

CANADIAN GOLFER

Greetings !

*Here's to the fortunate golfer
Who off to the South soon will fly
To rest 'neath the shade of the palm trees
And bask 'neath an orient sky.
But more will we fill up a fagon
To him who 'mid frost, wind and snow
Must stick to his job all the winter.—
He really deserves it, you know !*

XMAS, 1928

—W.H.W.



DECEMBER

1928

Price 35c

\$4.00 A Year

Silver King

GOLF BALLS

THE Silver King Ball is famous all round the world and has been the premier golf ball ever since it was first manufactured in 1882. Each member of the Silver King Family is specifically and scientifically designed with its own special qualifications and individuality. It has all the advantages of a perfect ball allied to enduring quality which ensures satisfaction and economy in use.

IN A SERIOUS MATCH YOU MUST PLAY

Silver King

Your game and your pocket will benefit by playing with the Silver King.

For durability, control, distance and economy it is unsurpassed.

The Silver King is supreme in all departments of the game and is in a class by itself.

ARCHIE COMPSTON

Runner-up, Canadian Championship played throughout with a Silver King.

He Says:

"I think it is the World's Finest Golf Ball."

THE SILVERTOWN COMPANY OF CANADA

Sole Canadian Distributors.

Sales Representatives:

ERNEST A. PURKIS LIMITED

53 Yonge Street

- TORONTO

THIS WINTER - *Play in* BERMUDA

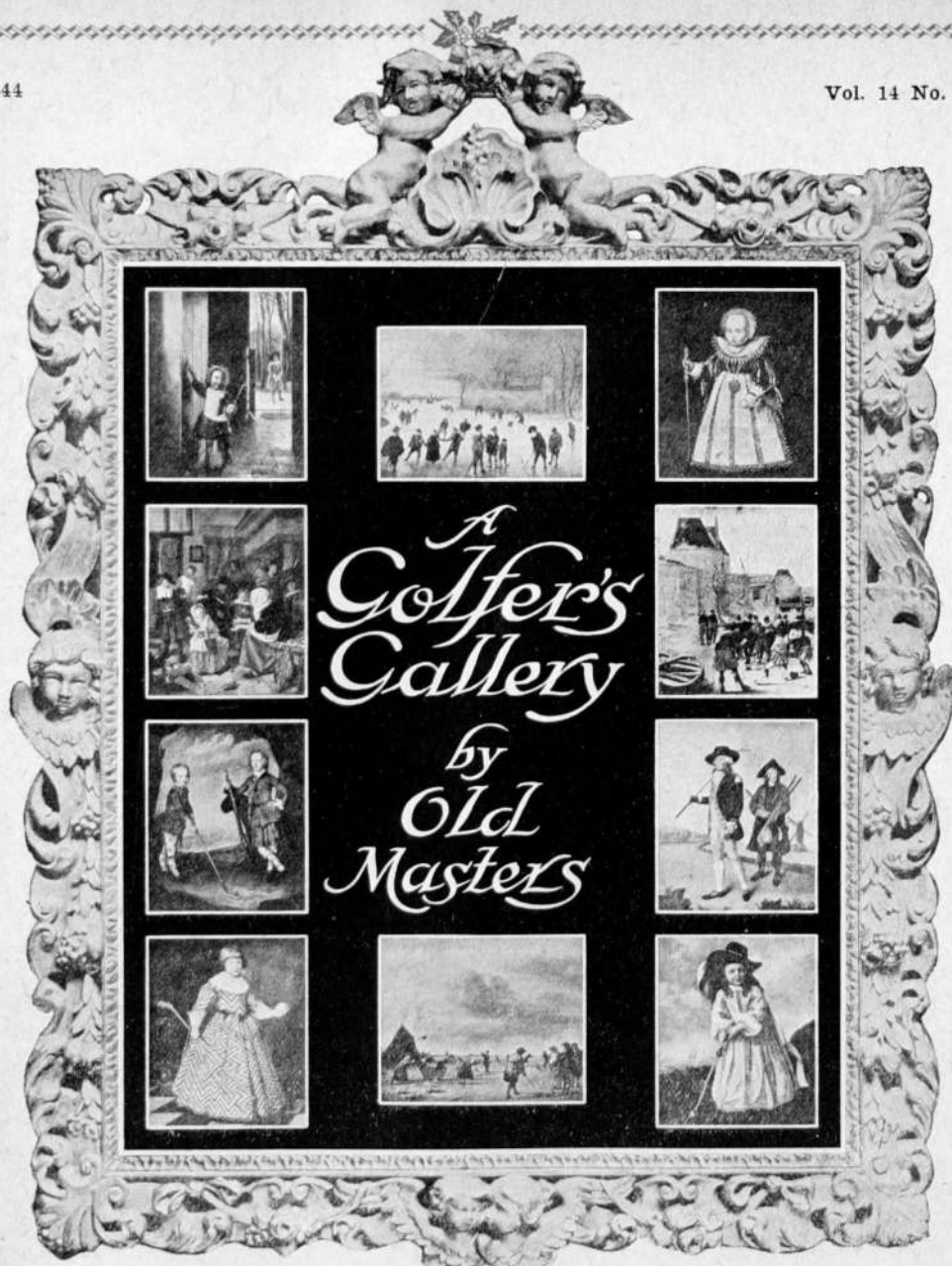
Golf Blues ?

DON'T yearn! Dig up those friendly old clubs, pack your duds and make a bee-line for beautiful Bermuda. Steamers every few days from New York. A delightful trip with lots of jolly company. And in 48 hours—golf! Golf on courses equal to the world's best. No frost or snow: just sunshine and sea-breezes, birds and flowers, a scene of beauty beyond imagination. For full information get Illustrated Tourist Guide from any steamship agent or write

THE BERMUDA TRADE DEVELOPMENT BOARD
Hamilton - Bermuda

Canadian Offices:
105 Bond Street - Toronto, Ont.





A De Luxe Christmas Gift

A GOLFER'S GALLERY is a magnificent collection of eighteen pictures, reproduced in exquisite colours with the greatest care and accuracy. The "Old Masters" are fittingly introduced by Mr. Bernard Darwen (as experienced and learned golfer as ever drove from the tee). For his introductory pages Mr. Darwen has drawn on many rare old prints and drawings. However, the plates in colour (17 x 12½), are the thing. The price (duty and express prepaid), of the de Luxe Edition is \$50. Ordinary edition \$25. A few copies of this greatest work on golf ever published have been reserved for Canada. The edition is strictly limited and the plates will be destroyed.

Several prominent golfers in Canada have already placed their orders for this wonderful work. Order early in order to make sure of delivery by December 25th. The coloured plates are ideal for framing in Clubhouse, Library or "Den".

Order through BUSINESS OFFICE "CANADIAN GOLFER" Brantford, Ontario.

CANADIAN GOLFER



Vol. 14.

BRANTFORD, DECEMBER, 1928

No. 8.

CANADIAN GOLFER

Official Organ Royal Canadian Golf Association; Official Organ Ladies' Canadian Golf Union; Official Organ Rules of Golf Committee.

Published Monthly.

Ralph H. Reville, Managing Editor.

Merritt Stuart, Business Manager.

W. Hastings Webling, Associate Editor.

President, The Royal Canadian Golf Association, Major W. D. Wilson, Hamilton; Secretary, Mr. B. L. Anderson, 510 General Assurance Building, 357 Bay St., Toronto. Hon. Secretary-Treasurer Canadian Ladies' Golf Union, Mrs. M. K. Rowe, 42 Clarendon Avenue, Toronto.

Subscription Price, Four Dollars a Year. Entered at Post Office as Second Class Matter. Editorial and Business Office, Brantford, Canada. Toronto Office, Queen City Chambers, 32 Church Street. Harry E. Smallpeice, J. P., Representative. Printed by Davis-Lisson, Limited, Hamilton, Canada.

Now is the Appointed Time. By this time those clubs that will need new professionals, green-keepers and secretaries during the 1929 season are well aware of their requirements. Unfortunately, many of these clubs will wait until the last minute before they engage their new men, and by then most of the better qualified men will be signed up by rival clubs. Those hired late will be handicapped by lack of time in getting off to a good start at their new clubs. Plenty of planning should be allowed a man who enters a new job full of ambition and energy. Sign your man during the next month or so and give him time to consider carefully just what he is going to do when he enters your club's service. If he is the right kind of a fellow, this early action will pay you well.

A Delightful Golfing Itinerary Planned for the West.

It is quite on the cards that next September both the Canadian National Railways and the Canadian Pacific Railway will be back of the proposition to run a special golfers' excursion train through the West taking in the Canadian Amateur Championship at Jasper Park, Alberta, and then returning by way of Banff, where the C.P.R. is putting the finishing touches to its magnificent new course "on the roof of the world." This tour would take some four weeks but it is thought that a number of prominent golfers in Montreal, Toronto, London, Hamilton, Winnipeg and other cities would be able to spare the time to participate in such a thoroughly enjoyable jaunt. In addition to Banff and Jasper, it is also planned to stop over at Calgary, Ed-

monton and other Western golfing centres, and possibly even Vancouver and Victoria might be included in the itinerary. The whole question is now being taken up and thoroughly discussed by the heads of the Passenger Departments of the two railways and others interested. The holding of the Canadian Amateur Championship at Jasper has already been endorsed by the Executives of the Royal Canadian Golf Association and the Western Canada Golf Association and will undoubtedly be confirmed at the annual meeting of the R.C.G.A. to be held next February. It is a splendid thing for golf in Canada to have this championship go West every few years instead of always being held in the East. It tends to nationalize the game.

Great Growth of the Game in Germany. Herr Sans Samek, of Berlin, known as the "Father of Golf" in Germany, is a visitor just now at Del Monte, California. Before the war, according to Samek, there was but one 9-hole course in Germany and it was here that he learned the game from Dr. Charles Hartley, a distinguished Canadian dentist then practising in Berlin. It is rather a strange coincidence that Dr. Hartley, when the war broke out was visiting his father and mother in Brantford, Ontario, his old home town, and was in fact on the fateful August 4th, 1914, playing golf with the editor of the "Canadian Golfer" on the Brantford course. He subsequently returned to Germany, but is now practising in Los Angeles, Cal.

Following the war, Germany began to take an interest in golf. It is generally conceded that it is largely due to Herr Samek's untiring efforts that interest in the sport increased. There are now 40 courses in Germany and in another year there will be 80 links it is predicted. Herr Samek has arranged with the U. S. Ryder Cup team of professionals, after their match next May, in England with the British pros, to visit Germany and play in Tournaments there as he thinks such a visit will provide a great filip to the game in that country. And it undoubtedly will.

ALTERING A CARD SERIOUS OFFENCE

AN English correspondent writes:

"Another case of a man who is alleged to have broken the rules respecting scoring at golf came to light at the end of last week. This time the Surrey Golf Union is to consider the case of a member of a club who has been suspended pending inquiry. It is alleged that the score on his card had been altered by two strokes.

"The secretary of one of the best known golf clubs in the Home Counties said to me: 'Cases of deliberate misrepresentation are so rare that I have heard of only one in my life. Many players, however, break the regulations of the game unwittingly, and I should say that 50 per cent. of players transgress the rules at some time or another. Golf enthusiasts should learn the laws of the game with more care.

"At the present time not one in 50 knows them thoroughly. A short time ago I saw a man pick a stone from behind his ball, and when I told him that this was not permitted, he said: 'But I must pick up the stone if I am to hit the ball properly'.

"The Secretary of the Surrey Golf Union said last night: 'The matter has not yet even come up before the Chairman of my Committee, and I can say nothing about it. We much deprecate the publicity given to such an occurrence, which is extremely rare.'

"Recently two members of a well-known golf club were asked to resign on the ground that they had altered their cards in competition games. In the case of another club women members have lost money and clothing from the dressing-rooms. The thief is believed to be a woman member."

The Ideal Golfing Xmas Gift, "Canadian Golfer," for thirteen months (December, 1928, to December, 1929, inclusive), sent with your compliments to any address in Canada, Great Britain or the United States for \$4. Send cheque (no exchange necessary), to Business Manager, "Canadian Golfer," Brantford, Canada.



English Chesterfields and Ulsters



Whether travelling or at home, men who are particular in dressing well select the hand-tailored overcoats from London.

Montagnacs, Witneys,
Cheviots, Chinchillas,
Double Texture Tweeds.

\$35 to \$95

The new Llama Pile and Camel Hair cloths—the last word in “warmth without weight.”

\$85 and \$95

In Our New
Furnishings
Department

Imported Neckwear, Gloves,
Hosiery, Handkerchiefs, Py-
jamas, Shirts, Cardigans, Pull-
overs, Golf Half Hose.

SHOWING MANY UNUSUAL THINGS FOR CHRISTMAS

Specially Packaged

Fairweather's
Limited

88-90 Yonge St.

TORONTO



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

* * *

"Be merry all, be merry all,
With holly dress the festive hall,
Prepare the song, the feast, the ball
To welcome merry Christmas."

* * *

The passing is announced in Owen Sound, after a short illness of Mr. Alfred D. Creasor, Police Magistrate of the city of Owen Sound and the County of Grey. He was an outstanding figure in the community. His Worship was an ardent member of the Owen Sound Golf and Country Club and of the Owen Sound Curling Club.

* * *

A New York correspondent writes:

"Britain never has won a Walker Cup, but cheerfully plays for it year after year. It cannot be said that this spirit of playing the game, win or lose, is appreciated or understood here. It is not. It is rather regarded as mild idiocy. So the British golfers demonstrate a refreshing spirit of sportsmanship in these days when to win at any cost is the dominant note in American athletic strife."

* * *

Mr. R. H. Fairweather, President of the old established and well known firm of Fairweathers Limited, Toronto, furriers, hatters, etc.:

"I am just dropping you a line to congratulate you on the Canadian Golfer, also to say our own page advertisement in the November issue looks extremely well and is very satisfactory in regard to position, setting and printing. With best wishes for continued success."

* * *

At the annual meeting of the Women's Metropolitan Golf Association in New York this month it was decided the coming season to stage a brother and sister Tournament and also a mother and son Tournament. Such events are unique in golf. The idea is a good one and might well be taken up in this country by the Provincial Branches of the Canadian Ladies' Golf Union.

* * *

Mr. R. C. S. Bruce, the well known Winnipeg golfer and an ex-president of the Manitoba Golf Association, recently figured in a street car smash in Winnipeg when two cars collided on Donald and Broadway Streets. Three of the passengers were more or less injured including Mr. Bruce. Friends, however, will be delighted to hear that his injuries were not serious and that he has completely recovered from the unpleasant experience and the resultant shock.

* * *

Many friends throughout Ontario will heartily congratulate Mr. William Fulton, Toronto, District Passenger Agent of the Canadian Pacific Railway,

on his promotion just announced to the position of Assistant General Passenger Agent. Mr. Fulton is one of the most popular railway men in the country. He has been with the C.P.R. for 37 years and has served "the big Corporation" faithfully and well in Galt, London and Toronto.

* * *

A despatch from Bronxville, N.Y., Dec. 10th:

"The two public golf courses maintained by the Westchester County Park Commission were closed for the 1928 season yesterday. McHansic Park course, opened in 1925, reported a season's attendance of 32,659 players and receipts of \$40,527. The Maplemoor course in White Plains, opened in 1927, had an attendance of 40,074 and receipts of \$46,653, or total receipts for the two courses of over \$87,000. When the season opens next Spring a third course, the Sprain Brook course in Yonkers, will also be opened to the public. No date has been set for the formal opening."

* * *

Don't load up your golfing friend with a lot of "junk" this Xmas. He would much prefer (if not already a subscriber), a year's subscription to this Great Family Golfing Magazine, a box of balls, a well balanced club or so, an up-to-date golf bag, a good book on golf, a sweater, golfing stockings or selections from a dozen and one other articles dear to the heart of the average golfer. Give something "golffy" this Christmas and he or she will remember you for many a long day to come.

* * *

The Editor and Staff of the "Canadian Golfer" are once again privileged to extend to the many subscribers of the Magazine in Canada, Great Britain, The United States and other Countries, sincere wishes for a Joyous Christmas and a Happy New Year, sans bunkers, sans hazards—plus health and happiness aplenty. And so, as Tiny Tim observed "God Bless Us Every One!"

MR. RALPH CONNABLE TAKES UP ANOTHER HOBBY

THE following despatch from Depew, N.Y., will be read with interest by golfing friends in Toronto and throughout the Province. Mr. Connable is known as "The Father of Municipal Golf in Ontario". It was entirely owing to his efforts, financial and otherwise, that the successful public courses in Toronto, "Humber Valley" and "Glen Stewart", were launched some few years ago. Now it will be seen that he has a new hobby and it is a pretty safe wager that like public golf he will "put it over" as he is a man of vision and unbounded energy, plus unlimited resources. It is a great pity that he has left Toronto where his activities outside of golf were also so much in evidence for the past decade or so. Before resigning he was General Manager for Canada of the Woolworth Co. Ltd.

"Sponsored by Ralph Connable, former Toronto financier, a turkey farm has been started here and if the experiment proves a success this section may enter competition with Texas and Utah as the Thanksgiving source of supply for the continent. Mr. Connable lives now in Buffalo.

"Believing that every man who retires from active business should have some hobby to occupy his mind and hands, Mr. Connable hit upon turkey raising by the process of elimination. After 20 years with the Woolworth Co., Mr. Connable retired three years ago. One day while motoring through the rural sections near Buffalo he was struck with the sad but true fact that about every third farm and farm house was abandoned.

"That gave him an idea. He wanted to find out what was wrong with farming. He wondered, if he should apply the business methods that had won him success in the business world to some phase of farming, could he make a success of it? He decided to try it and he went about it in a business-like way of first getting all the facts and then putting a plan into execution.

GOLF LIMITED

GOLF COURSE CONTRACTORS

AND

DISTRIBUTORS FOR **TORO** COURSE EQUIPMENT

44 COLBORNE STREET

TORONTO

TRACTORS
CUTTING UNITS
GREEN MOWERS

TOP DRESSING
AND COMPOST
MACHINES

CREEPING BENT STOLONS
GROWN AT OUR OWN NURSERIES

BUILDING AND RENOVATING GOLF COURSES
BY CONTRACT

H. C. PURDY
CONSTRUCTION
SUPERINTENDENT

ALAN BLAND, B.S.A.
PRESIDENT

G. R. VERMILYEA
EQUIPMENT
MANAGER

Getting these facts took Mr. Connable two years. With a motor apartment car he toured 28 states of the Union, making a close, first-hand study of farm conditions and talking with university experts at state colleges. He investigated potato raising in the midwest, he looked in on the big cattle and sheep ranges and he studied the cotton industry in the south, to say nothing of spending much time in the big grape vineyards of California.

Finally Mr. Connable hit upon turkey raising, first, because that industry appealed to him, and secondly because he knew that if he could demonstrate that turkeys could be raised profitably in New York State he would really be doing something constructive for his fellow man. This much settled in his mind, Mr. Connable went to the poultry department at Cornell University, Ithaca, and told his plans to the experts there.

They threw up their hands in "holy horror", as Mr. Connable expressed it, when he told them he planned to raise turkeys in New York State and to make it pay.

It was one of those things that had never been done. At least, no one has ever done it. But Mr. Connable buckled right in with the trace of a grin on his face, and so on, as the poem goes. His first move was to get in touch with the most noted turkey expert in the United States. The United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, where Mr. Connable wrote for advice, put him in touch with Prof. W. A. Billings, extension veterinarian of the University of Minnesota. He is now receiving all the available literature on the subject.

The turkey farm at Depew was established last March and now has a young stock of about 200 birds.

"This is just a hobby of mine," Mr. Connable said. "Instead of buying a yacht and travelling around the world I decided to stay home and raise turkeys. If I learn anything of value in my experiments I shall gladly make it public knowledge so that the farmers and poultrymen may benefit from it."

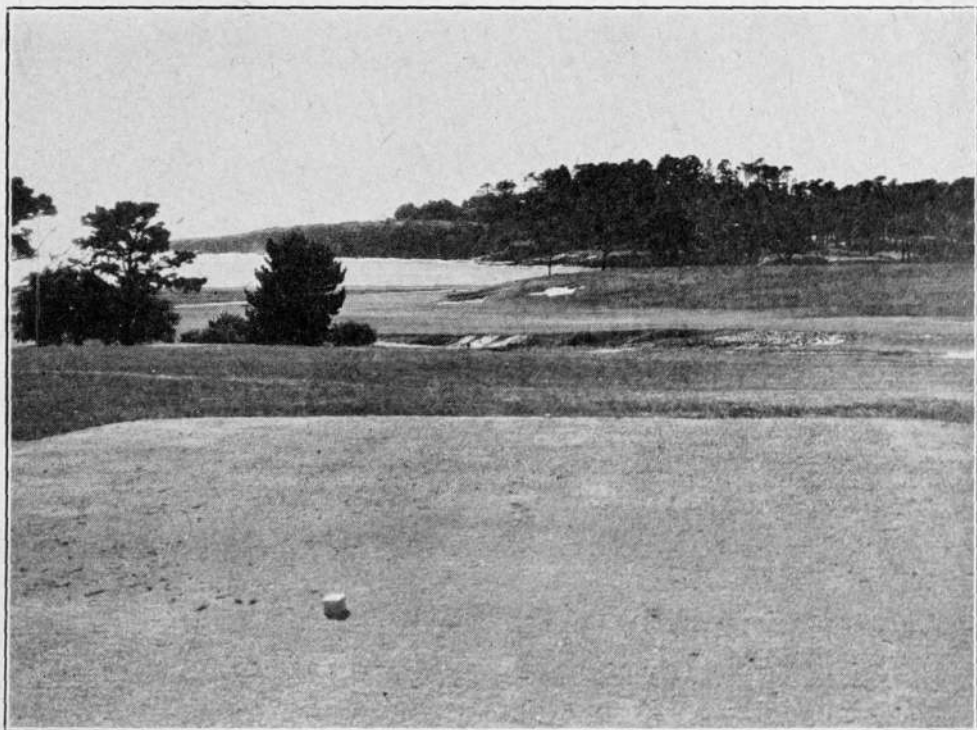
Mr. Connable is experimenting with all the varieties of turkeys known. These include four standard varieties, with the addition of a fifth, known as the "Narragansett," which a Texas man caught in the wild state three years ago and has domesticated. The four other kinds are the Bronze, turkey, the Holland white, the red and the black.

VENUE OF THE U.S. AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

The Beautiful Pebble Beach Course on the Monterey Peninsula

(Special Contribution to the "Canadian Golfer" by M. C. Hall)

THE Pebble Beach Golf Course on Monterey Peninsula, on which the U.S. National Amateur Golf Championship will be played September 2-7, 1929, was inaugurated in 1915. For years previous there had been considerable talk about constructing a second Del Monte course somewhere on the Monterey Peninsula, and the present Pebble Beach site was selected largely because of its proximity to Del Monte Lodge.



The third hole from the tee, 355 yards at the Pebble Beach course on the Monterey Peninsula.

The choice proved a very happy one, because of the splendid natural lay out, many hazards and superb marine view. The Pebble Beach course has been described by many of the great amateur and professional golfers as one of the finest examples of seaside links in the entire world.

It was originally laid out by Jack Neville, five times California amateur champion, and Douglas Grant, Neville personally supervising most of the work. As first mapped out these plans were quite pretentious, but the financial uncertainties of the war period made it advisable to curtail expenditures. In spite of this fact Pebble Beach, as originally constructed, compared favorably with most of the celebrated golf courses of the world. In 1920 the California State Amateur Championship was played on Pebble Beach for the first time, Dr. Paul Hunter winning the title. Ever since that time this championship has remained at Pebble Beach.

Various improvements have been made from time to time. In 1918 Francis McComas supervised the work on the first, third, seventh and fourteenth greens. In 1925 Robert Hunter and Dr. Alister MacKenzie, internationally famous golf architect, made a number of changes on the 8th and 13th.

Early in 1928, as soon as word was received that the National Amateur Championship for 1929 had been awarded to Pebble Beach, the Del Monte Properties Company started to still further improve Pebble Beach in preparation for this great event.

Acting entirely in accordance with the wishes of the U.S.G.A. a committee was named to supervise these changes. It consisted of H. Chandler Egan, twice National Champion and well known as a golf architect; Robert Hunter, another noted links architect; and Roger D. Lapham, member of the U.S.G.A. Executive Committee. Lapham, it should be noted, probably had more to do with securing the National Championship for California than any other individual.

To Chandler Egan goes the credit for planning and executing practically all of the changes made at Pebble Beach during the past year. Egan spent a number of months at Pebble Beach constantly supervising the work as carried out by Head Greenkeeper Joe Mayo and his staff of workers.

Many of the holes were lengthened by setting the tees farther back; an intricate series of traps was worked out to stiffen the entire layout and practically every green was recontoured in marvelous fashion. All of this was done without changing the respective positions of a single hole, the committee agreeing that the general plan of this famous course could not be improved upon.

That Egan made a notable success of his task is not only proven by the comments of such famous stars as Miss Glenna Collett, Mrs. Vera Ramsey Hutchings and such celebrated architects as Dr. Alister MacKenzie, but even more concretely by the results of the 1928 California amateur golf championship. Out of a field of 417 entrants, Jack Gaines led the qualifying field with two 75's. The best official record of the entire tournament was Johnny McHugh's 73 on the second qualifying day. Par is 72. That tells the story of Pebble Beach briefly, as it is to-day.

That famous golfers who will journey westward to play in the 1929 National Amateur will find Pebble Beach one of the most severe tests of their ability that they have ever encountered and that they will also find it one of the most interesting and scenic links in the world is the prediction freely made by all of the experts who have seen the new Pebble Beach course.

By a quirk of fate, Egan himself was penalized by the thoroughness with which he has trapped Pebble Beach. When he played Johnny McHugh in the finals of the recent California Championship, they finished the morning round all square but in the afternoon Egan lost his line and his ball found trap after trap, McHugh finally winning 6 and 5. As one writer put it, "Egan's traps rose like a 'Frankenstein' to devour him."

GOVERNOR SMITH PUTS IT ALL OVER BOBBY JONES

GOVERNOR "Al" Smith has been recuperating from his recent strenuous presidential campaign by enjoying a holiday in Atlanta, Ga. Whilst there he played golf with Bobby Jones. Senator Pat Harrison, of Mississippi, was appointed the official scorer and the Governor, radiant in lavender and grey accessories, won every hole but one in an uncompleted 18-hole match. In addition Governor Smith far outdistanced the U. S. National Amateur champion in medal score, and whilst most of those in the large galleries believed Jones displayed the best golf, there was little tendency to question the card officially turned in by the Senator from Mississippi. It showed Governor Smith went the first nine holes in the outstanding total of 37 strokes,

Winter at Del Monte ...Home of Eternal Springtime

"One sobs of Sorrento and Taormina... or the French Riviera and they are as nothing when one sees the cliffs... the mountains... and the cypresses of the Monterey coastline."¹⁸

Here, in your own social environment, you may indulge your every fancy in outdoor sports. At your disposal are polo fields, tennis courts, swimming pools, dazzling white beaches, bridle paths through the tall trees, unmatched motor roads, and the world-famed 17-Mile Drive.

Here, too, are four renowned golf courses, including the newly remodeled Pebble Beach Championship Course, where will be played the 1929 National Amateur Championship. Golf is played 365 days a year at Del Monte.

¹⁸Quoted from Addison Mizner, nationally-known architect of Florida, who resides during a portion of the year at his Pebble Beach home.



S. F. B. Morse,
President

Hotel Del Monte

Carl S. Stanley,
Manager

[Del Monte Lodge, Pebble Beach] Del Monte, California

Hotel Del Monte, Del Monte

Crocker Building, San Francisco

*Adjoining Monterey, ancient Spanish capital, on the historic Monterey Peninsula,
125 miles south of San Francisco; 350 miles north of Los Angeles*

and that he played the four concluding holes in 14. Jones, on the other hand, who seemed to the gallery to be scoring with his usual deadly precision, was credited with the unheard of total for him of 58 strokes for the outward trip and took, according to Senator Harrison's figures, 24 strokes for the four holes of the unfinished inward journey. As an official scorer the Senator's services should be in great demand the coming season. He would be a welcome visitor to many a Canadian course.

TIRED BUSINESS MEN HAVE NEW RECREATION

TIRE and corpulent business men will find a new means for recreation and diminution of the surplus avoirdupois, when the contemplated plans of Parks Commissioner Chambers, of Toronto, for the introduction of a new game to the city are consummated next year.

"Can you roque?" or "have your roqued yet to-day?" will then be as common terms in the Queen City as they now are in Southern California, where the game of that sobriquet originated. Mr. Chambers, as master of ceremonies at a meeting of lawn bowlers in Rosedale United Church, Toronto, recently, when prizes for the year were awarded, described the adventures of Alderman Wadsworth and himself on a recent tour of the continent in search of data on the administration of parks and playgrounds in other large centres.

While inspecting the recreations afforded in Los Angeles they discovered "roque" which he described as a combination of croquet and billiards, and after a few trials at the pastime, were so impressed with its possibilities that they had on the return trip to Toronto, worked out plans for its inception there.

He hoped to accomplish this next year and called on the Rosedale bowlers to take part in the building of the first roque court in their district.

The court is laid out in the same shape as a billiard table, he explained, with high banked cushions all around. The contest consists of knocking wooden balls through wire hoops just slightly larger than the balls and the "fast" cushions play an important part in the ultimate victory. The clubs or mallets, bear a rather short handle and necessitate participants bending over a great deal to play. The game is a great success, he said, with business men, many of whom have courts on the roofs of their office buildings and thus use their surplus golf energy to advantage there during business hours.

WHERE THE "LOST BALLS" WENT TO

A CORRESPONDENT writes:

Some years ago my brother-in-law, who was in a regiment then stationed in England, had a very intelligent and favourite fox terrier. My brother-in-law was a keen golfer, but could not account for the fact that almost every day he found extra golf balls on his bed.

Things came to a head, when one afternoon he found five balls thus deposited on his bed; he began to suspect his dog. So he watched him, and this is what he discovered.

Close to his hut was a part of the golf course. The players driving from the nearest tee drove the ball over a piece of rising ground, the ball landing out of their sight.

The dog, however, was keeping a strict watch on the further side of the rising hill, and as soon as a ball appeared it was instantly seized and transported to his master's bungalow, long before the owners of the ball had topped the hill. Both ball and dog having disappeared they naturally spent much time searching for the lost ball, and finally gave up, wondering much at its disappearance. No sooner were they gone than the terrier reappeared to watch for the next ball.

PERKINS, BRITISH AMATEUR CHAMPION TO TAKE UP RESIDENCE IN NEW YORK

STILL another prominent British golfer has felt the lure of the U. S. golf links. Mr. T. Philip Perkins, the British Amateur Champion, and runner-up to Bobby Jones in the U. S. Amateur last September, who was seen the past season on the courses of Hamilton, Toronto, Montreal and Quebec, with the British Walker Cup team, has decided to take up his residence in New York. It is generally conceded that Perkins is the best amateur player developed in Great Britain since the days of Harold Hilton, the only Britisher to win the American Amateur Championship in addition to the British Amateur, four times and the British Open twice. His decision to make America his future home is a distinct loss to golf in the Old Country. The former British Amateur Champion, Willie Hunter, as also two former prominent amateurs, Tom Armour and Bobby Cruickshanks, are all now residing in the United States and as professionals have made great names and dollars galore for themselves. It would not be at all surprising if Perkins should follow in their footsteps.

Percy J. Clifford, Jr., the Amateur Champion of Mexico, is another fine young golfer who, too, has decided to take up his abode in New York. Clifford, who was born in Mexico, is a graduate of Cambridge and a "loyal Englishman", so he says. He is 21 years old and gained the Mexican title in November by defeating Claude M. Butlin, a 52-year-old player who held the championship previously. The match must have been a thrilling one for Clifford was six down over the first eighteen holes, and then won by two up, squaring the match at the thirty-fourth and taking the last two holes. He

Christmas Gift Suggestion That Will Appeal to You



You have a friend who is very much interested in Golf. You are going to give a Christmas present to this friend. There will be more pleasure for both of you if the gift is a particularly appropriate one.

A subscription to the only golfing publication in the Dominion, the "CANADIAN GOLFER" will afford a delightful surprise at Christmas and continue to give new satisfaction on the 20th of each month during the ensuing year. Every issue will be a reminder that you are the thoughtful provider of several hours of interesting golf entertainment and instruction.

All you have to do is to fill in the coupon below and the "Canadian Golfer" will be sent with your Xmas Greetings to any address in Canada, Great Britain or the United States, postage prepaid, for 13 months.

Christmas Subscription Coupon

"Canadian Golfer," Brantford, Canada:

Enclosed find cheque for \$4.00 (No exchange necessary), for subscription to the "Canadian Golfer" to January 1st, 1930 (13 months, starting with December, 1928, Xmas Edition).

Send to

Address

From

Address

played the last nine in 35. U. S. Ambassador Morrow presented Clifford with the championship trophy.

An English correspondent writing of Mr. Perkins' determination to return to the States and take up his residence there says:

"America's latest capture from British golf is Mr. T. P. Perkins. Into speculations as to whether Harry Cotton, the young London professional, might be tempted to stay over there comes Mr. Perkins's announcement that he intends to settle in the United States. For the young professional who, like Cotton, shows unusual possibilities, America is still a land of promise. Mr. Perkins could no doubt have a pick of good posts over there if he cared to change his status, but he has decided to remain an amateur and to enter upon a business career in the States. Whether Mr. Perkins may later revise his

ideas about status is his own affair, but from our point of view his decision means a distinct and definite loss to British golf.

"His step was, however, more than half expected. Last winter he was involved in a motor accident, and since then he has not done any work, and there was an idea that he would take some business opportunity either here or in the States whither the Walker Cup match took him a few months ago. Indeed there was a fairly widespread assumption when he won the Amateur Championship in May that he would cross over to professionalism, and before the British team was selected Mr. Perkins who was, of course, first choice, was officially asked, it is understood, as to his intentions about status.

His present decision to stick to amateurism is in line with his then reply. What his decision means to our representative golf is emphasized by its intimation with his most distinguished year in the game. To win the British Amateur title and get to the final of the corresponding United States event make a remarkable double performance. It is seventeen years since a British player was in the American final—Mr. Harold Hilton won then—and Mr. Perkins might have completed his dual success if his American opponent had been any but Mr. Bobby Jones.

"Mr. Perkins, who is only 24 years old, was a real British discovery of the past two seasons, and his record, with this year's wonderful reinforcement, suggested a big future for him.

"Two of the most distinguished performers from this country in more recent times are Tommy Armour and Bobby Cruickshank, who at one time or other have beaten all the United States cracks, Armour doing it last year in the National Open Championship. More recently we lost to America Willie Hunter, who had a slashing victory in the Amateur Championship at Hoylake in 1921 and has since joined the professional ranks, and Captain Ernest Carter, the well-known Portrush golfer, who like Mr. Perkins went into business over there.

"Mr. Perkins, who arrived at his home near Birmingham the other day, picks out the putting as the part of the game where the United States players are superior to ours. The consensus of opinion among our well-known golfers who have competed across the Atlantic is that the Americans are pronouncedly better on the greens. Mr. Bobby Jones took another angle on the question recently when he expressed the view that our amateurs suffer by comparison in their long game, which is not so consistent as the American. But it seems to be rather the strokes the Americans pick up in the short game that are the most telling."

ARCHIE COMPSTON GREATLY FANCIES GEORGE VOIGT

A RCHIE Compston, famous British golfer and runner-up in the Canadian Open Championship at Rosedale, Toronto, this year:

"I am a great admirer of Bobby Jones and regard him as the best amateur that ever held a golf club in his hand. It is no news to the American public or to our own folks here in England to hear that young Jones is a great golfer, but he is not the only high class amateur in the world.

"I give Bobby credit, and lots of it, but I want to go on record as placing George Voigt and George Von Elm very near to this chap Jones. These lads must be reckoned with, if not now then in the near future.

"I am particularly fond of George Voigt who is as fine a shot maker as one will find any place. I was in America when the news was flashed about the country that Perkins, our own amateur champion, had defeated Voigt at Brae Burn in the semi-finals. I could not quite believe this as Voigt to my way of thinking, and I think I know a golfer when I see him, is a far better player than Perkins.

"No reflection on this man Perkins who was good enough to win the British amateur title and to finish as runner-up to Jones in the American amateur. I just fancy that Voigt is a better golfer. He plays straight down the fairway, not always a long drive but far enough and has a sweet crisp iron shot. His approaching and putting is very excellent. Boomer and myself played in a foursome with him at Schenectady and both of us were surprised to see such good form. He will win an American amateur championship sooner or later.

"I am returning to America shortly. It is my plan to play in the Los Angeles Open and other big events in the far west. I did not see California this last trip and look forward to going out there this winter. I also want to play in the big open at Miami Beach."

THE GRIP-MESH

Harlequin
THE MAGIC PERFORMER FROM TEE TO GREEN



The Ball that Grips

A Marking that ensures
a perfectly controlled Ball
—a Ball with
A GRIP ON THE CLUB
A GRIP ON THE AIR
A GRIP ON THE GREEN

also made in
the RECESS design

Sole Distributors for Eastern
Canada:
THE HAROLD A. WILSON CO.,
Limited, 297-299 Yonge Street,
Toronto - Ontario

Sole Manufacturers:
HARLEQUIN BALL &
SPORTS CO. LTD.
Stevenage House,
Holborn Viaduct,
LONDON, ENGLAND

Factories at Brentford, Mid-
dlesex and Tonbridge, Kent.

FIRMS SUPPLIED WITH
PROPRIETORY
GOLF BALLS
WITH OWN NAME

THE ROYAL YORK GOLF COURSE, TORONTO

(By E. Harold Banks)

IN the beautiful Humber Valley, just northwest of the Lambton Golf Club and within easy reach of the heart of the city of Toronto, construction is far advanced on what is destined without a doubt to be one of the very finest golf courses of the Dominion. This course will be known as the Royal York Golf Club. Primarily for the guests of the new Royal York Hotel, which is being built by the Canadian Pacific Railway and which will be opened to the public on June 1, the course will be operated under the pay-as-you-play system. The new course is approximately six miles from the hotel and can be easily reached via the Lake Shore Boulevard and then past the Old Mill on Kingsway to Islington Avenue where the club house for the time being will be situated. A real old-time stage coach will run twice daily from the hotel to



The third green on the Royal York Golf Course

the course. The coach originally belonged to Major-General Sir Henry Pellatt, C.V.O., K.C.M.G., and will be used for the conveyance of guests of the Canadian Pacific hostelry, who will call after the approved fashion of by-gone days at the Old Mill for the refreshment of man and beast. The new course, which is being built over the most perfect rolling country imaginable, is sponsored by Mr. R. Home Smith and the Canadian Pacific Railway. It is being designed by Stanley Thompson, internationally known golf architect, while the contractors are the "Trans-Canada Construction Ltd." In designing the lay-out Mr. Thompson was fortunate in being able to pick the best golf land in two thousand acres of undulating and wooded country, consequently there are being developed eighteen holes which it will be difficult indeed to rival. The course is admirably balanced as to length, and the various holes are of picturesque and individual character.

In spite of the contour of the land there are no steep climbs; the holes being laid out on easy grades. The tees and greens are most generous in size. In fact the whole course will make a real appeal to the expert and will not disturb the average golfer as there are no unfair hazards.

The construction work is well in advance of schedule. All the fairways have been thoroughly cleared and many plowed while considerable disc harrowing has been carried out. On several holes little work was required to put the fairways on a sound basis for a good even grass cover this summer. On others work was stiffer but all fairways should be in real trim by the time the tourist season opens.

The greens will be of the famous bent-grass variety, much in favour on this continent. These will be in perfect order by July as they have all been seeded already.

Among the galaxy of fine holes the short ones particularly stand out for mention. They are both spectacular and well nigh perfect and call for absolute



A construction gang at work on the eleventh green at the Royal York course.

accuracy in placing as at each of these holes the bunkers are superbly situated. The short holes are Nos. 3, 6, 8, 13 and 16. The long ones, too, deserve unstinted praise, especially Nos. 2, 7, 9, 11, 14, 15 and 17.

The player on this course will start off with a good test of his prowess, having to play long and accurately to find the green with his second while he



The second fairway taken from the tee at the Royal York Golf Course

finishes with a hole of 400 yards which will find out any weakness he may possess if he is inclined to pull. The par of the course is 71 and the length 6,405 yards.

Details, out—Hole No. 1, 385 yards, par 4; hole No. 2, 450 yards, par 5; hole No. 3, 215 yards, par 3; hole No. 4, 435 yards, par 4; hole No. 5, 390 yards, par 4; hole No. 6, 145 yards, par 3; hole No. 7, 465 yards, par 5; hole No. 8, 245

yards, par 3, and hole No. 9, 470 yards, par 5. Total, out, 3,200 yards, par 36. Details, home—Hole No. 10, 360 yards, par 4; hole No. 11, 415 yards, par 4; hole No. 12, 345 yards, par 4; hole No. 13, 190 yards, par 3; hole No. 14, 405 yards, par 4; hole No. 15, 375 yards, par 4; hole No. 16, 170 yards, par 3; hole No. 17, 545 yards, par 5, and hole No. 18, 400 yards, par 4. Total, home, 3,205 yards, par 35. Total, 6,405 yards, par 71.

NEWS OF THE MIDDLE WEST

Assiniboine Golf Club, Winnipeg, to Greatly Improve its Course from Plans Prepared by Stanley Thompson & Co.

THE annual general meeting of the Assiniboine Golf Club was held in the Marlborough Hotel, Winnipeg. There was a good attendance of members.

The financial report disclosed the Club to be in a sound position, the revenue last year showing an important advance over that of the previous year, and the largest in the history of the club. A satisfactory increase in membership was shown for the season. The new club house proved a great attraction and to it is attributed in a great measure the increase in revenue and membership reported.

It was decided to have Messrs. Stanley Thompson & Co., golf and landscape architects of Toronto, prepare plans for the remodelling of the course as the club purposes concentrating its energies towards developing a course of exceptional character.

The retiring directors were re-elected and with the addition of A. W. B. Foster the Board now is comprised of:

T. J. Lytle, H. A. Mackay, W. B. Thomson, Jas. Smith, J. Newton, T. G. Hall, R. J. Murray, S. Turnbull, A. W. B. Foster.

The election of officers resulted as follows:—

President, T. J. Lytle; vice-president, H. A. Mackay; secretary-treasurer, W. B. Thomson. Committees, Finance, R. J. Murray, convener, W. B. Thomson, J. Newton; Green, T. G. Hall, convener, A. W. B. Foster; R. Forde; sports, S. Turnbull, convener, H. Arkle, J. Newton; house, S. Turnbull, H. A. Mackay, Jas. Smith.

A feature of the "at home" of the Dauphin Country Golf Club, held in

the Elks Hall, Dauphin, Man., was the presentation of trophies won during the 1928 season.

The meeting was presided over by Dr. Harrington, the president, who stated that the past season had been the most satisfactory of any since the club's inception in 1921, both as regards membership and finances.

Presentation of the trophies then followed. The ladies' open championship, a new trophy given by the president, Dr. Harrington, and an individual cup, by the lady golfers of the club, was presented by Mrs. G. W. Rogers to Mrs. C. W. McLachlin, who has for three successive years held the ladies' championship of the club. Mrs. McGirr received the ladies' handicap cup at the hands of J. L. Bowman, which cup was donated by Wilfred Robson. Prizes were presented to Mesdames E. N. McGirr, C. H. Vasbinder, John Gardner and B. L. Daly.

Dr. Harrington, who won the open championship cup, received it at the hands of James A. Campbell, following which the club handicap annual, won by O. E. Heaslip, was presented to him by the vice-president, E. N. McGirr.

A musical programme and dancing added to the enjoyment of the evening's programme.

* * *

Mr. Fred Kerr has been re-elected president of the Golf Club, Neepawa, Man. The various committee reports were presented, which showed the club to be in a healthy position all-

round, with prospects exceedingly bright for next year. #

Roy Boddy for the prize committee called to the platform the winners of the various competitions, and presented the prizes as follows:

Dr. J. R. Martin, ringer board competition; J. A. Shearer, Hotel Hamilton competition; Brock Henry, open club competition and lowest score in Hotel Hamilton.

The following, who have held office during 1928, were re-elected for the season of 1929: President, Fred Kerr; vice-president, A. B. Dunlop; sec-treas., H. D. McLean. Balloting for the executive committee resulted in the following being elected: P. Todd, V. Slater, Dr. G. H. McDonald, Roy Boddy, R. Doherty, J. R. Bell; auditors, J. A. Shearer, A. E. Ivey.

* * *

The ladies of Neepawa have elected the following officers for 1929; Honourary president, Mrs. John Kerr; president, Mrs. Wemys; vice-president, Mrs. McKell; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. T. Crawford; sports committee: captain, Mrs. Shearer; vice-captain, Mrs. P. Todd and Mrs. Bradley; house committee, convener, Mrs. T. Hannay, Mrs. George Farrell, Mrs. Simmie.

Mrs. John Kerr, honourary president, presented the cup for the open championship to Mrs. George Farrell and a gift in honour of being the winner of same. Other prizes were presented as follows: Mrs. Wemys, runner-up for championship; Mrs. J. W. Bradley, handicap and a special prize donated by Mrs. P. Tod, for the lady lowering her handicap most during the season.

The Ringer Board was won by Mrs. George Farrell. Following the presentation of prizes tea was served by the hostess, Mrs. Wemys.

* * *

An excellent statement of finances and a review of a most successful season were presented to the delegates of the Manitoba Golf Association at the semi-annual meeting held at the Marlborough Hotel, Winnipeg. #



"We opened our presents right after breakfast"

THIS is *our* home for the holidays! Mary wanted to get away over Christmas—she deserves a rest—and this was more like home than any place we knew of. . . . We had a great Christmas here last year. There were all sorts of decorations around, a big tree where the children opened their presents, and the people as pleasant and happy as they always are here. . . . They waked us Christmas Day with carols—in a hotel! I don't think I ever said Merry Christmas so many times 'as I did that day. And I never felt more like saying it than after the Christmas dinner! . . . We're mighty glad to be here again.

Reservations for the holidays should be made at any early date. . . . May we send you a booklet, completely describing Chalfonte-Haddon Hall?

CHALFONTE- HADDON HALL

ATLANTIC CITY

American Plan

LEEDS AND LIPPINCOTT COMPANY

In the unavoidable absence of the president, D. Clement, of Brandon, C. W. Jackson, St. Charles, occupied the chair, and most of the Winnipeg clubs were well represented.

All the 1928 tournaments were most successful. The M.G.A. handicap against par, which is staged for the purpose of financing a Manitoba team at the inter-provincial matches, showed an increased entry of 48.

Sixteen teams took part in the inter-club championship at the Winnipeg Golf Club, and Norwood again captured the trophy.

The Amateur Championship at Pine Ridge drew a large entry, and the dividing of all players into flights so that the complete entry could compete in match play met with general approval.

The Junior Championship at South-

wood proved that the standard of play is very much on the upgrade, and though handicapped by weather conditions, the average scoring was remarkable in all classes.

C. E. Harvey, vice-president of the R.C.G.A., reviewed the preparations for the Canadian Amateur Championship for 1929, which it is expected will be played at Jasper, and he was promised the enthusiastic support of all the delegates in making this tournament a success.

Many suggestions were brought forward with the object of aiding and encouraging the country clubs, members of the association. Any of their members will receive a hearty welcome from all Winnipeg clubs, and 1929 should see numerous visits by small teams of Winnipeg golfers to the country courses.

"THE AULD GREY TOWN"

(Christian Science Monitor, Boston)

"S T. Andrews by the northern seas, is many things to many men. To the student in his scarlet gown it is the grey, beloved Alma Mater. To the golfer it is the 'Royal and Ancient.' To the historian—but it is all history, after all. The lineage of golf is almost as old as the University. So popular had the game become in 1547 that the people left their archery and the defences of their country for the golf course, and it had to be enjoined that 'Fute ball and Golfe be utterly cryit downe, and nacht usit.' Nevertheless, it was played as merrily as ever, and by the reign of James VI everybody knew it, from kings to countrymen. In 1754 they made rules to govern it, the beginnings of the by-laws of to-day, and St. Andrews is the patron saint of golf. It is a grey old town, and the North Sea is grey by the golf links, and the wind blows over them and makes the bluebells dance on their slender stalks.

"Over the turf where the golfers play Queen Mary may have ridden in the days when she was free and merry. St. Andrews was not dour to her, but fair, for she came often. She was but twenty years old, a warm-hearted girl, who loved her freedom from the court and ceremony at Holyrood. In the old house, which is there yet, she could sing and dance with her Maries, could garden, like any rustic maid, or read Livy. She rode over the fields toward the sea, or where the burn murmured:

Rin, burnie, clatter,
To the sea win;
Gien I was a burnie
Sae wad I rin!

"Those were halcyon days. St. Andrews has had its reformers, its great men, Knox and Melville and many another, who have made history there in their time; but surely the times Queen Mary spent there, in happiness and peace, are the sweetest in its history."

PEPPERING THE COURSE WITH BUNKERS

(By Abe Mitchell in "Tee Topics")

GOLF is said to be a simple game, and yet its devotees find the greatest difficulty in persuading the golf ball to go in the right direction, particularly when the result of the match is of supreme importance.

But I am not so much concerned in this article with the actual play, as with the courses on which the game takes place. Recently I have played a good deal on what were to me new courses, and practically on every one I found far too many bunkers had been introduced, either at the instruction of the green committees of the clubs, or by the various golf architects responsible for laying out the courses.

At many holes I found it almost impossible to find a way for the player to reach the green with a bold shot. If one took the bold course and "went" for the green there was simply nowhere to pitch. No, I am wrong. There was one place—a sort of safety first area which most of us find whenever we go out—well short of the green.

"Play short and be safe" is, or should be, a new saying added to present-day golf. For it is of no use "going for" the greens. There is generally a bunker to the right and another to the left, and there is almost bound to be a hazard at the back of the green just to trap the bold player who likes to be up and past the flag. He will do that at his peril at many of the courses I have visited.

Why this over-bunkering of golf courses should be allowed I cannot understand. Too many bunkers are simply an irritation, particularly to long-handicap golfers—who after all are in the great majority at all clubs. It is these long-suffering members who have to struggle around as best they can; very little attention is paid to their poor efforts to get the ball far enough to make their next stroke easy, nor are they permitted in the least degree to vary from the straight and narrow path to the green. When they get near enough to take their mashie for the approach, the green is so honey-combed around with gaping sand bunkers that the poor player becomes terror stricken and is entirely afraid to play anything like a confident stroke.

The one and only line on most courses is straight down the "middle." Nothing is now left to the golfer but to keep to the centre of the straight and narrow fairway. Nothing is left to one's initiative. There is only one way,



Abe Mitchell, the greatest British player "who has never won an Open Championship", who makes some sensible remarks about bunkers.

and even supposing that way be taken with the tee-shot, when the second stroke comes to be played the player will find a bunker away ahead which most likely effectually prevents him from aiming directly at the flag.

The chances are that at most of the newer courses a bunker will be found just at the spot which debars the courageous player from taking the bold line; just where you would like to pitch your ball a horrid bunker eats its way into the green, making only one shot possible for you—one of the safety first variety. Your only option is to play short to the mouth of the green and trust to a good pitch and one putt to get you the four demanded of the hole.

In an article of this kind it is naturally impossible to give instances or to mention any particular course which comes under what I term over-bunkering, but plenty of readers will recall holes of the type I have mentioned. I maintain that there is no need for so many bunkers as are being put down to-day.

One or two well-placed hazards will make any golf hole difficult enough. After all, the game is hard enough in all conscience without having the added multiplicity of too many hazards to annoy us.

How long the indifferent player is going to submit to these all too numerous hazards I cannot tell, but I hear so frequently of players who, in medal competitions, have many bad holes through being bunkered off their good shots, that I feel I must say something on their behalf. When it is remembered that practically all the best courses are the least bunkered, surely those courses which never house championships might be made a little easier for the average club member, who spends much of his time to-day getting into bunkers and a good deal more in trying to get out of them.

I have long thought that rough grass, not so thick as to cause a prolonged search for the ball, makes a far more difficult shot than one from a sand bunker. In such a hazard even the good player seldom tries any shot except to get out on to the green, but from a grassy lie the player is tempted to try to get so near to the pin that in doing so the shot is often fluffed with a loss not only of one stroke, but possibly of two.

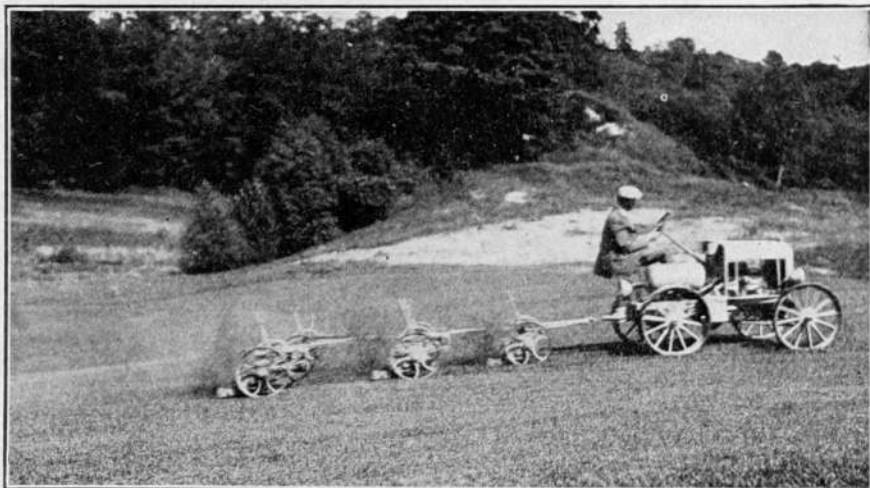
For example, playing at Stoke Poges recently from just over the tenth green I had to play a short but high lofted pitch from a lie of this variety on to a narrow part of the green, and so keen was I to get dead that I lifted my head; fluffed my shot and lost the hole. That would never have happened had I been in a bunker. Another reason for fewer bunkers is the fact that not every club has its own free supplies of sand. This has to be purchased, carted to the course, and then conveyed by the greenkeeper to the respective hazards. Sand and cartage are both expensive items in the upkeep of all clubs; and it seems to me that instead of many bunkers, a few well placed grassy hollows, kept clean and free from rough grass and not so steep that the machine cannot cut them, would make the game just as difficult.

Again, many sand hazards are placed so near the green that, after two days' play at the week-end, the green becomes littered with small stones driven out by the players who have been bunkered. These stones have to be swept away before the greenkeeper dare attempt to cut the greens. This takes time, adds to the expense of the upkeep, and is therefore another objection.

The old idea of playing to the back of the pin is a thing of the past. The man who wins to-day is the one who seeks the "safety-first" route, who takes no risks of being bunkered and, to use a Scotch expression, plays a "pawky" game, trundling his ball up near to the green but refusing to be tempted to go for a long approach.

I do not, of course, refer to the championship links, which have their natural configuration and contours to make the playing of them such a pleasant difficulty, but of the average golf course as played by the average player.

WORTHINGTON MOWING EQUIPMENT



*Worthington Tractor and Quintuplex Mower demonstrating on the
Rosedale Golf Course.*

WORTHINGTON MOWER CO.
Stroudsburg, Pa.

JOHN C. RUSSELL, Canadian Distributor,
132 St. Peter Street, MONTREAL

We ought, I think, to be left one route to the hole, not always the straight one, but one which will test our ability and yet leave us some opening for our initiative.

"Bobby" Jones recently said of the seventeenth at St. Andrews that in his opinion it was the best in all the world. He admired it because there are at least three ways of playing the hole, and one can choose whichever route suits the capacity of the player. There are few holes to be found anywhere like it.

This is a plea for golf architects to think of everyone who plays, and to remember that what amounts almost to an indiscriminate "peppering" of courses with bunkers not only detracts from the pleasure of the average player, but also destroys his courage and tends to convert him into a disciple of "pawkiness."

A GOLFER'S GALLERY OF OLD MASTERS

UNQUESTIONABLY the most beautiful work ever issued in connection with the game of golf goes to the credit of "Country Life", the well known London publication. "A Golfer's Gallery of Old Masters" for which the "Canadian Golfer" is the exclusive distributors for the Dominion, to which publication at Brantford all orders should be addressed, is unquestionably in a class by itself.

Mr. Darwin, the Editor (the grandson of the celebrated Charles Darwin), has drawn on many rare old prints and drawings. However, the plates in colour are the thing! A few well known to golfers, but the majority are in the nature of discoveries, though they are from the brush of such famous masters as Jan Steen, Pieter de Hooch, and van de Velde. Who was aware, for instance, that the National Gallery sheltered a painting in which we see a kilted Scot playing golf in Holland in the year 1668? It is difficult to imagine any golfing enthusiast not deciding at once that he or she is going to have this set of pictures for their home, either by purchase, or by delicate suggestion that it would be a welcome gift. The Publishers have issued one edition in which the plates are specially and artistically arranged completely ready for framing.

The following is the list of the exquisite plates in colour:

1. A Girl with a Golf Club, by an unknown artist. 2. St. Nicholas' Day, by Jan Steen. 3. Mr. William Innes, by Lemuel Abbott. 4. Mr. Francis Bennoch, from an oil painting at Blackheath. 5. Pleasure on the Ice. 6. A Frost Scene, by Adriaen van de Velde. 7. Winter Landscape, by Aert van der Neer. 8. Mr. John Taylor, by Sir J. Watson Gordon. 9. Mr. Henry Callender, by Lemuel Abbott. 10. A Golfing Lady, by Wybrand de Gest. 11. A Young Dutch Golfer, by A. Cuyp. 12. William St. Clair of Roslin, by Sir George Chalmers. 13. The Two Macdonalds. 14. The Golf Players, by Pieter de Hooch. 15. River Scene in Winter, by Aert van der Neer. 16. An Ice Scene, by Antoine van Straelen. 17. Winter Landscape, by Esaias van de Velde. 18. "Old Alick" of Blackheath, by Mr. Gallen, of Greenwich School.

In the ordinary edition the plates are mounted on tinted boards (17" x 12½"), specially chosen to suit the tone of the picture, and grouped together so that those pictures which are natural companions have also mounts to match. The price of this edition is \$25.00.

The Edition de Luxe is limited to 500 numbered copies, of which 200 are for sale abroad. Each copy will be autographed by Mr. Bernard Darwin.

TECUMSEH'S GRAVE ON NEW GOLF COURSE

(Toronto Star)

A NEW light has been thrown upon the discovery of two bodies—one a British officer wrapped in a flag, the other an Indian—buried beneath the soil of the new Mississauga golf course. This new light has been shed by T. A. Shaver, who is conversant with the lore of the Indians, and affairs pertaining to 1812.

In an interview with The Star Mr. Shaver told the following story: "About six or seven years ago I met an old Indian doctor, Peter Salt, whose ancestor was Chief Joseph Brant of the Brantford reserve. His wife was the great-daughter of Peter Jones, the Indian preacher, who preached before Queen Victoria. He lived and preached in Port Credit.

"Hearing this, I invited Peter Salt and his wife to tea. In the process of conversation he said: 'Did you ever read the account some years ago regarding the finding of the body of Tecumseh?' The article stated that the body was found in the woods, at the back of Stoney Creek. My wife and I have often laughed over that article; for she can take you to the identical spot where Tecumseh and an English officer are buried. The officer was General Procter, who was in command against the American troops in the war of 1812. In one battle, Procter was retreating before the Americans and was shot in the back. At that moment Chief Tecumseh emerged with his troops from the wood, and with his war-cries scared the American troops, who fled. Tecumseh, in joy, lifted up his head to laugh, and a shot took off the top of his skull. The Indians were so enraged that they joined forces with the English under Brock and chased the Americans to Lundy's Lane, Queenston Heights, where they de-

feated them in a battle. The Indians then took the body of Procter and wrapped it in a flag and together with the body of Tecumseh brought them by sled—it being winter—to Mississauga, Port Credit, and buried them with the highest Indian honours in the identical spot where the golf links are now. This fact explains, I think, the medals of 1912 on the bodies at the time of discovery."

Mr. Shaver is a builder. He managed Lorne Park for twenty-four and a half years.



Champions All! This noted foursome recently played a most interesting match at Pebble Beach, California, where the U.S. National Amateur Championship will be played Sept. 2-7, 1929. Given a handicap of six bisques, Miss Glenna Collett, Women's U.S. National Golf Champion, and Miss Marion Hollins, who formerly held the same title, defeated Walter Hagen, British Open Champion, and Johnny Farrell, U.S. Open Champion, 2 and 1. Left to right: Farrell, Miss Collett, Miss Hollins and Hagen.

"OUR HOLE-IN-ONE-CLUB"

A Record Membership in 1928 Recruited From Every Province in the Dominion, With the Exception of Prince Edward Island.

ALTHOUGH the season ended October 31st for enrollment of members in "Our Hole-in-One Club", a few belated returns are hereby accepted.

Mr. J. D. Law, a member of the Humber Valley Golf Club, Toronto, while playing at the Uplands course, Toronto, holed out on the thirteenth hole from the tee. He was playing with W. J. Crichton.

Two years ago Mr. C. R. Ledingham, a well known member of the Saskatoon Golf Club, made an "ace" on the Saskatoon Country Club course. Now he has repeated the stunt on the 3rd hole of his home club. He was playing

with Mrs. Ledingham and Mr. W. J. Shannon when he pulled off the dual feat.

Another member of the Saskatoon Golf Club. Playing with Mr. L. G. Calder, Mr. Louis Orge bagged a one-shot at the 9th hole, 144 yards.

And here is a correction. In the November issue it was stated that Mr. C. W. Irwin, a well known member of Lambton, had made the 7th hole in Lambton in one. It was his son, Mr. C. W. Irwin, Jr., who immortalized the name in the realms of golf.

As a result of these additions the grand total of "Holes-in-One" in Canada the season just closed has been brought up to the imposing one of 249, as compared with 197 in 1927, or an increase of 52. By Provinces the stunt was recorded as follows: Alberta, 19; British Columbia, 60; Manitoba, 18; Nova Scotia, 9; New Brunswick, 6; Ontario, 97; Quebec, 26; Saskatchewan, 14. The only Province not reporting the feat is Prince Edward Island. It will be noticed that as usual Ontario is easily in the van, with British Columbia in second place. On the Pacific coast they are certainly artists at collecting oneers, as the golfing population there is probably not a quarter that of Ontario.

The 20,000 to 1 shot was pulled off by all classes of golfers from players over seventy years of age to juniors of 14 summers or so and from Judges on the Supreme Bench to caddies. The ladies were very much in evidence the past season, sixteen of them having joined the golfing immortals. Altogether 1928 was a wonderful year for Canadian "one-shotters".

To our new members the Editor extends hearty Christmas and New Year greetings. May they enjoy the "Canadian Golfer" for the next year, sent to them as a slight reward for their prowess—but please don't get the habit and repeat the performance in 1929. Now, please don't, dear members!

"CANADA'S CRUSADING YOUNG LINKSMAN"

**Splendid Showing at Pinehurst of Eric D. Thomson, of Rothesay,
New Brunswick**

(Special Correspondence of "Canadian Golfer" by Harry Yorke,
Pinehurst Correspondent)

CANADA has a crusading young linksman who is moving swiftly upward in the ranks of the first-class amateurs, and who threatens to emerge soon as a contending national champion.

That young crusader is Eric D. Thomson, of Rothesay, New Brunswick. He is a member of Riverside Club, St. John.

Eric, a sturdy fellow still in his mid-twenties, has been knocking at the door in big-time competitions at Pinehurst for a couple of years. In 1926 he qualified in the first flight of the North and South amateur, repeating the performance last year. On each occasion he ran foul of exceptionally powerful adversaries in his first matches and was eliminated. In the coming spring it might be a different tale.

In Pinehurst's Mid-South Open best-ball tournament on Nov. 13th Thomson and another amateur, W. B. Pederson, of Mount Vernon, New York, won the trophy awarded the amateur team turning in the best performance. They jointly covered the very difficult No. 2 championship course in the fine score of 151, excelling the performance of several of the professional stars. In this tournament were competing four former United States national champions, and two runner-up national title winners, beside many of the coming young stars of the country.

Following the Mid-South classic came the thirteenth annual Carolina Tournament (amateur), which ran from Nov. 20th to 23rd. In this popular Pinehurst fixture a field of close to 60 interstate U.S. and Canadian lead-

ers went forth to battle. Five flights qualified for match play, eight in each division.

The medalist in the Carolina tourney was Norfleet P. Ray, formerly of Toledo, O., and a young man with a powerful game. The wind for the qualifier was very hard to gauge, and the scores were exceptionally high, Ray winning the medal with an 82, Thomson having an 84.

In the match play Thomson and another youthful Canadian, Jack Rudel, of Kanawaki Club, of Montreal, came together in the first round. The Rothesay player proved much too strong for the boy from Kanawaki, winning 6 up and 5 to play.

In the second round Thomson had to face one of the cagiest veterans in American golf, Donald Parson, of Youngstown. The name of Parson has been one feared by golfers for many a moon, and well Eric knew this. The Canadian played with great judgment and extreme care, and covered the outward nine in the fine tally of 38 strokes. On the 537 yard 8th a bad break on a fine second shot cost him two strokes. He stood two up on the start home, and playing airtight golf the rest of the way won by 4 up and 3 to play.

The final was heartbreaking for the Canadian. He was matched against a husky in Ray, who stands 6 feet and weighs close to 200 pounds. Ray has a tremendous drive, and uses a mashie where most other players would need a spoon. Ray, as before mentioned, the medalist, set a hot pace at the outset, but Thomson clung to him, so that at the turn the Toledo player was only 1 up. After the 14th was holed out Ray stood 3 up. Then Thomson started after his man, and by a great display of grit and grand golf had the match squared at the 17th green. Coming strong still, Thomson hammered out a great tee shot while Ray topped his drive. Thomson sent up a beautiful second shot while Ray landed in a trap on his. Ray's third stroke saw him in another trap near the green. His fourth, an explosion shot, laid him 60 feet away, while

HOTEL EMPIRE

BROADWAY AT SIXTY-THIRD ST.
NEW YORK CITY



A new fourteen story fireproof structure containing the latest in furnishings and equipment.

Capacity 1034

The location is unique. In the heart of the Automobile District, with Subway, Elevated, Street Cars, Busses—all at door.

RATES

Room, Private Toilet	- -	\$2.50
Single Room with Bath	-	3.50
Double Room with Bath		5.00

Ample
Parking Space.

M. P. MURTHA, General Manager.

Thomson was less than fifty feet off with his second.

At this point the tension told on Thomson. He looked up on his shot, and sent the ball less than five yards. On his fourth he overran the green, and then stood no better than Ray. They finished by halving a hole that practically lay in the hollow of Thomson's hand.

On the 19th Ray's superior pitch gave him the hole and the match.

Thomson's courageous performance in overcoming a 3 up lead in the closing stages over Ray, who registered his third successive tournament win by annexing the Carolina, stamped him as a lad of the best golf material. In the 1929 United North and South Eric Thomson will be there with bells on.

BRITISH SENIOR GOLFERS THOROUGHLY ENJOYED TOUR

LT.-COL. Francis Popham, D.S.O., Hon. Secretary of the British Seniors' Golf Society, who was such a popular visitor with the British team who toured Canada and the States last September during the course of an interesting letter to the Editor from London says:

"We had a perfectly wonderful time in Canada. I am going to write an account of our trip, having been asked to do so by one of our papers, 'The Field'. We all did so enjoy our trip and everyone is hoping that he will live long enough to come out again in 1930. In the meantime we are all looking forward to entertaining a team from Canada next year, and if it is possible to arrange it, to have the match at St. Andrews. With kindest regards to you personally and the 'Canadian Golfer' for the very nice remarks you made about our Society and its teams."

"MENTAL STANCES" IN GOLF

(By Theo B. Hyslop, M.D., F.R.S.E.)

GOLF has been described as having a sort of psychological reflex action on those who play it, and according to the mental stance of the individual a game may be either "Linked sweetness long drawn out," or "Nothing but one d— thing after another." To play the game with a subconscious feeling of tension or irritation tends to heighten the mental handicap, and such a condition has little chance against the cheerful player who with "honey in his mouth" views his foe calmly and serenely from an objective standpoint.

Tranquility with equanimity should be the ideal mental stance. The factors which tend to disturb this mental stance are indeed numerous. Waiting about on a tee or a green is apt to induce impatience followed by precipitancy and impulsiveness, which may go far towards robbing the player of the higher mental attributes necessary for an effective stroke. The man of few words and stable power of control does not render himself liable to be affected by such considerations.

The fundamental principles of the game should become stabilized during the process of time and experience, and it is essential that not only should the operative mechanism become primarily automatic and secondarily regulative by the mentality of the golfer, but that the mental operations themselves should also be stabilized and regulated subconsciously, thus leaving to the higher brain the functions of discrimination and judgment. It follows, therefore, that the higher functions should be the ultimate controlling determinants, and that the more stable the subconscious and automatic functions the

events such as championships do promote social intercourse and good-fellowship. One thing about strong personalities is that never at any time is their enthusiasm marred by any expression of "fed-upness." Such mentalities are possessed by Tolley, Hagen, and Compston, who manifest wonderful pluck and courage in the strenuous fight to overcome the exigencies of their play.

The mental stance before each shot would be, "I have made up my mind what I ought to do, and I am determined to do it." If pawkiness, in contradistinction to legitimate precaution, be the mental stance, special circumstances alone will determine the player's potentialities of becoming a champion. It seems to me that in the training of golfers two main factors will have to be considered—namely, the question as to the advisability of interfering unduly with physical stances and mechanisms, and, secondly, the judicious tempering of experienced mentalities. My object in writing this book is not to put an undue strain on the mental side of golf, but to strengthen the individual links in the mental chain of the golfer, so that his mental armour may be wrought in metal without alloy.

It has been thought that intensive training would not only improve the standard of golf, but would better equip golfers for the sterner affairs of international competitions. The strain, both physical and mental, in the larger contests must indeed be very great for those who have not yet acquired an adequate knowledge of the economic use of the body and brain powers. As Lord Rosebery has said, "The British are people of enormous waste," and it does not seem to be too strong an assertion to make that both physical and mental energies are frittered away by almost every golfer. "Why worry?" should be the mental mascot of every golfer who has obtained confidence in the machinery he drives.

CLUB SHAFTS THAT ARE A HANDICAP

(By J. H. Taylor, British Open Champion, 1894, 1895, 1900, 1909, 1913)

IT is often painfully apparent that the ordinary golfer handicaps himself unnecessarily by the clubs he attempt to play with. A big, burly man, endowed with great physical strength, can often be seen attempting to drive the ball with a light, whippy-shafted club that would be more suitable to a schoolgirl, under the mistaken impression that the whippiness will be an aid to his power. On the other hand, a short, stiffly-built man, with as much elasticity in his muscles as there is in the main propeller shaft of a liner, will invariably have a shaft to his club like a weaver's beam, deluding himself into the belief that what is required to get the ball along is the application of brute force.

"There are very few players capable of adjusting their clubs to suit their own particular swing and style of play. Those who possess this gift—for gift it is—may be picked out by the fact that every club in their pack has a distinctive quality. Each club is a masterpiece of feel and balance. There is not a professional in the country whose every club is not the envy of his amateur friends, who are willing to, and often do, pay fancy prices to become possessed of one. As I have often remarked every club has an individuality of its own—good, indifferent, or utterly bad. It takes a deal of experience to classify them. The ordinary player cannot hope to do so, because he lacks experience. There has grown up during the last 25 years or so a decided tendency for players of all grades to choose shafts so stiff that they border on complete immobility. When I was in the hey-day of my youth, and possessed of a hitting power that is but a memory, I helped to set the fashion for stiff shafts. It suited my short punch from the wrists and forearms, and probably I was egotistically minded

enough to think that it should suit everyone else. It is not increasing age alone which now compels me to state that I was wrong. I conscientiously believe that I was wrong, and if I have ever influenced anyone toward this false theory I humbly ask his pardon.

Harry Vardon was always the apostle of a shaft with a good amount of "give" in it, and if there ever was a golfer with an effortless and more graceful method of hitting the ball, I have yet to meet him.

In these days when length is the chief aim of every player—the modern game demands it—I freely admit that additional length can only be obtained by a flexible shaft. There is nothing more pleasing than to feel the ball spring away into the distance from a well-timed blow, like an arrow shot from the bow. And I now confess that this delicious sensation can only be experienced if the shaft has a certain amount of "give" in it. Spring must not be confused with weakness of stability. Shafts of to-day are very high-grade articles. The poor and weedy shaft is seldom seen in any clubmaker's shop; and never in the set of a player of eminence. The old Scotch makers knew their business well when they produced thin, delicately-tapered shafts, with a spring in them like highly-tempered steel. One learns from experience, however late it comes. My experience has, at long last, taught me that if one wishes to obtain the maximum of pleasure from a golf stroke, the shaft should possess a certain volume of spring in it, and not resemble a barge pole.

WITH THE PROFESSIONALS

Interesting News of the Men Who Do So Much for the Royal and Ancient Game, from Coast to Coast

J. H. (Lal) Taylor, professional at the Restigouche Golf Club, Restigouche, N.B., is spending the winter at Campbellton, N.B.

* * *

Charles R. Murray, pro at the Royal Montreal Golf Club, left last week to again take over the professional duties at the exclusive Gulf Stream Golf Club, Debray, Florida. He was accompanied by his wife and family.

* * *

"Davie" Noble, professional at the Norfolk Golf and Country Club, Simcoe, Ontario, has left to spend a few weeks in Florida.

* * *

An eighteen-hole playoff to decide the winner of Hawaii's first \$5,000 open golf championship left the purse and the honours in the possession of Bill Mehlhorn, of New York, by a narrow margin. He defeated Fred Morrison, of Alhambra, Cal., 73 to 75, in the eighteen-hole playoff. Mehlhorn and Morrison were tied with scores of 291 at the end of the

seventy-two-hole competition. Mehlhorn is well known in Canada, having on several occasions competed in the Canadian Open. Third money in the Tournament went to Horton Smith, of Joplin, Mo., with 292. Fourth place was shared by Al Espinosa, of West Glencoe, Ill., and Francis Brown, former amateur champion of Hawaii, at 293. Tommy Armour, Washington, was next with 297.

* * *

The Professional Golf Championship of Bilbao (Spain) was won by J. Gassiat with a score of 272 for the four rounds, thus beating the record for this championship by two strokes.

* * *

An English correspondent writes under date of Nov. 17th:

"Harry Cotton, the young London golfer who is the most promising "discovery" of British professional golf for a long time, leaves to-day for his visit to the United States. It will be interesting to watch how he fares in the big tournaments which he intends to enter, including the Los Angeles Open event, which brings in the New Year with the biggest prize in the game, but his tour is perhaps a greater curiosity because

he is an invader out to learn rather than to conquer.

"Previous invasions of the States by our golfers have been frankly militant. Harry Vardon, when he first went over in 1900, went for another world to conquer, and, as nobody here could stop him at that time, the height of his fame, there was, of course, nobody over there either who could. The game was immature in America some 30 years ago, and the rise of the native as world-beater had yet to come. The post-war tours by Vardon and Ray, Duncan and Mitchell, and others were undertaken as money-makers, but also, as far as possible, to keep up the end of British golf. Ray, who won in 1920, with Vardon, after a wonderful effort, in second place, got in the last successful kick of the old lion. The boot has been on the other foot ever since.

"Cotton may surprise the Americans competitively, but how well the boot is on the other foot is indicated by the primary purpose of his visit—viz., to study the methods of the best American players.

"George Smith, the Lossiemouth professional, has taken on a trip to China, by which he will miss the most of our winter. News came over recently of another of our Scots abroad, Fred Robertson, the young Banchory player, who flashed into notice two years ago, and then went to South America. He is remembered for his 68 in the last Gleneagles tournament, which gave him share with George Duncan of the lowest round. Robertson has just finished well up in the Argentine Championship."

It was 34 below at Edmonton Monday, December 5th, but fine golf weather prevailed last week, according to a card turned in by Bert Gee, pro at the municipal course. He made the 18 holes in 64, or nine under par, going out in 31 and in in 33. And they were playing on the winter greens, at that.

* * *

John Rowe, the Royal Ashdown professional, has just completed 36 years service with the club, he having entered on his duties there on September, 29, 1892. During this long period he has always been in the forefront of professional golf and, despite the fact that his contemporary rivals included such giants as Vardon, Braid, Taylor and Herd, when at their best, he has to his credit a long list of victories in tournaments of outstanding importance. That Rowe is still a force to be reckoned with was proved recently at the Sussex Professional Unions' meeting at St. Leonards, where he excelled himself by compiling a most excellent card of 70 to win the silver cup for the best score returned.

PASSING OF A BRILLIANT YOUNG CANADIAN

IT is with personal and heartfelt regret that the Editor is called upon to record the death of Mr. J. F. R. Wilkes, a promising young lawyer of Montreal. During a recent hunting trip whilst getting out of his car his rifle was accidentally discharged and he sustained fatal injuries.

Mr. Wilkes, who was the youngest son of Col. A. J. Wilkes, K.C., Brantford, Ont., one of the pioneer golfers of Ontario, following in his father's footsteps, early took up with the Royal and Ancient game and soon showed remarkable promise in his favourite sport. He was one of the best young players in Brantford and was on the team which before the war represented Brantford in the Lake Shore League, which annually conducted Tournaments in Buffalo and Rochester.

He was at Trinity College, Oxford, when war broke out and promptly enlisted. Returning to Canada he graduated in law at McGill University and took up his residence in Montreal, where as a member of the law firm of Foster and Hackett a brilliant career stretched ahead of him. He was a member of the Royal Montreal Golf Club and extremely popular on the links and in all circles, being possessed of a most charming personality. To the young widow (daughter of Mr. Allister Mackenzie, Montreal) and the bereaved parents and brothers and sisters the sympathy of many friends in Montreal, Toronto, Brantford and other cities goes out in this their irreparable loss.

ANNUAL MEETING OF R. C. G. A. PROBABLY FEBRUARY SIXTEENTH

THE Executive of the Royal Canadian Golf Association has tentatively decided upon Saturday, February 16th, 1929, as the date of the next annual meeting. The venue will be Toronto and the place of the meeting the King Edward Hotel. The annual reports will show that the past season the Association had one of the best years in its history which dates from 1895 or thirty-three years ago when golf was only played in a very few cities and by only a few hundred devotees as compared with over six hundred clubs now and probably 125,000 players.

It is very gratifying to know that the annual meeting will be attended next February by four of the leading executives of the West, Messrs. C. E. Harvey, Winnipeg; C. W. Jackson, Winnipeg; H. Milton Martin, Edmonton, and N. C. Byers, Saskatoon. Their presence will lend a national golfing complexion to the meeting. In years gone by only Ontario and Quebec Provinces were represented at such gatherings. Today the R.C.G.A. is truly representative of golf throughout the Dominion.

Under the new constitution of the Association adopted this year at Montreal a Nominating Committee was authorized to select officers and committees, subject to the endorsement or additional names to be submitted by the clubs throughout Canada in affiliation with the Association. The following is the report of the Nominating Committee sent out under date of November 20th by Mr. B. L. Anderson, Toronto, Secretary of the R.C.G.A.:

We beg to submit the Report of the Nominating Committee for the Officers and Committees of the Royal Canadian Golf Association for 1929.

According to the Constitution of the Royal Canadian Golf Association, Article VIII, Sec. 1—All candidates nominated must be members of Clubs, members of this Association. The nominations shall be reported by the Nominating Committee to the Secretary of the Association not later than the 15th of November in each year and notice of such nominations shall be mailed by the Secretary to Clubs, members of the Association not later than November 20th in each year and shall be accompanied by a nomination blank for the purpose of other nominations by member clubs. Sec. 2.—Representatives from each Province may be nominated by any two Clubs, members of the Association in such Province. All nominees must be members of Clubs, members of the Association. Such nominations must be in the hands of the Secretary of the Association not later than the 20th of December in each year.

Officers—President, C. E. Harvey, Winnipeg, Manitoba; Vice-President, To be elected by the New Executive Committee; Secretary-Treasurer, to be appointed by the new Executive Committee; Executive Committee, British Columbia, W. E. Hodges; Alberta, H. Milton Martin; Saskatchewan, N. C. Byers; Manitoba, C. W. Jackson; Ontario, W. H. Firstbrook, W. H. Plant, L. M. Wood; Quebec, A. Collyer, T. O. Lyall, N. M. Scott; Maritime Provinces, Senator C. W. Robinson.

Respectfully submitted,

Major W. D. Wilson, Chairman, C. A. Bogert, E. A. McNutt,
W. W. Walker, L. M. Wood.



Mr. Charles E. Harvey, an able Executive, nominated for the Presidency of The Royal Canadian Golf Association for 1929.

It will be noted that Mr. C. E. Harvey, of Winnipeg, has been nominated for the Presidency. This is the first time in the history of the R.C.G.A. that a Westerner has been so honoured. The nomination is distinctly a worthy and well deserved one. Mr. Harvey has for many years been an outstanding supporter of the Royal and Ancient game in Winnipeg and Manitoba. He is an ex-President of the Western Canada Golf Association and the Manitoba Golf Association and an ex-President of the Elmhurst Golf Club, Winnipeg, and is largely responsible for the wonderful success of that club. In business he is the President and Managing Director of the Northland Knitting Co. Ltd., and is an extremely able executive.

MENTAL ASPECTS IN BRITISH AND AMERICAN GOLF

(By "Psychologist Tee Topics")

THERE is possibly no game which requires as much as does the game of golf so full a command of the faculties of the mind. The essence of Success consists in the absence of mistakes on supremely important occasions, but the thing which is not generally recognized is that this is achieved by means of a mental balance it is not given to all to possess as a natural gift, and that, in some conditions of life, this, even at the cost of stern self-discipline, has to be acquired.

If there is one fact more than any other which brings this truth home to us, it is the success of American golfers in this country.

Men and women, in their relation to a game, are influenced very largely by temperament and mentality. But that there are degrees of mentality and of temperament which can be developed is not, at present, properly realized. To obtain the right temperament for anything, demands a strong effort of will, of concentration, and the development of these virtues produces very often great weariness of mind and body.

There are times, especially when it is a question of the game of golf, when such mental poise has to be created, although there are many amateurs who lack, and are never given, the incentive to acquire it. The supremacy of the American golfer, nevertheless, rests upon this and nothing else. He has succeeded because of his intense power of concen-

tration, a concentration which has come to him through systematic mental training, but in this respect he has been no different from what he has been in other matters he has brought to a successful termination. The American can count himself fortunate because there has been given to him, almost from the cradle, the finest golfing temperament the world has ever seen. His mentality responds more fully than does that of any European to the demands which this pastime makes upon the intellect, and he can, for this reason, "rise to the occasion" more easily than has been possible to players of other nations.

In the disappointment of defeat, particularly when that defeat comes always from the same source, sense of proportion is usually at fault. Under such circumstances, a whole lot of home truths, as well as important facts, are forgotten and overlooked.

The first is that, as a striking force, the mentality of the golfing American has been undervalued. The American golfer of eminence has faculties which have been so drilled into obedience that his mental poise is rarely disturbed in moments of acute tension, and he has enjoyed so much success of late years that he is able to face his challengers with a confidence unimpaired.

Thus he remains calm and unruffled on great occasions; his mind is closed to everything but the perfect production of the shot immediately before him, which has made him

the "shot-saver" par excellence of the golf links of to-day.

In his play there is fully revealed what is neither more nor less than the triumph of mind over matter, and the cultivation of this mental poise, at which the American golfer is to-day so successful, is one important avenue which will lead to Britain's recovery of the Open Championship.

There is every indication that this form of mental discipline, so dominant a feature of American golf, is, in its importance, scarcely as realized as it should be. Temperamentally America and Great Britain have very much in common. That bulldog tenacity and courage, the steadfast pursuing of an object to its bitter end, is the attribute of the British race, has been universally recognized and accepted, but has it not, for the moment, fallen a little in abeyance upon the links?

Well, it can quite easily be restored, and when it is the golf defeat of America will be in sight. The past points to the possession by British players of the complete golf mind and what they once had they will discover again.

The situation, nevertheless, must be faced squarely, without prevarication. The advent of the American golfer has altered the position materially, and the demand for intense, unswerving concentration is greater than ever it was when Vardon, Braid and Taylor were at their prime. Concentration on the task to be accomplished was the characteristic feature in the golf of these three professionals of imperishable memory, and it was exactly the same with Miss Wethered when she was carrying everything before her. Is it too much to hope that notice will be taken of the capacity for intense concentration which the players, above cited, have revealed so fully? British golfers playing so much among themselves under conditions and close to a standard with which they have been long familiar, have, perhaps, failed fully to realize its intense importance, and it may be the one direction where the golfers of Britain are not as keyed up as they



**REAL
HOLIDAYS—**
*Where Spring
Lasts All
Winter Long*

In this cheerful land of long-leaved pines, facilities for every sport have been expertly developed. You'll find five famous Donald J. Ross golf courses; smooth-gaited horses that enjoy a canter as much as their riders; flawless tennis courts; polo, shooting and other sports followed by delightful evenings of social entertainment at the Carolina Hotel (now open), with its friendly, cheerful atmosphere, luxurious service and a cuisine that makes your holidays a real event. The new Holly Inn opens Dec. 20th.

For illustrated descriptive booklet or reservations, address General Office, Pinehurst, N. C.

Pinehurst
NORTH CAROLINA

AMERICA'S PREMIER WINTER RESORT

should be. As shot makers they need fear comparison with no players the world over.

Our strongest striking force in professional competitive golf, to-day, is, probably, Compston, and only because he is the most travelled of all our professional golfers. The hardening effect wrought by his travels upon the golf of Compston has been manifest to all who have watched him in the onward course of his career.

Compston has done much for British golf, and with the passage of time will do more, but, in conclusion we must allude to one phase of the game which gravely affects the ordinary British golfer in his attempts to win back the Open Championship. It is this:—

The British Open Championship, an International affair which takes place

STANLEY THOMPSON & CO. LTD.

Golf and Landscape Architects

TORONTO, CANADA.

JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

once a year upon British soil, draws entries from all over the world.

For English golfers to wish to do well and repel the invader, is supremely natural, and that the situation in which they find themselves is provocative of "nerves," is hardly surprising.

We have in British golfers the outward expression of an overwhelming anxiety to win upon their own soil, but there has not been enough fray of this supreme order to enable them to command the mental poise which is the sure guarantee to the saving of strokes. Their wish to do well produces over-anxiety to which a man like Hagen, possessed of an absolutely complete baptism of Championship fray, has long since become immune.

It would take a golfer endowed with the callousness to impressions of Miss Wethered, Vardon, Braid or Taylor to face such a situation unmoved, and all are not like that—the nearest approach to it being Compton. Thus British players, through their insularity, are at a great disadvantage. They can only redress the balance by the cultivation of the intense mental concentration, which has become the long suit of the American golfer. Golfing conditions are greatly changed, and it is the American golfer who has changed them. He has shown the way, proved that mental training in golf is a very live and important thing, and it only remains for us to follow his lead.

THE TOURNAMENT CALENDAR

Dec. 24—Seventh Annual Father and Son Tournament, Pinehurst, N.C.

Dec. 26-31—Twenty-sixth Annual Mid-Winter Tournament, Pinehurst, N.C.

Jan. 1—New Years Tournament, Del Monte, Cal.

Jan. 5.—Bermuda Ladies' Championship, Riddell's Bay Golf and Country Club.

Jan. 29-31—Bermuda Amateur Championship, Riddell's Bay Golf Club, Bermuda.

Feb. 12—Lincoln's Birthday Tournament, Pebble Beach, Cal.

February 18-23—The 17th Annual Tournament for the Amateur Championship of Cuba at the Country Club of Havana.

Feb. 22-24 — Washington's Birthday Tournament, Del Monte, Cal.

Feb. 25-Mar. 1—Pebble Beach Championship for Women, Pebble Beach, Cal.

The Ideal Golfing Xmas Gift, "Canadian Golfer," for thirteen months (December, 1928, to December, 1929, inclusive), sent with your compliments to any address in Canada, Great Britain or the United States for \$4. Send cheque (no exchange necessary), to Business Manager, "Canadian Golfer," Brantford, Canada.

GREAT BRITAIN AND OVERSEAS

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

MRS. A. C. Deane, a former well known English player, has won the Ladies' Championship of the Argentina, defeating Mrs. Donovan in the final 2 and 1. Last year Mrs. Deane was runner-up.

Mr. H. E. Taylor, of the Royal Mid-Surrey, in a large field won the "Golf Illustrated" Veterans' competition at Royal Wimbledon with the very fine score of 72.

Both the finalists in the Mexico Amateur Championship were Britishers. Percy C. Clifford, aged 21, defeated Claude B. Butlin, 51, by 2 up.

Presiding at the annual general meeting of the National Golf Clubs Protection Association, Lord Lurgan stated that a resolution had been circularized to over 1,000 clubs asking that it be signed by the local Member of Parliament to support the removal of the licensing restriction at golf clubs. The membership of the Association is now 362 clubs.

South African golfers having had an official exhibition tour by four well-known British men players, are now anxious to see a team of representative women. Their invitation is now under consideration. The R. and A. team, who were out there last winter reported that they everywhere found enthusiasm for the game and a remarkably high standard of play. Both qualities are likely to be reflected in South African challenges in our principal events here next year. Mr. Bernard Wynne, the amateur champion, is a possible visitor, and Syd Bews, the well-known Durban professional, a certain starter. Bews, who is being given extended leave of absence by his club, and is being assisted with a public subscription, should be an interesting competitor at Muirfield.

There will be another and less conventional challenger, it is understood

from the same quarter. A number of Durban sportsmen have decided to send over here Bombata, the Indian caddie-master at the club there, and they express confidence that he will



Miss Enid Wilson (left) and Miss D. Pearson, finalists in the English Ladies' Close Championship which Miss Wilson won.

be an eye-opener. Bombata, who is well known in South Africa, carries only five clubs, and has them lighter than usual to allow him wrist action to accelerate the club head to the ball. Though under average height and of slight physique he hits the ball a surprisingly long way.

What South African, like American golf, owes to Scottish pioneers, was brought to mind by the death at Cape Town recently of Mr. Stuart Macpherson, who belonged to Edinburgh, who won the Amateur Championship

of South Africa in 1914, augmented the prominence Edinburgh district golf had in the sub-continent through, among others, J. A. W. Prentice, who lost his life in the war, and Mrs. Gibb, who was formerly Miss Maud Titterton.

* * *

Addington beat Oxford University at Addington by 11 games to 6, with one halved. The club side was a strong one, and the undergraduates did quite well against them. In the leading single A. S. Bradshaw, the Oxford leader, had a great match with the Walker Cup player, T. A. Torrance. The former holed out from a bunker to win the second, and he became 2 up at the fifth, but Torrance won the next two holes to square. Bradshaw was again 1 up at the 14th, but his opponent took the 15th and 18th holes, to win by 2 up. J. P. Marston played splendidly to beat W. L. Hartley by 6 and 4.

* * *

Bingley, in the West Riding of Yorkshire, is to have a municipal golf course. It will be constructed over the St. Ives estate, which the council purchased some months ago. The course will be of nine holes, and the views from the site, which is of high elevation, are extensive and varied. The question as to whether Sunday play will be allowed is a matter which is causing much discussion, and the Bingley Council, at their last meeting, adjourned the question for a month in order to get the views of the ratepayers.

* * *

After losing the 14-hole foursomes 4-2, Cambridge gained a meritorious victory over Woking by 10 to 8. This was mainly due to the fact that the Light Blues won the six singles, and included among the winners here was W. E. Bond, who was brought into the team in the absence of K. N.

Stobart, the Cantab captain. Bond and B. C. Crouch had the biggest win of the day, when in the foursomes they beat J. S. F. Morrison and G. N. Foster, 7 and 5. In the singles Bond beat Lieut.-Col. Ritson by one hole. In the top single Bernard Darwin beat G. Illingworth, the Cambridge ex-captain, 5 and 4, thanks chiefly to accuracy near and on the greens. After losing the first hole, Darwin won the next three, and for the remainder of the game he was ahead.

* * *

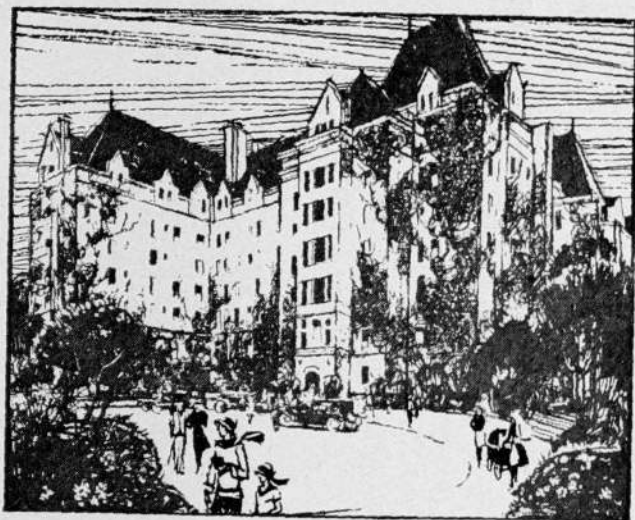
The Prince of Wales in his African golf has unearthed one of the queerest local rules in the world. At Jinja in one of his games recently he exercised his right to lift out of a hippo's foot-mark without penalty. That is said to be the only local rule of its kind extant, and it should shake up the smug home golfer who grouches about wormcasts or autumn leaves. What do they know of golfdom who only England know?

China used to have, and possibly still has, some queer golf amenities, and it was at Tientsin that a local rule that looks strange in cold print was operative. There "a ball lying in an open grave may be picked out without penalty." The explanation is that golf was played on the plain where many Chinese mound burials took place, and the story is told that on one occasion two golfers in the course of their round came across a native re-interring a relative.

* * *

Mr. Charles W. A. Ollerhead, one of the most popular amateur golfers was married at Blythswood United Free Church, Glasgow, to Miss Tony Dalrymple, daughter of the former manager of Glasgow's great tramway system. As the bridal pair left the church an arch of golf clubs was formed, holding aloft a large sign "Bunkered."

The Ideal Golfing Xmas Gift, "Canadian Golfer," for thirteen months (December, 1928, to December, 1929, inclusive), sent with your compliments to any address in Canada, Great Britain or the United States for \$4. Send cheque (no exchange necessary), to Business Manager, "Canadian Golfer," Brantford, Canada.



Sea Gulls and Gardens

in Victoria, B. C., the evergreen city

VERY EVEN is the temperature in the *Vancouver Island* country. The mornings are crisp enough to put pep in your golf game. The evenings are cool enough to make a light sweater feel pleasant and sometimes to have a little open fire for company.

NO WONDER the grass is always green, the turf springy on the golf courses, the complexion of *Victoria girls* celebrated. You cross from *Vancouver*—a lovely stillwater sail among the islands. You stay at the *Empress*, that pearl among hotels.

FOR an entirely different atmosphere, one strolls over to *Crystal Gardens*. There the orchestra plays lilting music for two big dance floors. The swimming pool is magnificent.

YOU GOLF on a championship course. You fish for salmon or trout. You play tennis, or swim, or canoe, or sail, or motor, or ride, as the fancy takes you.

Early reservations advisable.

The
EMPRESS

A Canadian Pacific Hotel in an eight-acre flower garden
 VICTORIA, B. C. . . . IN THE ISLAND COUNTRY



FAMOUS BRITISH GOLF ARCHITECT COMING TO CANADA AND U. S.

DR. ALISTER MACKENZIE, the celebrated British golf architect, who last autumn toured Canada and the States with the British Seniors' golf team, writes from Moor Allerton Lodge, Leeds:

"In the future I propose spending most of my time in Canada and the United States. My office address in New York will be care Miss Marion Hollins, 598 Maddison Avenue, New York.

"I very much enjoyed my tour in Canada with the British Senior golfers and we all thought Canadian hospitality was unbounded and that we had never come across better sportsmen than there are in Canada."

QUEBEC BRANCH C. L. G. U.

Strong Board of Officers Elected for 1929. Interesting Report of the Hon. Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Christian

AT the annual meeting of the Quebec Branch of the Canadian Ladies' Golf Union held in Montreal last month the following officers were elected for the coming year:

Hon. President, Mrs. H. Beverley Robinson; President, Mrs. Thomas Arnold; Vice-President, Mrs. A. E. Mussen; Vice-President, Mrs. F. T. Handsombody; Vice-President, Mrs. W. G. Fraser; Hon. Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. E. P. Christian; Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. F. A. Mann; Handicap Manager, Mrs. W. Garth Thomson; Chairman Pars Committee, Mrs. J. D. Hathaway.

The following interesting report of the Executive Committee on the 1928 activities was read by the Hon. Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. E. P. Christian: Madame President and Ladies:

It is my privilege to present to you a report of another year of progress in our Branch—a year of steady growth both in interest in the game, and the quality of the golf. We have added the names of three new Clubs to our list of affiliated members, the total now standing at 32; and it may be of interest to you to know that a Club which originally belonged to our Branch and was taken over by the Ontario Branch at its formation, has made application to be transferred back to the Quebec Branch because of its proximity to Montreal and its desire to participate in our activities. Three cheers for Quebec.

The petition recommended at our last Annual Meeting for two additional Vice-Presidents for our Branch was voted on and passed at the Annual Meeting of the C. L. G. U. at Beaconsfield last September.

The season has been a very full one, and the events have met with the expected measure of success. The most important, from the Branch viewpoint, was, of course, our Provincial Championship, held June 17th-21st, over the lovely course at Laval-sur-le-Lac. Several familiar faces were missing on that occasion, but the Tournament was a most successful one. Miss Dora Virtue came into her own, and won the title on the 20th green of the final match with Mme. J. Dagenais, of Laval.

We feel that a large part of the success of this Tournament was due to the excellent arrangements for the comfort and entertainment of the competitors made by the Lady President and the members of her Executive Committee, and we wish to record our deep appreciation of their efforts in this direction and also to thank the President and Directors of the Club for the handsome trophy which was so generously presented to the winner of the Championship.

The Team Shield, which is played for annually during the qualifying round of the Championship, was won this year by the team from the Royal Montreal Golf Club.

Of the six field days I shall say nothing here, as you will learn the details of them from the report of the Chairman of the Field Days Committee. We would like, however, to once more extend our thanks to those clubs who granted us the privileges of their courses.

The City and District Championship was held this year over the delightful course of the Senneville Golf Club, and was keenly contested—Miss Dora Virtue defending and retaining her title, with scores of 90 and 91 for the two 18-hole medal rounds, and keeping possession for another year of the Lord Atholstan Trophy. Miss Margaret Lockart, of the Royal Montreal Golf Club, was runner-up.

A new feature, the Junior Girls' Provincial Championship, was played simultaneously with the City and District event. This Tournament is open to junior girls, members of

Carl H. Anderson

GOLF COURSE ARCHITECT

of

37 East Street, Bethel, Connecticut, U.S.A.

NOW ABROAD

Address: Hotel Russell, Russell Square, London, England.

Personal supervision from original clearing
thru first year of Maintenance.

Also designer of "Pitch Putt" Courses
on one acre of ground or less.

affiliated Clubs, aged under 18 years, with a handicap limit of 35; and consists of 36 hole medal play.

The winner of the 1928 Championship, Miss Loraine How, of Whitlock, with a score of 216 for the 36 holes, is a newcomer to Provincial events, and will no doubt be heard from in the future. Miss Doris Taylor, of Summerlea, also a newcomer, was the runner-up.

To mark the inauguration of this Championship, the members of the 1928 Executive Committee of the Branch are presenting to the Branch a Trophy, to be played for annually in perpetuity.

The National Championship at Beaconsfield does not properly belong to this report, but I feel that a word of recognition is due to the very fine showing made by our Quebec players on that occasion; and I would also like to add here the congratulations of the Branch to Miss Dora Virtue and Miss Helen Paget, our Quebec Branch representatives at the American National Championship, on the splendid effort they made there.

It is with much regret that we have to record the unavoidable resignation in September of Miss Mollie McBride from the office of Provincial Handicap Manager. The interest Miss McBride has taken in, and the work done by her for, the Branch over a period of years is well known to you all, and her loss will be much felt by the Committee. Her work for the last three months of the season has been most efficiently performed by Miss Eileen Kinsella, to whom our thanks are due.

On behalf of the members of the Executive Committee, and the Branch as a whole, may I express to our retiring President, Miss Campbell, our keen appreciation of the splendid manner in which she has carried on the functions of her office. It has been a pleasure to those on the Committee to work with her; and one heard on all sides the gratification of the players in the various tournaments at the interest she displayed by her constant attendance. The Branch is justly proud of her.

Just one more name. I am sure you will all agree with me that it is no exaggeration to say that the development and progress of the Quebec Branch in the past few years is due in large measure to the unfailing interest and devotion of Mrs. J. W. Ross. Only those who have worked with her on the different committees, especially the Field Days Committee, can have any conception of the absolutely colossal amount of work and time she has given to the latter, and that in addition, for one year at least, to the very arduous duties of Provincial Handicap Manager. Those of you Captains here who think one sheet a task can have a faint idea of what it means to supervise the thirty odd sheets of the affiliated Clubs. Words can but poorly express the gratitude we feel towards her; we can only offer the tribute of our sincere affection and appreciation of all that she has meant to the players and to the Committee.

In closing may we again extend our thanks to all those, Clubs and individuals, who helped to make our year successful; and to ask from all members of the C. L. G. U. even greater interest in the work of the Union in general and the Branch in particular.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine E. Christian,

Hon. Secretary-Treasurer Quebec Branch C.L.G.U.

Interesting reports were presented by Miss Eileen M. Kinsella, Handicap Manager; Mrs. Ross, Chairman Field Days Committee, and Katharine Took, Chairman Pars Committee. The latter noted that four new clubs had joined the Branch in 1928 which brings the total up to 31. The four new clubs are the

Kent Club at Quebec, the Manoir Richelieu at Murray Bay, Cowansville, and St. Patricks.

The meeting was largely attended and most enthusiastic and prospects for a record season in the Province of Quebec in 1929 are of the brightest.

THE STRONG U. S. RYDER CUP TEAM

RETURNING from Cleveland, where he was re-elected president of the Professional Golfers' Association, Alec Pirie, of the Old Elm Club of Chicago, named the players picked to represent the United States in the Ryder Cup matches in Great Britain next summer. Walter Hagen has again been chosen captain, and the other players are Leo Diegel, John Farrell, Gene Sarazen, Al. Espinosa, Joe Turnesa, Johnny Golden, Billy Burke, Willie Klein, Ed Dudley, Horton Smith and Al. Watrous. Ten of these are regulars and two are substitutes.

The P. G. A. meeting at Cleveland showed a substantial growth in the organization. It was decided to stage the next P. G. A. championship at the La Cumbra Country Club of Santa Barbara in December, when most of the big fellows will be in that territory for the early winter tournaments.

TIMING NEEDED MORE THAN WEIGHT

Cyril Walker Proves that Strength is Unnecessary in Securing Distance

(By Johnny Farrell, National Open Champion, The Country Club Magazine)

CYRIL Walker is one of the smallest of the front-running professionals. He is slender, almost wispy in stature, and after a hearty meal weighs no more than 115 pounds. But Walker, by the rhythmic application of wrist power, has the ability to drive a golf ball, on the average, as far as Archie Compston, the six-foot Englishman, who tips the scales at about sixty or seventy pounds more than Cyril.

Some years ago I was playing in a foursome at the Rockaway Hunting Club in a rain that was driven in from over the bay waters of the Rockaways. It was a little one-day professional event and my three foemen were Walter Hagen, Walker and Jimmy West, the home club professional.

West is not quite so tall as Walker, but perhaps lugs around a little more poundage. From the tees he is just as long as Cyril, proving only that Walker is no exception as a long distance hitting little fellow.

I recall that Walker indulged in a kidding match with Hagen that day. Sir Walter, concentrating on the busi-

ness in hand, gave scant heed to the verbal shafts levelled at him. Hagen is a big man, well set up physically, but he is not an especially long hitter, although he puts more zip than most of us into his swing.

Walter would send a ball winging through the rain and rushing winds and Walker would step up and match it or excell it, saying as he did, "It's well for you that I'm not a little bigger," or "You ought to train down to my size, Walter; maybe you could hit a golf ball."

Hagen, however, took the chiding with a grin that was exasperating in reflecting a self-satisfied complacency. He wasn't to be led into pressing for distance. You see, Hagen was quietly manufacturing a 69 in a rainy tempest while Walker was doing a 77. It was one of the finest rounds ever played by Hagen.

I relate this little story merely to illustrate the fact that bulk and strength and brawny arms and other physical attributes are not wholly necessary in the proper swinging of a golf club. Timing is the most essen-

tial phase of the swing. About eighty per cent. of the golfers struggling with their games apply the pressure too soon.

Apparently to hit leads them to start the downward swing snappily and the force of their effort is spent before the clubhead makes its impact.

This premature application of the punch brings about an uncocking of the wrists that saps their power. The swing becomes strictly an arm movement, getting no aid whatever from the body pivot. This breaking, or uncocking of the wrists, is caused by a too-loose grip as much as anything else. A firm grip will keep the club cocked even after the down swing has been almost completed. Then comes that last second rush where the speed of the clubhead is so terrific that even movie camera attuned to a thousandth part of a second cannot catch anything more than a blur. As the hands are coming down towards the ball the club head should still be pointing skyward and not toward the ground, as is so often the case.

Anybody will readily concede that golf is very largely mental. The player who is striving for success knows how his uncontrolled thoughts constantly hamper his swing. Some of those who enter tournament play are sorely beset with anxieties, the evils of an active mentality.

Scores are invariably higher in tournament competition than in practice rounds, because minds are filled with misgivings, forebodings and other mischievous thoughts. As a result swings become tense or jerky or poorly timed. There is a harvest of unhappiness.

There are those, of course, who are not disturbed by these bugaboos, who enter upon each new field of combat confident and self-assured. These are the successful golfers.

How the mental side of golf can wreck the mechanical was manifest, I believe, on the Cascades course, at Virginia Hot Springs, when Miss Glenna Collett returned to rule as the princess of American links. Miss Collett's game was amazing and gratify-



**CAMEO
VELLUM**

Canada's Finest Writing Paper

Barber-Ellis
Limited

Makers of fine Stationery since 1876

Toronto	Montreal	Brantford
Winnipeg	Calgary	Edmonton
Vancouver		Regina

ingly fine, particularly to her intimates who had come to grief over her inconstancy. It is great to see Glenna back in her stride. She is one of the most picturesque figures in golf and the old game did not seem the same while her play was ill.

But it is not of this I had specific reference to when I spoke of the mental side wrecking the mechanical. It was to Miss Maureen Orcutt's inability to surpass the play of Mrs. Dorothy Campbell Hurd. To me it presents a splendid object lesson. In their last three meetings Miss Orcutt has been defeated by the veteran woman who was winning tournaments before the New Jersey girl was born.

Miss Orcutt obviously is the stronger player, but against Mrs. Hurd her game at once becomes a weak and dispirited thing. Two years ago Mrs. Hurd defeated Miss Orcutt in the fin-

als of the Shenecossett tournament and early this summer she duplicated the feat. Only recently, during the national championship, when she appeared to be at the height of her ability and seemingly destined to become a finalist, Miss Orcutt met Mrs. Hurd again.

I do not know the mental distress that Miss Orcutt suffered before that meeting, but I am willing to wager that all was not untroubled in her mind. If they were like some of the brainstorms that I have gone through in similar circumstances I can quickly lend my sympathies.

FIRST AMERICAN GOLF CLUBS

(By Clifford C. Wendehack, "Golf Illustrated", New York)

GOLF to-day has become so much a matter of our daily thought and habit that few of us realize that the ancient Scottish game is but little more than one generation old on this continent.

It is usually conceded that golf was born for America at the Royal Montreal Golf Club in 1873. Some three years later Toronto followed with its club. Just when and where the first club in the United States was established seems a matter of dispute.

Recently Sarasota, Florida, has been urging its claim to primacy, but probably the famous "Apple Tree Gang," composed of six ardent Scots, will continue to be regarded in the future, as they have been in the past, as initiators for this country of the game that now claims millions of devotees. The "Gang" found at Yonkers a thirty-six acre tract, the most distinguished feature of which was an old apple tree. Under this tree a club was formed and the tree itself served as the original club house.

From this humble beginning developed the famous St. Andrews Golf Club at Mt. Hope in the late eighties. By 1894 the membership had so increased as to require new quarters at Great Oaks. The phenomenal development was but typical of the rapid growth of the myriad of clubs following in its lead. As early as 1888, the Richmond Country Club had been formed and a second golf club opened in the Metropolitan section. This club, too, grew with great rapidity and was followed in quick succession by a number of others in the vicinity of New York City, until by the opening years of the twentieth century, clubs were scattered all over the country and their number continued from that time on to grow in almost geometric ratio.

As was the case with the Scotch and English club houses, little thought was given in the early American club to the question of proper housing. If it be true that the original golf courses themselves were crude in fairway and green when compared to the modern carefully planned and perfectly maintained links, the contrast between the old club house and the up-to-date buildings which the more prosperous clubs one after the other, are now erecting, is even more striking.

It probably lay in the necessity of the situation that at the outset of the game, makeshifts of every character should be adopted for club houses. As we look to the days of the founding with reproachful glances, as we think of opportunities missed, we often fail to realize the real difficulties of the pioneers.

It is not beyond the remembrance of men not yet old that the early golf enthusiast was subjected to banter by his friends and associates which to-day is reserved for the man who does not play golf. If we stop to think that the earliest courses were laid out by relatively small groups of men—not always of great wealth—and that these men in their enthusiasm were the laughing stock of their neighbours, who ridiculed them for wearing costumes appropriate

to the game—until the bicycle craze made knickerbockers appropriate to another sport—we who have reaped the benefit of their labours may well hesitate before cavilling at them for the bungling of the club problem.

We must remember, as we have suggested, that the clubs at the outset were small in membership, that the funds available were limited, that the more or less ramshackle farm house or even a half tumbled down barn might seem a welcome addition to a leased acreage taken possession of under an option of purchase. Such a building at least offered shelter and with a little carpentering might be provided with lockers and later with showers and similar accommodations. As the game grew in popularity and the membership of the club increased, not only were the needs for enlarged quarters early felt but a moderate building fund was capable of being established from initiations and increased membership dues.

These funds were rarely sufficient to make it seem possible to completely abandon the old house, and in nine cases out of ten the original structure was used as a nucleus about which various excrescent additions grouped themselves. In some rare instances where the original buildings had merit and some judgment was exercised in the additions, a not displeasing ensemble resulted and as the experience of the players visiting now here, now there, brought to light conveniences—haphazard discoveries—there gradually developed in a number of clubs, locker room and other accommodations which began to measure up to modern standards.

In the great majority of remodeled farm houses, inconveniences which to-day in the smallest of the newly created clubs would not be tolerated for a moment, were endured patiently for years; locker rooms cramped and uncomfortable with insufficient shower accommodations and intolerable ventilation; lounges and dining rooms badly furnished, poorly lighted and frequently very badly equipped.

It is, however, not our intention to dwell on these errors. We but point them out to show in brief the various reasons for the great demand at the present time for proper accommodations and in doing so cannot help feeling that perhaps we should be grateful rather than censorious because of these early failures.

A glance at the earliest of the more pretentious club houses, makes only too clear that the history of golf club house construction repeats the experience of architectural development in all its special manifestations. None of the architectural monuments to which generations have pointed with pride as the perfect harmonization of form and function was the product of any one mind. Whether we turn to the temples of Greece, to the aqueducts or baths of Rome, to the great cathedrals of the Middle Ages or the palaces and churches of the Renaissance—nay—if we come down to our own day and contrast the latest development of the New York skyscraper with the earliest attempts at lofty building construction—in no case will we find the perfected structure for the special use until after years of fumbling and experimentation leading by trial and error to a gradual mastery of the problems. Had the first golf enthusiasts had at their command sufficient funds and strength of mind enough to have devoted themselves to the erection of permanent club houses, the country would have been dotted with architectural monstrosities upon which so much money had been expended that the later membership would have hesitated to have scrapped them and they would have remained as permanent monuments of the stone age of golf.

The Ideal Golfing Xmas Gift, "Canadian Golfer," for thirteen months (December, 1928, to December, 1929, inclusive), sent with your compliments to any address in Canada, Great Britain or the United States for \$4. Send cheque (no exchange necessary), to Business Manager, "Canadian Golfer," Brantford, Canada.



BIG MONEY FOR TEE BIG PROS.

AND here are the big money tournaments which the leading players will compete for this month and next. Sacramento Open, Dec. 14-16, \$2,500. Catalina Open, Dec. 21-23, \$2,500. San Gabriel Open, Dec. 26th, \$1,000. Long Beach Open, Dec. 28-30, \$5,000. La Jolla Open, Jan. 2-3, \$2,500. San Diego Open, Jan. 4-6, \$2,500. Los Angeles Open, Jan. 9-13, \$10,000. Pasadena Open, Jan. 15-16, \$4,000. El Paso Open, Jan. 19-20, \$2,000. Texas Open, Jan. 24-27, \$6,500. South Central Open, Jan. 31-Feb. 2, \$6,000. Good picking for Hagen-Diegel-Armour-Sarazen et al. Several enthusiastic followers of the game in Canada are making arrangements especially to take in that \$10,000 tournament at Los Angeles.

THE CANADIAN SENIORS' GOLF ASSOCIATION

Important Executive Meeting Held in Toronto. Dates of 1929 Tournament Sept. 11th to 13th at the Royal Ottawa. Invitation Received to Participate in International Matches Probably at St. Andrews, Scotland

AN important meeting of the Governors of the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association was held at the office of the President, Dominion Bank Building, Toronto, December 4th. Present, Messrs. C. A. Bogert, President, in the chair; A. E. Dymont, R. H. Greene, Geo. S. Lyon, S. L. McKay, Lt.-Col. J. B. Miller, Col. J. R. Moodie, R. H. Reville, Geo. L. Robinson, H. H. Williams, W. Hastings Webling.

The President, in opening the meeting, announced that the dates of the 1929 Tournament—which is to be held at the Royal Ottawa Golf Club—would be September 11th, 12th, 13th and 14th; the International match with the United States team, to be played on Friday, September 13th, and the Individual Championship on Saturday morning, September 14th.

The President informed the meeting that a verbal invitation had been received from the British Senior Golfers' Society for United States and Canadian teams to visit England next year, and although the place of meeting has not been confirmed, it is practically assured that the International Triangular Matches will be played on the Royal and Ancient Links, St. Andrews. The dates suggested were July 17th and 18th.

The President suggested that letters should be sent to about forty of the leading players of the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association, asking them to signify their willingness, or otherwise, to be members of the team, should they be selected. A small committee, consisting of Mr. George S. Lyon and Mr. George L. Robinson, was appointed by the President to act with him in making such selections, and to assist in the necessary arrangements in connection with the trip, all of which was warmly approved by those present.

The fee of two dollars for the Annual Dinner was then discussed and after the President had pointed out that this charge was quite inadequate, resulting in a serious annual loss to the Association, it was decided by the Governors that a charge of four dollars be made next year.

The matter of raising the membership limit was discussed, and it was finally decided to allow the same to remain at four hundred members, in accordance with the present by-law.

The President read the Secretary-Treasurer's report to date, which showed a small credit balance of \$263.74.

After some further discussion on various matters, the meeting adjourned to The York Club, where the President, Mr. Bogert, entertained the Governors at luncheon.



A GREAT GIRL GOLFER

MISS Enid Wilson, the 18-year-old girl who recently won the English Ladies' Championship, is looked upon by the experts as Great Britain's best hope to win the Open Championship next year, in which Miss Glenna Collett, Miss Marian Hollins and other U. S. experts will compete, besides several French women stars. Writing of Miss Wilson in *Golf Illustrated*, New York, the well known authority, Mr. G. W. Greenwood, says:

"A successor to Miss Joyce Wethered, the greatest lady player the world has ever known, as pre-eminent in her own sphere as Bobby Jones is in his, has been found in the person of Miss Enid Wilson, a girl 18 years of age, who lives in the Midlands, and is the




The semi-finalists in the British Ladies' Championship, Miss Dorothy Pearson, Miss Enid Wilson, Miss Molly Gourlay, Miss Phyllis Lobbett.

daughter of a doctor. Miss Wilson has just won the English Championship at Walton Heath, perhaps the most difficult and the most searching test of inland golf in the whole British Isles, in which all the leading lady players competed with the exception of Miss Wethered and Miss Cecil Leitch.

"Not only has Miss Wilson the real flair for golf, without which success can never be more than ephemeral, but she hits the ball after the fashion of a man—forcefully, even viciously, when the occasion demands. She is tall, and, like all first-class golfers, possesses long arms and a pair of strong wrists and hands. Miss Wilson drives as far as most scratch men, but her real strength as a golfer lies in her command of the iron clubs. It is a truism of ladies' golf in general that they lack the power to punch the iron shot of 170 to 180 yards in length straight at the pin, but in the case of Miss Wilson this is her best shot, for she can hold the ball into the wind, or let it drift with the same facility as she can make the ball bore at a fairly low trajectory through a headwind. In this respect alone, Miss Wilson's golf is quite remarkable."

The Ideal Golfing Xmas Gift, "Canadian Golfer," for thirteen months (December, 1928, to December, 1929, inclusive), sent with your compliments to any address in Canada, Great Britain or the United States for \$4. Send cheque (no exchange necessary), to Business Manager, "Canadian Golfer," Brantford, Canada.



MEETING OF EXECUTIVES OF C. L. G. U.

A MEETING of the Executive of the Canadian Ladies' Golf Union was held in Toronto on December 3rd, when a number of important matters were discussed. The invitation from the Summit Golf and Country Club, Toronto, to hold the Toronto City Championship there next year was accepted. It was announced that the Association had received official information that the U.S. Women's National Championship will be the week of September 30th at Oakland Hills Country Club, Birmingham, Mich. The dates of the Canadian Ladies' Open and Close Championships will probably be fixed for two or three weeks ahead of the U.S. event, which, owing to its being held in the Detroit district next year, is bound to attract an unusually large number of Canadian entrants.

FEW CHAMPIONS RETAIN THEIR TITLES

(By Joe G. Davis, Chicago Golfer)

TAPS has been sounded on another wonderful season of golf, a season in which few of the reigning monarchs were able to hang on to their crowns. Bobby Jones, the king of the amateurs, was a notable exception, scoring his second successive and fourth win of the United States title.

Casting the searchlight over the major golfing events of the world reveals an overthrow in almost every instance. Johnny Farrell succeeded Tommy Armour as the Open champion, adding another page of glorious golfing history when he defeated Bobby Jones by one shot in the play-off of their tie at Olympia Fields.

Miss Glenna Collett, who is the premier woman golfer of the American continent, came back after an interval of two years to regain the Women's National championship, replacing Mrs. Miriam Burns Tyson.

Hagen's string of four successive wins in the Professional Golfers' Association championship was broken at Baltimore. Leo Diegel, the former Detroit caddie, taking the scepter from Sir Walter.

In the men's division of the Western Golf Association, Frank Dolp, of Portland, succeeded Bon Stein, of Seattle, and Albert Espinosa, of the Columbian Club, brought the Western Open championship to Chicago, breaking the two year reign of Walter Hagen.

Mrs. Harry Pressler, of Los Angeles, was one of the champions to repeat, scoring a clean-cut victory at the Indian Hill Club in the Women's Western event.

Canada's Open championship, which has been a happy hunting ground for the United States professionals for the last ten years, was captured by Diegel, who also won in 1924 and 1925. He succeeded Tommy Armour.

For the second year in succession the Canadian Women's Open championship came across the border, Miss Virginia Wilson, of the Onwentsia Club of Chicago, defeating Miss Peggy Wattles, of Buffalo, 5 and 4, in the 36-hole final at Montreal. She succeeded Miss Helen Payson, of Portland, Me.

C. Ross Somerville, of London, regained the Canadian Amateur championship which he held in 1926. The winner last year was Don Carrick, who played several times in the Western Junior championship at Chicago. A Chicago invader, Carroll Stuart, of the Illinois Juniors, gave Somerville a hard match in the semi-finals this year, taking the Canadian star to the 37th green.

Willie Lamb, Scotch professional at the Toronto Golf Club, replaced James Johnstone, of Rosedale, as the Canadian professional champion.

Across the big pond, Walter Hagen stirred the golfing world by winning the British Open championship for the third time, his previous wins being in 1922 and 1924.



The majestic Hagen had been soundly trounced by Archie Compston in a special match which preceded the British classic and it did not seem possible he could "come back" sufficiently to bring the cup back again on its almost annual trip to the United States. But once more the indomitable Hagen triumphed, leading the field with a total of 292 at Sandwich, his nearest competitor being Gene Sarazen with 294, one stroke ahead of the burly Archie Compston. Jim Barnes finished in a tie for sixth place, and Bill Mehlhorn was tied for ninth. Hagen succeeded Bobby Jones, who won in 1926 and 1927.

There were no United States amateurs of note in the British Amateur championship at Prestwick, which developed a new star in T. Phillip Perkins, who defeated the famous Roger Wethered, 6 and 4. The new British champion was seen in Chicago later with the British Walker Cup team, so needs but little introduction.

The Walker Cup matches, played at the Chicago Golf Club, provided another demonstration of the superiority of the United States golfers. The octet of defenders, led by Captain Bobby Jones, won all four of the foursome matches, and on the following day won seven of the eight singles.

It was the most decisive victory scored by the sons of Uncle Sam in the five series played for the Walker Cup since 1922. The rout was big enough to be pathetic, but Perkins to some extent redeemed British prestige by being the runner-up to Bobby Jones in the U.S.G.A. Amateur championship at Brae Burn.

There was another interesting invasion when the British Seniors came over to clash with the United States and Canadian Seniors at Rye, N.Y., in September. The United States Seniors won.

Last month a team from the Canadian Women's Senior Association went to Rye, N.Y., to meet the U.S. Seniors team. There were thirteen players on each side and the U.S. players won 35 to 4.

Also it may be noted that a young American player, Stewart Sheftel, now living in Paris, won the British Boys' Open at Formby, while Hamilton Wright, a young player from Garden City, was a semi-finalist.

Taken by and large, it was a great year for Uncle Sam, whose players won all of their own major events and, in addition, won no less than four important events on foreign soils.

IRON SHOTS IN THE MAKING

(By Gene Sarazen)

IT has long been an axiom in golf that a man who can putt is a match for any other player; but more and more the conviction is borne in upon me that this statement is more true of an iron shot than on the green. Bobby Jones, after winning the British Open, said that his victory abroad was possible only because of his having had the advantage of Tommy Armour's iron shot in the south last winter. And so my advice to the aspiring amateur is to practice iron shots.

There are, of course, ways and ways of practicing, and practice the wrong way is naturally worse than no prac-

tice at all. An iron should not be played with the same motion as a man cutting grass with a scythe. The proper plan is to keep the hands and arms well in to the body and strike from the inside out toward the ball, and so follow on straight through as long as possible. Thus, at the finish of a well played iron, the clubhead is up toward the player's left ear, and not travelling round about him and in toward the left leg at the finish. Do not try to push the clubhead out toward the ball; allow it to swing through. If players would only allow the clubhead to do a great deal

less forcing toward the ball, they would be able to play much better.

Long-shafted irons should be avoided. The main reason for this is that the player should stand near to the ball, with his knees bent and his body also, until his head is almost over the ball. This is quite different than a tee shot, for which many good players stand with the knees braced. Control of the ball in iron play is most essential, and this is not easy with long irons as with clubs a great deal shorter. It is, of course, impossible to lay down a hard and fast rule, but most golfers own at least one iron in which they have great confidence. Measured against the others, inch by inch, the "confident" club will nine times out of ten be the short iron.

It seems entirely unnecessary to point out that it is easier to control the force of a short club than a longer one, but so many golfers fail to take note of this. Because a club is short it does not follow that the player cannot drive the ball with it as far as with a longer club. Indeed the reverse is often the case. A short-shafted club can be brought down speedily on to the ball without the player having to swing himself off his feet to secure the necessary power. With long-shafted clubs he must do this. After all, the golf ball is a comparatively light affair and does not require heavy hitting. A short iron gives the player a chance to strike a quick blow.

If a ball flies slowly to the right it has been "cut", the clubhead coming in a moment too soon. It had never reached that point from where it should have gone toward the flag at which the golfer was aiming. So it is with the tee-shot. The clubhead must go forward, but if it swings out the tiniest fraction like the man with a scythe, it is nearly impossible for it not to have a slight "cut" imparted to it. On a windy day this movement is fatal if the wind is to the left. The left-hand wind is most difficult of all to play against but if the clubhead travels in a line from the right tee



Hotel Lenox, Buffalo, is 3 minutes from the New Peace Bridge between Buffalo and Canada.

MANY Canadian people make their home at Hotel Lenox while visiting Buffalo and Niagara Falls. They welcome this cheerful hotel with its complete service, attractive outside rooms and excellent food.

Hotel Lenox is just large enough for personal attention (250 rooms). Convenient to the shopping district, clubs and theatres. \$2.00 to \$4.00 per day for single rooms; \$3.00 to \$6.00 per day for double rooms. A suite with bath for your family, \$7.00 up.

On the Empire and Great Lakes Tours. Write for free road guides, maps and hotel booklet.

Hotel Lenox
North St. just west of Delaware Ave.
BUFFALO, N. Y.
CLARENCE A. MINER, President

toward the ball and so across the direction of play from the inside, there is little chance of the ball being blown away into the rough.

I cannot call to mind one professional golfer whose irons are of the long variety. The average man takes his stance too far away and too upright. It is not easy to give measurements, but if the irons are cut to a length approaching that of the mashie most golfers would play better iron shots. I prefer a fairly stiff and strong shaft, but the player who has a game only once or twice a week should endeavour to secure a good steely shaft with a bit of spring to it. This will give a feeling of confidence to the golfer whose muscles are not always in good tune.



“ ANY FOOL CAN DRIVE ”

(By J. Gardner Thompson)

ALONG in the early part of the twentieth century these words, suggestive of a cryptogram, were uttered by one Alexander Riddell (or possibly Riddle—for the phrase assuredly bears that character) who was evidently a man of parts and doubtless a profound philosopher. He appears to have been then living in Canada's leading city, Montreal, but had originally hailed from that thrifty and economical centre, Aberdeen, which even yet retains its ancient characteristics. It is recorded that he was known to his intimates as “Sandy” (that being the Scotch equivalent of his Christian name) and was regarded by them as a man of substance, a boon companion and possessed of a fine sense of humour. Bearing this in mind let us carefully examine these words and discover if possible the real underlying meaning, for we may take it there was more in them than may be gathered at first glance seeing that he was known to repeat them with persistent regularity.

First let us ascertain which of the four words is accentuated.

1. ANY fool can drive.
2. Any FOOL can drive.
3. Any fool CAN drive.
4. Any fool can DRIVE.

Are we to take it that driving is so easy of accomplishment that ANY fool can do it; or that it is such a ridiculous undertaking as to be attempted by a FOOL; or that as a rebuttal to the charge of a fool's capacity in this respect the positive statement is made that any fool CAN drive; or that whatever other activities a fool may possess there can be no question but that he can DRIVE? In whatever light we examine them there is clear evidence that underneath the simple words there is a deep and subtle meaning which we must seek to evolve, and our first quest is to discover just what it was the fool was supposed to drive. Was it a horse, an automobile, or an aeroplane; a nail, a woman or a pig? We can hardly conceive that these are meant since it requires great skill and much wisdom to drive any of them successfully. But what was it? Now it happens that we are greatly assisted in our research by contemporary records which reveal the fact that the author was a devotee of that ancient game which has proved a blessing and a bane to millions of our race and the pursuit of which many hope to continue in the Elysian fields—I mean the great Game of Golf. It is also revealed that the author most frequently gave utterance to this cryptic remark while engaged in this entrancing pastime or when rehearsing to his cronies the various features of the contest. We are therefore assuredly led to the inevitable conclusion that the meaning of the phrase is that ‘any fool can drive A GOLF BALL.’ That was evidently quite clearly in his mind and moreover its frequent repetition indicates that he was more or less obsessed with this stupendous statement. We must now however indulge in some speculation as to what exactly was meant by the word ‘drive’. It cannot mean the mere hitting of the ball with a club. In golfing experience we have all sorts of drives—the slice, the pull, the topped ball, the skyscraper and the dub. We may take it, I think, that by the word DRIVE he intended to describe that straight ball down the middle of the fairway with just enough elevation to nicely clear the ground and a bit of top spin that when it alights will carry it on to at least 300 yards. You know the kind! Some of us get them once in a while and perhaps even a fool enjoys one occasionally, but if our author implies that any fool can produce such shots continuously (and on the face of it it would appear that this is just what he does imply) then we are minded to take issue with him. Even in this century when the game has been reduced to such an exact science that a course of 12,000 yards can be made in the low score of 53 strokes, it requires much wisdom and knowledge together with the full use of a sound intellect to

avoid errors. Notwithstanding every care even our best players will occasionally slip. However it may have been in the early part of the 20th century the statement that "any fool can drive" is certainly not true in this generation.

I fear our friend was an optimist. On further examination however we find another possible solution of the mystic phrase. In the course of time the individual words may by some untoward chance have been transposed and if we reverse the order of the second and third we get "any can fool drive." This you observe is a very different proposition and one which we can thoroughly endorse, for nothing is easier than to fool your drive. Or it may have been originally in this form "Can any fool drive"—a derisive query implying that brains are needed for a perfect delivery—and again we concur. Whatever the real meaning of the statement we are convinced of its profundity not only on account of the phraseology itself but also because of the great reputation of the author. Perhaps some of our readers will be sufficiently interested to give the matter further study and favour us with the benefit of their researches. Meantime

"We hope that dear old Sandy
Was every bit as handy
With Golf Club as with optimistic pen,
And that many well won prizes
Of various shapes and sizes
He carried off to ornament his den.

AND STILL THEY COME!

ANOTHER British golfer will take up his residence in the United States when Goeffrey MacCallum, of Sonning, holder of the Berks, Bucks and Oxon Championship, arrives. MacCallum, a well-known amateur, has received an appointment from a manufacturing concern in Cleveland and expects to leave his native land on Dec. 14. In 1925 he was runner-up for the Welsh Open title.

PITCH SHOT TO THE GREEN, VALUABLE ONE

(By Francis Ouimet, Former U. S. Open and Amateur Champion)

PERHAPS one of the most misjudged shots in the game of golf is the pitch shot to the green. The player being near the pin where he can judge accurately the amount of power to impart to the ball in order to lay it close to the hole, has a capacity to think the shot too simple to waste time over in practice. In this he is greatly mistaken, however, for it is perhaps the most skillful of all golf shots and one that is constantly used.

It is generally only the unskilled player that refuses to recognize its value, for those players who know the game, appreciate the intricacies of the shot and have given several practice

hours to it. I, myself, have given much time to this shot and I can readily say that it warranted every bit of time I gave it.

I first received the idea of the pitch shot to the green by watching Nipper Campbell, the club pro at the Brookline Country Club, where I was caddying at the time. In fact, I tried to imitate him at all times and on all shots but I especially remember the pitch shot for I tried this one for hours at a time on an improvised cow pasture golf links. I would always try to put a dead stop to the ball and on many nights, concentration on this, found me oblivious to the fact that it was getting dark while I worked to

perfect the shot. In truth, I seldom quit until night came on or I ran out of my supply of balls.

Different players use different clubs for this shot, some preferring the mashie, others preferring an iron. There is much to be said on either side but regardless of the respective merits of the two clubs the player should concentrate on one club for his shot. Thus the player can become an adept with this for he knows from previous experiences just how to use it.

In pitching the swing should be such that the ball is hit firmly and crisply. Avoid any tendencies at stabbing, scooping, or jerking the club back for this will only lead one into trouble. Stabbing and scooping are nearly the opposite in execution; the stabbing being nothing more than swinging the club down to the ball and then suddenly stopping the head from following through.

Scooping is caused by trying to help the ball upwards by a scooping movement of the wrists after it has been hit. To overcome this the wrists must be kept firm and not allowed to collapse as is generally the case in scooping the ball. The loft of the club will take care of lifting the ball, if the latter is hit properly.

The general cause of these faults is the player's over anxiousness to have the ball stop with a minimum of run when it hits the ground. In order to accomplish this he adapts the above mentioned ways which he thinks will aid him and which only lead him into further trouble.

In assuming the stance for the pitch shot it is not a good idea to stand too



A BALL that cannot be "K.O'd!"

HERE'S a golf ball that wins every round—a ball that can "take it" and keep coming back for more—the Wright & Ditson Record! A ball that you can't put down for the count, no matter how often you top it, or fozzle it—or how hard. It's so tough that we guarantee...

You Can't Cut It!—And what is more, the Record will give you *great distance*. It's a *long* ball and a *tough* ball—innumerable tests have proved both features. That's why the Record costs a dollar. That's why it's *worth* a dollar. Try it!

A. J. REACH, WRIGHT & DITSON

of Canada, Limited—Brantford, Ontario

New York Philadelphia Chicago San Francisco

WRIGHT & DITSON

Boston Providence Cambridge
Worcester

© 1928

far away from the ball. Adopt a stance as near the ball as possible, consistent with comfort and freedom of muscles, and in such a position that an upright swing can be used. The weight of the body should be fairly distributed on both feet, with a trifle more weight on the right foot. The open stance is the one best suited for this shot but the player should take pains that he does not pivot too much on the back swing, just enough to keep the left heel a trifle off the ground.

WHEN THE LIGHTNING STRIKES

OFF-HAND, we would say that the 1928 season has been remarkable for those bits of phenomenal scoring which go down in golfing history and will be quoted in years to come as quite out of the ordinary, says the Chicago Golfer.

While March winds were sweeping the northern courses, Johnny Farrell sent a thrill through the golfing world by finishing his last eighteen holes in the La Goree Open Tournament at Miami Beach in 30-33—63, after Bobby

Cruikshank had preceded him with a supposedly unbeatable 30-36—66. Farrell's great finish gave him the \$5,000 prize, his total being 274 to 276 by the little Scotchman.

In April, Walter Hagen invaded England in quest of the British Open championship and before that event met Archie Compston in a special 72-hole match and was overwhelmed 18 down and 17 to play. Compston had a card of 32-35—67 in the first morning and was even better in the afternoon with 36-30—66, and he had a lead of 14 holes. Compston's incoming nine in the afternoon over the Moor Park course was 2, 3, 3, 4, 4, 3, 4, 4, 3—30. Hagen shot even fours for the first six holes and lost five of them.

Jumping to the National Open at Olympia Fields, we have that remarkable round of 32 by Hagen over the incoming nine on the Number 4 course, in the second elimination round. Going out in a spotty 40, Hagen encountered a small cloudburst, yet in spite of this serious handicap came home in marvelous fashion and finished with 147, only three shots behind Bobby Jones, the leader.

Two months later Jones visited Flossmoor to play in the Warren Wood memorial trophy event and electrified the gallery and his partners with a wonderful finish. Starting at the eighth hole, he scored seven successive threes, and then finished with 4, 3, 4, 4, his incoming total being 30 over a course of championship caliber.

Earlier in the year, Bill Mehlhorn won the Texas Open at San Antonio by the aid of a 68 on his third round in which he scored 31-37—68, being the only player of a big field to break 70. His record mark of 31 on the first nine was five shots under par and a new record.

No one can appreciate the chilling effects of these brilliant bursts of speed more than the opposing player, especially if it is in match play.

Chicago golfers who were fortunate enough to witness the final for the Professional Golfers' championship at Olympia Fields four years ago will recall that Walter Hagen got the first hole, 515 yards, with an eagle 3, and on the next hole made a forty-foot putt for a birdie 3. Walter played the first three holes 3 under par and with an approximated putt on the ninth hole was out in 32. On the incoming nine Walter shot every hole in par save for a birdie at one of them. Mehlhorn had shot 70 and was three down against Hagen's 66!

In the afternoon, over the Number 3 course, Mehlhorn won the first hole for an eagle 3 and was only 2 down. It looked as if the turn in the match had come at the short third hole, 235 yards. Mehlhorn drove hole-high, 15 feet from the pin, while Hagen was trapped at the front of the green. Walter chopped out to the edge of the green, and then holed his 40-foot putt for a half in 3. A win for Mehlhorn at this hole might have made a different finish, but from that point on Hagen reeled off his holes in par and won 6 to 5.

Chick Evans experienced the chilling effect of one of these spurts when playing in the British Amateur championship some years ago. C. B. MacFarlane, who did not rate as a star, went out in 33 against Chick and was 5 up. Chick rallied on the incoming nine and won back several holes, but the margin was too big and he fell a victim to the short round.

In the National Amateur championship at Minikahda last year, Francis Ouimet and Harrison R. Johnston had the same experience in their matches against Bobby Jones, the Atlanta wizard going out in 33 against Ouimet and in 32 against Johnston in the first nine holes of their matches.

Then, on the following day, Bobby went even faster against Chick Evans, reeling off the first nine holes in 31, with the following figures, 4, 3, 3, 4, 4, 3, 4, 3, 3. It put him 5 up. He finished with 36 for a total of 67 and was 7 up, eventually winning 8 and 7.

While playing the fourteenth hole in the morning, Evans was greeted by Ouimet. "Isn't this wonderful?" asked Evans.

"I know just how you feel," Ouimet replied. And there really wasn't anything else to say.

The moral of all these bits of golf history is that while a hard punch may not always win a fight, it has a depressing effect on the recipient.

NEWS FROM NOVA SCOTIA

Ken-Wo Country Club, Kentville, Has Record Year

THE eighth annual report of Ken-Wo Country Club, Kentville, N.S., presented at the annual meeting of the Club last month at the club house, marked the completion of the most successful year in eight years of successful history. The season just closed has marked an increase in membership, a strengthening of the finances of the club and a marked improvement in the club properties.

President A. E. H. Chesley, of Kentville, presided at the annual meeting and was re-elected president of the club. W. C. B. Harris, of Wolfville, was elected vice-president, replacing A. G. Guest, resigned. Other directors elected from Wolfville were O. H. Foshay, George H. Waterbury; from Kentville, George E. Graham, Laurie Ells, George C. McDougall. Other directors on the board, whose term of office expires in 1929, are Harris H. Bligh, of Kentville, H. A. Troyle-Bullock and J. E. Hales, of Wolfville.

The report of the secretary-treasurer, James Brydon, showed a net revenue of over \$400.00 from the year's operations. The total expenditures for the year were the greatest in any year of the club's history, and gross receipts were the largest of any year by a large margin. A feature of the report was the amount raised by the ladies of the club, being \$523.32.

President Chesley in his address praised the work of the greenkeeper, W. A. Hanson, and the professional, G. S. Stickney. These competent officials have been re-engaged for the coming year.

Mr. Chesley also congratulated the club upon having a secretary-treasurer with Mr. Brydon's qualifications. "For the efficient and tactful way in

which he has served us during the past 6 years we all desire him to accept our best thanks," said Mr. Chesley.

The prize winners for 1928 are:

Men—The Sir Robert L. Borden Championship Cup—Winner, Mr. A. N. Parker; runner-up, Mr. G. H. Ruffee.

The H. A. Troyte-Bullock Championship Cup—Winner, Mr. A. N. Parker; runner-up, Mr. G. H. Waterbury.

The W. C. B. Harris Cup—Winner, Mr. A. N. Parker; runner-up, Mr. Jack Harris.

The Herbert Oyler Shield—Winner, Mr. Colin Munro; runner-up, Mr. Geo. E. Graham.

The J. E. Hales Cup for Eclectic Competition—Winner, Mr. A. N. Parker; runner-up, Mr. G. H. Ruffee.

Putting and Approaching Competition (1 doz. golf balls)—Winner, Mr. Jack Harris.

President's Prize for Driving Competition (steel shafted driver)—Winner, Mr. Colin Munro.

Women—The Graham Handicap Cup—Winner, Mrs. A. G. Guest; runner-up, Miss Gwendolyn Hales.

The Guest Championship—Winner, Mrs. G. H. Ruffee, Miss Edith Stairs.



Charles Dickens

ate his last dinner away from home at Ye olde Cock Tavern. He was attached to the place as much by its memorable past as its versatile menus.

When in London (*The Seat of the Empire*)
Dine at

Ye Olde Cock Tavern

22, FLEET STREET, LONDON, England

Established in 1549, a good deal of the original furnishings are still preserved

FORE—Mr. G. W. Wright, the Proprietor, especially will appreciate a visit from Canadian and U. S. Golfers. They will be made heartily welcome. The best meals and wines and spirits in London are served at "Ye Olde Cock Tavern," and at the most reasonable rates.

The Miss Edith Stairs Driving Cup—Winner, Mrs. G. H. Ruffee.

The W. H. Eagar Approaching and Putting Cup—Winner, Miss Edith Stairs.

The Guest Family Foursome Cup—Winners, Mr. and Mrs. Guest.

The Mrs. J. Elliott Smith Cup, Best Ladies Ringer—Winner, Mrs. A. G. Guest.

The C.L.G.U. Spoons, Silver Division—Winner, Mrs. G. H. Ruffee.

The C.L.G.U. Spoons, Bronze Division—Winner, Mrs. A. G. Guest.

After the presentation of the prizes an informal social hour was spent in the club rooms, during which the ladies of the club served refreshments.

The ladies of Ken-Wo also met at the club house for the election of the lady officers of the club. The following were elected: Ladies' president, Miss Edith Stairs, Wolfville; ladies' vice-president, Mrs. George E. Graham, Kentville; ladies' secretary, Mrs. D. R. Munro, Wolfville. Mrs. Graham, vice-president, was the retiring president, having served in the latter office during 1927-28.

GOLF BALL LEGISLATION AND THE R. & A. CAPTAINCY

(By the Golf Editor of the Edinburgh "Scotsman")

THERE will be no change in regard to the weight and size of the golf ball in the meantime. That was the surprise announcement officially made at the R. & A. meeting last month. Expectation was that proposals for a larger and lighter ball on a formula agreed upon between the United States and St. Andrews would be tabled, and it is understood that practically all the members of the Rules of Golf Committee are in favour of new limitation of the ball in this direction. The present statute fixes the minimum diameter at 1.62 inches and the maximum weight at 1.62 ounces, and the new specifications said to be favoured by the Rules Committee are respectively 1.68 inches and 1.55 ounces.

Mr. Angus Hambro, the chairman of the Rules Committee and the new captain of the R. and A., announced, however, that at the request of the American authorities they had decided meantime to postpone consideration of the question pending the completion of important experiments in the States. Meantime our Dominions overseas were being consulted on the question. He also intimated that the Rules Committee did not feel justified meantime in sanctioning the use of steel clubs in this country.

Mr. Angus Hambro, who officially drove himself into the captaincy of the Royal and Ancient Club, has long been well known as a player. He has represented England on the links, has been a semi-finalist in the Amateur Championship, and was asked to join the first British Walker Cup team. Not all the holders of the high office in the game to which he succeeded last month can bring his competitive skill to it.

Time was when the captain had to play himself into office competitively, and the annual first tee ceremony of the headquarters club is an interesting survival of those early days. The member who did the lowest round won the Silver Club and automatically became captain for the year. That was the heroic way, but it had obvious disadvantages. It barred many worthy in every way of the honour, save that they could not play well enough.

In course of time the office was filled by election. The old captains nominate a member, who at the September meeting still technically wins the Silver Club, though he does it with but one stroke—the convenient tee stroke. When the change in the constitution was made it was agreed that no member should compete with the captain-elect for the trophy.

Mr. Hambro's drive was a link with a long time ago. The Silver Club was first played for in 1754, and was won by William Landale, Esq., a merchant of St. Andrews. The trophy is, of course, greatly treasured, and the members are required to kiss it at the annual dinner on the night of the Autumn Medal day. It is not easy to visualize a medal round in those spacious

days with the stranger implements of the time and the course in its original form and condition. Nothing seems odder to the present-day golfer's mind than the earliest ball with which the game was played. That was the "feathery"—a ball made of pieces of leather sewn together and stuffed with feathers until it was extraordinarily hard. That was the type of ball in use from time immemorial down to the middle of the last century, when the *gutta-percha* ball came in.

Allan Robertson, of St. Andrews, was a famous maker of the feather ball, for which he charged £1 per dozen, and his feelings when the "guttie" rival made its appearance can well be imagined. He saw his livelihood threatened, the doom of his trade. He stood out against the new medium, but in the end gave way when he saw that not only was the "guttie" bound to supplant the older ball, but that it was a better business proposition for himself. He could make three "gutties" in less time than it took to produce one "feathery." But by 1902 the "guttie", too, was passing out. The rubber-core, which is the subject of current controversy in its up-to-date form had by then come to stay.

ANY GIRL CAN BE A GOLFER

Expert Advice for Aspiring Amateurs

(By Glenna Collett)

"DO you think," asked the mother of a healthy fourteen year old girl after one of the recent tournaments, "that my daughter could be developed into a first-class golfer?"

That question has been put to me hundreds of times by parents and my reply is invariable. "Certainly. Why not?"

There is no trick to golf. Every aspiring player has her individual problem just as the swimmers, tennis players and dancers are confronted with obstacles along different lines of nerve control and body coordination. Within limitations, golf is a game of skill with emphasis on concentration, control and confidence—and plenty of hard work.

Such girls as Joyce Wethered, Mirian Burns Horn and Virginia Van Wie just didn't step out on the links, pick out a club, and suddenly discover themselves splendid golfers. Many, many hours of solitary practise and intelligent application were applied to their game before they reached the top.

The short history of woman's golf is already filled with refreshing examples of girls who started with some physical handicap and developed into players of the first magnitude. Some of the greatest players only reached the heights by utilizing to the utmost their natural ability.

There was Joyce Wethered, the greatest woman golfer in the world up to the time of her recent retirement. Determined to excel in golf, Miss Wethered studied and developed her game along sound lines. She observed that women fall down on backspins, mashie shots, pitches to the green and seldom make crashing second shots to the green. And they are weakest of all, in the short pitch when there is no opportunity for a run.

Knowing these things, Miss Joyce Wethered concentrated on driving and putting. She strengthened her ability on driving—preferably straight than long—strong iron shots, and the orthodox two putts to the green. How many young girls have put as much intelligent concentration on their game as this English girl has done? Not many. It is extremely seldom that Miss Wethered is ever found off the centre of the course, and to find her fall in a sand trap is a signal for all photographers to snap something unusual.

What this great English player has accomplished in the realm of woman's golf is not beyond the possible goal of any sport-loving American girl of four-

teen or fifteen aided by competent instruction and determined to concentrate on her game for several years.

Many young girls are developing into excellent players. They are springing up all over the country, and though in their 'teens, are already making threatening gestures toward coveted national titles. One of the sensations of the present season is Miss Virginia Van Wie, of Chicago. Only nineteen years old, Miss Van Wie has either won or been runner-up in all the big winter tournaments, forcing many of the best women golfers to the sidelines.

Miss Virginia Van Wie found no royal road to the heights. As a young girl, she was forced to remain away from school because of ill health. The doctors advised outdoor exercises and she was urged to take up golf. Watching this healthy girl drive her ball straight and far down the fairway for two hundred yards, it strains the imagination to try to picture her as a frail young girl.

For the sake of health and happiness, every girl should have an outdoor hobby such as golf. In looking over the field of sport activity for women, golf is singularly fitted to meet the needs of girls. The basis of the game is walking and as you probably know, walking is the best possible exercise for women. Golf happily combines the muscular activities of other sports and has no restrictions on age, build or stamina. Tennis becomes too violent for some women and others have a dislike for swimming.

There is no reason why any girl who desires to play should hold back because she is afraid of not playing a satisfactory game. Golf is no exception to the rule that to be perfect one must practise and do so with purpose and objective. Some girls have more of a knack for golf than others but rest assured there are no "born golfers." Those who have made headway went through the process of seeking and finding and forged ahead after deep digging on many fairways.

The object of continued practice is to acquire a swing that possesses rhythm and timing, a swing that by repetition becomes grooved in one path, a swing that requires no conscious thought to execute. In this way the aspiring golfer finds the swing best suited for herself.

Golf is a highly individualistic game and it is hard for the beginner to get out and practise alone. To get the best results, this solitary practise is necessary although it doesn't add to the pleasure of the exercise.

Competent instructors advise the aspiring player not to practise one shot or one idea to the extinction of all others, but to keep in mind the thing more necessary in golf than in any other sport—rhythm and control and balance, these are important. It is safe to say that golf is the most intricate, freakish and nerve-straining of all games—and at times the most discouraging. Skill can be maintained only by continued practise play—the muscles forget as easily as the mind. Practice is so important for the aspiring player who has the game well in mind but not well in hand.

So the art of self-control is vital. Permitting your feelings to get the better of you is bound to bring about disaster. When I played Miss Joyce Wethered for the British Woman's championship at Troon, Scotland, in 1925, I was impressed more forcibly by her remarkable temperament under fire than by her invincible playing. There is a story told about Miss Wethered that illustrates my point. While playing in a tournament outside London, she concentrated on making a three foot putt. Just as she was about to tap the ball a railroad train thundered by, not more than a hundred yards away. Miss Wethered sank the putt and when she straightened up one of her companions, disturbed by the rattle and roar of the locomotive, expressed wonder that she had not been upset by the train and cars.

"What train?" asked Miss Wethered.

Even the roaring passing of an engine failed to register on her consciousness.

In the match with Miss Wethered, I observed that she was blissfully unaware of the huge gallery, that she instinctively knew the right shot for the right situation and played without hesitation or doubt. She had self-control, confidence and concentration.

"This confidence in oneself," says a famous golfer, "which is necessary to win in sports, amounts to conceit. You must not only believe in yourself, but you must convey that impression to your opponent."

The cultivation of this attitude is the objective of every aspiring golfer. Call it restraint, poise, anything, but try and get it. Golf is essentially a game which is largely determined by the individual make-up of the player, such as temperament, build, weight, height and natural ability. Therefore, it is futile to lay down any cut and dried rules on which a style should be patterned.

The beginner should have six clubs. A driver, a brassie or a spoon, a mid-iron, a mashie, a mashie-niblick, and a putter. It is better for a beginner to dispense with the driver and substitute the brassie or spoon. Both are constructed with better facilities for giving the ball the necessary rise that keeps it out of trouble.

The wonderment and untold joy that is the reward of the aspiring player as the use of clubs unfolds cannot be described by me. Each golfer finds it out for herself. Select the clubs, enjoy the job, and then give your selection a chance to make good.

The aspiring golfer should mix concentrated practise with instruction under a tried professional to gain real proficiency. Having learned the rudiments, such as grip, stance, pivot and the general handling of the club, keep in mind that the unhurried, even swing, though with no sense of laziness, is the keynote to proper timing and balance.

A good foundation must be laid before any real development or advancement in the game is possible. All this is a contradiction to the fact that many golfers, although of championship calibre, play the game in a most unorthodox form. But the essentials are always there—a straight left arm on upward swing, firm wrist at the moment of impact and a steady eye on the ball.

There is an erroneous impression still lingering in the minds of the uninitiated that only big, strong girls can excel in golf. We have only to look over the lists of well-known players to find all sizes and shapes among golfers of the first rank.

There are better iron players among women golfers to-day than ever before. Women seem to be coming into their own in this part of the game where man has been able to play all around them.

In advising the young golfer, I cannot overstress the value of irons. They must be used with ease, confidence and comfort. Each has a purpose and a distance and should be utilized accordingly.

Any normal girl, taking up the sport when young and plastic, should become adept. Like everything else, it all depends on how much you put into it.

Fine golfers, or the stars in any line of sport, are those so familiar with the instruments of their game that they are always at ease under competition. This "feel" for clubs should be developed as early as possible. Skill and other necessary factors can be developed as the golfer goes along. You will find an awkward girl developing into something like grace and symmetry by early attention and inculcated love of the game. Once the young girl is imbued with the spirit it is merely a matter of time and ability and circumstance before she comes to the top. I have always believed that the ease and grace and muscle co-ordination associated with the so-called "natural athlete" is nothing more or less than a steady development since early childhood.—McCalls Magazine.

IN AND ROUND THE CLUB HOUSE

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

PLAYING the finest golf in his colorful career, Dr. O. F. Willing, the Portland (Oregon) dentist, won the Oregon Open Championship last month with the fine card of 295, one shot in front of Johnny Farrell, the U.S. Open Champion. Being an amateur the doctor could not share in the \$5,000 pot, which was divided as follows: Farrell \$1,500, Abe Espinosa \$900, John Golden \$446, Tom Armour \$466, Billie Burke \$466, and Walter Hagen \$275, with several other players securing smaller amounts.

Willie Hunter predicts that nothing less than 296 will capture the big \$10,000 Open Tournament next January at the Riviera Country Club, Los Angeles. * * *

Mr. John Morrison, a well known English authority, predicts that in 5 years time Germany will be a second America, as regards golf, with Walter Hagens and Bobby Joneses to astonish the world. * * *

Mr. W. W. Near, the well known Toronto capitalist, is building a splendid private golf course on his estate near Acton. Nine greens have already been laid out and the fairways seeded with blue grass, red top and jesque which is a "running" grass. The greens are all planted with bent sloten. The hazards will be put in next spring and also the tees. When completed the course will be probably the finest private one

in Canada as no expense is being spared in its construction. In addition to the golf course three large fish ponds are being constructed. The work is being supervised by Mr. F. G. Hebert, of Toronto, who has had a large number of men on the job the past few months.

* * *

THE STANCE

The stance in golf is even of greater importance than the grip. Personally, I am a great believer in a fairly wide stance, and have learned from experience that a player is less likely to find trouble with the shot if he stands with his feet well apart. Just how far the feet should be apart depends a great deal on the size and build of the golfer. There can be no set standard for all players to follow. The tall man could hardly follow a rule set down for the short man, but I would suggest that every player suit himself in this respect, and will offer a general rule to go by. Spread the feet far enough so that you feel securely planted. There would be, of course, such a thing as overdoing it, but there is little danger of spreading them too far. The time to stop is when they feel uncomfortable and you can feel yourself settling too close to the ground.

—Walter Hagen.

Stewart Scheftel, of the United States and Le Tourquet, France, who this year won the English boys' golf championship at Formby by defeating Archibald Dobbie, of Inverness, in the thirty-six hole final, by 6 and 5, is one of several of his compatriots who believe that on serious occasions the number of clubs proper to be carried is limited only by the patience and physical strength of the caddie employed. It is said that he considers a pack of twenty just sufficient for practical purposes.

* * *

The Southern California Open golf championship played last month over the Sunset Fields public course, Los Angeles, was won for the

second consecutive year by Willie Hunter, professional at the Montebello public course, former British Amateur Champion.

Hunter and Fred Morrison, professional at Midwick Country Club, tied for first place with 294 strokes each for the 36 holes. In the play-off Hunter won by a two-stroke margin.

* * *

The Ladies' Section of the Thistle-down Golf and Country Club, Toron-

to, held their annual meeting at the King Edward Hotel on Saturday afternoon, Dec. 8th. The events of the past season were reviewed, and reports of the various committees read. The retiring president, Mrs. J. A. Felker, presided, and Mrs. F. J. McCullough officiated as tea hostess.

The following members were elected as the Executive Committee for the season of 1929:

President, Mrs. R. S. Cummings; Secretary, Mrs. W. A. Orr; Captain, Mrs. W. R. McCallum; Vice-Captain, Mrs. S. White; Committee, Mrs. C. W. Jarvis, Mrs. J. D. Craig, Mrs. Alex Blyth; Tea Hostess, Mrs. F. J. McCullough; Press Representative, Mrs. A. Victor Piddington.

* * *

The death occurred recently in Winnipeg of Mrs. Bowles, beloved wife of Mr. Harvey Bowles, manufacturers agent of that city representing several prominent British golf and other firms. The interment took place in Toronto. Golfing and other friends throughout Canada will sincerely sympathize with the bereaved husband in which sentiment the Editor, an old friend of the family, desires to be associated.

* * *

Redvers Mackenzie, who is at present in New York refereeing professional hockey matches, it is understood will not return to the Marlborough Golf Club, Montreal, next season. For the past five years he has been the popular professional at this club.

* * *

Jim Pringle, a very fine golfer who has been professional with the Minikahda Club, Minneapolis, the past two years, is spending the winter at Winnipeg.

* * *

A Winnipeg correspondent writes under date of December 5th:

"We have been enjoying the most extraordinary weather these days. There has been no snow so far. The cold zero weather only came down on us on Sunday and it is still with us. We have been enabled to enjoy golfing in almost ideal conditions. The ground never got hard till this week. We are looking forward to more of it yet. Personally I am hoping to get a



RAPID hoof beats among the pines—tonic balsam laden air—brisk morning rides—a glorious winter interlude in the mid-south—overnight from New York. Golf par excellence—Wonderful motoring with interesting objectives including Pinehurst, Aiken and Asheville. Accommodations as you like to find them.

For descriptive folder, rates and reservations, address

Fred L. Miner, Manager

SEDFIELD INN
SEDFIELD...GREENSBORO N.C.

game on Christmas Day which would be a record for here. I played up till 23rd December, 1923, but our hopes for Christmas then were dashed on the Christmas Eve, when we had a dreadful storm."

* * *

Smith (watching a friend's jubilation): "He must have done the hole in one."

"Jones: "No, he has got a new cigarette lighter, and I think he's just got a light."

* * *

Golf Monthly, Edinburgh:

"I believe that there is a great future for any professional who has the right temperament in South America. The Buenos Aires Golf Club is a millionaire's place, and the several professionals there who are under Jurado all do well. It is an expensive place to live, but I know of one Scotch pro who went out and he has already built a house to himself. The announcement that the Scottish bank clerk, Sparkie Cruickshank, has become professional to the Olivos Golf Club, Buenos Aires, rather confirms my opinion that there is a big future for the

RITZ CARLTON HOTEL MONTREAL

*The Centre of Social
Life at all Times.*

Every convenience and all of
the luxuries demanded by
the discriminating public.

*For reservations and further
information apply to*

Emile C. Desbaillets
Manager

Telegraphic and Cable Address "Rizcarlton"

right man out in the great Republic, for Cruickshank has been in the Argentine for eight years, so that he must have had a well-paid position in the bank. Salaries are higher in the Argentine banks than the home banks. Cruickshank is a careful living fellow, and is a creditable recruit to professional ranks."

* * *

Hagen has cancelled his tour of Australia, satisfactory arrangements not having been come to. "Golf Monthly" says:

"Hagen was wise not to take the risk, for golf in Australia does not draw the populace like cricket, and there are golden plums to be gathered in the show business in Canada and the States, with Florida as the wintering place.

* * *

A special despatch to the Canadian Golfer from Del Monte, Cal., Dec. 12:

"Miss Glenna Collett, U.S. National Women's Golf Champion, plans to return to California next year and may make this her permanent home. This was Miss Collett's parting word when she left Del Monte this week for Pinehurst, N.C., via Santa Barbara, Pasadena and other Southern California points. The national champion spent a delightful month golfing on Pebble

Beach, Cypress Point and other Monterey Peninsula courses. She admitted that she had formed a deep attachment for the Del Monte sector."

* * *

THE GOLF ONE-DER!

Orlando Bray across the way
Is just a duffer so they say,
Who works within our local bank
And boasts but ordinary rank.
And yet thro' one eccentric shot
He's just received a house and lot.
A motor too of class supreme
Has since arrived upon the scene.

Within the house, I understand,
There proudly rests a baby grand,
A bedroom suite, an easy chair,
A kitchen stove and kitchen ware.
On reading desk is plainly seen
*The golfer's favourite magazine,
While on a stand they fondly show
A most expensive radio.

The cellar bulges, so I'm told
With almost all that it can hold,
With cases that are piled sky high
Containing ginger ale that's dry,
While boxes of new golf balls rest
With clubs and bags all of the best,
And as for cigarettes—O, Lor'!!
They're simply heaped upon the floor.

We marvelled long at Fate's decree
That brought this chap such luxury,
And changed him from an "also ran"
To such a proud, important man.
What act had he performed to gain
Such trophies rare and endless fame?
At last we learned how it was done—
He'd made, forsooth, a hole in one!

—W. Hastings Webbing.

* Title on application.—Ed. Canadian Golfer.

* * *

New York, December 12th:

Professional golfers took to an indoor course and twenty-eight of them played in a Metropolitan Professional Golfers' Association tourney over two miniature links that measured, respectively, 443 feet and 413 feet. Over these two eighteen-hole layouts of the Anyweather Golf Course at 315 Fourth Avenue, the competition was as close as those that have been held during the summer months over links that measure 6,000 yards or more. Phil Turnesa, of Elmsford, finally emerged the winner, but

only after a thirty-six hole play-off. Turnesa shot thirty-six holes in 75, only to find himself tied by Jim Dante, of Braidburn. The two then went over the tiny course, with its minute bunkers, ponds, and streams, and were even once more with 39 each. But playing the second course, Turnesa triumphed with a 37 to Dante's 40.

"Which hole are we playing, cad-die?"

"Well, sir, you drove off at the fifth, sliced across the eighth on to the fairway of the fifteenth, then you pulled over here on to the seventh. I think you'd better wait and see where this one goes."

* * *

A despatch from Santa Barbara, Cal., Nov. 30th:

"Johnny Farrell defeated Walter Hagen 1 up, and Miss Virginia Van Wie defeated Miss Glenna Collett by the same score in an eighteen-hole match to-day at the Lacumbre Golf and Country Club.

"Farrell and Miss Van Wie were partners and they won the joint match by two points, Farrell playing Hagen for a point a hole and Miss Van Wie having a similar match with Miss Collett, who beat her in the final of this year's national championship.

"The Lacumbre course has been selected for next year's championship of the Professional Golfers' Association. To-day's match was something in the nature of a trial of the course. Farrell had a card of 74. Hagen picked up on one hole and had an approximate 76. The women also drove from the back tees. Miss Van Wie had a medal score of 87 and Miss Collett had an 88."

Golfers who stick their arms out in front removing the elbows from the body will have cause to complain of poor drives. One cannot hope to hit a ball right with the arms extended at full length. If the golfer will remember this piece of advice he will soon learn what a compact swing means. Over-swinging is a fault and a bad one, but hitting the ball with a half swing is even worse. The surest sign of old age creeping upon a person is when one begins to shorten his swing.

I am small, I weighed but 116 pounds when I won the Open Championship last year, and like every small man I need a long full swing to get distance. Every small man needs

WEST INDIES

14-Day Cruises --- as low as \$140

By the ocean cruising liner

S.S. "ARAGUAYA"

Special Christmas Cruise sails Dec. 22, visiting Havana for Christmas; Nassau, Bahamas; and Bermuda for New Year's. Six later cruises visit Havana, Santiago de Cuba; Kingston, Jamaica; Port au Prince, Haiti; Nassau, Bahamas.

BERMUDA

WEEKLY SERVICE BY LUXURIOUS

S.S. "AVON"

The 2-day voyage from New York by this spacious 19,000-ton liner is a delightful part of your visit to the semi-tropical, mid-ocean islands.

Ask your tourist agent for illustrated booklets giving full information, or apply to

THE ROYAL MAIL STEAM PACKET CO.

26 BROADWAY, NEW YORK

a lot of leverage. When we get older a long swing helps just as much and if it is perfectly timed one will get results greater than expected.

—Johnny Farrell, U.S. Open Champion.

* * *

Despatch from Hollywood, Cal., Dec. 10th:

A field that included the holders of the British Open and American Open golf championships and other leading professionals competed in a one-day sweepstakes competition held at the Riviera Country Club to-day by the Southern California P. G. A. But the best score was returned by a local amateur, Fay Coleman, whose card was 74. Coleman, holder of the Southern California amateur championship, had 37 for each nine. Play was over the 7,200-yard course which will be used for the Los Angeles \$10,000 Open next month. The long course was unusually difficult to-day because it was wet. Rain fell all afternoon, and caused many contestants, among them Walter Hagen, to pick up. Harold Beer, of Los Angeles, led the pros with a score of 75. Harry Cooper, of Buffalo, with 77—2—75, and Frank Nunnally, of Santa Springs, Cal., with 79—4—75, tied for the money in a blind bogie handicap. Johnny Farrell, U.S. National Open champion, had a 79.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

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

Cash must accompany order.

WANTED POSITION for season of 1929, preferably with good club in the East. Winner of the Western Open, second in Saskatchewan Open, runner-up in Ontario Professional Open and third in Western Professional. Highest references from leading clubs both in Canada and the Old Country. An expert instructor.—Apply Tom McGrath, 1223 Fourth Avenue N.W., Moose Jaw, Sask., or Hamilton, Ontario.

SECRETARY Golf Club, open for position. Experienced in Club House management. Accounting and general supervision. Write Drawer 760 care of "Canadian Golfer", Brantford, Ontario.

WANTED—By well known English professional, with an outstanding record, both as regards playing and teaching, at present holding a very fine position, professional appointment in Canada, for the season of 1929. Fine championship record. Highest recommendations. Apply, care Editor "Canadian Golfer", Drawer 760, Brantford, Ontario (who strongly recommends the applicant to any first class club in the Dominion, contemplating a change next season).

POSITION WANTED—By high class professional with highest recommendations and strongly recommended by Editor "Canadian Golfer". A player of international reputation and an exceptionally good coach and club maker. Open for engagement for season of 1929. Has had experience in leading clubs in Great Britain and Canada. Fully capable of taking over the duties of a large club—Ontario or Quebec preferred. References on application. Apply "C.H." care of Canadian Golfer, Brantford, Canada.

WANTED—Experienced Secretary for a Toronto club, one capable of supervising work on course. Permanent position to right man. Salary starting \$2,500. Box L, Canadian Golfer.

WANTED.—Professional position for 1929, either East or West. First class references from leading clubs in Toronto, etc. First class club maker and teacher. Apply Joseph Hay, 119 Marlborough Avenue, Toronto.

GROUNDSMAN wanted for 18 hole course, sand greens, for season of 1929, April 15th to October 15th, in town of 5000. Preference given to one with knowledge of repairing clubs. State age, experience, and wage required. Elmwood Golf Club, Swift Current, Sask.

WORKING PRO. wanted for country golf club. Willing to personally work on course. Hours 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Pro to have privilege of care of clubs, club-making and repairing and giving of lessons. Club to retain other privileges. State age, experience and salary required. Box X Canadian Golfer.

WANTED—Southern California Professional. Would like position with first-class club in Canada for the coming season. Furnish excellent references as to ability as player, instructor and clubmaker from the Directors of present club. Apply "Canadian Born," Canadian Golfer, Brantford, Canada.

ENGLISH professional, with five years Canadian experience, open for engagement for 1929 season. Thoroughly experienced in all departments. Apply Bob Tomlinson, Box 1744, Sudbury, Ontario.

PROFESSIONAL, open for engagement for the season of 1929. First class player and teacher. Holder of five records. Highest class references as to character and ability. Apply "D. E. J." Canadian Golfer, Brantford, Ontario.

WANTED—"By Professional with six years experience", position for the 1929 season. Best of references, excellent tutor and clubmaker with a thorough knowledge on the upkeep of a golf course. Apply to O. R. Waighorn, Box 254, Cobourg, Ont.

PROFESSIONAL WANTED—For the Stratheona Links, Port Arthur, for the season of 1929. Man good on greens and fairways, as well as capable of taking responsibility of a Municipal Course. Applications with reference and testimonials received up to January 20, 1929. T. F. Milne, Sec. Parks Board, Port Arthur, Ont.

PROFESSIONAL wanted for Regina Golf Club. Season extends April 1st to October 31st, eighteen holes, membership 350. Professional to have sale of clubs, balls, repairs and giving of lessons. No course duties. Applicant must state terms, age, married or single and record including previous clubs. In first letter, send only copies of testimonials. Apply S. Cookson, Secretary, 2224 College Ave., Regina, Sask.

GEO. CUMMING

TORONTO GOLF CLUB

Long Branch - Ontario



I CARRY a complete stock of wooden clubs of every description, guaranteed hand-made, and iron clubs hand-forged in St. Andrew's, Scotland; Caddie Bags of every size and description.

CORRESPONDENCE SOLICITED AND PROMPTLY REPLIED TO
GOLF COURSES LAID OUT

If you are contemplating a new course; if you are considering the advisability of bringing your course up to the modern idea of what a golf course should be, I am confident that I can give you the very best service obtainable. My work throughout the Dominion is the best advertisement of my ability as a Golf Architect.

Golf Architect and
Maker of Golf Clubs.

Address for Parcels sent by Express,
PORT CREDIT, ONT.

Headquarters for the Best Golf Goods in Ontario



My stock of Clubs and Balls for the 1927 season is easily the best I have had during my long career. I guarantee all my Clubs hand-made. Special attention given to orders by mail from any part of Canada or the United States. I have a magnificent stock of



**DRIVERS, BRASSIES, SPOONS, DRIVING IRONS,
MASHIES, MASHIE NIBLICKS, ETC. ETC.**

Complete stock of Golf Balls and Bags of every requisite for the complete outfitting of Clubs or individual golfers.

Golf courses laid out and old Courses re-laid out and improved.

"EVERYTHING FOR THE GOLFER"

Prompt attention given to all Mail Orders.

NICOL THOMPSON

495 Aberdeen Avenue or
Phone Regent 5714 W. HAMILTON, Ont.

The Links, ANCASTER
Ontario

Herbert Tareyton



**for Pipe and
Cigarette Smokers
who prefer the best**

*It's a
Gift—*

Herbert Tareyton London Cigarettes — in handsome Christmas wrapped tins of 50, 85c; 100s \$1.70. Special Christmas Cartons (Cork Tips) \$1.00.

There's **SOMETHING** about them you'll like



*And for
Him—*

Herbert Tareyton London Smoking Mixture in home tins at \$1.50 or in large glass humidor with gift card and red ribbon \$3.00.

OFFERING
A Regal New Cabin Service
from Montreal

Duchess

OF ATHOLL & DUCHESS OF BEDFORD

With a gross register of 20,000 tons . . . luxurious public rooms and cabins . . . and greater facilities for recreation, the Duchess ships come this season to join the great Canadian Pacific Atlantic fleet. They are the biggest ships sailing out of Montreal. All rooms have hot and cold running water. The service is of traditional Canadian Pacific excellence.

*For information apply your
local agent, or*

**CANADIAN
PACIFIC**



WORLD'S GREATEST TRAVEL SYSTEM