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A song of hate is a song of Hell;  
 Some there be that sing it well.  
 Let them sing it loud and long.  
 We lift our hearts in a loftier song;  
 We lift our hearts to Heaven above,  
 Singing the glory of her we love—

*England!*

Glory of thought and glory of deed,  
 Glory of Hampden and Runnymede;  
 Glory of ships that sought far goals,  
 Glory of swords and glory of souls!  
 Glory of songs mounting as birds,  
 Glory immortal of magical words;  
 Glory of Milton, glory of Nelson,  
 Tragical glory of Gordon and Scott;  
 Glory of Shelley, glory of Sidney,  
 Glory transcendent that perishes not—  
 Hers is the story, hers be the glory—

*England!*

Shatter her beauteous breast ye may;  
 The Spirit of England none can slay!  
 Dash ye the bomb on the dome of Paul's—  
 Deem ye the fame of the Admiral falls?  
 Pry the stone from chancel-floor—  
 Dream ye that Shakespeare shall live no more?

Where is the giant shot that kills  
 Wordsworth walking the old green hills?  
 Trample the red rose on the ground,  
 Keats is Beauty while earth spins round!  
 Bind, her, grind her, burn her with fire,  
 Cast her ashes into the sea—  
 She shall escape, she shall aspire,  
 She shall arise to make men free;  
 She shall arise in a sacred scorn,  
 Lighting the lives that are yet unborn;  
 Spirit supernal, Splendour eternal.

*England!*

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### Many Golfers in the new Parliament

The great majority of golfers undoubtedly are supporters of the new Union Government which swept so irresistibly into power on December 17th. To a man almost, they sank their political proclivities and voted for "win-the-war" candidates. A very pleasing feature of the elections is the large number of golfers who will be found on the Government benches the forthcoming session. The Cabinet itself has many golfers in its personnel (including the Premier, Sir Robert Borden) and there are besides a score or more of members who confess golf as their favourite diversion.

In Great Britain members of both houses annually have their golf competitions and the "Canadian Golfer" would like to see the Parliamentarians in this country follow in the footsteps of the Mother of Parliaments, in this respect. The Hon. M. Burrell, a capital golfer, would be especially a good man to start "the ball" rolling in the Commons and the Hon. George Lynch-Staunton in the Senate.

### The War and Amateur Sport-ing Events

As in Great Britain, so in Canada and the United States, the first shock of the war, was followed by almost complete cessation of all amateur sporting events. In the Mother Country and to some extent in Canada, last year wiser counsels prevailed however, and good, clean, legitimate games were largely participated in again. In Great Britain this was noticeably the case in football, although for some time now it has no longer been looked upon as high treason for the



military over age and the juniors to be seen on the golf links, on the cricket and football fields or tennis courts there.

In the United States there has latterly been a big swing of the pendulum to saner ideas in connection with the relation of sports to the war, largely owing perhaps, to the very sensible view taken of the matter by President Wilson and all those in authority over there, who have come out very strongly in support of the continuance of games tending to the upbuilding physically and mentally of both old and young of both sexes.

Last season, very sanely, the Seniors' Golf Association of the United States decided to have its annual four day tournament as usual at Apawamis, with the result that there was a record entry of nearly four hundred members and it is safe to say that the prominent golfers who participated in this notable event as a result were freshened and inspired to even greater effort in patriotic and other work as a result of the respite of a few days on the links.

And now comes the United States Tennis Association with the decision in 1918 to revive all championship events, which of course will be played with the principal object in view of raising money for patriotic purposes.

This decision of the tennis players is in entire accord with the ideas of the War authorities who are strongly in favour of the continuance of amateur athletic events in the United States.

In Canada there is no reason whatever why the Golf, Tennis, Cricket and Football Associations, should not to some extent at least, revive tournaments, (the Bowlers and Curlers, be it noted, have never discontinued their competitive events) to be participated in by returned soldiers, soldiers in training and men not available for military service—the gallant juniors of course are now all at the Front.

You can do your "bit" and "carry on" so much the better if during the coming season you keep physically fit by participating in your favourite outdoor sport whenever opportunity presents itself, with an occasional out-of-town friendly match or tournament tilt of skill to excite to greater endeavour. No, "no possible reason whatever," why such events should not be indulged in when tempered with moderation.

**How to Meet Advancing Age Merrily** In view of the fact that Canadian Golfdom will see the instituting this year of a Seniors' Golf Association, anything bearing upon such an institution at the present time must be received with particular interest.

The "Greeting" delivered by Mr. Darwin P. Kingsley to the United States Senior Association last autumn at the annual dinner at Apawamis, which has been issued in the form of an attractive little brochure, is quite one of the most scholarly golfing productions of recent days.

Mr. Kingsley takes as his text the words of the Duke in "Measure for Measure:" "Thou hast nor youth, nor age, but, as it were, an after dinner sleep, dreaming on both."

That he knows his Shakespeare well is proven by many appropriate quotations, running through the "Greeting" from "Henry VI," "As You Like It," and other works of the bard dealing with youth and old age.

"In creating this Seniors' organization," Mr. Kingsley most aptly says in his concluding remarks: "We have probably builded a monument and in so doing we are only observing the reflections of Benedick in "Much Ado"—"If a man do not erect in this age his own tomb ere he dies, he shall live no longer in monuments than the bell rings and the widow weeps."

"We admit that youth has certain seeming advantages, but young men after all belong to what we may properly call the dependent class. Some of them may insolently offer us three bisques and make us wish we had taken four, but all such performers miss the ecstasy we feel in scoring an eighty, because in doing that we have triumphed over time. But that is only a suggestion of our real triumph.

"What brings us together?

We come from many States, from many vocations. As the world wags we have various



faiths and as many points of view as five hundred men who have played the game hard well can have

We have been young, as youth goes. We have paid that debt by raising up sons and daughters to take our places. We have played our part in the fierce contests of middle life,—and I think, played it honourably. Now we come together as men like us have never before assembled. Why? Because we have discovered as alas! thousands of others have not, how to meet advancing age merrily. By this game of golf and this fellowship we vanquish time even as the boy scores a 79. Neither of us knows just how we do it, but we do it.

We have learned what King Henry meant when in wooing Katherin he said:—"But in faith Kate, the elder I wax, the better I shall appear, my comfort is that old age, that ill-layer up of beauty, can do no more spoil upon my face."

We are in truth no group of fools drawing dials from our pokes or watches from our pockets, nor do we look at these instruments for recording time with lack-lustre eyes, as Jacques's fool did, nor do we say with him: "It is ten o'clock: "Thus we may see \* \* \* \* how the world wags; 'Tis but one hour since it was nine, And after an hour more 'twill be eleven; And so from hour to hour we ripe and ripe, And then from hour to hour we rot and rot, And thereby hangs a tale."

By this glorious game and this gracious fellowship 'tis true we ripe and ripe; but we are "too much in the sun" to rot—the sun that browns our bodies clears our brains. We are too, in that other sunlight that floods our souls and teaches us to laugh at time, the fearless sunlight of philosophy which makes our western sky more glorious than any sky of youth."

Altogether Mr. Kingsley holds a delightful brief for the Senior who has come to the Falstaffian years of confession—and discretion. "As I think, his age, some fifty, or by're lady inclining to three score."

## Chip Shots

There were eight new golf courses opened in Canada in 1917 and the indications already are that 1918 will see that record surpassed.

The Bishop of London has incurred the wrath of the racing fraternity by suggesting that while there is no harm in golf for the business man to keep him fit, racing is in quite a different category.

A Golfing Year To You. May you drive farther and better; may the only pull you notice be for you; may the only slice you get be the biggest slice of good fortune; may your approach be dead to the pin always; may you land on the long green every time; may your course be smooth and happy; may the only sand be the kind of which you have plenty—and may the whole round of the year, from January to December, be the best you have ever known.

Mr. Hume Cronyn, newly elected M.P. for London:—"I should hate to think my new duties may prevent me from my former moderate indulgence in the Royal and Ancient game. I think we should all take note of President Wilson's advice, and make a more determined effort than ever to find time for a certain amount of healthy outdoor recreation. As I am over the proposed "Senior" mark, you can understand with what interest I look forward to an extension of that interesting competition into Canada."

It is impossible to appreciate now the tremendous revival that is coming when this war ends, writes Grantland Rice. This revival will come from two important factors: (1) The fact that several hundred thousand young men, through camp life and the different games attached have found out what the outdoor game means. (2) The fact—and the more important one—that when the tension from the war has relaxed there will be a feverish rush to competition that doesn't mean death and destruction, blood and horror, pain and sacrifice. Someone has said, for example, that after one had served in the trenches, a game such as golf would seem dull and tame. On the contrary, we figure that it would carry an increased thrill, the thrill of a pleasure and a

competition that isn't to be suddenly checked by a big shell or a gas wave or a machine gun sweep.

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Mr. W. C. Teagle, President Standard Oil Co., New York:—"I always read your publication while in Canada and shall continue to do so here."

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Secretaries of clubs would confer a great favour by sending into the "Canadian Golfer" the reports of their annual meetings. Election of officers and other items of the past year's doings will be read by golfers generally with very great interest not only in the home town but throughout the Dominion.

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Don't leave your clubs in a cold damp locker all through the winter. It's bad for the grips and shafts alike. Clubs should be kept in a temperature around the 50 mark—in a place neither too hot nor too cold. Your "irons" and your "woods" were good to you all through the season of play. "Play the game" with them the next few months. And don't forget a touch of oil on shafts and wooden heads.

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The U. S. coal controller has asked Mr. Howard W. Perrin, President of the United States Golf Association, to request the golf clubs in his jurisdiction to close their club houses during the winter months. There are 400 clubs in the U. S. G. A. and it is estimated that 100,000 tons of coal can be saved if this action is taken. In Canada it may be noted that the majority of the golf and country clubs have been closed this winter. Very few are being kept open.

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Wellington maintained that Waterloo was won on the playing fields of Eton, and athleticism has more than vindicated itself in the present war. The messages from Secretary of the Navy Daniels and Secretary of War Baker, of the United States, advocating the continuance and the "speeding up" of college athletics, attest the recognized value of athletes as fighting men. The realm of sport has furnished a splendid share of the honour roll of the Allies.

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Many Canadian golfers who had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Norman Hunter, when he was here some few years ago playing prominent Canadian courses with Mr. Hilton, will be interested to know that his relatives are still living in hope that he is a prisoner in Germany, although he has not been heard from since wounded in a trench early in the war. It appears that the Sunningdale captain was injured in the head by a cricket ball years ago and this seriously affected his memory and made him liable to complete blanks. His wife has still absolute confidence that "the mighty driver" and general all round golfer and athlete is still in the land of the living.

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Mr. Charles Evans, jr., the U. S. Open and Amateur champion, can always be depended upon to issue a graceful Xmas and New Year greeting. This season it takes the form of a very pretty card with the embossed flags entwined of the three golf playing allied countries—Great Britain, France and the United States, with the following appropriate verse:—

Three flags that tell heroic tales,  
Of England, France, my country too,  
Their presence here illuminates  
The message that I send to you.

Canadian golfers who received this greeting card (the "Canadian Golfer" was among the fortunate) from the champion, naturally prize it very highly. Mr. Evans, ever since the war's inception, has been a warm friend of the Allied cause.

Good-bye old 19th hole with your many centuries of tradition and of fragrant memory—when not overplayed. You had to go into the war's discard with many other loveable, but luxurious institutions!

Golfing and other friends of Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor of Montreal will be glad to hear that his son, Lieut Travers Williams-Taylor of the 18th Hussars, for whose safety grave fears were entertained, has been definitely reported alive, although unfortunately a prisoner in Turkey. Sir Frederick received a cable to this effect December 23rd from the British Secretary of War.

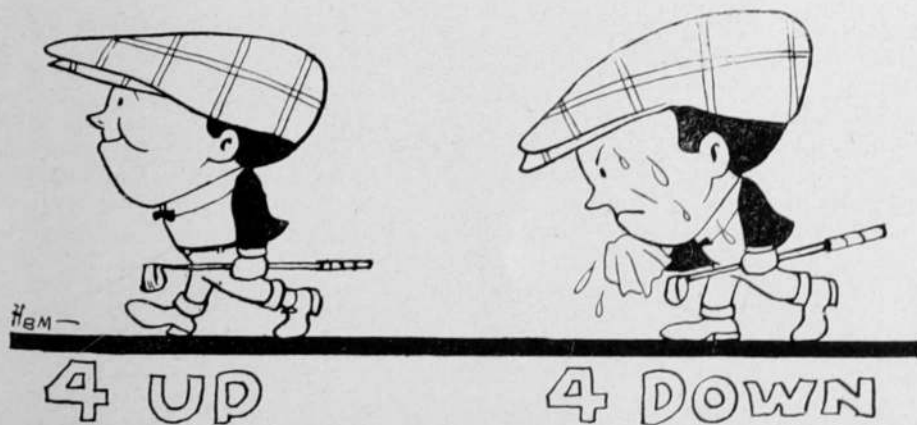
The formation of a Seniors' Golf Association in Canada, will be one of the most potent factors in the future of the game here. It will bring together men prominent in all walks of life,—men who have done and are doing "big things." The indications are that early in the year the Association will be successfully launched. The idea is meeting with a most enthusiastic reception in all the leading golfing centres.

The "Anzaes" are at all events not in doubt as to the position of golf in the Antipodes after the war. The "Australian Golfer" says it is nonsense to suppose that the game will take years to recover; on the contrary, it's just the recreation to suit returned soldiers; it will boom more than ever, and international golf will reach great dimensions. Our Australian contemporary further predicts that one of the first international post-war events will be a tournament of the Allies.

### Camouflage

He bought a suit of Scottish tweed,  
And all the golf books he could read,  
He bought a most imposing bag,  
And filled it full of clubs begad,  
Then on the club verandah, he  
Would sit and yarn mendaciously,  
He talked and looked a golfer—but  
There it ended—Silly Knut.

W. H. Webling





## Golf and the War

**M**R. Charles Evans writes from New York:—

"Golf has come to a pause. The great war has intervened, and within the first year of our entrance every competitive event of any importance ceased. Few of the golfers who were free could find it in their hearts to take advantage of the absence of their friends who were training in the various camps throughout the country. The change was so quick and sharp that our standstill was almost breathless.

A year ago Robert Gardner was playing in the final of the National Championship at Merion; this year at the same time he is learning the best and most approved methods of driving German kultur from the world links forever. And his action is typical of the movement that is carrying a world of men toward war and away from sport.

When the war is over golf will be greatly changed in this country. In some ways the change may not be so great in Britain, for British golfers come more slowly into their best game, and most of the great English players are past military age.

This assertion is perhaps more nearly true of professional golfers. Vardon, Braid, Taylor, Ray and other great players, although good for many years of sterling golf, are not fitted for military service, and most of the younger golfers who might be expected to supersede them in the course of time have been drawn into the maelstrom of war.

British amateurs have suffered heavily. It is true that John Ball, Hilton, Blackwell and others are past military age and will doubtless play fine games for a long time; but Jack Graham, probably the finest amateur golfer in the world, was killed in the early days of the war.

Many of the most promising of the younger golfers are now at the front, many have made the supreme sacrifice and many are badly wounded. British casualty lists are heart-breaking to those of us who have played abroad.

We cannot expect to escape changes ourselves. We will lay aside with our big tournaments the thoughts of low scores, long-driven balls, fancy clubs and more testing courses, but after all, soldiers who have played golf will continue to do so."

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### Rules is Rules, at Pinehurst

**P**INEHURST, N. C., January 1—They are telling a good one, at the Pinehurst Country Club. It seems that during the finals of a tournament of the Moore County Country Club, held at Pinehurst early in the Autumn, one of the finalists played his ball from a trap straight into the upturned cuff of an Innocent Bystander's nether habiliments.

The referee took instant steps to prevent the Innocent Bystander from dislodging either the ball or himself, and a general discussion ensued among the experts. The decision, of course, was that the ball was to be played from where it lay, or the player to concede an unplayable position and lose the hole. The player couldn't see the loss of the hole and the gentleman in the flannels firmly declined to have his ankle used as a tee for the next shot. He had played with the waiting golfer before, he said, and wasn't taking any chances on this occasion.

In the meantime somebody had brought along a barrel or a blanket, or something, into which the Bystander retired for the time being, the trousers being handed over to the referee and suspended for the shot, at the original height from the ground. The finalist played a neat mashie niblick out of the upturned cuff, reached the green, and won the hole amid the plaudits of the assembled multitude, bar one.

Your correspondent is reliably informed that the sequence of events as here narrated comes well within that distance of the literal truth or, as it might be more appositely expressed, the bare facts.

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**FORE!**

Subscribe for the "Canadian Golfer," starting with this January number.

## History of Golf at a Glance

Stepping Stones in the Record of the Universal Game from  
1457 to 1917

- 1457 Parliament ordains that golf be "utterly cryit doune, and nocht usit."
- 1491 Another law to the same effect.
- 1503 King plays golf extensively.
- 1552 Earliest reference to golf being played at St. Andrews.
- 1608 Present Royal Blackheath Golf Club founded. (Oldest golf club in the world.)
- 1735 Present Edinburgh Burgess Golfing Society founded.
- 1744 Present Honourable Company of Edinburgh Golfers founded.
- 1754 Present Royal and Ancient Golf Club, St. Andrews, founded. First Royal and Ancient Competition.
- 1834 Royal and Ancient Club given that title.
- 1837 Royal and Ancient King William IV medal first competed for.
- 1848 Gutty ball came in ("Featheries" previously.)
- 1849 Famous foursome, Allan Robertson and Tom Morris vs. Brothers Dunn. Former couple won.
- 1853 Willie Park, Sr., played Tom Morris twice for £100 stake each time. Park won both.
- 1854 Royal and Ancient Club's house completed.
- 1859 Allan Robertson died.
- 1860 Open Championship established (Willie Park, Sr., winner.)
- 1863 King Edward VII (then Prince of Wales) elected Captain of the Royal and Ancient Club.
- 1864 Present Royal North Devon Golf Club founded.
- 1865 London Scottish Golf Club founded.
- 1867 Tom Morris, Sr., won Open Championship for the fourth time.
- 1869 Present Royal Liverpool Golf Club founded.
- 1870 Tom Morris, Jr., won Open Championship for third time in succession and became owner of the belt.
- 1871 No championship.
- 1872 Tom Morris, Jr., won Open Championship for fourth time.
- 1873 Open Championship first played for at St. Andrews. On November 4th, 1873, Montreal Golf Club was established—the first golf club on the continent of America.
- 1874 Open Championship first played for at Musselburgh. Quebec Golf Club was established—the second oldest golf club on the continent.
- 1875 Tom Morris, Jr., died. Willie Park, Sr., won Open Championship for fourth time.
- 1876 Toronto Golf Club was established.
- 1878 Oxford and Cambridge University Match first played.
- 1879 Jamie Anderson won Open Championship for third time in succession.
- 1881 Wm. Davis, first golf professional to come to America arrives at Montreal and takes up his duties with the Montreal Club.
- 1882 Bob Ferguson won Open Championship for third time in succession. First Inter-Provincial match played in Montreal, Quebec winning by 18 holes.
- 1886 Amateur Championship established (Mr. H. G. Hutchinson, winner)

- 1888 Mr. John Ball won Amateur Championship for the first time. St. Andrews Golf Club formed in Yonkers, N.Y.—the first golf club in the United States.
- 1889 Open Championship last played for at Musselburgh.
- 1890 Mr. John Ball won both Open and Amateur Championships. Algonquin Golf Club, St. Andrews, formed—the first club in New Brunswick.
- 1892 Championship of India established.  
Open Championship first played for at Muirfield, Mr. H. H. Hilton, winner.  
Mr. Edward Blackwell drove 366 yards from 17th tee at St. Andrews (with old gutta ball.)  
Amateur Championship first played for at Sandwich.
- 1893 British Ladies' Championship established.  
Victoria Golf Club established—first golf club in British Columbia.
- 1894 J. H. Taylor won his first Open Championship.  
Open Championship first played for at Sandwich.  
Right Hon. A. J. Balfour elected Captain of the Royal and Ancient Club.  
Organization of the United States Golf Association.  
Winnipeg Golf Club (now Norwood Golf Club) established—first club in Manitoba.
- 1895 American Open and Amateur Championships established.  
Amateur Championship was first played in Canada at Ottawa, won by Mr. T. H. Harley of Kingston.
- 1896 Harry Vardon won his first Open Championship.  
Mr. F. G. Tait won his first Amateur Championship.  
Royal Canadian Golf Association incorporated; First President, the late Sir George Drummond of Montreal.  
Halifax Golf Club is organized—the first in Nova Scotia.
- 1897 Open Championship first played for at Hoylake (Mr. H. H. Hilton, winner.)
- 1898 Mr. Geo. S. Lyon then playing for Rosedale, won Canadian Amateur Championship for first time at Toronto.  
First International Match United States vs. Canada, played at Toronto. Won by United States, 20 holes.
- 1899 H. Vardon defeated Willie Park in a seventy-two hole match. Western Golf Association founded, Chicago, Ill.
- 1900 Lieut. F. G. Tait killed in South Africa.  
J. H. Taylor won his third Open Championship.  
Last International Match, United States vs. Canada played at Quebec. United States won by 5 holes.
- 1901 Mr. H. H. Hilton won Amateur Championship for the second time. James Braid won his first Open Championship.  
First Lady Championship of Canada is played in Montreal. Won by Miss Lily Young of Montreal.
- 1902 Rubber cored ball introduced into Great Britain.  
Amateur International Match first played.
- 1903 Harry Vardon won his fourth Open Championship.  
Mr. W. J. Travis (America) won Amateur Championship.
- 1904 Open Championship of Canada is first played at Montreal. Winner, J. H. Oke.  
Mr. Geo. S. Lyon wins Olympic Championship at St. Louis, defeat



- ing in the finals, Chandler Egan, United States Amateur Champion.
- 1906 James Braid won his third Open Championship. International foursome over four courses—St. Andrews, Troon, St. Annes, and Deal—for £400, J. H. Taylor and H. Vardon vs. James Braid and A. Herd. Taylor and Vardon won by 13 and 12.
- 1907 Mr. John Ball won his sixth Amateur Championship. A. Massy (France) won the Open Championship. Saskatchewan and Alberta Provinces organize golf clubs. Appeal for patent in rubber-cored ball rejected by House of Lords.
- 1908 Tom Morris, Sr., died. James Braid won his fourth Open Championship in the record score of 291. New code of rules adopted. Miss Mabel Thompson, St. John, wins Canadian Lady Championship for 5th time.
- 1909 J. H. Taylor won his fourth Open Championship. W. H. Horne made record drive in competition (388 yards) at North Berwick.
- 1910 Jubilee of Open Championship, James Braid winning for the fifth time. New Rule passed, excluding center-shafted clubs. Miss Dorothy Campbell (Mrs. Hurd) wins Canadian and U. S. Championship.
- 1911 Mr. H. H. Hilton won the British and American Amateur Championships. Harry Vardon won his fifth Open Championship.
- 1912 Mr. Jerome D. Travers "came back." Won the American Amateur Championship a third time. Mr. John Ball wins his eighth Amateur Championship. First Municipal golf course established in Canada at Edmonton.
- 1913 Mr. Francis Ouimet, a Boston amateur, twenty years of age, defeated the professional golfing world of America, including Vardon, Ray, Teller and Reid, from Great Britain and France, in the Open Championship of the United States, at Brookline. Miss Ravenscroft of England won the Women's Championship of America. Mr. "Jerry" Travers won Amateur Championship of America for the fourth time.
- 1914 Mr. Francis Ouimet captured the American Amateur Championship. Harry Vardon for the sixth time, won the British Open Championship. Miss Cecil Leitch won the British Ladies' Championship. Mr. George S. Lyon wins the Canadian Amateur Championship for the 8th time. War is declared and over 3,000 Canadian golfers have since then donned Khaki and over 200 have paid the supreme sacrifice.
- 1915 Mr. "Jerry" Travers won the American Open Championship. "Canadian Golfer," official organ of the Royal Canadian Golf Association, Canadian Ladies' Golf Union and Rules of Golf Committee is established.
- 1916 Mr. Charles Evans, Jr., won both Amateur and Open Championships of America.
- 1917 United States enters war and all championships discontinued.

## Saskatchewan Provincial Golf Association

**S**ASKATCHEWAN has a very live and up-to-date Provincial Golf Association, which conducts every year a most successful tournament. The officers for the current year are:—

Hon. President, Hon. Chief Justice Haultain, Regina; President, A. F. Angus, Regina; Vice-President, H. C. Pope, Moose Jaw, Sask.; Hon.-Sec. and Treas., G. Innes Mackenzie, Regina. Executive Committee:—E. E. Miller, Wascana Country Club, Regina; D. McMillan, Regina Golf Club, Regina; A. Sullivan, Moose Jaw Golf Club, Moose Jaw; E. S. Martin, Saskatoon Country Club (Saskatoon); N. C. Byers, Saskatoon Golf Club, Saskatoon; Dr. J. P. Cramer, Qu'Appelle Golf Club, Qu'Appelle. For the coming season the officers have been elected as follows:—Hon. President, Hon. Chief Justice Haultain, Regina; President, H. C. Pope, Moose Jaw; Vice-President, J. D. Turnbull, Regina; Hon. Sec. and Treasurer, J. L. Tarton, Regina. Executive Committee: N. C. Byers, Saskatoon Golf Club, Saskatoon; W. H. Gray, Wascana Country Club, Regina; A. F. Angus, Regina Golf Club, Regina; A. Sullivan, Moose Jaw Golf Club, Moose Jaw; J. Hettle, Saskatoon Country Club, Saskatoon; Rev. R. W. Lundy, Qu'Appelle Golf Club, Qu'Appelle.



WINTER GOLF—In and Out of Doors

By Franklin Collier, Golf Illustrated

# Saskatoon Golf Club

Premier Royal and Ancient Organization of Saskatchewan Has a Sporting Eighteen Hole Course. Splendid Record of Nearly 100 Members Enlisted for Overseas

THE golf that had been played in Battleford and Prince Albert in the very early days, on courses that must have been most primitive, (in fact there were no real courses and the enthusiasts had to be content knocking a ball around the prairies) can scarcely be said to have failed to bear seed in the Province of Saskatchewan, for to-day all the cities of any size have their courses, Regina and Saskatoon having two each. Of organized golf clubs in Saskatchewan none are older than the Saskatoon Golf Club. It was in 1907 that a few men got together at the office of Mr. James Stratton in Saskatoon and began talking of golf. Well you know what that means! We must have a course! so they said, and altho the number was small, they hoped to get enough enthusiasts interested in the game to finance the purchase of some hole cups and flag poles, all that was necessary as a bait before announcing the debut of the Saskatoon Golf Club.

The cups were ordered from Winnipeg and other equipment to the amount of \$15.75 was got, and presto, we had a golf course.

Mr. Jamie Stratton, an Edinburgh man was the moving spirit and his backers were Sandy McOwan, Doctor Croll, and Doctor Young, the Mayor of Saskatoon, Herbert Weston,



SASKATOON GOLF CLUB  
The first green of the sporting 18 hole course.

ton, Hugh Aird, W. P. Kilpatrick and Dr. McKay. Mr. Mooney, now of Port Arthur was appointed Secretary-Treasurer. Look them over! Do you think they would speak any language but Gaelic and Golf?

Mr. H. S. Colt was not called in to advise on the layout. The organizers had enough golfing sense of their own to start off with. There was lots of land where a course could be laid out, thousands of acres, rent free, but these gentlemen did not like the idea of going far into the country to play, so they squatted on what is now Central Park, and now practically the centre of the city. From the first round the game has gone ahead, and the club has flourished since its inception.

In 1911 it was found necessary to look for pastures new and of a more permanent sort, so the city council was approached and the efforts of the committee was rewarded by being allowed to use 80 acres of ground lying next to the Exhibition Grounds.

"Bill" Kinnear, the pro, was brought to lay out the course and to show how good a job was made of it, no alterations have been made or thought of, and "Bill" is still on the job having been with the club for seven seasons. He doesn't go to California or Florida in the winter; he makes a point of meet-



ing a few friends occasionally in a poker game; he says it amounts to the same thing.

The arrangement with the city is: "That any person may play over the course on payment of a fee, or the purchase of a season ticket, not to exceed a certain sum with use of locker. Fees to be fixed by council." Fees are collected by the club to help maintain the course and although the course is not a public course so far as being maintained by the municipality, Saskatoon will always claim that it had the first public course in Canada. Under the arrangements made, did it or did it not?

The years 1911—12—13 were boom years in the West and strange as it may seem, these were the slackest years for golf, because everyone was bent on some other game with more money in it. Then came 1914, the banner year in Saskatoon for golf, for the course was that year extended to 14 holes and later in the season to the full 18. Additional ground had to be rented to accommodate the play, because all the members were active, and the transients many.

And then the war! In 1914 the club had a male membership of 87, and



#### SASKATOON GOLF CLUB

Watching the winning putt on 37th hole of first Saskatchewan Championship. H. A. Bruce, Saskatoon Golf Club, winner; A. A. Weir, runner-up.

of that number 53 volunteered before the 1915 season opened. The 1915 season closed with a membership of 94 and before the 1916 season opened, we had lost over the two seasons following the start of the war, 87 men and 6 ladies who had gone to the Front, leaving the club in a position not altogether enviable. Notwithstanding the inroads made on the membership the 1916 season showed a total of 116, of which we lost 5 before the 1917 season opened, making a total of 98 members gone to war in the cause of right and justice.

The Saskatoon Club has no reason to be ashamed of the part their members have taken in the war, and the honours have come aplenty. 6 Military Crosses: Messrs. McLorg, Caswell, White, Little, McKenzie, Pearson; D.C.M.: Mr. Cameron, 3 Military Medals: Messrs. Lum Clark, Duthie and Kayss. Can any golf club anywhere, show a record of a similar nature?

Showing how the young men of the club have responded to the call of duty, there are only 4 members who are classed A2, and who are subject to the first draft, and these are in responsible positions, being managers of their respective businesses.

At the end of 1917 season the membership is 127 male members, so you see Saskatoon has still the love of golf in her heart.

The course has not the appointments of the up-to-date courses of the larger cities, where much money is spent, but excepting the greens, which are not of the best, the course measures up fairly well to the best on the prairies. This spring it is anticipated that water will be laid out to the greens when conditions will be greatly improved.

The situation of the course is the most sylvan of all the prairie courses, and no prettier or restful spot could have been chosen for golf. Had there been a burn or water of any description, it would have been ideal.

The club house is set back in the bluff facing the last green and it is but a step to the 1st tee. The first 9 holes are all round the club house, in fact the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th greens are only a stone's throw away, which makes it convenient for those who always like to play an extra hole or two.

The course is laid out, around, between and alongside groves or bluffs of poplar and willows, wherever a fairgreen or green could be located. The course is 5,800 yards—2,405 out and 3,395 in. The first 9 holes are short, but what they lack in length, is made up in trickiness, as 5 of them are dog-legs. They call for a tee shot of good length.

The 1st hole, "dog's leg," 275 yards, is devoid of difficulty if one keeps straight, and as at 175 yards the green is opened up, the approach must be perfectly placed.

No. 2—well named the "Jungle," is straight down, 255 yards, between two groves of poplars, with a bluff close to the back of the green; a prairie trail running on the bias catches a pull or a full drive; a short carry for a slice, but the green well guarded from the left.

No. 3, "The Mashie," 110 yards. It would take a book to hold all that has been said of this hole, because it spoils more scores than any 2 holes on the course. The sportiest short hole in the Province, and the pet of the course. A well played mashie to a green not too large and surrounded by trees, an opening of about 10 feet showing the pin between a large bunker on left and trees.

No. 4, "Westward Ho," 310 yards. Another dog-leg and the best 2 shot hole on the course. A 225 yard drive opens up the green at nearly 90 degrees and an approach to the left side of the green sloping to the right, carries a ball to the pin, past the trap guarding the lower half of green.

No. 5, "The Hub," 150 yards, between two bluffs, with an opening 20 feet at 80 yards from the tee to a plateau green, bunkered all round.

No. 6, "Exhibition," 395 yards in length, calls for a tee shot that must be placed exactly, as a roundel of trees takes up half the fairway, 235 yards from the tee on the right; a dog-leg to the right makes the player play to the left to open up the green, which a good iron reaches.

No. 7, "Tom Morris," 350 yards. Here there is lots of room at the far end of a good drive, then a second that calls for a very exacting shot over a bunker to the green, just over; a dog-leg, but by hugging the trees on the left a player may play past the end of the bunker.

No. 8, "Beaver Creek," 210 yards. An easy hole for a straight shot; trees flanking both sides of green, rough in front and behind.

No. 9, "The Railway," 350 yards; a dog-leg, flanked on the right by high poplars; on the left by willows. A tee shot of 220 yards leaves a nice mashie shot opened up on left to a fade-away green, with the G. T. P. railroad at the back of green, out of bounds.

No. 10, "Westbound," 425 yards, with the G. T. P. on the left and woods and fireguard on the right from tee to hole. From an elevated tee, across a ravine to rising ground with summit at 225 yards, the green is seen backed by a poplar grove lying sleepily in the hollow beyond.

No. 11, "The Willows," 500 yards, across the G. T. P., straight away over rolling ground lies the green, in a most beautiful situation, encircled by willows, except for an opening the width of a narrow fairway. This green is like an oasis in the desert, and it is, because it is at this hole that the lemonade is on tap. After two long holes it would be nice here if possible, to have one of shorter length.

No. 12, "Hades," well named, 450 yards. Rough for 140 yards and across the ravine to a sow back running on the bias. A good driver gets one to the

rise of hill, from where the green can be seen, nestling on the slope of the sow back. A pulled brassie gets there and helps to keep the ball to the green.

No. 13, "St. Andrews," 525 yards. From the tee a good shot is required to carry the ridge of a sow back at right angles to fairway. A topped shot goes into the grassy hollow at players feet; no need to try for distance on a second following a poor drive, as you have to play to the mouth of the avenue between two bluffs before you can open up the green. This hole is worthy of the name.

No. 14, "Hell's Glen," 150 yards. Played across the cutting of the G. T. P. railway to a green hewn out of the woods, with a clearing beyond and a prairie trail back of green. (It is whispered that a certain member carries his ball across the cutting at this hole.)

No. 15, "Eastbound," 500 yards, parallel to "Westbound." A long driver tries to get the top of the hill, 240 yards and if fortunate, may reach the green, which lies at the foot of the hill on the opposite slope; green flanked back and right by bluffs of poplar. This hole could be shortened 25 yards to make it easier, so that it might be more often reached in 2, but the hill features make it so that it would either spoil the position of the green or the hazard from the tee.

No. 16, "The Dyke," 185 yards. A fence at back of green, out of bounds, poplars on left and willows on right, make this hole interesting.

No. 17, "Bunkerhill," 210 yards. The green on rising ground, bunkered for a good carry with rough beyond.

No. 18, "Scoonieburn," 450 yards. Named in compliment to Kinnear, who learned his club-making at Patrick's, Leven, Scotland, where Scoonie Burn hole there, is reckoned the best home hole in the world.

This hole has a most beautiful aspect from the tee. In front, a ravine, with a clump of trees that have to be carried, to a plateau on a level with the tee, trees to right and left. Beyond the plateau the ground slopes gradually to the plain below, on which stands the club house, set back in the trees and harmonizing delightfully with the surroundings. And across the mighty Saskatchewan are seen the fields of grain waving in the sunlight. The heart of the hard wheat belt. One of the most beautiful holes to be found on a golf course anywhere.

The whole course reminds one of the "Thousand Islands," a continuous winding out and in. Substitute water for fairgreen and you have it. A veritable gem on the prairie.

The officials of the club for the year: Hon. President, His Worship, Dr. Young, (an original member of the club willing to play any mayor in Canada.) President, F. R. MacMillan; Vice-President, G. D. Underwood; Executive:—N. C. Byers, J. D. Miller, B. M. Wakeling, A. H. Hanson, H. A. Bruce, Secretary-Treasurer, J. S. Mowat, (one of the most energetic and capable of secretaries, untiring in his efforts to advance the welfare of the club.) "Bill" Kinnear is the pro and manages to run things well, looking alike after the house, matches, handicaps and green work of the club. The playing strength of the club is the strongest in the Province, the teams taking 1st and 2nd in 1917 in the championship held at Regina, also winners in 1915-16. Also held the Provincial Championship 1915-16; runners-up 1914-15-16-17.

The competitions run off yearly are:—The President's Prize (scratch); The Vice-President's Medal (bogey handicap); The Ashworth Trophy, (handicap), bimonthly; The foursome (2 ball) championship; The Bogey Championship (under bogey handicap); The Championship; The McFarlane Cup. The latter is a competition in which a great deal of interest is taken. Kinnear started it back in 1914, and he takes care of the work in connection with it.

The rules are:—Players are allowed to turn in 10 cards in a month, not less than 5. Book must be signed by player before going out; a card signed for, must be returned, or else player will be marked 18 holes down to bogey



on that card. At the end of each month, those having the requisite number of cards in, will be handicapped from their average score. The formula, say 6 scores (79—84—87—81—90—86—507.) 507 divided by 6 gives average of 84½. Say bogey is 76. 84—76=8. Take ¾ of medal handicap for bogey handicap 8 divided by ¾=6. That means that player will receive a stroke a hole on holes where strokes are allotted. The cards are revised and the player having the best average up or down to bogey gets a duplicate in miniature of the McFarlane Cup to keep. The player having the best average for the season, over not less than 3 months, gets the large cup to keep for the year.

Its one of the best ways of getting a true line on a player who is after a handicap that can possibly be imagined.

Taking it by large and small, Saskatoon golfers have a course of a thoroughly sporting character. The enthusiasm of the members is unbounded and nowhere in the West can a visiting golfer find a heartier welcome or meet a more sterling lot of followers of the Royal and Ancient.

Prospects for the season of 1918 are of the brightest and altogether Saskatoon has very much a place in the Golfing Sun.

“CHIP SHOT”

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## Willie Park and Golf Courses

THE “Toronto Globe” recently had a despatch from New York as follows: “After several weeks of continuous construction work in various sections of the middle West and Canada, Willie Park, the links architect, is back in this city for a brief stay. This veteran golf professional, who came to this country from Scotland a couple of years ago, has been busy recently in the vicinity of Detroit, both in the way of laying out new links and reconstruction work. He laid out links for clubs at Detroit, Toledo and Flint, Mich.

At Toronto, Park was occupied for some time on two private courses, and a third for a club at Mount Bruno. Something like \$100,000 is being expended there, and the clubhouse will contain forty bedrooms. The impression gained as a result of his visit to Toronto is that despite the rigors of war the old game is going on as actively as ever in Canada.

What the future has in store for golf's development in the United States, especially throughout the East, is in his opinion problematical. There is a tendency to refrain from any elaborate outlays of money at this time, and for that reason several prospective eighteen hole course propositions are being held in abeyance and likely will remain so until after the war.”

A very interesting item, with this important correction however. The courses are not in Toronto; they are in Montreal, which city is taking up with the game in an ever increasingly enthusiastic manner as befitting the oldest golf centre on the continent.

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## The Highball

It may be rather foolish, but I'm fussy  
re golf balls,

I'm always trying some new brand,  
my memory recalls—

The Blank Dot, Whizzers, Soakem-  
goods, the Jokers, and the Jay.

That some good friend pronounces the  
perfect ball to play:

But the only one that bucked my luck  
and cheered my weary soul,

Was the one they used to sell us at  
the “nineteenth hole.”

“Safety Thirst.”

# Some Strange Shots

When Champions Appreciate the Difficulties of Golf

By Harry Vardon, in "Golf Illustrated"

**T**HERE are two sides to golf. It is a game which exercises the body and diverts the mind; it is also a force which moves people, like no other peaceful pursuit on earth, to constant ambition and endeavour.

In this latter respect, its greatest triumph is that nobody has ever really mastered it. I think it can be said that every other pastime has had its complete champions. There have been runners and cyclists who, while they remained in the prime of athletic manhood, have been invincible. They have represented the standard of infallible excellence. So, too, with football, cricket, and I daresay, baseball—there have been, at all ball games, perfect players who simply could not be conquered until an opponent, inspired by a flash of genius, made the ball do something altogether amazing. That contingency is bound to arise in a game in which one man matches his wits against those of another.

In golf, the player is offered the opportunity of doing exactly what he pleases. Except when he is laid a stymie, he suffers no interference from his rival while he is executing his shot. Far more readily, then, than any other game ought golf to produce the obviously faultless player.



Nearly broke his Record.

that never have I felt wholly satisfied with my form. Even in 1898 and 1899, when I happened to be playing particularly well, I always knew that it would be possible to improve, and tried my hardest to achieve the vision of greater ability. It is the secret of golf's fascination—this constant striving after the ideal. It is as strong in the champion as in the duffer. At the end of the round, there are always memories which bring reproaches. One realizes that certain shots could and should have been accomplished to better purpose.

I have had that conviction at the end of nearly every round I can remember. It is exactly the spirit of an elderly gentleman who came into a club house near London a short time ago, complaining that if the caddie had not made him take his mashie instead of his mid-iron at the last hole, he would have beaten his record for the course.

"As it was, I equalled it," he explained, "but I lost a stroke through that fool of a boy."

"And what did you do for the eighteen holes?" he was asked.

"126," he replied in a slightly mollified voice. "I think I'm improving."

It is a wonderful pastime that imbues every one of its devotees—good, bad, or indifferent—with the supreme belief that one day he will be better. At various times, articles have been written on the subject of remarkable shots at golf. Invariably they have dealt with exceptionally good shots. I think that there is a deeper human interest in exceptionally bad shots. We are all

## Always Room for Improvement

And yet it does not do so. Even the admittedly best golfers sink occasionally to abysmal depths of ineptitude. It may be for only one shot here and there, but it is sufficient to remind them that they are as much at the mercy of the gods as long handicap men.

I can say in all sincerity

capable of performing them, and while the duffer realizes that fact more poignantly than the champion, the latter is by no means so splendidly endowed as to be absolutely immune from fozzling.

### Missed the Ball as Well as the Putt

Undoubtedly the most humiliating experience that can befall the golfer is to miss the globe utterly and completely. Even the long handicap player blushes with shame when, after all due preparation, he swings at the ball and does not touch it. Confession being good for the soul, let me say that I have had the mortification of missing the globe—and in a championship, too!

The occasion was the United States Open Championship at Wheaton, Ill., in 1909, when I was on my first visit to America. On one of the greens (forget which) in the third round, I had to play a putt of less than six inches. Perhaps I was careless; at any rate, my club-head caught in the turf before it reached the ball, which continued to sit there blithely looking up at me. The marker was so astonished that he did not want to register the stroke, but, of course, I had attempted to strike the ball, and so the shot had to go down against me. It was a very impressive lesson to me as to the danger of carelessness. At the time, J. H. Taylor and I were engaged in a keen struggle for the championship. At the end of the second round, I was only one stroke ahead of my English rival, and although I won in the end by a margin of two strokes, this blunder might have been fatal.

Very often one sees a competition in a stroke event playing a putt of four or five inches in a heedless way. The rules say that he must hole out everything and the formality of knocking the ball into the tin from a distance of a few inches is a proceeding about which he cannot arouse any concern. Yet it is one of the few certainties of the

game that a proportion of these carelessly played putts will be missed. If you want to win at golf, it is not worth while leaving anything to chance.

It is not often, however, that the tragedy of missing the globe on the putting green presents itself. The raw novice may beat nothing but the air with some of his drives and second shots, but he can generally be relied upon at least to touch the ball on the putting green. Apart from my own lapse, the only contretemps of such a character that I can remember occurred on the occasion of the opening of the Woodhall Spa course, England, some ten years ago.

Lord Willoughby d'Eresby (the Earl of Ancaster as he is to-day) was partnered by James Braid in a foursome. Lord Willoughby made an excellent drive from the first tee, and Braid put the second shot on to the green, about ten yards from the hole. Lord Willoughby—a very sound medium-handicap golfer who, with an allowance of 12, could hold his own in any company—addressed himself carefully to the putt, and swinging with all due ceremony, suffered the distress of seeing the club head pass right over the top of the ball without touching it. How that happened I do not know. Probably it was the result of a moment of optical aberration.

The biggest score that ever I took for a hole—and also I think, for a round—was at Bury, in Lancashire. There it was that I practised much of my early



Vardon drives between his legs.



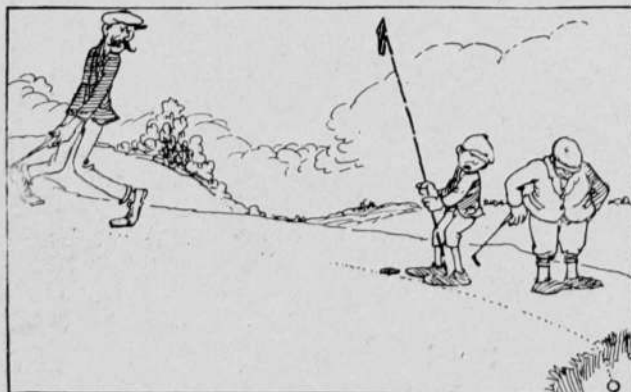
golf, for Bury was the second club in England to engage me as professional, and I went to it at the age of twenty-three. It was not in those days, however, that I made the biggest bungle conceivable of a hole, but in later years, after I had won several championships.

My brother Tom and I had been playing in the British Open Championship at Hoylake, and on the day following the finish of the event, we were due to appear at Bury, a good many miles distant. It was to be my first display there since the period when I acted as professional to the club, and I understand that all my old friends were on the course betimes to renew an acquaintance which certainly had been a great joy to me.

Unfortunately, after a long journey, Tom and I did not reach our hotel at Bury until 3 a.m. We told the attendant to call us at 8 a.m. He forgot all about it. I was the first to wake—at noon! By that time, we should just about have completed the first round. We were into our clothes and out of the hotel in a few minutes, and reaching the course, we gave breathless explanations and started on a match. I was so flurried that, at the fourth hole—a short one which had been one of my special pleasures in the old days—I knew that I should make a mess of the mashie shot from the tee and promptly did so.

Nor for the life of me could I retrieve the situation. The more I hit the ball, the greater became my agitation. I got on to a road short of the green,

and kept on rebounding off a mound and returning to the road. I took 13 to reach the green, and 15 to hole out. My total for the round was 92. The members who had followed the career of their erstwhile professional must have wondered how on earth he had ever managed to win championships.



Braid's putt across the Green.

### Cross Country Golf

Some of the most novel contests in which I ever took part were those at Le Touquet, on the north coast of France—a fine

holiday links which now throbs with Red Cross activity. It is the center of a big hospital organization which receives soldiers wounded on the Western front. In the area of peace, it had a large and faithful following of golfers, bent on enjoying themselves and always ready with some new scheme for providing excitement.

We used to back ourselves to play across country in a certain number of strokes from the lawn of the hotel at Le Touquet to some spot nearly a mile off—one day to the beach, and another day to the sixth hole of the course, which represented the limit of the golf club's property. The interest of these cross country tests lay in "placing" each shot so as to render the next one playable. If you simply slugged as hard as possible, you could be sure of finding, sooner or later, an utterly hopeless lie.

### A Bogey of 20

One of the hazards on the way from the hotel lawn to the sixth green was a wood consisting of very high trees and extending to a depth of 40 yards. It was this that brought about the downfall of most people who tried to beat "Bogey." I once did the hole in 14, but "Bogey" was put down at 20. A very keen amateur in Mr. Peter Samson, who played a good deal in America at about the time that he introduced a patent facing for wooden clubs, gener-

ally experienced heartbreaking difficulty in so much as getting out of the hotel grounds.

He constantly backed himself to do the "hole" in 20. On the first occasion that he tried, his tee shot hit a wall in front of the lawn and the ball rebounded into a most complicated collection of adjuncts to the hotel. In point of fact, he expended his 20 strokes in banging the ball about the stables, chicken-run, and other out-houses, and was then farther from his goal than at the start. The next time that he tried, he hit his drive on to the tennis courts, and stayed there till he had played 20. At the fourth attempt, he achieved his purpose. His score was 19. I fear that these diversions do not help to maintain the dignity of a serious game, but they are at least good fun during holidays.

### Even Braid Laughed

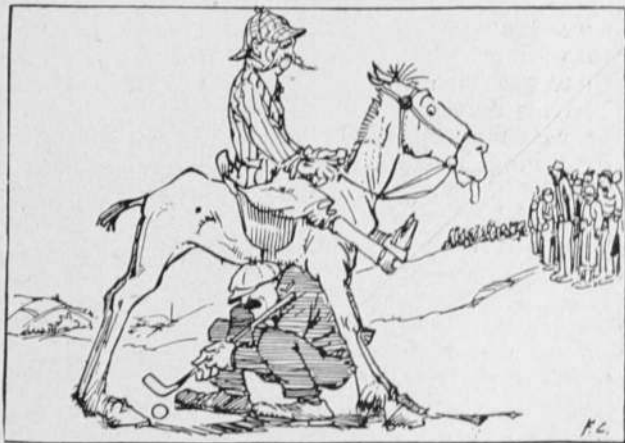
In the way of fooling—which is rather different from missing the globe—I cannot remember having done anything more ridiculous than at the tenth hole at Turnberry, Scotland, on the day immediately following my sixth victory in the British Open Championship in 1914. If it had been nothing worse than a mediocre shot, I might have excused it in some way. For what I did, however, there was no explanation. In playing my tee shot, I somehow managed to knock the ball not forward but between my legs. It careered gaily for twenty-five yards behind my back and then went into the sea. Presumably I must have made the contact with the back of the heel of the club. Braid sat down on the rocks and rolled with laughter; Taylor dropped to the ground and was equally convulsed. It was the most amusing thing in the world for everybody except me.

It had even more of the elements of surprise and risibility about it than a shot which was executed in a tournament on the Braid Hills course, Edinburgh.

In this case, a player was standing straddle-legged, swinging his driver at the ball, when another ball came dashing between his legs and knocked his own off the tee. As he had begun the down swing, he had to count a stroke.

"What the deuce do you mean by driving into me?" he demanded of the offending player. "Do you call that golf?"

"No," replied the individual addressed, "but it's d—d good croquet!"



Taylor's Equine "Stunt."

### A Disastrous Putt

The putting green is such a prim, placid, secure-looking part of the course that one would not expect to meet with any adventures on it. Everything that takes place on it is regarded by the scoffer as so much humdrum nonsense. And yet I have known some real little golfing tragedies—incidents altogether more dramatic than the mere missing of putts—occur within a few yards of the hole.

Fancy, for instance, being bunkered from a putt. Such was the fate of Braid in one of his rounds in the British Open Championship which he won at Prestwick in 1908. The hole had been cut about four yards from a bunker, and the green was very keen. Braid putted a little too strongly from a dis-

tance of twelve yards, and his ball, running past the tim, made its way sedately into the hazard. The expression on his countenance as he watched the ball disappear over the bank was a supreme study in amazed indignation. All day long, he talked of nothing but that incident.

"I've done a thing for which I ought to be warned off golf courses forever," he declared as he proceeded to tell the story.

### Playing an Invisible Ball

In many respects, the most trying shot that I was ever called upon to play was one out of a bunker at Prestwick in the British Open Championship just over three years ago. Taylor and I were coupled and struggled neck-and-neck for the title. It was the third round and every stroke was critical. At the eleventh hole, I was bunkered to the left of the green. The ball was in the corner of the hazard and buried and although the sand was scraped away several times so as to enable me to see the top of the object, it was such fine, dry, loose sand that it kept on rolling back on to the ball before I could take up my stance. I was throbbing with excitement, and at last I said to the marker:—"Don't try any more; I'll see if I can remember where it is."

As I took up my position to aim at a ball which was not visible, the reflection thrust itself upon me that, if I bungled the shot, the almost inevitable penalty would be the loss of the championship. The fact that the green was uphill added to the difficulties of the stroke. If it had been downhill, I could have dug right under the place where I knew the ball lay, and been content with merely howking it out. But in the circumstances, I had to make sure of getting it fairly well away so that it should not roll back into the hazard, and I wondered whether, in trying to take it fairly cleanly from its hiding place, I should misjudge its position by a fraction of an inch and push it further into the sand. By great good fortune, I remembered its location exactly. Out it came most nobly, but there was a deal of anxiety about that moment when I was standing over the bunker, swinging and guessing and hoping. Never have I had a more critical shot to place.

### Equine Equity

In an age when—in Britain, at any rate—there is a considerable degree of slackness as regards the observance of the rules, the stickler for strict interpretation of the law is a person to admire. I have heard people say that this or that person is too keen on seeing every rule enforced, as though it were poor sportsmanship to be law abiding. Certain it is that the Royal and Ancient Club does not take that view, for in its last revision of the rules prior to the war, it decreed that players shall not agree to the exclusion of the operation of any rule under penalty of disqualification, and that a player who waives any penalty incurred by his opponent must lose the hole. The most rigid respecter of authority that ever I knew was the late Earl of Wemyss, who died three years ago at the age of ninety-five, and who played golf almost up to the last.

He would not allow any liberty to be taken. Once, at Kilspindie, Scotland, he was following on horseback a foursome in which Lady Wemyss and I opposed another lady and Taylor. A shot by Taylor's partner put their sides ball directly beneath the horse on which Lord Wemyss was seated. The animal was at rest, and Taylor asked the earl to move away a little so that he could get at the ball.

"Certainly not," replied Lord Wemyss, "That would be contrary to the rules. My horse is something growing, and as such it may not be moved."

So Taylor had to take up a position under the animal's body to address the ball, and although he got the shot away, I noticed that he was watching the horse's hoofs a good deal more closely than the ball as he set about the stroke.



# The Regina Golf Club

Well Known Western Course Has the Most Successful Season  
in 1917 in Its History

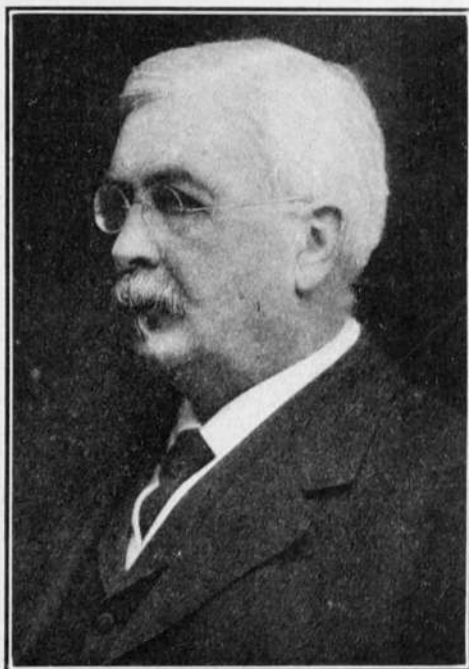
**M**R. D. McMillan, the energetic Honourary Secretary-Treasurer of the Regina Golf Club (there are two most successful clubs in Regina, the other being the Wascana) writes the "Canadian Golfer," under the date of December 12th:—

"Speaking generally, I may say that the Regina Golf Club has had its most successful season this year, both financially and as a golf course. Prior to the tournament the course was re-arranged and several new greens opened and the general consensus of opinion was that the course was improved.

With the exception of four, all the greens have been relaid, and three of the four are expected to be finished during 1918. Outsiders, from the East and West have expressed surprise at the condition of the Regina greens; they say there are none such in the West and for their size, I believe this to be true. Our greenman has the secret for making greens and he has water at every green, so that they are always in condition. For a prairie course it is marvellous. The hummocks have all been flattened out more or less on the fairways and the approaches to the various greens carefully attended to. Anderson, who learned his game in Scotland, is the capable pro of the club. The proper bunkering of the course has practically only started, but in a couple of years time it is fully expected that the course will be fit for any championship meeting either in this country or the old country. You don't always get a brassie lie when you wish it, but two or three years play will remedy that—traffic and the heavy roller which we have.

One great and pleasing feature of the Regina Golf Club is that every member is proud of his course and protects it. We are not advertising competitions much during war times. We have played the surrounding clubs, such as Saskatoon, Moose Jaw and the Country Club and have not suffered defeat, the past season, though Saskatoon tied. Like most other clubs in the West we are fortunate in having a number of players from the land of the heather and they have not left their golf at home. For the present our membership is limited to 150 playing members, in addition to the officers of the R. N. W. M. P., who are all ex-officio members of the club, and in Commissioner Perry, C.M.G., the club has a great friend. We had several competitions during the past summer for the Red Cross and we keep alive our interest for the same worthy purpose by putting on entertainments during the winter."

To our energetic President, Mr. A. F. Angus, who has occupied the premier position almost since the club's inception, and to our Vice-President, Com-



Mr. A. F. Angus, the many times President  
of the Regina Golf Club.

missioner Perry, very much of the success of our golf club is due. Mr. Angus takes a keen, personal interest in everything that tends to improve the course. Both he and Commissioner Perry are very keen players and are nearly always opposed to each other, whether in a single, a foursome or a four-ball match. So long as they and a number of other stalwarts continue to take the same active interest in the workings of the Regina Club, it is bound to be a success and by that success, add to the prestige of the Royal and Ancient in the West.

I may say the amateur record of the course is 75, held by Mr. Cuthbert.

The Regina Club was started in a sort of a way in 1899 and had its second birth in 1913. The present sporting 18 hole course was put into commission in 1916. It has a total length of 6,050 yards. The chairman of the Green Committee is Mr. C. Willoughby.

## The Royal Montreal

### Premier Golf Club Holds Successful Annual Meeting

THE Annual Meeting of the Royal Montreal Golf Club was held in the Oak Room of the Windsor Hotel, Montreal, on Wednesday evening, December 12th and was well attended. The President, Mr. W. R. Baker, C.V.O., occupied the chair and the financial report presented by the Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. E. F. Waterhouse, was of the usual most satisfactory character.

Owing to the change in the financial year of the club, the statement was for the eleven months ended October 31st only.

The Directors considered it desirable to furnish, for the information of the members, a comparative statement of the operations of the club for the two periods of twelve months ending November 30th, 1916 and November 30th, 1917. The figures which were included in this statement as representing the transactions of the month of November, 1917, were partly actual and partly estimated, but it is believed that they will vary only in a trifling degree when the accounts for the month are finally made up.

The annual subscriptions amounted to the large sum of \$15,230, of which \$2,240 was represented by fees from five day members and \$630 from visitors' green fees. In addition the Ladies' Branch of the club contributed \$2,794. The total receipts were \$19,289.28. It might be noted that the Royal Montreal has a very large waiting list for membership.

In view of the fact, however, that more than 100 club members are now at the Front, no ballot for ordinary membership was held during the season.

The total house receipts amounted to \$7,024, with expenditures of \$6,550.

Mr. W. R. Baker and Mr. Jas. Hill both retired from the directorate in accordance with the Rules of the club and Messrs. W. H. C. Mussen and A. A. Hodgson were elected to replace them. The Directors however in electing President and Captain are not limited to members of their board. This fact was referred to at the meeting by the Vice-President, Mr. C. E. Neill, and it was after hearing very strong expressions of opinion by several members, backed up by the enthusiastic support of the entire meeting, that they re-elected Mr. Baker as President and Mr. Hill as Captain.

Both have given such invaluable service to the Premier Golf Club of Canada that the members are to be congratulated upon the fact, that in 1918 the important Presidential office and that of the Captaincy will again be occupied by Mr. Baker and Mr. Hill.

Altogether, the financial and general position of the Royal Montreal is a most enviable one. For fifty years nearly now, it has conserved the very best interests of the Royal and Ancient on this continent, and is more virile to-day than ever. Its membership comprises the "Who's Who" of Montreal.

Incidentally, it might be mentioned that it was recently decided to raise the fee of life members from \$1,000 to \$2,000.

## "A Father of the Game"

The Passing of Mr. John Taylor, Member of the Royal Montreal  
Since 1876

**B**Y the death of Mr. John Taylor in Montreal, December 19th last, there passed away one of the leading business men of Canada and one of the oldest and possibly the most prominent golfer in the Dominion.

Mr. Taylor was born at Ayr, in Scotland, March 18th, 1833, and therefore at the time of his demise, he had well nigh attained the patriarchal age of 85. He came to Canada very early in life and had lived in Montreal throughout his long residence in this country.

At one time he was a member of the firm of Moreland, Watson & Company, which organized the Rolling Mills, now part of the Steel Company of Canada. He was also the founder of the firm of Taylor and Arnold, Limited, general railway supplies, and his demise took place at the residence of his son-in-law, and partner, Mr. Thos. Arnold, (a well

known member of the Royal Montreal Golf Club) 4,299 Montrose Avenue, Westmount.

But it is perhaps with the game of golf, and in the realm of the Royal and Ancient that the name of the late Mr. John Taylor will be indissolubly associated and will always be remembered, because the history of golf in Canada

is largely wrapped up in the history of this grand old golfer and his associates.

As is so well known to readers of the "Canadian Golfer," the Royal Montreal Golf Club was founded in 1873 and Mr. Taylor was the last link be-

tween the organizers of the oldest golf club on the continent and present day golfers. He was contemporaneous with such well known early golfers as W. M. Ramsay, Alexander Denistoun, John G. Sidey, David B. Sidey, H. McDougall, Hon. M. Alymer, F. W. Thomas, J. J. Redpath, J. D. Crawford, J. K. Oswald, and many others of the Royal Montreal Club who were the Fathers of the Game in this country and who did so much to inculcate the love of golf into the hearts of Canadians.

Mr. Taylor's connection with the Royal Montreal dates from the year 1876 or 42 years ago, when his name appears on the membership

list as paying the annual fees of \$2.50! He was also the Treasurer of the club in that year and in 1877 acted as the Secretary.

Then in 1881, he was elected Captain of Canada's premier club and from that year till 1893 fulfilled in a most admirable manner the important duties attached to the office—a term which con-



The late Mr. John Taylor, who did so much for golf in Canada.



stitutes a record in the long history of the club.

Mr. Taylor also had the honour of being the first gold medalist of the Royal Montreal. He kept up his playing—and he played a capital game—until 1908 or when he was 75 years of age. Taken ill on the links in that year he still remained loyal to the game he loved so well by watching it keenly from the club gallery. He was some years ago elected to be one of the few honorary members of the club. His intense interest in the game and loyalty to his club is indicated by the fact that almost every meeting, and almost every match recorded for many years contains his name.

The following tribute to the memory of Mr. Taylor was included in an ex-

tract from minutes communicated to his family recently by the Directors of the Club:

"The Directors wish to place on record the expression of the high esteem in which the late Mr. Taylor was held, not only in consequence of his long and intimate connection with the Club, but having regard to his personal qualities and the affection which he inspired in all who had the good fortune to be associated intimately with him in any capacity."

In the passing of Mr. Taylor, golf in Canada has lost its oldest and one of its most notable and warmest supporters; his memory will long remain a fragrant one and an inspiration to those who follow in his footsteps to uphold the very best and loftiest traditions of the game—a game which he loved so well and of which he was such an honourable exponent.

### The French Litany of the Trenches

**Y**OU have two alternatives: Either you are mobilized or you are not. If not, you have nothing to worry about.

If you are at the front, you have two alternatives: Either you are in reserve or you are on the firing line. If you are in reserve you have nothing to worry about.

If you are on the firing line, you have two alternatives: Either you scrap or you don't. If you don't, you have nothing to worry about.

If you do, you have two alternatives: Either you get hurt or you don't. If you don't you have nothing to worry about.

If you do, you have two alternatives:

Either you get slightly hurt or you get **BADLY** hurt. If slightly, you have nothing to worry about.

If badly, you have two alternatives: Either you recover or you don't. If you recover, you have nothing to worry about. If you don't, and have followed my advice clear through, you have done with worry forever.

The name of the author of this philosophy does not appear—perhaps some French soldier who had acquired the "happy habit" first put it into writing. Nevertheless, it is said that thousands of fighting Frenchmen know it by heart and have made it their philosophy for army life.—Critique.

### Golf the Coming Game

**T**HE popular leaps golf has made in the last two or three years in public opinion are shown in one way by the engrossing attention it is getting from the great baseball players and managers. It is actually cutting into the national pastime. Where a few years ago managers sneered at the thought of golf, and, in some cases, actually forbade the players to frequent the links, many of them now encourage their players to take up the game, feeling that it gives them a sureness of

eye, as well as steadiness and patience, which is a great factor in the make-up of the high-moneyed ball player. With players and great pitchers constantly seeking golf at every opportunity, the game is being taken more seriously by the ardent admirers of the great national U.S. sport. As has often been said, golf takes a firm hold because everyone can at least play "at it," whereas baseball must be viewed in most cases, from the stands, and is a game for the few, not the many.

## New Year's Golf at Atlantic City

Four Japanese Brave Zero Weather

**M**R. W. Hastings Webling, Associate Editor of the "Canadian Golfer," and Mr. A. S. Towers, Chairman of the Green Committee of the Brantford Golf and Country Club, spent Xmas and New Years at Atlantic City. Mr. Webling writes, under date of January 1st:—

"Dear Editor:—

As this is the first letter of the 1st. I will begin by wishing you a very happy and prosperous New Year.

I took the car out to the Country Club of Atlantic City, at Northfield Links this a.m., not to play, just observe. The sun was bright, but a penetrating wind straight from the Arctic regions, successfully eliminated any little idea of golf I may have had. However, I wended my way to the club house where I was welcomed by the manager and his pleasant young wife, both from England. Clarence Hackney is the well known and popular pro here, whilst George Norrie is his able second-in-command.

In the big open fire, crackled cheerfully a pile of logs, and on the table the latest number of the "Canadian Golfer," helped to make me feel at home.

The only people on the links, were four Japanese from the Legation, Washington, playing a foursome with all the enthusiasm of the most ardent followers of the game—this with the thermometer round zero. How about our friend Kipling and his little speil about the East and the West—what?

The Northfield Club is one of the most flourishing in America, I should think with its 500 resident members and its big transient clientele. Many well known Canadians play here. Sir

John Eaton and his friend, Mr. H. H. Williams of Toronto are frequent visitors. As for the course it is very level, but particularly well bunkered and trapped and one would probably have to keep mighty straight to make any kind of a score.

So the Jap foursome is the first game of golf I saw in 1918. Memo, I wonder what the Japanese is for "Damn it." Also, do they cry Flore! Would they Ji-Jitsui (or whatever it is) a successful opponent on the last green?

These are just little queries for the silly season, so I'll conclude."

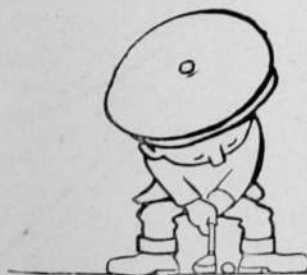
A clipping from the Atlantic paper of December 31st, which accompanied the letter, says:

"While the temperature in most other sections of the United States made "hugging-the-radiator" the popular game, golfers among the visitors here yesterday were enjoying their favorite pastime on the links at Northfield and Sea View, notwithstanding that it was near zero weather. The air was sharp and bracing, but those who covered the 18 hole courses declared they never enjoyed a game more and planned enthusiastically for matches later in the week.

Harry D. Gibson, President of the Liberty National Bank, and Edward R. Tinker, Vice-President of the Chase National Bank, New York, were first among the visitors to show the way over the Northfield links. Upon their return to the Hotel Travmore yesterday afternoon Mr. Tinker received a telegram from two of his office assistants wishing him a happy New Year, and postscripted with "the thermometer on your desk now registers 23."

"I would rather have a bit of golf in the open down here than to try to do business at a desk in a temperature like that," said Mr. Tinker. "I think I shall stick in Atlantic City for a while yet."

Another golf party included Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Mullin, of Detroit, Mich., who went the full 18 holes at Northfield."



# Metropolitan Golf Association

Turns Over Fund of \$58,000 to the Red Cross

Special Correspondence "Canadian Golfer"

**T**O forestall any payment of commissions on the war fund collected by the Metropolitan Golf Association last Memorial Day, J. B. Coles Tappan, retiring President of the organization, at the Annual Meeting last month in New York, advised the delegates to turn over the money to the Red Cross. His advice was followed immediately, and the Treasurer was ordered to hand to the Red Cross \$58,520 with the stipulation that the money be used for the purchase of ambulances, each machine to be marked with the name of the Metropolitan Golf Association.

This money was raised by the golfers of the local district in a general tournament involving sixty-seven clubs out of the eighty-four members of the M. G. A. Reports showed that twenty-two of the clubs raised enough money to equip at least one machine, which costs \$1,600. Sleepy Hollow had the banner collection with \$5,639.50, with Nassau a close second with \$4,800. Century was third with \$3,459. Others among the leaders were Apawamis, \$1,600; Ardsley, \$2,052; Baltusrol, \$1,814; Cherry Valley \$1,394.65; Glen Ridge, \$1,600; Fairview \$1,643; Garden City, \$2,000; Hollywood, \$1,600; Inweed, \$1,600; Knollwood, \$1,600; Montclair, \$2,130.50; North Shore, \$1,600; Richmond County, \$1,785.50; Siwanoy, \$1,598.05; Tuxedo, \$1,600; Woodmere, \$1,600 and Upper Montclair, \$1,652.

The amount according to Mr. Tappan is enough to equip 40 ambulances and send them to the French front. He added that it was a great tribute to New York golfers to raise such an amount, since the clubs of the country, in the tournament held by the United States

Golf Association, raised only \$75,000.

The disposition of the ambulance fund was about the only high light of an otherwise dry and uninteresting meeting. The question of holding title tournaments in the district next year got little notice from the delegates or officials. Mr. Tappan, in his speech, did say that if the fixtures were restored they would be played at the clubs selected last year, which would give the amateur to Brooklawn, the open to North Shore, and the junior to Apawamis. Richmond County has bid for the junior event, and unless Apawamis makes application this tournament will probably go to the Staten Island course.

There were eighteen clubs represented with about fifty delegates in attendance. The Secretary's report showed that one club dropped its membership, and that two more, the Marine and Field and the Wheatley Hills, were admitted to membership in the association during the year, which leaves 85 clubs on the roster now. The Treasurer's report showed a balance of \$1,983 on hand, as against \$1,587 last year.

There was no contest against the officers selected by the Nominating Committee, and they were elected by unanimous vote. E. Mortimer Barnes, who was elected Vice-President, asked that his name be left off the list, as he has recently been commissioned a Lieutenant in the army, but the delegates decided he could hold office, and refused to erase his name from the list. Cornelius J. Sullivan was elected President to succeed J. B. Coles Tappan, who leaves the chair after two years of leadership. A. H. Pogson became the Secretary, and George Barnes was re-elected Treasurer.





# News from Great Britain

## Interesting Items of the Royal and Ancient from Overseas

Roehampton Club has given its freedom to Canadian officers.

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Bombardier Booth, writing from the Front, says: "We are thinking of forming the First Expeditionary Force Golf Club."

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Capt. R. W. Crummock, the well known golfer, was married at Oxford the other day to Miss Florence Nora Finn. Capt. Ireland, the University golfer, is to marry Miss Bates, of Bude.

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The Howley Hill Golf Club, during the past three years ran behind £432, but a number of members have subscribed £552, so the club financially is in better shape than before the war, and the course is to be extended again to 18 holes.

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"More money is spent on golf balls than is collected in the churches for foreign missions," declares the Rev. C. Sharp, of Byfleet, Surrey. We are surprised at the remark attributed to Rev. C. Sharp. If it had come from his brother of the cloth, the Rev. B. Flat, it would have been more easily understood."—Sportsman.

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"Golfing," the well known London paper, comes out this Xmas with a splendid edition—quite up to old-time form. As an indication of the recovery of the game from the shock of the war it calls attention to the fact that whereas the issue of "Golfing" in the Xmas week of 1914 consisted of 16 pages with three pages of advertisements, in January, 1915 the issue had shrunk to 8 pages with one page of advertisements (showing the paralysis of trade.) At Xmas, 1915, the issue consisted of 16 pages with four pages of advertisements; in 1916 it increased to 20 and 8. The present issue for 1917 has grown to 44 pages, with 27 pages of advertisements. It is a significant rally, and a happy omen that the game is gradually coming into its own again.

The sum of £200 was raised by a professional exhibition match at St. Anne's Links.

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With 85 members serving at the Front the Sidecup Club has given £450 to war charities and is in a very sound financial condition.

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The Royal Belfast Golf Club at its Annual Meeting recorded its sympathy with the Dowager Marchioness of Dufferin (wife of a former popular Governor General of Canada) in the loss of her son, Lord Basil Blackwood.

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The Beckenham Club in Kent, although many members are on war service, has had a successful year and is free from debt. The club has been complimented by the authorities in growing 100 tons of hay during the past season on the course.

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The sudden deaths of two well known golfers have recently been reported—Mr. A. F. Oakshott, J. P., of Mere Dene, Biston, a prominent Liverpool merchant died while playing on Formby links and Mr. C. Hoare of Kerminsham Lodge, near Chelford, a keen golfer, fell dead while pheasant shooting on Capt. Leigh's estate at Joddrell Park.

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The late Leander Starr Jameson, known affectionately to most men as "Doctor Jim," say "Golfing," and one of the master makers of history, counted golf the greatest solace of the silent years that have intervened since he made his dramatic dash into the Transvaal. He played the game up to the end of his days, and one of the writers in the press tells of meeting him on Brampton course, Northampton, a week before his illness, enjoying a quiet round, looking the shy little man that he always seemed to those who knew not the inner majesty of his mind. God give him to sleep serenely in the lap of the mighty Matoppos.

Mrs. Jillard, the Surrey golfer, is busy on canteen work at the Canadian Camp near Godalming.

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Mr. James Hastings, the new Lord Mayor of Oxford, is Captain of the City Golf Club and a keen golfer.

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Now comes word that Martins of Birmingham have patented a new golf ball with weights in the core that will add considerably to the flight.

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The Duke of Devonshire, Governor General of Canada, has been re-elected President of the Matlock Golf Club, where it is stated, Sunday golf will in future be allowed.

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Capt. A. G. Barry, M.C., Manchester Regt., who represented both Oxford and Cambridge Universities at golf and won the Amateur Championship in 1905 is now an instructor at Hythe.

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The Royal Belfast Ladies' Club, the premier ladies' club of Ireland, at its annual meeting, reported a considerable accession of new members, passed a satisfactory balance sheet, and re-elected its office bearers.

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Mr. Henry Leech, the well known golf writer, has discovered that there has been an appreciable increase of democratic golf during the war; new classes of people are being brought into the game, and in some places more golf than ever is being played.

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It was a noticeable fact at the Sunningdale foursome, that Braid, Vardon, Taylor and White all used mashie-niblicks in their approach work—taking turf and pitching the ball high up when only 20 yards or so from the green.

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That Capt. C. K. Hutchison, of the Coldstream Guards, the gallant officer so beloved of golfers, has been liberated after three years' imprisonment in Germany is great news indeed. He is now in Switzerland, and we hope he will soon be back in Blighty where a glad welcome waits him.

The casualty lists still unfortunately continue to contain the names of well known athletes, many golfers among the number. Capt. G. B. Crole, M.C., of the Royal Flying Corps, who is reported missing, represented Oxford University at golf in 1913 and 1914, as well as gaining his rugby "blue." In the early part of the war Capt. Crole gained a commission in the Dragoon Guards, but transferred to the R.F.C., and won the coveted Military Cross. News is to hand that Capt. Iver Elias of the R.F.C. is in hospital recovering from wounds received in a fight in mid-air. A capital golfer, Capt. Elias is the holder of the Rhymney Valley championship and is also well known in South Wales soccer football circles. Much regret will be felt at the news that Mr. H. W. Windeler has been killed in action. He was a son of Mr. Herbert Windeler, the well known American golfer, who has many friends in this country. Mr. H. W. Windeler was a Lieutenant in the Grenadier Guards.

Lieut. R. S. Pullen, Captain of the Sandwell Golf Club, West Bromwich has been killed. He was twice mentioned in despatches.

F. H. Frostick, the well known pro, has been gassed and now is in a London hospital.

Lieut. MacAndrew of the Yeomanry, killed a few days ago was a golfer and brother of Miss Flora MacAndrew, the Scottish International golfer.

Private Lacey, professional of the Langland Bay Club, has been killed at the Front.

Capt. T. F. Foster, Durham Light Infantry killed in action was a prominent Gosforth golfer.

Others who have fallen are:—Lieut. Col. Hammond (Ashdown Forest,) Capt. T. A. Tapp (Walton Heath) and Lieut. James, one of the Stewards of Royal St. George's, a fine player who figured in the amateur and open championships. This youngster saw service in Antwerp, Gallipoli, the Dardanelles, Salonica and France, and wrote two days before his death: "France is the one and only place for a man—this is a more exciting game than golf."

# Golf in 1917

## U. S. Golfers Have a Most Successful Year

**I**N its annual review of amateur sports in the United States in 1917 the "New York Times" devotes considerable space to golf. Herewith some extracts:

"Golfers of 1917 need fear no comparison with their brothers of the past. Although the season suffered, as was inevitable, from war conditions, still the many followers of the game acquired an even clearer idea of the "sport for the sport's sake," from this very circumstance and enjoyed immensely whatever attacks they were allowed to make against bunker, sand pit, or other hazards.

"In this respect it can be said that no other sport has contributed such a huge sum of money for Red Cross and other war societies as has golf. Through the U. S. G. A. more than \$75,000 was raised in one day of tournaments throughout the land.

"As a competitive year there were enough brilliant efforts supplied by equally brilliant performers to list 1917 with any years of golf history. Charles "Chick" Evans of Edgewater, Chicago, retained his championship crowns in both the amateur and open affairs, for the simple reason that he was not called upon to defend his laurels. However, Evans played enough exhibitions during the season to prove to the most skeptical that he could have raised a vigorous argument had any attempt been made to lift either of his titles.

"The champion did not compete in any tournaments during the year, but he played sterling golf always. Probably his best feat was at Whitmarsh Valley in a four ball match with Norman H. Maxwell of Aronimink as his partner. The opponents were Jim Barnes and Eddie Loos, two Philadelphia professionals. Evans had a 71 in the afternoon round of this match and helped materially to defeat the professionals after two extra holes.

"Next to the champion, probably the golf of Francis Ouimet, one of golf's warriors now with the National army, stood out most prominently. During the year Ouimet won one amateur championship although declared ineligible to compete in U. S. G. A. tournaments. This was the Western amateur event, and followed a ruling by the Western body that golfers who were in the business of selling golf goods should not lose their amateur standing.

"In Red Cross exhibition matches played in the vicinity of Boston and New York, Ouimet was the leader of all golfers. He measured ability with such excellent players as Jerome D. Travers, former National amateur and open champion; Oswald Kirkby, the present metropolitan champion; M. J. Brady,

Massachusetts open champion, and Louis Tellier, former open champion of France, and not once was Ouimet content with second laurels. His six birdies in the first nine holes of Baltusrol in a four-ball match there will long be remembered. Ouimet undoubtedly showed greater skill throughout the year than any other golfer in the land and in a year without tournaments it is almost impossible to rank the young Bostonian as the best of the lot.

"Two youngsters were the others to win amateur laurels during the season. Norman H. Maxwell of Aronimink gained his crown at Pinehurst. He won the United North and South amateur championship from a field numbering among its entrants John G. Anderson, and Gardiner W. White, of New York and William Fownes of Pittsburg, all players of National fame.

"Bobby Jones of Atlanta was the other youngster to come into his own when he won the Southern amateur title from a field of expert wielders of the mashie and niblick. Jones also made an attempt for the Western championship but could not play up to his real game.

"Among the professionals Jim Barnes, who last year was credited with being the professional leader, since an amateur prevented any professional from winning this honor in the open tournament, again measured strides with the best. His spectacular golf at the Western open championship, where he had 283 for 72 holes, a record for that distance, placed him at the head of the list. Jock Hutchinson, the Chicago professional, made a great bid for first honours by his victory in the National Patriotic Open Tournament held at Whitmarsh Valley. Eddie Loos, by winning the Shawness open, also gained much prestige.

"Of the women, Mrs. William A. Gavin of Baltusrol stood to the fore. Miss Alexa Stirling of Atlanta, the women's national champion, did not take part in any tournaments during the year, and played in only a few exhibitions, so it is impossible to rate her game. Mrs. Gavin not only won the women's Metropolitan Golf Association championship with surprising ease, but she opened anew an ancient argument by soundly defeating Jerome D. Travers in a thirty-six hole handicap match, in which Travers essayed to give her nine strokes in each eighteen.

"In the West Mrs. F. C. Lette of Cincinnati again demonstrated her superiority over the other women players by again winning the Western Championship. She had to defeat Miss Elaine V. Rosenthal in the final match, which is a task for any woman."

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## Ball In a Horse's Hoof Mark

**A** MONTREAL correspondent writes the "Canadian Golfer:"

"I note in the December issue of your very excellent magazine a decision handed down by the Rules of Golf Committee of the R. C. G. A. regarding a ball lying in a horse's hoof mark.

Recently I had the pleasure of discussing the matter with one of the oldest professional exponents of the game—and now one of our leading golf architects—his opinion is that the player should have the right to lift a ball in such circumstances and said that he himself would do it after drawing his opponent's attention to the fact. I have questioned some of our leading Montreal professionals who are of the same opinion.

I would like to draw your attention to Rule 11, which says: "a ball may be lifted from ground under repair or covered up, or opened for the purpose of the upkeep of the course, or lying in one of the holes, or in a guide flag hole, or in a hole made by the greenkeeper."

Is a horse pulling a mower not there for

the upkeep of the course? Is said horse not part of the greenkeeper?

I would like to know if the decision published is your Committee's interpretation of above rule.

I am very much interested in this ruling, as there is no question but that in the Spring of the year a great deal of damage is done to our courses due to this cause."

In reply to our correspondent the ruling given in the December issue of the "Canadian Golfer," in reference to lifting a ball lying in a horse's hoof mark was the unanimous decision of the five members of the Rules of Golf Committee.

Unless there is a local rule to that effect (which is quite permissible) a ball cannot be lifted under the circumstances described. Penalty in match play, loss of hole; in stroke play, two strokes.

## A Gartload of Bad Ones

It was the luck of a choleric Scotch golfer to have for his companion in a stroke competition one day a minister. The latter was a good sport and paid no heed to a few damns which were ejaculated by his fellow player when matters were not going well in the rough of with short putts, but when a flow of very bad language, indeed, succeeded a pull out of bounds, the clergyman interfered. Very mildly, however, was his reprimand.

"Do you think, Mr. D—, that you do either yourself or your game any good by using such words? Personally, I'm certain you don't. You would do far better if you controlled your temper and your language.

"I'll suggest a plan to you. Every time you swear, pick up a good-sized stone, and place it in your pocket. As you have been going on you will surely be ashamed of yourself at the end of

the round. That is, if you contemplate the results."

The other player, who in quiet moments, acknowledged his irascibility, agreed that this was a good idea. He would try it.

The two men did not meet again on the links for nearly a month. When they did, Mr. D—was finishing a round, and the clergyman was about to start one.

They passed the time o' day, when Mr. D—, producing half-a-dozen stones from his pocket, said: "I took your advice regarding the stones you see."

The clergyman, in stating his pleasure at the comparative fewness of the pebbles, said: "You must be improving. That is not a great haul."

Whereupon Mr. D—burst out with the statement: "Ay, but wait till you see the cairtfull of the "damns" that are coming in!"



# Canadian Seniors' Golf Association

Royal Montreal Golf Club and Prominent Clubs and Golfers  
Favor Its Formation

THE idea of forming a Seniors' Golf Association in Canada, has met with the hearty official endorsement of the President and Directors of the Royal Montreal Golf Club, Mr. Frank A. Rolph, President of the Royal Canadian Golf Association and other prominent golf clubs and golfers throughout Canada.

Mr. Baker, C.V.O., President of the Royal Montreal, has many warm friends among the Seniors' Association in the United States, and has played in the notable Seniors' tournaments, held annually at Apawamis, Rye, N.Y. and realizes what an association of that character would mean for golf in the Dominion.

Recently Mr. Baker was invited to New York to meet a number of the prominent members of the Senior Association there and very kindly invited the Editor of the "Canadian Golfer" to accompany him.

At what promises to be quite an historical luncheon at the Union League Club in that city on Tuesday, January 8th the Canadians had the very great pleasure of meeting Mr. Horace L. Hotchkiss, the loveable "Father" of the United States Seniors' Association and Honorary President, Mr. Frank L. Presbrey, for three years the Chairman of the Seniors' Association Tournament Committee and Mr. S. C. Welsh, the latter, the hospitable host at the luncheon.

The United States Seniors were kindness itself in explaining in detail the workings of their Association which has a membership of 500 of the most prominent men in the United States, with a long waiting list. They were most cordial too in suggesting in view of the formation of a Canadian Seniors' Association, an International match

which they thought would still further cement the bonds between the two allied countries—if that is at all necessary because the warm feeling of the States towards Canada to-day is really most remarkable as the visitors to this golfing conference can testify.

The age limit for the Seniors' in the States is 55, but the U. S. representatives at the luncheon agreed that in view of the much more restricted golfing field in Canada, the age limit here might very advisedly be placed at 50. In the event of an International match being arranged however, the players competing will be restricted to 55 years or over.

The entire experience and facilities generally of the United States Seniors' has been most generously placed at the disposal of golfers here and with such invaluable data the formation of a Seniors' Association in Canada should be made very plain sailing indeed.

All the United States representatives present promised to attend the first Dominion Tournament if one is arranged and their presence will add very much indeed to the prestige of such an event.

Mr. Baker, President of the Royal Montreal, has left on a trip South and on his return steps will be at once inaugurated to meet with the Presidents of the leading clubs of the Dominion and discuss thoroughly the whole project. Of its value as one of the most potent factors in golf in Canada in the future there cannot be the least question and if it is launched, golfers here will be under a very deep debt of gratitude to Mr. Baker; the Directors of the Royal Montreal and other prominent golfers who are "fathering" the project.

## An Only Hope

Golfer (desperately looking at his ball in bunker)--Caddy, what club shall I use?

Caddy—Why not use 'em all, sir?

# Notes from New England

## Two Well Known Golf Club Houses Destroyed

*Special correspondence, Mr. Brice S. Evans*

**I**T is now Sergeant Francis Ouimet, as he has been appointed Sergeant of the Intelligence Corps at Camp Devens. His partner, Jesse Guilford, who is the present Massachusetts State champion and was semi-finalist in the last National championship, has passed his physical and mental tests for the aviation corps and will in all probability be called in a few weeks to some reserve officers' aviation school. Guilford is considered the longest driving amateur in this country to-day.

The club house of the Belmont Spring Country Club was destroyed by fire on New Years eve, and action will shortly be taken in relation to erecting a new gathering place. Fortunately, Belmont is gifted with one of the largest and most complete locker buildings in the country, which will doubtless be turned into a temporary club. The fire took off much that never can be replaced. For instance, more than \$6,000 worth of Daghestan and other imported rugs and oil paintings, a remarkably fine display, went up in smoke. Then there was a storeroom full of crockery, each piece bearing the club seal and coat of arms, all of which was melted down into a mass three feet thick and 15 feet square, and which now resembles a floor of cracked tile.

A beautiful fountain and pool graced the centre of the dining room between the main dining hall and the ballroom. In the pool were about 50 goldfish and countless snails, turtles and pretty shells. All this is no more. The gun club was a heavy loser in the way of apparatus and trophies. Two trap guns worth \$200 apiece, 10 trophies won by the club marksmen and a large number of trophies which had been purchased in advance for this winter's

shooting were reduced to a molten state.

Among the golf trophies which were easy prey to the flames were the President's and Secretary's cups, both permanent trophies. Another valued article that is no more is the curling trophy of which Belmont won a leg last season. This must be won three times to become the permanent property of the successful club. Clubs in Belmont, Waterdown and Winchester were the annual competitors for this trophy.

Another fire occurred New Years' morning when the Dudham Country and Polo Club was burned to the ground. A temporary golf house will be erected which will later on be superseded by a modern building.

There is a dearth of winter sports at the golf clubs in and around Boston as the shortage of coal has been met by the request of the U. S. G. A. to close the club houses until warmer weather sets in. This request has been in almost all cases complied with, except where members are living in the houses throughout the winter.

Besides Ouimet and Guilford being in the service, many of the leading golfers are enrolled in some classification or other. Paul Tewksbury is working on the new Liberty plant at Squantum; R. R. Gorton, B. W. Estabrook, R. De L. Pierce, C. M. Armory and G. A. Lyall are serving the government. Ralph Hornblower is head of the Red Cross affairs. All of the above have been enrolled on Lesley Cup teams of former years. H. P. Farrington is with the Naval reserves. Chris Dunphy, A. C. Columbo, Nate Hall are enrolled and many members who are past draft age have enlisted in the Medical or some special branch of the service.

### Vocabulary of Vigor

"Old Brassey keeps up his golf talk all the year around."

"Why, he plays only from April to November."

"I know; but he runs a balky furnace from November to April."



# Lambton's Annual Meeting

Well Known Toronto Golf Club Contributes Nearly  
\$4,000 for Patriotic Purposes

**T**HE annual general meeting of the Lambton Golf and Country Club, one of the leading golf clubs of the Dominion, was held on December 29th, the Vice-President, Mr. C. H. Willson in the chair, with a large number of members in attendance.

The annual report was of a most satisfactory character, showing that after writing off the sum of \$2,800 for renewals and depreciation, there was a credit balance of \$161.38 as a result of the past year's operations.

In view of the present unsettled conditions, and having regard to the large number of members now on active service at the front, this was considered by the members a very satisfactory showing and one that reflected much credit on the club management.

Herewith some very interesting extracts from the report:—

The Production campaign inaugurated by the club in the early part of the season was carried through with very satisfactory results—all the vegetables required for the club being raised on the grounds and a considerable quantity in addition—more than sufficient to defray the cost of seed and the labor. Despite a lessened staff of men it was also found possible—thanks to the generous help of the members in assisting to look after the bunkers and fairgreens—to maintain the course in good playing condition.

On September 16th the club sustained a very heavy loss in the death of its esteemed President, Mr. Harry Ryrie. Among the members at Lambton none were better known or more highly respected than he; always a staunch friend of the club and for many years

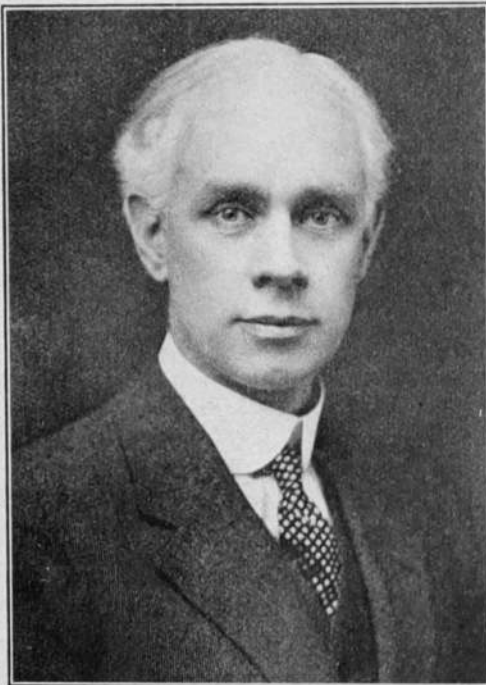
a member of the Board of Governors, his loss is felt deeply by the whole membership.

The club has now on active service 53 members. During the year two of these, —Major T. C. Irving, Jr., and Captain R. A. Brown—after having won repeated promotions and honours for bravery in action, have made the supreme sacrifice in their country's service. The club honours their memory and mourns their loss.

Throughout the season, in most of the events that were held, a small fee was charged in aid of the club's Patriotic Fund, by the means of which a considerable sum was realized. On October 6th, the Patriotic Day held by the club brought in a further sum of about \$3,000.00, making a total raised during the season of about \$3,800. Of this amount \$600 is being used to provide trench comforts for the Lambton members at the front; \$125 has been contributed to various patriotic causes and \$3,000 is being expended in providing athletic equipment for the Canadian convalescent soldiers in England. In this connection the club is fortunate in having secured the co-operation of the Overseas Military Department Y. M. C. A., who have kindly consented to ascertain the amount and type of equipment most required in the several Canadian Hospitals—also to supervise its distribution on the club's behalf.

The experiment of closing the club house during the winter season having proven satisfactory and effected a considerable saving in operating expenses, it was decided to further extend the practice this season. In consequence the dining room service was discontinued in the early part of November, and, following the Reception and Dance on New Year's Day, the house will be entirely closed during the months of January, February and March.

In spite of the shortage of help, the various services of the club have been well maintained—due very largely to the able and efficient management of the club's secretary,



Mr. C. H. Willson, President of the  
Lambton Golf and Country Club

Mr. Mason, and Mrs. Mason, and of which the Board desires to express its hearty appreciation.

The satisfactory House Committee report was presented by Mr. A. T. Reid and that of the Green Committee by Mr. W. A. Kemp.

In reference to the latter, the Chairman was able to report that the river bank improvements on the fifth and eighth holes have now been fully completed and are quite satisfactory. The work was of a comprehensive character requiring much thought and the expenditure of many thousands of dollars.

The splendid contribution by Lambton of nearly \$4,000 for Patriotic purposes is beyond all praise. It constitutes a record for the Dominion from the standpoint of golf or any other amateur game.

The election of officers resulted as follows:—President, Mr. C. H. Willson; Governors:—Messrs. C. L. Wisner, G. M. Clarke, W. A. Kemp, R. J. Dillworth, H. H. Williams, T. A. Brown, and J. A. Fraser. Captain, Mr. George S. Lyon. Vice-Captain, Mr. George L. Robinson.

At a subsequent meeting of the Governors, Mr. W. A. Kemp was elected Vice-President. Committees were appointed as follows:—Executive Committee—W. A. Kemp, Chairman, C. L. Wisner, R. J. Dillworth. Green Committee—C. L. Wisner, Chairman, H. H. Williams and the House Committee—R. J. Dillworth, Chairman, J. A. Fraser, George M. Clarke, T. A. Brown.

Lambton has always been most fortunate in having occupants of the Presidential chair of marked ability and Mr. C. H. Willson is a worthy successor to the notable men who have preceded him. He is President of the representative firm of McDonald & Willson, electrical supplies, Toronto and Winnipeg, having been connected with the business since its inception some 30 years ago.

He has always taken a keen interest in amateur sports, at one time being an enthusiastic canoeist and commodore of the Toronto Canoe Club. Like so many other men prominent in finance, manufacture and commerce, some 12 years ago he took up with the game of golf and joined the Lambton Golf Club. For the past six years he has been on the Board of Governors and his election to the Presidency is a well deserved reward of faithful and conscientious work on behalf of the club and its members.

Mr. Willson has taken an active part in Patriotic and Red Cross work. He is a prominent member of the Toronto Board of Trade and was a member of the Council. His business activities are many but he has always found time to keep mentally and physically fit by a "round in the open." Lambton has a very strong Board of Governors this year and the club in its keeping is assured of a continuance of the progress and success which from its inception has marked the operations of this very representative club.

### Don't Show Chagrin---Grin!

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Grin!

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# Golfing Parliamentarians

Many Members of the New House Are Devotees  
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THE elections on December 17th, which witnessed such a sweeping victory for Union Government, saw the return of many members of Parliament who are golfers.

As all the world knows, Sir Robert Laird Borden, the Prime Minister, to whose unremitting, shall we say unrelenting endeavours? Union Government was made possible, is an ardent follower of the game of games.

So also is Sir Thomas White, who "finances" in hundreds of millions.

The Honourable Martin Burrell, Secretary of State, is a most enthusiastic golfer and a very good golfer too.

Other members in the new Cabinet who play are: the Hon. Dr. Reid, Minister of Railways; the Hon. Mr. Meighen, Minister of the Interior; the Hon. Mr. McLean, Minister without portfolio; Sir James Loughead, Minister without portfolio, and Leader of the Senate; the Hon. C. C. Ballantyne, Minister of Customs; Major General Mewburn, Minister of Militia, is a member of the Hamilton Golf Club.

Mr. H. C. Fripp, K.C., who scored such a wonderful victory over Sir Wilfrid Laurier in the City of Ottawa, is President of the Royal Ottawa Golf Club and takes a very keen interest in its affairs—and there is no more delightful club in Canada than the Royal Ottawa.

Mr. George Allan, in South Winnipeg had one of the biggest majorities of the whole campaign—over the 10,000 mark. He is a very prominent golfer and a leading member of the St. Charles Country Club. He will worthily represent Western golf in the House.

Mr. J. D. Chaplin of St. Catharines, who won out in Lincoln with several thousand to the good is one of the oldest members of the St. Catharines Golf Club and has done much for the game in the Garden City.

Mr. W. F. Cockshutt also dabbled in a majority running into the thousands. He is a valued member of the Brantford Golf and Country Club and never

misses a chance in Ottawa or the Telephone City to keep mentally and physically fit by a round on the links.

Mr. W. A. Boys "buried" his opponent in South Simcoe under an avalanche of votes. He is one of the best known athletes in the Dominion. In his younger days he was a tennis champion and still plays, but golf has also recently found in him a strong devotee. He and Mr. Cockshutt, by the way, were regularly to be seen together on the Royal Ottawa course last summer whilst Parliament, long drawn out, was holding the most momentous sittings in its history. 'Tis whispered that the doughty member from Simcoe had slightly "the range" of his brother of Brant.

Major Hume Cronyn of "London Town," in one of the hardest fought contests of the whole elections, scored a notable victory. The Major for many years now has been one of the outstanding golfers of the well known London Hunt and Country Club, in fact was one of its founders. Golf in the middle West owes a great deal to him.

Mr. W. F. Niekle of Kingston is a member of the new Golf and Country Club, started last season in the Limestone City. If in the years to come he plays golf as well as he does the political game (that phrase in its best sense) he will be a scratch player without the peradventure of a doubt.

Lt.-Col. Sam Sharpe of Uxbridge, who carried the Union flag to a glorious victory in North Ontario is a member of the golf clan too. The Colonel who is overseas, has a D. S. O. to his credit and has been playing the great game of all and playing it mighty well.

In Calgary East, Major D. E. Redman had a comfortable little majority of three or four thousand. The Major plays golf and notwithstanding the fact that he came back from "Overthere" with a very bad arm, has since been playing the beautiful 18 hole course of the Calgary Golf and Country Club and has found the game greatly bene-

ficial to the wounded member. That clinking majority of his ought to complete the cure.

Mr. T. M. Tweedie of Calgary West who is also a plus 4,000 majority man, is too a member of the Calgary Golf and Country Club.

Mr. F. S. Scott of Waterloo South, who made his opponent think that the original Waterloo was a regular pink tea proposition in comparison, is a member of the Waterloo Golf and Country Club with Galt as its locus in quo.

Anyone hailing from North Perth should be a golfer and Mr. H. B. Morphy, K.C., the member elect is. The Stratford Golf and Country Club very proudly claims him as a member.

Mr. R. F. Green, Kootenay W., is a British Columbia player.

Lethbridge, where they recently in-

stalled a Municipal golf links returns Mr. W. A. Buchanan, who is the Honorary President of the club in that progressive Albertan city.

This does not pretend to be a complete list of all the golfers in the new Parliament, but it covers perhaps the principal wielders of "wood and iron" who for the next five years will help preside over the momentous destinies of this important part of Great Britain Beyond the Seas.

In the Upper House, Senators Lynch-Staunton, McLellan, White and Barnard are perhaps the out-standing golfing figures.

A good nucleus here at any rate to form quite a formidable Parliamentary golfing club—following in the footsteps of the Mother of Parliaments.

## Sergeant Ouimet Engaged

OUR Boston correspondent writes: "Announcement has been made of the engagement of Mr. Francis Ouimet, now a Sergeant in the National Army at Camp Devens, and Miss Stella Sullivan of Lake St., Brighton, sister of Ouimet's golf and business partner, John H. Sullivan, jr. No date has been definitely settled for the wedding.

Miss Sullivan is a daughter of John H. Sullivan, a wealthy Boston contractor. The couple have known each other for a number of years, Mr. Ouimet being a frequent visitor to the Sullivan homestead with Miss Sullivan's brother ever since school days.

Miss Sullivan was graduated from Mount St. Joseph's and Notre Dame Academies. She also took a special course at the New England Conservatory of Music and is regarded as a musician of ability. Ouimet is a clerk at regimental headquarters at Ayer to Sergt. Major William Flaherty, but hopes soon to be transferred to the Aviation Corps."

The "Canadian Golfer" extends hearty congratulations to the ex-Open and Amateur champion and his fair young bride to be, in which sentiment golfers in the Dominion will generally join.

## "Doing His Bit"

HOW many golfers know Mr. Travis only through his many triumphs on the links, are aware that the Garden City wizard has a son that is following his father's footsteps? Truth to tell, Bartlett Travis is several stages removed from his father's pinnacle of skill, but those who have played with him on the courses around the Garden City say that his game has possibilities. Incidentally, it has to be recorded that at the present time there is no prouder daddy in the world than Walter J. Travis, and this is not ac-

counted for by any sporting ability shown by his boy, but because young Travis has elected to play a man's part in the present crisis.

Last summer Bartlett Travis made an effort to join the United States Flying Corps. In fact, he made several efforts, but was turned down. Not to be beaten, he finally crossed the border and joined the Royal Flying Corps of Canada. He is now back in the United States putting the finishing touches to his training preparatory to going to France.—"N. Y. Tribune."

# The Greatest Golfer

By "Wooden Putter," Saskatoon

**W**HO'S Who? in your December issue, re-creates in the minds of many golfers the question, who is really the best golfer the world has ever seen.

Of the present day golfers there are none to deny the Triumvirate their position of pre-eminence in the world of golf to-day, and the figures given in the article, "Who's Who?" certainly show that Braid has got just a shade over the others, but who will say that Braid is a better golfer than Vardon or vice versa. Vardon is conceded by 66% of golfers to be the better man, and although the general golfing public may think so, it may be because Vardon has been before the public prominently more than the other of the Triumvirate, he having travelled more extensively than Taylor or Braid.

I have no hesitation in saying that if we had an "analysable" opinion of those most capable to judge (the professional expert player,) leaving personality out of the question, we would find as many for the one, as for the other.

Well, I was nearly away on the track of personality, but that is outside of the question.

To say that either one of the Triumvirate is the best player that ever lived (and it is said daily, mostly by those not capable of judging, and without ever having seen the players perform, but taking figures and news clippings as authority) is making an assertion not borne out by facts or figures.

Who of those who saw the Morris', Parks', Bob Ferguson, Jamie Anderson, Bob Martin and others of the period in their prime, will say, that they were inferior to the present Triumvirate?

Having seen Old Tom Morris, Bob Martin and Jamie Anderson only when they had for years been out of the game, I am not in a personal position to judge the abilities of the players of the two periods, but this I might say: the action of the Triumvirate on the whole, is less sweet than that of the older men, even allowing for sentiment and age. The pity is that the Parks,

the Morris', Anderson and Ferguson are not contemporaneous with our present day idols, so we must do away with the thought of ever being able to say authoritatively: "So and so was the best ever."

For instance, what right have we to make the assertion that Vardon was a better player than, let us say, young Tom Morris?

They lived in a different era, Vardon being a baby when Morris died, but they played over the same courses. Consider first that the clubs and balls of the earlier period were vastly dissimilar—not the neat model of clubs, or lively ball with which we play to-day. It would be a safe bet, for instance to say, 50% of our players to-day could not, 6 times out of 10, hit a gutty from one side of the fairway to the other.

How are we going to get a comparison therefore, between Vardon and Young Tom? Take pencil and paper, and we'll try and connect up the past with the present.

Vardon, over a period of 19 years, from first to last championship won, gained first honours 6 times. His average round in his winning years was 76.83; age at last win, 44. Young Tom won 4 championships in 4 years, solely with the gutty, having an average round of 78.25; died, aged 24. To my mind, the preceding paragraph sums up in a few words, the record of one who at his best and living to-day, would have transferred the question of "Who's Who?" in the world of golf, into the question: "I wonder who will be champion when Tom Morris quits?"

Vardon, through his 6 championship wins, is generally conceded to be the greatest golfer, so that is why I put him and Young Tom in comparison at this time. Now let us again take the pencil and figure.

In the championships, Vardon's average round is 78.62, that of Morris is 78.25. Over Prestwick, where Morris won most of his championships and where Vardon has won 3 out of 6, Vardon has best championship average



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score of 75 with a rubber core, Morris, 74.5 with a gutty.

It may here be noted that Morris' best average has only been beaten in the championships 4 times, only once at Prestwick, when James Braid made his record score in the championship—which is said to be the finest 4 rounds of golf that were played consecutively. Braid's average was 72.75, with rubber core, 38 years after Morris made his record.

Vardon's best average with a gutty is 76.75. Just think for a moment. Morris left off playing at an age when Vardon had just got started to win, and imagine the future of Morris had he lived, as long say, as Vardon!

Of course we must not lose sight of the fact that the courses are longer now, but practically all the change has been made to discount the distance gained from the tee by the rubber core ball—and despite the paradox, the courses are the same, (in a playing sense.) We must also bear in mind that the conditions on courses to-day, are greatly improved to what they were in the days of Morris, et al, especially in regard to the upkeep of greens.

Let us see what we get in looking back to the period of 1860—1882. In that period there were 9 champions—

Old Tom, 4; Young Tom, 4; Willie Park, sr., 4; Anderson, 3; Ferguson, 3; Strath, Kidd, Park, Martin, 1 each. In a period equally long—1892—1914, we also have 9 champions, Vardon, 6; Braid, 5; Taylor, 5; Hilton, 2; Auchterlomie, Herd, Massey, White and Ray, 1 each.

You say there are more competitors now-a-day. That I admit, but say we had thirty competitors in the early days, and an average of 200 at recent championships. Allow for the infusion of new blood yearly; take the first 30 from year to year and we shall find that 75% of the 30 were in the elect of the preceding year. You say, "Bah! you cannot prove anything that way." I admit we cannot match abilities of players in different periods and under different conditions, so figures are the nearest solution. And here are some more figures. Vardon has played in 22 championships, won 6, percentage, not quite 27; Morris played in 4 championships; won 4, percentage 100.

The question, perhaps will never be settled definitely, but figure it out. Look at the records. Morris never lost an arranged match or championship after reaching his 20th year. Young Tom Morris, to my idea was "The Greatest Golfer that ever lived."

## The Cuckoo Cuckooed

**M**R. Harry Leach, the well known British golf writer, English correspondent to the "American Golfer," tells this one:—

A very well known operatic singer, Mr. Fred Billington, has just died. He was immensely popular, especially in the provinces, where for a generation he has played and sung the leading parts in the Gilbert and Sullivan operas, such as "The Mikado," "The Gondoliers," "The Yeomen of the Guard," and so forth. He was a big and heavy man, and among the measures that he adopted continually for his health and his enjoyment was golf. He played on many courses, and had friends on all of them. Having a great fund of humour, it was inevitable that much of it should be evident from time to time on the links. One time

in the spring he was playing a hard match in which nothing was being given away on either side and everything was depending on the putting. Early in the game a cuckoo, which apparently had its headquarters in some not-distant trees, began to advertise itself in the customary way, and was continually declaring its name while Mr. Billington was engaged on the most anxious putts. At length, on one of the greens, when he was particularly harassed by this disturbance as he was trying to concentrate for his stroke, he raised himself for a moment, looked wearily over the distant trees, and said, "That bird has a damned poor repertoire," and then applied himself to the putt again and missed, while the cuckoo went cuckooing on.



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# Golf at Pinehurst

Wintry Weather, Too, Has Prevalled at This Well Known Southern Resort

*Special Correspondence "Canadian Golfer"*

**T**HE Sunny South, the past few days has been belittling its name. Hurricanes and snow and frost have been rampant and a good old fashioned Northern Xmas has been enjoyed here in Pinehurst and elsewhere.

season, beating J. D. Armstrong, 3 and 1 in a good game.

For the qualifying round of the Fifteenth Annual Mid-Winter Tournament, December 28th to January 2nd, there were 105 entrants and for once



PLAYING GOLF AT PINEHURST

Mr. Frank Gates, winner of the first tournament of the season at Pinehurst

The official opening however of the Pinehurst golfing season—the Annual Carolina tournament—was blessed with a most superb day and a splendid list of entries. Clarence Hobart, the famous tennis player took the medal in the qualifying round after playing off the tie with Howard Phillips.

A number of cracks qualified for the first division of the tournament, but here the medal winner was put out the first round by Franklin H. Gates, who eventually won the first event of the

the "predicters" predicted right. Norman Maxwell was generally looked upon as the probable low score man and he justified the wise-acres by annexing the medal with a 42 and 36—78. His last nine was registered in championship form.

Maxwell continued his winning streak all through the tournament and eventually won out in the finals when he defeated R. C. Shannon, of Brockport by one hole in the eighteen hole final. As in the semi-final he was on

the defensive from the fifth hole to the fourteenth. A cold wind made scoring difficult. He was out in 45 to his opponent's 44, and turned 1 down. Maxwell came home in 41 to 43, and only finished the match on the eighteenth green, where Shannon missed a six foot putt for a half. The summary:—

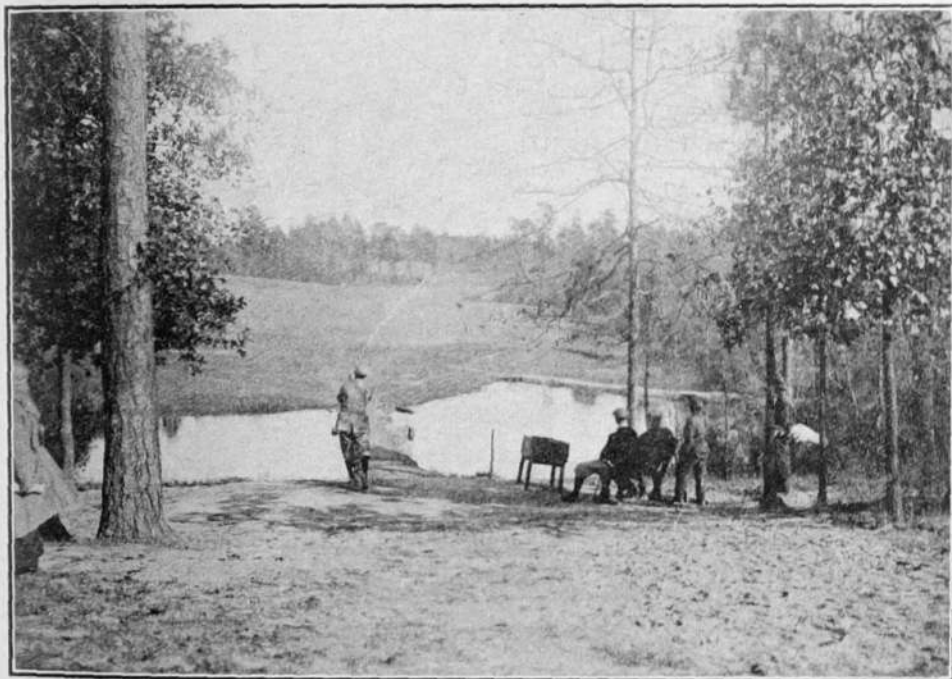
First Sixteen—Final—Norman H. Maxwell, Aronimink, beat R. C. Shannon, 2d, Brockport, 1 up.

Beaten Eight—Final—V. A. Segger-

Amongst the entries were:—J. D. Montgomery, Toronto and Ivan Bosse, Quebec.

### Short Putts

Nothing daunted during the severe weather which prevailed recently and made a round of the links impossible, the enthusiasts patronized the putting greens and C. B. Fownes was the bright star in negotiating the cup. He had one record 23 to his credit.



### PLAYING GOLF AT PINEHURST

The beautiful 12th hole on No. 1 course.

man, Englewood, beat J. D. Armstrong, Shennecossett, 2 and 1.

Second Sixteen—Final—L. D. Pierce, Brae Burn, beat J. W. Baker, Plainfield, 4 and 3.

Beaten Eight—Final—C. F. Lancaster, Woodland, beat G. W. Statzell, Aronimink, 4 and 3.

Other Winners—Third Sixteen—F. C. Page, Moore County; J. E. Smith, New York City; Fourth Sixteen—H. J. Frost, Glen Ridge; E. A. Bailey, El Mora; Fifth Sixteen—G. A. Magoon, Oakmont; J. D. C. Rumsey, Brooklyn. Special—J. R. Towle, Calumet.

The Tin Whistlers as usual have scheduled a big program of events during the season. Every week some competition has been arranged for, including Medal play, Match play, Team play and Swatfest, Flag day, Two ball, Best ball, Four ball, Against Bogey and Par and Lost Ball. A merry crowd are the Tin Whistlers and a merry season is ahead of them.

The first hole in one this season at Pinehurst has been registered by Mr. Deforest Von Canon, the well known banker. He accomplished the feat at the difficult No. 6.

Among the guests staying at the Carolina from Canada are: Mrs. E. Russell Hale and Miss Hale, Ottawa; Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Cunningham, of Kingston; Mrs. Chas. P. Mullick, St. John, New Brunswick; Dr. John Macdonnell, Toronto; Miss Walsh, Toronto.

Perhaps never before in the history of the resort have the hotels been so crowded. This month a large number of Canadian will be here—a big contingent as usual coming from Toronto, Montreal and other golfing centres.

The photograph herewith of the 12th hole on the No. 1 course gives an idea of what it is to play golf under Southern skies whilst the Northern links are mantled with snow. No. 12 is 335 yards, but it is a ticklish hole and a par 4 is well earned.

Dwight N. Clark of Woodbridge, Conn., dean of the golfing corps of the United States, has arrived here on schedule time and is playing daily. Mr. Clark celebrated his eighty-eighth birthday at Pinehurst in March last. The veteran golfer's anniversary dinner has become quite an event here, as he has been an annual visitor since 1898

and has not missed a season since 1902, sixteen years ago.

Mr. Clark took up golf when he was a mere youngster of 70, and he plays a better round now than he did a dozen years ago. He did the first nine holes on the difficult No. 3 course in 46, toward the end of last season. Some time ago he completed in 101 consecutive weekdays exactly 100 rounds of eighteen holes each. Most of the bad weather that happened during those particular four months occurred on Sundays, when Mr. Clark does not play, and on only two of the 101 weekdays was the weather bad enough to hold him down to a nine hole round.

Walter J. Travis once remarked that he knew of no other golfer of anywhere near Mr. Clark's years who could play eighteen holes, day in and day out, for any considerable number of days, and it would be interesting to hear from the golf statisticians as to whether the grand old player's record, either for the course or for continuous play, has ever been excelled or equalled by any other golfer of his age.

## Light Weight Champion a Convert

**T**HE lure of golf has captured in turn the followers of every other phase of athletic life.

Golf has hit the baseball players hard. Cap. Anson, Connie Mack, Ty Cobb and Chief Bender are a few who play the game whenever they get a chance, and President Tener and John Heydler are golf fans.

But you would hardly expect a prize-fighter to care much for this gentle sport. Yet here is a man who, as the lightweight champion, was regarded for years as one of the finest fighters who ever drew on a glove, who says it is the best game ever. Frank Erne has been playing golf a little less than six months. Here is what he has to say about it:—"I thought golf was a joke

until I took it up seriously," he says. "It's the finest game I ever tackled, and I am sorry I didn't take it up sooner," continued the ex-champion. "It gives the man the proper exercise, and I have come to believe that it is the best outdoor tonic for the tired business man. Tennis is a strenuous sport as compared to golf.

"I'm crazy about golf, so much so that I'd play it every day, if I could get the time. That's the funny part of golf; a man may be playing it for a lifetime, when all of a sudden a new-comer comes along and beats him. How a champion ever holds his title in golf longer than a few weeks is more than I can understand."



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# Golf and War in the U.S.

"Runner-Up" Contributes Some Interesting Items in Connection Therewith

**F**ROM every nook and corner trickles the demand that the U. S. Golf Association speedily make a complete list of players engaged in the war, even if only in indirect or advisory capacity. The request is becoming as insistent as that of the college class secretaries for every scrap of information obtainable regarding the war services of graduates and undergraduates. Golfers will not rest content with the record merely of members from clubs affiliated with the national body. They also want a line on every player in outside clubs and every man or woman who confines themselves to semi-public or municipal courses. In short they want every scrap of information about royal and ancient devotees who helped to roll back the Hun tide. Following this week's report that Germans are surrendering their hair for war needs, added interest comes in the next step—getting their scalp.

More news has been received so far this month regarding prominent players in the service than in all the other time since the war began. In the aerial are to be noted Dudley Mudge, former Yale star of St. Paul; Archie McIlwaine of Hartford, also ex-Yale, and W. Vernon Booth of Apawamis, also a collegian. In the marine service can be noted Hamilton Kerr and Henry J. Topping, both of Connecticut, the former having been on the same craft with Maxwell Marston until heart weakness compelled the Jerseyman's retirement. Major Tom Sherman of Utica was one of the first to hear the call, having been interested in military affairs many years. Sam W. Reynolds, Trans-Mississippi champion is in the balloon school at Fort Omaha. Oscar Carlson, Siwanoy, only recently entered the Medical Corps. Brooklyn is represented by Devereaux Lord in the army and Hugh J. Donnelly in the navy. Gardiner White is another Long Islander who responded so recently that he has not got beyond Governor's Island. Comparatively few of the pros are yet beyond preliminary action, although Jos.

Sylvester is at Camp Upton, while F. Bellwood, Garden City, is now on the ocean to join the English army.

Willing as the average country club member is to help in the campaign of war saving, it will be impossible to close all such buildings according to this week's surprising request of the Fuel Administrator. The price of coal and the difficulty of getting it at any figure has already resulted in several of the smaller organizations putting up their shutters ahead of time, while a few others that of late years have nominally kept open have already shut up shop until Spring. The snow and severe weather, for ten days past, have put about all links out of commission, in unprecedented style for December. However, there are many indications that the harder part of the season is to be over by mid-winter. It would be almost as reasonable for Dr. Garfield to ask every gymnasium and athletic club to suspend four months for about all the bigger, older clubs such as Baltusrol, Ardeley, Merion, Huntingdon, Valley, Buffalo Country, and Brookline have long been year round hotels, with swimming pools, barber and tailoring shops and all such facilities. To close them would be to throw regiments of employees out of work, which if occupants were sent elsewhere they would need just as much coal.

Theoretically, too, it would be a fine thing to have all the commuters' trains cut off, but imagine the city congestion that would follow. Physical necessities were rapidly bringing about many of the ends requested in the administrative letter, which showed total ignorance of the subject in hand. Where clubs are near together, they should temporarily unite as the churches are being asked to and then divide their expenses pro rata. About all the newer club houses have a series of connecting dining rooms that can be cut off on the unit plan, whenever economy dictates. Scores of the clubs for their living rooms depend for heat on the wood cut nearby, which provides a

cheerful hearth. Eliminating winter golf isn't the only visionary scheme that has inspired the Fuel Board recently. Golfers are willing to cut to the bone, but they object to upsetting in an afternoon, plans for physical fitness that it took two decades to build up.

John Bredemus, golfer and all round sportsman of New York, who was good enough to be graduated into the pro class about two years ago, first went into one of the Bridgeport ammunition factories, but soon found work more to his liking as Athletic Director of Camp Wheeler, Macon, Ga., which unfortunately is a dozen miles from an adequate course, the unrestricted use of which has been kindly tendered to the soldiers. Accordingly, as at other camps, a few make-shift holes have been laid out while a lot of surplus or rejected clubs and balls have been contributed by clubs in Hartford, Schenectady, Philadelphia, (Philmont and Merion) among others. As every camp contains former caddies and home bred professionals, nothing except a little suitable land nearby is necessary to bring the Royal and Ancient to every military threshold.

Camp Mills, Long Island, located on

the edge of the Salisbury course has just had to be abandoned, because of its exposed location, but in all probability, its successor, next Spring, will be within easy range of the three courses in Garden City, not to mention the Hempstead Club. The semi-public course at Bayside, only a few miles distant, is on the through avenue of military traffic across Long Island and many have expressed the hope that it may be turned over entirely to soldiers. Golfers, who for years have struggled across Hempstead Plains in matches amid storm, warned government officials when Camp Mills was established, last summer, that no tougher location could be chosen. There is absolutely nothing to break the wind in that level neighbourhood, for not even the underbrush found at Montauk Point can gain a foothold.

Camp Lewis, Washington State, is near as many links as Camp Mills, there being four within a few miles. The inevitable result has been to crowd each course with players in khaki, to whom the sport was a closed book up to a few months ago. Just imagine the size of the golfing ranks when "Johnny comes marching home."

## Golf and Curling

### Leading Toronto Lawyer Pays a Tribute to Both Games

No more striking testimony to the benefits of exercise in a competitive game and in particular to the advantages of one of Canada's great winter pastimes could be offered than the following from one of the most respected members of the Toronto Bar:—

"I am a barrister and solicitor at law. Began an extensive practice on the first day of October 1864, and am still at it,—in the same building where I started. Have same corporation for clients, and they still seem to want my services. After the first twelve or fourteen years of hard work I was down and out.

This was before I played curling or golf. My doctor ordered me to Florida for the winter. Instead of going, I reduced my work and renewed my boyhood acquaintance with skating, and learned at forty-five the game of curling, and afterwards the game of golf (two of the finest health-giving games for

men of sedentary habits which were ever devised.) To-day at seventy-eight, I skipped a rink and played a good game. If I say so, who should not?

"I shall, however, speak about curling, for I find that my brother golfers know little about it. Most of my fellow golfers in the fall of the year take refuge in their hot offices, sitting near hot radiators and letting their livers get dormant. About March they want to go South to recover from billious headaches. They then realize the truth of the pun that 'whether life is worth living depends on the liver.' Now, curling would have kept them in good health and saved them money, for nothing runs away with money so quickly as bad health.

"When men talk to me about it being a cold game I tell them that on the contrary it is a hot game. Let a man play two and a hours putting up from 24 to 32 stones weighing from 40 to 50 pounds each, with the intervening sweeping, and he will find himself hot enough—he won't want any 'liver pills.'"



## War Draws Golf Seniors Closer

(New York Herald, January 16)

ONE effect of the war will be to draw closer together the sportsmen of the United States and Canada. Already the entente cordiale is beginning to manifest itself in the realm of golf and among the first things that linksmen can look for with the dawn of peace is an international match between the senior players on both sides of the border.

It appears that the popularity of the seniors' golf tournaments held in the United States, and particularly that held each year at Apawamis, has been noted by the veterans of the Royal and Ancient game in the Dominion. This led to the desire to form a similar affair in Canada, and with this in view, W. R. Baker, C.V.O., President of the Royal Golf Club, Montreal, and Ralph

H. Reville, editor of the "Canadian Golfer," came on to New York city for a conference with Darwin P. Kingsley, Horace L. Hotchkiss and Frank Presbrey, of the Seniors' Golf Association of the United States.

Because of the relatively small number of clubs in Canada it is proposed to make the minimum age in the Canadian Association, fifty years, instead of fifty-five years, as it is in this country. It is expected that the Canadian organization will be perfected in time to hold the first seniors' tournament during the coming summer. Although it was decided that it would be a desirable thing to hold an international match each year between the two associations the details were left to a later date.

### "Win the Game at the 18th"

"If Necessary," Says Ex-President Taft, Speaking of Sport and the War

A DESPATCH from New York, on January 3rd, says:—"To the long list of names of influential men who strongly advocate continuance of sport in war time must now be added that of William Howard Taft, former President of the United States, who in a New Year greeting last night paid a high tribute to the men and institutions that are fostering a love of clean sport among the youth of the nation."

'Muscle-building, discipline and all the other qualities that are developed in the gymnasium and on the athletic

field are of incalculable value to the nation in time of stress, and should receive the greatest possible encouragement," said the former President.

Addressing himself to the devotees of Scotland's ancient game, Mr. Taft said:—"A man who plays golf and enjoys it must have a love for freedom and a spirit of independence. Such personal traits prompt one to play the game to the end. That is what we must do in this war. We must fight it through to victory and win the game at the eighteenth hole if it be necessary,

### New Montreal Club

A MONTREAL correspondent writes in reference to the new course at Senneville, of which James A. Black, the well known pro of Beaconsfield, is the architect: "It is to be an eighteen hole course of about championship length, taking in about 150 acres of ground. It is about 10 minutes from St. Annes de Bellevue station, and of course on the Island of Montreal, which therefore makes it a city course, being only half an hour's run from Montreal, with an excellent train service both by Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific

Railways. The first nine holes can be got into shape very easily as the ground is practically all clear now. But there will have to be an awful hewing of timber for the next nine.

The club intend putting up a first class club house close to the water and having a beautiful sandy beach. Will arrange for boating, etc., making it a regular country club. The location is ideal and the prospects are for a most successful club. Black is very enthusiastic about the new course and considers it has great possibilities."

# In and Round the Club House

Interesting Happenings in Canada, Great Britain  
and United States

Mr. C. B. Robinson of Paris, a well known golfer, has been re-elected by acclamation, Mayor of the town.

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Mr. H. H. Williams, who was recently appointed a director of the Dominion Bank, is a most enthusiastic golfer. He is one of Toronto's leading financial men.

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The military Cross has been awarded to Major Harold C. Gould, who went overseas with the 116th Battalion. He is a brother of E. C. Gould, formerly star of the Midland Hockey Team (now a golfer of great promise) and President of the Canadian Association of Bill Posters. Major Gould is himself a golfer, having taken up the game when in the West.

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Mr. J. R. Harrison, manager of the Bank of Commerce, Parrsboro, N.S., formerly well known in Ontario writes: "Well the clubs are up in the attic along with the fishing rods and other gear, and the car is stowed away in the garage. There is about 3 feet of snow in the woods, so the "Canadian Golfer" is very welcome these days, though as I have said before it is more or less of an aggravation to see all the pictures of golf links and players and clubs and not be able to get into the game. The nearest links from here are Amherst—40 miles away."

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Mr. W. M. Reekie, the former Lambton and Rochester player, who is now in New York with the well known bond house of Bronbright & Co., at the annual fall tournament of the Country Club of Lakewood, N.J., with a 39, 37—76, was second in the qualifying round to Mr. Norman H. Maxwell, the brilliant young golfer who is going great guns at Pinehurst and who notched a 74. The semi-final narrowed down to Mr. Reekie, who was paired against Mr. A. J. McClure and Mr. Maxwell, who had as his opponent Mr. H. M. Forrest of the home club. Both matches resulted in the downfall of the

favorites, Mr. McClure beating Mr. Reekie, and Mr. Forrest accounting for Mr. Maxwell. In the final Mr. Forrest beat his club-mate, Mr. McClure, by 4 and 3.

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Mr. W. M. Stuart, assistant managing Editor "Star," Montreal: "May I congratulate you on the appearance of your last number? It contains more interesting "dope" than I have seen in a long time."

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It was the McCreery Cup in the Ladies' Singles, that Mrs. Bayard Staples won in 1916 and Mrs. F. W. Green in 1917 at the Cranbrook Golf Club, Cranbrook, B. C., not the Johnson, Cup in the Ladies' Championship as published in the December issue.

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And here is a belated "one-shotter," through an oversight not sent in before. Dr. E. A. Wessels of Toronto, playing over the Weston course on October 17th with Mr. John Medland, wholesale grocer, Front Street, Toronto and Mr. C. P. Sargeant, Cunard Line, King Edward Hotel, Toronto, made the 7th hole in one. The editor has much pleasure in rewarding the doctor's prowess with a year's subscription to the "Canadian Golfer." This makes a total of thirteen "Holes in One" in Canada during the season of 1917.

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The Editor acknowledges with many thanks Xmas and New Year cards from golfers from all parts of Great Britain, the States and the Dominion—no card more appreciated perhaps, than one from Ian Macbeth, Droughty Castle, Droughty Ferry, Scotland. He will be remembered by many golfers in Ontario and especially by members of the old Lake Shore League in Buffalo and Rochester, as a sterling young Scottish player with a charming personality. He resigned from the Bank of Commerce some six years ago and returned to Aberdeen, where his family were prominent. And now he is Major Macbeth of the Royal Garrison Artillery.

Mr. Robert A. Gardner, former Amateur U. S. Champion, is now First Lieutenant of field artillery in the United States Army.



Mr. C. A. Bogart, General Manager of the Dominion Bank, has been elected President of the Toronto Board of Trade. Mr. Bogart is a member of the Toronto Golf Club and is a very good player indeed.



Says a despatch from Saskatoon of a well known Western golfer:—"Word has been received that Lieut. J. Patrick McKenzie, of Saskatoon, has been awarded the Military Cross for conspicuous bravery in forwarding despatches at the front. Lieut. McKenzie enlisted in Saskatoon with the Canadian Engineers, and while in England was transferred to the Imperial army."



Whilst in New York recently the Associate Editor of the "Canadian Golfer" had the very great pleasure of meeting Capt. J. A. Robertson Durham, Captain of the Oxford golf team in 1908. He is in New York in connection with the British Recruiting Mission there. Capt. Durham was gassed at the Somme. He is a very fine golfer indeed—a plus four man at Gillan. He played for Oxford against Cambridge 1906—1909 and for Scotland in 1911. Capt. Durham is doing splendid recruiting work in New York.

David L. Black, professional of the Rivermead Golf Club, Ottawa, who for some seasons now, during the winter, has had charge of the professional work at the Victoria Country Club, Riverside, California, writes: "Will you kindly forward the "Canadian Golfer" to me here, as I miss very much the Canadian golfing news whilst down here. The weather here has been just like summer for the past six weeks, and the golfer can enjoy the Royal and Ancient game at any of the courses in ideal summer weather." The new Victoria course, by the way expects this month to have no less than 15 grass greens in commission. California golf clubs have spent tens of thousands of dollars trying to get grass greens and the Victoria Club

is confident it has solved the problem. It will be a great boom to Southern courses if the sand green can be eliminated.



Mr. W. R. Baker, C.V.O., President of the Royal Montreal Golf Club and Mrs. Baker are spending the winter in the South.



Donald Edwards, medalist in the Western Amateur Championship at Midlothian, last July, is now in khaki at Camp Grant and has gained eight pounds in weight.



The Hon. W. J. Hanna and Mrs. Hanna gave a dinner at the York Club on December 12th, as a farewell to Mr. Teagle, who has been made President of the Standard Oil Co., and Mrs. Teagle, who have left for New York for the winter.



The marriage took place in Galt on December 27th at the home of the bride's uncle, Mr. J. N. Mackendrick, (Hon. Secretary of the Waterloo Golf and Country Club) of Miss Margaret Jean Brayley, to Capt. Gordon A. McLarty of Toronto, recently Medical officer of the 8th Royal West Kents.



The marriage took place on January 12th, in Cleveland, of Mr. H. B. Rose of that city to Miss Mirian Evans of Cleveland. Mr. Rose was until quite recently, a resident of Canada and a member of the Brantford Golf and Country Club. Golfing friends in Ontario will extend heartiest congratulations.



Kerrobart, Saskatchewan (rather a euphonious name that, probably named after Robert Kerr,) is the latest candidate for golfing honours. Last season the people of the town which numbers about 1,000, decided to get into the game. Much enthusiasm was displayed and the coming year a nine hole course will be ready for play. This vogue of the golf game in the West is really most remarkable.



From present indications there will be quite a number of changes in the appointments of professionals the coming season.

The Professional Golfers' Association has sent \$1,000 to Halifax for relief work. This is part of the amount realized by the pros last summer from a number of patriotic tournaments.

Sir W. J. Gage, who was in the New Year's Knighthood honours, is a member of the Lambton Golf Club. He has given very large sums for the combating of tuberculosis and no one on the King's list was more worthy of recognition.

Mr. Charles L. Millar, the well known golfing goods agent, owing to increasing business, has taken larger offices in the Mappin Building, Victoria Street, Montreal, just off St. Catherines Street. He intends the coming season to carry there a full supply of bags, clubs, balls, hats, jackets, etc., for his rapidly increasing golf clientele throughout the Dominion.

The "Canadian Golfer" has to thank Mr. Arthur R. M. Boulton, President of the old Quebec Club for a most artistic calendar, portraying the beautiful Montmorency Rivers and Falls, taken from the 11th tee of the Quebec Golf Club. The new Quebec 18 hole course, it may be noted is perhaps the most historic and picturesque on the continent—as befitting the second oldest club on the continent.

Mr. H. H. Woods, Editor of the "Calgary Herald," and President of the Canadian Press Association was the "man behind the Publicity Guns," in the big Victory Loan campaign last month. Mr. Woods came to Toronto and made that city his headquarters for several weeks. He is a well known member of the Calgary Golf and Country Club. He has come in for all sorts of well deserved praise for the manner in which the Loan was advertised through the newspapers and magazines, on the boardings and a hundred and one other ways.



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Mr. F. P. Betts, K. C., London in renewing subscription for 1918: "Glad to see your magazine continuing to hold its own well in the literary-sporting world."

Mr. Brice S. Evans of Boston, runner-up for the Canadian Amateur Championship, when last played in 1914, has been spending New Year's in Ottawa, where he has relatives and is well known.

Lawn tennis will come into its own next season. This was forecasted at the annual meeting of the United States National Lawn Tennis Association, on December 6th. The committee voted unanimously to restore all championships and all other pre-war conditions governing the sport. Its action meets with the approval of President Wilson and Secretary of War Baker, and its recommendations will undoubtedly be ratified at the annual convention of the association, which will be held in February.

Stymies are being played at Pinehurst this season as usual, and as usual a number of them are being recorded in the various events. An excellent test anyway, of temper and skill.



Grantland Rice, that most graceful of all golf writers, who enlisted in the 115th U. S. Field Artillery in December as a private, has already advanced to a second lieutenantcy — which is pretty nearly a record for the military course one would imagine.



James Milligan, formerly professional at the Wyoming Valley Country Club at Wilkes Barre, Penn, who went over a year ago to Scotland and enlisted with the Royal Scots, has been killed in action. He is the last of four brothers to give their lives for King and Country. He came to the States some ten years ago from North Berwick.



The Halifax Cup, donated in 1873 for competition, and which has since become the chief trophy in the cricketing world on this continent, is mainly responsible for a fund of \$4,100 raised among the cricketers of Philadelphia for the relief of sufferers by the Halifax disaster. The money was on December 17th, telegraphed to the Canadian Bank of Commerce at Halifax, with the explanation that it came from players who had contested in Halifax Cup matches.



Appointments were on January 9th gazetted in connection with the new order of the British Empire, and among the Canadians honoured, is Mr. Frank Baillie of the Aeroplane Factory, Toronto, for many years now numbered amongst Toronto's well known golfers. Sir Frank, who in 1916 turned over to the Government \$758,000 profits from the manufacture of munitions, is the first Torontonian to receive the Knighthood of the Order, and the second Canadian, as Sir Charles Gordon of Montreal was the first to receive the decoration. The Order of the British Empire was only instituted in June last. It consists of five classes and is awarded to both men and women for services rendered to the Empire. The first two classes for men are Knight Grand Cross

(G.B.E.) and Knights Commanders (K.B.E.) Both these classes are entitled to prefix to their names "Sir."



The fine club house of the Lakewood Country Club, N.J. was completely destroyed by fire on December 29th. Fortunately some part of the valuable furniture was saved. The loss totals about \$100,000.



The marriage took place in Hamilton on January 9th of Mr. Richard Rowe Harris, a well known Pittsburg manufacturer and golfer, to Miss Christina Isabella Bowlby. Many friends alike in Canada and the United States will extend hearty congratulations.



James Gray, the professional of St. Andrews Golf Club, Calgary, writes: "I had a nice game on New Year's Day at St. Andrews Golf Links, so Alberta is well named "Sunny Alberta. Also very interesting round on January 6th with Mr. George Ross, one of Calgary's most prominent lawyers. I don't think there was a pound of snow on all the course." We poor snow and ice bound mortals in Ontario and Quebec et al, are certainly most envious of Calgarians.



H. W. Eve, professional of the London Hunt and Country Club for the past five years, has been offered and accepted the position of professional of the Victoria Golf Club, Victoria, B.C., one of the most important golf positions in Canada. He reports for duty February 1st. Eve learned his game in England and is an excellent player and instructor. The Victoria club has not only a large membership, but the beautiful sea-side course at Oak Bay — one of the very few in the Dominion — is played over during the year by hundreds of visitors from all parts of Canada and the States, in addition to the large number of tourists from Australia and Great Britain. The green fees at Oak Bay are the largest in Canada, aggregating several thousand dollars a year. The President of the Victoria club is His Honour, F. S. Barnard, Lt.-Governor of British Columbia.

Mr. A. N. Jorsted, Vice-President of the Montreal Ski Club, whose interesting article on the sport appeared in the December issue, has received a cablegram to report to the Norwegian Legation in London and is leaving this month for the Metropolis. He will be much missed in Montreal sporting circles.



The photo on page 504 of the winner of the first tournament of the season at Pinehurst, is by the International Film Service of New York. Mr. Gates, the winner who is standing at the 18th teeing box, it might be mentioned, is the son of Mr. Frederick T. Gates of the Rockefeller Board and is the owner of a large ranch near Pinehurst. Mr. Clarence Hobart, the famous Tennis champion, is the player driving off.



Mr. C. R. Somerville, who was elected Mayor of London by a majority of 822, is a very enthusiastic golfer indeed—one of the leading members of the London Hunt and Country Club. He is a successful business man in whom everybody has the greatest confidence. Prominent business men of both parties got together a couple of weeks before the election and decided to urge him to be a candidate. He did not seek the nomination in the slightest degree, but he generously responded to his strong sense of citizenship and consented. Coming to London forty years ago, Mr. Somerville became a member of the office staff of the McCormick Company. Subsequently he started a box factory and other industries of importance and several years ago was able to retire.

since which time he has rendered considerable public service. His work has been especially valuable on the Board of Directors of the Western University, of which he is Chairman, and also as Chairman of the Board of Health and the Institute of Public Health. London could not possibly have chosen a more able Chief Executive.



Major Melville Hart of the Fourth Canadian Mounted Rifles, son of Mr. S. R. Hart, formerly President of the Lambton club, is at home in Toronto on leave. Major Hart has been awarded a bar to the Military Medal for his enterprise and gallant conduct in organizing and leading the men who took part in the successful assault on Bellevue Spur. The Fourth Mounted Rifles on that day lost many fine fellows, but they won a great success.



Mr. W. J. Orr, Manager of the Bank of Commerce at Provost, Alberta, who learned his game in Scotland, was a visitor to Ontario in January, where he was formerly a very well known figure on the golf courses. His one regret is that he is stationed in a place far from the call of Fore! although he tells of an Englishman, an enthusiastic golfer, who on his farm some miles away, has installed three or four primitive holes and daily keeps in form by taking a swat at the wee bit gutta. Last autumn he invited Mr. Orr over for a little practice and the local paper of Provost announced the fact in advance as a "forthcoming great International golf match, Scotland vs. England!"

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<b>JANUARY</b>	
28 to Feb. 1—Palm Beach. Lake Worth Tournament.	21—Pinehurst. Tin Whistle Anniversary Tournament.
28 to Feb. 1—Ormond Beach Tournament.	<b>MARCH</b>
28 to Feb. 2—Pinehurst. St. Valentine's Tournament.	4 to 9—Pinehurst. Spring Tournament.
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	11 to 15—Palm Beach. Championship of Palm Beach.
5 to 8—Pinehurst. St. Valentine's Tournament for Women.	23 to 28—Pinehurst. United North and South Championship for Women.
11 to 15—Palm Beach. South Florida Championship.	29 to 30—Pinehurst. United North and South Open Championship.
18 to 22—Ormond Beach. Middle Florida Tournament.	<b>APRIL</b>
18 to 22—Palm Beach. Women's Championship.	1 to 6—Pinehurst. United North and South Amateur Championship.
	16 to 20—Pinehurst. Mid-April Tournament.