, Tlahualilo, Chihuahua and Fresnillo.

ANOTHER FINE COURSE IN FLORIDA

Carl Anderson Completes Championship Course of the Venice Country Club

ANOTHER championship 18-hole golf course in Florida was formally opened on January 15th, when the Venice Golf and Country Club at Venice, Florida, held an open tournament for club members and their guests.

Johnny Farrell last June compiled a list of the fifteen best courses in the country, three being in Florida. The Venice course will make a fourth, as it was built by Carl H. Anderson, of Danbury, Connecticut, famous golf course architect, who has many fine courses to his credit, professional and discoverer of Jess Sweetser. It is unique in many respects, one being that it has a full grown orange tree at every tee. It is laid out amidst a natural tropical setting of palms and oaks, and every trick known in sporty course building has been brought into play in its construction.

Almost a year ago the first fairway was plowed, clearing through hammock, tropical palms, pines, whitewood and slough, some of the swamps having a nine foot six inch elevation above sea level. One of these slough or swamps is now the tenth fairway, showing what fill and drainage were necessary. Number three hole, or the "Beach," was conceived as a beach hole with no fairway from tee to green, there being only a stretch of sand. Double tees give a length of 107 and 137 yards, and a water hazard in front of the green adds greatly to the difficulty of the shot. The vista behind the green is left intentionally open and free of foliage to impress the player with a feeling of distance and vast open space. This camouflage is the length of the hole, and most players will be under the impression that the hole is at least 160 yards from the back tee, while the card and tee box show it to be but 137 yards. On number four the player drives and pitches into the "Jungle" hole.

A six hole pitching and putting course will be opened in February. The longest hole will be 72 yards, and the shortest 18 yards. Laid out like a regular course with bunkers and hazards, it will be under lights for night playing.

The new championship course has a total length of 6,504 yards, the card is as follows: Out—1, 461, par 5; 2, 399, par 4; 3, 137, par 3; 4, 317, par 4; 5, 553, par 5; 6, 377, par 4; 7, 393, par 4; 8, 197, par 3; 9, 493, par 5; Out, 3,297. In—10, 410, par 4; 11, 367, par 4; 12, 475, par 5; 13, 171, par 3; 14, 401, par 4; 15, 340, par 4; 16, 153, par 3; 17, 405, par 4; 18, 485, par 5; In 3,207. A par of 73 for the course.

The Venice course will be the scene of some very important amateur and professional match play events during the next few months, as a number of the brightest stars in both ranks are scheduled to play, among them being Ernest Anderson, brother of Carl; James C. Dagleish, Alex. Smith, Gilbert Nicholls, Walter Hagen and Bobby Jones. Definite announcements of the dates of these matches will be made later.

OUR AMATEUR CHAMPIONS

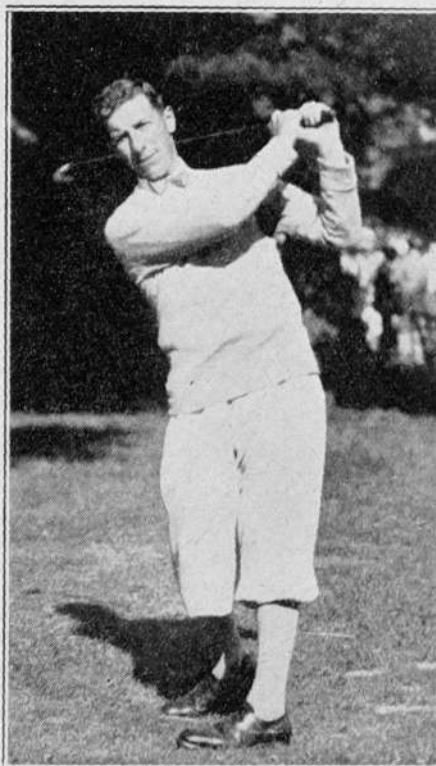
Ross Somerville Is Honoured by City of London—Don Carrick Wins International Boxing Competition—Both are Outstanding Athletes

LAST month the City of London honoured Ross Somerville, Amateur Champion of Canada, with a silver loving cup in recognition of the esteem held for his athletic prowess by his fellow citizens. The presentation was made at a joint meeting of the members of the Canadian Club and the London Hunt Club, which was addressed by the Hon. J. C. Elliott, Minister of Public Works for the Dominion. Mayor John M. Moore read a testimonial from the City Council and citizens of London and presented the cup to the popular champion, who acknowledged the tribute with his usual modest brevity. Usually Ross endeavours to escape these public functions and last fall when a public reception and presentation was scheduled to take place during "Old Home Week" they found that he had slipped away to conquer other fields and when he returned he brought back with him the Amateur Championship of Manitoba.

The champion's golfing history dates away back to the days when a putter was the heaviest club that he could manage and his instruction was of the parental nature. Later he spent considerable time abroad and practiced under the eye of the best professionals in the Old Country. Champions are made, not born, and it was a familiar sight around the links at the London Hunt to see Ross with a bag of balls carefully perfecting the difficult strokes. Eventually he knocked at the door of the Canadian classic in 1924 at Rosedale, when he was runner-up to Frank Thompson, and in 1925 "Don" Carrick nosed him out at Ottawa, but last year he came into his own when he defeated "Happy" Fraser, of Montreal, at the Toronto Golf Club for the Amateur Championship of Canada.

But Ross is not alone a golfer, at Ridley it was cricket, and they still talk about his work on the University of Toronto rugby team. He has always been one of the best hockey players in

the Dominion, and as Dr. W. J. Brown, of the London Hunt Club, said at the testimonial gathering in London: "Sandy" Somerville is one of Canada's outstanding all-round athletes "in



Ross "Sandy" Somerville, of the London Hunt Club, Amateur Champion of Canada, who was presented by the City of London with a silver loving cup in recognition of his athletic prowess.

both personality and achievements he has given the Canadian youth a mark at which to aim."

The same week that the 1926 champion was being honoured in London, "Don" Carrick, 1925 Dominion Champion and 1926 Ontario Champion, was in the limelight, having scored a victory in the heavyweight class of the annual boxing competition between teams representing the University of Toronto and the crack American Military

Academy of West Point, N. Y. It is the Canadian's third successive victory in this international intercollegiate boxing competition, and "Don" is now as well known between the ropes at West Point as he is on the links around



"Don" Carrick, 1925 Amateur Champion of Canada, and 1926 Ontario Champion, who has been prominent this winter in Intercollegiate sports.

Toronto. This year Cadet Muse hoped to take the Canadian's measure, but the University of Toronto boy was in the pink of condition and outpointed his opponent from the first gong.

Don also distinguished himself last fall on the gridiron, his line work on

the Varsity team in no small way assisted the U. of T. team to win the Canadian Intercollegiate Rugby Championship. Champion golfer, boxer and rugby star, Don Carrick is also one of Canada's outstanding athletes, a credit to the golfing world of Canada.

Here then, are two young Canadians who would confound those critics who protested against golf being introduced into intercollegiate sports on the grounds that it ruined the spirit engendered by team competition. Both have gained the pinnacle of Canadian amateur golf—"Don" Carrick, of the Scarboro Country Club, champion of 1925, and Ross Somerville, of the London Hunt Club, Champion of 1926, and both have made their mark on the football field and in other sports that demand the close co-operation of team play. Two sterling characters who in their varsity days without neglect of scholastic attainments, distinguished themselves on the playing fields of their native country and left a high mark for the youth of another generation to strive for.

Last year when Ross and Don went West to participate in the Western Championships at Winnipeg their modest nature and good fellowship endeared them to the hearts of hosts of Western golfers and when the final match is played for the 1927 Amateur Championship of Canada there could be no more popular or deserving contenders than Somerville, of London, and Carrick, of Toronto, old friends, but keen rivals on the green.

RECORD YEAR AT SUMMIT GOLF CLUB

Mr. D. McFadyen is New President—Life Membership to Mr. Fane Sewell on His Retirement—Prizes Are Presented to 1926 Winners

THE year 1926, the sixth in the history of the Summit Golf Club, of Toronto, has been the most successful since its inception, according to the report presented to the members by Mr. Fane Sewell, the retiring President, at the annual meeting last month.

The annual statement shows that the ordinary revenue increased nearly

\$8,000 over the previous year, nearly all departments showing gains. Green fees exceeded \$4,000, and there was a net increase in membership of 71. The operating surplus was sufficient to permit adding the sum of \$6,250 to the club's reserves for depreciation. Total depreciated assets now standing at \$167,520.



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A number of improvements were made on the course and in the club house, notably the installation of steam heating in the locker room and snack room, which adds greatly to the comfort of the members during the early and late parts of the season. All the permanent greens on the main course were in play until after Armistice Day. During the year construction of the unique nine-hole miniature practice course was completed, and play commenced in July. It is a real course on a miniature scale, and being the only one of its kind in the Toronto district, has been the centre of much interest to the membership, which now exceeds 550.

Three directors completed their terms of office, Messrs. I. H. Weldon, Dyce W. Saunders and Fane Sewell, while another, Mr. James, resigned with a year of his term remaining. Mr. Weldon was re-elected and the new members of the Board are, Messrs. W. J. Beaton, Gordon R. Medland and H. Reginald Case. At a meeting of the

new Board, Mr. Donald MacFadyen was elected President and Capt. S. C. Snively, Vice-President.

A very pleasant feature of the occasion was the conferring on Mr. Fane Sewell, the retiring President, of an honorary life membership. Mr. Sewell, who has been an indefatigable worker for the club since its inception, consented to act as club captain during the coming year. He will be assisted in this capacity by Mr. James Stewart.

The prizes won in the various competitions were presented by Mr. Sewell and the retiring Captain, Mr. E. H. Paisley. The events and winners were:

Gentlemen—Weldon Trophy, club champion, H. Parker. Services Cup, overseas men, Dr. A. L. Palmer. Moysey Cup, club handicap, Dr. R. W. Emerson. John Gorman consolation Cup, Alex. McKee. Welch Cup, flag competition, A. E. Moysey. Craig Cup, century championship, E. R. Chudleigh. Newmarket Cup, century handicap, F. C. Annesley. Davis Cup, putting, Fane Sewell.

Cutten Cup, ringer competition, Harry Bickle. Captain's Prize, medal round, H. G. Wookey.

Ladies—Georgia Weldon Cup, lady champion, Mrs. C. J. Moorhouse. Moyses Cup, club ladies' handicap, Mrs. F. C. McKee. Bessie Martin Shield, Mrs. S. C. Vinen. Fane Sewell prize,

ringer competition, Miss Olive Caldwell.

Mixed Foursome—Victoria and Aurora Cups, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Lefroy.

Miniature Course—Chester Moorhouse prize, best round, Mrs. W. C. Shreiner.

CHAMPIONSHIP CHANCES FOR COMING SEASON

(*John Kiernan, Golf Editor, New York Times*).

THERE'S trouble ahead for that Jones boy. The Jones referred to is Robert Tyre Jones, Jr., of Atlanta, Ga., and the holder "pro tem." of the British and American Open Golf Championships. The "pro tem." clause is always attached to a prominent golf title. The lease on a golf crown rarely runs longer than a year.

Since 1900 there have been exactly four men who were permitted to enjoy a two-year lease on the American amateur golf crown, these being Walter J. Travis, H. Chandler Egan, Jerome Dunstan Travers and the Jones boy in question. On two occasions Jerry Travers clung to a two-year lease in spite of all efforts to oust him.

Back in the early days of golf the late Willie Anderson won the American open championship three times running and Johnny McDermott won it two years in succession, in 1911 and 1912, but no open champion has succeeded himself since that date.

The victory of Jones in the Open Championship at Toledo put him even with Jerry Travers, the "Iron Master" of an earlier generation, in the matter of national titles. Jerry won the amateur championship four times and the open Championship once. Bobby won the Amateur Championship twice, the Open Championship twice and the British Open once. All Bobby's victories have been scored in the past four years and he is the first golfer in history to hold the British and American open titles at the same time.

The Atlanta marvel hasn't missed anything except the British Amateur Championship, and if he takes a few more trips abroad he may add that to his famous collection of titles.

Now that Bobby has pulled up even with the Travers record he might shoot for the mark set by John Ball, of jolly old England, who won the British Amateur Championship eight times and the British Open once.

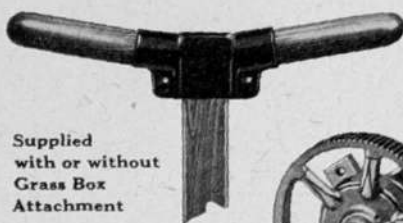
In the last four Open championships in this country, Jones has won two titles and has scored a lower average than any of the professional brigade. Yet in the face of this record he won't be better than a 3 to 1 chance to hold his Open crown through the coming season. He may even be 4 to 1 or 5 to 1, for it isn't simply a case of being better than Hagen or Barnes or any particular leading professional. It will be Jones against the field, which is a different proposition.

In 1922 the crowd was watching Jones, Hagen, Hutchison and Barnes when Gene Sarazen was piling up the winning score. In 1903 Bobby Cruickshank came from nowhere to beat Bobby for the title and lose in the play-off. In 1924 Cyril Walker beat out Bobby and in 1925 Willie Macfarlane did the same thing in a famous play-off.

Sarazen, Cruickshank, Walker and Macfarlane were long shots in the great battle of the bunkers, but they were the ones who fought it out to the ultimate green with Jones. Last season Joe Turnesa almost stole away the crown.

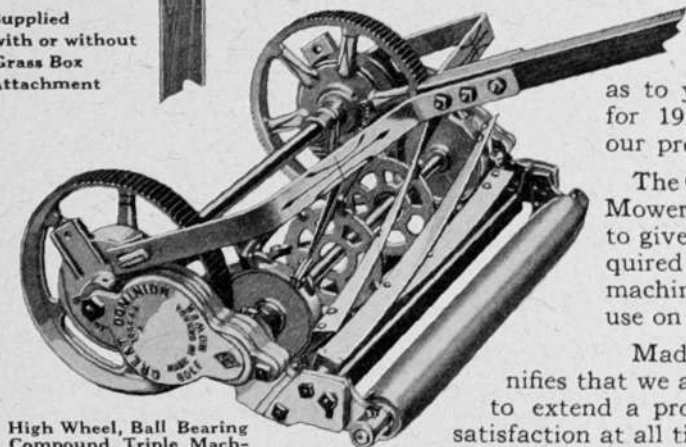
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are not always the same for the contending players. One may splash around the links in a pouring rain and another may draw a starting time that gives him a clear sky and a firm fairway. One putts on greens heavy with dew and another on the same greens when they are baked under a hot sun.

The leading players, of course, are grouped at the most favourable hours, but that doesn't mean anything when the low scorer turns out to be somebody who started out at daybreak or trudged home in the twilight. Gene Sarazen wasn't a leading player until the tournament at Skokie was over and he was National Open Champion. Nor was Francis Ouimet a leading player when he entered the Brookline tournament in 1913 and as a twenty-year-old lad defeated the great Harry Vardon and Ted Ray in a play-off for the title.

Those who think that Jones has an even chance to repeat in the coming Open Championship might glance at the record of Walter Hagen in that event. Hagen is the outstanding professional golfer of the world as Jones is the outstanding amateur, yet Walter hasn't really figured in the finish of an American Open Championship since he won the title for the second time back in 1919.

In 1921, it is true, he tied for second place with Freddy McLeod, but Barnes was nine strokes in advance of them, an advantage that might have won Long Jim three or four championships if he had spread it a little thinner.

Here we have Hagen, generally an even choice with Jones, finishing back of the running in the last seven open tourneys. What price Jones—or any other player—in the coming Open Championship?

George Von Elm is wearing the amateur golf crown for the moment, and he's another young man who is facing a tough campaign to hold his laurels, with all the odds against him. The only Amateur Champion to succeed himself in the

last ten years is Bobby Jones, and Bobby will be standing squarely in the path of Von Elm in the battle of Minikahda.

In winning the amateur titles of 1924 and 1925, Jones had to defeat Von Elm on each occasion. George reversed the verdict in the final round at Baltusrol last Summer, and Jones will be looking for revenge at Minikahda, especially if he is shorn of his open title when he tees up for the amateur event. Bobby wouldn't feel natural without some sort of crown on his blond thatch.

The championship of the Professional Golfers' Association has been an exception to the general rule. Walter Hagen has won that title three years in succession and has come to regard it as a family possession. In 1923 he battled his way to the final round and lost to Gene Sarazen, this being his only defeat in thirty-two matches against the best professionals in the land.

The truth is that Hagen dotes on match play. Pitted against a particular opponent, Sir Walter is at his best. His chance of holding his crown through the year is just a bit better than any of any other reigning champion.

But that doesn't mean that a bet on Hagen to keep the P. G. A. crown is as safe as money in the bank. Not by a long brassie shot.

THE GENTLE ART OF PUTTING

A Reader of the "Canadian Golfer" Tells How Winter Practice Improved His Game.

(H. C. F.)

THE writer has read so many articles on the art of putting that he has been thinking that his experience as a putter might be interesting to some of the older golfers. He started playing when he was well over forty and has been playing for ten years, and the fact that he holds the record amateur score on two nine hole courses, one a 34 with eleven putts, might make his experience worth reading.

The subject of Winter putting on the rug at home has always been treated as a joke and as a rule it is a joke. Go down to the tinsmith and get him to cut a piece of tin 6 inches in diameter, then cut a hole four inches in diameter, then mark two points on the outside edge $\frac{7}{8}$ inch apart and make two cuts to the centre, join the edges with solder, cover the top with velvet and you have a putting device that has all the characteristics of a real hole, only smaller.

When you are ready to putt, waggle the putter over the ball and at the same time look over the line, getting in your mind the distance and direction, then drop the putter behind the ball and carefully get it set at right angles to the line, look at the ball, get fixed in your vision, a line a few inches ahead of the ball but at right angles

to the putter, take back the putter and bring it forward, still keeping your eye on that line and endeavour to make the ball follow that line, and it will. This looks easy, but the writer figures that he tried about three thousand times before he could do it naturally and comfortably.

Use only one ball, make your putt, walk up and get it and try again. Use only two distances, four and twenty feet. If you can make these two putts you can make all the rest. If you try several distances you never learn to get any of them. Also do not expect to get all the putts at twenty feet with this disc, the writer gets one in twenty.

If you follow the system described here you will not have to think of distributing your weight on the right foot, your hands, your shoulder, your eyes, your head, your guiding hand, your pulse, or your respiration. When you are wagging the putter, your feet will go to the right place and if you make the ball follow that short imaginary line ahead of the ball and at right angles to the putter, everything else will be right. You will not do it without a lot of practice, but if you go to work on it in your spare moments, you will find that next Spring the hole will look bigger than it ever did before.

WELL KNOWN PROFESSIONAL PASSES

Percy Barrett, of Toronto, Former Open Champion, Dies Last Month—
Public Benefit Fund for the Family of the Old Master of Canadian
Professional Ranks

WITH the passing last month of Percy Barrett, professional of the Lake Shore Golf Club, of Toronto, Canadian golf lost an outstanding professional of the old school. Back in 1903, when the Lambton Golf Club required a professional they engaged Percy Barrett on the advice of Harry Vardon, who considered Barret one of his most brilliant pupils and that this was no idle statement was established in 1904, when the Lambton professional was runner-up for the Canadian Open Championship, a feat he repeated in 1905. Two years later at Lambton he came into his own and won the event with a score of 306, it being the first occasion that 72 holes were played to decide the title—a most creditable score in those days, when better figures were seldom chronicled in first class events in any country. Though generally in the prize money year in and year out, no further major titles came to the "Old Master" until 1923, when he won the Professional Championship of Canada. In 1925 at the Toronto Golf Club he demonstrated that time had not robbed his hand of its cunning, for he again won the professional title in a field composed largely of youngsters of the modern school. After leaving Lambton he assumed the professional's post at the Weston Club and later was engaged by Uplands. For the past two years he has been with the Lake Shore Club and up to his short illness was conducting an indoor school in the City of Toronto. For practically a quarter of a century "Percy Barrett" has been a familiar figure in Canadian Championship fields and he will be missed not only in professional ranks, but by thousands of golfers in the Toronto District, so many of whom had learned their game under his tuition and were still wont to turn to him when some persistent fault intruded into the finished game that the "Old Master" had taught them.

Like the majority of professional athletes, Percy Barrett found it impos-

sible to build up a competence for his surviving widow and three children. It was not possible to protect them by insurance, and as a consequence there is no estate for their future mainten-



Percy Barrett, of the Lake Shore Golf and Country Club, whose death last month is a great loss to the Professional ranks of Canada.

ance. Knowing his love for his family and the debt that Canadian golf owes to Percy Barrett, a committee of prominent golfers have undertaken to create a benefit fund and are broadcasting their appeal to all golfers of Canada, and noted players of the United States and Great Britain. The committee fostering this worthy appeal is composed of President C. A. Bogert, of the Royal Canadian Golf Association; President W. H. Plant, of the Ontario Golf Association; George S. Lyon, Lambton Golf Club; John Love, Weston Golf and Country Club; W. A. Price, Lakeview Golf and Country Club; R. M. Gray, Jr., Rosedale Golf Association; C. M. Jones, Scarboro Country Club; W. J.

Thompson, former amateur champion of Canada; Dr. A. D. A. Mason, Thornhill Golf and Country Club; and A. E. Wilson, representing the Lake Shore Club. The committee will also have the co-operation of the Professional Golfers' Association. Mr. W. H. Plant, President of the Ontario Golf Association, has addressed an open letter to

all golf clubs affiliated with the Association, in which he states that members of the committee had been authorized to receive contributions, which should be addressed to the Percy Barrett Testimonial Fund, and that the committee would act in an advisory capacity to the family.

GREAT BRITAIN AND OVERSEAS

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

WHAT must surely be a record in golf tuition is revealed by the statement of the All Weather Golf School, of London, that 12,820 lessons were given in 1926 by their staff of instructors. The approaching course at this school is a perfect gem of a miniature golf course, located right in the heart of London.

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Mr. Donald Mathieson, on the occasion of his retirement from the managership for Scotland of the L. M. S. Company, has just been made the recipient of a number of valuable presents in recognition of his long, valued and appreciated services. It can never be forgotten that the ex-chief was the pioneer and pilot of the great venture at Gleneagles. Prior to the coming of the big golf venture, that lovely spot in Perthshire was known as Crieff Junction, a name that certainly did not command the publicity power of "Gleneagles," a title chosen from the cleft of the Ochill Hills of that name going to the south. The names of the more famous holes at Gleneagles, chosen also by the ex-manager, with the aid of one or two friends well-up in the doric, were also happily selected. "Kittle Kink," "Hope of Home," "The Hot Girdle," the "Silver Tassie," and so on, are typical, while "Braid's Brawest," was an alliterative compliment to the architect.

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Considerable activity in golfing circles is being manifested at Carnoustie, where the famous "Old Course" is being reconstructed under the direction

of James Braid. The opening of the course next June will be formally marked by the inauguration of an annual amateur championship for the Carnoustie Corporation Trophy, which will have a value of £100. Several other competitions are being arranged for this tournament week, which has the support of both the Town Council, the Merchants' Association and the Dalhousie, Caledonia and Carnoustie Golf Clubs.

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The committee of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews have contributed £50 toward the fund being raised to defray the expenses of the British Professional team that will invade the U.S. this year.

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Such is the progress made with the project to send a team of professionals to America in the summer, that its members are expected to be very shortly decided upon by the P. G. A. It is probable that J. H. Taylor will be asked to captain the team. He was the first English professional to win the Open Championship and is now 56. Ted Ray is just 50. Our team is bound to be older than the American side. The oldest American players last year were Fred McLeod, the ex-North Berwick postman, and Jim Barnes, the tall Cornishman. If Sandy Herd should be selected, the British team will have a grandfather in it, but although Herd is 58 he is playing as well as ever, as witness his great victory in the 'News of the World' Tournament last autumn.



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THE TAYLOR TRIO

Upper Picture—In the Surrey Amateur Championship the Taylor family were prominently represented. "J. H." had the best first round at West Hill with a seventy-three; the veteran player is seen playing from a bad lie at the fifteenth. His son, Mr. J. H. Taylor, of Oxford University, had no luck, and at one hole he lost his ball, and at another he got an unplayable lie. Nevertheless, Mr. J. H., junr., returned 160 for the two rounds. In the lower picture Mr. Taylor is seen with Bob Herd; an interesting picture indeed, for they are the respective eldest sons of two of our greatest and most esteemed professionals. "Uncle Joshi" also competed.

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Judge Alan McPherson delivered an important judgment at Cheltenham County Court, so far as golfers are concerned. It was stated that a member of the Painswick Club, whose course is on common land—drove a ball from the tee through the wind-screen of a motor-car which had been driven on to the common. The golfer was sued for damages, it being alleged the incident was due to negligence and lack of skill. The judge observed that the questions were, did the driver of the car imagine he parked his car in a place of safety, and took the risk of accident, or did he put it there with the implied warning to golfers to hit it at their own risk? He held that a golfer could not be expected to make a fresh tee in order to avoid the infinitesimal possibility of hitting a car, and gave judgment, with costs in favour of defendant.

Southern section qualifying rounds of the "News of the World" £1,040 Tournament will be played on August 31 and Sept. 1. The venue has yet to be decided. The finals match play tourney will be played Sept. 20 to 23. Southern section qualifying rounds of the "Daily Mail" Tournament will be decided on April 27, and the finals on May 11 and 12. The Irish Open Championship will be held on Aug. 17 and 18 at Portmarnock. If qualifying rounds have to be played, they will take place on the previous day, August 16. Southern section qualifying rounds of the Assistants' Tournament for the Findlater Shield will be played at Verulam Club, St. Albans, on April 13, and finals at Oxhey, nr. Watford, on May 4.

James McDowell, of the Prestwick Club, has been appointed to succeed

Tom R. Fernie as professional to the Turnberry Club, Ayrshire. Fernie was recently engaged by the Royal Lytham and St. Annes Club.

This is the season for freakish cross-country golf in Great Britain. Playing a two-ball foursome from the St. Augustus Club to the last hole of the Thanet club course, three miles as the crow flies, B. C. Macnamara and C. M. Benjamin beat Norman Dore and R. Wilson by 45 strokes. The winners negotiated the distance in 55 strokes. At one period of the match Dore and Wilson took 31 strokes to cover 30 yards of plowed ground, and then drove their ball into a quarry.

The longest "hole" ever played in golf was in a cross-country match in Wales in 1920, when Rupert Phillips and Raymond Thomas, playing a ball over a twenty-mile route from the first tee of the Radyr course to the last hole at Southerdown, won a wager that they would hole out in 1,000 strokes. They did it in 608 shots, starting on December 3rd, and finally sinking the ball at noon two days later. The players carried large ordnance maps.

There has passed away in Leven Fifeshire, Scotland, one for whom the claim has been made that he was the oldest golfer in the world. He was Mr. John Adamson, who was 94 years of age. While he was a native of Edinburgh, he was by long-ago adoption a son of Leven with which resort his family had an old-time golf connection, his father having been a member of the Innerleven Club, founded 1820.

Mr. Adamson had a varied career, for he took part as a young man in the Australian gold rush, was afterwards in farming in the Argentine, and eventually came back to Leven to take up farming in that district. The "oldest golfer" claim is based upon the fact that he had since 1851 an unbroken connection with the game as a member of the Innerleven Club, who celebrated his jubilee as well as his 60th and 70th anniversaries.

Mr. Adamson never relaxed his interest in golf, and last year when the



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Scottish Championship was held on the Leven links he took the trouble to put in an appearance at the course to watch some of the play. Though his health was wonderfully good he had to be assisted on that occasion by a friend. Mr. Adamson, who was unmarried and was the last survivor of an old family, will among the veterans be a missed personality.

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An American offer to buy Old Tom Morris' shop in order to convert it into a dressing room for American visitors, has been turned down.

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By winning the Arnott Cup, open to members of the Press Gallery of Parliament, for the third successive year, Mr. W. Gordon Lennox, of the "Daily Mail," created a record for the competition.

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A drive of about 640 yards has been accomplished at Wimbledon Park, by a player who was captain of the club

at the time. He unintentionally hit his drive on to the lake, which was frozen at the time, and aided by a following wind, it ran the whole length of the lake.

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One of the queerest 'rubs of the green' that we ever heard of occurred at the old seventeenth at Troon Portland, which in those days ran alongside the railway. One of the members of a fourball match sliced his second shot out of bounds and his ball was curling gaily on to the metals when a *deux ex machina* in the shape of an engine-driver came to the rescue. The ball was met in full flight by one of the wheels and rebounded on to the course coming to rest about six yards from the green. The irony of the incident is that this player actually won the hole for his side after a shot which should have put him out of the running altogether. The mark of the wheel upon the ball was plainly to be seen when it was picked up.

A Real Perpetual Golf Prize for the Ladies

Mercury Mills offer a worth-while reward to
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All fair victors in golf this summer will be able to wear their laurels in the form of a pretty set of silk hose and lingerie, graciously donated by the Mercury Mills of Hamilton, Ont.

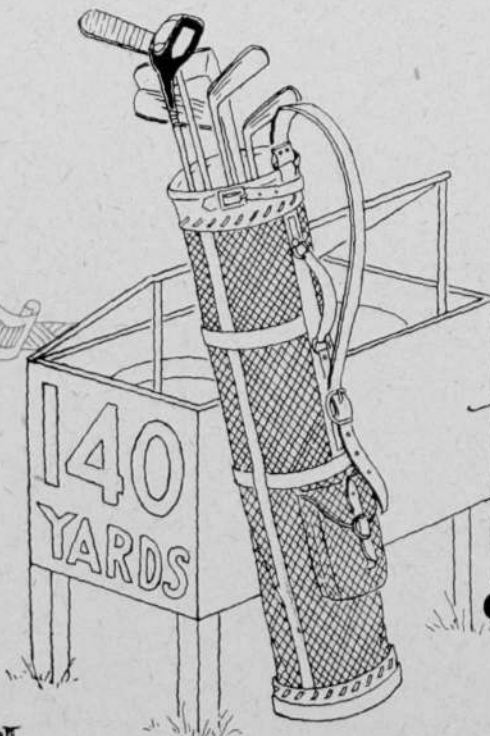
The number of victors is not limited. Any girl or woman who is a member of a Canadian Club is eligible. She is even permitted to win the trophy three times in one season, if she is clever with driver and putter.

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6. Every competitor is entitled to win the Mercury Mills prize not more than 3 times in one season.
7. Score cards to be mailed to "Golf Contest," Mercury Mills, Limited, Hamilton, Ont., who will send a card on which the winner may give her sizes and colors she prefers, and through what retailer she wishes, the prize to be delivered.
8. The names of the prize-winners will be published each month.

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The official report of the Glasgow municipal courses states that for the period from May 1st to November 30th, the number of players was 219,614, and the revenue £5,781. The comparative figures for the same period last year were 146,553 players, and the revenue £3,999. Glasgow has now six municipal golf courses—Alexandra Park, Bellahouston, Blackhill, Deaconsbank, Littlehill and the Linn Park.

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Although they originally set out to play over 18 holes for possession of the Ladies' Challenge Cup at Royston, Miss Boyce, an 11 handicap player, and Mrs. Goodale, who plays off the 7 mark, ultimately reached the 76th green before arriving at a decision, which favoured the former by a 3 and 2 margin. In the original eighteen holes the players finished all square, and on going out again they once more failed to come to a decision. A third round was then played with the same

result, so with a view to bringing matters to an end it was mutually agreed to play six more holes. But even that did not settle the problem, and it was not until a fourth complete round had been played that Miss Boyce won by 3 and 2. Long-distance matches, of course, are not at all uncommon, but instances such as that in 1924, when D. Sutherland won the Glasgow and District Professional Championship after tying five times—108 holes in all were necessary to settle the issue—are certainly rare.

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The members of the Turnberry Golf Club always did hold a singularly high opinion of their former professional, Tom Fernie, and they put their feelings towards him into tangible form when at a meeting of the Club they asked him to accept a wristlet watch, suitably inscribed, and a wallet and Treasury notes.

A PLEA FOR THE PROFESSIONAL

Random Reflections by "Anonymous"

IN a recent issue of the "Canadian Golfer" appeared an article which put forward the point that a golf professional's work differs in many respects from any other. In the aforesaid article it was pointed out that the varied types of persons seeking instruction afford great scope for skill in the adaptation of the teaching to suit each type. On reflection I have come to the conclusion that there is another matter in which the majority of golf professionals are unique among workers; and that is their dependance for a living almost wholly upon the support given them by their club members in the matter of lessons taken, and (most important), in the amount of purchases made at "the Shop."

Take what other worker you will; no matter what his calling; with him it is SALARY that counts; this may be large, it may be small; but the worker stands or falls by it, and regulates his manner of living in accordance with it. With a golf professional it is surely

otherwise; not for him is salary a chief consideration; it is seldom more than a pittance, out of all proportion to the scale of present day cost of rents and living.

Doubtless club members who see a man or boy busy in the pro's shop take his presence there as part of the usual fittings, but the fact remains that, in the majority of cases, his wages are paid by the professional out of HIS wages. This disposes of the greater part of the pro's monthly stipend; maybe there are some forty dollars odd left to run riot with; so far, so good; pros are often Scotsmen, some even hail from Aberdeen; in which case perhaps they can perform more miracles with forty dollars than the average man; we will hope so anyhow. Be it understood, I write only of the honest-to-goodness, hard-working, attend to business professional; not of the few whose salaries outbid those of Cabinet Ministers or Presidents—presumably to enable them to meet the

heavy expenses entailed by their trips across oceans and continents—of these I do not write, but of the on-the-spot, but not in the spot-light pro; bless him.

We have said that the greater part of the month's salary goes to paying an assistant. On what, then, does the pro chiefly depend for a living? From whence do the shekels come? . . . From what are known as concessions. In the case of wealthy clubs with large memberships these privileges—i.e., the sale of clubs, balls and accessories, are undoubtedly most profitable; as is also the teaching. But I have the smaller clubs with a membership of three hundred or so, in mind. As regards lessons, if they are well booked and if there are few wet days—for lessons are mostly cancelled when the weather is unfavourable—all is well; but a wet spell, and especially a wet week-end, is calamitous, few players out; sales possibly nil. So that it is a variable and uncertain quantity, this teaching and sales affair, and yet, it is all the pro depends on, and I wonder if members of clubs quite realize how much differences their purchases make to him? He has some eight months in which to accumulate wealth in order to exist (I do not say, live), for the remaining four; and to put something by for old age and other unpleasantness. He has also to contend with Old Man Weather.

I personally cannot see why men become golf professionals. It is a mystery, when one reflects on the small and so uncertain financial reward reaped by the average pro. Perhaps, however, a few to whom these reflections may be new will be moved in the coming season to spend such amounts as they propose



The graphic for Pinehurst North Carolina features a central circular illustration of a golfer in mid-swing. This central image is surrounded by four smaller illustrations: a golfer in the top-left, a golfer in the top-right, a golfer in the bottom-left, and a horse in the bottom-right. Below the central circle, the word "Pinehurst" is written in a large, stylized, gothic-style font, with "NORTH CAROLINA" in a smaller, plain font underneath. Below the text, there is a section titled "A Gorgeous April in Pinehurst" followed by a paragraph of text. At the bottom of the graphic, there are three small illustrations: a golfer on the left, a building in the center, and a horse on the right.

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devoting to golf IN THE SHOP, instead of in the city, as perhaps was their custom before their eyes were opened by this illuminating article. It has been said that the "backbone of England is in the lower middle class," it may equally well be remarked that the kind of "pro" I have in mind is the backbone of his profession, as he undoubtedly is; and if his backbone be a product of Aberdeen, so much the better for him . . . as things are at present.

CRUICKSHANK WINS TEXAS OPEN

Total of 292 for \$1,500 First Money at San Antonio—Hagen Ties for 27th Place—Mehlhorn's Record Round in Pro-Amateur Event

BOBBY CRUICKSHANK, the professional at the New Progress Country Club at White Plains, N. Y., has followed up his success in the Los Angeles \$10,000 tournament by winning the \$6,000 Texas Open over the Willow Springs course at San An-

tonio. This is the little Scot's third important title in ten months. First the North and South Open at Pinehurst last spring, then Los Angeles, and now Texas. An important win in Florida this Winter will make his circuit complete.

The Champion set a hot pace when he hung up a par 71 for the first round and followed up with a 73. He was never headed, his total of 292 giving him a margin of three strokes over Larry Nabholtz, of Cleveland, who finished in second place. Cruickshank received \$1,500; Nabholtz \$800, and Mehlhorn and Crowder tied at 296, got \$450 each. Walter Hagen barely got one of the thirty prizes. He and four others tied for twenty-seventh place with a total of 312. In the afternoon on the last nine holes, on which he was 44 yesterday, he took 42 strokes.

Harry Cooper, of Los Angeles, another favourite who slipped in the first rounds, came back with rounds of 73 and 72 and finished in fifteenth place with 305.

Mike Brady, of New York, placed fifth with 298. Sixth money went to Willard Hutchison, young unattached professional from Ponca City, Okla. Leonard Schmutte, of Lima, Johnny Golden, of New Jersey, and Tommy Armour, of Washington, tied for seventh with 300. Joe Turnesa, of New

York, winner of the Texas Open in 1925, finished tenth.

Previous to the Open event Bill Mehlhorn, of Los Angeles, and Joseph Lesage, of San Antonio, won the sixth annual Texas amateur-professional tilt with a 69, which lowered by one stroke the Willow Springs course record.

Walter Hagen and Jack Speer, of Houston, were second when Hagen's twenty-foot putt on the eighteenth green, stopped two inches short of the cup for a 70. Two teams, Leonard B. Schmutte, of the Shawnee Club, Lima, O., paired with Frank Brokl, St. Paul, and Anthony Manero, Elmsford, N.Y., paired with S. A. Shaw, of San Antonio, tied for third place. Mehlhorn won a prize of \$100 for his record breaking performance, and Lesage, a gold medal. Hagen took \$75 in prize money and Speer a silver medal. Brokl and Shaw will flip for the bronze medal which goes to the amateur on the team placing third.

Mehlhorn shot five birdies in piling up his total, playing the best ball of the partnership, or hauling his partner on every hole.

GOLFER SHOOTS HIS OPPONENT, THEN ENDS OWN LIFE, ON LOS ANGELES LINKS

A DESPATCH from Los Angeles, February 7 (A.P.):

"Death ended an argument over a golf game here to-day when Andy Janowski, 50, automobile dealer of Toledo, Ohio, shot and probably fatally wounded Cornelius J. Callahan, 50, also of Toledo, and then ended his own life. The shooting occurred at the eighth hole of the Bellevue Golf Club links.

Mrs. Janowski, who was accompanying the two men on their rounds of the links, witnessed the shooting. She told the police that Callahan and her husband were playing a friendly game when an argument developed over the score.

Her husband flaring into sudden anger, drew a revolver and fired. The bullet entered Callahan's head.

Janowski then turned the gun on himself, sending a bullet through his temple. He died instantly.

Callahan was reported in a dying condition at the Emergency Hospital.

The screams of Mrs. Janowski attracted other players, who rushed up to find the two men lying on the ground. The woman was taken to the club house to give an account of the shooting. She collapsed after telling her story and a physician was called.

Janowski, according to his wife, had come to California for his health. He had suffered a nervous breakdown and was ordered to exercise outdoors."

"Toledo, Ohio, February 7 (A.P.)—Andrew Janowski and Cornelius J. Callahan, principals in a shooting and suicide at a Los Angeles golf club to-day, were considered close friends and had been associated in business here for several years.

Both men were members of the Toledo Boxing Commission which supervised the Dempsey-Willard fight here in 1919.

Janowski was President and General Manager of a motor sales company in which Callahan was a heavy stockholder, and Callahan was General Manager of a soft drink manufacturing concern in which Janowski was one of the heaviest stockholders."

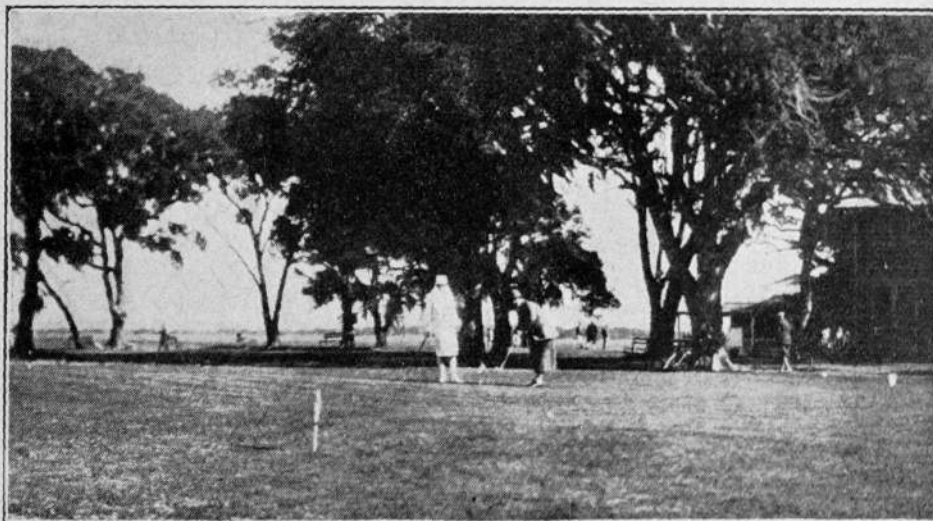
GOLF AT ST. AUGUSTINE

Picturesque Links on East Coast of Florida Are Very Popular With Canadian Golfers—Canadians Well Up in Competitive Events This Winter

ONE of the most popular golfing resorts in Florida among Canadians is St. Augustine and this year they have been well represented in the competitive events. Among those mentioned in despatches is Donald

pionship was considered exceptional golf under the trying conditions under which it was played.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Mulqueen, Toronto Golf Club, spent a week playing the fashionable St. Augustine Links,



UNDER THE SHADE OF BEARDED OAKS

At the Club House of the St. Augustine Golf Links, St. Augustine, one of the most Sporting Courses on the East Coast of Florida, and an extremely popular Resort for Canadian golfers during the winter months.

McKay, of Sarnia, who cut a swathing figure in the recent Florida East Coast Men's Championship, at the St. Augustine Links here, tying for medalist honours in the qualifying round with Jack Ryerson, the former Yale star, and who reached the finals for the title, is expected to figure prominently in the amateur tournaments this season. Donald, with his father, S. L. McKay, himself a very fine golfer, is shooting brilliantly over the St. Augustine layout every day. Young Donald made quite a name for himself at St. Augustine two years ago. He did not go South last year, but could not resist the lure of Florida sunshine and its accompanying golf weather, and was one of the earliest arrivals of the season this year. His 75 in the qualifying round for the East Coast cham-

pionship was considered exceptional golf under the trying conditions under which it was played. Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Mulqueen, Toronto Golf Club, spent a week playing the fashionable St. Augustine Links, prior to the opening of the Belleaire Women's Tournament, in which Mrs. Mulqueen was a participant. Mr. Mulqueen was a finalist in the second flight for the East Coast Championship here, losing in the finals to L. C. Dalton, of Hempstead, L. I. Mr. Mulqueen, who won the medal in the qualifying round in the Belleaire tourney, played excellent golf here, turning in one medal score of 84.

The St. Augustine Golf Links are situated about three miles out of the ancient city of St. Augustine, and are laid along a picturesque inlet of the beautiful Halifax River on its North Channel approach to the city. The terrain of the links has often been compared to the dunes along the Sea in Scotland, where the game was early played. The terrain was selected be-



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cause it was naturally adapted for golfing, and because it was evident that when converted into a golf course it would present a natural unconventional, and delightful setting. The salt water hazards on the St. Augustine Golf Links are not artificial water holes, but picturesque bends of nature made into canals and whose water area changing with the ebb and flow of the tide, introduces an equation of nature into the game.

The sand dunes on the course are those characteristic of this section of the East Coast of Florida and make the finest type of hazard. The greens are planted in Kentucky blue grass and red-top, and are maintained in perfect condition. Superbly kept, the course is one of the most beautiful in the country, and calls for every shot in any player's golf bag. The course never plays alike any two days. A slight breeze against you one day, and with you, or across you, the next, makes every hole a different problem from day to day. The climate of St. Augustine is bracing, and gives a long golfing season. It is such as to stimulate the player's best efforts. Indeed, golf is played throughout the year at St. Augustine.

For more than a generation the beautiful old city of St. Augustine has been a winter Mecca for golfers of both con-

tinents and to-day enjoy its greatest golfing popularity. There are almost always congenial companions to complete a foursome. A succession of both amateur and professional matches and tournaments for men and women throughout the winter months and extending well into April, interests and edifies lovers of the Royal game at St. Augustine. Many of the great matches held at St. Augustine have become a part of golf history in this country and they command enthusiastic galleries.

Golf was established in St. Augustine by the late Henry M. Flagler in the early nineties, with a nine hole course, now known as the St. Augustine Golf Club course. This course, still maintained in tip-top shape, and played throughout the year, occupied a prominent place in the early progress of the game in this country, and especially in the development of golfing in winter when Northern Links were practically out of commission. Devotees of the Royal game were constantly increasing. Many of them, including numbers of most ambitious and ardent golfers found it decidedly worth while to keep their game up by winter play, and not a few would journey to Florida, and surprise their friends by their improved form when they returned to the North in the Spring. As a result, the early links at St. Augustine, as well as the other nine hole courses established by the Florida East Coast Hotel Company for the use of its guests, at Ormond, Miami, Nassau in the Bahamas, and its 18-hole course at Palm Beach, came into immediate favour. One ticket of membership entitled the players to the privilege of the links at those points. That was the beginning of circuit playing in Florida. These courses were important factors in attracting golfers to Florida, and in disclosing the charms of the state to many who had been accustomed to spend the winter season in Europe. Many important spirited matches and tournaments were held on those courses in those early days.

Along in 1913 the fascination of the game had so taken hold of tourists in Florida that a new 18-hole course was

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constructed at Ormond Beach between the Halifax River and the Atlantic Ocean. The rolling dunes carried out the best traditions of the Scotch courses. A prominent Scotch golfer remarked when gazing around this course, "Mon, mon, this is Scotland wi' a tropical effect."

A few years later a new course was constructed at Palm Beach, the Palm Beach Country Club course, planned by a celebrated golf course expert, and it was in 1916 that the sporty and picturesque St. Augustine Golf Links

were gotten under way, under the supervision of Mr. Donald Ross, famous golf architect. The course was opened to the public in 1917, the Florida East Coast Hotel Co. and citizens of St. Augustine having purchased the tract along the waterside at the North end of the city. It has proven to be one of the finest courses in the country. One of the greatest enthusiasts for the St. Augustine Golf Links was the late President Harding, who played on it both before and after his inauguration into the Presidency.

POPULARITY OF THE MINIATURE COURSE

AT the annual meeting of the Summit Golf Club, of Toronto, the President in his address referred to the popularity among the members of the approach and putting course which had been placed in play during the past season. These short courses, an innovation in Canada, have become very popular in England, one located in the heart of London having scored a remarkable success, as evidenced by the statement that no less than 12,820 lessons were given by its professional staff in 1926. Many municipal Corporations in the "Old Country" have also taken up the idea and constructed miniature courses in con-



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nection with their public play grounds. At first the opinion prevailed that this type of course as a public venture would prove a failure, as being too difficult for a beginner and not sufficiently thrilling for the advanced player. Such has not proved to be the case and their financial history has been so satisfactory that nine hole courses are now being extended to eighteen, and in some cases twenty-seven holes. It is a recognized fact that most of the extra figures on the score card are picked up in the vicinity of the greens, and also that the low handicap player gets more satisfaction out of an approach that "plumps" against the pin than from any other stroke; so it is perfectly feasible that these approach and putting courses should provide the very best form of practice for the average player. With the additional advantage that owing to the shorter time necessary a round can be indulged in when the long course would be out of the question. For this reason most of the new Southern clubs are including a miniature course in their building programme and in all probability it will not be long before the leading Canadian clubs will also add this facility to their present equipment. There is also a future for this type of course, in the larger Canadian cities, as a commercial or municipal venture; the area required is not large so they can be located within city limits or in public parks not sufficiently large to permit the laying out of a regulation course. Indeed this factor of accessibility has been responsible in great measure for their success as a public undertaking.

IMPORTANT APPOINTMENTS AT ST. ANDREWS

Toronto's Newest Club Secures Frank Lock as Professional and Mr. E. M. Hurn as Manager—Club Will Be Operated on Pay-as-you-play Plan

ANNOUNCEMENT has been made by the St. Andrew's Estates and Golf Club, of Toronto, Limited, of the appointment of Mr. E. M. Hurn to the important position of Club Secretary and Manager. The St. Andrew's Club is to be congratulated upon securing a manager with the extensive experience of Mr. Hurn in all departments of golf club activity for the organization of this new enterprise, he having a most exceptional record for satisfactory and economical club management covering many years. Mr. Hurn has occupied the position of Secretary-Treasurer and Manager of the Brantford Golf and Country Club for the past six years, and his departure is viewed with very much regret by the directors and members of that club. He was formerly for nine years with The Royal Ottawa Golf Club, only resigning from the position of Secretary-Treasurer of the Capital City's premier golfing organization in 1919 to spend some time in England.

He is thoroughly equipped in every essential to look after the interests of St. Andrews and its members. A better selection could not have been made by the promoters of the Club—all prominent and keen Toronto business men.

The St. Andrew's course will be opened for play early this coming Spring upon novel lines, it being the intention of the directors to inaugurate the pay-as-you-play system which has proved very successful in a number of United States cities. The pay-as-you-play idea, which is certain to become more popular as the circle of golfing enthusiasts widens, will appeal to many who would not consider taking up regular club membership; and this, along with the extremely convenient location of the St. Andrews course, which is situated on Upper Yonge Street, only a little more than half a mile from the city limits, assures an outstanding success for this venture.

The entire eighteen greens of this course were planted with creeping bent and the whole of the fairways properly prepared and seeded, the work being carried out under the supervision of



Mr. E. M. Hurn, who has resigned the Secretary-Managership of the Brantford Golf Club to accept a similar position with the St. Andrew's Club, of Toronto.

Mr. Stanley Thompson who, in association with an eminent Scottish Golf Architect, designed the course—a number of holes being built to correspond as nearly as possible with the world-famous links of the Royal and Ancient Club of St. Andrews, Scotland.

St. Andrews is also fortunate in securing the professional services of Frank Lock, formerly with the Quebec Golf Club, where he has been giving satisfaction for a number of years, and has gained many admirers.

During his sojourn with the Quebec Golf Club Lock has developed a number

of first class golfers, all of whom join in paying tribute to his unique talents as a teacher and coach. Under his able tutelage a considerable number of players, of both sexes, have progressed to the point of championship qualification.

Though Lock has never won any Canadian championship, he has always been among the first flight players of the Dominion, and on several occasions has ranked among the first half dozen in the major league contests. As a match player he has few equals in the land, and even when he has failed to finish first, he has never failed to give a brilliant and finished exposition of the game. Last year, for example, he engaged in a series of friendly matches with Ernie Wakelam, of the Kent Club, in the course of which the game received a tremendous boost as a result of the fine playing exhibited, not only by Lock, but also by his opponent. Lock will be a decided acquisition to Toronto professional ranks and patrons of the St. Andrews Club will have not only a professional of distinct ability, but one with a pleasing personality.



Frank Lock, formerly of the Quebec Golf Club, who has been appointed Professional at the St. Andrew's Golf Club, Toronto.

SARNIA'S NEW COURSE ALL READY

Formal Opening Planned at Annual Meeting—L. M. McAdams Succeeds J. M. Hunt as President

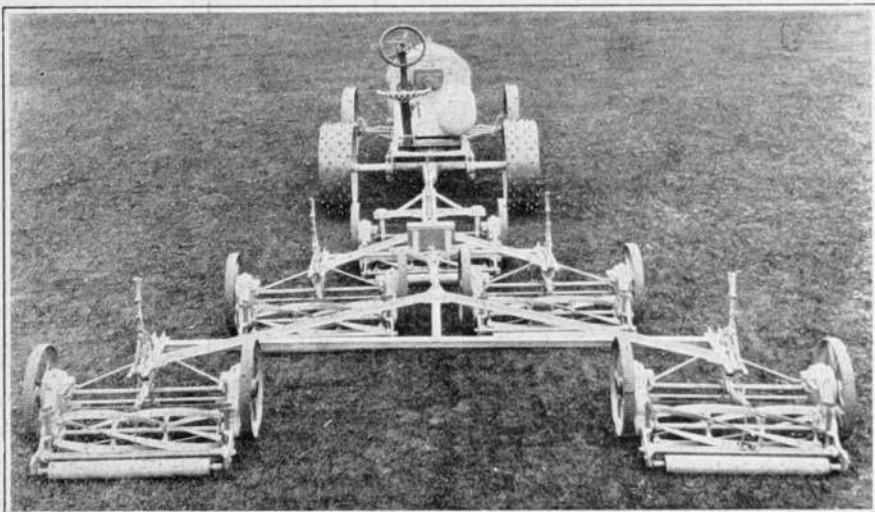
THE annual meeting of the shareholders of the Sarnia Golf Club, Limited, held on January 28th, 1927, was preceded by a dinner, at which fifty were present and at the conclusion of which they listened to a most entertaining address by Mr. W. Hastings Webbling, Secretary of the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association.

The thanks of the club were tendered to Mr. Webbling by President Hunt, not only for his very able address, but also for his kindness in presenting to the club a very fine photograph, framed, of the players attending the 1926 tournament of The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association, and in which several of our members appear.

This was very happily seconded by Col. Mackenzie, himself one of the Seniors. This was endorsed by all the members rising and giving three cheers and a tiger for Mr. Webbling.

Among those present were: President J. M. Hunt, who was Chairman of the Meeting; Senator Pardee, Dr. Stratford, R. B. McBurney, Gordon McIntyre, J. W. Simpson, J. B. Pardee, E. J. Jacques, P. T. McGibbon, G. L. Stewart, Irving McGrath, T. J. McMann, N. B. Le Sueur, W. J. Whitting, L. M. McAdams, R. D. Wanless, Col. Mackenzie, H. J. Watson, W. A. Watson, Peter Paton, G. A. Flintoft, T. C. McCobb, N. W. Forbes, R. G. B. Finley, T. F. McNamara, G. Gabler, E.

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At the business meeting which followed, various by-laws were amended and explained in detail. It was proposed that a formal opening of the new eighteen hole course should be arranged and a foursome of outstanding Canadian players be invited to give an exhibition match early in June.

A hearty vote of thanks was tendered to Col. Robert Mackenzie, to whose loyal, constant and very efficient efforts as Chairman of the Grounds Committee, the successful creation of the new course was almost wholly attributed.

The new Directors chosen for 1927 were: L. M. McAdams, President; T. C. McCobb, Vice-President; J. M. Hunt

(Honorary President); R. D. Wanless (Secretary-Treasurer); Col. Robert Mackenzie, T. F. McNamara, S. L. McKay, J. W. Simpson, W. H. Kenney, C. H. Gabler, C. L. Stewart and G. W. Prangley.

An irreparable loss was sustained shortly after the annual meeting in the sudden passing of the club's most prominent and popular member, Senator Fred. Pardee. The Senator was present at the above meeting and took as usual, a very active part in the proceedings. He was filled with optimism for the future and appeared in the very best of health and spirits, both at the meeting and afterwards in his own cosy home, where a few of his friends foregathered for a brief, but happy reunion. It is with tear-dimmed eyes and faltering pen we venture to record our deep sorrow and express our very sincere sympathy with those he left behind.

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OF THE GREEN SECTION OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN GOLF ASSOCIATION

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Annual Green Section Conference

FOLLOWING the practice of the past two years, a two day course of lectures will be held at Toronto under the auspices of the Royal Canadian Golf Association and the Ontario Golf Greenkeepers' Association. These spring meetings have been very popular not only with the greenkeepers and course superintendents, but with club managers, committeemen, seedsmen and others. Such a gathering offers a common meeting ground on which to discuss every phase of course management and maintenance. Once the season has opened the line of demarcation between these two branches is of necessity more sharply defined, but during the slack time of winter the discipline of service may

be relaxed and a freer spirit of argument prevail.

The list of speakers for this year is along broader lines than formerly, and while the scientific and practical aspects of greenkeeping will be the basis of the conference, there will be talks on the general management of course and club and general architecture of links by such authorities as E. C. Bowyer, Stanley Thompson and others well known in the golfing world. These meetings will be held at the Laboratory of the Dominion Seed Branch, 86 Collier Street, Toronto, and are open to all who are interested in the production and development of turf for all branches of sport. The dates are set for March 7th and 8th.

National Greenkeepers' Association

The last few years has seen the formation of many local organizations of greenkeepers for the purpose of bringing together the course superintendents of the district to discuss problems of maintenance and to become better acquainted with each other. So successful have these been that a general association has been formed to embrace all the greenkeepers throughout Canada and the United States. Though only a few months old, this new body has made wonderful strides and is rapidly growing in popularity. Its

main objects are, the general spread of information relating to greenkeeping and to create a better and broader familiarity among those in the same profession. Realizing that many benefits would accrue from such a connection, the Ontario Greenkeepers' Association have adjusted their fees so that their members will automatically belong to both organizations. It must be gratifying to clubs concerned to know that their employees are keeping abreast of the times.

Shrub Planting About Golf Courses

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Like the home or country estate, golf courses can be made much more attractive by the judicious planting of shrubs. Three principal ways to use them will be found: (1) about the club house and the entrance or ornamental area; (2) to screen the work sheds, nursery, etc; and (3) to add variety to the course and possibly make it more difficult.

We shall consider the ornamental grounds first. The most important placing of shrubs is about the base of the club house to form what is known as foundation planting. Most club houses possess attractive foundations, so that it will usually be unnecessary to hide their entire length. As the average club house is often of a low, rambling type of architecture, an informal arrangement will

prove most satisfactory. A foundation planting should be adequate and not consist of a few scattered shrubs. It may vary in width from a single shrub to three or four, depending on the size of the building, and the amount of screening required. Greatest width at the corners and at points of entrance is considered good practice, although this idea should not be slavishly followed. As mentioned before, the plantings should be informal and natural, that is, grouped, with no three shrubs exactly in line. All too frequently one sees so-called foundation plantings, consisting of a single line of shrubs, often well out from the building, which can scarcely be called adequate and are far from pleasing.

Variety in height-arrangement is equally desirable and with a wide range of heights to choose from, can be easily attained. The transition at any time should not be too abrupt; and in height as in width, emphasis may be given where desired, by greater height. Care should be taken to avoid planting shrubs that would, when fully grown, shade necessary windows. Cellar windows should be allowed sufficient air and sunlight. The dwarf evergreens may also be used and will add interest and variety especially in early spring and late fall. Too many varieties should not be chosen for such a planting and their ultimate size in relation to the bulk of the building should be carefully considered.

The taller shrubs at the wider points can always be faced down, that is, medium to small shrubs may be planted in front of them. Too regular a slope giving a banked effect, however, should be studiously avoided.

The right choice and placing of shrubs for these various requirements call for skill and practice, but the club committee can produce very satisfactory results by following these suggestions carefully.

The screening of the service area of the club house should be considered along with the foundation planting. Such places may be screened by lattice fences, covered with vines or with fence screened by shrubs. Shrubs alone, however, are excellent, permanent and artistic material. Tall shrubs are usually chosen, of dense growth, and these should be so planted and the road so curved, that the immediate service area is scarcely seen at any time.

The ornamental grounds about the club house (lawns, shrub borders and flower beds), need not be extensive, as the surrounding links will help the setting and give it breadth. Groups of shrubs about this area may be planted in beds, along the main drives and walks, intersections and massed at the entrance gates. These groups in beds should be made up of one or at most two varieties. Where there is much traffic, care must be exercised to avoid choosing a shrub that will obstruct the view when fully grown. All groups near roads and walks should be planted so that the nearest shrubs are not less than 4-5 feet away from the edge, depending on their size and spread. Room should be allowed for a two foot wide grass strip, at

the very least, between the bed and the road. Unless the roads are laid out in straight lines or formal curves, the beds should be of irregular shape on those sides not bordering them and follow the lines of the road on that side. Within these beds the shrubs should be arranged so irregularly that no three shrubs are in line and so that the group cannot be seen through from any point of view.

The utilitarian features such as the repair shop, barns and general storage place, as well as the nursery and sod pile, are all too often untidy and conspicuous spots. The taller shrubs could be used in such places to form a satisfactory screen and add beauty to the area. Ordinarily there is plenty of room, so that one can very well get away from the hedge idea of a single row of shrubs. A good banking of shrubs with the tallest along the inner boundary, faced down a little with lower shrubs, will look and prove best. The effect should by no means be stiff and formal, but irregular and natural.

The third use of shrubs is the most difficult to explain, as courses differ so greatly. It is unwise to introduce planting within the lines of play, but these lines may be defined by trees and shrubs. Also planting may be used as a protection between lines of play, although the planting on the edges of the course is not generally advisable, especially where the right hand side of the line of play combines with the boundary. It will most likely become a repository for too many lost balls. The main idea is to achieve naturalness and take away the bareness. Some courses are carved out of wooded or partially wooded country and then it is a matter of thinning the shrubs and under growth as well as the trees. The result when well done is most pleasing. On the other hand, many courses are laid out on land practically devoid of trees or shrubs and lack beauty and interest. To achieve beauty and added interest to the playing, is a matter of a happy medium between these extremes and resolves itself into an individual problem for each course. Trees may be used more freely than shrubs as a general rule, because of their higher branching.

Time for planting.—In Quebec the best time is the spring, but in the milder parts of the province either spring or fall will do. April and May are the spring planting months, whilst late October to the freezing of the ground is the time in the fall.

Distances apart.—The following distances are based on the ultimate spread of the shrub and allow of reasonable density of growth.

	Height	Type	Dist. Apart
Low....	2-4 ft.	Japanese Barberry	2-3 ft.
Medium.	5-6 ft.	Spiraea Van Houttei	3-4 ft.
Tall....	8 ft. & over	Wayfaring Tree	5-6 ft.

List of suitable shrubs.—These have been chosen for hardiness, ease of maintenance and freedom from insect pests and disease. The nomenclature follows "Standardized Plant Names," 1924 edition. Those marked * are especially suitable for screen planting.

3 to 4 ft.—

Berberis thunbergii—Japanese Barberry.
Caragana pygmaea—Dwarf Caragana.
Potentilla fruticosa—Shrubby Cinquefoil.
Hydrangea arborescens—Smooth Hydrangea.
Hydrangea arborescens snowhill—Snowhill Hydrangea.
Ribes aureum—Slender Golden Currant.
Rosa rugosa—Rugosa Rose.
Spiraea billardi—Spirea.
Spiraea bumalda Anthony Waterer—Anthony Water Spirea.
Spiraea japonica—Japanese Spirea.
Symphoricarpos racemosus—Common Snowberry.
Symphoricarpos vulgaris—Coralberry.
Symphoricarpos occidentalis—Western Snowberry.
Viburnum acerfolium—Maple Leaved Viburnum.

4 to 8 ft.—

**Caragana chamlagu*—Mongolian Pea-shrub.
 **Cornus alba*—Tartarian Dogwood.
 **Cornus alternifolia*—Pagoda Dogwood.
 **Cornus alba sibirica*—Coral Dogwood.
 **Cornus sanguinea*—Bloodtwig Dogwood.
 **Cotoneaster acutifolia*—Pekin Cotoneaster.
 **Lonicera morrowii*—Morrow Honeysuckle.
 **Lonicera ledebouri*—Ledebour Honeysuckle.

**Philadelphus coronarius*—Sweet Mock-orange.
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**Spiraea Van Houttei*—Van Houtte Spirea.
Viburnum plicatum—Japanese Snowball.

Hydrangea paniculata grandiflora—Peegee Hydrangea.

8 to 15 ft. and over—

**Amelanchier canadensis*—Downy Shadblow or Shadbush.
 **Crataegus cordata*—Washington Hawthorn.
Crataegus coccinea—Thicket Hawthorn.
 **Crataegus crusgalli*—Cockspur Thorn.
 **Crataegus macracantha*—Spike Hawthorn.
 **Caragana arborescens*—Siberian Pea Tree.
 **Lonicera tatarica*—Tatarian Honeysuckle.
 **Malus floribunda*—Japanese Flowering Crab.
 **Rhamnus cathartica*—Common Buckthorn.
 **Rhamnus frangula*—Glossy Buckthorn.

Club Government

The Directorate—

Of the many problems that beset the average golf club, none is so pressing and worthy of more consideration than that of providing adequate and efficient management of its affairs.

Unlike the city club, it is situated at a distance from the homes or business offices of its members and to the majority, a visit to the course is in the nature of a special appointment, the club being primarily a place of recreation, to be enjoyed when opportunity affords. The playing of golf is casual and uncertain, therefore, it behooves every one to realize the necessity of a strong and efficient administration to the affairs of the club and their common interests. The average golfer belonging to a private club, is a man of affairs, and generally is aware of the importance of applying good sound methods to the running of any organization, particularly that with which he is associated. Yet it has been said that business may be rendered quite impotent when the help of financially successful men has been enlisted to run church, charitable and club matters.

This, of course, is a serious slander, but the fact remains that often the same careful thought is not brought to bear upon the election of officers that there would be in the case of a private corporation. "Pay your dues and let George do the worrying," will soon bring the worry back in the form of unwelcome assessments. The capitalization in

land and buildings, equipment, etc., the annual turnover in the catering department and the maintenance of the course are sufficiently impressive to claim the earnest thought and consideration of each and every member.

The success or failure of any organization rests largely with the elected directorate. The development of the club, and the management of its transactions are under their supervision and control. The employment of a secretary-manager, has become popular during the last few years, and has eased the strain on the executive, nevertheless in the last analysis, the Board is the responsible body.

In selecting the directorate of a golf club there are two points to be kept in mind. First, the continuity of service of the board as a functioning body. Secondly, it is essential that the office holders have sufficient leisure to ensure proper attention to the business of the board. While directors may come and go, still the directorate as a functioning assemblage carries on till the final windup. The responsibilities of office reach beyond the actual period of tenure, so the foresight and decision is a very desirable quality and this can become effective only, if the office holder is fully conversant with club matters over a number of years. There is an inclination at times to consider election to the directorate as a favour. While such a position is indeed an honour, the bestowing of the distinction should be guided by cool judgment rather than the spirit of good fellow-

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ship. Lastly, when the board of directors are faithful to their trust, it does not seem in the best interests of all parties concerned to make frequent and complete changes. Particularly as by so doing, it throws an extra strain on the management, as in all cases of new appointments, it is necessary for the director or committee to learn the business and this can only be done by discussing the matter with those in charge.

Committees—

The various committees who supervise the different departments usually have a member of the directorate as chairman and the remaining personnel taken from the general list, and in consequence it is not infrequently happens that the chairman is virtually the whole committee. Either the wrong members are selected or the office is not sufficiently onerous to warrant serious consideration. One might almost say that it is easier to call a quorum of the Board than of a committee, and for this reason it is thought by many to be a wise policy to keep the committees within the directorate.

It would make a more efficient administration than the looser organization that has been the accepted practise. That too much power is vested in too small a compass might call for criticism, but all successful concerns are run that way, and it is the usual in muni-

cipal administration. In actual practise it works out in the following manner:

The Board consists of 12 members, and the administration being: No. 1, President; No. 2, Vice-President; No. 3, Chairman of the Finance Committee; No. 4, Chairman of the House Committee, etc., and as many more as are required for all other committees, to the gratification of the club's interests. The remaining members may serve on one or more of the various committees and the President and Vice being ex-officio of all. With such an interlocking administration the closest co-ordination and co-operation should be available in all departments. The result being that the greater majority of directors would through service on committees, be familiar with the working of all departments of the club and most of the club's activities. Prompt disposition of the business in hand could be made instead of holding up one department's progress while a committee representing another part of the organization would convene so that its view could be reported back for further consideration, as is often the case.

Such an arrangement of the administration refers, of course, to the business side of the club's affairs and has no bearing upon special committees for looking after that branch of club life that comes under the headings of sport, recreation and entertainment.

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(Reviewed by Griffith Bonner, *Mid-West Golf Official*).

BEING snowbound to-day as far as golf is concerned, have been playing a little indoor golf by reading and studying this book. The contents of this book, counting the foreword and introduction and sixteen chapters brings one 18 holes of enjoyment, just as would a snappy eighteen match on the links. Play with all irons, putting, stance, grip and swing all come in for interesting chapters.

Three chapters, just like sometimes three special holes in a golf round, however, stood out, in our humble opinion. These chapters were: Chapter 8, The Mental Side; Chapter 15, Correcting Common Faults; and Chapter 16, How to Practice. In Chapter 8 Barnes says: "No real conscious mental effort is necessary in the proper playing of a real golf stroke, any more than when a man takes a pen and writes his name." Barnes tells us the chief problem in learning to play golf from the mental standpoint, is to try and acquire a correct mental picture or pattern of the swing as a whole. Barnes cautions against pressing or being over anxious. Too often he says the muscles react by tightening up to meet the emergency. In Chapter 15 one is given the causes of slicing, hooking, topping and other golf evils and a remedy to stop all of these habits that spoil a golfer's score is found. In Chapter 15 diligent, patient practice is advocated as an essential. Practice to yield a benefit, Barnes says, must be done intelligently and with a purpose. One is cautioned and advised to have a definite idea with reference to what one is trying to do and then go to it. Barnes says, "Don't be content with just trying to hit the ball straight. Pick out some mark and aim at it. A warning is sounded that one should not try and mix practice and play.

This book is also well supplied with diagrams that aid in putting the author's views over. "A Guide to Good Golf" in its preliminary chapters also dwells on the fundamentals of the game, so that these are easily understood by the man or woman just taking up the game. For almost twenty years Jim Barnes has engaged in teaching and playing the game. His first engagement was at the Tacoma Country Club, Tacoma, Washington, where he met a number of Canadian golfers. Barnes in June, 1925, also won the British Open title.

We believe, "A Guide to Good Golf" is a great contribution to those who play that game and that this book will be a help to both the beginner and those who are more experienced.

The "Canadian Golfer" has filled hundreds of orders from all parts of Canada for this wonderful golf book. No golfer who hopes to improve his game in 1927 should be without a copy, which can still be obtained for two dollars and fifty cents by use of the following coupon.

A. G. Hitchon,
Business Manager, "Canadian Golfer,"1927
Brantford, Ont.
Herewith cheque, \$2.50, for which forward me Postage and Duty Prepaid, Barnes' book, "A Guide to Good Golf."
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THE BEACONSFIELD GOLF CLUB

Reports a Wonderful Season in 1926—Mr. G. H. Forster Succeeds Mr. J. A. Mann as President—Enjoyable Club Dinner Follows Business Meeting

BEACONSFIELD, one of Montreal's outstanding clubs, has now entered its twenty-fifth year of golfing activity, on an exceptionally favourable basis, as disclosed in the 24th report presented at the recent annual meeting. Owing to the unavoidable absence of the retiring President, Mr. J. A. Mann, the chair was occupied by Mr. G. H. Forster, Vice-President. Over 150 members were in attendance to hear the various reports read and a most enthusiastic reception was given to the figures presented by the chairmen of the various committees, the general standing of the club being a matter of great gratification, not only to the directors and officers, but to the membership as a whole.

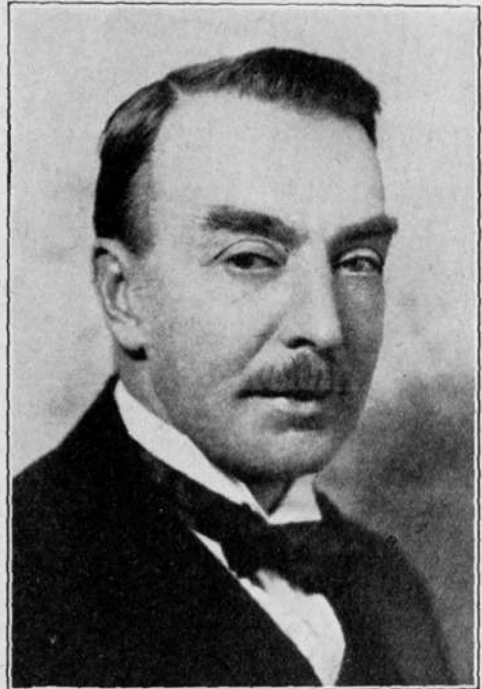
An analysis of the Financial Statement discloses a substantial net operating revenue, while entrance fees were nearly \$3,000 in excess of revenue from that source in 1925. The sum of \$3,000 was carried to Contingent Reserve and \$365 to the general reserve. Whilst the operating profits were not as large as preceding years, this is in line with the policy of the board of directors, who in view of the excellent financial standing of the club, have limited annual profits by appropriating larger sums for the benefit of the members in the nature of increased service both in the club house and on the course.

Mr. G. H. Forster, who has long been an enthusiastic member and a faithful officer, was elected President, an honour well deserved by Mr. Forster, who has always been a stalwart champion of the preservation of the best traditions of the Royal and Ancient game. The officers elected:

Mr. G. H. Forster was elected President; Dr. F. T. Tooke, Vice-President; Messrs. W. E. Burke, Honorary Treasurer, H. L. Doble, Honorary Secretary; J. A. C. Colvil, Captain; and Messrs. T. R. Enderby, J. B. Robinson and Col. H. J. Trihey were elected members of the Board to replace Messrs. J. L. Me-

Culloch, W. Stewart and J. W. Nicoll, who retired by rotation.

During the year the club suffered a distinct and serious loss in the death of Major A. P. Lomas, who had been with



Mr. G. H. Forster, Prominent Montreal Golfer, who has been elected President of the Beaconsfield Golf Club.

Beaconsfield in a Secretarial capacity for over five years. His loss was fittingly touched upon in the President's report and the following resolution was passed:

That the Club has learned with profound sorrow of the untimely death of Major Alexander Percy Lomas, its Secretary and Manager for many years. Major Lomas had endeared himself to the officers and members by his unflinching attention to duty, kindly and genial disposition, and continuous faithful adherence to the Club's interests; with the death of the late Major Lomas the Club and its members have suffered the loss of a good friend, and it will be with extreme difficulty that so faithful a contributor to the Club's success can be replaced; that the officers, directors and members desire to express their

deepest sympathy for his sister and brother in their sad bereavement.

Mr. Forster as Chairman of the Green Committee, presented a report showing that considerable efforts had been spent in improving the course and playing conditions. This report, which will be of interest to Green Committees in other clubs, was substantially as follows:

"The clearing of the rough west of first fairway was not found satisfactory and did not permit it being used as a practice ground, and it was found necessary to have it plowed up. Plans have been made to level and seed, and it is expected by the end of the coming season, that an excellent area will be available. The efforts to improve the course, by building new and increasing present tees, clearing away undergrowth and by special attention to both greens and fairways have been continued throughout the season. The programme of tree planting has been further carried out, and is now completed on that part of the course south of the railway.

The past season has further proved the necessity of an effort being made to prevent congestion at the 2nd hole. Arrangements have been made to change the rotation of the holes, by making the present 17th and 18th holes the new 1st and 2nd respectively, the present 1st hole the new 3rd, the change continuing from this to the present 16th, which would then become the new 18th. It is pro-

posed that this change be tried over a period of 14 days, and each member requested to give his opinion in writing, the result of which will determine the final decision. The support given by the members in marking caddie slips, was responsible, in no small measure, for the great improvement in the caddie service. About 15 per cent. of the efficiency slips were not marked. The correct filling in of slips on every occasion is of the utmost importance, and all members are earnestly requested to give this necessary assistance.

We desire to place on record our appreciation of the valuable advice of the professional, Albert Murray, who has been with the club since last spring, and of the continued splendid services given by the Greenkeeper and the excellent co-operation of his staff."

Following the meeting a dinner was held which was originally intended to be a farewell occasion for Mr. Mann, the retiring President, whose services have been invaluable to the Club, but as he was unable to be present, it was decided to express the members' appreciation of his services at the first President and Vice-President's dinner to be held at the club house early in the season. The dinner was a great success. Jerry Shea provided an excellent orchestra and entertainment that was both high class and novel.

MISS BROWNE AND HER AMATEUR STANDING IN GOLF

MISS MARY K. BROWNE, who the past few months has been picking up dollars galore playing professional tennis with "Mlle. Susanne" (\$100,000 apiece it is reported), is not only an expert with the racquet, but also is a golfer of note—one of the most promising women players in America. Miss Browne is perfectly satisfied to be professionalized in tennis, but the coming season, is anxious to again play golf as an amateur. Her request has caused the United States Golf Association quite a lot of worry, because Miss Browne can point to the fact that several well known Varsity coaches who are handsomely reimbursed for their services, still retain their amateur status as golfers. Among others, Percy D. Haughton, the Harvard coach, "Tad" Jones, the Yale coach, whilst Geo. Lamprecht, the present holder of the U. S. Intercollegiate Championship, which he won for the second consecutive time at Merion last summer, is an assistant football coach at Tulane. However, Miss Browne's case, considering her prominence in golf and the possibility of her winning the Ladies' Amateur Championship, which is quite in the realms of probability, is somewhat in a different class. Mr. H. H. Ramsay, Secretary of the U. S. G. A., states: "We have to consider ethics, which play an important part. Miss Browne is a splendid type of woman. She, doubtless, would make no attempt to use her position as a professional tennis player, to secure for her advantages in golf which could not be obtained by other women. Declaring any one a professional is not to be taken lightly when it comes to the game of golf." The chances are that the U. S. G. A. will not permit Miss Browne this year participating in amateur events. She has made a lot of money out of tennis and as a result will have to pay the penalty as regards golf. Dollars galore, and the Royal and Ancient game do not gibe, even in the country of dollars.

"HEARD ON THE LINKS"

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

Old Timer: "Well, I see you've made a start at the game. What did you make it in?"

Novice: "Say, this is a real game; I'm all for it. Made it in forty."

Old Timer: "Well, well, you are a wonder. I suppose you'll be out regularly after this."

Novice: "You bet, I'm going to try the second hole to-morrow."

It is hoped that the reigning champions are putting something aside for a reignless day.

FROM THE CADDIE

The golf caddie is ever being credited with making sage remarks and possibly he has missed his calling. Here is an illustration:

Visitor to Caddie—"Very healthy spot, this."

Caddie—"Yes, sir."

Visitor—"I don't suppose round here they die very often?"

Caddie—"No sir, only once."

On another occasion a golfer remarked: "The worst round I've ever played."

Caddie—"Have you played before, sir?"

A prominent old golfer in Lothian, who also gets the name of being at times a stranger to the truth, tells the following story about himself with undaring pride. He was out playing with a friend, and during the first two or three holes was boasting that he could overcome any hazard, no matter how difficult or how impossible it looked. Play continued until the 12th hole, where a single-apartment dwelling stands partly on the course. The boastful one had driven his ball from the tee and away it went in the direction of the house, and suddenly disappeared down the chimney. He and his partner hurried to the house, and just as they appeared the lady of the house was in the act of lifting the ball out of a frying-pan in which she was cooking the bacon. "Let it alane,

wumman," the old chap called out excitedly, "A'm goin' tae play it oot," and he took his deep-faced mashie, played the ball out of the pan, up the chimney, and on to the green and holed his putt!

A GOOD RESOLUTION FOR THE COMING SEASON

By "Mac" in "Golf Illustrated"



To concede no putts

Sandy M'Pherson had been having a golfing holiday on a course bordering on the banks of the Ganges. Returning from his holiday, he was seen driving a live crocodile through the streets of Calcutta. He was stopped by a policeman, who said to him—"I say, young man, you can't go through the streets with a dangerous creature like that." "Dangerous or no' dangerous," retorted Sandy, "I ken he'll have to come wi' me. Why mon, dinna ye ken that yon animile has got ma ball."

He was an Aberdonian, and wishing to join a golf club for six months, he called at the club house to ascertain the fee. For six months, the secretary told him, the charge was four guineas, but in true Aberdeen fashion the prospective member turned to the calendar and began to count the number of days in the first six months of the year and in the last six. Ultimately he decided to join in July. The reason? There are three extra days in the second half!—"Golf Illustrated."

How golf may lead to romance is illustrated by the fate of a handsome

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young bachelor curate who was strolling over Ditcham Common golf links a few weeks ago. In the middle of the fairway he ran against Miss Wallflower, who promptly buttonholed him.

Suddenly he heard a shriek of "Fore!" Glancing around he caught sight of a golf ball coming towards them at roughly three miles a second.

"Duck!" he shouted.

"Darling!" she said, and flew through the air at him. Then, using the Vardon interlocking grip, she held him until the date and other details were firmly fixed.

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LONGER DRIVES GUARANTEED.

Dub: "Well, I guess I'll win the driving contest to-day."

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Dub.: "Maybe they could before, but I've been taking driving lessons by correspondence lately, and I have a diploma that guarantees my drives to

go 20 yards further. Besides, I am now using the 'Ez' golf ball, and the ad. says it gives 15 to 25 yards longer flight. The club I have just purchased is guaranteed to lengthen my tee shot 15 yards, while the little tee is also guaranteed to add an additional 5 yards. And this coat, with the special sleeves, permits a freer swing, and the salesman said a longer drive would result. My shoes are also guaranteed to give a firmer stance and increase tee shots. Not to mention the different indoor and outdoor driving devices I've been using, and all of them guaranteed 10 to 20 yards longer drives. So you see why I expect to win the driving contest."

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We hear less and less about old King Tut these days and more and more about old King "Putt."

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If all of the poor golfers in the world were stretched end to end it would give the good golfers a chance to play.

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"Wish I had enough money to play golf."

"Well, where would you play?"

"I wouldn't play, I'd take a trip around the world."

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"The Secretary of the Artisan Golfing Association states that he knows of several workmen who walk miles for a round of golf before breakfast. We ourselves heard of a plumber who after taking a look at the links, goes a long way back to fetch his clubs. It was this same plumber who decided that the only practical way to get his ball out of a bunker was to take the bunker to pieces."—
"Punch."

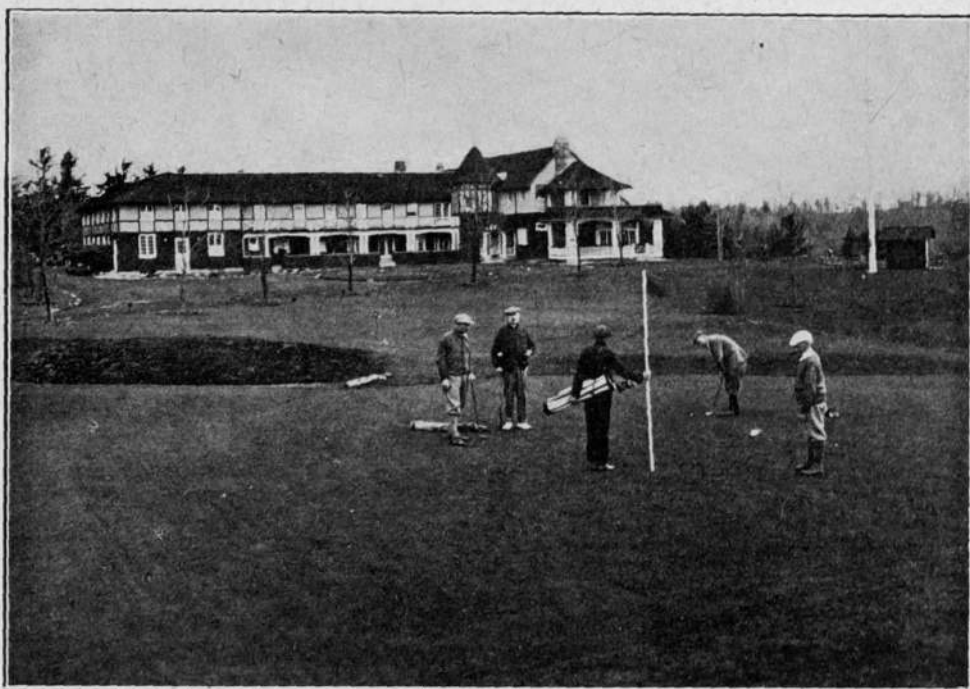
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Mother, at golf club for her first time, to prankish son who had galloped out onto the eighteenth green, picked up a player's ball and hurled it thirty yards away:

"Horace, dear, you mustn't do that. You might lose the gentleman's ball."

Then, smiling at the golfer, who was foaming at the mouth:

"I'm sure he didn't hurt it any. He's so playful."



A "Rennie Green" at the famous Rosedale Golf Club, Toronto. The players, from left to right are Messrs. J. N. Ogilvie, Brantford, Ralph H. Reville, R. M. Gray, Jr., Toronto and T. Rennie, Toronto.

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TORONTO LADIES' CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS

Canada's First Ladies' Club a Decided Success—Lady Baillie Elected President
—Miss Mackenzie to Play for Ladies This Season

WHEN the Toronto Ladies' Golf and Tennis Club was launched two years ago as the first exclusively ladies' golf club in Canada, and the second on the continent, there were misgivings in some quarters, as to the ultimate success of the venture. Any remaining doubts as to their ability to make an outstanding success of this unique golfing venture were set at rest this month by the splendid reports rendered at the annual meeting, which showed the club to be in excellent condition, financially and otherwise. The enthusiasm of the members was disclosed by an attendance of over 100 out of a total membership of 400, which latter figure is being extended to 500 this Spring, when the membership list will then be closed.

The Ladies' Club now has an excellent 18 hole course, it being opened officially last August, and at the end of the season the greens were in excellent condition. As far as can be ascertained, they have come through the Winter in good shape and at the meeting it was decided to start work as soon as possible on the fairways and the cost of this work will be met by subscription, over \$400 being subscribed at the meeting. A number of members notified the directors of their intention to hold bridges in the near future to increase this total. The club house is one of the best in the district and it was announced that this season the club will enter a team in the Ladies' Mail and Empire competition, there being already enough members with C.L.G.U. handicaps to field a strong team.

One of the most important announcements of the meeting was made by Miss

Ada Mackenzie, organizer and managing director of the club, who is also Canadian Open, Canadian Close and City Champion, that in future she would play as a member of the Toronto Ladies' Club. Miss Mackenzie originally played with the Toronto Club and when Mississauga was organized played as a member of that club. There is no doubt that with Miss Mackenzie playing from the ladies' club that organization will have added prestige.

The financial statement was very gratifying to the members and while the last nine holes were completed last year out of capital fund, this amount will be repaid from new memberships which are already assured. The club decided that in future the Canadian Open and Close, Ontario, City and Women's Senior Champions, will be honorary members of the club during the time they hold their respective titles. The election of officers resulted as follows:

Honorary Presidents—Mrs. Harry Cockshutt and Mrs. W. D. Ross.

President—Lady Baillie.

Vice-President—Mrs. A. D. Miles.

Directors—Mrs. D. A. Dunlop, Mrs. A. F. Rodger, Mrs. Leonard Murray, Mrs. A. M. Mitchell, Mrs. J. H. Gundy, Mrs. D. H. Wood, Mrs. E. Northwood and Miss Ada Mackenzie.

House Committee—Mrs. E. B. Ryckman, Mrs. Charles Boothe, Mrs. George Deeks and Mrs. D. D. Watson.

Entertainment Committee—Mrs. T. A. Brown, Mrs. H. M. Cowan and Miss M. Foy.

Golf Committee—Miss Inez Allan, Miss Elsie Thurston and Miss Esther Cassels.

OUR "HOLE-IN-ONE CLUB"

LAST month Mr. J. V. Perks, the Secretary of the Victoria Golf Club had the honour of reporting the first hole in one of the year. Not content with this record he now reports the second one for 1927:

"I have much pleasure in informing you that Mr. 'Joe' E. Wilson, the well known golfer, and one of many years standing, and who is also a member of the Seniors' North West Golf Association, holed out in one on the thirteenth to-day, the distance being 174 yards.

Mr. Wilson was playing with Captain J. S. Matterson, also a veteran golfer, who has holed out in one on several occasions. Mr. Wilson has been informed of the honours that are due to him, also of certain penalties in connection with making a hole-in-one."

WORLD'S LONGEST DRIVER

Jack Smith, Assistant to George Duncan, Is Now Given That Envied Distinction

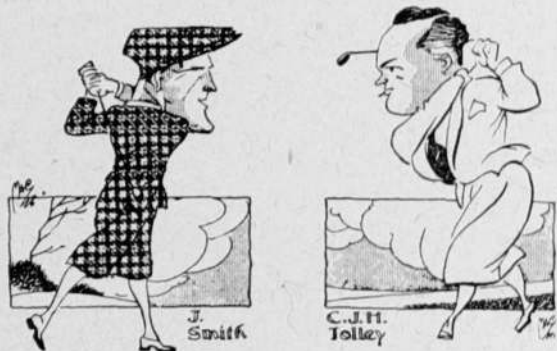
(*"The Linksman," London "Graphic"*)

OF the winter golfing performances, unquestionably the best has been the round of 68 with which Jack Smith, assistant to George Duncan at Wentworth (Virginia Water), won the recent competition in which some eighty amateurs and professionals took part at Hindhead. His score beat Mr. Rex Hartley's previous record for the course, which is just about as fine a test of inland golf as any in the country, by four strokes. This Jack Smith is a man of unusual interest and envy to the community of the links, because he is, without doubt, the longest driver the world has ever known, often getting tee shots 300 yards and over. I have seen all the big hitters since the days of Douglas Rolland, who, in the power that he blended with the rhythm of his swing, had no equal when the gutta-percha ball was in vogue. Prior to the rise of Jack Smith, the mightiest smiter of the rubber-cored ball was Maurice Daugé, an almost unknown Frenchman of pre-war days. Daugé could do nothing but hit, and his scores generally ranged from 85 to 95, so that he never looked like winning anything. But as a hitter he was in very truth a Colossus. I know that James Braid will support this statement. Once, when he was at the height of his fame as a long driver, Braid happened to be drawn with Daugé in a competition at Versailles. He confessed at the finish that he had been unable to get within twenty yards of the Frenchman in any full shot from the tee.

But there can be no doubt that Smith has now beaten the whole band of prodigious drivers—at any rate, in the consistency with which he achieves distances that would be remarkable in anybody else. There may be isolated occasions when Mr. Cyril Tolley surpasses every one of his rivals in the struggle for length. His physique is so strong, and his swing in its fundamentals is so essentially what the golf swing ought to be, that when he times the shot perfectly nobody can come up to him. There was an example on the occasion of the long driving competition in connection with the open championship at Troon, when he hit a shot of 299 yards 10 inches. Unfortunately, Mr. Tolley mistimes so many drives that what he gains on a few swings he more than loses on the others, which are most assuredly his roundabouts in the sense that they send him in a roundabout way to the holes.

Mr. Roger Wethered, a wonderful natural hitter, with wrists that must be like finely tempered steel, since he is slight of build, is nowadays an even more pronounced example of the long driver whose timing goes wrong. For some months he has been playing his tee-shots mostly with a straight-faced iron rather than trust to the driver, an expedient which may not entail much loss of distance, but which robs a first-class golfer of the appearance of mastery.

Smith has made a new art of big hitting. The best thing about him is that, instead of allowing his inborn attributes to gain the upper hand by stimulating an appetite for more and more length, he has brought them admirably under control, and shown that a man can hit very far and still keep straight. In this respect, he has emulated his fellow-villager from the glades of Forest Row, Abe



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Mitchell. Mitchell has the reputation of being the greatest of all drivers, having regard for the mingling of power with accuracy of direction, but the Jack Smith of to-day is longer than Mitchell and just as straight. His entire standard of skill has developed astonishingly, and I would set him down as the most likely player in this country to challenge the supremacy of the Americans.

There is a tendency among the champions of a former generation to disparage long driving as a form of profligacy which affords excitement, and occasionally pleasure, but which destroys the scientific aspect of golf. Some of the old stagers are very strong on the point; they can see only the deterioration of the game in the desire of the younger generation to make the drives go a very long way. Obviously it is foolish to endeavour to do more than one is capable of accomplishing, but the fact remains that powerful driving is a great moral factor. It is the foundation of Mr. Bobby Jones' game. It established the reputation of Mr. Tolley and Mr. Wethered, Mitchell and Ray; and, in a former generation, of Mr. F. G. Tait, Rolland and Braid. Renown in driving causes one to be regarded as something of a man-eating tiger—an asset in any contest.

Nobody ought to be condemned for trying to increase the length of his driving, as though it were some licentious and unscientific inclination. For what it may be worth, let us see how Jack Smith achieves his results. Although he adopts the overlapping grip, he holds the club well in the palm of the right hand, which is under the shaft. It is not essentially a finger grip; it is a mixture of modern and ancient methods. The left hand, he says, acts solely as a guide. It is not a tight grip, but it tightens as the club comes down. At the impact, he hits for all he is worth with his right hand, and at the same time, thrusts his right thigh into the blow. He has given unsophisticated freedom of strength to the right side of the body.

PROMINENT OLD COUNTRY GOLFER

Mr. Hugh Miller, Sales Manager of the Game Balls Company, Limited, Manufacturers of the "Harlequin" Balls, Pays a Visit to His Agents in the States and Canada

A VERY welcome and prominent British golf visitor to Canada and the United States last month was Mr. Hugh Miller, Sales Manager of the Game Balls Company, Ltd., with a London office at Stevenage House, 40-44 Holborn Viaduct, E. C. 1, and with factories at Brentford and Tonbridge. The Company is the sole Patentees and Manufacturers of the Harlequin Golf, Cricket and Hockey balls, and has an enviable reputation throughout Great Britain, Europe and Australia. Quite recently they have entered and entered most successfully the Canadian and U. S. markets. Last season the famous Harlequin Golf Ball was used most successfully by many leading Canadian amateur and professional players, "Jimmy" Johnston, of Rosedale, it will be remembered, winning the Canadian Professional Championship last season with this ball, whilst it was also "out in front" in many other important events.

The agency in the States of the Game Balls Co., Ltd., is the Wilson Western Sporting Goods Company, of Chicago, one of the big sporting goods houses across the Border. They were greatly pleased with their experience with the "Harlequin" last year and gave Mr. Miller a largely increased order for the 1927 season.

In Canada, the Company is represented in the East by the outstanding firm of Harold A. Wilson, Ltd., Yonge Street, Toronto, and in the West by W. G. Langdon, 2464 Cambridge St., Vancouver, B. C. The Canadian Distributors also reported splendid business and results last season and Mr. Miller in this country too, placed largely increased orders for early 1927 delivery.

To a "Canadian Golfer" representative during the course of an interview in Toronto, he expressed himself as greatly delighted with golfing prospects in America and is anticipating a growing business for his firm year after year both in Canada and the States.

Mr. Miller as a young chap came out from Scotland to the States, but returning to his native Land, became associated with the Scottish golf trade



Prominent in Golf Manufacturing Circles in the Old Country—Mr. Hugh Miller, who recently paid a visit to the "Harlequin" Agencies in Canada and the States.

and has been a very prominent figure now for some years in golfing circles both in England and Scotland. He is intimately acquainted with all the leading Old Country and European amateurs and professionals, and is recognized as an authority on the game and on golf ball and golf club construction. He is particularly enthusiastic about the new Harlequin ball, which he placed on sale here this season. These balls will be made in a different

pattern to those marketed in 1926, and will be the very last word in golf balls both as regards flight and stability. They will stand up to all kinds of punishment. The Game Balls Company has unlimited capital and employs the highest priced chemists and experts in the production of their output, which now goes to all parts of the world.

Mr. Miller made many warm friends whilst in Canada and the States who

are hoping that in future he will make at least a yearly visit to this "side of the pond." He travels Great Britain from end to end and also Europe, where golf, he states, is becoming increasingly popular in France, Italy, Spain, Belgium, Germany and other countries, and where the "Harlequin" has a very large sale. He is anticipating a growing golf ball business here for his well known firm.

WONDERFUL PROGRESS OF SUN LIFE

An Outstanding Report—Assurances Exceed One and a Quarter Billions

THE Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada continues to eclipse its own transcendent records. At the annual meeting for 1927 which has just been held, President T. B. Macaulay was able to report that the total business paid for in 1926 amounted to \$265,889,546, double that of 1924—only two years ago. The assurances in force now exceed one and a quarter billions of dollars.

The Sun Life has become much more than our greatest Canadian company. It is one of the leading Life Insurance companies of the world. Its growth is equally arresting, whether compared with its own record or with the totals of insurance on this continent. The increase of its business at risk in 1926 is greater than the entire business carried by the Sun Life at the outbreak of the war. It has now more business in force than the total life insurance in force in all Canada, with all companies, Canadian and foreign, when war was declared. Latest reports indicate that the general increase in life insurance secured during 1926 in the United States and Canada is six per cent. in excess of 1925. The Sun Life's increase for the year is 37½ per cent.

Fully keeping step with this great access of business, the assets of the Company have increased during the past twelve months by \$42,195,000, swelling the total to \$345,251,000. The Company's assets have multiplied five times in the last twelve years.

The Company's successful investment policy is reflected in an analysis of its securities. Government valuers appraise a further increase in the excess value of the Company's securities over cost, of nearly \$7,000,000. A profit of \$1,700,000 has been realized by the redemption or sale of municipal debentures and other holdings which had risen to high premiums. The rate earned on the mean invested assets for the year rose to the phenomenal figure of 6.69 per cent., this being contributed to by dividend increases, bonuses and other privileges granted on the Company's holdings.

From the total surplus earned during the year, \$20,457,077, the Company has made large and prudent appropriations. After making these allocations, which add substantially to the unassailable security of the Company, an addition of \$5,715,564 has been added to undivided profits, bringing the total surplus over all liabilities, contingency accounts and capital stock to \$34,011,565.

Perhaps, however, the features of the report of outstanding interest to the public are those relating particularly to benefits to policyholders. During the year profits amounting to \$9,235,526 were paid or allotted to policyholders, this amount being eight times in excess of the amount paid out ten years ago. For six years past increases in profits to policyholders have been announced resulting in a doubling of the profits scale during that period. For the seventh successive time a further increase is announced. The great total of \$38,576,453 has been paid out during the year in respect of death claims, matured endowments, etc., bringing the total so paid since organization to \$257,816,174.

The high rate of interest earned enables the Company to distribute profits on the assumption of 5½ per cent. being earned on the Reserves. The same rate of interest is being allotted to beneficiaries on the proceeds of matured endowments and death claims left with the Company. In this way again, policyholders are participating in the great prosperity of the Company.

Not the least gratifying portion of the report is the fine showing of business written within the Dominion. Here again a new record is established for Canada in a massive aggregate of \$102,000,000 of paid assurances.

The Sun Life Company is as old as the Dominion. But it has greater claims to Canadian pride than that. It is to-day one of the foremost of the small group of great Canadian financial institutions which are making Canada famous.

GOLF IN BERMUDA

Mr. H. St. G. Butterfield Wins Amateur Championship at the 38th Hole, After Most Exciting Match

THE Bermuda Annual Amateur Golf Championship Tournament, which took place on the Mid-Ocean course at Tucker's Town from February 1 to 5, resulted in a victory for H. St. G. Butterfield, of the Riddell's Bay Golf and Country Club, Bermuda, his opponent in the final

On the third day Edwards was eliminated from the contest by Symington, who defeated him by 3 and 2. By the fourth day Richardson and Butterfield alone remained for the final flight.

On the closing day, Saturday, February 5th, fine weather again favoured the tournament, which was witnessed



The Beautiful Club House, Mid-Ocean Golf Course, Bermuda.

round having been F. B. Richardson, of the National Golf and Country Club, Morris County, N. J. This was the first time on record that the tournament had been won by a Bermudian.

Weather conditions throughout the tournament were perfect. On the opening day there were 86 entrants, representing the United States, Canada, England and Bermuda. Conspicuous among the players were Ralph E. Edwards, of the North Hill, N. J., Golf Club, the 1926 Champion; C. R. McMillan, of the Essex County Golf Club, Orange, N. J.; T. R. Symington, of the Gibson Island Golf Club, Lancashire, England, and H. St. G. Butterfield, who eventually proved to be the winner. In the qualifying round McMillan turned the lowest score, 76, which won for him a gold medal. No player succeeded in winning the special prize for below par, 72.

by a large gallery, including many visitors from the United States and Canada. On this occasion it was noticeable that while Richardson could hit a fine drive and when necessary could putt well, his chief weakness was on the greens. As a player he was superior to his opponent, but against his skill had to be weighed the coolness and nerve of Butterfield, who, moreover, was a player of no mean ability.

From the start Richardson led, and at the 10th hole he won with a par 4. From this point he showed weakness with the brassie, and at the succeeding holes his opponent forged ahead. Both men played championship flight golf at the 14th with their first two shots and 5th flight championship golf with their next three, resulting in the hole being halved.

The 16th furnished a striking example of the difference between British

and American golfers. Richardson always pitched his approach straight at the pin; Butterfield played a pitch and run shot, and the latter is characteristic of all golfers accustomed to playing in the wind. On this occasion



The Amateur Champion of Bermuda—Mr. H. St. G. Butterfield, of the Riddell's Bay Club, Bermuda.

it proved to be successful, for a fairly strong breeze was blowing.

Two extraordinary putts—that went dead on a rolling green down hill—led to the 16th hole being halved in 4. The 17th was halved in 3's, and at the 18th very medium golf of both players resulted in a win for Richardson by 5 and 6 that made him 2 up on the first 18 holes. This finished the morning round.

After lunch, when play was resumed, Richardson showed better form, and at the 9th hole the card read, Richardson 41, Butterfield 45." From this point the contest was remarkably close until the 17th, when Richardson missed a 3 foot putt, which apparently un-

nerved him, while it gave Butterfield new life, and enabled him to win the 18th, owing to the American player missing a 4 foot putt. This made an extra hole or holes, as the case might be, and the excitement ran high. Carrying on to the 1st again, Butterfield was bunkered with a badly hit tee shot, and with both missing putts, this hole was halved.

Coming on to the second, Richardson missed on his third putt, which gave Butterfield the hole and match, 1 up on the 38th hole, the best victory ever recorded in the amateur championship tournament.

At the conclusion of the tournament, numerous prizes, including the championship cup, were presented to the contestants by General Sir John J. Asser, Governor of Bermuda. In a brief speech he referred to the good sportsmanship which had characterized the tournament, in which Britons, Americans, Canadians and Bermudians had taken part. Those who had conducted the tournament, he said, were indebted to the Mid-Ocean Club for the use of its splendid course, which he reminded Americans present was only forty-five hours from New York. He urged them to invite their friends to come down to Bermuda, where they could play under ideal conditions.

In the evening those who had taken part in the tournament dined together at the Mid-Ocean club house, with H. D. Butterfield, Jr., in the chair. Afterwards visiting golfers subscribed \$150 for special prizes to be awarded at the 1928 tournament. The form the prizes would take and the manner of their disposition was left to the Bermuda committee.

A money lender was elected to an exclusive golf club. The caddie-master asked him if he wished to have his name put on his golf balls at a reasonable price. "And will you put my name on a dozen balls at that price?" asked the money-lender. "Yes," said the caddie. "And my address, too?" "Yes." "For the same price?" "Yes." "Well, then, for the same price, you might add: 'Office hours, 9 to 5.'"

LAKEVIEW HAS RECORD SEASON

Prominent Toronto Club In Splendid Financial Condition—Strong Directorate Elected for 1927

ONE of the finest statements to be presented to a local golf club was submitted recently at the annual meeting of the Lakeview Golf and Country Club, Honorary Secretary-Treasurer H. T. Roesler. Operating on a revenue of \$49,465, the Lakeview Club finished its 1926 season with a surplus of \$9,212 set aside, over \$6,000 for depreciation on its property and equipment, and finished the season with a nominal sum outstanding.

A feature of the remarkable statement was the revenue derived from green fees, which exceeded \$5,000. The course is regarded as one of the tests of golf in Eastern Canada, with an unbroken par, although the leading professional and amateur players of America have taken part in tournaments held on it.

Mr. J. M. Bullen, who has been a particularly popular President during the past season, retires from the Board this year and has been succeeded on the directorate by Dr. J. S. Robert, the other members for 1927 being F. C. Fletcher, C. B. Owens, Dr. A. E. James, J. Miller, H. T. Roesler and D. A. Macdonald. L. H. Biddell was

elected Captain and J. V. Stark was chosen as Vice-Captain. Arthur Russell, professional, and George Moir,



Mr. F. A. N. Powell, Prominent Torontonian, presented by the Lakeview Golf & Country Club with a handsome portrait in recognition of his invaluable services.

Secretary, will serve the club in their respective positions in 1927.

During the meeting a fine portrait of Past President F. A. N. Powell was presented to the club by W. W. Jones. Mr. Powell directed the club's activities during its early years.

SPRING GOLF TOUR

Solid Pullman Section of the "Panama Limited" will carry Northern Golfers to Sunny South—Canadian Section Will Join American Party at Chicago

WITH the rapid approach of Spring, a certain germ begins to irritate the golfer who feels the urge of a round of the links, but has been held in check all winter. To alleviate this condition the Illinois Central System has for several years conducted a Spring Golf Tour, running in a solid Pullman section from Chicago and visiting the leading courses of the South under the most ideal auspices and in the congenial company of fellow sportsmen. This annual tour has been so successful that the "Canadian Golfer" has completed arrangements with the Illinois Central System to in-

clude this year a Canadian section, which will leave Toronto and join the American party at Chicago the night of March 17th. The tour is unique in that all arrangements are made in advance and the members have no troublesome details left to their own arrangements. The Pullman accommodation is the best available and the same cars are at the disposal of the party for the entire trip. The all expense charges of the trip include sleeping car accommodations aboard the special train for the entire period; all meals en route, playing privileges at many of the courses to be visited and the use of the Pull-

mans at night instead of hotels. By using the sleepers for the entire trip all trouble in connection with hotel reservations and the moving and handling of baggage is entirely eliminated.

All in all it is a wonderful opportunity to escape the tail end of winter and enjoy ten days of golf in the Glorious South. To many golfers it is known as the "Spring Training Trip," as they return right on their game for the opening of the golfing season at home. The 1927 programme and itinerary is as follows:

At Laurel, Friday, March 18th.

Play at Laurel Country Club, 18 holes. Green Fee complimentary, courtesy of the club.

At Gulfport, Saturday to Wednesday, March 19th-23rd.

Saturday, March 19th—Great Southern Golf Club, Gulfport 18 holes. Green fee complimentary, courtesy of the club.

Sunday, March 20th—Edgewater Golf Club Course at Edgewater Park, 18 holes. Green fee, complimentary, courtesy of the hotel.

Monday, March 21st, Pine Hills (Hotel), Country Club at Pine Hills-on-the-Bay near Pass Christian 18 holes. Green Fee complimentary, courtesy of the hotel.

Tuesday, March 22nd—Golf Hills Country Club, Biloxi, 18 holes. Green fee complimentary, courtesy of the club.

Wednesday, March 23—Biloxi Golf Club, Biloxi, 18 holes. Green fee, complimentary, courtesy of the club.

On other days members of the party will be welcome to any one of the above named clubs. Usual fee of \$2.00 will be collected.

At Columbia, Thursday, March 24th.

Play at Columbia Country Club—9 holes. Guests of Mr. H. L. White and associates. Green fee complimentary, courtesy of the club.

At New Orleans, Friday and Saturday, March 25th and 26th.

Play at New Orleans Country Club or Audubon Golf Club, each 18 holes. Usual green fee of \$2.00 will be charged. Hours of play all day Friday and until noon Saturday. It is suggested that Saturday afternoon may be well spent in sightseeing.

At Memphis, Sunday, March 27th.

Play at Memphis Country Club. Usual

green fee of \$2.00 will be charged. The Yellow Cab Co. of Memphis, has extended to members a special rate of \$1.75 in each direction between downtown hotels and the Country Club, for parties of one to five.

True southern hospitality prevails at all points visited, and our party is assured a most enjoyable trip.

As a means of identification, members of the party should carry with them the special privilege book issued for this trip, and should register at the clubs as "Member Illinois Central Golf Tour."

Arrangements will be made for prompt delivery of letters and telegrams addressed to members while on tour. Details later.

SCHEDULE

Leave Chicago Thursday, March 17th, 12.30 p.m., in our own special train as a section of the Panama Limited. Arrive Laurel, Miss., Friday, March 18th, 9.15 a.m. Play all day, Laurel Country Club.

Leave Laurel, Miss., Saturday, March 19th, 12.01 a.m.; arrive Gulfport, Miss., Saturday, March 19th, 4.20 a.m. Five days on the beautiful Mississippi Golf Coast. Five excellent courses: Edgewater Golf at Edgewater Park; Great Southern at Gulfport; Biloxi Golf Club and Gulf Hills Country Club at Biloxi, and Pine Hills Country Club at Pine Hills-on-the-Bay near Pass Christian.

Leave Gulfport, Miss, Thursday, March 24th, 12.01 a.m.; arrive Columbia, Miss, Thursday, March 24th, 3.00 a.m. A full day's golf at Columbia.

Leave Columbia, Miss., Friday, March 25th, 12.01 a.m.; arrive New Orleans Friday, March 25th, 6.00 a.m. Two days in the "Paris of America," golf or "do" the Unique French Quarter with its old-world atmosphere. Enjoy the noted cuisine of the famous French restaurants.

Leave New Orleans, La., Saturday, March 26th, 7.45 p.m.; arrive Memphis, Tenn., Sunday, March 27th, 6.35 a.m. The return trip will be broken with stopover at Memphis. Give the final touch to your "game" at the sporty Memphis Country Club.

Leave Memphis, Tenn., Sunday, March 27th, 9.00 p.m.; arrive Chicago Monday, March 28th, 10.00 a.m.

Charges for various sleeping car accommodations from Chicago, including railroad fare from Toronto, range from \$138 to \$185 per person, according to berth, compartment, drawing room, etc.

NEW PRO. FOR CATARAQUI

Another important professional appointment has just been announced for the coming season. Ben Kerr, of the Riverview Golf and Country Club, Galt, Ontario, has been selected from a large number of applicants for the proposition at The Cataraqui Golf and

Country Club, Kingston, succeeding "Bob" Cunningham, who next month goes to Mississauga, Toronto. The Cataraqui Club has a fine and enthusiastic membership and Kerr is assured of a busy and successful season.

IN AND ROUND THE CLUB HOUSE

Interesting Happenings on the Courses of Canada, Great Britain
and the United States.

The annual meeting of the Uplands Golf and Country Club was held in the Yellow Room of the King Edward last month and there was an exceedingly large turnout of the members of this young club. President Howard H. Shaver read the directors' report, which showed that during the past year the club had made fine progress, there being a decided increase in the membership, while the financial standing of the club is very sound. During the year the permanent 18-hole course was completed and was playable in the latter part of the season. If it winters well the course is expected to prove one of the sportiest in the district this season. The ladies' section reported a good year, and their financial statement showed a balance of several hundred dollars. The directors were instructed to go ahead with the erection of a new clubhouse this summer. The following directors were elected: Messrs. H. H. Shaver, W. J. Thompson, W. J. Henning, C. B. Landell, Robert See, R. D. Thomas, Wilfred McKay and H. Williamson. At a subsequent meeting of the directors Mr. W. J. Henning was elected president, and Mr. C. B. Landell vice-president.

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A despatch from Atlanta, January 28th:

"Announcement was made to-day by the Atlanta Junior Chamber of Commerce that a Southern Open Golf Tournament would be held there March 23-26, inclusive, at the East Lake Country Club. The first prize will be \$3,500 or a handsome trophy should an amateur win, the announcement said. Total prizes of \$12,000 will be distributed, it was added. The sanction of the Southern Golf Association is to be asked for the tournament. The East Lake Club is the home links of Bobby Jones, American and British Open Champion."

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In the 1927 edition of "The Financial Post Survey of Canadian Business and Financial Progress," its editors have given the Canadian business executives a volume of dependable statis-

tics that is simply invaluable. Gathered in this one volume are facts concerning every phase of commercial and financial activities over the past few years, including tabloid surveys of



Mr. T. H. Fairley, Prominent Toronto Golfer, who has been elected President of the Scarboro Golf and Country Club, and will have the honour of formally opening the magnificent new course, which has been under construction at "Scarboro" during the past two years.

Canadian markets, industries, agriculture, mining, banking and the stock exchanges. In all there are 12 main divisions, covering a total of 250 pages. The compilation of this book is the outcome of many years' experience in studying the needs of Canadian business men and presenting them with a wealth of information that is nowadays so essential in planning for the business year that lies ahead. If any of the major phases of the economic life of the Dominion concern your business you should not be without your copy

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A despatch from Palm Beach, Fla., January 28th:

“Trudging through a driving rain and in the face of a fifty-mile gale, Jack B. Ryerson, one-time Yale golfing star, won the final of the annual Lake Worth tournament here to-day, defeating Capt. Ernest F. Carter, former champion of Ireland and Wales, in a match that went to the twentieth hole for decision. There was a half-inch of water on many of the greens.

New York players figured in the finals of three of the other four divisions, and in the fifth flight a seventy-two-year old Manhattanite, H. J. Horner, defeated a thirty-year-old opponent, H. R. Gary, of Boston, by 2 up. Horner attributed his success to the fact that he was wearing his son's knickers.

R. Crosbie, of New York, was beaten in the final of the second sixteen, losing to Fred Piper, of Boston, by 3 and 2 to play. In the fourth flight final James A. Foley, of New York, defeated a fellow townsman, George

H. Kleim, by 6 and 5. J. F. Roy, Palm Beach, won in the third division from A. L. Slocum, Milwaukee, 6 and 5.

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Despatch from Dallas, Texas:

“Walter Hagen, National Professional Open Champion, to-day predicted a change in the rule of the United States Golf Association which penalizes an out-of-bounds shot two strokes. One stroke is enough, Hagen believes.

“What is the sense of charging two strokes for a well-hit ball, for example, which falls within bounds but takes a bad hop and lands alongside the course?” he said. “If the player had missed the ball altogether he would be penalized only one stroke.”

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Despatch from Asheville, N. C., Jan. 30th:

“Jess Sweetser, Amateur Golf Champion of England, to-day established a new record for the Asheville Country Club golf course when he negotiated the eighteen holes in sixty-three strokes. Par for the course is 71.

Frank Clark, professional at the club, came within one stroke of Sweetser's total.”

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Despatch from Coral Gables, Fla.:

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“In the thirty-six hole final of the annual championship tournament of the Miami-Biltmore Country Club to-day T. W. Palmer of Miami, won the title from Frank Norman, 1 up.

Palmer was 5 up at the end of the morning's eighteen and it looked like a runaway for him, but in the afternoon Norman evened the match at the seventeenth. At the eighteenth Norman's par 5 was not good enough, as Palmer dropped his putt for a birdie.”

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John G. Anderson, French Amateur Champion, and Richard A. Jones, Jr., former Metropolitan Junior Champion, defeated E. H. Driggs, Jr., paired with William Reekie, Metropolitan Amateur Champion (formerly well known Canadian player), 4 and 3, in an exhibition match at Charles Mothersele's Vander-Built-In golf course, New York, for the benefit of the Jacob Riis Settlement.

Jones starred for the winners, scoring a 33, eight strokes under par, on each round, and making eleven 1s and only two 3s. Driggs was next best with a 71, while Anderson and Reekie each had 74s.

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Standing committees of Belleville Country Club were appointed for the season as follows: Vice-President, W. J. Cook; Finance Committee, G. A. C. Weir; Chairman Green Committee,

W. J. Cook; Entertainment, Mrs. C. Wilmot, Convener; Match Committee, R. G. Stafford, Captain; Membership, W. E. Schuster, Chairman.

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Archibald Andrews, who played a game of golf in California last March to decide whether he would sell a Chicago building to Frederick K. Bartlett for \$575,000, or \$600,000, and lost, now is defendant in a suit of a broker who seeks to collect a \$34,000 commission.

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A despatch from Los Angeles:

"Tommy Armour, Washington, D. C. pro., and Al. Watrous, of Grand Rapids, Mich., shot through twenty-one holes to defeat Vic d'Alberto and Hutt Martin, Los Angeles professionals, 1 up, in the finals of the \$2,500 California State Open golf team championship. The prize money divisions gives each of the winning teams \$500, the runners-up \$250 each, \$100 each to the semi-finalists, and \$75 each to eight other players."

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Despatch from Daytona Beach, Fla.:

"John D. Rockefeller, Sr., won the admiration of a large crowd to-day, when he drove a couple of golf balls over the water hole. He was very deliberate in all his movements to-day, and made some excellent long drives. His putting was especially good. He played to-day with his old friend, General Albert Ames, and his house guests, Fowler McCormick, his grandson; Mrs. Abby Rockefeller Milton, his granddaughter, and her husband.

After one of his most exacting drives to-day, he repeated his remark of Saturday that "deliberation means everything in golf."

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At the annual meeting of the Golf Association of Philadelphia, it was announced by R. T. B. Winskill, delegate from Sandy Run, that the Meehan sisters, Helen and Sarah, would play from the club during the coming season instead of from Cedarbrook, as in the past, and that they would make a trip abroad for the British Women's Championship. Mrs. Francis J. Doyle and her daughters, of the Torresdale-Frankford Country Club, are also going to invade England for the same purpose.

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match in the recent Class "A" Tournament. Among those who were in the ties were Mr. J. L. Weller, of the Hamilton Golf and Country Club, who as usual is spending the Winter at Pinehurst and who every season brings home one or more trophies.

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Harry M. Hotchkiss, formerly at the Manor Richelieu Golf Club, Murray Bay, has been appointed to succeed Frank Lock as professional at the Quebec Golf Club. Hotchkiss is decidedly a finished golfer, having learned his game in England and was later with Charlie Murray at the Royal Montreal Golf Club. His appointment at Quebec should give universal satisfaction.

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Finishing on the seventy-second hole by chipping into the cup from a trap for a 67 which tied the course record, Tommy Armour, of Washington, D. C., won the first annual El Paso open golf tournament on the El Paso Country Club course with a grand total of 288.

Johnny Golden, of North Jersey, who led Armour by three strokes starting the final round, and Joe Kirkwood, trick shot specialist, tied for second place at 292. The next two places went to New York. Arthur DeMane got fourth money, a closing round of 70 this afternoon giving him a total of 297. Joe Turnesa, of the New Elmsford Club in Westchester County, at 299, came fifth. Another New Yorker, Bill Creavy, tied for sixth.

Armour's final round of 67, including five birdies and four pars on the last nine holes, tied the record for the course established two years ago by Jock Hutchison.

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At the first meeting of the new board of Directors of the Scarborough Golf Club Mr. H. D. Fairley was elected President, and Mr. W. J. A. Carnahan Vice-President. The following are the various committees for the year:

House Committee—W. J. Carnahan, Chairman; O. B. Shortly, Dr. Dennis Jordan, L. P. Howe, V. H. Dennis and A. B. Fisher.

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Athletic equipment for the 1927 Spring and Summer season is attractively featured in the handsome Reach Catalogue just issued by the Brantford, Ontario, head office of the Firm in Canada. The golfer, the football and tennis player, cannot make any mistake in consulting this attractive brochure. Their every want and wish can be supplied by the Reach Company, which carries an immense and nationally known stock.

Bobby Cruickshank, little professional of the Progress Country Club, Purchase, N. Y., added his third Winter golf crown of the season on February 11th by winning the South Central Open Tournament with a score of 296 for the 72 holes. Cruickshank, playing a sterling brand of golf through rain and mud, led the field by four strokes. Frank Walsh, Appleton, Wis., professional, was runner-up. Joe Turnesa, Elmsford, N. Y.; Al Watrous, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Tom Kerrigan, Mount Vernon, N. Y.; and Cyril Walker, each turned in 301 and divided the pooled third, fourth, fifth and sixth place money evenly. Cruickshank to win this important Tournament, staged a wonderful come back as he had an ugly eighty on the first round, which virtually put him out of the running it was thought, as there were several 74's. However, he played superlative golf in the second, third and fourth rounds, and quite easily led the field at the finish. It was a marvellous exhibition of pluck and determination upon the part of the former Scottish amateur.

Under the rules of golf nothing shall be touched in a hazard, and there is an amusing story of two Scots who were playing together in a very close match. At the last hole Sandy was bunkered, and his opponent dropped a shilling close to Sandy's ball. Sandy unthinkingly, stooped down, picked up the shilling before he played his stroke, and his opponent claimed and took the hole.

With the object of deciding upon a plan whereby the clashing of big fix-

tures would be avoided, a conference was held at the Golfers' Club, London, by representatives of the English, Scottish, Irish, Welsh Golf Unions, Ladies' Golf Union, County Unions, and promoters of important tournaments. It was intimated by a delegate that the R. and A. could not guarantee the fixing of any date for the Open and

Amateur Championships, as those fixtures would be subject to an arrangement with America. Miss Cecil Leitch observed that the trouble began at St. Andrews because it was impossible to fix the date of the Ladies' Championship until the men's events were arranged. The meeting expressed the opinion that as soon as possible the R. and A. might make known the dates of the Open and Amateur Championships each year in order that the joint advisory committee should call a meeting of the accredited representatives of the tournaments to fix other important events.

Surmounting Wind

A player who can call the wind to his aid, or subject its vagaries to his will, has achieved the highest playing skill. To drive a low ball it is necessary to stand with the right foot nearer to it than in the ordinary drive; but the real secret is in controlling the weight of the body during the swing. The centre of gravity must be fixed on the left leg and side from the shoulder downwards, and must continue to be so during the back and forward sweep of the club. It is this continuous and forward advance of the weight in front of the club head that prevents the ball soaring. The ball must be hit before the club-head reaches the centre of the arc, and accuracy of striking can be better assured if a short, restricted swing is used.

—J. H. Taylor.

Suit for \$250,000 for injuries sustained in a game of golf has been started by William Johnston against the former directors and officials of the Medinah Country Club, Chicago. Johnston alleges he was struck by a ball while playing on the club's course, sustaining permanent injuries. Donald Dukelow, who drove the ball, is made a defendant.

It has generally been thought that Bobby Jones prefers, through the green, long shots with his irons instead of using wood, but the Champion is out with the assertion that he considers the spoon one of the most valuable clubs in his bag. He strongly urges the use

of an easy, well contained spoon-shot instead of pressing with an iron—all of which is most excellent advice.

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Golf skill in Great Britain scales higher on an average than in this country, despite the notable triumphs scored abroad by United States stars in recent years, Jess Sweetser believes. "They have more match players," says the first native-born American to carry off the British amateur crown. "I am not saying they have better ones, but the typical American duffer did not appear. Scores at an English or Scotch Club would average better than here in America. They have a longer acquaintance with the game."

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Arthur Macpherson, professional at the Brockville Country Club, has just returned from California, where he made a creditable showing in the big tournaments, writes the "Canadian Golfer," regarding the visit of the Britishers, as follows:

"I note the British pros are coming out here to defend the Ryder Cup. I do not see why something cannot be done to bring Canada into the limelight in such a tournament. We seem to be in the background, and unless I am greatly mistaken, I think that we have just as good here only they do not get the chance enough to show it. I think that we have in this country enough enthusiastic golfers to put over my idea, I mean, there are enough gentlemen who are in a position to put this over (financially and otherwise). I think that Canada is coming to the fore in every other line of sport and I think that a strong and earnest effort should be made to bring her along in the "sport of sports," Golf."

It will indeed be a pity if the United States is allowed to monopolize the full time of the visitors on this side of the Atlantic, as not only would their visit to Canadian courses be a genuine golfing treat, but would give Canada publicity of the very best sort, publicity which unfortunately is lacking in England at the present time.

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At the annual meeting of the shareholders of the Mississauga Club the following were elected Directors: Jess Applegath, H. W. Crossin, H. P. Hermance, W. S. Inglis, J. W. McFadden, Dr. J. W. McCullough, H. McGee, George Oakley and Lyman Root. W.

J. Thompson, who was Captain for several years, asked to be relieved of the duties and Frank Harris was elected Captain and John E. Hall re-elected Vice-Captain. Mr. Thompson will act as honorary Captain. No action was taken regarding the lengthening of the course, but the question is merely held in abeyance.

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Playing the greatest golf of his career at Dallas, Texas, Harry Cooper, Los Angeles professional, on February 6th brought his scheduled 72-hole match with Walter Hagen, National Professional Champion, to an abrupt end at the 63rd hole, with a 10 and 9 victory.

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At the annual meeting of the St. Charles Country Club, Winnipeg, and one of the leading Western Clubs, the following were elected to the Board of Governors for the year 1927: W. Dingwall, J. C. Gage, C. F. Joyce, R. K. Beairsto, C. C. K. Nourse, Vincent Nutter, P. J. Montague, C. I. Hall, R. J. Gourlay, K. L. Patton, Geo. Matheson, C. W. Jackson.

Subsequently, the following were elected officers for the year: President, P. J. Montague; Vice-President, C. F. Joyce; Honorary Secretary, C. W. Jackson; Honorary Treasurer, R. J. Gourlay; Chairman, Grounds Committee, C. F. Joyce; Chairman House Committee, K. L. Patton; Chairman Sports and Pastimes Committee, C. I. Hall.

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Miss Glenna Collett, former U. S. and Canadian Champion, was among many prominent U. S. and Canadian women players who participated last month in the Bermuda Ladies' Championship. Miss Glenna, who is said to be playing in much better form than during the 1926 season, when she was defeated in a number of events, won the Bermuda Championship.

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The final in the St. Valentine's golf tournament at Pinehurst, N. C., was won by E. L. Scofield, of Westchester-Biltmore, the medalist, who disposed of H. J. Blue, of Aberdeen, N. C., 2

and I. Blue was one up at the turn. There was a very large number of entrants.

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Following the Women's Championship at Nassau, Bahamas, which was won by Miss Glenna Collett, was held a mixed foursomes competition for prizes presented by Devereux Emmet, the architect who laid out the course. This event was also won by Miss Glenna Collett and C. F. Havemeyer, after a tie with Miss Helen Payson and W. F. Ladd.

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T. W. Palmer, of Miami, won his second golf tournament in a week when he defeated C. A. Roberts, of New York City, in the final of the Miami Beach Championship 4 and 3. Roberts scored two eagles in the morning and one in the afternoon, but missed putts while Palmer scored long ones, which told the story of the match.

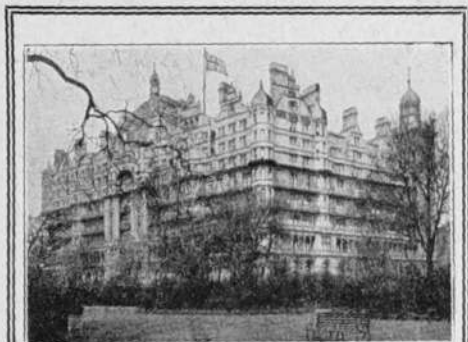
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"They say," says Mr. P. C. Pulver, Golf Editor of the New York "Sun," "that former Open Golf Champion Gene Sarazen, has taken to playing tennis once in a while, the idea being to keep down his weight. The last seen of the Fresh Meadow pro before he went South he did not appear to be suffering from any unnecessary obesity. Certainly his golf has not suffered by the way he swarmed through those two Miami Open Tournaments, and it wasn't so long ago that he broke the Bay Shore links record at Miami Beach with a score of 64. Because of the exceptional form he has been displaying, Gene is likely to rule a favourite when he clashes with Walter Hagen in their home and home match."

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Two professionals from the New York District captured the prizes offered for the professional-amateur competition held Feb. 4th at the Broadmoor Golf Club, Shreveport, La.

Mike Brady, of the Winged Foot Club, partnered with Rodd McDade, of New York, won with a card of 66. Johnny Golden, of North Jersey, and John W. Dawson, of Chicago, were second with a score of 67. The ama-



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teurs were on a handicap basis. McDade had a handicap of two strokes and Dawson one.

A score of 69 was made by Tommy Armour, of Washington, and Hamp Blanchard, of Shreveport. Another 69 was made by Joe Turnesa, of New York, and A. G. Baird, of Shreveport. A driving contest was won by Golden, whose average for three hits was 258 yards. Jack Forrester, of Baltusrol, was second to Golden. He averaged 245 yards.

The scores of other players who competed follow:

Bill Mehlhorn and H. G. Walker	38 32=70
Bill Creavy and Ed. Tyre	38 32=70
Joe Kirkwood and W. E. Hicks	37 35=72
Arthur Demaine and W. R. Hollingsworth	38 35=73
Anthony Manero and N. W. McClure	35 39=74
Jack Inglis and E. S. Morey	39 36=75
Pat Doyle and Edwin McClure	38 38=76

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Hon. Martin Burrell, Parliamentary Librarian, Ottawa, and a well known member of The Royal Ottawa Golf Club, was among Canadian visitors to Atlantic City last month.

Wright & Ditson, Athletic Goods, Brantford, Ontario, have just issued a particularly attractive catalogue for the 1927 Spring and Summer require-

ments of golfers, base ball, football and lawn tennis players. This representative firm carries an unsurpassed line of goods for all these popular sports.

Mr. George Curtis, of The North British Rubber Co., Ltd., Toronto, many golfing friends throughout Canada will be glad to hear, is rapidly recovering from a quite serious dual operation, which he had to undergo in a Hamilton hospital. Mr. Curtis was first taken ill whilst in Winnipeg. He will be able to resume his golfing business trips this month in the interests of his firm.

Miss Margaret Sayward, the well known Victoria, B. C., golfer, was defeated by Mrs. F. C. Letts, of Chicago, 2 up in the first championship flight of the Pebble Beach tournament at Del Monte., Calif., this month. Mrs. Letts competed in the Canadian Ladies' Championship at Ottawa in 1925, where she went to the third round.

"Alf" Sims, professional at the Chedoke Civic Golf Club, in Hamilton, who is in Bermuda for the winter, writes under recent date:

"We have been very busy with the course since I came away. The greens are in fine shape and we are getting lots of golfers. I suppose you heard that Nicol Thompson won the Bermuda Open Championship, and you will also be glad to know that I came third. Bermuda is a wonderful place. We are getting nice weather here. I hear you have had it pretty cold since I came away, so that is one winter I have missed. Nicol is very busy here teaching, being kept going all day long. I was very sorry to hear of the passing away of Percy Barrett; he was a great golfer, and I am sure he will be much missed."

Mr. L. Goldman, ex-President of The North American Life Assurance Company, Toronto, a prominent member of the Lambton Golf & Country Club, and the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association, rounding-out a long expressed desire, left this month for Australia and New Zealand, countries which he has never before visited. He sailed from Vancouver per C. P. R. Steamship "Tahiti" for Auckland, N. Z., and from there will go to Sydney, N. S. W.,

R. C. G. A. ANNUAL MEETING

MR. B. L. ANDERSON, Toronto, Secretary of The Royal Canadian Golf Association, writes under date of February 9th:

"At a recent meeting of the Executive it was decided to hold the Annual Meeting of the Royal Canadian Golf Association on March 5th, in the Yellow Room of the King Edward Hotel, Toronto, at 2.30 p.m., to be preceded by a luncheon at 1 o'clock, the same as in former years.

The Special Committee on the proposed changes in the Constitution recommended that consideration of the changes be postponed until a meeting of the representatives of the various Provincial Associations could be held, which it is hoped may be arranged early this summer.

It was felt that a great deal of foundation work having been done in connection with the Green Section service that it should be actively continued, with a view to making it of more direct benefit to the Greenkeeper of each Member Club.

No definite action has as yet been taken about the date and place of the Amateur Championship or the Open Championship, but it is expected that the Committee will be able to make a recommendation to the Annual Meeting on March 5th."

Melbourne, Adelaide, Freemantle, Ceylon and then on to Port Said, through the Suez Canal to Naples, Gibraltar, and London, arriving in the Empire's metropolis in May. Mrs. Goldman and her two daughters sailed from New York on February 12th on the "Empress of France" for a two months' Mediterranean trip, taking in Constantinople and Egypt, reaching London the middle of April. Mr. Goldman and his family, whilst in London, will make the "Hotel Russell," (a very popular Hotel with Canadians), their headquarters.

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W. J. Fairweather, professional at Belleville, Ontario, recently received a cable announcing the death of his father in Aberdeen, Scotland.

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George R. Calderwood, who was professional at the Fort William Public Course last season, to the regret of the members, has returned this year to his old club "Michiwaukee," at Milwaukee, Wis.

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By the attractive advertisements in this issue it will be noticed that the well known firm, Mercury Mills, Ltd., of Hamilton, Ontario, are making an exceptional offer to the lady golfers of Canada this coming season. This is not a "Hole-in-One," but a "Hole-in-Two" proposition. Any hole on the links of the Dominion of 140 yards and up-

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Mr. Fred Howe, of Hamilton, Ont., was knocked out of the Miami amateur golf tournament in the second round, when he was defeated by J. B. Ryerson, of New York, 3 and 1.

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In some announcements of the recent decisions of the Joint Advisory Board as to the principal golf fixtures for the coming season, the date fixed for the match between ladies and men over the Approaching Course at the All Weather Golf Practice Ground, Kensington, London, England, has been wrongly given. The date officially fixed for the match is Tuesday, April 26th. The first match, held under the auspices of "Golf Illustrated," took place at the All Weather Ground on October 15th, last, between teams captained respectively by Miss Cecil Leitch and Mr. Harold Hilton, the men winning by 6 matches to 3.

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The Canada Sheamship Lines, Ltd., are making application through official channels for the holding of the 1928 Tournament of the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association on its Manoir Rich-

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Doe Graham, 21-year-old golfer of Mobile, Alabama, hopes to drive a ball from Mobile to a movie studio in Los Angeles, Cal. He said that he has completed plans to start from the first tee of the Mobile Country Club next Sunday, and club his way to the Coast. George ("Happy") Kirby, aged 19, said he would accompany Graham as his caddie. In anticipation of the trip, Graham said he had figured it out that he could make it in five months, but that he would keep going if it took five years. Calculating 6,160,000 yards as the distance to Los Angeles, Graham estimated that 1,500,000 strokes would be required.

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In Great Britain at all golf exhibition matches and other sporting events Mills' celebrated "Sportsman's Stick Seats" are very much in evidence. Last season, when in England the Editor saw them by the hundred at all the important golfing fixtures. They are simply invaluable. These handsome stick seats are being introduced into Canada this season by Mr. Gordon L. Cohoon, 11 St. Sacrament Street, Montreal, who is the sole Canadian agent for the celebrated Mills Muni-

tions, Ltd., Birmingham, England, the manufacturers. These Mills Sportsman's Stick Seats should and undoubtedly will meet with a ready sale in Canada this season.

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J. B. Kinnear, of Detroit, formerly of Glendale, Hamilton, has recently returned from a tour to the Coast in which he took part in all the leading tournaments. He has severed his connection with the Redford Club, Detroit, and will probably confine his golfing activities in the future to tournament golf. In the Qualifying Rounds of the Los Angeles Open Championship he led the field with the fine score of 143, made up of a 69 and 74, which shows the class of golf he is playing this Winter.

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Miss Beatrice Gottlieb, New York City municipal women's champion, annexed the annual Miami Beach women's title by defeating Mrs. Robert Gipson, Kendallville, Ind., 3 and 1, over the Bay Shore course.

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The Regina Golf Club have secured the professional services of James F. Blair, who last year was with the Thunder Bay Club at Port Arthur. Blair has a splendid record behind him in Scotland, where he always held a leading place in the Glasgow and District and West of Scotland Professional competitions, whilst with the Larbert Club of Falkirk. He also has a distinguished war record with the



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A despatch from Rome (Italy), February 6th:

"Mrs. Henry P. Fletcher, wife of the United States Ambassador to Italy, was painfully injured to-day when a golf ball hit by the Ambassador struck her in the right eye after a bad bounce."

The annual meeting of the Cedar Brook Golf and Country Club is to be held on February 26th at the King Edward Hotel. The club's report shows an increase of 350 members and an operating surplus of \$346. It also deals with the progress made on the course in 1926. Five creeping bent greens were constructed and will be ready for play this season, while other greens of the same strain of grass will be constructed this year.

The report asks members to consider the advisability of constructing a new

club house during 1927. The building is deemed necessary to meet the increase in membership. Officials decided, however, that there will be no increase in playing fees.

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Was very far from strong,
And didn't do a blessed thing
To help my game along.

And yet I played, to my surprise,
Around in record score,
The best I'd done for many a day,
In fact, but once before.
And tho, since then I've played a lot,
On many a link, but still,
I love that little 9-hole course,
And guess I always will!
—W. Hastings Webling.

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Because her husband insisted on playing golf all day Sundays, a Sacramento woman has filed suit for divorce.

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The financial report of the Regina Golf Club, which will be presented to the members at the annual meeting this month, shows an operating surplus of \$2,856 and a balance in the surplus account as at the end of 1926 of \$10,640. Annual fees provided the club this year with \$9,746, whilst green fees netted nearly \$1,000. Altogether the Regina Club is in a very healthy financial position, and should enjoy a record season in 1927. The course is now in excellent condition, there having been spent last year over \$5,000 on maintenance and \$2,837 on new construction. Mr. G. H. Barr, K. C., was President last year, and Mr. Gordon W. Forbes, Vice-President; Mr. S. Cookson Hon. Secretary and Mr. W. G. Laird Chairman of the Green Committee.

By holing a ten-foot putt on the last green, Tommy Armour, of the Congressional Country Club at Washington, won first money in a best ball mixed foursome professional-amateur event at the Hot Springs Golf and Country Club, Hot Springs, Ark. Armour and his partner, Tommy Hayes, of Little Rock, had a gross score of 67. Tied for the runner-up position with 68 were Joe Turnesa, New York pro, ably supported by Goose Goslin, outfielder of the Washington Americans, and Ed. Dudley, long-driving Oklahoma City pro, paired with Johnny Dawson, of Chicago. Exciting more interest than the main event was a driving contest, in which John Rogers, Pittsburgh pro, won first prize with a drive that mea-

sured 330 yards 2 feet 9 inches. Dick Grout, of Oklahoma City, was second with 321 yards 2 feet 11 inches. Dawson was first amateur with a drive that measured exactly 300 yards. The following were the scores of 70 or better:

Tommy Armour, Washington, and Tommy Hayes (7), Little Rock	33	34=67
Joe Turnesa, New York, and Leon Goslin (7), Washington	33	35=68
Ed. Dudley, Oklahoma City, and John W. Dawson (2), Chicago	34	34=68
Mike Brady, New York, and William Brown (7), New York	33	36=69
Edwin Juelg, Mercedes, Texas, and A. J. Beck (12), Kansas City	35	34=69
Walter Loeffler, Pittsburg, and Joe Pappin (6), Joplin	35	34=69
John Golden, North Jersey, and Harry Mardt (2), Oklahoma City	37	33=70

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ROYAL OTTAWA

ACCORDING to the report of the Committee of Directors of the Royal Ottawa Golf Club, the year just closed was amongst the most successful in the history of the Club. Col. George P. Murphy, C. M. G., was elected President in succession to Mr. G. G. Gale; Mr. F. W. Carling, a son of the late Sir John Carling, was elected Vice-President. The Committee for 1927 is as follows: Col. R. J. Orde, Major A. C. Ross, Messrs. P. B. Toller, J. A. Jackson and Henry Gill. During the coming year work will be proceeded with on the proposed commodious extension to the locker room and a new caddie house, the expenditure of \$12,000 for these purposes being approved by the members. The greens last year were reported to be in splendid condition, due to the sowing of creeping bent, the stolons of which were developed in the club's nursery. The club decided against an increase to the entrance fee for men, and also in the annual subscription, but approved the levying of an assessment of \$25 for this year. There was a large attendance of members, and a hearty vote of thanks was tendered to the retiring President, Mr. Gale, and last year's Executive. Col. Murphy could not be present at the meeting being at the present time on the Riviera with his family.

ANOTHER DISGRACEFUL SCENE IN FLORIDA

LOS ANGELES was recently the scene of a terrible tragedy on the golf links when a jealous player shot and killed his opponent and then committed suicide, and now word comes from Florida of another most reprehensible incident. Two players disagreed as to the number of strokes each took on a course near Orlando. They had words, then an argument, and finally a fight. Then it was mutually agreed that each was to have a driver, one iron and two dozen balls. At fifty paces, tees were carefully prepared. At the drop of a hat "firing" started. Both "duellists" were more or less injured when a policeman arrived and stopped the encounter. It is to be devoutly hoped that the Florida and California contretemps will never be repeated on the golf courses in Canada and elsewhere, otherwise the well deserved appellation of "a gentleman and a golfer" will have to be thrown in the discard.

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THE TOURNAMENT CALENDAR

February 21-27—Fifteenth Annual Amateur Championship of Cuba, Country Club of Havana.

February 22-25—Seventh Annual Seniors' Tournament, Pinehurst C. C.

February 23-28—Women's South Atlantic Championship at the Ormond Beach Golf Club.

February 28-March 4—Palm Beach Amateur Championship at the Palm Beach Country Club.

February 28-March 5—Twenty-second Annual Spring Tournament at Pinehurst.

March 1-5—Florida East Coast Women's Championship at the St. Augustine Links.

March 6—Annual Bletcherin' Tournament, Del Monte.

March 7-12—Championship of Volusia at the Ormond Beach Golf Club.

March 14-18—Dixie Amateur Championship at the Miami Country Club.

March 14-18—Amateur Championship, Belleair C. C.

March 17-19—Amateur Team Championship of Florida at the St. Augustine Links.

March 22-26—Winter Championship of Florida at the St. Augustine Links.

March 24-29—Women's North and South Championship, Pinehurst C. C.

March 31-April 1—Twenty-fifth Open North and South Championship at Pinehurst.

April 1—Annual April Fool's Tournament, Del Monte.

April 4-9—North and South Amateur Championship, Pinehurst C. C.

April 17—36 hole medal play golf tournament, Del Monte.

April 18-22—Mid-April Tournament, Pinehurst C. C.

April 25—English Amateur Close Championship at Little Aston.

May 23—British Amateur Championship, Royal Liverpool Club, Hoylake.

June 2—French Amateur Golf Championship, at Wimereaux.

June 13—U. S. Open Championship at Oakmont, Pa.

June 20—British Open Championship, St. Andrews, Scotland.

June 20—French Women's Championship, at Le Touquet.

June 20—Trans-Mississippi Championship, Broadmoor Golf Club, Colorado Springs.

June 20-21.—Shawnee Invitation Tournament, Shawnee Country Club, Shawnee-on-Delaware Pa.

June 20-25—Seventh Women's Invitation Tournament at the Buffalo Country Club, Buffalo, N. Y.

July 11, etc.—British Open Championship at St. Andrews Old Course.

Sept. 28-29—French Open Championship, at St. Germain.

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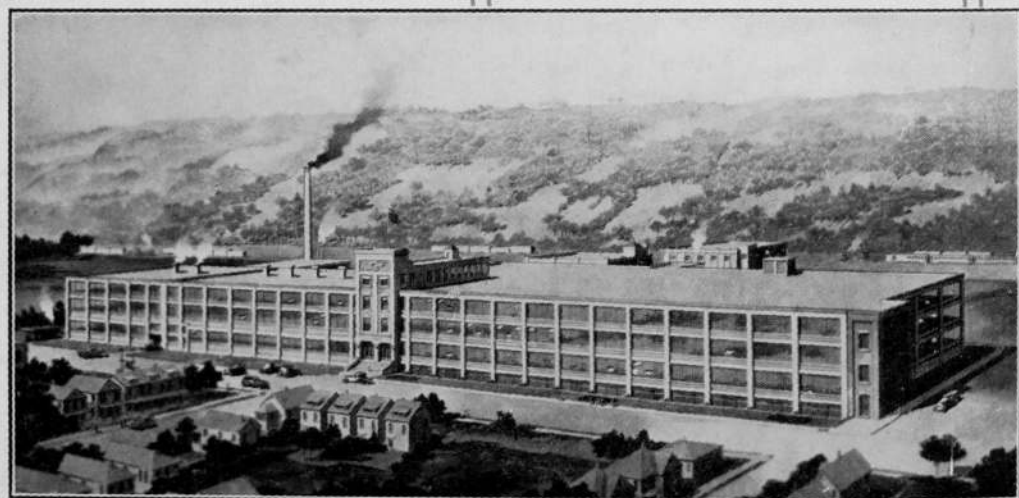
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