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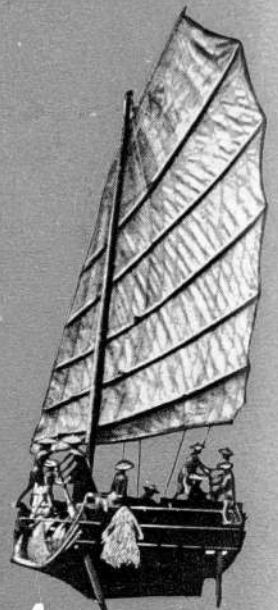
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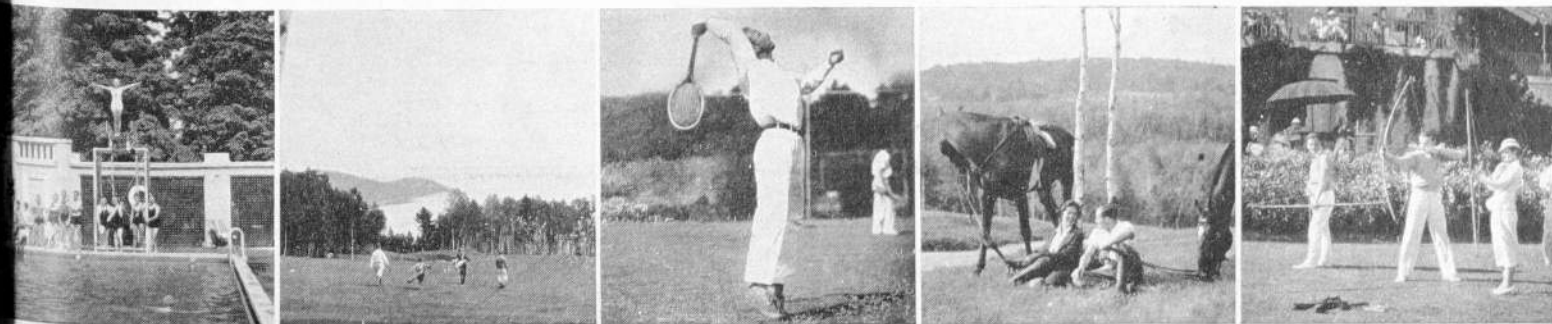
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- Aug. 9-13—Pacific Northwest Seniors Championship, Victoria G.C., Victoria, B. C.
- Aug. 11—Intersectional Matches—Ottawa District—Royal Ottawa Golf Club.
- Fri. Aug. 13th—Quebec Open Championship, Marlborough Golf & Country Club.
- Sun. Aug. 15th—Val Morin Invitation Tournament, Val Morin, Que.
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 - (2) Brewster Trophy Tournament.
 - (3) Willingdon Cup Tournament.
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OUR FRONT COVER

Jules Huot winner of the General Brock Open Championship, first Canadian professional in recent years to win a seventy-two hole event from the invading Americans. He is seen receiving first money for his splendid record breaking victory. Left to right are Huot, whose home club is Kent in Quebec, H. A. MacLennan manager of the Royal Connaught Hotel in Hamilton, Vernon G. Gardy, president of the General Brock Hotel and the man responsible for these great Open tourneys, and E. C. Gould of Brantford ex-officio president of the R.C.G.A. who presented the prizes.

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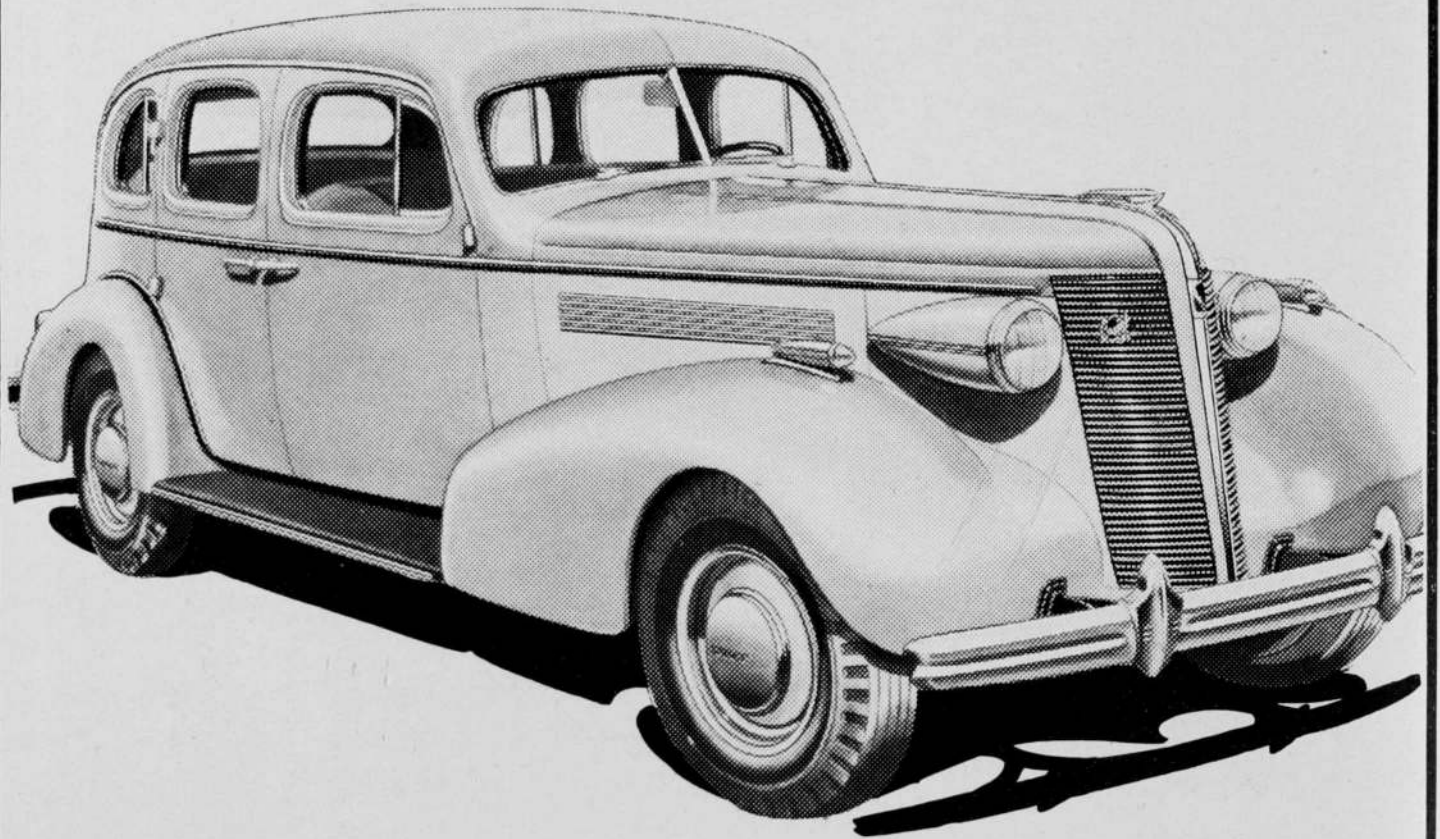
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This is the fourth in a series of drawings of Canadian Golf Clubs, by the well-known artist, Stanley Turner. Here is shown the Marlborough Golf Club of Montreal, scene of the Quebec Open Tourney. It is reproduced in Canadian Golfer through the courtesy of General Motors of Canada.

MARLBOROUGH THE HANDY --- HOLDS THE OPEN

Marlborough Golf and Country Club is fourteen years old this year. Perhaps the closest of all the Montreal Clubs to the heart of the city this course has proven one fact undeniably. This is that people in abundance can make a good golf course!

Incorporated February 9th, 1923, Marlborough Golf and Country Club represented very little but some cleared pasture land about nine or ten miles from the centre of the city just off the main road to the Laurentian mountains at the little French town of Cartierville. Cartierville borders on the so-called Back River which makes Montreal an island on the North.

The first sound move made in the development of Marlborough was the enlisting of Stanley Thompson to design the course. Nine holes were made with plans for eighteen. The first year, in a tiny temporary little club house Marlborough was only the embryo of a golf club. The land purchased from the Canadian Northern Land Company was not the sort of soil to just sprout natural golf grasses. The greens were rough and spotty. This was an optimist's problem as most new courses really are. The terrain was anything but "golffy"—much too flat to produce a championship course. That's what most people thought! Labor and patience on the part of the original Directorate which consisted of A. D. Neale, Vernon G. Cardy,

Jas. Morrison, H. B. Walker, Norman Holland, Dr. J. W. Duncan along with the president James Balantyne was the only reason the course succeeded in those early days.

But Marlborough was handy to the City! Business men were able to reach the course in fifteen minutes. There was the tube under the mountain, the street car, and the road through Mount Royal which was the one driven at that time.

People joined because it was close. Players meant income and a chance to develop the soil and improve the course generally. Twenty-seven holes were opened in 1924 with nine especially for ladies. Marlborough was now a thriving club, but the course was just on the border-line of mediocrity as an interesting layout. There were two reasons—first the course was too flat and the second was because it had been the chief thought of those constructing the course to make a layout from which the *medium player* might derive fun and exercise. Naturally the better players found little difficulty or theme in such a layout. Marlborough was then considered a good club for beginners—but the reputation was destined to die.

THE CARTIERVILLE CLUB'S GREAT IMPROVEMENT PROVES THAT PEOPLE MAKE GOOD CLUBS

By H.R. Pickens, Jr.

In 1924 when the new club house was begun this splendid building marked the influx of a much larger membership and with it those in charge saw the necessity to a more testing course. Thus the plan was evolved with the aid of Stanley Thompson, the course was improved. Today Marlborough ranks as one of the best tests in or around Montreal—but it is still the pride and joy of the "hundred-and-over" player!

The course which from the beginning was featured by numerous two-shot holes about 400 yards long but these were very loosely trapped both through the fairway and around the greens. The rough was kept short and easy. This meant that the medium player could easily reach most of the holes with two shots and a chip. This was great for playing to a fifteen handicap or more! But much too easy for the four or five handicap player. The situation was altered to its present condition

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**SERVICE
 AND THE
 GOLF CLUB**

FOR the most part in the immediate past the editorial page of this publication has been dedicated to matters pertaining to specialized groups affiliated with golf. Ethics of playing the game have been discussed and our ideas set down merely for what they are worth. In the following bit we approach a subject which is pertinent probably to only a few isolated golf clubs, but even in such few cases it is a matter to be greatly regretted.

What we have in mind is the matter of service at one's club. If the reader happens to belong to a club where complete satisfaction in this regard has been an institution for a number of years, then he may just as well discontinue reading at this point. In that case you are getting your money's worth from the expenditure which you make yearly for the satisfaction and recreation of belonging to a real golf club. On the other hand if you belong to a good golf club, but one at which there is from time to time the feeling that those employed are not serving the members as they should or in the right spirit then reading, or perhaps even posting, this article might be of help or at a least satisfaction.

In the first place a golf club is a place for gentlemen to enjoy their leisure. Each little service that the staff of a well-organized golf club can perform to make this more possible will in turn help the staff themselves. It does not take long for a golf club to gain a reputation one way or another in this respect and the type of member who is attracted to a golf club is directly a result of such a reputation.

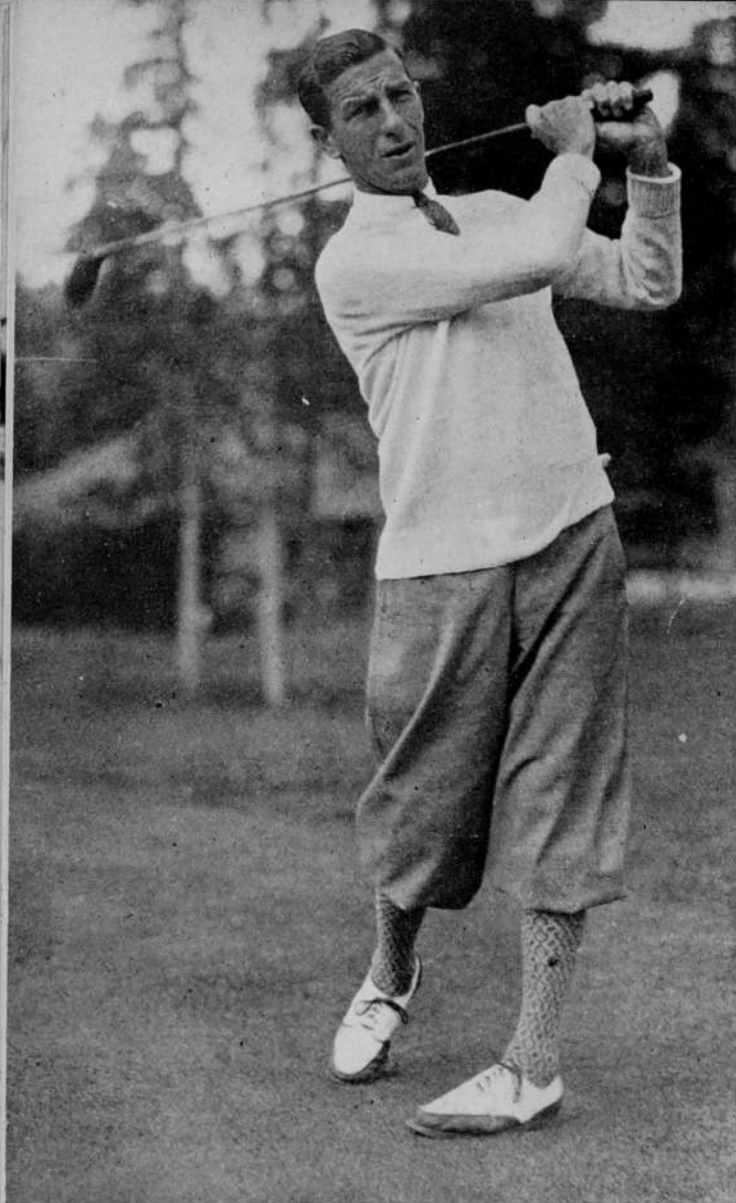
Indeed it resolves itself into a case of staffing as to whether a club is to be a haven of pleasure in the complete sense of the word. Most of us have seen golf clubs where those supposedly working for the members were apparently more considered than the members themselves. This situation, often the result of undignified members allowing disrespect to grow among, employees, drives discriminating members from a club very quickly and only those who are willing to accept such shoddy treatment will remain.

For instance, on the course people working on the grounds might easily be instructed in their deportment when players approach that part of the course where they are working. Men spraying, sweeping, weeding, cutting or spreading top-dressing—all such fellows should know how to stand inconspicuously aside and not disturb. Players who let such things bother them may be considered

temperamental, but they are merely humans intent on excelling at their play. Their seriousness is to be expected and within reason respected for were it not for such sincere and intense interest in the game golf courses would not be supported and the staff would not have their jobs.

In the club the steward who has his members shoes shined occasionally when this is not a definite request; the caddy-master who takes an interest in having caddies the best informed; the professional who has a word of encouragement and help; the assistant professional who has an eye for keeping members clubs up to the mark — all these features make for happy, polite, and generous members. People who gladly contribute to gratuity funds! People who bring their friends proudly to their club for golf, suppers and dances. Club supporters always— simply because they are treated properly in the simply matter of service.

Golf and its ramifications seem to grow every season, but the one norm upon which the game will apparently always revolve is the club life. Few can be champions, but all can enjoy the 19th hole and all that goes with it. Successful club life is based on hundreds of tiny details and those details in turn are nearly all based on consideration for the members — in other words service!



LET US call the victory of "Sandy" C. Ross Somerville of London in this year's Ontario Amateur Championship something in the nature of a relief to us all. Golfers throughout the Dominion who have so long counted upon the splendid London player's great shots and ideal golfing temperament, suffered something of a blow last season when the inimitable five time holder of the Canadian amateur crown showed signs that his great game was not what it had been. Under weight at the Canadian amateur championship in Winnipeg and resultantly playing lacadasical golf, defeated in the first round of the American amateur championship and not even competing in his own provincial amateur tourney, eye-brows began to rise wonderingly.

The result in net terms was that Somerville on his year's showing rated only sixth in the Dominion among the amateurs. This was quite a slide from his first ranking held for so long. Thus when Sandy started out in the finals of the 1937 Ontario Championship having demonstrated beyond any shadow of a doubt that he was the powerhouse of other years, and proceeded to polish off a young and ambitious Toronto youngster by the name of John Rowswell, 6 and 5, many a hero-worshipping golf fan was genuinely relieved.

Not that the Ontario crown is a big thing for Sandy. Not by any means! But there wasn't any folly attached

C. R. Somerville, five times Canadian amateur Champion who won the Ontario amateur crown recently from John Rowswell of Toronto. Somerville, a Londoner, appears to be headed for one of his greatest seasons. Critics claim he is hitting the ball better and is keener than ever before

to the way he took this event which after all is a tough one to win. That, in view of the short eighteen hole matches which are likely to upset a great player any time.

To win his way through to the finals Sandy had some pretty fair opposition "in any league"! In the first round he defeated the Western Ontario public links amateur champion D.S. "Sunny" Morse of Chatham. That score was 7 and 5. Somerville never missed a shot! Never gave his somewhat awed opponent an opportunity! In the second round the fast-rising Jim Boeckh of York Downs Toronto went down but not until he had given the gallery its greatest thrill. He took Sandy twenty holes before bowing and served notice to all and sundry that this year he is one with whom all must conjure in Eastern Canadian golf. He was actually two up on Sandy at the twelfth. After being two down in the early part of the match Jim hit a fine pace and culminated his great bid with a 100 shot which found the hole for an eagle at the tenth. Sandy played the golf that was needed and had things again in hand taking the thirteenth and the fifteenth. Jim won the sixteenth a par three with a four to Sandy's shaky five, but the Londoner replied with a birdie at the seventeenth. Two holes were then halved in pars. At the twentieth Sandy allowed Boeckh to beat himself as the former sat cozily five feet from the pin in two while the other took a scrambled five. Sandy could have lost that one very easily, but wasn't in a losing frame of mind!

Following this battle Somerville really turned on the "heat". He met and turned back Gordon Taylor Jr. of Toronto in the semi-finals 2 and 1. Taylor was par for the seventeen holes played. Sandy was two under regulation figures to again beat the player whom he crushed in 1935 in the finals of the Canadian amateur championship at Hamilton.

Meanwhile John Rowsvell of Thornhill Toronto was causing more than a mild sensation as he stroked calmly over the Sunningdale course in London to eliminate such stars of Ontario's golfing firmament as Charles Keene, London, Bill Eckhardt of Mississauga in Toronto, and finally Jack Nash, great-playing team mate of Somerville on the last green. It took the unknown twenty year old nephew of Miss Ada MacKenzie (many time Canadian Open and Close Canadian champion) 19 holes to turn back Eckhardt, while he was able to dispose of Keene by a 4 and 3 margin.

In the finals it was all Somerville, of course. The plucky Toronto bank clerk who faced Sandy played some great strokes which labeled him as a coming player however.

The defending titlist, J. G. "Sonny" Adams of Toronto was eliminated by Gordon Taylor Jr. in the second round one up after a close and trying struggle.

Medalists in this event which brought out considerable new and coming Ontario talent were Bill Eckhardt and Bob Wilson of Sunningdale. These two youthful players were each just one stroke over par which is 71. It required 79 to qualify and John Lewis of Brantford along with 1935 champions Fred Hoblitzel both failed to make the grade. Wilson, the co-medalist,

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A KEENER SANDY WINS IN ONTARIO

TWO TITLES IN A ROW FOR FARLEY TAKES 1937 QUEBEC CHAMPIONSHIP CROWN WITH "COOPERESQUE DISPLAYS"

PHIL FARLEY won his second Quebec amateur championship victory with a 4 and 3 win over Jack Archer in the final which was contested in two installments. The first installment was two and a half holes long — started on a Saturday. Came the rain and with it drowning of the greens and drenching of the spectator and players. In five minutes the entire course was a mass of puddles. The balls were marked on the third green and play was scheduled to be resumed the next morning. Both were on the green in two and Farley was one up having taken the first hole when Archer missed a four footer.

Both of the finalist are members of Marlborough Country Club in Montreal. Farley, defending the title was a 2 to 1 favorite to repeat. Some felt that Archer's long shots would help in the wind on Saturday for Elmridge is a very long course with plenty on hitting required in the middle holes. But the rain stopped the match Saturday and Sunday there was little or no breeze. As a result Farley, a most experienced match player and former Ontario amateur champion piled up a steady lead.

Jack Archer, native Montrealer, long hitting ace, small, corded, and sinewy, has been runner up in the provincial championship before when this event was played as medal play. His great grandfather helped design the number two course at St. Andrews in Scotland. Started the game with his grandfather at the public links in Montreal not by preference, but because he was literally forced out to play. He is a player now and could be a factor in Ottawa at the amateur championship this year.

Farley's win was characteristic—the type which Quebecers are becoming used to seeing. It was a pressure round where the tiny Ontario youth kept right at the throat of Par . . . seldom erred . . . always recovered, and in the end watched his opponent who was wild in spots merely play himself out of the game.

It took 82 though intermittent driving rain over the long Lake Score layout to play off for the championship flight this year. Bill Taylor won the qualifying round with a stellar sub par 71. His was a

sorry Fate as he was victimized by the steady play of a young Frank Sheffield of Wentworth. Impressed not at all with his partner's score of the day previous the latter just stuck to his own game and perhaps a little more and walked in a 2 and 1 winner.

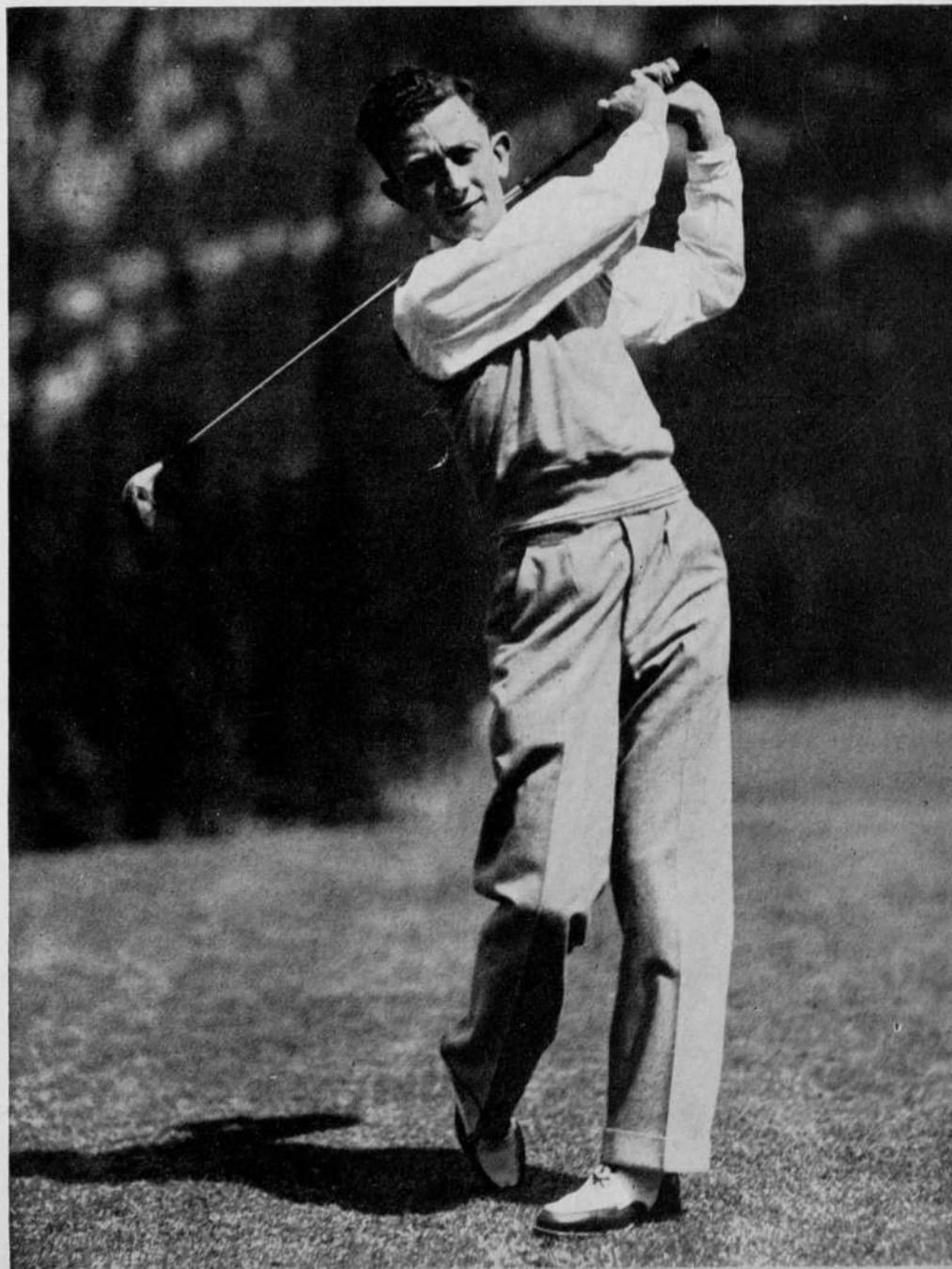
Best match of the tourney was probably the Guy Rolland vs. Frank Corrigan set-to. The Laval ace won the best match play victory of his career when he eliminated the powerful Ottawa boy at the twentieth hole in the semi-finals. Corrigan was

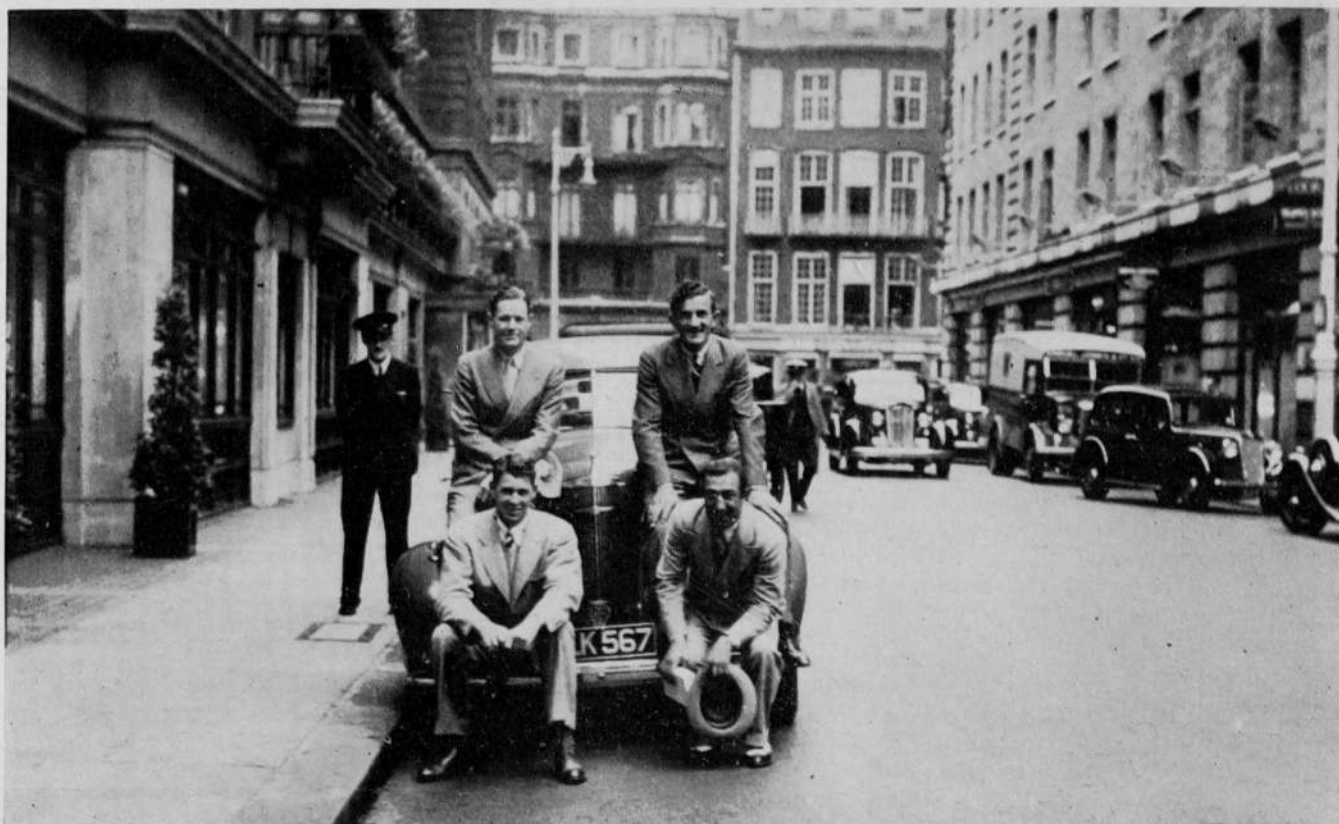
finalist last year. Rolland, conceded to be an excellent medalist proved his match play ability with this victory. Rolland carried Farley 2 and 1 in the next round to give the latter what he claimed was his best match. Both played well with the young Frenchman perhaps outstroking the champion to the greens. Whatever margin was thus amassed in his favour, Rolland lost to his opponent's all-around experience.

Archer's win over Bermuda champion Ted Fenwick of Summerlea

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Phil Farley—Two successive wins over improved Quebec golfers mark the former Ontario player as himself an improving golfer. His regime, since his arrival in Montreal, has been well-nigh undisputed so fine has been his play.





Yankee pros experiencing a "Bit of Old England." On the fenders of their "loaned" Chevrolet while seeing the sights in London are Byron Nelson, Master's Open Champion, and Johnny Revolta, former U.S.P.G.A. champion: Below on the bumper; left, Henry Picard of Hersey, Pennsylvania, and Tony Manero, 1936 Open champion. These are four of the Americans who won the Ryder Cup "away from home" for the first time. At left standing "Wilkins"—no doubt!

Ryder Cup Crosses Atlantic for Only a Visit

IF indeed the United States Ryder Cup team set a new precedent this year with a victory in the Old Country for the first time in history there may have been some purpose served later at the Open championship, but that is another story. In the six contests of this famous international professional battle which was played two years in a row in the beginning and bi-annually since, the American forces have now won four times to the British's brace of victories.

Neither team has ever previously scored a win when visiting. The British seem never to be able to match the "heat" of the birdie-conscious Americans play when in America, neither can they seem to play well in the heat of the American summer golfing weather. Likewise the Americans have always resorted to a neat "folding up" process in face of the merry old golfing winds in the Old Country.

Hence, though the Americans were called, by us, no less, as the strongest outfit ever to take the "boat ride", it was still eventful when they played through a "blow" and some 10,000 rather partisan gallerites to win 8 to 4 on the final count.

The Americans won five singles matches of the eight played.

Sarazen defeated Percy Allis **one up**.

Ed. Dudley defeated Alf Perry **two and one**.

Ralph Guldahl defeated Alf Padgham **eight and seven**.

Sam Sead defeated Richard Burton **five and four**.

Henry Picard defeated Arthur Lacey **two and one**.

Denny Shute drew with Sam King.

Henry Cotton defeated Tony Manero **five and three**.

David Rees defeated Bryon Nelson **three and one**.

Sarazen turned the tide of defeat only after he became so enraged at the performance of the huge gallery (which did all save stampede over the title Connecticut farmer) that he pulled his great strokes up to a plane where he was able to overcome a three hole deficit at the twenty-fourth hole and then, with birdies flashing, turn back the great Percy Allis. Ed Dudley slipped past Alf Perry 2 and 1 in another of those "anybody's games". That match also was a crucial one, for though Rees and King, the two "kids" of the British squad, defeated Bryon Nelson and tied Shute respectively only the invincible Henry Cotton could muster the power to win another singles point for the home team.

On the opening day's foursomes play United States had taken a point lead $2\frac{1}{2}$ to $1\frac{1}{2}$. The feature win was that of Nelson and Dudley over Cotton and Padgham by a score of 4 and 2. This one match, generally considered a certain point for the British, along with Sarazen's comeback victory in the singles were the two which kept the cup in United States.

Bryon Nelson was the hero of the former match as the young Texan came through with remarkable shots at the end to put on the "crusher" against Britain's two greatest players. Other foursome results were:

Guldahl and Manero defeated Lacey and Cox 2 and 1.
Sarazen and Shute defeated drew with Rees and C. Whitcombe.

Allis and Burton defeated Revolta and Picard, 2 and 1.

FOLLOWING PRAIRIE STARS

NAMES WHICH STAND OUT — MRS. GORDON, GREENWOOD, MARTELL, HOWARD, AND ROSS

THE Golfing situation in the provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan so far this year has not been particularly startling in the main. The few newcomers to the tops rank have had the handwriting on the wall for some time and theirs has only the fulfillment on promise in the past few seasons. Really the picture remained



Henry Martell—leading light of Edmonton Golf and holder of innumerable titles in his province and city. Won the City and District crown again recently.

surprisingly unchanged. Wilf Greenwood of Regina remained in the fore by retaining his Saskatchewan Open title as he "nosed out" Tom Ross of the same city in the thirty six hole medal event for the leading provincial honors.

Greenwood, a well-set-up young professional at the Kinsman club, won the title this year by the narrowest possible margin from a fellow pro who reversed the tables a day or so later in the professional championship of the province.

Greenwood was 75-69 for 144 total in the open while Ross was 72-73 to tie Hugh Fletcher of Moose Jaw for the runner-up honors. Fletcher, 1935 champion and 1936 runner-up scored 75-70. Jim Mountfield of Edmonton, well-known as an amateur a few years back, was 75-75-150 to place next while Bob Reid lead the amateurs in this tourney with 71-80. Reid the 1936 amateur champion is also from Regina.

In the professional championship which is a 36 hole continuation to the Open affair, Ross totalled 293 for the 72 holes played at Saskatoon. Greenwood was 294 and Jack Cuthbert, 1931 Open champion and four times runner-up in that event, worked into the picture in fourth place one stroke behind Fletcher who totalled 298.

The Regina Ladies Championship produced one of the most outstanding matches in its history as Mrs. Gordon Brown of Regina Golf Club upset the favored Mrs. R. S. Rideout, veteran champion of Saskatchewan. The battle took place at Waseana Country Club amid gusty winds which bothered the players considerably. Mrs. Rideout, steady from the beginning was three up at the eleventh hole, but Mrs. Brown catching her opponent momentarily off balance, won four consecutive to gain the lead and take the match 2 and 1. Both played sound golf, particularly Mrs. Brown in her clos-

ing rally. Both players are former Saskatchewan champions.

Of interest to those who have met Dr. George Bigelow, former Saskatchewan amateur champion is the news that at the last meeting of the Saskatchewan golf Association the popular young doctor was elected President of that body. Bigelow long one of the leading players in the middle west should be an ideal man for the post.

In the Calgary City and District championship played

in May, fast-coming Johnny Richardson of Bowness Golf Club won a thrilling last hole affair from an old but youthful favorite in the east, Stew Vickers. With a gallery of 3000 out to view the final between these two Vickers and Richardson played even par in the morning round with Stew leading one up.

Richardson went three ahead at one point going out in the afternoon, but Vickers fought back sternly twice to carry the match right to the last green where Johnny sank a fine six footer to end the battle.

The ladies City and District Championship went to Mrs. James Glenday also of Bowness who took this little with a fine 3 and 2 win over from Miss Dalphine Allen of the Calgary Golf and Country Club. This event was contested over the thirty-six hole route also.

The city of Lethbridge's championship fell this year to Stan Howard, outstanding shotmaker from the Lethbridge Golf and Country Club. Howard was six over par for the twenty-eight hole played and completely crushed the bid of Jimmie Metcalfe, a young clubmate. The margin of victory was 9 and 8.

In Alberta provincial Senior circles Ennie Whellans formerly of Prince Rupert Golf Club but now a resident of Calgary, played a fine opening round of 79 at the



Wilf Greenwood of the Kinsman Club in Regina who again won the Saskatchewan Open title by a single stroke from Tom Ross of the same city. He shot a 69 in the last round to come home a winner.

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WHEN THE OLD MASTER STAYED HOME FROM A FISHING TRIP

WOE TO GULDAHL AND HIS PLAY OFF IDEAS

By D. Scott Chisolm



Macdonald Smith

THERE is no hesitation on my part in telling you of the finest golf I ever witnessed. Back as far as 1913 I watched Francis Ouimet of Boston defeat Harry Vardon and Ted Ray for the United States Open championship. I have followed the great golfers of the world ever since that time and I have greatly enjoyed the playing of the Argentines, Japanese, Chinese, Spaniards, and many other nationalities do their stuff on American and British soil. I saw Bobby Jones win three of his four "Grand Slam" events and I also saw Walter Hagen win the Panama Pacific International Exposition championship at San Francisco in 1915.

But the finest round of golf I ever witnessed was that play-off at the very toughly bunkered Inglewood Country Club at Seattle between Ralph Guldahl and MacDonald Smith in August of 1936.

The course, ordinarily, measures 6564 yards but the club officials boosted up the yardage for the occasion some 400 yards. They did not want the visiting pros to make a monkey out of their course. The record for the course had been 66, made by Walter Pursey of Seattle. There was a card in the barroom showing Walter's record but the moment he saw Mac Smith shoot his 65 over a very much elongated course, he tore up the card and threw the frame into a waste basket. I saw Walter do this very thing with my own eyes. (I think Ingle-side ought to sue Walter for his impulsiveness.) It so happened that I was officiating at the home green when Smith finished his fourth round. Like the splendid sportsman he has always been, he said to me as he got his birdie 4 at the last hole, "Well, that's the best I can do." He

just had a 71. When Guldahl got on the far edge of that last green in two mighty slams, he came up to me and asked, "What have I this putt for?" I told him he'd have to sink it to beat out MacDonald Smith. The man almost did. His ball hit the edge of the cup and rolled sideways. Guldahl needed that win more than anyone in the field and he was fighting like one possessed. His attempt to sink that 40-foot putt was as grand a gesture on any green as I have ever seen in any contest and I honestly believe that Smith would have been quite content if he didn't have to have any play-off the following day. Earlier in the day the committee, headed by the versatile Bob Littler, had decided there would be no play-off if there was a tie and I told this to Guldahl when he finished. But Ralph insisted on a play-off. He said he felt that old man Mac was all tired out and couldn't take it next day.

What a terrible mistake Guldahl made. Mac had a date to go fishing, one sport he adores tremendously. Said Smith to me that night, "I want to go fishing. I'll split the purse with Guldahl if he wants to. But if the committee insists on a play-off, I'll cancel my fishing trip.

Guldahl had said that he could win a play-off because he figured old man Smith was too tired to play another round in par figures. Guldahl, be it known, was more than 20 years younger than Mac. The old Carnoustie lad felt as fit as a fiddle that morning and told me on the side that Ralph would rue the day he ever asked for a play-off. The crowd was a very large one and the weather was fine. Smith took the first three holes with birdies. He was five under par at the end of nine holes. He had his man four

down. He was OUT in 32 to par figures of 37. Five under. I saw he was swinging easy and putting for the back of the cup. He did not baby any putts that day. He took a 5 at the thirteenth hole because as he told me later, he knew he had the game in the bag. But he played the remaining five holes one under fours against a par of one over fours. He was back in 33. Par was 36 for the regular tees. He finished with a 65. What a 65 that was. He was 8 under par. And that Ingle-side course that day must have measured close to 7000 yards.

It was one of those days when distance meant nothing to MacDonald Smith. He was deprived of his fishing that day and he told me he'd make Guldahl pay for the disappointment. Guldahl finished several blows under par that round but he wasn't a match for the old Carnoustie boy that day. It was MacDonald Smith at his very best and the Pacific Northwest never saw such golf. Said Editor Alex Rose of Pacific Coast Golfer: "It was the finest round of golf I have ever seen or ever hope to see."

On the West Coast

George Jones of Vancouver, well-known sports promoter recently recorded his eighth hole-in-one. He was playing at Stan Leonard's new Club, Hastings Park in Vancouver. It was only a 110 yarder this time, but a hole-in-one is always an event even when one has had the thrill seven times before. Jones has two other "oners" which he claims not for they were for some reason unofficial.

W. B. Barney Knickerbocker recently won his third B.C. Senior Golf Championship title. Playing at Point Grey the popular veteran turned back the sharp challenge of J. W. "Jack" Pattison of Shaughnessey Heights. The latter, four down and five to play, only bowed two down at the last green. Knickerbocker was even eighty for the final round—a creditable score for many of the youngsters.

FIRST read this paragraph below — that is before reading the story of the British Open Championship recently completed at Carnoustie. It may give the reader an idea of what the British were thinking before the fray — what they expected, and what they must have felt in the nature of elation when the outcome was finally posted and that greatest of modern Old Country stars, Henry Cotton, won his second British Open title in four years.

Here is the paragraph which appeared in the British Golfing publication "Golf Monthly."

American Menace to Open Championship

"The American team of ten, plus Walter Hagen who is playing as well as ever, will make a formidable bid in the composite for the Open Championship. The last time an American team was in this country — 1935 — five Americans were in the first six places. During the absence of a mass American challenge we have soothed ourselves that we have regained our supremacy. Southport was an awful blow. We tremble for what may happen at Carnoustie!"

With this to go on, Carnoustie gathered together its great list of

Charlie Lacey of Long Island. Played in the Open and led the Americans. Wasn't a member of the Ryder Cup team, but they won anyway so there was no head-scratching because his fine ability had been overlooked for that honor. Placed third.



WHEN THE COTTON PICKERS CASHED IN AT CARNOUSTIE

HENRY LED A LOST CAUSE TO TRIUMPH

By FRANK FISHER



Henry Cotton — hailed as the World's greatest playing golfer. British Open champion for the second time in four years. Has the "Indian Sign" on invading Americans.

players and all started the qualifying rounds played over this course and the adjoining Burnside layout.

There were 141 players in the field who made the 36 hole qualifying grade. Scores of 157 were good enough to get into the final 72 hole event. Horton Smith won the medal with two fine 69's. After not playing in either the singles nor the four-somes on the Ryder Cup team due to a back ailment, Smith rattled out the scores which took the medal by three strokes.

Sarazen was leading for an hour with 141 until Smith came in. Right behind were Sam Snead and Walter Hagen with 142's. Alstair McLeod 30-year-old Glasgow and Max Faulkner of Berkshire were the best of the British up to this point, with 143 totals. However this thirty-six

hole warm-up really meant nothing in the final standing, as all of the 141 who qualified within twenty strokes of the

leader had the chance to start with clear slates in the championship proper.

Horton Smith who won the medal, but has never won a major crown (although undoubtedly one of the finest of America's golfers), looked as though he might be a threat, but as is so often the case in this championship, many golfers squander their "hot" rounds qualifying. Horton seemed to have done just that for as the opening round of the championship came to a close the tall Missouri player was far score the lead with a 77. In the van place, however, was another American. Big Ed Dudley of Philadelphia. The 36-year-old Secretary of the U.S.P.G.A. scored a fine 70 to place two strokes ahead of three Britons. They were Alf Padgham, Bill Branch and Bill McMinn. All had seventy-two's. There was only a single other American to be found in the first eight places except for Dudley. That was Denny Shute with 73, tied with five others for fifth place. Snead with 75 and

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"Big Ed" Dudley of Philadelphia. Led at the end of three rounds in the American Open and at the end of two in the British event. Despite his unquestionable ability he faded on both occasions . . . one of these years he might make a sweep of major victories. Ryder Cupper, of course.



THE PAYOFF FOR GOLF'S POWERMEN



THE noble experiment at Font-hill which took the form of a long driving championship fashioned to give the long hitters a real "outing" was a great success! The conception—an entirely new one, met with the utmost approval of spectators and competitors alike. Said Jim Thomson, ace seige-gunner and winner of the event,

"The Dow North American Long Driving Championship in its form and method of being contested was the finest and truest attempt to show what so many people have so long wondered about. That is, of course, just how far a golf ball may be propelled by the longest hitters in the game today. As both a spectacle and a nerve-testing competition this event was a standout, for the crowd senses the tension and technique which the contestants must overcome and demonstrate over the ten drives. This feature and the ten yard penalty from the point where a ball goes out of bounds combine to allow the player the right balance of liberty so that he must be at once careful not to get a quick-bending shot, but allow him still to "hit" the ball—not steer it, as is the case

Jimmy Thomson hits his mighty seventh drive of 386 yards and one foot in the Dow North American Long Driving championship. Crowd watches amazed—as Thomson amasses an average of over 340 yards for ten drives. Inset is Ben Hogan of Fort Worth, Texas—he places second with a 335 yard average.

when in other competitions a ball out of bounds means elimination. The National Breweries are to be congratulated upon this splendid innovation which in summarizing I feel safe in saying was the *greatest Long Driving championship ever held in the history of golf.*"

Thomson, the Hollywood streak who is the professional at Shawneon-Delaware won the tournament with ten drives which averaged 340.7 yards. His longest drive was a lethal blast measuring 386 yards 1 foot 10 inches. This was his seventh drive and ensured him first money for the average as well as the fifty

Kenneth T. Dawes of National Breweries congratulates Jimmy Thomson upon winning the Dow North American Long Driving Championship and the major portion of the \$1000.00 prize money for this event which was the outstanding opener for the 1937 General Brock Open Championship. In the background is the Giant Scoreboard—a novel feature of the event.

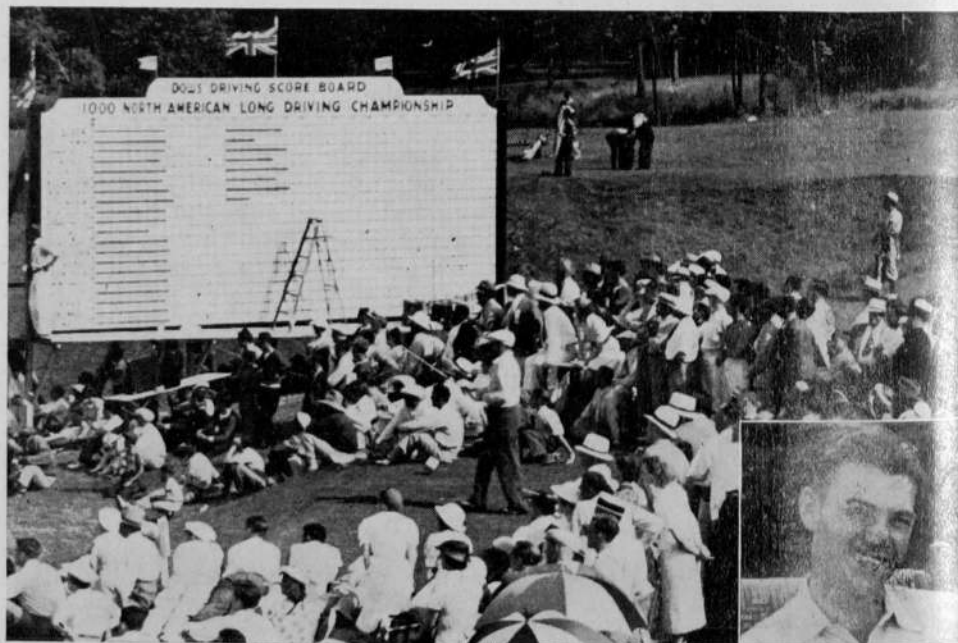
dollar bonus for the longest drive of the day.

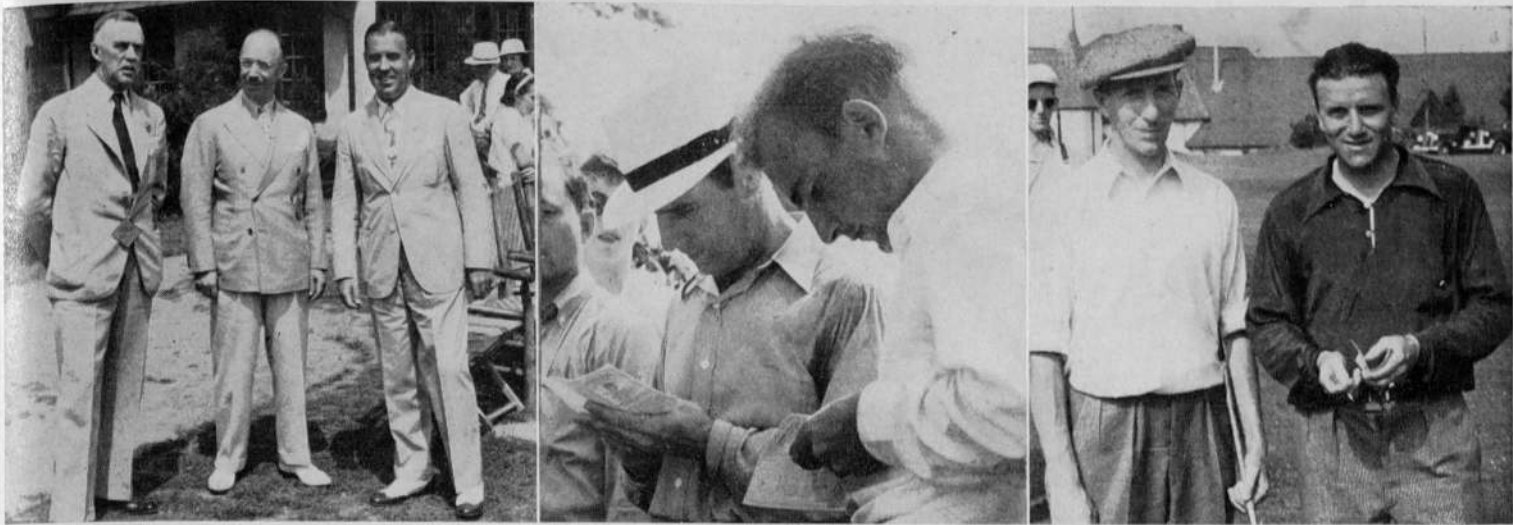
In the morning every entry in the General Brock Open Championship was entitled to take part in the qualifying tests which consisted of three drives to determine the twenty longest hitters in the field. Several ace hitters failed to keep from hooking or pushing out of bounds "too quickly" and this plus the ensuing ten yard penalties kept such players as Jimmy Hines, Metropolitan Open champion and Willie Goggin, San Francisco blasting expert, out of the "money places." Once qualified the players were more at liberty to take chances.

The first twenty players in this morning test round went on to compete in the afternoon. Four amateurs got into this group. They were Marcel Pinsonnault of Laval, Montreal, Guy Rolland of the same club, Guy Berner of Buffalo, and Gordon Taylor Jr. of Toronto.

OF the morning drives, the longest individual distance attained was made by "Big Ed" Oliver of Wilmington Delaware. This crashing effort measured 376 yards. Thomson, using a small ball and placing his shots just to be certain

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Mr. Maurice Vallee of Laval Montreal, Mr. Glen Case of Montreal and Mr. V. G. Cardy of Montreal, president of the General Brock Hotel as they view proceedings at the third General Brock Open championship. Centre: "Lighthorse" Harry Cooper of Chicago scoring his total with Stan Horne of Ottawa, Horne is the C.P.G.A. champion. Right: C: R: Sandy Somerville of London, Ontario, led the amateurs in the General Brock Open Championship, with Gene Kunes of Chicago. Kunes was the 1935 Canadian Open champion.

IF a number of experts were sceptical about the 1937 General Brock Open championship at the outset there perhaps was some

HUOT RAISES THE MAPLE LEAF TURNS BACKS AMERICANS WHO INVADE FOR BROCK HONORS

in competition with the outstanding invaders from the United States. Added to the above drawbacks, the three year old

reason. Canada's second ranking big money event was being put to a great test this year to be sure. Was it possible for a "money" golf tournament to be a worthwhile event in Canada with the American Ryder Cup team in England? Was it possible for a Canadian event to attract interest when conflicting in public interest with the Ryder Cup matches and the British Open championship? Was it possible to hold a driving championship which would be anything but drab and utterly disinteresting to all save the contestants? These were a few of the questions which faced those who were confident that Canada will always find interest in seeing her best players

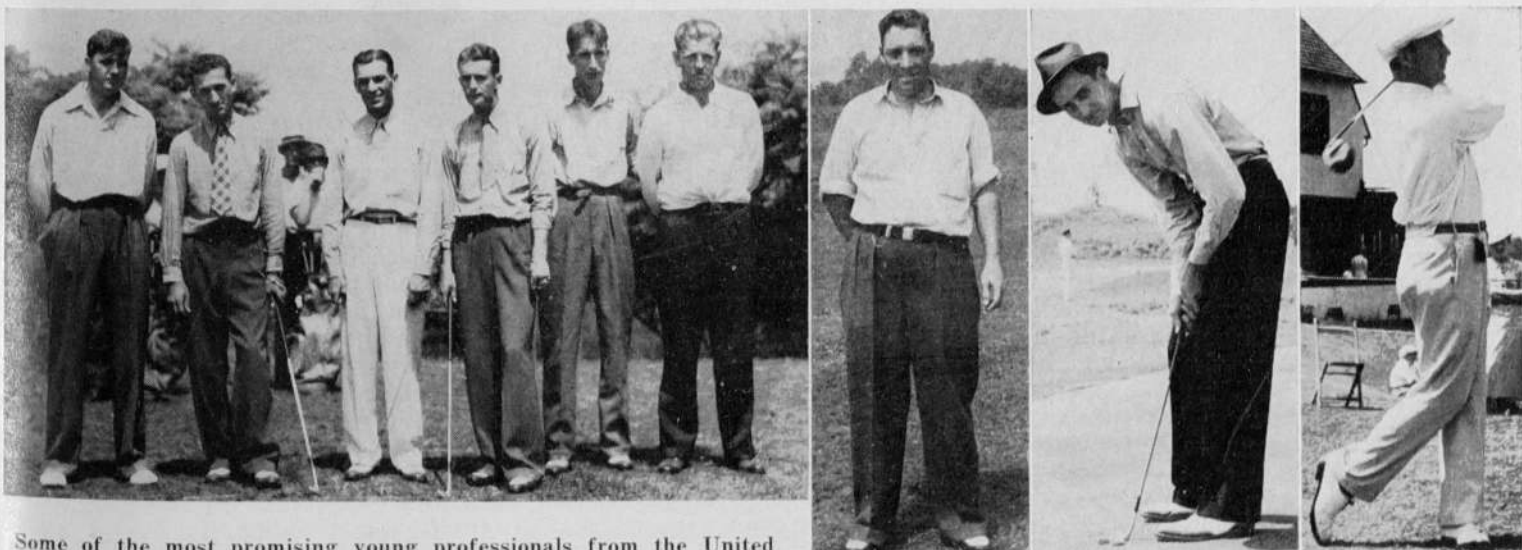
tournament could not have either of its two previous champions in the field. Manero, winner in 1935, was in England. Craig Wood, 1936 victor had just taken a new club and couldn't get away.

That was the dark side of the picture and yet the 1937 General Brock Open championship was beyond doubt the finest golfing exhibition seen in Canada for a number of years!

In the first place the field provided surprising class. The numbers exceeded those of 1936 and the calibre of golf was amazing. Beyond this everyone who attended this tournament experienced a

By H. R. Pickens, Jr.

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Some of the most promising young professionals from the United States who were present at the General Brock Open this year. They are: John Bulla of Leslie, Ill. Len Dodson, the man who broke eighty twice at Lookout Point on a bet playing from one foot only, (His home is in Springfield, Mo.) Ben Hogan of Fort Worth, Texas, Lloyd Mangrum of Dayton, Ohio, E. J. Harrison of Little Rock Ark., who scored a hole in one during the tournament, and Geo. Lowe of Philadelphia. FULL LENGTH; Reg Sansom of Glen Mawr, Toronto, Ray Mangrum of Dayton who tied with Cooper for third place, and Jimmy Hines, 1937 Metropolitan Open champion.

THE A B C OF TURF CULTURE

SOIL FACTORS AND THEIR CONTROL

By O. J. NOER

IN THE preceding chapter of this series, we discussed "Soil as a Medium for Growth and a Source of Plant Food." Successful turf culture and maintenance requires not only a thorough understanding of the physical constituents and proper classification of soils but, of equal importance, a sound knowledge of auxiliary soil factors and their control. Moisture; drainage; mineral plant food elements; soil reaction; beneficial soil organisms and how they work — these factors offer an interesting and constructive study.

Ample Moisture

Water exists in the soil as hygroscopic moisture, gravitational and capillary water.

The moisture which condenses on the surface of a dry soil when exposed to the air is hygroscopic water. It never exceeds several percent and is held so tenaciously that it is unavailable to plants.

Gravitational water is the surplus water free to move downward by gravity. If retained by the soil it fills the voids and thus deprives the roots of needed air. Where natural drainage is inadequate, one of the first essentials to turf production is rapid removal of gravitational water by artificial drainage.

The water held around the individual and compound soil granules as a film is capillary water. The surface on the outside of the film acts as an elastic covering or skin, and is responsible for its movement. When water is removed by roots, or by evaporation, the stretched skin pulls water from adjacent areas until the strains become equalized.

Area of internal soil surface determines capacity to retain and ability to release water to the roots. Soils made up of small sized particles contain the largest area of internal surface, so they have the largest water-holding capacity. Loams and clay generally retain two to three times more water than the coarser sands.

Water is taken by roots most readily when the films are thick. Intake decreases as the films become thinner, and finally ceases although the soil may still contain capillary water. Plants then begin to wilt. Because of the smaller area

of internal surface, less water is required on sandy soils to produce a thick film than on the heavier soils with more extensive surfaces.

The effect of drought appears first on sandy soil because of its low water-holding capacity. Yet light showers, wholly inadequate on heavy soil, often produce startling recovery on sands, because less water is required to produce thick films.

The diminishing supply of available water in the surface soil is partially replenished by movement of capillary water. Movement is most rapid in sands; heavy soil moves water to greater heights but rate is often so slow that plants may perish before sufficient water is brought up from below.

Adequate drainage

Excess water beyond that required to produce films is of no value. It reduces soil air, retards early warming of the soil in the spring; may cause severe injury during the winter or during hot humid summer weather.

Surface as well as subsoil drainage is important. Depressions and pockets which hold water should be avoided, and if soils are heavy and compact tile drainage is needed. Seepage water along hillside slopes may cause damage in spring or fall. A line of tile placed at right angles to the slope will intercept the seeping water and prevent damage. After placing the tile the trench should be backfilled with pea gravel or cinders to within eight inches of the surface, otherwise water will pass directly over the tile and lead to the erroneous conclusion the tiling is ineffective.

Abundant Mineral Plant Food Elements

Soils usually contain an abundance of all the elements needed by plants, but may be deficient in one or more of these: nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium. Sometimes these three are referred to as ammonia, phosphoric acid, and potash, respectively. Occasionally on very acid soils, calcium deficiency occurs and in some instances, particularly along the Atlantic Coast, magnesium also. Need for the rare elements is most likely on sandy soils

of the Coastal Plains Section and on calcareous, alkaline soils.

Since nitrogen occurs in the organic matter, dark colored soils contain more nitrogen than those of light color. However, the humus of dark soils may be so resistant to further decay that nitrogen need may be acute. Phosphorus and potassium exist in the mineral formation; and are most abundant in the finer silt and clay separates. In general, sands may be deficient in all three elements; the heavier soils are usually high in potassium, may need phosphorus and almost always require nitrogen.

In order for soil nutrients to enter the plant, they must be present in the soil water in soluble forms. At any one time the soil solution never contains a sufficient quantity of soluble nutrients to satisfy plant requirements for an entire season. Hence a fertile soil is one which rapidly replenishes the soil solution when plant demands are heavy.

According to the present concept, essential plant food elements exist in the soil as dissolved salts, as easily soluble compounds and as difficult soluble substances. Because the soil solution is very weak, the amount of readily soluble material, not quantity of soluble salts, determines ability of soil to supply essential nutrients. Hence most of the new rapid chemical soil tests attempt to measure the easily soluble, rather than the water soluble elements.

Soil Reaction

Soils may be acid, neutral, or alkaline in reaction. In humid regions, soils tend to become acid due to the leaching effects of rain.

Present practice is to express reaction in terms of its pH equivalent. By this method the figure 7 represents neutrality; lower figures denote increasing acidity; figures above 7 represent increasing alkalinity. Most plants grow best in a pH range of 6 to 8. Grasses exhibit marked differences in their ability to withstand acidity. Bents and fescues continue normal growth in soils too acid to support blue grass. In fact this may account for the predominance of these grasses in some

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WITH some 126 pounds of bone and muscle and a propensity for shooting so close to par that his opponents have to practically play super golf to head him off, Bob Alston now stands as one of the few golfers ever to hold the Quebec and Ontario Open crowns at the same time.

Just following his fine play in the General Brock Championship at Fonthill Ont. Alston, a cool and calculating performer born in Edinburgh some 28 years ago, played two rounds at the splendidly groomed Ancaster course in Hamilton totalling 139. This was made up of scintillating efforts of 69 and 70. This normally would be good enough to win any title in Canada over a real championship course, but such is the improved nature of the Canadian professionals in their play the past season or two that the above score merely tied for the lead at the end of the regulation 36 hole route.

The man who tied Alston was popular Bill Mac Williams of St. Andrews in Toronto. Bill posted exactly the same scores and was actually playing with Alston in a threesome through the last round. The well-set up 160 pound public links pro had a ten footer for the title on the 36th hole, but missed this chance after Alston had chipped dead from apparently a bad spot on this hole. The golf these two players demonstrated was of the best variety and literally threw most of the field into rout.

Willie Lamb, Lambton, dour and terse of speech many-time holder of the Quebec and Ontario Open crowns as well as the C.P.G.A. title looked to be a winner at the end of the first round, for instance, but the stead pace of the other two players got to him in the second round which cost him 77 — just ten more than his first effort of 67.

Defending champion Dick Borthwick of Oakdale was creditably acquitted in this tourney with two fine steady



Bobby Alston of Chaudiere. Somewhere in his slim frame hides the secret of low scoring for he seldom makes a bad mistake and is a deadly birdie-bagger. Now Quebec and Ontario Open champion.

TWO GOLF CROWNS WITH BUT A SINGLE HEAD AS ALSTON WINS IN HAMILTON

position of the opening round which saw the compact-swinging player post a 69. He needed 76 to finish in a tie with the O.G.A. match play champion, Lex Robson. The latter seemed headed for the title for a time after a 71 and a good second round first nine, but he also faded in the gusty winds that crossed the lovely Hamilton layout.

Of the playoff it might be said that Alston was very logically the man to chose. MacWilliams, whose golf has been greatly improved of late is 33 years of age and a native of Prestwick in Scotland.

Bill Roche of the Toronto Globe and Mail tells us that he was one of the youngest professionals in the Old Country succeeding to his father's post at the St. Cuthbert's club at 13.

In the playoff round Alston, perhaps cooler and undoubtedly the better putter, scored a 75 to MacWilliams 79. Neither shone with their short

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Left. Lex Robson of Lakeview, Toronto . . . a threat in the recent Ontario title chase, but floundered in the face of MacWilliams' and Alston's pace.

Right: Willie Lamb of Lambton, Toronto, leader in the first round with 67—took ten more in last round to lose his grip on the title he has won a number of times.

rounds of 74-74, but he was well down the list as Lex Robson of Lakeview and a group of "hot" amateurs crowded to the front. Of these Jack Nash of London played again the roll of chief contender in the non-money ranks. His rounds of 70-71 were only two strokes behind the leaders and placed him third in the event. Right behind him came Jim Boeckh of York Downs whose 70-73 really won him a berth on the Ontario Interprovincial team this year. Of course there was Sandy Somerville of London, steady with 72-74; then came Gordon Taylor Jr. of Summit Toronto who played very well to post two 74's.

Jimmy Johnstone, rejuvenated star of the Rosedale club in Toronto was tied with Nash with a sub par 69 in the last round which gave him a 141 total when put together with his 72 in the opening round.

Dave Noble of Simcoe was unable to hold his runner-up



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Showing that they are beyond doubt the foremost exponents of tournament golf on the very golf-conscious West Coast Harry Givan of Seattle and Miss Marion McDougall of Portland romped through star-studded fields in both their events to again take the Pacific Northwest men's and Women's championship respectively.

Givan handed Don Moe some of the same sub-par medicine the Portlander administered to Scotty Campbell, and Jack Westland, both Seattle aces, in previous matches, to triumph, four and three, after a ding dong battle of birdies. Between them, they broke par 15 times, Givan eight, and Moe seven. The champion was six under for the distance, and Moe, two under.

Miss McDougall turned in one of the most lop-sided victories in the history of the championship, when she equalled the Tacoma Country



Marion McDougall, Seattle

and Golf Club record of 76, two under women's par, to trounce Mrs. E. G. Griggs, Tacoma, 13 and 12.

It was Mrs. Griggs who established the record. Marion was three under women's par for the day and only five over men's par for the necessary 24 holes.

Of interest to Canadians was the showing of Ken Black of Vancouver. Black, qualifying comfortably, met defeat in an early round at the hands of the well-known Jack Westland, now of Seattle, but formerly of the U.S. Walker Cup team and a resident of Chicago. Black never got going and was discarded by a score of 3 and 1.

"Scotty" Campbell, twice Canadian amateur champion shot a 69 at Don Moe another Walker Cupper from Portland in the semi-finals, but the latter was one stroke and one hole better.



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Huot Raises the Maple Leaf

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tremendous thrill watching a Canadian come home the winner over a brilliant field of American invaders.

Jules Huot of Quebec, the winner, stands only five feet seven and weighs just 134 pounds—yet the little Frenchman whose accent so amuses his American friends and opponents sizzled or rounds of 72-70-66-72 totalling 280.

Huot was never in the lead till the third round. There his record setting 66 put him out in front. He lost the lead during the first nine of the last round, but his home-coming 34 put him back in front. His 280 total was five strokes better than the previous 72 hole record for the Lookout Point course established by Craig Wood who won in 1936.

It was the first win for a Canadian professional in a major 72 hole event in over ten years. Ken Black of Vancouver turned the trick last year—but Ken is an amateur. Huot was so pleased at his winning third "money" in the Driving championship on the first day that he simply relaxed and hit his real stride in the Open. Yet he was really playing raggedly just two days before the event, but he certainly found the touch at the right moment. Huot has long been good enough to win such an event, but has never gotten his putter in a winning mood. This year it

was different! His putter saved him on numerous occasions!

BOB Gray Jr. of London was the whole show for two rounds. He is one of the younger crop of Canadian pros who really think in terms of birdies. He really flabbergasted everyone with an outgoing nine of 30 in the first round. This was five under par. Par was 4 3 4 4 3 4 5 4 4-35. Gray had 4 2 4 4-4 4 3 3-30. He put a 38 with this to lead the field and was one stroke ahead of Ed Oliver of Wilmington and Willie Lamb of Toronto. Perfect weather aided low scoring!

TWO holes-in-one were recorded in this year's tournament as E. J. "Dutch" Harrison of Little Rock, Ark. aced the fifth hole in the third round. Jack Galloway thrilled his fol-



An interested spectator at the General Brock Open Championship at Lookout Point Course in Fonthill, Ontario, Miss Mary Jane Kevan of Mount Vernon, New York.

Below left to right. Mr. E. C. Gould of Brantford presents Marcel Pinsonnault of Montreal and Marvin Wentworth amateur prizes after the Brock Open event.

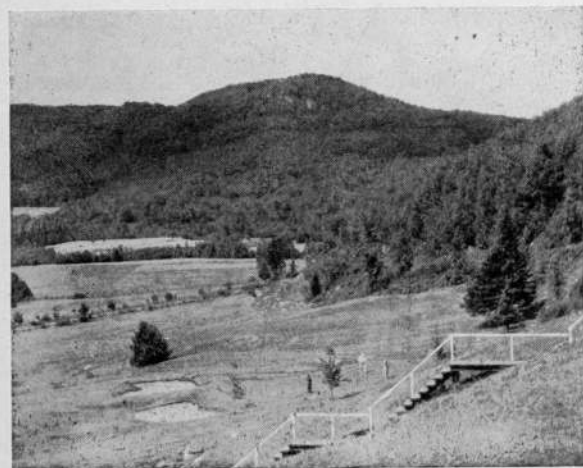
John Bulla of Chicago hits a long one in the Dow Driving Contest. Willie Lamb of Toronto, Bob Gray Jr. of Windsor, and Ed Oliver of Wilmington, Delaware . . . all contestants of note.



lowers with a fine "oner" of the seventeenth on the opening round. Galloway was out in 33 that day and with his ace had a 37 coming in.

C. Ross Somerville of London, Canada's greatest amateur, was present for the first time in his career and lead the amateur with four good rounds of 72-70-74-76—292.

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Mrs. Wright Wins Title



Mrs. A. D. J. Wright of Kanawaki, Montreal.

APERSISTENT and at times very brilliant golfer from Kanawaki recently won the Women's Montreal City and District championship. Mrs. A.D.J. Wright, better known a few seasons ago as Miss Hope Cushing, has long been in the front rank of Quebec's women's play, but this season during the retirement of Mrs. A. B. Darling and Mrs. J. Dagenais, perennial winners in Montreal, she showed obviously that her intention is to go further than ever before.

Playing over the tryingly narrow Senneville course outside of Montreal Mrs. Wright got into the "groove" and smashed out fine rounds on consecutive days of 86 and 85. The pursuit was only begun at the half way mark as Miss Audrey MacIntosh, many-time junior Quebec champion kept pace with Mrs. Wright by posting a like score.

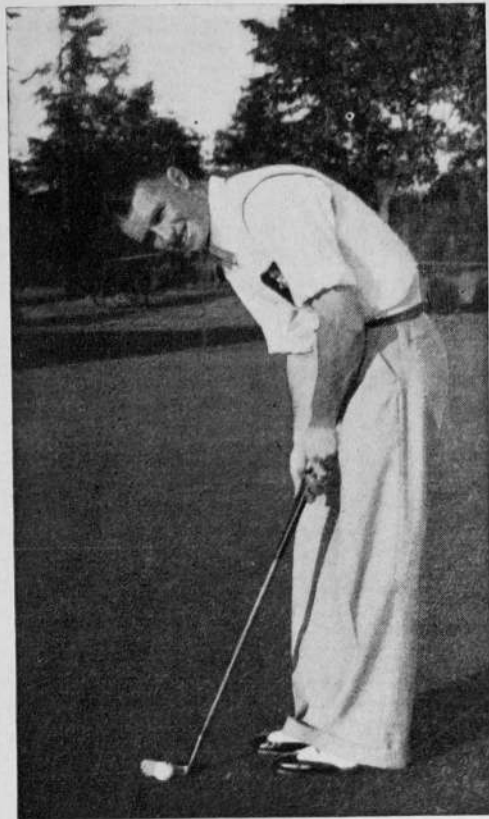
The second day of the event Miss MacIntosh wilted and did no better than a 98—but this did not mean that Mrs. Wright was not forced to keep the pace. Miss Margaret Lockhart of Royal Montreal was also 85 on the first day and that was the corner from which Mrs. Wright was to be given her most trying time.

Miss Lockhart who was 88 on the last round was very much a threat until her shaky 6-3-7-finish. This gave her a 173 total and left her two stroke behind. Nora Hankin of Rosemere posted a final 85 to take third place with a 178 total along with Mrs. J. D. Pearce of Beaconsfield.

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PLAYING at the Marlborough course in Montreal in the M.P.G.A. regular fixture Albert H. Murray of Beaconsfield again won the Association meet with a score of 152. This was made up of two rounds of 76. Art Macpherson and Redvers Mackenzie, the former the Marlborough Club professional and the latter from Elmridge tied for third place posting 155 totals one stroke behind 1936 M.P.G.A. champion Bob Burns of Hampstead.

Leonard Turns Professional



Stan Leonard—great amateur—now a professional

THE following is an excerpt from the "Vancouver News Herald" which announced the professional career upon which Stan Leonard has embarked. Golfers throughout Canada will be wishing the likeable and business-like young player the best of luck in his new venture. Galleries of important amateur events will surely miss the spectacular exhibitions of golf to which he has often treated them in the past. Stan must certainly be rated as one of the most brilliant golfers to have come up on the Canadian golfing horizon during the past decade.

"Stan Leonard, whose name has hit the sport headlines countless times as he strode to victories in the amateur golf wars, has decided to abandon the "all-glory-no-gold-side" of the divot pastime and to align himself with the professionals of Vancouver.

With Ken Black, Leonard was ranked as one of the best amateurs in the province and their contests for titles was constantly the feature of city and provincial tourneys.

Leonard's decision to leave the simon-pure ranks will come as a shock to his followers, who watched him rise to many a sensational triumph as an amateur. He has been city champion twice and has captured the British Columbia amateur crown the same number of times. His latest feat was the winning of the Pacific Northwest Open title from a crack field of professionals and amateurs at the Jericho golf course where he played brilliant despite poor weather conditions.

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Somerville and Nash Tie — Sandy takes a seven

IN the annual London Hunt Club Invitation tournament, an event which has grown to semi-major importance in this province, Sandy Somerville and Jack Nash again were dominant over their home layout. It is hard enough to beat either of these two players separately on a strange or neutral course, but to expect to outscore them on their home layout with both players in the field is mere folly for any golfer in Ontario. This year they tied with 149 totals for the 36 hole tournament. Behind came Gordon Taylor Jr. with 155. This is a fair indication of the margin which they held over other players in the tournament. Nash had a fine chance for a moment at the eighteenth in the last round when his birdie putt on the final hole missed by a fraction. So-

merville was erratic in spots taking one seven at the 15th in the afternoon.

Ray Grieve Shows promise

Youthful slender Ray Grieve is promising to be a fine golfer according to many Ontario critics. We would like to go one better and say that the lithe ex-caddy from Thornhill is just about "a fine golfer" right now. He recently recorded a 70 at Humber Valley in the West Toronto Ki-Y golf tournament. Though competing in the junior division under seventeen the casual youngster led the entire field. He is the Ontario junior champion.

Sunny Morse wins Western Ontario Public Crown

D. S. "Sunny" Morse of Chatham Ont. won the Western Ontario Public Links championship recently played at the Thames Valley Golf Club in London Ontario. Morse was around for two scores of 74 and 73.

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Reith Still Tops in Manitoba



Bobby Reith, Winnipeg, multi-title winner

IT becomes an annual cry which in its essence is remarkable, but is really a trifle tiresome to relate how Bobby Reith continues his amazing reign over the golfers of the Manitoba fairways. His victories in the Manitoba Open and amateur championships over the past six years have barely allowed interruption in their steady sequence. Not there are not players coming up in the Prairie province, but apparently they cannot come fast enough to get past the old guard of Dave Arnott and "Sandy" Alex Weir.

These players bar the door in many cases to young aspiring golfers and in the finals of the tournament they simply cannot hold the rampant Reith who was last year's finalist to Fred Haas of New Orleans in the Canadian Amateur Championship.

Reith this year at the Southwood Country Club played a air-tight game to retain his Winnipeg City and district crown from the grasp of open champion Kasmir Zabowski, young Pine Ridge professional. Zabowski, undoubtedly the next best of Manitoba's golfing talent to Reith slipped in last year to take the open title from Reith who was having a slight lapse at the time.

This year these two players seemed to realize that they had to beat each other as well as some fine players in the field and it was a dog-fight all the way.

At the end of the morning round Zabowski was around in 74, one stroke to the good over Reith. The youthful and powerful young pro went out in the afternoon to clinch his second title and to most observers his remarkable 68 in the afternoon round should have done just that for him. His total of 142 seem pretty safe. However with the "chips down" Bob Reith turned lose his Birdie-getting machinery to the extent of a 66. This with his morning 75 nosed past Zabowski . . . by just one stroke.

The fact that these two played together drew a large gallery and it was a real duel all the way with Reith generally in command in the afternoon when he took a two stroke lead for the day on the first nine. Zabowski's 32 on the final nine holes was a great effort to regain his lost lead, but Reith held steady with a brilliant 33 to maintain the narrowest possible margin.

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Alan Boes, a perennial forerunner in Manitoba golf and a member of several Manitoba Willingdon Cup teams was right behind the leaders with two fine rounds of 73 and 71. The Niawaki player was the steadiest performer over the day, but lacked the sparkle to match Reith's brilliant round.

Among the professionals Tony Polson with 76-72 was the second "money" winner. The heat was terrific throughout the tournament. Both elementally and in the wake of Reith and Zabowski!

Takes the amateur crown again

Reith's win in the amateur championship was a characteristic one. He marched into the championship play with an easy 75 over the Niawaki course. He surrendered medalist honors to young 22-year-old Bud Morgan of that course who was able to get around in 73 shots. Likewise Alan Boes was 75 in the qualifying round. Reith bounded through the field to eliminate several stars. He turned back Boes in the semi-finals to the tune of 5 and 4 when he was even par for the first fourteen. In the other bracket Alex Weir, 1934 champion of Manitoba's amateurs was victorious winning through to take one of the most unusual matches in history, from long, smart-hitting, Herb Pickard of Elmhurst. Weir, one up going to the last hole, lost

his lead when his younger opponent "foured" this one after a sensational third shot. Weir, a veteran, hung on through the next two holes, but floundered at the 21st where he finally managed to reach a point on the green some two feet from the hole. Pickard was inside of this in four. His putt was about eighteen inches. Thinking that the hole had been conceded or that Weir had admitted defeat, Pickard putted Weir's ball in then his own. All stood aghast for a moment and eyed the situation. Of course it was Weir's game for Pickard in touching Weir's ball had lost the hole. All were flabbergasted at the abrupt termination to this game that had been replete with thrills in every way.

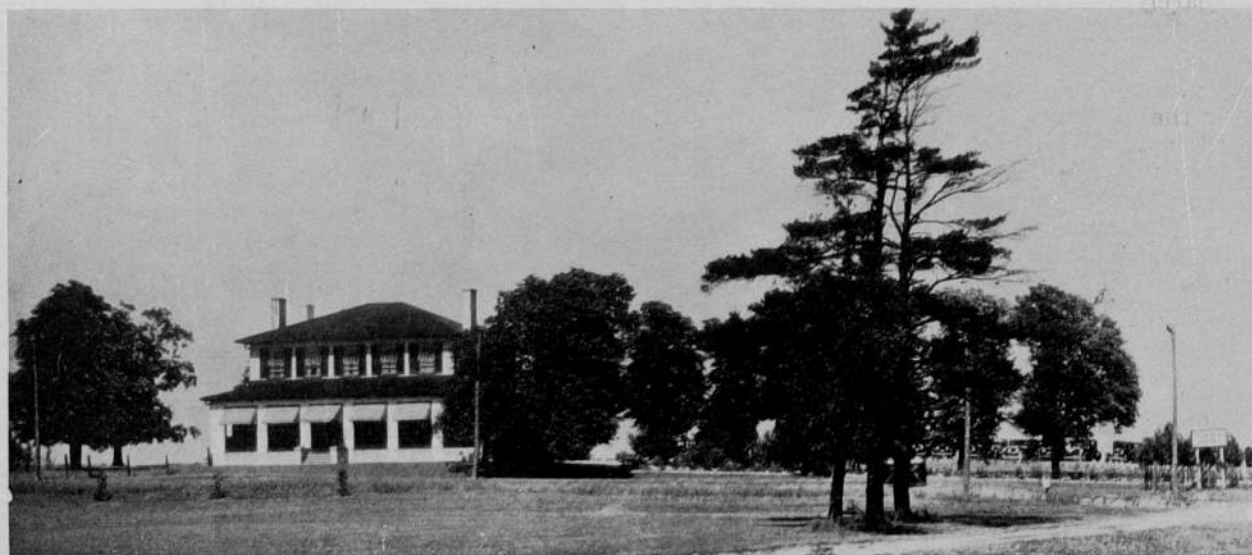
Weir, twice holder of the Manitoba crown, thereby was called upon to meet Bobby Reith in the 36 hole final. The outcome was rather a foregone conclusion in view of the excellence of Reith's play up to that time.

The young man who has been the pride of the mid-west fairways since he was twelve took the lead at the first hole, sunk a six footer to match his brave opponents birdie at the second, and took the next to gain a two hole lead which he increased throughout the morning round to four at the halfway mark. Bobby was 72 for that round and Weir found the pace considerably too much. He ventually bowed 10 and 9 to his young opponent.

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INVITATION EVENTS AT A GLANCE

AMONG the important golf events in the East which have commanded attention now for several seasons and which annually have attracted splendid fields are the Men's and Women's Manoir Richelieu Golf contests at Murray Bay the Kent House tourney at Quebec, and the Seigniori Club Shield trophy championship. Of course the Seigniori Club does not call the Eastern Canadian golfing fraternity together until later in the season when the Women golfers gather September 3rd and 4th, and a week later the men's for September 11th and 12th.

Recently however the Manoir Championships and the Kent House event were held, and the saga of these two splendid golfing vacations reads practically all one name. That name is "Farley." Yes, the same Phil Farley who has so impressively walked through two Quebec amateur championship in his short span of a year as a resident in Montreal!

The Marlborough Club are took the Kent Trophy this year from a field which knew the course for the most part much better than he did. Playing his first round over the beautiful Quebec links at which Jules Huot, recent General Brock Open winter, is professional, Farley showed versatility and tournament experiment experience to post totals of 73 and 77! His 150 total was three strokes ahead of Guy Rolland, 1936 winner of the Trophy, and four better than Jules Huot's brother Maurice Huot. Gordon B. Taylor another former winner of the Trophy was also tied at 154. Farley was a stroke ahead at the halfway mark of the 36 hole medal play tournament with his 73 was closely followed by Taylor's 74. In the afternoon Farley drew slowly ahead and was a victor over a field of 100 which boasted thirty 10-or-under-handicap players.

Some two weeks later at the Manoir again down the St. Lawrence River, but this time at the magnifi-

cent Manoir Richelieu Hotel at Murray Bay, Farley repeated the medicine which he had delivered to the field at Kent House. This time his achievement was not only to lead a field of one hundred players but he actually lowered C. R. "Sandy" Somerville's great 36 hole record for the testing Manoir Richelieu course. This splendid Herbert Strong layout felt the full power of the diminutive Ontario player's ability as he placed together two fine 73's. This effort lopped two strokes from Somerville's 1934 mark of 148. Farley not only defeated the field, but actually opened a gap of ten strokes over his nearest opponent who this time was the 1936 Quebec Willingdon Cup ace, W. D. "Bill" Taylor of Montreal. The latter with 157 held runner-up honors over F. Reichert of Royal Quebec.

Women play will at Manoir

The women's championship went again this year to Mrs. L. Noel of
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out of it. Cooper with 146 for the first two rounds was four strokes behind Huot at the beginning of the last day. He started out confident that he could catch the "Flying Frenchman." His third round effort towards doing this was a 67—a new course record! But Harry found himself now FIVE shots behind! Jules had never faltered in his defence of the lead and had established a new course record of his own with a brilliant 66!

Admittedly the last round saw Jules "on the run." Coming up to the ninth he was a "tottering" golfer—"punch-drunk" from the pressure of Cooper on his heels all the morning and half the afternoon. We spoke to him as he came up. "Two putts for a 39—four over par to here," that was Jules' reply as to how he stood. This meant that Cooper was just even with him as the later had gotten around in 36. Then Jules addressed, hit and sunk his fifteen footer for a birdie and a 38 instead of a 39. Immediately the atmosphere changed. Came a *three at the 420 tenth hole!* Hard upon this masterfully played hole followed a two on the twelfth; Jules was away again—never to be caught! Cooper strove, chipped, and strained to cut the lead, but the doughty Frenchman never budged as par after par fell. The last nine completed in 34 shots, Jules was three ahead of Cooper. Then there was the Melhorn scare! Someone said Melhorn had a three at the 72nd to win, but after a "suspenseful" chip which the sombreroed Bill barely missed this was proven an idle rumor for Melhorn could have sunken that chip and still been one stroke behind Jules.

The heat kept the galleries down to some extent, but those who braved the blast of the sun saw a great win for Canada and a real sporting spectacle which was again made possible by Vernon G. Cardy president of the General Brock Hotel and Kenneth Dawes of the National Breweries. These two men and their respective companies have worked together during the past two years to provide perhaps the most interesting golfing events on the Canadian calendar. Golfers throughout the country will be grateful for their efforts to promote further interest in this grand old game.

Jack Harris a Champion

Youthful Jack Harris in winning the amateur crown at Digby had to come from behind to beat back the challenge of Dr. Jarboe of Chester. The latter was three strokes ahead at the end of 36 holes, but Harris with rounds of 81 and 78 made up that margin and took a five stroke lead over the other player who ended as runner-up. Harris is a former champion having won the title a few years ago when a member of the Ken-Wo Club. R. C. Duchemin was third posting a final score of 330, twelve behind Jarboe and seventeen behind the winner. The last round was played in a deluge of rain. Duchemin later won the Diddy Invitation event with two splendid rounds of 77-73.

Huot Raises the Maple Leaf

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The American professionals surely hold Sandy in very high regard. Gene Kunes now of Chicago who has been ill for some time, but who was the Canadian Open Champion in 1935, was present and played with Sandy. The latter's play made the wandering shots of Kunes look a trifle bad at times for Sandy was definitely in the "groove." Kunes, after a bad first round, failed to qualify for the last 36 holes when his 73 in the second round left him well back on the 157 qualifying score.

"Wild Bill!" Melhorn who was runner-up, was three shots behind Huot at the end of thirty-six holes. He shot 67-70 in the last two rounds and was still two shots behind at the end with 282. The "Wild One" seems to be becoming a better golfer all the time!

Gray kept the lead two rounds when he tacked a 72 to his opening 68. Behind by one stroke was Ray Mangrum, Dayton, Ohio. Len Dodson, Springfield Mo., Frank Comisso of Buffalo, and Willie Lamb of Toronto. All were tied at 141.

Jimmy Hies, clean cut blonde professional who is the present Metropolitan Open champion was present. His opening 74 was played over a course which he had never before seen. This really eliminated him for although the Long Island player posted a second round 73 and then finished with a rush scoring 67-72, his total of 288 was only good for tenth position. Ray Mangrum, so tall and slender that he seemed to bend in the breeze, just returned to the golfing fray at the General Brock Open. He was a more seasoned player this year than ever before and will one day win a major crown. He was third in the Brook event teeing with Harry Cooper with rounds of 70171-70-72-283.

Huot, the winner, played with Harry Cooper in the last two rounds. Along with this pair was the promising new Ben Hogan of Texas. This extremely classy threesome staged a great duel for Hogan with 71-74-72-72-289 was ever really

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Mrs. Goodwin who posted an 84 on the second round was third with a 162 total. Miss Howard playing over her home layout was never in serious trouble and never stopped in her surge this course. Her 149 total is the lowest ever recorded in Canada for the title. She is eighteen and was brought up literally beside for a woman player over the 36 hole route. Incidentally, the course was rain-soaked!

Marlborough The Handy

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by the instigation of a general motif which consisted of tightening up the traps at, and around, the greens. Practically every green on the course has been rebuilt several times since the beginning, each time with new and more cunning devices for stiffening the layout. The second shots for champions became gradually more testing! Today with a par of 72 Marlborough defies most of the finest players in the east. It gives them plenty of championship calibre strokes and is completely respected. The turf, through constant treatment, and greens, with patience and labor, have become what a great golf course should have. The

The Invitation

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Piping Rock, New York for the fourth time. Mrs. Noel defeated a strong field over her favorite course as she turned back the bid of a powerful aggregation from the Montreal District. Mrs. A. F. Culver of Royal Montreal was two strokes behind Mrs. Noel's 87 which was made up of consistent nines of 43-44. Behind Mrs. Culver were Miss Yolande Moisan, Summerlea, winner of the opening field day in the Montreal District this year, and Mrs. A. D. Wright of Kanawaki who is the new Montreal City and District Champion.

Outstanding disaster of the day fell to the lot of Miss Sybil Kennedy who went out in 40 and apparently had another Manoir

A Keener Sandy

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medium player still has his fun and the ladies have a splendid nine hole course which is theirs anytime . . . this along with special privileges during the week days.

The work of Arthur S. Laine, secretary since the club began, has been outstanding for it was he who guided the club through the trying financial times of the depression. Stanley Thomson has in Marlborough another splendid course to his credit; the members, high or low handicaps, (and today Marlborough boasts a really enjoyable course to play—what is more those Quebec Open title aspirants who will collect at Marlborough Aug. 13th have a real problem facing them in conquering the 6500 yards of gently rolling championship golf course. Their visit to the beautifully-wooded Marlborough Course should be a pleasant and interesting one.

title in her grasp. Suddenly a monster row nine on the eleventh hole, like a number of the thirteenth with a seven on the twelfth sandwiched between appeared on her card—these holes did the job of keeping her from winning, but hers was still fourth position, despite this ill-fortune.

howed in the first round to Boeckh. All in all it was one of the most successful of the long line of Ontario amateur tournaments. Its real significance rests however in the fact that it gave Sandy Somerville impetus in what might be stretched into something like a "comeback."

Cotton Pickers

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Hagen with 76, Cotton with 74, these were the names people were watching. Guldahl required 77 and didn't seem headed for anywhere. Bobby Locke of South Africa was leading amateur with 74 over Bob Sweeney's round of 75. The latter is, of course, the new American-born British amateur finalist.

On the second day the famous Whitcombe Brothers, Reg and Charles, held a field day all their own. Reg let fly with a splendid seventy to lead at 142, while Brother Charles, captain of the Ryder Cup team, fitted a 73 and 71 together to place third with 144. In between the two was the gallant Dudley who seemed to be making up to this point. The rest of the Americans seemed to have left their potent putters in the Ryder Cup matches of a week previous. Hagen had a 72 which totalled him 148, Smith came back with 71 to post the same total.

Locke far outdistanced the other amateurs in the field with another 74. At 148 he was twelve full shots ahead of Sweeney who shipped to and 85 and Hector Thompson, last year's amateur king, was three strokes worse than Sweeney whose total was 160. Sarazen with 81-76 was never even in the running. Manero was little better with 78-76. Snead held up well with 149. The rest of the picture was so predominantly British that even the most gloomy critic must have realized that the Home forces held the situation in their palms.

Last Day of the Open rolled around and with it a storm. The British would have won anyway from the American invaders, but the storm sewed up the matter. Few had noticed that Henry Cotton was in a fine position with 146 in the first two rounds. His third round 73 did nothing to impart his chances and in the final round Cotton got going in a hurry. The Whitecombes, both ahead of Cotton, Reg by three and Charles by one up to the three quarter mark, started in a downpour Both lost the title on that first nine of the last round. In a cold pelting rain Reg took 39 going out, his brother one stroke less. Cotton, starting later sunk a rain-hindered sixty-footer on the second to give him his start and from there to the ninth he needed no aid from any source. His thirty-five on that nine inspired the great Englishman and he kept up the pace with 36 in the second. That careful finish after an inspired start gave Cotton the title.

Whitcombe (Reg) needed 76 as the pace and rain told on him. He was runner-up with 292, two behind Cotton. Then out of literally nowhere came that smooth-swinging star who appears from time to time like a meteor across the golfing firmament, Charles Lacey. With a 70 and a 72 he was the lowest scorer in the field for the final day though all the "blow" and rain. Lacey in third position was the first of the Americans as he outscored the Ryder Cup team and nosed out Charles Whitcombe by a single stroke.

The debacle to the American forces was almost complete. Dudley who was the only player from this side of the water who ever seemed intent on winning snuffed out his own hopes with a third round of 78. He ended in 297 for sixth place. In front of him was one other American Ryder Cupper who apparently never had a chance, but closed well to take a good fifth. That was Byron Nelson with 296. On further down was Horton Smith with 299

Turf Culture

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districts where acid soils prevail. For Kentucky blue grass, readings below pH 6 must be looked upon with suspicion, but the limit for fescue and bent is lower, probably close to pH 5.5.

Besides its direct effect on plant growth, reaction affects physical soil condition, activity of soil organisms, and availability of plant food elements.

With strongly acid heavy soils, extreme acidity reduces water-holding capacity and adversely affects its physical condition. Acid clay does not form aggregates. The use of lime increases water-holding capacity and improves the soil by promoting beneficial granulation.

The activity of desirable soil organisms is curtailed as acidity increases.

Acid soils may be low in available phosphorus, and even added soluble phosphate may become fixed in relatively unavailable form. This type of fixation is not likely to occur when soil reaction is pH 6.2, or more. Extreme alkalinity may render iron, manganese, and other so-

to join the little group of ten who broke 300 over the Carnoustie rolls and pitfalls. That course and the field beat old Walter Hagen—a man who was the spirit of enthusiasm through the first two rounds and the Qualitying tests. His play in these woods on the last day was the most consistent of the American Cup players. 149-75-76-300 proved to those who watched him that for a newcomer to all this he will be the player to beat in the next few years. Shute with 302 was cool of disposition as usual and equally cold in his play. We fancied him in the mood which he had when he left, but presently it appears that nonchalance is the attitude of the "law of average golfer" and the British Open requires a touch of inspiration to mechanical perfection. Shute had it when he won it in 1933 at St. Andrews. Cotton had it this year. In fact right now they are calling him the greatest living golfer. He has yet to prove that he deserves that title by coming to America and showing that his versatility as a shot-maker carries beyond the Atlantic to this land of sunny pine-carved, blue-grassed courses. When Henry Cotton wins an American Open title then shall we know beyond doubt that the greatest compliments which our best players pay this immaculate athlete are completely founded with fact that posterity cannot refute. Record books contain many names repeated—names which Cotton with two British Open titles in four years now needs the American crown. Let us hope we may have the pleasure of seeing him in action very soon on this side of the water.

Apparently he is a long hitter, a magnificent pitcher, powerful and controlled with his irons, a great concentrator; Col-ortul of carriage, keen of mind and wiry of strength; intensely patriotic in spirit; a great lover and student of the game; imaginative and full of courage. This is Henry Cotton.

Two Titles

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Occasionally grass growth is inhibited by the presence of toxic substances. The use of Bordeaux to control fungus disease, or the excessive application of cortisive sublimate, or soluble fertilizers, may check growth or kill the grass. In water-logged soil the products of bacterial decay may prove toxic. If the soil is well aerated and kept in good physical condition, there is little danger of toxic conditions developing, unless harmful materials are actually added.

Absence of Toxic Substances

A fertile soil teems with vast numbers of minute microscopic organisms, especially bacteria, but fungi, algae, and other forms are also present. They are the scavengers of the soil, being responsible for the decay of applied plant or animal residues. During decay complex organic forms of nitrogen are converted into ammonia first, then nitrates, and finally are released also. The carbon dioxide formed during decomposition augments that excreted by the roots and aids in the solution of insoluble soil minerals.

Guidahl was 300—a much better golfer than that, but one totally unaccustomed to such things as Carnoustie and the gusty rain. Sam Snead, even with erring woods on the last day was the most consistent of the American Cup players. 149-75-76-300 proved to those who watched him that for a newcomer to all this he will be the player to beat in the next few years. Shute with 302 was cool of disposition as usual and equally cold in his play. We fancied him in the mood which he had when he left, but presently it appears that nonchalance is the attitude of the "law of average golfer" and the British Open requires a touch of inspiration to mechanical perfection. Shute had it when he won it in 1933 at St. Andrews. Cotton had it this year. In fact right now they are calling him the greatest living golfer. He has yet to prove that he deserves that title by coming to America and showing that his versatility as a shot-maker carries beyond the Atlantic to this land of sunny pine-carved, blue-grassed courses. When Henry Cotton wins an American Open title then shall we know beyond doubt that the greatest compliments which our best players pay this immaculate athlete are completely founded with fact that posterity cannot refute. Record books contain many names repeated—names which Cotton with two British Open titles in four years now needs the American crown. Let us hope we may have the pleasure of seeing him in action very soon on this side of the water.

On the strength of his showing in the event Jack Archer was chosen on the team of five to represent the provincial Association in the Interprovincial matches to be played at the Ottawa Hunt Club shortly. He will join Gordon B. Taylor, Kanawaki, 1932 Canadian amateur finalist, Guy Rolland, LaVal, Frank Corrigan, Chaudiere, and Phil Farley, Marlborough, W. D. Taylor of Summers was also chosen to play off with G. B. Taylor and Archer shotmaker who was medalist withdrew and to confine his activities at the Ottawa Hunt Club to the amateur championship.

GOLF NEWS FROM THE EAST

NEW BRUNSWICK has a new ladies champion in the person of Miss Audrey MacLeod of the Riverside Club in Saint John. The charming Miss who plays a steady game and has all the requirements for a champion in her cool competitive spirit, had to go nine extra holes to win back her 1935 title at the expense of her opponent Mrs. D. A. Lindsay, Mrs. Lindsay was defending the title.

The usual 36 holes of medal play was terminated with the two players each carding 188 strokes for the two rounds. In the playoff Miss MacLeod was 43 to her opponent's 48.

Both Golfers were fortunate that Miss Barbara Jack of Riverside lost her putting touch on the last holes of the championship proper, for the latter finished only a stroke behind. The event played at Fredericton Golf Club attracted 49 of the province's leading female fairwayites and one young star of the Fredericton Club was uncovered in the person of 16-year-old Joyce Irvine who led the bronze division with a gross 200.

Open and Amateur Championships

The amateur and Open championship of New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island are contested together and the winner holds both titles. This year Pete Kelly of Belvedere Golf Club in Charlottetown and Archie Skinner of Algonquin Club at St. Andrews took the amateur and Open crown respectively.

Kelly, a star hockey player with the Detroit Red Wings, followed the lead of another hockey ace, Joe Lamb who won the Maritime title last year from Percy Streeter in the finals at Riverside in Saint John. Kelly who scored a total of 316 for the 72 holes was 15 strokes ahead of Bill Crawford of the Westfield Country Club. Skinner won the Open and professional title leading Larry Thorton to the finish by a comfortable margin of six strokes. Thorton is from of Riverdale Golf Club.

Below: Mr. J. Royden Thomson of Saint John again elected president of the New Brunswick and P.E.I. golf Associations.



Executives re-elected

J. Royden Thomson of the Riverside Golf and Country Club, Saint John, was re-elected president of the New Brunswick-P.E.I. Golf Association at their annual dinner and meeting.

Other officers of the Association were all re-elected. They were Percy W. Thompson, Riverside, honorary-president; C. J. Jones, K.C., Woodstock, vice-president; Professor E. O. Turner, Fredericton, captain; P. Streeter, Riverside, vice-captain, and Frank N. Robertson, Saint John, secretary-treasurer.

Members of the Board of Directors named were L. A. Nix, Bathurst; C. W. Rand, Moncton; E. T. Caughey St. Andrews; E. A. MacKay, Fredericton; George J. Smith, Saint John, and A. V. Saunders, Charlottetown.

NOVA SCOTIANS bowed to two representative golfers and real champions in their own divisions this summer as Miss Maisie Howard of Gorsebrook in Halifax and Jack Harris of the Ausburn club in the same city won the amateur crown.

Miss Howard played perhaps the best golf any woman has ever played in the far East of Canada when she started right out in the first round of the provincial event with a sparkling 71 to lead the defending champion, Miss Babs Creighton by six strokes. The latter, from Yarmouth had a 77 which should have ordinarily been good enough to lead at the halfway mark but the dainty Miss Howard was bent on title-taking and burned up the last nine holes to fire a 33 which "shadowed" all rival's efforts.

Mrs. S. Goodwin of Ausburn was 78 in that first round and it was felt that from only among these three player could a champion come.

In the second round Miss Howard slipped a little from her amazing pace to card a 78 for a 149 total, but as it turned out Miss Greighton was "blowing" on the first nine of the second round.



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Jerry Travers, a Master, Discusses Putting

By
JEROME D. TRAVERS

THERE is a difference in the attitude of two schools of putters. One thinks it best to get confidence thru holing putts, the other assumes that you have so many good putts in your bag and you can only hope to get your quota. There's no argument which school of thought is correct. The holing of putts gives one the necessary confidence required to putt well and there's no limit to anyone's quota.

I know from experience there is no other way to get confidence except thru the actual holing of putts.

In fact when I got off my putting, I place the ball close to the cup, say about a foot, and putt the ball over and over into the hole. Then I take the ball a little farther away and keep holing putts until my confidence is restored and I'm sinking them from a good distance.

I would say it would be very difficult to learn now to putt well and be consistent if one assumed the mental attitude that regardless what you do, or how hard you concentrate or try, you can only hole your quota of putts. This is the wrong mental attitude and will not develop the correct frame of mind necessary to consistently good putting.

Practice holing putts as much as you can or wish. You can't hole too many of them, and the more you hole the more confident you will get and the more putts you will hole.

Last winter, just to show you what is possible, in my indoor golf school I holed a six foot putt twenty-six times before I missed the hole. If you had told me this was possible I would have doubted it but just the same I holed the six foot putt twenty-six times before I missed. Had my mental attitude been, after holing ten putts, that I had about reached my quota I would not have holed the next sixteen. The more putts I holed the more I thought I could hole and this confidence is of the greatest importance.

It has always seemed to me that putting, provided you have a sound method, is a matter of confidence. I always feel that the ball is a likely to drop in the hole as not; naturally with that attitude. I do not tighten up or try to steer them, and if you can't look on the bright side and imagine the hole is as large as a pail you will be surprised how many will drop.

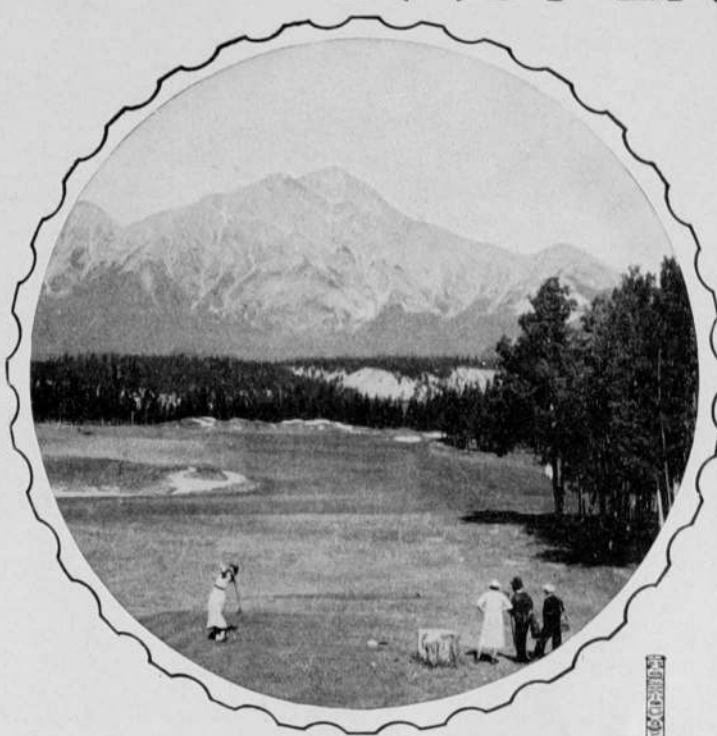
It always helped me before starting a match to putt a few balls on the practice green irrespective of whether they went in the hole so that I felt I had my putting stroke and the feel of the putter because I could tell immediately if my putting stroke was free and I was following thru on the ball. I think this is most important, to have the feel of the club before you come to the first green where the putt is going to count. I also think it is most important to concentrate at the start of a match. You will notice all the good players now as they get on to the green will rub their putter and see how the grass runs. This is most important.

There was a time that many people thought if they could equal par, which we will say on a normal course is 72, that is about all that could be expected, but with present day golf that is a thing of the past and it is the birdies they are shooting for.

I would suggest if you have a 10 foot putt for a birdie to always be up to the hole but don't be too bold

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Two Golf Crown

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games, but both showed well up to the greens. Alston was one stroke ahead at the ninth and ran out the victory not so much on his own brilliance as on the genial Bill's miscues at the hole.

Generalizing we may say that Alston now a double title-holder has marked himself as undoubtedly one of Canada's best medalists to appear in some years, also MacWilliams, who has been in Canada now nine years, has perfected his own game to the point where he will be a constant threat in the future.

Prairies Stars

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Edmonton Golf and Country Club. To this he added a steady 84 and as a result stands leader for 1937 in this division. The new champion was followed, six strokes behind with rounds of 82-87-169 by E. N. Kennedy of Edmonton who placed in the runner-up berth. These scores compare favorably with senior scoring throughout the rest of Canada.

Edmonton's Women's City title fell upon the brow of attractive Mrs. Sidney Maddocks of the Mayfair club. Playing close to par this comely matron turned back a great and plucky bid in the finals by Mrs. H. Watson at the Highland Golf Club which is the latter's home course. The final score was 2 and 1. The end came when Mrs. Watson allowed a four footer to slip past the lip of the cup on the 16th hole. A half at the 17th was all the Mayfair player needed and she made sure of it.

Incidentally Mrs. W. S. Jarvis, 1936 president of the Edmonton Women's Golf Association resigned the chair at the end of her natural term of office to Mrs. T. A. Vickers who will serve for the coming year. Semi-finalists in the championship were Miss Norma Cox, runner-up in the 1936 provincial event who bowed to Mrs. Watson and 4, while Mrs. Maddocks was eliminating Mrs. E. B. Johnson at the 19th hole!

The men's final of the Edmonton City Championships was contested between the defending champion, Henry Martell one of the first fifteen ranking golfers in Canada last year, and Pete Olynyk a dark-horse who reached the finals in a surprise show of form. Martell who is both Alberta Open and Amateur champion turned back the bid of the newcomer in the finals. Tommy Vickers of the Municipal Club was the medalist in this event which was played at the Mayfair club. His 73 was the medal-winning effort.

Travers on Putting

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so you leave yourself a difficult putt coming back . . . Of course there is the old adage "never up, never in" but sometimes bold putting is a dangerous procedure. If the ball is dying as it reaches the hole there are four ways to get in the cup, the front, the two sides and even the back. If the green favors you sometimes they will drop in on the back edge.

What was always uppermost in my mind was, and I can't make this strong enough, Confidence. I have seen so many players that were constantly analyzing their putting and making such a mystery out of it that they became hopelessly confused. Had all sorts of theories on trick stances instead of taking a free, easy stance and making a simple effort. One man may putt with his feet wide apart another may putt with his feet close together, but as long as he has the basic stroke I don't think it makes a particle of difference.

Smoothness and effortless putting I know is the answer. And, after you have the line and the mental feel of the distance that you want to cover keep your eye on the ball when you hit it and don't be too anxious to lift your head and see where it is going. In other words don't look at the hole as you putt.

My Suggestions to you

Stand erect, with the right foot slightly in advance of the left, heels about 2½ inches apart, inside measurement. The ball approximately on a line with the left heel. Hold the club in the fingers, not tightly, using the interlocking grip, which means interlocking the small finger of the right hand with the first finger of the left hand, in order to get both hands close together and working in unison, with both thumbs down the top of the shaft; arms close to body in a comfortable, relaxed position.

Stand erect over the ball. When you make the stroke use your wrists entirely and strike the ball smoothly with a follow through. All good putters stroke the ball. Do not hit or tap it. Remember to keep the body motionless and putt entirely with the wrists, using a pendulum swing.

The putter should be taken back, slowly, from the ball in a straight line, close to the ground with both hands, as neither hand should predominate in the stroke. Keep the putter low to the ground on the follow through. The putter should not perform an arc in any way and the smoother the stroke is made the better the putt.

Some people suggest that there should be more weight on the left foot or vice versa, but my method is to have

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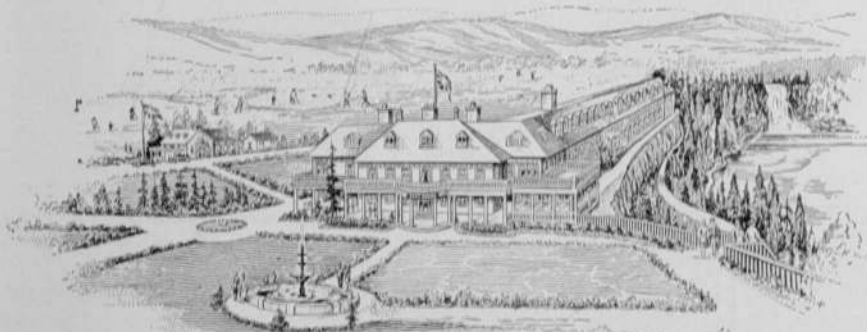
the weight equally distributed on both feet and I always try to be as completely relaxed as possible, which I consider very important. I would also suggest, as I have seen this happen so often on putting greens, that

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The Payoff

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of qualifying, was well behind. The wind which blew slightly at the players' backs was more tricky than helpful and the heretofore uncrowned "King of golf's Sluggers" was merely playing safe to be among the first twenty. You see, Thomson who has long been known as the most powerful hitter in the game has never been able to win a driving championship for some reason or other! At Pittsburg in the U.S.P.G.A. event this spring, for instance, Jimmy hit two out of bounds and was far out of the running in an event which allowed the players only three drives apiece.

Those qualifying for the Dow North American Long Driving championship at Lookout Point were: Ed Oliver of Wilmington, Johnny Bulla, Leslie, Ill., Sam Kerr of Toronto, Bill Chinery of the same city, "Wild Bill" Melhorn of Louisville, Ky., Ben Hogan of Fort Worth, Texas, Jimmy Thomson, Geo. Lowe of Philadelphia, Harry Cooper of Chicago, Art Hulbert of Toronto, Gordon Taylor Jr., of Toronto, Tom McGrath of Hamilton, Jules Huot of Quebec, Guy Berner of Buffalo, Marcel Pinsonnault of Montreal and Joe May of Buffalo.

Almost from the outset in the championship proper Thomson asserted his superiority. The players all took two drives first. Thomson led Hogan at that point. They all took three more drives, but Hogan was still right on Thomson's heels. Harry Cooper, generally considered a short hitter, was also pressing the leaders at that point. Jules Huot of Quebec was staying well up with Bill Chinery of Toronto, in fourth and fifth positions.

Then came Thomson's mighty seventh drive and the issue of first place was settled. Hogan, spot-placing his tremendous-carrying drives to a point about twelve yards from the right boundary (and thus running the gauntlet of going out of bounds), showed utmost skill in this manoeuvre to get every inch of roll possible. All the players knew that landing a ball at this point some 285 yards from the tee would bring about extra roll, but none except Harry Cooper, and Ben Hogan were disposed to take the chance of the boundary!

The best amateur in the final standing was diminutive Marcel Pinsonnault of Laval who averaged close to 325 yards.

Conditions which prevailed were: a tee elevated 146 feet; medium roll on a slightly uphill fairway; a slight back and cross breeze; the air was very warm and rather heavy with humidity. Jules Huot led the Canadians in third position. He overtook Cooper on his last turn and "nosed out" the remarkable Chicagoian. Hogan was second—a coming Ryder Cupper! He was the boy who got the call at the home club in Fort Worth over his playmates, Ralph Guldahl, Byron Nelson, and a chap by the name of Harry Cooper. They followed the tournaments and made rather good. Cooper the top money winner, Guldahl the present Open Champion, and Nelson the present holder of the Master's Open crown. Hogan was better than these boys in their early days of playing together. Now he is on the tournament trail and unless we are mistaken his beautiful swing should take him places.

His average was only four yards less than Thomson. He hit none out of bounds. Neither did Huot nor Cooper. Thomson hit three out, but overcame the thirty yard penalty so evoked by his sheer power. A total of \$1000.00 plus amateur prizes were given for the event.

Jerry Travers, A Master, Discusses Putting

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the player get his line to the hole from the back of the ball as he is walking up to make the stroke, or stand back of the ball, because a great many players putt before they have a definite line that they are going to follow. For instance, you often come to a green that is rolling. Now the thing for you to do is to get your line, as I have said, from the back of the ball and try as best you can to get the idea as to how the ball will take these various undulations to end in the hole or close to it. Pick out an imaginary line. One must always give the ball a chance to go in the hole, but don't be too bold, so that you leave yourself too much to do if you miss the hole, because I have seen putts drop in the sides of the hole and in the back of the hole if they are very close. You have three chances to get into the cup — two sides and the front — and don't be too bold to hit the back of the cup a resounding smack on short putts.



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