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Daily reports of the current news and stock markets will be available.

The itinerary of the Tour has been so arranged as to take in most of the points of interest in the Canadian Rockies, and, while it is called a 'Golf Tour', those who are not Golfers will find the trip most interesting.

Invitations to visit Clubs in the West show the interest which Western Golfers are taking in this epoch making Tour.

## ITINERARY

Lv. Toronto	C.N.R.	10.00 p.m.	Aug. 12	Lv. Field	Motor	3.30 p.m.	Sept. 1
Ar. Winnipeg	C.N.R.	9.00 a.m.	Aug. 14	Ar. Lake Louise	Motor	6.00 p.m.	Sept. 1
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Ar. Jasper	C.N.R.	8.00 a.m.	Aug. 17	Ar. Banff	C.P.R.	5.00 a.m.	Sept. 3
Lv. Jasper	C.N.R.	9.00 a.m.	Aug. 25	Lv. Banff	C.P.R.	2.00 p.m.	Sept. 6
Ar. Vancouver	C.N.R.	8.00 a.m.	Aug. 26	Ar. Regina	C.P.R.	8.00 a.m.	Sept. 7
Lv. Vancouver	C.P.S.S.	10.30 a.m.	Aug. 28	Lv. Regina	C.P.R.	11.00 p.m.	Sept. 7
Ar. Victoria	C.P.S.S.	2.30 p.m.	Aug. 28	Ar. Winnipeg	C.P.R.	10.00 a.m.	Sept. 8
Lv. Victoria	C.P.S.S.	11.45 p.m.	Aug. 30	Lv. Winnipeg	C.P.R.	9.00 p.m.	Sept. 8
Ar. Vancouver	C.P.S.S.	7.00 a.m.	Aug. 31	Ar. F. William	C.P.R.	9.00 a.m.	Sept. 9
Lv. Vancouver	C.P.R.	2.15 p.m.	Aug. 31	Lv. F. William	C.P.R.	6.00 a.m.	Sept. 10
Ar. Revelstoke	C.P.R.	3.40 a.m.	Sept. 1	Ar. Toronto	C.P.R.	7.30 a.m.	Sept. 11
Lv. Revelstoke	C.P.R.	5.30 a.m.	Sept. 1				
Ar. Field	C.P.R.	11.50 a.m.	Sept. 1				

There is accommodation for 150 only, and those desirous of making the trip should write for information as to rates, literature, etc., to 'Golf Tour Manager' in care of 'Canadian Golfer', Brantford, Ont.

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### British Columbia Gets Into the Winter Golfing Game.

There is no reason at all why British Columbia should not get into the golfing picture during the long winter months and attract many of the hundreds of Canadian golfers who every season go South to escape the rigours of frost and snow and in quest of their favourite game.

Along these lines a good start was made the last week in February, when on the justly famous seaside course of Oak Bay, Victoria, British Columbia's first Mid-Winter Tournament was most successfully staged, a large number of entrants, both women and men, competing for the many handsome trophies put up for competition including the championship cup presented by Mr. E. W. Beatty, president of the Canadian Pacific Railway, who is to be congratulated on taking such a tangible interest in the fixture.

Mild and sunshiny weather favoured the event throughout a week of glorious golf and large galleries followed the play of the contestants. The men's championship was won by Mr. T. L. Swan, of Victoria, and the ladies' championship by Mrs. Paterson, also of Victoria, whilst His Honour Lieut.-Governor Bruce of British Columbia, presented the cups and other prizes. That however, is more or less a detail. The main thing is that British Columbia has demonstrated that a winter golf tournament can be conducted there under ideal conditions and this 1929 fixture should only be the fore-runner of many similar events in the winters to come. British Columbia in its facilities for playing winter golf, has unquestionably a great asset—one which in the past has been sadly neglected. "Golf on the Coast all the year round" might well in the future be a perfectly true and profitable B. C. slogan.

**A Golfer Who  
Certainly "Played  
the Game".**

Mr. Reuben Donnelly, a prominent resident of Chicago, but who was born in Brantford, Ontario, recently passed away in that city. He was one of the pioneer golfers of Chicago, playing first at Midlothian and later at Onwentsia. Many years ago the firm with which Mr. Donnelly was connected failed with liabilities of \$700,000. Of recent years Mr. Donnelly not only repaid this large amount, although of course not legally called upon to do so, but also compounded the interest, which amounted to over 100%. This munificent and magnificent action upon his part deservedly at the time called forth press and other encomiums from all parts of the United States.

**Judge Weir's  
English Version  
of "O Canada"  
is Chosen.**

The Committee of the Canadian Authors' Association appointed to choose the best English version of "O Canada" has selected the version of the song written by R. Stanley Weir, D.C.L., the first stanza of which is as follows:

O Canada! Our Home and Native Land!  
True patriot love in all thy sons command,  
With glowing hearts we see thee rise,  
The True North strong and free,  
And stand on guard, O Canada!  
We stand on guard for thee.  
O Canada! Glorious and free!  
We stand on guard for thee!  
O Canada! We stand on guard for thee!

It is interesting to note that the late Judge Weir (he was at the time of his lamented death Judge of the Exchequer Court, Montreal), was not only an enthusiastic follower of the Royal and Ancient game but a golf writer of International reputation. He contributed articles to all the leading golf magazines including the "Canadian Golfer", from time to time. He was a charter member of the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association and one of the original members of the Kanawaki Golf Club, Montreal. Judge Weir was a brilliant musician and altogether one of the most accomplished men in Canada.

**Kanawaki  
Will Provide  
Ideal Venue  
for Open.**

Kanawaki, Montreal, which has been awarded the Canadian Open Championship July 25, 26 and 27, has recently expended some \$100,000 on its club house and course. It is generally acknowledged that Kanawaki now provides one of the best tests of golf in the Montreal district and the leading players of the Dominion and the United States will have no occasion to find fault with the venue of the most important championship of the Dominion of 1929. As usual a record field of entrants can be counted upon as the Canadian Open the past few years ranks only second in America to the U. S. Open and attracts all the stars including possibly the coming July, the redoubtable Bobby Jones, who has definitely stated that he intends to enter for the event if he can possibly arrange to do so. The Atlanta marvel has won every major golf championship with the exception of the Canadian Open and the British Amateur. At the 1928 championship at Rosedale, Toronto, over \$4,000 was paid in admission fees to see the experts perform, and there is no reason why this substantial amount should not be duplicated at Kanawaki, as Montreal is an enthusiastic golfing centre and numbers its golfing fans among the thousands.

The Executive of the Royal Canadian Golf Association, following this year, the example of the United States Golf Association, will next July, it is understood, substantially increase the money prizes. Last year at Rosedale the amount awarded was \$1,337.



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

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Toronto Mail:—

"A Kitchener man held all thirteen hearts in a game of bridge. Undoubtedly he received a thrill, but since no merit of his own was responsible, his exultation would fall considerably short of the golfer who makes a hole in one."

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A U. S. golf writer has figured out that last season Mr. Bobby Jones averaged 72.5 strokes per round for 1,164 holes, and over the same distance Mr. Jesse Sweetzer was 72.9 per round, Johnny Farrell 73.4 strokes per round, and Walter Hagen 74 per round. Joe Kirkwood, who played 3,063 holes also had an average of 74.

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And here are some real "golf hounds". Members of a golf club at Bungay, in Suffolk, England, are proud of their golf hounds. Betty, a retriever, and Jill, a terrier, have found more than 10,000 balls, driven into the rough by unlucky players.

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A valued subscriber in Thetford Mines, Que., Mr. A. H. Visser, writes:—

"Please do not think that my negligence in forwarding renewal for my subscription before is because the "Old Golfer" is not worth the money. To prove it here is a cheque for four years in advance. Many "birdies" to you all this summer."

A letter like this is a veritable ray of sunshine, alike in the business and editorial offices and is worth a great deal more than "mere dollars". It shows indubitably appreciation and confidence in the future of the Magazine.

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Mr. S. Alfred Jones, K.C., Police Magistrate, Brantford, Ont., who with Mrs. Jones is spending a month or so in Bermuda, writes the Editor from the Elbow Beach Hotel:—

"There is a nice little 9-hole course at the hotel here. Hole No. 4 is almost an exact duplicate of the sporty No. 4 of the Ava Golf Club, Brantford. Visited the Belmont Manor course on Tuesday and saw our old friend Nicol Thomson, looking as debonnaire as ever. The new course at the St. Georges Hotel is exceedingly interesting, all the holes overlooking the sea."

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Our very excellent New York contemporary, "Golf Illustrated," New York, this year celebrates its 15th birthday and the March number fittingly commemorates the notable event. It is certainly an edition-de-luxe, beautifully illustrated and replete with articles of absorbing interest. It is very doubtful if any golfing edition on this continent or elsewhere has ever equalled this 15th Anniversary Number and Mr. W. H. Beers, the Editor-in-Chief, and his staff are receiving, and deservedly so, too, congratulations from golf associations, executives and prominent golfers from all over the country.



A special despatch to the "Canadian Golfer" from Del Monte, California, March 5th:—

"Miss Glenna Collett, U.S. women's national golf champion, will return to California in June to make her home on the Monterey Peninsula. This announcement was made public here to-day by S. F. B. Morse, president of the Del Monte Properties Company, who stated Miss Collett has accepted a position with the Del Monte company. This confirms a statement made by Miss Collett at the close of her recent visit to this State, when she declared herself "sold" on Monterey Peninsula and its famous golf courses to the extent that she planned to make this her future residence. At that time she was particularly enthusiastic in her praise of the Pebble Beach and Cypress Point courses."

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Mr. Jerome A. Peck, of Port Chester, N.Y., chairman of the Tournament Committee of the United States Golf Association and one of the best known golfers in the U. S., writes:—

"I receive your very interesting magazine each month and it is pleasant indeed for me to follow the doings of my friends of the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association. They are very popular with the officers and team members of our Association, and we welcome the event of the British Seniors' Golfing Society which enables us to meet our Canadian friends twice each year instead of once as formerly."

## MARITIMES CHAMPIONSHIPS WILL BE HELD AT ST. JOHN, N.B.

THE Maritime Golf Association will hold its interesting championships the coming season on the course of the Riverdale Golf and Country Club, St. John, N.B. The dates will probably be the latter part of July. Riverside has one of the best courses in the Maritimes and is well able to take care of a record entry. Golf in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island the past few years has become very popular and a number of sterling young players, both women and men, are being developed who this year threaten to challenge the supremacy of Miss Bauld, of Halifax, and the Meikle brothers, also of that city. Miss Bauld has eight times won the ladies' championship and the Meikle brothers between them the men's championship seven times.

## SWING FREELY WITH THE BRASSIE

(By Bob MacDonald)

AFTER the player has learned the different correct positions for the use of the driver he must learn the same method for the use of the brassie or spoon shots through the fairgreen. The trouble most players experience is an inability to get the ball off the ground with the brassie. This may easily be remedied by having the face of the brassie lofted to a greater degree so as to give the player a little more confidence in himself. When a player sees almost a straight face on his brassie, he believes that he must make tremendous efforts to get the ball up, with the result that his extra effort has precisely the opposite effect from what he intends.

Try to swing with the brassie or the spoon as freely as with the driver. You don't have to make an effort to hit the ball to have it sail away in the air. The ball has only to be half hit and away it will go.

No turf should be taken with a wooden club. The player who does this is committing the fault of having his left wrist out at the top of the swing instead of under the shaft and will have trouble not only with his direction,



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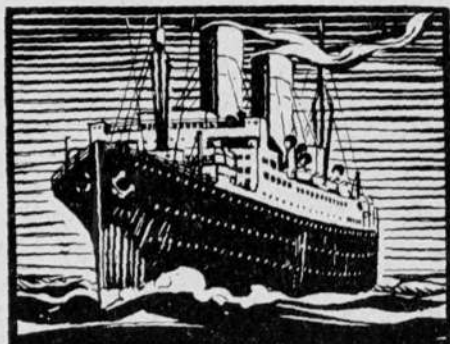
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but with topping his shots and popping them up in the air as well. On an uphill lie I think the player will need little advice, as this is his favourite shot and he can always count on getting the ball away.

In playing from a hanging lie, the player has most of his weight on the right foot with the right knee bent. He should stand around enough so as to slice the ball, pick the club well up in front and by doing so the shoulders move more vertically than is the case with the ordinary shoulder movement. Then just try to slide the club head down the decline to the ball. The club's head should slide down the surface at least a foot before striking the ball.

## ANNUAL SHAREHOLDERS MEETING OF McKELLAR GOLF CLUB LIMITED

**A**T a largely attended meeting of the shareholders of McKellar Golf Club Limited, Ottawa, held in the board room of the Y.M.C.A. much enthusiasm was shown for the reports of the past year.

In practically the first year, the current revenue had shown a small surplus over ordinary expenditure. Nearly four hundred members had joined last season. Casual and daily players had also used the club in goodly numbers.

The Green Committee, of which Mr. J. E. Caldwell is chairman, reported the various improvements on the course. Towards the close of the season, temporary greens were made, while new permanent greens were being reconstructed and he felt that players of this year would find considerable to enthuse over when spring rolled round.

This winter two new fairways were being cleared out continuing from No. 14, which would make the course championship length. Mr. W. A. Smith had won the Club Championship.

The House Committee through the Board of Directors recommended an experienced chef for the catering. New lounge quarters for the men are proposed for early attention.

The monthly dance programme will again be a feature.

Miss Bertha Cowan, President of the ladies' section, gave a splendid report and a hearty vote of thanks was tendered to the ladies for splendid manner in which their successes were attained. At a later date, the ladies' section will hold their election.

The election of officers: W. H. Dwyer, President; G. F. Hodgins, Vice-President; A. McKechnie, Secretary-Treasurer; Directors, J. E. Caldwell, N. A. Irwin, A. A. McDonald, W. H. Cochrane, T. Bert Cole, H. Nicol and G. Carson; Green Committee, J. E. Caldwell (chairman), W. H. Cochrane, A. A. McDonald; House Committee, G. F. Hodgins (chairman), T. Bert Cole, N. Irwin; A. A. McDonald, captain. Vice-captain will be appointed later on.

## SANDY LODGE COURSE TO BE CONTINUED

THE following from the "Morning Post", London, will be read with great interest by hundreds of Canadian golfers who have had the pleasure of playing over this famous course:

It is good news to hear that Sandy Lodge Golf Club has entered into an agreement to purchase the freehold of the course—one of the most pleasant and popular courses in and around London, and one that seems always to have an especial attraction for overseas golfers temporarily resident in the Metropolis. The announcement, which is official, will be all the more welcome coming, as it does, after recurrent and persistent rumours in the past year or two that this fine course was to be built over at the end of the present lease in 1930.

These rumours were, it is true, only rumours, but the gossip so spread that at last the story went about that the Club had actually closed down. All the while the Sandy Lodge authorities had been quietly carrying on negotiations with successive landlords, the ownership having changed several times in the past few years owing to deaths, and the Club had continued on the old lines with undiminished success in spite of the gossip and the approaching expiration of the lease.

A new company is about to be registered to take over the purchase and carry on the Club, but there will be no change in the management. The supervision of the course will continue as at present, though three well-known members who have been prominent in helping with the negotiations will join the directorate of the new company.

The Sandy Lodge course was constructed in 1909, and the Club started in 1910, the tenancy being a 21 years lease only, as a longer period could not be secured. The Club soon became well known and successful, but one of its great attractions—its accessibility—has rendered the ground valuable as a prospective building site. However, the danger, if there was a danger, of the course being cut up and built over has happily been averted.

It will now be possible, we understand, to carry out some work at various points on the 18-hole course which for a long while has been under consideration, and to drain thoroughly four holes of the 9-hole relief course, which may also be partly reconstructed in order to make it more interesting. Expenditure in these directions would not have been justifiable under the old leasehold conditions.

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## MISS COLLETT STARS WITH MR. ERIC D. THOMSON OF NEW BRUNSWICK

**M**ISS Glenna Collett, of Providence, R.I., who wrote yet another brilliant chapter in her great golfing career when she won the United States women's title for the third time by her 1928 victory, in addition to her habit of carrying off national championships has a less famed, but perhaps no less interesting habit of demolishing records on almost every course where she takes occasion to unleash her formidable and spectacular game.

This seems to be particularly true on the Dixie links, many of which are really great golfing terrains, where the national women's champion spends



An interesting four-ball match at the Valley Brook course, Sedgefield, Greensboro, N.C. Reading from left to right Mr. Eric D. Thomson, brilliant young golfer from New Brunswick, Miss Glenna Collett, U.S. Ladies' Champion and former Canadian Lady Champion, C. L. Chandler, Pinehurst, and R. Hewitt Swope, of Philadelphia. Incidentally, Miss Collett with a brilliant 77 cut 9 strokes off the women's record for Valley Brook.

her time during those months when the more northern layouts are labouring under their wintry handicap of a harsher clime. Just recently, Miss Collett gave an evidence of this way she has with course records, when playing in an exhibition match over the Valley Brook course at Sedgefield, Greensboro, North Carolina. Miss Collett celebrated her introduction to the sporty links by lowering the women's record by no fewer than 9 strokes.

Temporarily foresaking the sand greens of the famous Pinehurst courses for the grass greens and sporty turf of the Valley Brook links at Sedgefield, playing in a foursome with R. Hewitt Swope, able young amateur of Philadelphia, Eric D. Thomson, brilliant young ace of Rothesay, N.B., and C. L. Chandler, of Pinehurst, Miss Collett established a new women's mark for the





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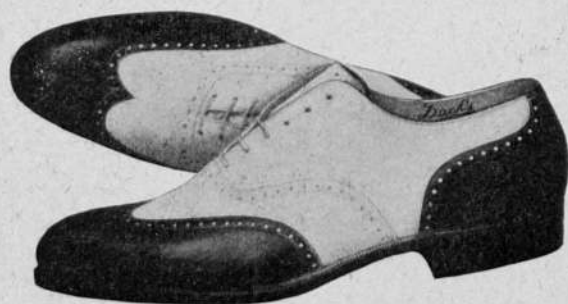
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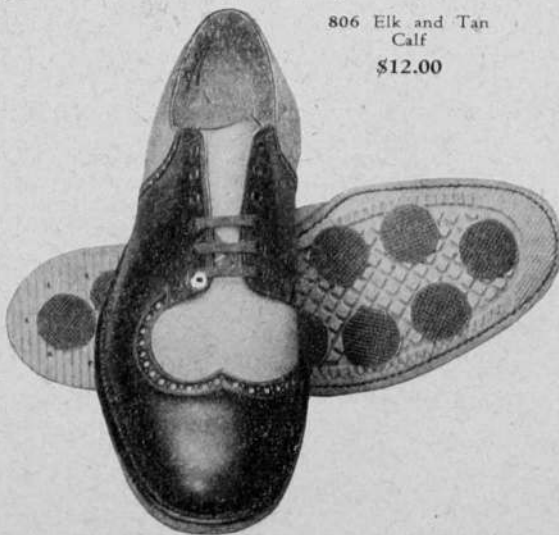
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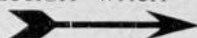


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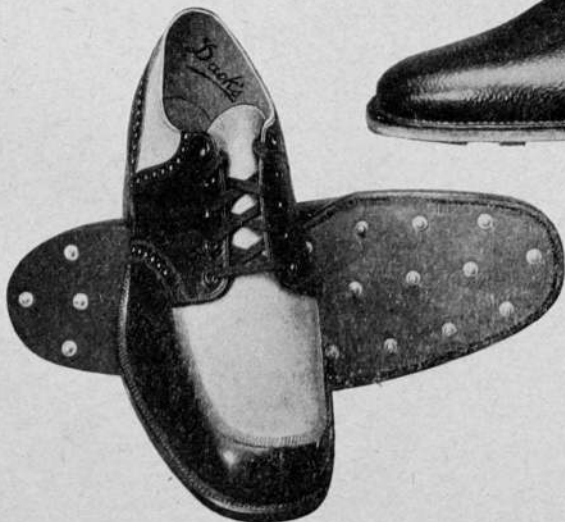
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In establishing her mark for the Sedgefield course, Miss Collett came within seven strokes of the men's par for the course. During her record round, she had pars on 11 holes. She went out in 38 and made the return trip in 39.

## ABE MITCHELL ON LONG DRIVING

**P**OSSIBLY there is only one man in the world of golf who would not mind being outdriven. This is Walter Hagen. In a crisis he appears to have nerves of steel. I can recall several instances in my matches with him where, although outdriven, he took the greatest pains over the next stroke, and as often as not managed to have the last putt by having played a distinctly better approach. Hagen is, of course, a good driver, and when he really gets going is as long as anyone, but he has specialized more in accuracy, and particularly so in the approaches; as for putting, well, I do think that he is the best putter I have ever played against. I have been outdriven by many opponents, and, frankly, unless I had known, and definitely known, too, that I had great confidence in my irons, I cannot but think that my opponent would have worried me. From all my experiences, both as amateur and a professional, I am certain that the effect of long driving is not to be measured in actual strokes gained. Where it tells is in the feeling of impotence and ineffectiveness that it gradually imposes on the opponent.

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Yet professionals and the golfing public are told there is not enough hickory to supply the demand for high grade clubs. Does not this report explode the false propaganda, which should be corrected?

The quantity of shafts available at any time is, of course, governed by providing and preparing the raw material twelve months or more previously and in this way temporary shortages may occur.

In the U.S. Open Tournament, Olympia Fields, Chicago, June 21-23, 1928, one hundred and thirty-three players used hickory shafts in iron clubs and a large number of these also used hickory in wood clubs.

Jones, Hagen, Armour, Ogg, Cuci, Compston, Loos, Barnes, Boomer, Diegel, Bob MacDonald, MacDonald Smith are only a few of the leaders who used hickory in every club.

Only four played with steel shafts in both wood and iron clubs.

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## CANADA'S FIRST 1929 TOURNAMENT

Empress Hotel and C. P. R. Stage Most Successful Event in Victoria—"the New Del Monte of the Pacific Northwest"—T. L. Swan Wins Men's and Mrs. Norah Paterson the Ladies' Championship.

(By J. H. Campbell)

**A**LL-WINTER golf has been claimed by Victoria, capital city of British Columbia, for many years, but the first definite and comprehensive effort to carry the proud boast to the outside world came this year through the medium of the Empress Hotel first annual mid-winter golf tourn-



An interesting group at the Victoria Mid-Winter Championship. T. L. Swan, Victoria, winner of the Beatty Cup; His Honour Lieutenant-Governor Bruce, Mrs. Norah Paterson, Victoria, winner of the Ladies' Championship, and N. R. Des Brisay (C. P. R., Vancouver).

ament. Climatic claims of Vancouver Island were justified and the event, an amateur handicap for men and women, with the Beatty Challenge Trophy as the premier emblem, met with instantaneous success.

In the face of unusual winter conditions that have carried waves of extreme cold to many parts of the globe, when even Merry England has been



shivering in sub-zero temperatures, Victoria, perched on the extreme tip of the Island, and basking in fresh sea breezes warmed by the Japanese Current, produced the only playable golf course north of San Francisco. With a successful mid-winter tourney in the background, the new Del Monte of the Pacific Northwest is now complacently listening to the siren song of California as an off-season sport metier. Victoria has "told the world" herself and finds the resulting laurels not burdensome on her brow.

Sponsored by the Canadian Pacific Railway, the tourney was originally scheduled for the beautiful Colwood course, eight miles west of the city, and



A group of Western golfers who competed in the first annual "Empress Hotel" Mid-Winter Golf Competition, Oak Bay, Victoria, B.C.

immediate co-operation was forthcoming from Mr. Sayward, president of the club, and from his fellow officials and playing members. On January 23rd the course was in beautiful shape and was crowded with local players and visitors daily.

The extraordinary weather conditions prevalent all over the continent intervened, however, and late in January, a fall of snow put golf for the time being in the background. As the date of the tournament, February 18th, approached, a lingering trace of white snow blanket caused some apprehensions and a last-minute transfer of locale was made to the Oak Bay course of the Victoria Golf Club.

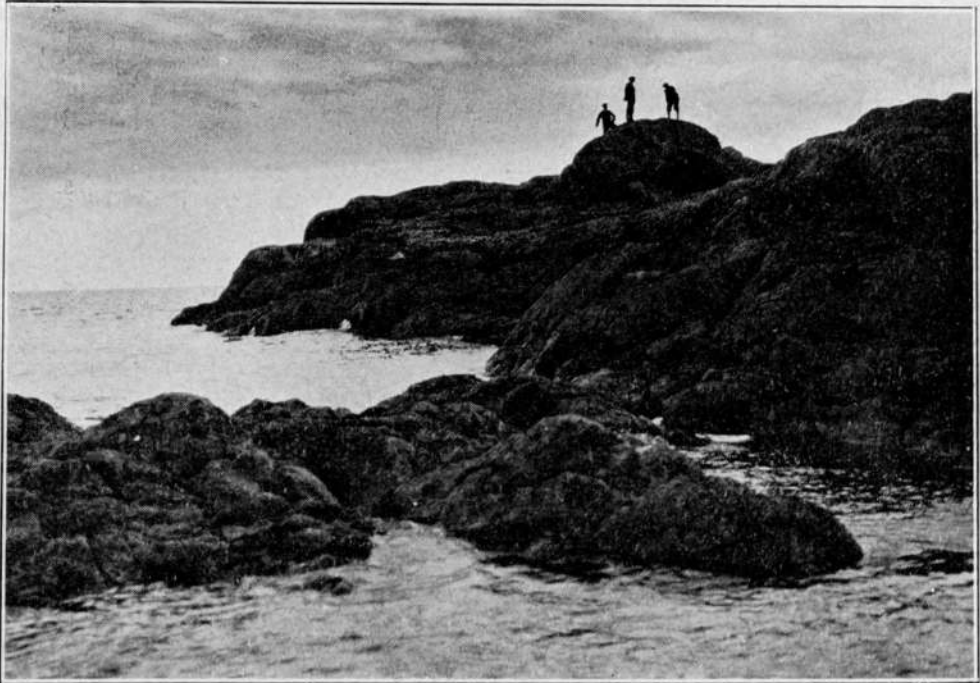
This remarkable course, with its beautiful rolling fairways and greens, fringed on one side by evergreen trees and on the other by the bald and rocky seacoast, presented a fortunate alternative, and a splendid spirit was shown by officials and players, headed by C. F. Todd, president of the club, in offering the picturesque links on the extreme tip of the Island for the week of the tournament.

For some time prior to the tournament, mainland sport writers, particularly in the cities of Seattle, Portland and Tacoma, just across the American



border, devoted a great deal of attention to the Victoria event, hailing it as the first move to capitalize properly the all-year-round golfing possibilities of the northwest. Not unmindful of the advantage that might accrue to their own particular golfing bailliewicks, perhaps, but nevertheless doing a great deal in the way of missionary publicity work for the British Columbia capital, already a favoured elime on the other side of the line.

With the stage well set, and notwithstanding some snow in Victoria, the weather there for two weeks prior to the tournament was ideal, but frosty nights made negative the glorious sunshine of the daytime and it was not until



One of the rocky fringes on the sporting Oak Bay Course, Victoria, B.C.

a week before the opening date that it was finally apparent that no hitch would occur in actual conduct of the competitions.

Meanwhile, February 18 found the mainland courses heavily covered with snow, a most unusual condition for the Pacific Coast at that time of year, and clubhouses deserted. In most sections little golf had been played for weeks and the claims of Victoria were discounted to some extent by local conditions elsewhere. Many entries were cancelled because of this fact and also because lack of practice on the part of would-be competitors militated against their chances in a handicap event.

Monday, the 18th, found its contingent of the faithful in attendance, however, and fine weather and bright sunshine brought out a number of local entries to swell the ranks of invading golfers in quest of the Beatty Cup. Forty-four men and twenty ladies drove off in the two qualifying rounds on Monday morning. A light haze over the course was being rapidly dissipated by a fresh ocean breeze that made control on the fairways a most desirable thing, and the early afternoon changed to bright sunshine as the competitors began drifting in from the qualifying rounds.

Lieutenant-Governor R. Randolph Bruce of British Columbia, although

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not an active golfer, had taken a keen interest in the tournament throughout, and lent an official air to the proceedings by a brief ceremony at the opening of play. Even the Governor's drive was auspicious, and it was taken as a happy omen, not later belied, when His Honour cracked the first ball down the centre of the fairway to a perfect lie.

Although snow fell on the mainland, not 100 miles away, on Monday night, the weatherman continued to smile on Victoria's first mid-winter event. Conditions varied steadily from a light haze in the early mornings, to fresh breezes and sunshine as the day went on.

Among the invading competitors who survived the qualifying round in the men's section were: D. J. Ferguson, of Saskatoon; C. A. Symans, of Tacoma; Alex Rose, Seattle; W. F. (Bill) Steedman, Seattle; C. P. Wilson, Winnipeg, and several others. With them was T. L. Swan, of Victoria Golf Club, hardly viewed as the possible winner, but who eventually merged victoriously and who is the present holder of the Beatty Trophy in the men's section.

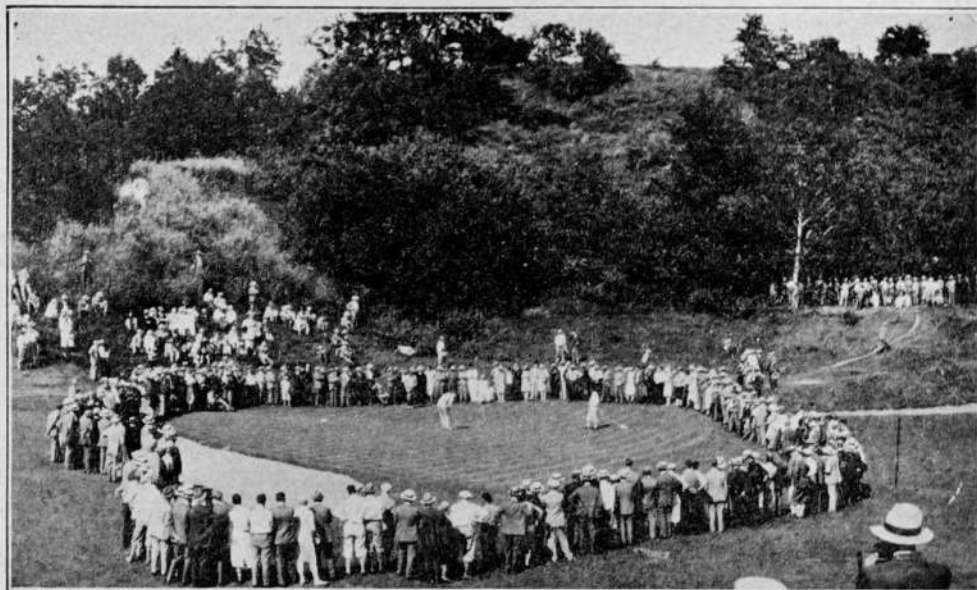
Of the invaders, all but D. J. Ferguson fell in the first round of the championship flight, and the Saskatoon man was knocked out later in the draw before reaching the semi-finals. Unfamiliarity with the course and lack of play in other parts of the country, due to adverse weather, had a telling effect on the visitors, leaving the field clear in the latter stages to competitors from the various Victoria clubs.

H. P. Johnson, medalist in the qualifying round, was favoured in the early rounds to take the championship, but the Victoria Golf Club star found the hard going that is usually the lot of those who top the qualifying round. In the first round of the championship flight he fought a ding-dong battle with Rose, of Seattle, and was carried to the 19th hole by the visitor, where he elinched the match. On the following day, Jock Findlay, of Colwood, another Scot, took Johnson to the 19th again before he could claim a victory.

Giving J. H. Lee, of Colwood, two strokes in his match next day, however, Johnson weakened and was eliminated by Lee's victory, 7 and 5.

In the meantime, T. L. Swan, Victoria Club, had been plugging his way through the draw and finally disposed of J. H. (Mickey) Richardson, Colwood captain, to enter the final with Lee.

The ladies' final, over 18 holes, was played on Friday, while the men were playing the semi-finals. Here Mrs. Norah Paterson, Victoria, turned in an upset victory over her young clubmate, Miss Marian Wilson, British Columbia amateur champion, 3 and 1. Miss Wilson, whose chances of winning the title



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had been generally conceded, played brilliant, but erratic and at times almost careless golf, while Mrs. Paterson played an extremely steady game. Dormie two at the sixteenth hole, Miss Wilson suffered from some hard luck off the 17th tee, when she sliced into the rough and repeated the same slice to the trees again after a gallant recovery. Mrs. Paterson, who had been helped by the gift of four handicap strokes, won the seventeenth and the match ended there.

In the final of the men's event on Saturday, played over 36 holes, Lee fought a game uphill battle against his opponent, Swan. The latter took an early lead and had his opponent eight down at the 11th hole, hitting them long and straight down the fairways, and putting steadily. He slipped a bit during the last five holes of the first round, however, and Lee took three of these, to reach the 18th five down.

The Colwood player fought hard on the last 18 and had recovered four holes to be one down at the 29th. It was nip and tuck then but Swan reached the 33rd three up. Lee captured the 34th but could not do better than a half at the 35th and the title passed to the Victoria Club player there.

Movie photographers and still camera men caught a beautiful view through their lenses during the presentation of prizes by Lieutenant-Governor Bruce after the close of play on Saturday. Although it was after five o'clock in the afternoon, brilliant sunshine cast hard black shadows on the expanse of green, close-cropped grass in front of the Oak Bay club house. Trees fringed the well-kept 14th green in the background, where a keeper with a motorized grasseutter snipped away at the covering of the sod, the whole presenting a picture that might well have been shown in mid-summer rather than in the wintry month of February. Miss Mackenzie, niece of the Lieutenant-Governor, and N. R. DesBrisay, representing the Canadian Pacific Railway, stood with His Honour at the prize table and assisted in the distribution as the winners came forward for their awards.

Interest of Victorians themselves in the success of the tournament was demonstrated by Governor Bruce in a short speech, the tenor of which was that no doubt existed of the fact that the mid-winter tournament had been firmly fixed in the Canadian sport calendar and that its scope must inevitably be doubled or trebled in 1930. "The Canadian Pacific has done us a great service in sponsoring it," he said.

Aside from the programme of the tournament itself, one of the highlights was an exhibition game, followed by a gallery of more than 1,000 people, in which Bon Stein, Seattle amateur star, and Phil Taylor, Oak Bay pro., met Chuck Hunter, Tacoma amateur, and Davie Black, professional at Shaughnessy



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course in Vancouver, with the former pair finishing the 18 holes one up. The quartette played almost perfect golf around the sporty Oak Bay course, Taylor turning in a par card of 69 at the conclusion of the match.

People of Victoria generally are delighted with the outcome of the tournament, showing as it does that California, Florida and other claimants to winter fame are to have keen opposition in the future from at least one corner of a country that has been too long known as "Our Lady of the Snows."

## "HAMILTON THE BEAUTIFUL" TO HAVE A BEAUTIFUL GOLF CLUB HOUSE

THE Editor when motoring through Ancaster this month decided to have a look at the new club house of the Hamilton Golf and Country Club, and was surprised to find that the brick and stone work is all completed and the structure ready for roofing, although it was only last November the old building was demolished to make room for the new.

And a magnificent club house it is, too, with a most dignified and artistic front elevation and broad verandahs at the rear giving a wonderful view of the course. The interior will have every convenience and when completed early next summer the members of the Hamilton Club will possess quarters unexcelled in Ontario. The architects are certainly to be congratulated on the manner in which they have linked utility with beauty. The building is the last word in golf club construction, a credit alike to its designers and the directors of the club, all of whom gave much time and thought to the preparation of the plans.

## WHEN JOHN KNOX PLAYED GOLF ON SUNDAY

A SCOTTISH correspondent writing of the famous old links at Leith says: "John Knox is said to have enjoyed his game on the Links in the afternoon, after his duties in the pulpit on Sundays, and so engrossing did the passion for this form of recreation become that many neglected worship altogether and golfed during the time of preaching, with the result that in 1592 and 1593 the Edinburgh Town Council passed ordinances prohibiting golf on Sundays as profaning the Sabbath Day. In the second ordinance Leith Links are specially mentioned as the scene of these profanations, and many culprits were fined for disobeying the by-laws. James VI. interested himself much in the game, and in order to promote home manufacture of balls, which up to 1618 had been imported from Holland, granted a monopoly for their manufacture for twenty-one years to James Melvil, on condition that each ball did not exceed 4s in price. If such a monopoly were granted nowadays fortunes would be made easily enough. About this time William Cowper, Dean of the Chapel Royal and Bishop of Galloway, against whom his enemies could bring no worse accusation than his attachment to golf, frequented the Links, and a strange story is told of his last appearance upon them. He was a Churchman who was much pestered by the wives of Edinburgh, and one of these spiritual viragoes, having accused him of apostasy, summoned him to appear before the divine tribunal to hear the verdict she had just pronounced upon him ratified by the Judge of all the earth. Within a day or two after, being at his pastime on the Links, he was terrified with a vision or apprehension, for he said to his companions, after he had in an affrighted manner cast away his clubs, 'I vow to be about with these two men who have come upon me with drawn swords.' When his companions said that they had seen nothing, he was silent, went home trembling, took to bed instantly, and died."

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## BEACONSFIELD GOLF CLUB, MONTREAL

Has a Most Successful Year in 1928. Dr. Fred T. Tooke Succeeds Mr. G. H. Forster in the Presidential Chair.

THE twenty-sixth annual meeting of the Beaconsfield Golf Club, Montreal, was held last month in the Oak Room of the Windsor Hotel, Montreal, when a very large attendance of members presided over by Mr. George H. Forster listened to thoroughly satisfactory reports covering all the club's varied activities—Beaconsfield, by the way, has probably the largest membership of any club in Canada.

Like every other club in the Montreal district, Beaconsfield the past season was confronted with most unpleasant weather conditions almost throughout the entire golfing season, but notwithstanding was able to present a thoroughly satisfactory financial statement. The total revenue in 1928 was \$54,156 compared with \$50,801 in 1927. Expenditures in 1927 were \$53,329. Assets in 1928 were \$198,606. The surplus of assets over liabilities was increased during the year by \$6,950, and is now shown at \$58,705. During the year \$6,738 was spent on course upkeep and improvements apart from wages and \$2,665 on house furnishings and plant. The house operations showed an excess of revenue over expenditures of \$5,936. Extracts from the interesting report of the retiring President, Mr. Geo. H. Forster:—

"During the past season the Club was under considerable handicap on account of bad weather, which undoubtedly affected the general revenue; but it is very gratifying to note the increased support given by the members, and that the strong financial position of the Club has been maintained.

"An examination of the Financial Statement will show conclusively that the financial structure of the Club has been further strengthened, and that the policy of devoting the revenue to the improvement of the club house facilities, service and meals, and the playing condition of the course, has been continued. The actual house operation is a matter of considerable satisfaction when the unusual wet weather is taken into consideration, the condition of the course not permitting golf until almost the middle of June.

"The general standing of the Club should be a matter of gratification to all the mem-

bers, Directors and Officers and it is my privilege, on retiring from office, to express my very sincere appreciation of the ever ready assistance rendered me by the Directors and various Committees, in carrying out my duties, and of the support and co-operation of the members, as well as the esprit de corps and the enthusiastic service ren-



Dr. F. T. Tooke, Montreal, newly elected President Beaconsfield Golf Club.

dered by the Secretary and his staff, the Club Professional and Greenkeeper, without which assistance it would have been absolutely impossible for me to have carried out the responsibilities of my office in further building up the standing of the Club, the foundations of which were so firmly laid by my predecessors.

"In conclusion, the Board looks forward with every feeling of confidence to a greater measure of support and enthusiasm in all activities for the further success of the Club."

Dr. Tooke, Chairman of the Green Committee, in a comprehensive report paid a tribute first to the enthusiastic and earnest manner in which the Head Greenkeeper, Hill, and his staff undertook the work that was before them and secondly, to the intelligent



co-operation rendered by Mr. Harry Simpson, of the Province of Quebec Green Section. Unlike most other Montreal courses Beaconsfield did not lose one tee or putting green from "winter kill" last season.

The places of the retiring directors, Messrs. J. A. Mann, K.C., W. E. Burke



Mr. G. H. Forster, retiring President of Beaconsfield, who, has done so much the past ten years for this leading Montreal Club.

and H. J. Trikey, K.C., were filled by the election of Messrs. W. R. Chenoweth, Superintendent Royal Victoria Hospital; J. A. Campbell Colvill, of C. H. Hanson & Co.; F. J. Laverty, K.C., of Laverty, Hale & Dixon.

The election of officers for 1929 resulted as follows:

President, Dr. F. T. Tooke, Vice-President, H. L. Doble; Hon. Secretary, T. R. Enderby; Hon. Treasurer, F. H. Hopkins; Club Captain, R. C. Smith.

In addition to the above, the other directors are: Messrs. G. H. Forster, P. A. McFarlane, J. Rowat and J. B. Robinson. Altogether a very strong board of leading Montrealers.

The very capable Secretary-Manager of Beaconsfield is Major F. B. D. Larken—popular alike with members and visitors.

By a standing vote the thanks of the meeting was tendered Mr. Forster, the retiring President, for his invaluable services to Beaconsfield, not only during his occupancy of the Presidential chair, but during a number of years on the Board. He first served in 1921 as Director of the Club and in 1923 was made Honourary Secretary. In 1924 he was elected Vice-President and in 1927-28 most capably fulfilled the duties of President. During the years 1921-26 he was Chairman of the Green Committee, an onerous position he was particularly well qualified to fill. He did much for the greens and fairways of Beaconsfield during this period. In addition he has always taken a keen interest in the affairs of the Quebec Provincial Golf Association and the Royal Canadian Golf Association. Certainly a very fine golfing record covering a decade or so.

Dr. Fred T. Tooke, who succeeds Mr. Forster in the presidential chair, is a son of Mr. Benjamin Tooke, who was practically one of the founders of the Club and who was President over a long period of years and until the Club was well on its way to being a success. Mr. Doble, the new Vice-President, is Vice-President of the Canada Cement Co. Mr. T. R. Enderby, the Honourary Secretary, is General Manager of the Canada Steamship Lines. Mr. Hopkins, the Honourary Treasurer, is President of the Dominion Wire Rope Co. Ltd. Beaconsfield ever since its inception has been blessed with able executives and as a result the Club to-day ranks as one of the leading golfing organizations of the Dominion.

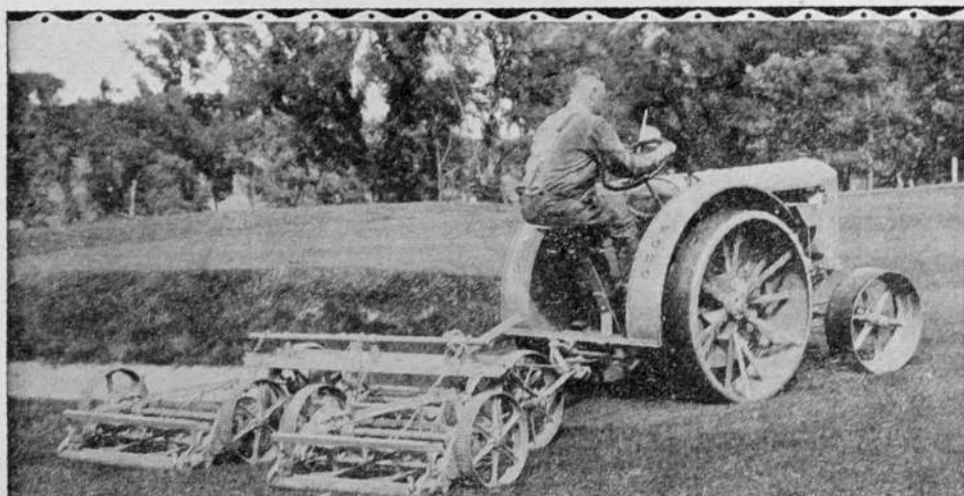
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## CONVENTION OF CLUB MANAGERS

**M**R. G. H. Davies, of the Essex County Golf and Country Club, Sandwich, Ontario, under date of March 18th, writes interestingly:—

I have just returned from a Convention of Club Managers held in Cleveland, Ohio, some particulars of which you may find of interest.

Two years ago, in Chicago, we formed an organization known as the Club Managers' Association of North America, primarily with the object of affording facilities for club managers to discuss their problems with one another and generally to improve the standard of the work that falls to their care.

We now have approximately 350 members and at this last Convention had rather more than 200 representatives, but to our regret there were only eight from our side of the border, three of whom came from Toronto, this in spite of the fact that a circular letter was sent to most of the presidents of clubs inviting them to attend and to send their managers whether or not the managers were members of the Association.

Several of the elected officers of clubs attended and one, the President of the Cleveland Athletic Club, gave us a very instructive address on "What Club Presidents Expect from Their Managers". This was an usual aspect and we found the address very interesting indeed.

We had the usual trade talks on purchasing and the care and maintenance of various commodities that we have to handle and I am sure that everyone that attended had a very interesting and profitable two days.

One other thing, we, from Canada, found that our National Flag was not displayed, though that of our near neighbour had a place of prominence. This was pointed out and at the next session we had the pleasure of seeing the Canadian Flag displayed and further at the formal banquet the orchestra commenced the proceedings by playing "The Maple Leaf" before the National Anthem of the U. S. A. and we certainly appreciated the compliment.

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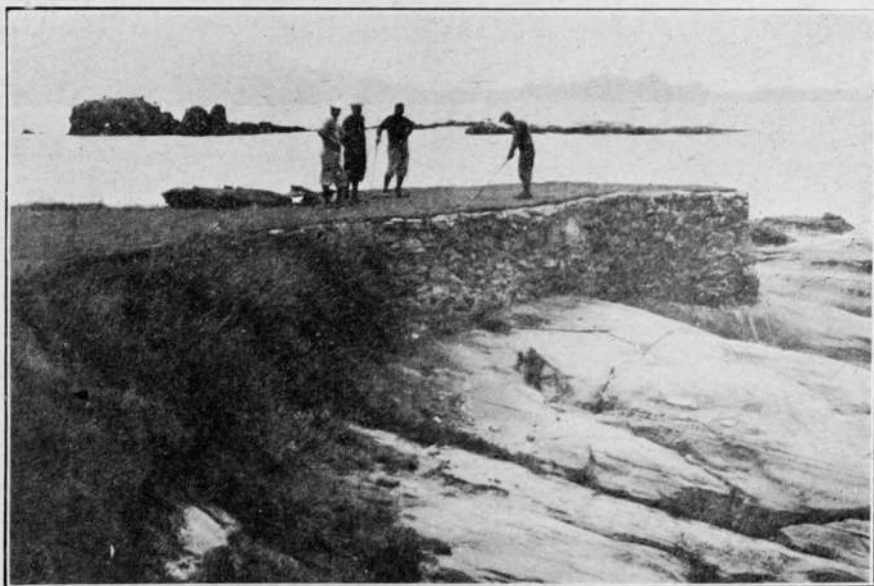


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## Interesting Shot-by-Shot Description of Pebble Beach Links, Del Monte, California.

**T**HE following particularly interesting description of the Pebble Beach course, Del Monte California, where the U. S. Amateur Championship will be held September 2-7, specially contributed to the "Canadian Golfer" by Mr. M. C. Hall, will be read with interest by Can-

able length is desired it almost calls for a fade to pass point of dog's leg on right and avoid out of bounds and trap on left. From a long tee shot properly placed the player is confronted with a good mashie shot or more to a closely guarded green. The trapping is severe and the green hard to hit. This hole plays considerably longer than its yardage, inasmuch as there is a gradual rise from tee to green.



The tee for the sporting 18th hole at the Pebble Beach Golf Club, California.

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Eight of its holes directly border the Pacific, "greatest water hazard in the world." A shot-by-shot description of the course, as revised by H. Chandler Egan for the U.S. Amateur Golf Championship, Sept. 2-7, 1929, follows. It is described from the point of view of the championship contender, thanks to the assistance of Jack Neville, 5 times California champion, and Egan, former national titlist.

First hole, 385 yards, par 4—Calls for an unusually exacting tee shot and if consider-

Second hole, 480 yards, par 5—A big contract for any golfer not thoroughly limbered up as two powerful shots properly placed must be made for a player to get his theoretical four. Diagonal traps for the carry are apt to catch one's tee shot unless it has a long and high carry. The second shot must also be of the same type and unusually straight if the green is to be gained. Traps and trees on the left, with an abundance of natural hazards provide plenty of trouble.

Third hole, 355 yards, par 4—The carry here is over a series of diagonal barrancas filled with sand. It is a great natural carry, and in the direct line of pin is approximately 235 yards. The more to the right one plays, the more difficult becomes the second shot, as the trapping to right of green is more dangerous. A perfectly played tee shot here leaves a comparatively easy second shot to the green.

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shot is only a short pitch but to a proportionately small green. Here it is easy to push a tee shot over cliffs to the beach on the right, or if a player hooks to bad lands on left his second shot becomes a most dangerous one. This hole has proven very costly to many a good player.

Fifth hole, 160 yards, par 3—A fearsome one-shotter. There is a large canyon filled with trees on the left. Out of bounds on right. Usually a stiff four-iron or sometimes more to a closely guarded green.

Sixth hole, 502 yards, par 5—This hole awakens a good golfer's desire to gain every yard he can on first and second shots. Unless there is a wind against one, one can just reach the green in two. (This calls for two 250-yard shots.) Here the ocean comes into play as a hazard in an imposing way as trouble on fairway to left forces the line of play close to the high cliffs. The second shot is over an ocean bay and must have a high trajectory to clear the hill. The green has sandy lands about it and the hole, even played conservatively, is a stiff par 5.

Seventh hole, 110 yards, par 3—Usually a mashie niblick shot, but a hole that seldom plays alike. The green in on the extreme point of the course. Allowance for wind must be made ordinarily to hit the small green. Sand dunes and ocean closely surround this hole.

Eighth hole, 425 yards, par 4—The famous eighth has numerous natural hazards to overcome. Ordinarily two long shots are needed to reach the green. Rather an abrupt hill necessitates the player raising his tee shot to gain the proper position at the top. From the shortest point of the dog leg 130 yards of ocean must be carried to reach the well-trapped green. The banks are precipitous, 75 feet to the water, creating one of the most imposing mental hazards to be found anywhere. The slope of the ground near the green towards the ocean is apt to influence the player towards the dangerous edge of the cliffs. This second shot can be anything from a full brassie to a full mashie, depending on weather conditions. Here, as on six other holes, the sandy beaches that border the ocean give spectacular opportunities for great recovery shots. The incentive is great to hazard a recovery in these treacherous lies with the result that many a good medal score is utterly ruined.

Ninth hole, 450 yards, par 4—A very long tee shot is necessary to get within reach and clear vision of the green. A tee shot to right part of fairway that does not reach the beach leaves the player a long and precarious second shot over cliffs and bays to carry the green. This second shot usually calls for a midiron or more.

Out—3192 yards, par 36.

Tenth hole, 405 yards, par 4—The tenth continues along the ocean brink and is trapped with particular severity. The tee-shot trap, which is seldom carried, forces play to edge of cliff and the small trap in the face of the green requires plenty of stop on a second shot with a four or stronger iron.

Eleventh hole, 380 yards, par 4—The homeward journey begins here. This hole really plays over 400 yards as there is a continual rise from tee to green. The land slopes towards out-of-bounds fence on right and a three iron or more is needed to reach the exceedingly well-trapped green.

Twelfth hole, 185 yards, par 3—Inspiring one-shotter, usually calling for spoon or two-iron. Out-of-bounds on right is apt to force player to easily miss green on the left. Player must have goodly amount of stop on this shot as the trapping is close to edge of green. The golfer usually bucks prevailing breezes from here on in.

Thirteenth hole, 380 yards, par 4—Here the ground slopes away from out-of-bounds on right, bringing the left-hand trapping distinctly into play on tee shot. For the long hitter the opening is rather narrow. The second shot is usually a 3 iron. Precipitous

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banks on the left and trapping at the right further complicate this green.

Fourteenth hole, 555 yards, par 5—A double dog's leg with the slope of the ground always influencing one's shots to the left. Woods and out-of-bound stakes closely border the right. While this hole has been reached in two with a following wind, it is just as apt to call for three full woods. Almost any player would be satisfied to reach the green with a four iron for his third shot. A real 3-shot test for anyone. Pebble Beach has an uncommon number of 3-shot holes but each is so varied that there is no monotony for the player.

Fifteenth hole, 406 yards, par 4—One of the few finest golf holes calling for a pulled tee shot. Out-of-bounds on right, forest on left. A deep ravine of moderate carry crosses the fairway and is apt to penalize a low tee shot. The second shot is most exacting and usually calls for a midiron down to a mashie. Trapping around green, while not deep, is close. Many a championship has been lost on this hole.

Sixteenth hole, 400 yards, par 4—A great natural golf hole with a diagonal carry of sandy badlands. The player is forced to place his tee shot as near as possible to end of barranca on right which is the ideal location. A series of oak trees to the left com-

bine to make the second shot more difficult; usually a 4 iron or more. This hole calls for distinct placing of shots and the player who deviates to any extent finds himself with a much greater yardage to traverse in order to gain the island green. The natural trouble is of a distinctly serious nature.

Seventeenth hole, 218 yards, par 3—It takes a brave golfer to play this one-shotter properly. The lay of the land tends to influence tee shot towards ocean on left. Sand dunes surround this double green. For a direct carry it usually takes a full brassie and sometimes a driver. Some prefer to place this shot to right portion of green leaving a long undulating putt. This magnificent green is at the very brink of Stillwater Cove.

Eighteenth hole, 540 yards, par 5—This most exacting 3-shotter is commonly conceded to furnish a grand finish—one of the strongest in the world. The cliffs call for a diagonal carry from the tee which has been builded out on the rocks in the Pacific itself. Trees and large traps at the right force the player fairly close to the ocean's edge. The second shot, which needs all the distance possible, ends up in rather a narrow neck between out-of-bounds and ocean. The third is usually a mashie or more and



needs to be most accurate as the green is closely trapped. As with the preceding shots, there is no let-up in the tension until the player has his ball safely on the green.

In—3469 yards, par 36. Total 6661 yards, par 72.

In brief, revisions made at Pebble Beach

provided longer holes as played from championship tees; numerous new and severer trappings; smaller, recontoured greens. Many celebrated golfers predict Bobby Jones and his cohorts will find it the toughest layout they have yet encountered for a U.S. National Amateur Championship.

## PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND BENT SUPREME

**B**ENT or creeping grass, which is the same botanically as Rhode Island Bent, has of recent years for greens on courses, throughout Canada and the United States, become so popular that it is interesting to know that in Prince Edward Island this country has the largest and best supply of the seed on the Continent, in this way rivalling in a small way our ascendancy in nickel and asbestos. The officials of the Dominion Department of Agriculture are now taking a great interest in the inspection and harvesting of this very valuable crop. They state with the higher seed prices of the coming season, the 1929 crop may easily reach 100,000 lbs. of reclaimed seed compared with 50,000 lbs. in 1928. This is the only certified Bent on the market. None of the Canadian competitors receive the Government service of field inspection and sealing of the sacks to guarantee its quality on the market. A large proportion of the 1929 yield will be exported to the United States where there is an ever-increasing demand from prominent golf clubs for creeping bent.

## GREAT BRITAIN AND OVERSEAS

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

**I**N beating Sunningdale at Sunningdale, Cambridge achieved the distinction of scoring the first win for either university over the Surrey club in the series of matches which commenced about 25 years ago. The Light Blues won the singles 6-5, after dividing the foursomes at 3-3. There were some surprising results in the singles. In the first, G. Illingworth, the Cambridge ex-captain, who last week defeated Sir Ernest Holderness, lost to Major Thorburn by 4 and 3. There was a remarkable game between H. C. Longhurst and R. H. de Montmorency. There was never more than a hole between them until the 15th, which Montmorency won. At the next Longhurst holed a good putt for a par four to square. At the home hole Montmorency fluffed his approach into a bunker, and the Cantab won the hole for the match.

As the outcome of a challenge in America, C. A. Whitecombe (Crews Hill) and H. T. Cotton (Langley Park) will meet T. D. Armour and R. Cruickshank, two Scottish-Americans, in a money match for £250 a side. It is probable that the match will be played on one of the courses in the Edinburgh district about the time of the British Open Championship, which is fixed for the week beginning May 6. Armour and Cruickshank a few years ago went to America as amateurs, each having won some of the important events of this country, Armour has since won the Open Championship of the United States, and Cruickshank has become one of the leading professionals of America.

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The Artisan Golfers Association is holding its annual tournament at Wentworth, on September 2nd and

3rd. It is announced that seventy-five clubs, comprising some 10,000 members, are now affiliated to the Association.

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The Duke of York has been elected Captain of the Roehampton Club in succession to Earl Jellicoe.

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Viscount Gladstone, who was seventy-five a week or two ago, has recently been telling an amusing story (says the Manchester Guardian) concerning a friend who sought to keep his eight-year-old son from repeating words overhead on the golf course adjoining his home, which the boy frequently visits with or without his parent. His plan was, whenever the little chap used a naughty word, to give him a penny for a promise not to use it again. One day the boy came running to his father, his eyes dancing with excitement, and cried, "Oh, dad, I've just heard one that's worth a shilling at least."

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When Gleneagles was under snow at the New Year an attempt to play a round on skis had to be abandoned at the first hole owing to the way in which the red balls buried themselves in the snow.

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Writing on "The Origin of Golf" the Honourable R. Erskine, of Mar in the "Sunday Times" says:—

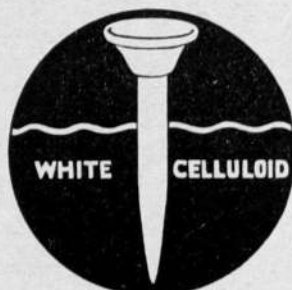
"It is doubtful, to say the least of it, if the origin of golf is Dutch. In this connection, the Irish (Gaelic) evidence should be carefully weighed. In early Gaelic literature there are quite a fair number of references to youths (of the semi-heroic period) "driving the ball on" and "from the green." It is true that some Celtic scholars suppose that these are references to "camanaehd," which is still played in Ireland as "hurley" and in Scotland as "shinty"; but, allowing that this be so, the theory by no means excludes a Gaelic origin for golf, as well as "camanaehd." The point is that both games are played with a form of "caman," that is a club with a crook



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to it, and that the object of both is ball-driving over a stretch of country more or less prepared for the sport.

I suggest the game was introduced into Holland by the Scots (who also have introduced it into England, and indirectly, if not directly, into many other parts of the world), who of old times had a big trade with the Dutch.

The modern Gaelic for golf is "cam-anachd," the clubs being styled "camanan."

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H. C. Jolly, the well known professional, recently carded a 63 on the Foxgrove golf course, which is by no means an easy course to score on.

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A golfing joke concerning Lord Balfour, says the Edinburgh Evening News, was told by Mr. Harris Stirling, President of the Scottish Federation

of Merchant Tailors, at the annual dinner of the Edinburgh Branch. Lord Balfour was playing a round of golf with a diminutive caddie when his ball landed in a bunker. He asked the advice of his caddie as to how he could extricate himself from this plight, and the result was a beautiful shot, the ball coming to rest on the green beside the pin. "What do you think of that?" cried the elated Earl. "Well, sir," was the unexpected reply, "wi' your height and my brains you should make a dashed fine gowfer"!

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There is a very hopeful feeling throughout Great Britain that this season the Old Country will come into its golfing own again. It is confidently believed that the strong Ryder Cup team will be more than a match for the Americans and that in the Open Championship the assault of Hagen and his merry men will be successfully met and overcome. The Whitcomes and Compston are playing great golf whilst a number of the younger school are giving evidence of championship ability. In the British Amateur the indications now are that there will be no serious foreign competition this year and that the Old Country players will have the event pretty much to themselves. Next year, however, things will be different. Bobby Jones and the Walker Cup team will then be visitors to the Old Country and will all compete in the Amateur.

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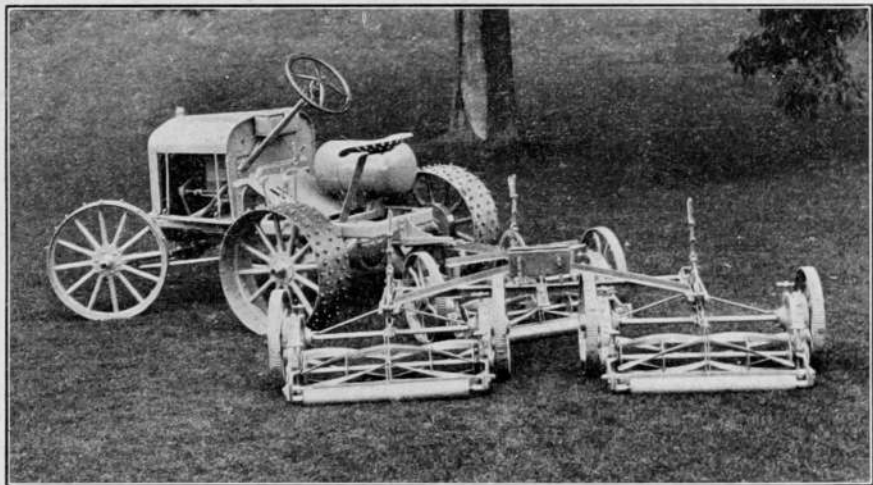
Bobby Cruickshank sailed from New York for his native Scotland this month. He will be an entrant in the British Open Championship, as will also his fellow Edinboro townsman, Tommy Armour.

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### THE LONGEST GOLF DRIVES ON RECORD

**M**R. R. H. Fortune, a subscriber in Salmon Arm, B.C., writes asking what are the longest authenticated golf drives and under what conditions are they made.

A sloping ground, especially if frost bound, and a following wind will assist a ball immensely on its course, and exceptional distances have been driven on links hardened to cement by frost or parched dry in mid-summer.

The longest recorded and fully authenticated drive was accomplished by E. C. Bliss at Herne Bay, August, 1913. Distance, 445 yards. The drive was measured, and levels taken by Mr. L. H. Lloyd, Government Surveyor, who measured the drop in the ground from the tee to the resting-place, and the fall was 57 feet.

W. E. Macnamara, professional Lahinch, Co. Clare, in 1913, playing with Mr. F. S. Bond, Royal Wimbledon, drove to the 4th green at Lahinch, a distance of 400 yards. About 250 yards from the tee, and, running right across the centre of the course, was a huge sand bunker about 25 feet high, called the Klondyke. To get into that bunker from the tee was one of the very best shots. Macnamara, in describing his drive states, "how the ball ever got where it was I do not know unless that it happened to bounce on a stone or something very hard at the end of 250 yards and then run the rest of the distance down the hill. I believe that if all the best players in the world were to drive at that tee all their lives," concludes Macnamara, "I do not think the same thing would

happen again." Macnamara's drive is specially notable, not alone for its length but because it carried a high bunker at 250 yards from the tee.

James Braid described his biggest achievement as follows:—

"The longest drive I have ever made, so far as I can recollect, was in 1905 when playing at Walton Heath with Mr., now Lord, Riddell. The course was frost-bound and the wind at our backs when we were playing the fifteenth hole, and I hit my tee shot a distance of 395 yards, carefully calculated afterwards. . . . At the eighteenth hole in the same round I drove to the bunker guarding the green, another drive of nearly the same length."

The fifteenth hole at Walton Heath has a slight downward slope, but the eighteenth has not. The distances were measured by Sir Alex. Kennedy, the engineer, and the drive at the fifteenth hole returned at 395 yards, and at the home hole 340 yards.

Mr. Fred Lemarchand at Westward 'Ho! drove from the 13th tee, and the ball bounced back some ten yards from the assegai rushes growing in front of the 14th putting green. The length of the hole was stated on the card at the time to be 483 yards. An easterly gale prevailed at the time.

At the North Berwick Tournament in July, 1909, W. H. Horne drove 388 yards. The North Berwick town clerk, Mr. A. D. Wallace, in issuing a certificate, signed by the green-keeper, stated:—There is a steady fall from the tee to the hole. The surface of the ground was somewhat hard, very favourable to a long run, while the wind was strong and practically following the player.

C. H. J. Tolley hit two remarkable drives in the two Championships, 1923. At Deal in his first round in the Amateur Championship, his first drive carried into the ditch guarding the first hole. The hole is 330 yards, and the ball when it was stopped by the water, had travelled 310 yards. There was a strong following wind, ground dry, and many players were getting to within a few yards of the ditch. In his third round in the Open Championship at Troon Mr. Tolley drove the first green. The distance from tee to pin is 350 yards. There was a strong following wind and the fairway to the first hole at Troon is very heavily tramped and consolidated by the towns-people who walk over it on fine evenings and on Sundays as a promenade. Tolley is generally thought to be the longest amateur driver. When playing in Canada with the Walker Cup team he had more than one drive of 300 yards to his credit.

D. R. Anderson, in 1910, drove 300 yards at the Joliet Country Club. Anderson is a one-armed player, and this is the longest recorded drive of a one-armed golfer.

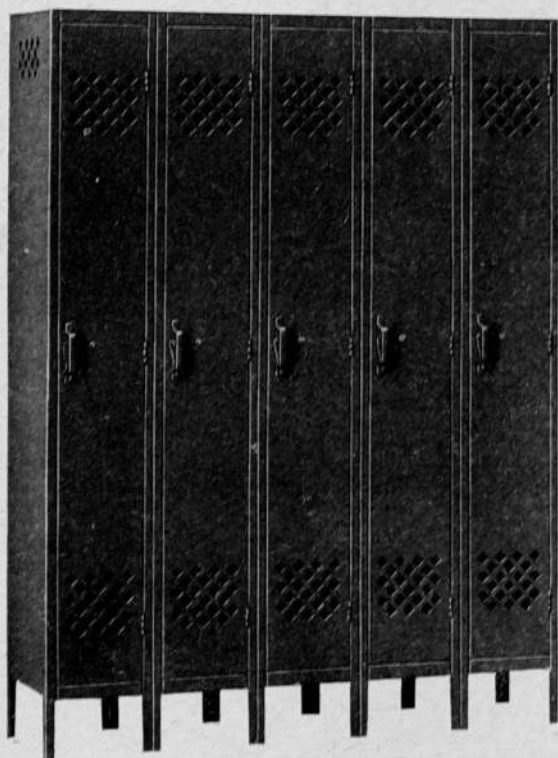
Generally speaking, however, the average length of the longest tee-shot players under ordinary conditions is probably somewhere between 250 and 275 yards and the man who can maintain an average of over 240 yards must be considered to be an exceedingly good wooden club player.

## DATES OF THE C. W. S. G. A. CHAMPIONSHIP

**M**RS. BURNS, Toronto, Honourary Secretary of the Canadian Women's Seniors' Golf Association, writes:—

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## DUNDAS, ONTARIO GETS INTO GOLFING GAME

**A** SPECIAL despatch from Hamilton, March 6th:—

"Announcement was made here to-day of a new eighteen-hole golf course to be constructed on a site near Dundas, a 15 minutes' motor run from this city. A group of prominent Hamilton and Dundas men, in revealing the project to-day, stated that the new country club, to be known as the Springdale Club, will be completely equipped with an 18-hole course, bowling greens, club houses, bathing pools, practice greens, putting greens, and other features.

"The old Woodley farm has been taken over, and it comprises about 144 acres and lies in the beautiful Dundas valley. The spot is well protected and course may open earlier and continue longer than any in this vicinity.

"Negotiations have been started for the appointment of a qualified architect to lay out the course. Experts have pronounced this layout an ideal spot, and it is proposed to operate the club upon a strict financial basis, in order to take care of those of moderate means."

The "Canadian Golfer" advices are that the location of this new golf course is simply ideal. The terrain is everything that can be desired, whilst the view from the links will be unexcelled in Ontario.

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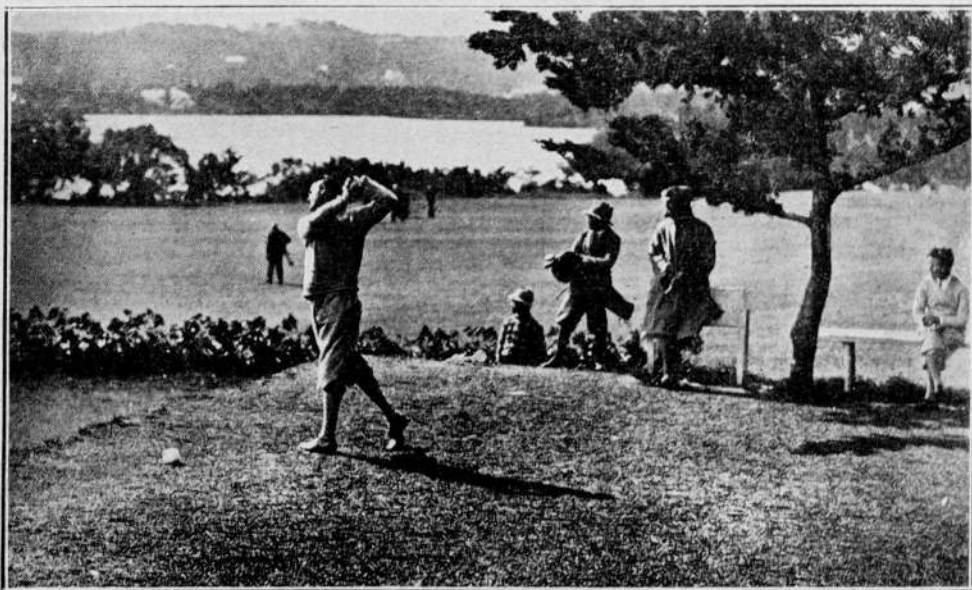
The 1929 Edition of the Books of the Rules is now off the press. Orders already received would indicate that edition will soon be exhausted. There will be no second edition this season. Send order to Business Department, "Canadian Golfer", Brantford, Ontario. Single copies 25c. In quantities of 100 20 cents. In quantities of 500 (with name of club on cover if desired) 15c.

## NEWS FROM BERMUDA

Many Golfing Events of Interest are Run Off. Andy Kay Makes a Course Record.

**A.** C. N. Gosling, of Toronto, successfully defended his title as Bermuda Amateur Champion by defeating Nicol Thompson, Jr., of Hamilton, Ont., 5 and 4, in the thirty-six hole final round of the 1929 event at the Riddell's Bay Golf and Country Club. Starting the final

He then defeated R. L. Babcock, of Pittsburgh, in the second round and J. H. Beavis, an Englishman wintering in Bermuda, in the semi-final. Thompson's chief opposition came from H. C. Fownes, 2nd, son of W. C. Fownes, former President of the U. S. S. A., and U. S. Amateur Champion,



A. Gosling, winner of the Bermuda Amateur Championship. Sitting on the bench to the right, Nicol Thompson, Jr., Hamilton, runner-up.

eighteen holes 1 down, as a result of spotty golf on the first eighteen, Gosling squared the match by taking the first hole in the afternoon. Thompson then presented him with unearned halves by three-putting the next two greens and then Gosling registered two birdies in rapid succession to assume a lead which he never surrendered. Going out in 35, he was one under 4s when the match ended on the fourteenth hole.

Throughout the entire week, Gosling played fine golf, capturing the medal with a score of 73 after taking 42 for the first nine holes. His only close match was the one in which Gordon Montague, a local player, carried him to the nineteenth hole.

whom he defeated by only 2 up after winning the first five holes.

The summaries:—

First round—A. C. N. Gosling, Toronto (73), defeated Gordon Montague, Bermuda (89), 1 up, 19 holes; R. L. Babcock, Pittsburgh (80), defeated Wilson Potter, Pine Valley (86), 4 and 3; J. H. Beavies, England (78), won from George Milliken, Flushing, by default; W. J. H. Trott, Bermuda (87), defeated M. J. Campbell, Belmons, Mass. (82), 4 and 3; Nicol Thompson, Jr., Hamilton, Ont. (89), defeated George Smith, Bermuda (90), 5 and 4; H. St. G. Butterfield, Bermuda (84), defeated D. C. Grant, Montreal (83), 3 and 2; G. J. Costello, Seaview (88), defeated G.



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W. West, Bermuda (84), 1 up, 19 holes; H. C. Fownes, 2nd, Pittsburgh (77), defeated G. A. Snider, Des Moines (88), 9 and 7.

Second round—Gosling defeated Babcock, 2 up; Beavis defeated Trott, 2 up; Thompson defeated Butterfield, 5 and 4; Fownes defeated Costello, 5 and 4.

Semi-final round—Gosling defeated Beavis, 5 and 4; Thompson, Jr., defeated Fownes, 3 and 2.

Final round—Gosling defeated Thompson, 5 and 4. West was the winner of the championship beaten eight, defeating Potter by 4 and 3.

### Kay Sets Record

Andrew Kay, Lambton (Toronto) Golf Club professional, who is instructing at Belmont Manor this winter along with Nicol Thompson, of Hamilton, Ont., recently broke the Belmont course record by carding a 57 over the 4600-yard layout. Playing with Mrs. E. M. Rougvie, of Ottawa,

Kay, after starting off with an eagle 2 on the first hole, went out in 28 and came in in 29 to nip one stroke off Thompson's record. His score with par:—

Out—	
Par .....	4 3 4 4 3 3 4 3 4—32
Kay .....	2 3 4 4 2 3 3 3 4—28
In—	
Par .....	3 3 4 4 3 3 3 4 4—31—63
Kay .....	3 3 4 4 3 3 3 3 3—29—57

### Two New Courses Opened

Two new golf courses have been added to Bermuda's list during the last few weeks, one being the Frascati and the other the St. George's. Both are nine-hole courses and were designed by Devereaux Emmet, well-known American architect. The opening of the Frascati course was celebrated by an exhibition match between Nicol Thompson and Andy Kay, Belmont professionals, on one side, and Horace Fulford, new Frascati pro, and Joek Brown, of Montreal, on the other; the first-mentioned pair winning by 2 up. W. J. Howard Trott formally opened the course—the fourth he has officiated at—by driving a gold golf ball off the first tee.

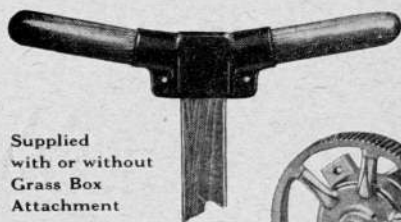
### Hepburn Wins McCallum Trophy

George Hepburn, member of the Nassau Country Club at Glen Cove, L.I., and a former Princeton University golfer, was the winner of the annual McCallum Perfection Trophy and Lightbourn Cup Tournament held at the Belmont Manor course. In the final round of the event Hepburn proved himself the master of Lester H. Washburn, of the Old Country Club in Flushing, his margin being 3 and 2.

The event drew out a large and representative field in which the outstanding player, young Nicol Thompson, Jr., of Hamilton, Ont., withdrew after capturing the medal with a fine round of 70, which included a 6 on a par 3 hole. There were three strokes difference between Thompson's score and that of his closest rivals, T. F. Mathews, of Toronto, and G. J. Cos-



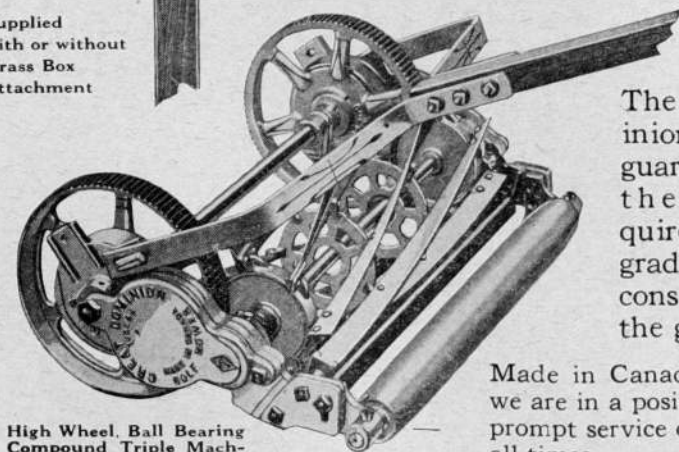
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tello, of the Seaview Club, in Absecon, N. J.

G. W. West, of Bermuda, and Hepburn were the only other players in the field who succeeded in breaking 75. West, after being defeated by Hepburn in the first round, went through to win the beaten eight honours by defeating N. W. Hutchings, Jr., a fellow-Bermudian, by 2 and 1.

The results of the other flights:—

Second flight—E. T. Burnett, New York, defeated E. E. Wallace, Montreal, 3 and 2; beaten eight—C. F. Murphy, Boston, defeated W. S. Whitehall, Montreal, 3 and 2.

Third flight—F. G. Morrison, Toronto, defeated L. R. Atkinson, Toronto, 2 and 1; beaten eight—F. P. Eastland, Greenwich, Conn., defeated E. Fallensbee, Cleveland, 4 and 3.

Fourth flight—E. E. White, Ottawa, defeated W. J. Naughton, New York, 2 and 1; beaten eight—E. F. Crisson,

Bermuda, defeated J. B. Turner, Norwich, 3 and 2.

Fifth flight—W. W. Gibson, Hartford, Conn., defeated George Harley, Toronto, 2 and 1; beaten eight—G. Winslow, Danbury, Conn., defeated R. Hay, Toronto, 3 and 2.

The prizes were presented by the Hon. John E. Lightbourn.

**Miss Lascelles Wins**

Miss Cicely Lascelles, of Melbourne, Australia, defeated Mrs. M. A. Saeger, of Allentown, Pa., 6 and 5, March 11, in the 36-hole final match of the Women's Spring Golf Tournament at Belmont Manor.

The consolation prize went to Mrs. Teddy Gosling, of Bermuda, who defeated Mrs. E. S. Martin, of Toronto, 2 and 1, in the second flight competition, and Miss Dorothy Holmes, of Truro, N.S., who downed Mrs. S. J. Bergen, of New York, 4 and 3, in the play of the first beaten eight.

## FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING OF ISLINGTON GOLF CLUB

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THE fifth annual meeting of the shareholders of the Islington Golf Club was held at the Sunnyside Pavilion, Toronto, the latter part of last month and it was without doubt the most enthusiastic gathering together of shareholders and members in the history of the club.

In view of the fact that the annual statement for the past fiscal year was beyond criticism and prospects for the coming season exceptionally bright, everyone present was in a very happy mood and aside from the usual excitement incidental to the election of the new Board, the afternoon was taken up with a discussion of ways and means to relieve the congestion on the course on week-ends.

As a result of this discussion a resolution was unanimously passed that a recommendation be made to the incoming Board that the present visitors fee schedule, especially as pertains to week-end visitors fees be changed. That the fee of \$1.00 for Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, at present in existence be advanced to \$2.00 and that on these days no ticket be issued to visitors unless they are accompanied by a member.

The by-law in respect to nominations for the Board was changed so that hereafter, in addition to such nominations as may have been received previous to the meeting, nominations may also be made from the floor provided such nominees are present in person to accept nomination.

It was unanimously decided that there was no necessity for an increase in the annual fee schedule.

The election of Directors for the current year resulted as follows:

Wm. A. Baird, M.P.P.; John W. Pickup, Karl. E. Barton, Maj. W. T. Rogers, R. Colton Berkenshaw, Dr. Earle E. Shouldice, Charles Northcotte, Ernie A. Warren and Edward Hewson.

Messrs. Shouldice, Northcotte, Warren and Hewson replacing Messrs. J. H. Birkenshaw, Cecil Finlayson, Nicol MacNicol, Jr., and J. G. Jack, who have served the Club faithfully during the past five years.

Arthur Brown and Joe Cassan were elected Captain and Vice-Captain respectively by acclamation.

"Art" Brown taking over the office of Captain after three years service as Vice-Captain, thereby replacing Mr. Milne, who voluntarily retires after three years service.

Mr. Percy Edwards was reappointed auditor for the current year.

Before adjournment a hearty vote of appreciation of services rendered was tendered the retiring Directors and Captain Melville Millar, Secretary-Manager of the Club since its organization, for his untiring devotion to the club's interests received a spontaneous ovation that he will long remember as the happiest moment of his life.

Captain Millar, we understand, has intimated that in all probability he will take a well-earned rest at the end of the present season.

While the membership list of the Club now totals 518 and is practically complete, it is possible that the ladies' list only will be closed immediately and the gentlemen's section augmented by a few additional members before the waiting list is established.

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## WITH THE PROFESSIONALS

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

IT has been stated that the reason why "Wild Bill" Mehlhorn was not given a place on the U. S. Ryder Cup team was because he was non persona grata on the British courses, he having a rather unfortunate manner—hence the "Wild Bill" appellation. This, however, is not correct. Several Old Country correspondents and papers are quite disappointed that he has not been included on the team and ask that he yet be included.

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Horton Smith, the phenomenal young Joplin, Mo., professional, has annexed another Southern Tournament. In the Fort Myers Open \$2,000 Championship he tied with Densmore Shute, of Columbus, Ohio, and in the play-off took first money. The play-off went to the 11th hole before Smith won out. Smith to-day is looked upon as one of the greatest professionals in the United States. His rise to fame has been quite meteoric.

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Davie Spittal with the Uplands Golf Club, Toronto, last season, is spending the winter at Miami, Florida, where he is playing great golf.

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C. R. Murray, of the Royal Montreal Golf Club, who is at the Gulf Stream Golf Club, writes:—

"The South is having a great winter, especially Miami, which is overcrowded."

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D. T. Pullen will again the coming season be the professional at the St. Thomas Golf and Country Club, where he has done such good work the past few years.

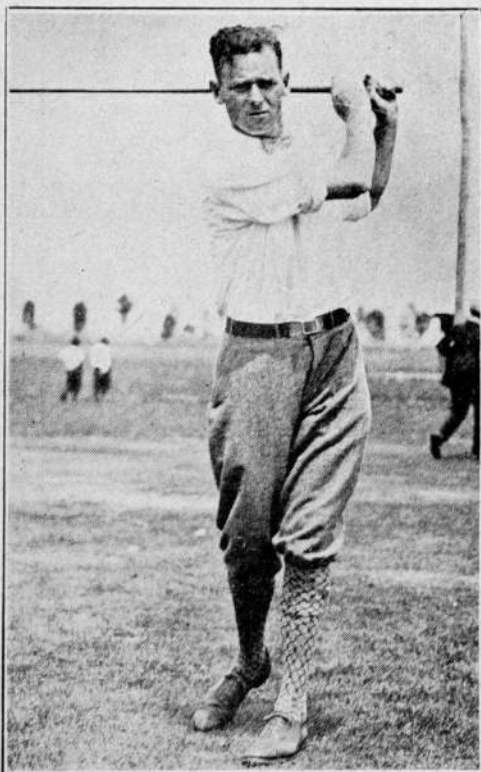
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Henry Cotton, of England, holds a bright spot in the friendship of Hagen. He has a great admiration for Cotton and thinks he's the most promising piece of golfing timber on the British Isles.

In a recent interview Sir Walter said:—

"Henry's a very fine boy and a splendid sportsman. Britain sent us over a fine golfing ambassador when Henry came to

California this winter. He didn't make a very good showing in the big tournaments—not nearly as good as he is capable of, but I look upon Horton Smith and Henry Cotton as the two outstanding youngsters in the golfing world at the present time. Ten years from to-day you'll be reading all



A fine golfer, R. McAuliffe, who this season will be professional at the Erie Downs Golf and Country Club, Bridgeburg, Ont.

about Smith and Cotton and little about Hagen and Diegel and Mehlhorn and Macdonald and Cruickshank and Macdonald Smith. We'll all be has beens but, as the saying goes, it's better by far to be a has been than a never was, isn't it, Scotty?"

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Several additional professional appointments are announced this month. Walter Goodwin, who was formerly with the Toronto Hunt Club, but the last four years in Moose Jaw and other Western towns, has been appointed pro at the Owen Sound Golf and Country Club. W. H. Brink-



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worth, formerly of Regina and Swift Current, goes to the Citizens Club, Moose Jaw, where Tom McGrath, of Hamilton, was last season. Redvers Mackenzie, for several seasons at the Marlborough Club, Montreal, has been appointed to the Elm Ridge Club, Montreal. The position at the Strathcona Golf Club, Port Arthur, has been filled by the appointment of Jud Boon. James A. Boyle will be found this season at the Little River Golf Club, Windsor, Ont.

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A. W. Lawrence, who was at Lennoxville, Que., last year, will be at the Rosemere Golf Club, Montreal, the ensuing season.

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Guelph, Ontario, has appointed as its professional "Jimmy" Carmichael, who learned his game at Bridge-of-Weir after serving two years with the Highlanders in France, where he was wounded. As an amateur he won three championships in the Bridge-of-Weir District. Turning professional he went to the States six years ago and was attached to the Aviation Club. He subsequently went as assistant to Wilfred Reid and whilst in the Detroit District won several tournaments, afterwards he was at Lake Placid, N. Y., where he, too, distinguished himself in tournament play. Carmichael, who is 29 years of age, will be a decided addition to the Ontario professional ranks.

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There are now the quite substantial army of 239 professionals in Canada, not counting assistants who now number forty or more. By Provinces these pros line up as follows: Alberta, 14; British Columbia, 21; Manitoba, 16; New Brunswick, 8; Nova Scotia, 11; Ontario, 106; Quebec, 49; Saskatchewan, 14. There are no professionals listed in Prince Edward Island, although generally during the season, one or two of the Nova Scotia and New Brunswick pros spend a few weeks on the Island giving lessons. It will be noticed that Ontario, the premier golfing Province, as befitting

its positions, employs almost as many professionals as the rest of the Provinces combined.

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Davie Russell, assistant last season to Freddie Hunt of the Brantford Golf and Country Club, from a number of applicants has been appointed assistant the coming season by Eric Bannister, the well known professional of the St. Charles Club, Winnipeg. "Davie" should make good out West.

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Tommy Murphy in the Golfers Magazine, Chicago, makes the suggestion that a match between British-born professionals and "home-breds" would provide a feature attraction. He figures it out this way.

British Born—1, MacDonald Smith, Captain; 2, Tommy Armour; 3, Bobby Cruickshank; 4, Willie Macfarlane; 5, Harry Cooper; 6, Jim Barnes; 7, Joek Hutchison; 8, Joe Kirkwood.

Home-Breds — 1, Walter Hagen, Captain; 2, Leo Diegel; 3, Johnny Farrell; 4, Gene Sarazen; 5, Horton Smith; 6, Al Espinosa; 7, Al Watrous; 8, Joe Turnesa.

There should be some fireworks at a match like this, but after a very hard tussle the home-breds would have a slight edge on their foreign-born brothers. Yes, the margin of victory would be very small.

All told, the foreign-born brigade has accounted for twenty-one of the thirty-four National Open Championships. Home-breds have won the blue ribbon only six times, bona fide British subjects have two U. S. Open notches on their cleeks, and American amateurs led all comers on five occasions. Of late years the pendulum has struck a pretty even balance. Since the war four U. S. Open crowns have gone to foreign-born pros, namely: Barnes, Walker, Macfarlane and Armour, three to home-breds, Hagen, Sarazen and Farrell, two to Bobby Jones, and one to Ted Ray, an official representative of Great Britain. It may surprise many golf followers to learn that only four native-born American professionals have won the U.S.

major championship, viz.: McDermott (twice), Hagen (twice), Sarazen and Farrell.

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Charlie Murray, of the Royal Montreal Golf Club, and Davie Spittal, of Toronto, paired up together in the International Professional Four-Ball



Walter Hagen, who leaves next month to Captain the U. S. Ryder Cup Team in Great Britain. From a cartoon by Rollin Scott.

Tournament at Miami, Fla., this month. They were defeated in the first round, 3 and 2, by Willie Macfarlane and Harry Hampton. The Tournament brought out a large field. There were many upsets the first round. Tommy Armour and Bill Mehlhorn were defeated by Clarence Hackney, Atlantic City, and Craig



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Wood, Forest Hill, 3 and 2, while another seeded pair, Al Watrous, Detroit, and Horton Smith, Joplin, Mo., lost to Charlie Mayo, Pomonok, and George Christ, Davenport, Fla., 2 and 1. The Tournament was eventually won by Johnny Farrell and Gene Sarazen, the strong pair of defending champions.

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Horton Smith, youthful Joplin, Mo., professional, won the 72-hole Florida Open Golf Championship last week at Jacksonville, Fla., with a brilliant 284, only one stroke ahead of the field. Frank Walsh, of Appleton, Wis., was second. Smith is now looked upon as the greatest young professional in the United States.

## LONG DRIVING AND "PIGEON-TOED" STANCE

(J. H. Taylor, Five Times British Open Champion)

LONG driving has always exercised a fascination over every class of player. It is a peculiar fact, and one that will not be disputed, that the tendency of every player is to appraise the value of his game by the yardage he can obtain with his wooden clubs. It is also true, although it is impossible to give the reason, that if one is driving well—which in this case means driving long—the rest of the game seems easier. It is the keynote of the tune.

It is one of the cardinal virtues of the game that the long hitter does not hold such an ascendancy over the ordinary kind as a superficial view of the two performances would suggest. The advantage is more imaginary than real, but it cannot be denied that it does exercise a moral ascendancy if one is not of so strong a fibre as to ignore it. Happily, the game has its compensating balance, which insists that long driving loses its advantage if the ball is not sent straight. If my experience proves anything, it is that the long hitters I have met have not been renowned for their ability to keep to the narrow path. It appears to me that one is endowed with a certain amount of power which can be

employed with certainty of direction. Once the thin line of demarcation is overstepped, the extra effort is not merely wasted, but is injurious to what is of essential importance. I am moved to write on this interesting theme because of reports I have read of the truly prodigious hitting power of a young American professional, Clarence Gamber. If these reports are true, Gamber must be the longest hitter of a golf ball the world has ever seen. I know Bobby Jones sufficiently well to realize that he is the one golfer least likely to be given to exaggeration, but when Bobby, in true American phraseology, describes Gamber as "the black-haired Boy who gets a two-mile carry," I am ready to believe that Gamber's exploits and methods are worthy of serious consideration. Bobby himself gives the ball quite a long ride, and invariably in the right direction. It appears that Gamber's ordinary drive is in the region of 300 yards, and he often adds 50 yards to this astounding length. At the Open Championship at Oakmont he reached a hole 600 yards long in a drive and an iron shot, which I am quite ready to believe is claimed as a world's record. Gamber stands up to





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his ball with both feet turned in towards the ball, known as the "pigeon-toed" stance. It does not appear that Gamber claims any particular merit for this, but it is worthy of note that Cyril Tolley, perhaps the longest hitter in this country, stands in the same manner. It is suggested that this method gives better body balance, prevents swaying, and promotes a more free turn of the hips, but I am inclined to challenge this diagnosis. On the contrary, I would suggest that the turn in of the toes, while it may give a firmer grip of the ground with the ball of the feet, actually restricts the free movement of the hips, an absolute essential to long hitting.

The turning in of the toes is an unnatural poise, cramping the leg action and consequently giving a too free action to the turn of the shoulders, which is the vital cause of all loose and crooked driving. It may be taken as being sound, that exceptionally long and wild hitting comes from the application of the shoulders or that part of the body above the waist.

Straight driving, on the other hand, is assured with the main force applied by the correct turn of the hips, and the power of the wrists and forearms, or that part of the anatomy that is nearest the point of contact with the ball. "The secret of the long drive," states Gamber, "is to be found in the speed of the club-head," but he adds the following advice, of which I strongly disapprove: "This is the one thing on which the average golfer should concentrate." The average golfer, I suppose, is the player who is content with a drive of good average length. I know of no advice that is likely to prove so fatal to accuracy. Acceptance of it is bound to lead to a desperate hurrying of all the factors of propulsion. Chaos would inevitably result. Accuracy, splendid and sustained accuracy, is the cornerstone of the game, and to attain this ideal driving has only a subordinate part to play. The danger remains of regarding driving as an "end" instead of "a means to an end."

## GOLF COSTS FORTY YEARS AGO

ON the removal of a fireplace in the Imperial Hotel, St. Andrews, there was discovered at the back thereof a price-list of the year 1886, issued by Forgan & Son, the well-known St. Andrews club-makers. How long the little card lay hidden behind the fire is not known, but probably more than forty years; yet it was in remarkably good condition, and the card is most interesting as showing the prices for first-class golf equipment at that period. Drivers with the finest hickory shafts—there was no scarcity of hickory, or even a hint of scarcity in those days—cost four shillings each, and drivers with lance-wood cost sixpence more; and drivers with an extra fine greenheart shaft cost five shillings. For the best gutta percha golf balls the price was one shilling, but old gutta percha balls remade could be purchased for fourpence each. A complete equipment of golf clubs, driver, long spoon—this is called a brassie nowadays—short spoon, a cleek, an iron and a putter, and six of the best golf balls, with a Golfer's Handbook, the latter, no doubt, to keep the purchaser informed as to the correct rules of golf, cost thirty-four shillings. The greenheart shafts, which were the best favoured at that time, were fitted with cork grips. A most interesting relic it is, and no doubt Mr. Forgan will show it amongst his rare things.

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# NEWS OF THE MIDDLE WEST

## Many Leading Winnipeg Clubs Elect Officers for 1929.

**A**FTER a particularly hard winter clubs throughout the West are now getting their "house in order" and preparing for a very busy season in 1929. It is generally thought that most of the courses have wintered well but the next few weeks

toba Golf Association, R. C. S. Bruce, T. S. English. The Club pro is again George Cawkwell, who gave so much satisfaction last season.

Ambitious plans are already under way for making this a banner year at Southwood, Winnipeg. Extensive im-



And here is a particularly interesting picture of a well known Winnipeg "foursome" which has played at the Niakwa Country Club, Winnipeg, Man., every Saturday and Sunday for nine months from and including the 17th of March, 1928, to the 16th of December, 1928. The photo was taken on the 9th of December, 1928, but the weather was equally enjoyable and an excellent game was had on the following Sunday, the 16th. So much for the maligned Winnipeg winter? It will be noticed from the attire of the players that the weather when the picture was taken was quite warm. The players from left to right are Messrs. R. K. Finlayson, A. D. Jukes, Oscar McBean and H. R. Drummond-Hay. It might be noted, that Mr. Finlayson, who is seen putting, was seriously wounded in the war, and had a piece taken out of his left leg, which accounts for his stance.

will tell the tale. March and April are always particularly trying months from a "green standpoint."

The annual meeting of the Greenwood Golf Club, Winnipeg, was held in the "Free Press" Building, when the election of officers resulted as follows:

President, W. Percy Over, Vice, F. S. Tribe; council, A. B. Alexander, W. M. Sinclair, B. O'Kelly, R. L. Dennison, W. J. E. Parker, E. W. S. MacVey, J. W. MacNair; hon. secretary, W. S. Minty; representatives to Mani-

provements tending to make the club house more attractive to members and their guests will be undertaken. Following the policy of the directors to make Southwood one of the best, as it is the most easily accessible course in the city, further improvements will be made to the greens and fairways as early as possible. The club will again be under the capable management of Chas. Harris, and Donald MacDonald has been appointed professional, and a "right good pro, too." At a recent meeting of the directors



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of Southwood the following officers were elected for the coming season: President, Frank J. Sutton, K.C.; vice-president, Dr. Robert Fletcher, deputy minister of education; hon. secretary, H. Buell Wilcox; treasurer, R. B. Graham, K.C.; chairman of committees were appointed as follows: Gordon L. Leggo, green committee; J. Douglas Molden, membership committee; H. G. Tucker, house committee; J. C. Ligertwood, finance committee; M. W. Wales, match and handicap committee.

At a recent meeting of the Niakwa Country Club, Winnipeg, at the Fort Garry Hotel, the directors of the holding company and the governors of the club were elected. It was stated that prospects for next season are excellent and a full list of membership is again expected. The directors

holding company was made up as follows: D. H. Blain, Doctor M. W. Warner, H. T. Hazelton, G. P. Heffelfinger and R. W. Milner. The board of governors' election resulted as follows: Frank Hale, J. T. Beattie, J. L. Hewitt, T. C. Greenman, I. Solberg, Alex. Weir, Doctor Digby Wheeler. At the annual meeting of the Club, Mr. J. Hewitt, secretary, reported that all shares had now been taken up, 191 players holding the 225 playing memberships. The green fees had been gratifying and the caddies were well trained and efficient. J. C. Saunders had given good service as club profession.

Mr. Hazelton, the president, gave a splendid resume of the past year, making special mention of the fine work done by Mr. Hewitt. The past season had been of great accomplishments, he stated.

An interesting discussion took place on the greens during which every member took part and after every angle was given a thorough airing, the whole question was turned over to the new governors to deal with at their discretion. The general idea was to get the greens in better playing condition as early as possible in the season.

The Hazelton Trophy, emblematic of the club championship of Niakwa, was turned over to Alex Weir by the president. C. L. Hodgman was awarded the runner-up prize.

## MAY 18-25 TO BE OBSERVED AS "SPORTS WEEK" THROUGHOUT CANADA

**S**PORT in all its forms has come to be one of the strongest and most powerful influences for the social, physical and mental improvement of the civilized world. It is a splendid agent for the promotion of good-will between nations and good-fellowship among individuals. The value of sport to Canada is only dimly realized even by sportsmen and athletes themselves, and it is gratifying to note that a concerted effort is to be made during the week of May 18-25 (sponsored by the "Sports Goods Journal of Canada") to bring about a more general appreciation of the many advantages which sport offers to Canadians generally. During that week, sporting organizations and athletic clubs throughout the country are arranging special programmes with a view to increasing membership and bringing sport more prominently to the notice of those who have not yet answered its call.

## "HOLES-IN-ONE"

Two Canadians Earn Fame in Negotiating "the Cup from the Tee"—Mrs. Gordon in Bermuda and Kenneth Murray in Florida

AND here comes word of the first hole-in-one of the season, made by a Canadian lady golfer. Mrs. J. P. Gordon, a well known player of Renfrew, Ontario, is a visitor, like so many other Canadians, to Bermuda this winter and playing the Belmont Manor course, where Nicol Thompson, of Hamilton, and Andy Kay, of Lambton, are the professionals, negotiated the second hole, 124 yards, in one. And Bermuda is a place where the feat can be properly celebrated with all the

old-time and accepted honours. Incidentally this is the first one-shot performance recorded on the Belmont Manor course this season, so Mrs. Gor-



Mrs. J. P. Gordon, of Renfrew, Ontario, who earns fame in Bermuda where she registers a "one-shotter".



Kenneth Murray, of Montreal, who makes a "oneer" in Fair Florida. He is a son of C. R. Murray.

don's performance is by way of being doubly notable.

Canadians writing from Bermuda say the weather there is ideal and all the golf courses in fine condition. There are eight of them now on the Island with a couple more under construction. The links everywhere are crowded with enthusiasts.

Not to be outdone by Bermuda along comes Florida and Kenneth Murray, son of the popular professional, C. R. Murray of the Royal Montreal Golf Club, who is as usual this winter at the Gulf Stream Golf Club, Delray, Florida, with his family. Kenneth, playing over the Gulf

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Stream course with a member, Mr. Philip Dunn, holed a beautiful tee-shot at the 9th, which is 145 yards. With the proper "bulldog spirit" Mr.

Dunn said to his young opponent, "Now for a half!" and he came very nearly accomplishing the feat as his ball rested only a few inches from the hole and he had an easy putt left. It is rarely that a hole in two does not win out but Mr. Dunn had that unfortunate experience. Congratulations to Mrs. Gordon and Kenneth in putting Canada on "the golfing map".

Talking of Holes-in-One the following breezy letter from "Sandy" Weir, of Winnipeg, one of the best golfers in the West, was received this month:

"I did you out of \$4.00 last year when I made my first hole-in-one, but I am going to be a generous Scotsman this spring and send you a year's subscription in advance, and should I by any chance make another hole-in-one, you will have to return it to me, won't you? I expect to see you this year at Jasper Park and, of course, we expect a big contingent of Eastern golfers at that Tournament."

Willie Marks, the professional attached to the Royal Golf Club de Belgique, has accomplished what is assuredly a "record" in having done ten holes in one in six different countries, namely, three in Spain, two in Germany, two in England, one in Belgium, one in France and one in Switzerland.

## MRS. HATHAWAY, MONTREAL MAKES GOOD SHOWING

**M**RS. J. D. Hathaway, of Montreal, was among the players in the annual championship tournament of the Silver Foils Club of Pinehurst, N.C. This organization of women golfers is perhaps the largest one-club links organization in the world, and certainly is one of the oldest. Started about 25 years ago, just after the Tin Whistles Club of Pinehurst was organized, the Silver Foils Club has in its ranks as active members players from all parts of the United States and Canada, beside several noted players from abroad.

In the annual championship tournament a splendid field was headed by Miss Ruth Batchelder, of Boston, a very clever girl who has been runner-up champion of the Boston district, and who was medalist in the Mid-South Tournament of Pine Needles Country Club in January, in which she bettered the score of the U.S. National Champion, Miss Glenna Collett. Miss Batchelder won the championship of the Foils golfers by scoring two rounds of 87 and 86 respectively. She finished five strokes better than Miss Helen Waring, of Yonkers, N.Y., the 18-year-old Pinehurst star.

Mrs. Hathaway finished 17th in a field of more than 30 players, a fine performance in a group of international stars.



## THE DATES OF THE SENIORS' TOURNAMENTS

Trip to Great Britain is Being Eagerly Anticipated by Canadians and Americans Alike.

**M**R. Jerome A. Peck, chairman of the U. S. Seniors' Golf Association, notifies the "Canadian Golfer" that the dates of the U. S. Tournament at Apawamis, Rye, N.Y., are Sept. 10th, 11th, 12th and 13th.

The dates of the Canadian Seniors' Golf Tournament are Sept. 11th, 12th, 13th and 14th at the Royal Ottawa Golf Club. The International Match with the U. S. Seniors will be played on September 13th and the International Individual Championship Sept. 14th. These events are being keenly anticipated by the Seniors and there promises to be a record turn-out next September at Ottawa, which is always such a popular venue for the event.



The Royal Ottawa Golf Club, where the Senior Championships will be held next September. In the foreground the beautiful elevated 18th green.

The Canadian Senior golfers are certainly in for a busy season in 1929. A team of fifteen players will sail from Montreal on the S.S. Duchess of Richmond on June 19th and proceed to St. Andrews, Scotland, to play in the International Senior Match there on the 5th and 6th of July. A team of fifteen of the U. S. Seniors will also compete in the Triangular Championship with Great Britain. The Canada and the U. S. Seniors have also been invited to play in the British Senior Championship at Sunningdale on the 10th and 11th of July. The Canadians, too, have been invited to spend a day at Addington, July 8th, as the guests of Mr. Baker, who visited Canada last year with the British Seniors. Altogether a very interesting and strenuous programme. The Senior scene shifts in September to the Royal Ottawa Golf Club, where the 11th, 12th, 13th and 14th will witness the staging of the Canadian Seniors Tournament. The U. S. Seniors team will be the guest of the Canadians and the International Match for the Governor General's Cup will be played for on the 13th and the Individual Senior Championship of America on the 14th. The selection of the 15 players to compose the team going to Great Britain in June has virtually been decided upon but will not be published for a short time yet. It will be a strong team, however—stronger than the one which played in the Old Country in 1927. On that occasion Great Britain won the Championship, whilst last year at Rye, N.Y., the U. S. team were the victors. This year it is

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generally conceded Great Britain will have no difficulty in registering a victory. They have a score or more of Seniors who are capable of scoring in the seventies on any course.

Mr. Peck, Chester, N.Y., writes the Editor that up to date the U.S. team selected is Mr. F. Snare (Captain) and Messrs. Crane, Peck, Adams, Ames, Halsell, Hunter, Cooke, Wheeler and Jenks. Other selections will be announced later. Mr. Peck himself intends sailing from Montreal on June 7th on the S.S. Duchess of Bedford.

## THE LARGER AND LIGHTER BALL

(By a Special "Observer" Correspondent)

A CONVERSATION I had recently with a well-known American golfer shows how easily even a man who is supposed to have his hand on the pulse of things may be deceived. Discussing, among other matters, the question of the standardization of a larger and lighter ball, I was informed that, "so far as the United States public is concerned, the matter is as dead as a door nail; ninety-nine per cent. of the golfers don't want the new ball, a proportion sufficient to kill the fanaticism of the remainder. "Take it from me," he added, "the subject is defunct, and a jolly good job, too."

Why it is a "jolly good job" is, so I am led to understand, because a type of ball that may be all very well for a handful of champions will play the very deuce with the game of the four millions of men and women golfers in America. To paraphrase a popular slogan, my American friend is all for

"keeping golf safe for democracy." Quite so, but surely he is mistaken when he says that the subject of the larger and lighter ball is as "dead as a door nail." On the contrary, it would seem to very much alive judging by an official report on the matter which has just come into my hands.

Therein it is stated that there is agreement between Great Britain and America that a ball of 1.68 in. diameter and 1.55 oz. in weight is the one best suited for all-round conditions of play. "We have felt, however," the report goes on to state, "that no change in specifications would be complete which did not cover the factor of resilience, and our work in the last year has been largely directed to experiments and tests on the Thomas machine accurately to determine the resilience of the best present balls, and to formulate a specification for the proposed standard ball

which would keep this factor at the present ratio."

To check the experiments as regards the "co-efficient of restitution," in other words, the bouncing qualities of the ball, similar but independent tests have been made by Dr. L. J. Briggs, director of the Bureau of Standards, Washington, which correspond closely with the results obtained by Professor Thomas at the Carnegie Institute of Technology. Dr. Briggs, we are told, completely endorses the principles and methods used in the Thomas machine. This machine may be, and very likely is, a very ingenious device, but it has been described by a British expert as a grotesque instrument on the ground that the results given have no relation to those obtained by the striking of a ball with a club manipulated by the human being.

With the aid of this machine it is hoped to lay down a standard of resilience beyond which no ball must go in order to keep within the regulations. Size and weight can be easily defined, but I fail to see how the factor of resilience can be determined unless each ball is put through a



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fool-proof machine. Let us try and see where we are heading. At a very conservative estimate there are 10,000,000 golf balls used annually in this country, and, perhaps, 25,000,000 in the United States. Reputable manufacturers will, of course, conform to the official standards laid down by the authorities, but what is to prevent unscrupulous persons from producing a ball which, going beyond the recognized limits of resilience, gains in driving length as compared with the standard balls?

It is conceivable that illegal balls will be purchased and used in all innocence by the golfer, who will thus obtain an unfair advantage over his fellows. How are the officials of a club to know whether a particular ball, or any ball for that matter, complies with the standards unless they possess a testing machine? And as these are complicated, and naturally expensive, machines, it may pertinently be asked: Who is going to bear the cost of them? Certainly not the vast proportion of the clubs, because, with alarmingly increased assessments, amounting in some cases to five times the original figure, and other fixed and heavy liabilities, it is as much as 75 per cent. of the golf

clubs can manage to keep their heads above water.

Even if these machines were obtainable at a reasonable price, is it to be supposed that on medal or competition days an official of the club will stand on the first tee alongside one of these monstrosities and demand that each player shall hand over his supply of golf balls for an official test? Of course, the whole thing is ludicrous, and yet there seems no other way of determining whether a ball is an illegal implement or not.

I do not suppose the R. and A., or the U.S.G.A., ever intend asking their five millions of constituents whether they approve of a ball which will, of a certainty, reduce the length of their drives, and because it is lighter will make control of shot even more difficult than it is at present. I am prepared to wager that if a plebiscite of the golfers of the two countries were taken on the question of the proposed change there would be an overwhelming majority against. Whenever I advance this point, I am met with the reply, "Oh, but the ordinary golfer does not know what is good for him; he must do as he is told." Just like a lot of school children!

## ANNUAL MEETING ONT. GOLF ASSOCIATION

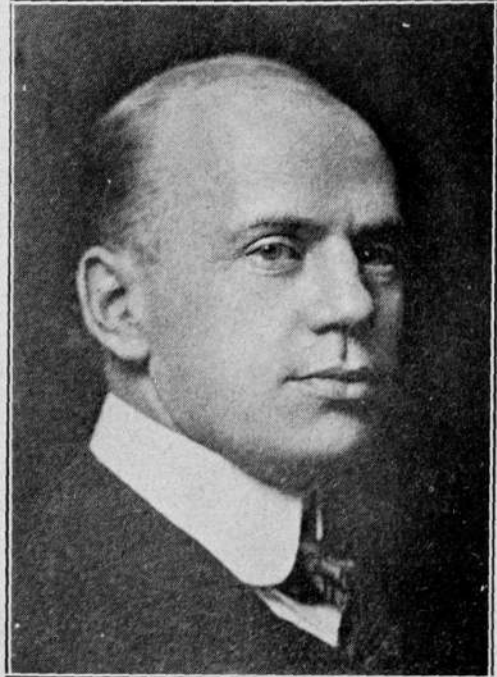
**Mr. L. M. Wood, Toronto, Elected President. A Particularly Interesting List of Fixtures Arranged for the Coming Season.**

**T**HE sixth annual meeting of the Ontario Golf Association held at the Granite Club, Toronto, which took the form of a most enjoyable dinner gathering, was easily the most successful financially and otherwise in the annals of this very virile organization. Mr. George S. Lyon, the retiring President, occupied the chair.

Several important matters were discussed, including a couple of minor changes in the constitution, while a most important amendment was made in the by-laws in connection with the Ontario Junior Championship. In the past this event has been open to players who have not reached their twenty-first birthdays, but in future as a result of the great increase of players of the 'teen age as well as the improvement in the calibre of golf displayed by the youngsters, the championship will be open only to those who are under nineteen years of age on the first day of the tournament. This reduction in the age limit for juniors follows the lead of Great Britain and the United States and in support it was pointed out that Ontario junior champions have frequently progressed as far as the semi-final and final rounds of the Canadian Amateur.

The meeting discussed the advisability of handicapping the courses of the various member clubs and of rating the players throughout the Province and while all the information necessary was not available the idea met with the approval of the delegates and a sub-committee of the executive will give the matter further consideration. It was thought that the scheme, if properly conducted, would be of considerable assistance in selecting representative teams.

The election of the Board resulted as follows: L. M. Woods, Toronto; R. M. Gray, Rosedale; I. Ilsley, Cedar Brook; C. M. Jones, Scarboro; Conn Smythe, Islington; W. J. Thompson, Uplands; Dr. J. X. Robert, Lakeview;



**Mr. L. M. Wood, Toronto, member of The Royal Canadian Golf Association, elected President of the Ontario Golf Association.**

Gordon T. Cassels, Toronto Golf; G. L. Robinson, Lambton; Hugh Gunn, Mississauga; J. Gill Gardner, Brockville; John Lewis, Brantford; B. W. Anderson, Simcoe, and C. Ross Somerville, London Hunt.

At a subsequent meeting of the Directors the following officers were elected:—President, Mr. L. M. Wood, Toronto; Vice-President, Mr. Gil Gardner, Brockville; Honourary Secre-

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tary, Mr. W. J. Thompson; Match and Handicap Committee, Messrs. George S. Lyon (chairman), L. M. Wood, R. M. Gray, George Robinson, and W. J.

Thompson. Primarily, the purpose of this committee is to select teams to represent the Province in Interprovincial and other similar matches, to fix the handicaps and to issue a Provincial card to any player in Ontario, stating his handicap, upon request.

Mr. Wood, of the well known firm of Wood, Fleming & Co., Toronto, who will be in the presidential chair this year, is an exceedingly well known golfer. He is a member of the Royal Canadian Golf Association, the Toronto Golf Club, Toronto Hunt and Royal Montreal Golf Club. He is, besides, an outstanding executive.

That the Ontario Association will this coming season have a particularly interesting programme of events is demonstrated by the following list of fixtures just announced. The Amateur Championship is to be held at the London Hunt Club on July 11th, 12th and 13th. The Open Championship is to be held at the Lakeview Golf Club, Toronto, on July 16th. The Junior Championship will be held on September 16th (subject to confirmation) at the Lambton Golf Club, Toronto. The Parent and Child Tournament will be held (subject to confirmation) at the Toronto Golf Club on September 20th. It was decided to hold a Spring Tournament at the Cedarbrook Golf Club, Toronto, on June 14th and a Fall Tournament at the Oshawa Golf Club, on Saturday, September 14th.



Mr. W. J. Thompson, former Canadian Amateur Champion, re-elected for the sixth time Hon. Secretary of the Ontario Golf Association.

## SHOULD THE CADDIE AGE LIMIT BE RAISED?

**U**NDER the rules of the Royal and Ancient, Royal Canadian Golf Association and the United States Golf Association, boys who caddie after sixteen years of age, automatically become professionalized. This rule, which is most stringently observed by all these governing bodies of golf, has been in force for half a century or so. Now, there are to-day tens of thousands of boys who make good money carrying golf bags and in a large number of cases are a great help financially to their fathers and mothers and it is now maintained, under greatly changed conditions, that it is hardly fair to cut off this sometimes very necessary means of contributing to the family coffers at such an early age, and there is undoubtedly much to be said in favour of such a view. A determined effort at present is being made, especially in the United States, to raise the age limit of disqualification to 18 years and the U. S. G. A. is being memorialized by many State Associations and executives of leading golf clubs to enact such legislation the coming season. The etiquette and rules



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of golf which are the result of many years of thought and experience, are jealously guarded and rightly so, too, and it is very hard to break in and make a change. It does seem, however, that there is merit and common sense in this proposed change in the age a boy can carry clubs without jeopardizing his future amateur standing.

### HAMILTON GETS OPEN, SCARBORO CLOSE LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIPS

**A**T a meeting this month in Toronto of the Executive of the Canadian Ladies' Golf Union, the dates of the two major lady championships, the Open and Close, were officially announced. The Close goes to the Scarborough Golf and Country Club, Toronto, the week of Sept. 16th and the Open the week of Sept. 23rd to the Hamilton Golf and Country Club. These dates fit in nicely with the U. S. Ladies' Open, which is scheduled for the Oakland Hill Country Club, Detroit, the week of Sept. 30th. It is expected, owing to the comparative close proximity of Hamilton to Detroit, that an unusually large number of prominent players, both from the States and Canada, will participate in the Open events of both countries.

The Scarborough Club course has the past two years been completely revamped and will provide a splendid venue for the Close Championship. Its greens and fairways are to-day unexcelled in Ontario. The selection is an admirable one. Then, too, Hamilton this year is opening up its magnificent new club house and the entrants for the Open will find next September at

Ancaster, golfing quarters second to none in Canada. Altogether, the lady golfers are to be heartily congratulated on the selection of the venues for their 1929 championships. The C. L. G. U. has chosen wisely and well and the result will unquestionably be record fields in both the Close and Open events.

The holder of the Open Championship is Miss Virginia Wilson, of Chicago. There was no Close Championship last year. In 1927 the event was won by Miss Ada Mackenzie, of Toronto, who therefore will be the defending champion in 1929.

## SARNIA GOLF CLUB HAS SUCCESSFUL YEAR

**A**T the annual meeting of the Sarnia Golf Club, held on January 31, the following were elected to serve for three years on the Board of Directors: W. J. Constable, Col. R. Mackenzie, G. L. Macpherson, and H. Taylor. Continuing Directors to serve for one year are: G. L. Stewart, G. H. Gabler, G. W. Prangley and R. G. Finley, and for two years: W. A. Watson, W. J. Whitling, W. A. Hartley and J. R. Donohue.

Mr. G. L. Stewart is President and Col. R. Mackenzie Vice-President.

The Annual Statement showed the club to be in a good position financially. All current expenses, with the addition of a new water line on the original nine holes, were met out of current revenue. Harry Taylor is Captain for 1929 and Giles Finley, auditor. Russell Neilson has been re-engaged as club professional.

## JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER SINKS 18-FOOT PUTT

(H. I. Phillips, Metropolitan Golfer)

**O**RMOND Beach, Fla.—We have seen John D. Rockefeller, the Colossus of Socony, play golf. It was worth more than watching Hagen, Sarazen, Farrell, Jones or any golfers who are still making their first million, but it cost nothing. On the contrary, we made money. "John D." gave us a dime.

This writer hereby certifies and affirms that Mr. Rockefeller is a creature of flesh and blood. His body may be 90 years old next July, but his emotions are upon occasions just as young as any other man's. This was one of the occasions. He had just sunk an eighteen-foot putt!

Up to that point the Oil King had seemed just a very tired old man. He hadn't appeared to have any enthusiasm for chasing giant marbles. It seemed to your correspondent that he was merely taking eight holes of golf before dinner as he might take eight drops of tonic in hot water. Then came the perfect putt and he was a different man.

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Then the years rolled right off Mr. Rockefeller's back. He shed at least seventy-five of them in the twinkling of an eye. He pranced a little, smiled, shook his head merrily and waved his hand at the gallery in a gesture that was the equivalent of "Oh, baby!" "Whoopee!" "Hot dawg!" "Tie that one!"

The Gasoline Grandee was a boy again. That was the moment to have touched him for a billion for any purpose. It was the time to get his shirt. He admitted it. He had his new dimes out before he had left the green, and as he passed them around he said, "I feel very generous after that one. I shall probably give away my last dime."

## MISS ADA MACKENZIE ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT BERMUDA AND NASSAU

**M**ISS Ada Mackenzie, of Toronto, Canadian lady champion 1919, 1925 and 1926, who returned home last month from a golfing tour in Bermuda and the Bahamas, where she distinguished herself by reaching the final in the Bermuda Ladies' Championship and winning the Bahama Championship, is most enthusiastic about her trip. In the course of an interesting letter to the Editor, Miss Mackenzie says:

"Nassau was gorgeous and the bathing particularly fine. 'Joek' Hutchinson (the former British Open Champion, who is the professional at Nassau) gave me some valuable help on my irons, so I hope to do well this season."



A particularly good photo of Miss Ada Mackenzie (on left) shaking hands with the phenomenal 17-year-old player, Miss Helen Hicks, of Hewlett, L.I., at the finish of the final match in the Bermuda Ladies' Championship. Miss Helen before defeating Miss Mackenzie accounted in the semi-finals for Miss Maureen Orcutt, one of the ranking lady players of the United States and altogether made golfing history in Bermuda this winter.

Miss Mackenzie, it will be remembered, did not participate in the Canadian Open Championship last year. She intends to do so at Hamilton next September and it would not be at all surprising to see her repeat her former successes in this major event as she intends this season to devote much more time to Tournament play.

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## UNKNOWN WINS PEBBLE BEACH CHAMPIONSHIP



Miss Katherine Christie, well known Torontonian, who took part in the Pebble Beach Women's Championship and made a particularly good showing.

MRS. J. M. Yount, comparatively unknown San Francisco golfer, startled the gallery and confused the experts by defeating Mrs. F. C. Letts, Jr., of Chicago, well known on Canada golf courses, 6 and 4, in the finals of the recent Pebble Beach Golf Championship for Women at Del Monte, California. While not favoured with quite as brilliant a list of starters as last year, due to injuries and accidents to several leading entrants, this year's Pebble Beach play will still go on record as one of the major ladies' links events of the year on the Pacific Coast.

Mrs. Yount, playing the most consistent golf in her heretofore unheralded career, sprang a new surprise every day, during the match play rounds. She defeated three notable players before meeting Mrs. Letts, for years a top-notch. After taking 111 strokes to qualify, Mrs. Yount proceeded to defeat Mrs. F. G. Burrowes, Long Island, N.Y., star, 3 and 1. Then she disposed of Miss Katherine Christie, Toronto, Canada, 1 up. In the semi-finals, Mrs. Letts, who had not been forced to extend herself in the earlier rounds (except to defeat the medalist, Mrs. G. E. Riegel, 1 up, the first day of match play), played one of the worst rounds in her career, scoring 24 strokes over par on the 14 holes played. Mrs. Yount's 48 going out gave her a three hole advantage; she won the 10th with a 5, halved the 11th with a 6; won the 12th with a par 3, halved the 13th in 5's and her 6 on the final 14th was good for a win, Mrs. Letts going out of bounds on her second shot.

All of the women in the tournament found Pebble Beach, as revised for the men's National Amateur Championship, Sept. 2-7, 1929, even more difficult than they had expected. To further complicate matters a stiff breeze was blowing on the qualifying day and the ocean claimed many a promising tee shot as a result. The 95 of Mrs. Riegel (Northwestern Champion) was sufficient to win low gross. Weather improved well nigh to the point of California perfection as the tournament progressed, but the ladies' scores did not keep pace with it.

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## SUGGESTIONS FOR CLUB HOUSE PLANTING

(A. H. Tomlinson, Associate Professor, O. A. College, Guelph, Ont.)

IT is taken for granted that nowadays golf courses are likely to be found in the most beautiful settings of the countryside. This outdoor sport has always been associated with the open air, sunshine, wide swathes and where possible wonderful trees and flowers. Thus designing and planting a golf course from an aesthetic aspect are much in order, especially if perchance in the making of the course it should have taken away from the beauty of the topography and an alluring countryside. A golf course ought to be a beautiful thing and if not somebody is heavily in debt to the neighbourhood. A golf course should be adorned by nature's own planting or otherwise with trees, evergreens, shrubs and flowers. A restful yet animated spirit of rural loveliness should be the theme. A pleasant spot where the finest of sports may be indulged amidst the wonders of arboreal and floral creations.

The buildings erected on such a golf course should be in keeping with the environment and atmosphere whether they be small or large should fit in. Planted around and near the various buildings there ought to be forms of trees, bushes and flowers. These to aid in making the scheme one of unity and harmony. Furthermore to suggest a feeling of welcome and abandonment. Harsh and uninteresting entrances, doorways and wall spaces may be softened with suitable planting. Thus suitable garden subjects ought to be planted at corners and barren spots with the object of accentuating an entrance or doorway and parts of the foundation. Shade trees may be planted to give protection from the sun. A club house needs such on hot, sunny days, whilst the cool winds of early spring, late autumn and especially in winter require stubborn resistance from groups or a row of taller conifers.

Spread over this continent there is a splendid array of native planting subjects and what an extensive ac-

cumulation of exotic species and varieties may be procured. Usually for golf courses native trees and so forth should be featured. One may mention American Elms, Maples, Oaks, Beech, Birch, Tulip trees and Magnolias. In conifers the White and Red Pines, White and Blue Spruce, Hemlock, Cedars, Junipers and the fairylike Silver Fir (*Abies concolor*). In the hot summer and arid sections, largely, other species would have to be thought of.

Many of the foregoing conifers respond splendidly when planted adjoining buildings as well as many of the foreign types of conifers, shrubs and low evergreens. The finest, of course, should be arranged around the club house and at the main gateway of the course. The same form of conifer planting could be the vogue around the foundation of the building by way of one or more erect specimens for a corner supported by oval forms. A similar thing may be done in bare sections of a wall base. Low spreading conifers may be featured to advantage as ground cover plants like the low growing Savins Juniper in varieties of *J. tamariscifolia* and *J. prostrata*. With such planting the so-called broadleaf evergreens as *Euonymus vegetus* and *E. radicans* are most desirable. On milder parts the *Pachysandra* is an acquisition.

These dwarf types are most suitable for planting against a wall foundation which needs partial covering or as an edging between taller subjects and the walks or grass. For buildings lacking in architectural design, shrubbery for foundation or base planting is admirable and particularly attractive are those of rounded and conical shapes. Not forgetting the delicate blossoms and delightful odours like the Mock Orange as *Philadelphus lemoine*, *Bouquet d'or*, *Virginal* and *Girandole*, also the early flowering *Spiraeas* as *Van houttei*, *Arguta* and the fern-like foliage variety *S. thunbergii*. Although without perfume the very early flowering goldenbells or For-



sythias are most popular in the early spring, the golden Currant or Ribes aureum, too, has its place in the early season because of its pleasing perfumes. For a little later flowering in brilliant reds and pinks the Cydonia japonica or Japanese Quince is most enchanting. For planting in most any place the Japanese Barberry is without parallel. It is dwarf, possesses most attractive foliage, small bell-like flowers followed by green berries which turn red during autumn. The foliage, too, turns a coppery red at that period. The new red leaf variety of this Berberis, viz., B. thunbergia purpurea is very fine, especially against such as gray walls or evergreens. In districts near the lake Kerria japonica with its yellow blossoms, Irish green foliage and stems is splendid alongside where a low form is wanted. Summer flowering forms like the new Virburnums are worth planting as V. carlesi, tomentosum and plicatum, also Ioniceros and wiegelias.

The Lilacs or Syringa ought to have a place, preferably the large flowering varieties, not forgetting the pretty Persian forms. Lilacs, however, must be judiciously placed for decorating a wall or a foundation because of their eventual size.

So one may go on because there are loads of interesting shrubs which should be discussed.

A passing reference should be made to the broad leaf evergreens in Kalmias and Rhododendrons as well as the deciduous Mollis Azalea. They respond in more temperate sections and do best in acid soils and partial shade.

Where marked architecture is supreme a formal system of planting should be followed but if otherwise, an irregular or naturalistic treatise would be wise.

For golf course treatment adjoining the club house open lawns with enclosures no doubt would be in order whilst shade trees ought to be considered for shade and conifers for wind protectors. Shrubbery groups may enclose the lawn, in some in-

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fences. On the inside of the enclosures perennials may be planted for border effect. Perennials could be set out at the hedge of shrubbery whilst hardy spring flowering bulbs have special value for this purpose. Out in the open borders and beds would likely be out of place for the former; a background is wise, whilst an enclosure is needed for flower beds. This latter means a formal effect where statuary and garden furniture of suitable design may be paramount. Paths leading from one division to another of the garden could be of grass and in some instances flat stones. Cement is used a great deal but can often be substituted except perhaps for the mass paths. Stepping stones and crazy paths are very popular, so are tile where the buildings are of brick. Pagollas and archways could

be part of the scheme in connecting sections or divisions or at entrances. These structures need climbers to cover them in part. Climbing roses, Wisterias, Clematis and Honeysuckle are tip top for this purpose. Rustic archways for a woodland theme may be successfully brought about if the setting be suitable.

In conclusion, much has been omitted which ought to have been thought of but the subject is inexhaustive, thus some various questions and some discussion should occupy our thoughts.

Every setting is different and varied schemes may be much in order. It is a matter of enriching the site and buildings with floral and arboreal beauty. To do this unity must prevail which means that pleasing effects, harmony and balance must be paramount. In other words, good common sense with artistic taste must be the keynote. Overcrowding and shutting out objects of beauty and interest must be avoided. Vistas may be created to extend and feature wonderful views. The course should be an integral part of the existing landscape, yet different. It should be beautiful and of decided character.

Planting around the club house and golf course generally means that planting material is needed from time to time, thus a nursery would be in order. This may be brought about without a great deal of trouble. An acre or so of land would be required if a large number of specimens are likely to be required, but only a few square rods if just a few shrubs and trees are likely to be all the requirements.

In the first place many trees, conifers, shrubs and perennials may be raised from seed, others by way of twigs and shoots. This latter is known as the vegetative method. All native stock may be procured from seed sown in the fall or spring. The best thing to do is to think of the system followed by nature and act accordingly defined hedges or ornamental

ingly. For example, most seeds and fruits fall to the ground, become covered with leaves and so on; later germination and growth come about. Leafy and sandy soil will do as a slight covering. The seed bed soil should be at least comparatively fine and fertile. Some use enclosed beds, others rows and sow seed not too thick and not too deep. Seed or nuts should be covered over about twice their circumference deep. The top soil itself should be loose. Sand and fine earth are admirable for this, but the seeds are better if lightly packed. Conifers or evergreens are better if slightly shaded and cheese cloth tacked over the sashes is splendid. Although laths wired together about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches to 2 inches apart are used a great deal.

The majority of perennials grow well from seed either sown in spring or about July or early August. Dividing of perennials may be easily done. The early flowering kinds are best done fairly soon after blossoming is done, whilst with the late flowering forms spring is the best time usually.

Varieties of shrubs far removed from the original species do not always come true from seed thus an artificial man-made method of perpetuation must be followed, this is why the vegetative, a sexual or cutting systems are made use of.

In the fall or early winter the use of matured wood for propagation work is popular and gives wonderful results. Most shrubs may be handled in this fashion. The recent year's growth, or even older, will respond quite well. Shoots or twigs cut into lengths of about 6 inches to 8 inches are the usual thing but these are cut just below the bud at the base or larger end of the shoot and at the reverse end or top the cut is made just above the bud or it may be a branch. Following this the cut twigs or shoots, usually called cuttings by propagat-

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ors, may be set out of doors in trenches and placed well down from half to three-fourths their length and the soil well firmed around them. In very cold spots in clay sections if the work be done quite late in the winter these cuttings may be tied in bundles, covered with soil or sand or leaves and placed in a cool cellar or shed or in a sheltered place outside. Cuttings must not be allowed to become dry. In spring the bundles must be untied and the cuttings planted singly out-of-doors in rows as already described. During summer frequent cultivation is wise to aid rooting conditions in the soil and to control weeds.

Much more information may be needed and I shall be glad to answer questions concerning this subject. A small nursery suitably stocked is often very handy.

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## MISS JOYCE WETHERED WILL COMPETE

The Generally Recognized Greatest Women Golfer Has Decided to Defend Great Britain's Ladies' Golfing Crown at St. Andrews.

THE following is a welcome cablegram from London, March 14th:—

"Miss Joyce Wethered will compete in the British Women's Golf Championship at St. Andrew's, beginning May 13, it was announced to-day.



Miss Joyce Wethered (from a late photo) who has decided to again take part in the British Ladies' Open Championship. On the left the celebrated Scottish pro, "Jimmie" Braid, more or less her golfing mentor.

"After several years out of big competitions because she disliked the crowds and excitement of championship meetings, Miss Wethered, who is considered Britain's best woman player of all time, will form an un-

expected obstacle to Miss Glenna Collett, Miss Maureen Orett and other girls invading Britain this year with hopes of capturing the title."

Since 1925 Miss Wethered, when she won the British Open, has steadfastly refused to compete in championships and unquestionably as a result the title has for the past two years crossed the Channel to France. Her golfing record in woman's golf is unparalleled. Here it is. Won the British Ladies' Open Championship in 1922, 1924, 1925, runner-up 1921, semi-finalist 1923. Won English Ladies' Championship 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923 and 1924. Since which she has not competed in it. Runner-up French Championship in 1921. In county and other minor events she has dozens of successes to her credit.

She won the Open Championship in 1925 by defeating Miss Wardell 7 and 6, Mrs. Alan MacBeth (a former Canadian Lady Champion), 6 and 5, Miss Glenna Collett (the U. S. star), 4 and 3, Miss Doris Chambers, 5 and 4, Mrs. Jamieson, 5 and 4, Miss Dobell, 6 and 5, and in the final her great rival Miss Cecil Leitch on the 37th hole. Perhaps as a result of Miss Wethered's more or less patriotic resolve to again compete Miss Cecil may also decide to do so. If she does, Miss Collett and her U. S. conferee will certainly have their work cut out for them the week of May 13th on the wind-swept links of historic old St. Andrew's, Scotland. Miss Wethered is 28 years of age and therefore still in her golfing prime. Miss Colett is 26 and Miss Leitch 39—unquestionably the three greatest queens of golf. Miss Wethered is a sister of the famous Roger Wethered, and comes of a very old and prominent English County family.

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# IN AND ROUND THE CLUB HOUSE

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At a meeting of the Quebec Branch of the Canadian Ladies' Golf Union, it was decided to hold a number of field days outside of Montreal, so that encouragement may be given to players in different parts of the Province, endeavouring to raise the standard of golf in the outlying districts. The following were appointed members of the Committees:

Handicap Committee, Chairman, Mrs. W. Garth Thomson; committee, Mrs. E. R. W. Hebden, Mrs. Geo. Chahoon, Jr., Mrs. F. W. Evens, Mrs. Geo. Malcolm, Mrs. A. S. Chillas, Mrs. L. S. Kelly, Mrs. E. Archibald, Mrs. D. P. Cruickshank, Mrs. Pigott, Miss Meredith Hodgson, Miss Eileen Kinsella. Pars Committee, Mrs. J. D. Hathaway, Chairman; committee, Mrs. J. W. Ross, Mrs. C. C. Ronalds, Mrs. A. E. Mussen, Miss D. Virtue, Miss Helen Paget. Field Days Committee, Chairman, Mrs. F. A. Mann; committee, Mrs. E. R. W. Hebden, Mrs. R. C. Ronalds, Mrs. A. S. Chillas, Mrs. E. C. Christian. Convener of Publicity, Miss Eileen Kinsella.

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The annual Punch Bowl Tournament, one of the outstanding events of the Pacific Northwest, has been awarded this year to the Colwood Golf Club, Victoria, B.C. The date is Saturday, August 3rd.

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Nowadays, all prominent golf club executives are taking a keen interest in the beautifying of their lawns and courses, and it is interesting to know in this connection that a number of forthcoming graduates of the Ontario Agricultural College in the ornamental side of horticulture are seeking positions. They have had experience on golf courses with well known Canadian firms. Any clubs interested should write Mr. A. H. Tomlinson, Associate Professor of the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, Ontario.

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At the annual meeting of the women members of the St. Thomas Golf

and Country Club the following officers were elected for the opening season: President, Mrs. W. U. Latornell; first vice-president, Mrs. W. K. Cameron; second vice-president, Mrs. J. M. McIntyre; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Graham Symington; assistant secretary-treasurer, Mrs. George Davey; captain, Mrs. E. Tate; vice-captain, Mrs. D. E. Gerrard; golf committee, Mrs. Gordon Porter, Mrs. Lawrence Davey, Miss Evelyn McKillop, Mrs. W. K. Cameron, with the captain and vice-captain; house committee, Mrs. George Morley (convener), Mrs. J. H. Still, Mrs. R. M. Anderson, Mrs. George T. Kennedy; entertainment committee, Mrs. J. B. Potts (convener), Mrs. Hetherington, Mrs. George Geddes, Mrs. George Carrie, Mrs. Jasper Robertson, Mrs. Edward Lee, Mrs. J. A. Elliott, Mrs. Stanley Gilbert, Mrs. Cecil Boughner,

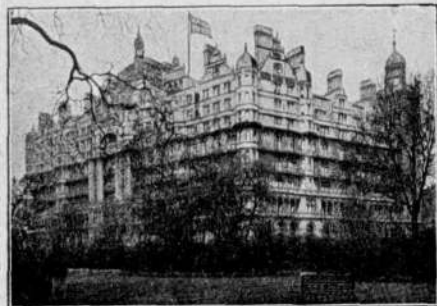


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At a friendly meeting this month in the City Council Chambers between the members of the Arrowdale Golf Club, Brantford, and the Parks Board, which controls the course, a number of matters in reference to the coming season's activities were discussed and agreed upon. It was decided to give the members who pay annual fees power to elect a captain, secretary, green committee, match committee and ladies' committee, and also conduct all the tournaments, matches and look after the social life of the club house. The Parks Board has recently purchased a new tractor and is extending the course and laying out several new greens. Prospects for Arrowdale the coming season are very bright indeed now that the Parks Board and members are thoroughly in accord with one another as regards

the various phases of the club's activities.

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Mr. James J. Ahearn, Golf Secretary, writes:—

The Westchester Biltmore Country Club, Rye, N.Y., have included in their schedule for 1929 a women's invitation to be held July 15th to 19th inclusive. We have the promise of several of our own stars to compete in this tournament and we would like to extend an invitation to all the women golfers of Canada to enter this tournament. Several of the Canadian Women Seniors while here at this club last October, for the team match between U. S. and Canada, declared their intentions of coming here for this tournament, and we are looking forward to their visit. Some of the side events to this tournament will be a putting tournament held nights on our illuminated putting green, a dinner on Monday night, dancing every night, a long driving contest, mixed foursomes, and an approaching and putting contest.

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At the annual meeting of the members of the Lake Shore Golf and Country Club, Toronto, the directors presented a statement showing that the year 1928 was the most successful one in the history of the club. Many improvements have been made and to-day the club has an 18-hole course in a most desirable location on Lake Ontario, convenient to the city of Toronto. It has been decided not to accept more than 50 new members so that players will always be assured of being able to start their play within a few minutes of arriving at the grounds and without the nuisance of having to make playing reservations. The following were elected officers for the year 1929: president, William Weller; Vice-President, Gerald Murphy; treasurer, James Gilchrist; secretary, Geo. C. Williams; directors, A. P. Park, T. B. Smythe and Norman McPherson.

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Mr. George L. Robinson, Toronto, a prominent member of the Lambton Golf and Country Club and a Governor of the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association, with Mrs. Robinson is leaving next month for an automobile trip through France, Italy and Switzerland. Mr. Robinson who will be a member of the Canadian Seniors' Team, will be at St. Andrews, Scotland, in time to participate in the Senior Championship there next July, in which Great Britain and the United States will also have representative teams.

Mr. Sloan Morpeth, of Auckland, has won the Open Championship of New Zealand. Mr. Morpeth was the Amateur Champion of New Zealand in 1927.

Cataraqui Golf and Country Club, Kingston, Ont., elected the following officers: President, Dr. Fetherington; vice-president, H. W. Davis; secretary-treasurer, F. A. Smythe; auditor, R. E. Burns; chairman of green committee, Dr. D. A. Black; chairman of house committee, A. G. Mordy; chairman of match committee, Dr. L. J. Austin; directors, R. F. Armstrong, T. A. McGinnis, A. J. Minnes, B. N. Steacy, Dr. B. H. Hopkins, T. G. Bishop, J. M. Campbell, F. G. Moxley, T. F. Rigney, F. H. Day. R. Green, professional with the club last year, will act in that capacity again this season.

York Downs Golf Club, Toronto, report a very successful season, the financial statement showing assets valued at \$213,500 with current liabilities of \$3,700 and a reserve of \$87,900. The gross income of the club for the season was \$40,500 and total



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Hon. President, Edward Cronyn; president, Russell R. Grant; vice-presidents, A. D. Leitch, C. H. Mitchell, C.B.C.M.G.; Secretary-Manager, M. A. Chadwick; directors, P. Heward Jones, L. Rowan Sims, F. A. Gaby, F. H. Bacque, Major H. C. MacLean, W. M. Temple, Gerald Nash, Edward Dickie.

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A deficiency of £22,679 was admitted by Mr. Edward Albert Lassen, ex-English Amateur golf champion, at his public examination in bankruptcy at Bradford. Lassen was described as a yarn merchant, formerly carrying on business in Bradford.

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The annual meeting of the Thornhill Golf and Country Club was held at the King Edward Hotel, Toronto, F. J. Neale, the president, being in the chair, with the membership well

represented. The financial statement for the year showed the club to be in excellent condition with a surplus on operations for 1928 of \$3,328.60 and a cost reserve against depreciation and for course improvement of \$12,967.22. T. G. Rogers, W. J. Hastie, D. J. P. Kelley and W. W. Robinson were elected to the board to take the place of those whose term has expired. At a subsequent meeting of the directors Harold R. Frost was elected president. J. C. Miller, vice-president, and A. A. Butler was appointed club manager. His Honour Judge Coatsworth is the Hon. President. Other Directors are: Dr. J. A. Kinnear, F. G. Oliver, R. L. Stailing, W. W. Robinson, D. P. J. Kelly, W. J. Hastie, T. G. Rogers.

Thornhill last year had a total revenue of \$47,391, green fees collected amounted to the substantial sum of \$3,185. The sum of \$16,146 was expended on greens, wages and improvements to the course.

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The death occurred this month in Toronto of Mr. Francis P. Megan, secretary of the Wm. Davies Co. Ltd.,

an outstanding figure in business and university circles of the city, in his 50th year. He was a popular member of the Rosedale Golf Club.

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A. G. Sato, of San Francisco, won the Gold Vase, 18-hole medal play golf tournament at Pebble Beach, Del Monte, California. Sato scored an 80. Not one of the sixty entrants in this important annual links event could break into the seventies on the stiffened Pebble Beach course, revised for the U.S. National Amateur golf championship this September. Sato was closely followed by H. C. Howe, San Francisco, with 82, and Harry Richelberger, Stanford freshman star, of Los Angeles, with 83.

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Elsewhere in this issue will be found a particularly attractive and interesting advertisement of Dack's, a firm which for over 100 years has catered to the shoe wants of leading Canadians and Americans. Dack's this season are quite featuring an aristocratic array of golf shoes. Four models in all, anyone of which will add "foot comfort" to the wearer and complete his or her attire to perfection.

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A very successful and largely attended annual meeting of the shareholders of the Guelph Country Club was held on February 26th, at which meeting Mr. T. G. Kennedy was again appointed captain, and Mr. W. V. Bagg vice-captain. On Feb. 28th the directors met and the following officers were appointed: F. R. Ramsay, president; J. M. Christie, vice-president; D. E. Kennedy, 2nd vice-president; Craig Evans, secretary-treasurer. M. C. R. Crowe was elected chairman of the grounds committee, and Mr. Craig Evans, chairman of the house committee.

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Mr. Ross Somerville, Canadian Amateur Champion, is at present at Pinehurst, N.C. He will participate in the annual North and South Amateur Championship there April 8th and 13th. There will be a very classy entry for this event.

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Mr. Harry Yorke, of the sporting staff of the Buffalo News, who is covering golf and other events at Pinehurst, N.C., writing under date of March 13th:—

"You would be surprised how interested golfers on this side of the border are in the affairs of Canadian golfers. I really think the 'Canadian Golfer' has more reading matter than any of the United States pub-



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Forest Hills, Montreal, is another club contemplating extending its 9-hole course to 18 holes. The increase in membership calls for this desirable change to be made.

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"Chick" Evans, who for two years has been golf architect for the Forest Preserve courses has retired from that position.

Cedar Brook Golf and Country Club, one of Toronto's latest clubs, is to be heartily congratulated on the result of its last year's operations. The total revenue was \$32,623 and the

total expenditure \$29,056, leaving a net operating surplus for the year of \$3566. Good work, Cedar Brook. Total assets are placed at \$143,581, whilst the total liabilities are only \$40,233. The winners of the Club trophies for 1928 were:

Gentlemen — Ellis Trophy, Club Championship, J. Morris; runner-up, A. A. Kirby. Maciver Trophy, B. Taylor; runner-up, P. Farley. Duffort Trophy, H. Struthers; runner-up, I. Ilsley. McDougall Trophy, D. Davis; runner-up, F. Duffort. Coryell Trophy, W. G. Allen; runner-up, R. M. Thompson. C. H. Howard Trophy, W. A. Cain; runner-up, R. M. Thompson; Young Trophy, A. J. Neate; runner-up, R. W. Dixon. Giles Trophy, A. Lowden; runner-up, H. Lawton. Learie Shield, Miss M. Morrison; runner-up, J. Forbes. Davis Dixon Shield, F. Martin; runner-up, J. Garrick. Duncan Trophy, Junior Championship, Sharman Learie; runner-up, Norman Day.

Ladies—Goforth Trophy, Ladies' Championship, Mrs. J. Hewitt; runner-up, Mrs. J. Garrick. K. Campbell Trophy, Mrs. Isaac Ilsley; runner-up, Mrs. J. Sedgwick. Durrant Trophy, Mrs. Edith Ritchie; runner-up, Miss A. Gibb; A. Gibb Trophy, Miss Helen Burgess; runner-up, Miss M. Corry.

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

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## THE TOURNAMENT CALENDAR

March 26-27—Twenty-seventh Annual North and South Open Championship, Pinehurst, N.C.

April 1-5—Twenty-seventh Annual North and South Women's Amateur Championship, Pinehurst, N.C.

April 8-13—Twenty-ninth Annual North and South Amateur Championship, Pinehurst, N.C.

April 10-12—Second Annual Monterey Peninsula Country Club Invitation Tournament, Del Monte, Cal.

April 11-13—North Carolina Intercollegiate Championship, Sedgefield, Greensboro, N.C.

April 15-21—Sedgefield Invitation Dogwood Tournament for men, Greensboro, N.C.

April 19-21—St. George Hotel Trophies—Men's Foursomes, Shore Hills Golf & C.C., Bermuda.

April 19-21—St. George Hotel Trophies—Ladies' Foursomes, Shore Hills Golf & C.C., Bermuda.

April 19-24—Annual Mid-April Tournament, Pinehurst, N.C.

April 22-28—Sedgefield Invitation Dogwood Tournament for women, Greensboro, N.C.

April 26-27—Ryder Cup Matches, Moor-town Golf Course, Leeds, England.

May 6—British Open Championship, Muirfield.

May 13—British Ladies' Championship, St. Andrews.

May 13-28—Women's Carolina Amateur Championship, Greensboro, N.C.

May 25-June 2—California Amateur Championship, and Del Monte Championship for Women, Del Monte, Cal.

May 27—British Amateur Championship, Royal St. Georges Course, Sandwich.

June 3rd—Ontario Ladies' Championship, Brantford Golf and Country Club, Brantford, Ont.

June 14th—Ontario Spring Tournament, Cedarbrook Golf Club, Toronto.

June 14-15—Third Carolinas Junior Amateur Championship, Greensboro, N.C.

June 24-29—Ninth Annual Women's Invitation Tournament, Country Club of Buffalo, Buffalo, N.Y.

June 27-29—U.S. National Open Championship, Winged Foot Club, Mamaroneck, N.Y.

July 4—Annual Sedgefield Independence Day Invitation Tournament, Greensboro, N.C.

July 9-12—California Junior Championship, Del Monte, Cal.

July 11th-13—Ontario Amateur Championship, London Hunt Club, London, Ont.

July 15-19—Women's Invitation Tournament, Westchester Biltmore Country Club, Rye, N.Y.

July 16th—Ontario Open Championship, Lakeview Golf Club, Toronto.

July 18-20—Metropolitan Open Championship, Lido C.C., Long Beach, L.I.

July 24-26—Metropolitan Junior Championship, Morris County Golf Club, Convent Station, N.J.

July 25, 26 and 27—Canadian Open Championship, Kanawaki Golf Club, Montreal.

July 26-28—Gold Mashie Tournament, Ocean Links, Newport, R.I.

July 30-Aug. 3—Seventh Annual Women's Invitation Tournament, Biltmore Forest C. C., Asheville, N.C.

Aug. 19-24—Canadian Amateur Championship, Jasper Park Lodge, Alberta.

Aug. 19—Interprovincial Team Match in connection with Canadian Amateur, Jasper Park Lodge.

Sept. 27-28—Lesley Cup Matches, Toronto Golf Club.

August 1-4—New York State Amateur Championship, Mohawk Golf Club, Schenectady.

Aug. 3-5—Annual Midsummer Golf Tournament, Del Monte, Cal.

Aug. 5-9—Washington State Women's Championship, Fircrest Golf Club, Tacoma.

Aug. 6-9—Western Junior Championship, La Grange C.C., La Grange, Ill.

Aug. 6-10—Forest Park Golf Course, St. Louis, Mo.

Aug. 12-17—Seventh Annual Men's Invitation Tournament, Biltmore Forest C.C., Asheville, N.C.

Sept. 2-7—U. S. National Amateur Championship, Pebble Beach Links, Del Monte, Calif.

Sept. 3-6—Canadian Women's Championship, Hamilton Golf and C.C., Hamilton, Ont.

Sept. 10-13—U. S. Senior Championships, Apawamis, Rye, N.Y.

Sept. 11-14—Canadian Seniors Tournament, Royal Ottawa Golf Club. (International Match with U. S. will be played Sept. 13th and the International Individual Championship Sept. 14th).

Sept. 14th—Ontario Fall Tournament, Oshawa Golf Club.

Sept. 16th—Canadian Close Ladies' Championship, Scarboro Golf Club, Toronto, Ont.

Sept. 16—(Subject to confirmation) Junior Championship of Ontario, Lambton Golf Club.

Sept. 20th—Ontario Parent and Child Tournament, Toronto Golf Club.

Sept. 23rd—Canadian Ladies' Open Championship, Hamilton Golf and Country Club, Ancaster, Ontario.

Sept. 30-Oct. 5—U.S. National Women's Championship, Oakland Hills C.C., Birmingham, Mich.

Oct. 2-4—Canadian Women's Seniors Annual Tournament, Marlborough Golf Club, Montreal.



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