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**U. S. G. A. a Very Progressive Organization.** The reports presented at the annual meeting of the United States Golf Association this month in New York, shows that the governing body of golf in the States has very extensive and successful activities. Total receipts in 1930 were \$112,985. Of this very large sum the galleries at the championships, contributed \$53,432. Admission fees in the Amateur were \$27,659, Open \$23,382, and Women's Championship \$2,390. It will be noticed that the public paid more to witness the amateurs play than they did for the professionals. In Canada the reverse is the case. The "gate" in this country at the Amateur Championship does not commence to compare with that at the Open Championship. In Canada no entrance fee is charged to witness the Women's Championship although there has been some agitation lately, that spectators should pay to witness the event. The other big item in the U. S. receipts is \$32,520 from annual dues paid by the 1,065 clubs affiliated with the Association. Mr. Ramsay, the president, in his annual address estimated that there are now over 5,000 clubs in the States and over 2,000,000 golfers.

Tournament expenses amounted to \$19,922, the Walker Cup team representing the United States, in Great Britain last year, accounting for \$9,511. It costs money to play International matches and it will be many years before Canada can afford to send a team of amateurs overseas. The sum of \$41,918 was expended last year by the Association on the Green Section which has its headquarters in Washington, but it is generally conceded that this large amount of money is well spent as the service is invaluable to the member clubs

in the upkeep of their courses. In fact, Mr. Ramsay went on record that "golf would be impossible to-day without the services of the Green Section."

The Association is in splendid financial shape, having the tidy sum of \$108,347 invested in gilt edged securities. The executive evidently has faith in Canada, for no less than \$50,000 of the total investments is in Canadian Pacific Trust Bonds. It is interesting to note that Mr. F. J. Byers, chairman of the International Relationship Committee, reported that "with the exception of the size and weight of the golf ball, the governing bodies in Great Britain and the United States are virtually in accord. Your Committee is hopeful that before long the same ball (presumably the new U.S. ball) will be played in both Great Britain and the United States."

**Golf Clubs  
Do Not Suffer  
From "Hard  
Times."**

Already many of the prominent golf clubs in Canada have held their annual meetings and the next month or so will witness the balance presenting their reports to their members for 1930.

Golf clubs, unlike most institutions, it is rather remarkable to record, have not suffered to any appreciable extent, from the recent country-wide depression. On the contrary, a large number of clubs have increased their revenues and increased their memberships, whilst so far, no club has reported any very serious falling off in either. Then, too, nearly a score of new clubs were put into play last season.

The prominent St. Charles Club, Winnipeg, at its recent annual meeting, reported that the membership now exceeds 1,000. Thistledown, Toronto, added over 90 members in 1930. Cedar Brook, Toronto, some forty with an increase of revenue from \$38,325 in 1929 to \$44,673 in 1930. The Royal Montreal Golf Club in 1930 had one of the best years in its history of over half a century. At the annual meeting this month of the Toronto Golf Club, the premier club of Ontario, it was reported that 1930 was the most successful year in its long history, too. The Ladies Golf Club of Toronto, the only ladies club in Canada, reports a substantial increase in revenue in 1930. These are only a few of the many satisfactory annual reports issued already.

Another evidence that golf did not suffer as a result of the depression of the past year is contained in the fact that sporting goods firms without exception report that their golf business in 1930 was the largest on record. One important firm, in fact, stated it nearly trebled its output. In other lines of sporting goods, however, this was not the case, many of them showing decreases. "Hard times" may have compelled many men and women to cut down their travelling and other expenses but apparently this curtailment was not extended to their expenditure on, and enjoyment of golf.

All clubs are preparing for another record year in 1931 and in a large number of cases are budgetting for increased expenditures on courses and club houses. There is no pessimism, at any rate amongst golf executives. "Old Man Gloom" doesn't gibe with the golfing spirit and will not be seen on the courses of Canada the coming season.

## The U. S. Ryder Cup Team

THE Professional Golf Association of the States has announced in addition to Walter Hagen (captain), Leo Diegel, Johnny Farrell, Gene Sarazen and Horton Smith chosen last month, that Al. Espinosa has been given a place on the U.S. Ryder Cup team. This leaves only two places and those of alternates to be decided at a qualification round to be played at the Scioto Club, Columbus, Ohio, on the day preceding the International matches next

June. The following players have been invited to play off for the coveted vacancies:—Al. Watrous, Ed. Dudley, John Golden, Billy Burke, Densmore Shute, Olin Dutra, Charles Hilgendorf, Henry Ciuci, Joe Turnesa, Willie Klein, Craig Wood, Wiffy Cox and Frank Walsh. Tommy Armour, of Detroit, 1930 professional champion, was not invited because of the rule barring all players of foreign birth, and this ruling also obtains in the case of MacDonald Smith and Bobby Cruickshank, all three Scots and formerly well known amateurs in the "Land O' the Heather".

Albert R. Gates, business administrator of the P.G.A., announces that the United States Golf Association had contributed \$1,000 to assist in defraying the expenses of the American team, which generous appropriation is greatly appreciated by the Association, marking as it does the interest taken by the governing body of golf in the States in the Ryder Cup matches.



(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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Many happy returns of the day to Mr. Henry E. Smallpeice, J.P., well known in Toronto newspaper and business circles, who on January 28th celebrated his eighty-fourth birthday and who is still "going strong", hosts of friends will be delighted to hear. Mr. Smallpeice for many years represented the "Canadian Golfer" in Toronto.

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Mr. Ramsay, president of the U.S.G.A., is authority for the statement that two million dozen balls were used by U.S. golfers last year. Now, balls there range in price all the way from 50c to \$1.00 each, the majority of players using the intermediate 75c priced ball. Averaging them conservatively at 70c and we have a total of \$14,000,000 expended on balls alone by the golfers of the States.

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Mr. Lou Marsh, the well known sports writer on the Toronto Star, was the speaker at a sports luncheon given by the Kiwanis Club of Brantford last month and it was generally voted that his amusing and instructive sporting reminiscences made for one of the most interesting meetings held by the club this season. Mr. Marsh certainly does know "his onions" when it comes to sports topics.



Mr. James Ravenscroft, who died at Rock Ferry, Cheshire, was a former captain of the Formby and Rhosneiger (Anglesey) Clubs. He was the father of Mrs. Temple Dobell, who, as Miss Gladys Ravenscroft, won the British Ladies' Championship in 1912, the American title in 1913, and the Cheshire Championship on seven occasions. Mrs. Dobell (then Miss Ravenscroft) was a very popular visitor to Canada in 1913 and played over Lambton and other courses in this country.

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A despatch from Winnipeg:—

"River ice is melting, pussy-willows are blooming and crows returning from their winter sojourn in the South as balmy breezes sweep the prairies of Western Canada, marking the mildest January on record. Another sure sign of the springlike breezes is the battle of marbles now to be seen in schoolyards and corner lots where children gather. Southern Alberta golfers have started their springtime schedule and are making the rounds, while curlers face postponement of bonspiels and hockeyists battle it out on water-covered ice."

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In the United States as in Canada business depression does not seem to have any serious effect upon golf. The Chicago "Golfer", for instance, states in 1930 more clubs, balls, golf equipment and clothes were sold in Chicago than in any other year. On the public golf courses of Chicago 538,332 rounds were played, an increase of 15%. Seven new courses are to be opened in the Chicago District the coming season. Practically every Chicago club last year showed an increase in members and an increase in revenue.

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It is with sincere regret that the Editor is called upon to record the passing of Mrs. Arthur W. Barnard, of Toronto, who was for many years prominent in the golfing life of Ontario. She was extremely popular and had a large circle of friends in Toronto and elsewhere. To the bereaved husband, also a well known golfer, much sympathy goes out. Mrs. Barnard was a daughter of the late James Coldham, M.D., prominent physician of Toledo, and the interment took place in that city.

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For eighty-eight rounds of golf in the British Open, United States Open and Amateur events, covering a period of 14 years of play, Bobby Jones established a remarkable average of 73 62/88. It covers his career from the time he was 14 years of age and played in the United States Amateur Championship at Merion and includes his performance last year over the same course, where he climaxed his phenomenal year, during which he won the British Open, British Amateur, United States Open and United States Amateur Championships.

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The following were the winners in 1931 of the major golf championships:—British Amateur, British Open, U.S. Open, U.S. Amateur, Robert Tyre Jones, Jr., Atlanta, Ga. Canadian Open, Tommy Armour, Detroit. American Professional, Tommy Armour, Detroit. Canadian Amateur, C. Ross Somerville, London, Ont. Canadian Professional, Willie Lamb, Uplands, for the third year in succession. U.S. Western Open, Gene Sarazen, Lakeville C.C. U.S. Western Amateur, John Lehman, Chicago. Women titleholders: British Open, Miss Diana Fishwick, London; U.S. Open, Miss Glenna Collett, California; Canadian Open, Miss Marion Orcutt, White Beeches, N.J.

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Golfing friends both in the West and East will extend hearty congratulations to Mr. Justice Walsh, of Calgary, who has been elevated to the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of Alberta. Mr. Justice Walsh has for many years been a staunch supporter of the Royal and Ancient game. He is a



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### STATEMENT FOR 1930

NEW ASSURANCES	
PAID FOR (net) -	\$705,678,000
ASSURANCES IN	
FORCE (net) -	\$2,863,701,000
TOTAL INCOME	
(net) - - -	\$186,662,000
PAYMENTS TO POLICYHOLDERS	
AND BENEFICIARIES	
IN 1930 - - -	\$81,274,000
PAYMENTS TO POLICYHOLDERS	
AND BENEFICIARIES SINCE	
ORGANIZATION	\$500,949,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$552,201,000
(including paid up Capital Stock)	
SURPLUS AND CONTINGENCY	
RESERVE - - -	\$36,532,000
ASSETS, AT DECEMBER	
31st, 1930 - - -	\$588,733,000

### NOTES FROM DIRECTORS' REPORT

In a year in which all classes of business have encountered many difficulties, the Company has made gratifying progress. New policies paid for show an increase of \$51,227,652.32, both the ordinary and group departments making substantial gains.

Total assurances in force show an increase of \$462,464,542.58. This gain represents a very high rate of persistency, indicating the high value placed by our policyholders on their contracts with the Company in a period of extreme financial pressure.

The number of policies and group assurance certificates outstanding passed the million mark during the year.

The total net income shows an increase of \$13,804,544.54.

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The mortality among our policyholders has been highly favourable.

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Profits paid to policyholders during the year amounted to \$25,641,231.04.

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The Hon. Mr. Stevens, Minister of Trade and Commerce, is to be congratulated on issuing "Canada 1931"—an official handbook of present conditions and recent progress. The majority of Government publications when issued are two or three years old and the information contained in them is more or less out of date. But here is a brochure "right up to the minute". A most invaluable compendium is "Canada 1931" and the Minister of Trade and Commerce and his department deserve and will receive the hearty thanks of journalistic, business and financial interests in blazing a new trail and providing them with invaluable "up-to-date" data about the Dominion.

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Very many Canadian golfers will be leaving the coming season to tour Great Britain and on no account should they miss placing in their itinerary "Gleneagles", that beautiful Scottish course which is so easily "gettable" from London, Edinburgh, or Glasgow. There is only one "Gleneagles" in the whole golfing world—the green of its turf and the purple of its heather is something to anticipate and then always to remember. The hotel, too, is one of the finest in Europe. Canadians visiting the Old Country the next few months will make a great mistake if they do not sample the charms of this world-renowned resort with its two 18-hole courses without compare.

## "Pay-as-You-Play" Course for North Toronto

**T**O meet the needs of many golfing enthusiasts who have erected fine homes on North Yonge St., near Aurora, a nine-hole golf course covering some 50 acres has been designed and built by Stanley Thompson and Co. Ltd., landscape artists, for A. R. Morton and Co., 407A Lumsden Building, Toronto.

The new course will be ready for play by spring, and the nine holes will total about 3,000 yards. The 50-acre parcel has long been noted for its scenic beauty, the undulating nature of the ground and the presence of three streams on the property promise a sporting course.

Construction of the course has been started and a new club house will be erected in the spring. Full use of the streams and the groves of apple orchard and the hardwood trees will be made in the construction of hazards, say Stanley Thompson and Co. Ltd.

The greens will be so placed as to utilize the streams for irrigation purposes and all greens will be about 6,000 square feet in area. These will be moulded and bunkered in keeping with the standards of the Royal and Ancient game. Fairways are being ploughed, disced and seeded and the course will be in playable shape at the opening of the new season. Trenches have also been constructed in such a manner that water will be carried to every part of the course.

There is also a miniature lake on the property and this will be dammed to increase its area. Provision is also being made by the landscape architects for a further nine holes when requirements warrant this. The club house will be a stone structure with lounge rooms, dining room and locker accommodation. The club, which will be run on "pay-as-you-play" lines, has all "the ear-marks" of being a great success.

## Great Curler and Fine Golfer

Mr. Thomas Rennie, of Toronto, is a Keen Devotee Alike of Both Scottish Games. His Wonderful Record with "Stane and Besom".

**M**R. THOMAS RENNIE, president of the Wm. Rennie Seed Co. Ltd., Toronto, is an enthusiastic devotee of both golf and curling and has made for himself an enviable reputation in these dual Scottish games. His first love was curling but of recent years he has made

as pointed out by the Toronto Telegram in a most interesting article, this had little effect on the phenomenal curling records established by the dean of Canadian skips during a most successful career in the game. In the history of the play-off for the Canada Life Trophy the defeat last month placed Mr. Rennie with four victories in the competition as skip and five times runner-up, while in 1922 he played third on the winning rink, which was skipped by A. E. Dalton.



Mr. Thomas Rennie, of Toronto, the outstanding Canadian skip of "The Roarin' Game"

quite a name for himself in golfing circles both with the Rosedale Golf Club and the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association and has many trophies to his credit as a result of his prowess with "niblick and driver". Only last year with the fine score of 41-39-80 he won the best gross cup, 18 holes, all classes, in the Canadian Seniors' Golf Tournament at the Toronto Club, and also the Men's Championship at the Muskoka Lakes Golf and Country Club for the best 36 holes, 75-79-154. That shows the calibre of his golf.

With "stane and besom" he has particularly excelled and is acknowledged as the outstanding skip of Ontario, if not of the Dominion. He is the "George S. Lyon" of curling in Canada.

Last month the Granite rink skipped by Mr. Rennie in the final for the single rink championship of Toronto for the Canada Life Trophy lost to Hubert Chisholm's Toronto Victorias by a score of 16 to 15. But,

In the original single rink championship for the Walker Trophy, although not occupying the position of skip at that time, Mr. Rennie was a member of the four that won the cup outright with five victories in nine years, the other members of the rink being his brothers, Roy and John, and A. B. Nicholls. At that time the present Granite skip was playing for the Caledonia Club and when this club disbanded he was awarded possession of the magnificent and valuable trophy, which is but one of the numerous awards won by this brilliant curler.

Although the record of the Granite Club skip far outstrips all others in the Canada Life competition it is considerably overshadowed by his brilliant and unequalled achievements in the Ontario Silver Tankard. In this event a record which will probably never be equalled was established in the years 1909, 1910, and 1911, when the same eight players,



playing the same positions, won the Tankard on the three successive occasions. The record of three straight victories in the Tankard has never been equalled by any club and is the more remarkable due to the consistency of the same eight players performing this unusual feat.

The first appearance of the Rennie rink representing the Granite Club in the Tankard was in 1909, which proved the beginning of the remarkable history established. Previous to 1909 the renowned skip appeared in the Tankard final on three occasions, once playing second for A. Wood and twice as skip representing the Caledonia Club, in the years 1902, 1904 and 1908. Victories in the Governor-General's Trophy competition in 1901 and 1905 further added to the early laurels of Mr. Rennie and Caledonia Club.

Following the three successive victories in the Tankard, two lean years fell upon the Granite Club, but many successes were to follow. The year

1914 found Mr. Rennie piloting the Granite rink to Ontario Tankard honours and this was followed by another victory in 1916. Three years later the Rennie rink added a sixth Tankard banner to the collection of the Granite Club, followed by another in 1921. Mr. Rennie's eighth success was recorded in 1928 and brought the total of victories by Granite Club rinks to thirteen in the fifty-six years of the competition. Piloting a winning rink eight times in twenty-two years is a record seldom equalled in any sport and an enviable record of which "the Dean of Curling" is deservedly and justly proud.

Exceedingly popular alike "on the ice and on the green" golfing and curling friends throughout Canada hope that Mr. Rennie will long be spared to uphold the best traditions of the two greatest summer and winter sports of which he is such an ornament, and in the years to come add many more victories to the imposing array which now goes so deservedly to his credit.

## Women's Golf of the Year in Great Britain

(By a Scotsman Correspondent)

**D**OES 1930 definitely mark a parting of the ways in women's golf competition in this country? To glance back over the features of a very interesting season certainly raises that question, and the New Year will be watched with special interest to see whether the answer that already seems in the shaping becomes more insistent. In 1929 Miss Joyce Wethered made her fleeting but triumphant return to the Open Championship; last year, and in 1928, Scottish golf staged the "come-back" of Mrs. J. B. Watson and Miss Jean McCulloch, who have been in first-class competition since before the war.

By contrast youth has this year swept across the competition story in both countries, and the results in the important events suggest that the

new generation have made a telling thrust and have advanced in such numbers as will change the course of competition in the immediate future.

Half a dozen golfers, whose ages could not tot much more than a century, have dominated the championships, and yet their emergencies cannot be written down as a flash. All of them were impressive and disclosed possibilities that look good for the maintenance of the defence in the Ladies' Open Championship, which has so far resisted all the efforts of the U.S. invaders. Players such as Miss Diana Fishwick, who won the Open; Miss Enid Wilson, who secured the English; and Mrs. Holm, who brought a new name to the Scottish Championship, all represent the young, progressive element in the British game.



### Young Defender's Triumph

Miss Diana Fishwick's victory at Formby was the most spectacular thing of the year in women's golf. The pre-championship position in relation to general public sentiment may be summed up thus:—Miss Wethered in definite retirement and the strongest American challenge so far entered for the meeting. There was an idea that the danger of this title joining the other British honours in an American domicile had been made more real than ever. Even against Miss Wethered last year in the St. Andrews final, it was reasonable to argue, Miss Glenna Collett had put up such a remarkable fight that, with Miss Wethered absent, the way to the American's success seemed open.

But that was, as it splendidly turned out, reckoning without the uncertainties of the game, the luck of the draw and the amazing ability of one of our young players to rise to the big occasion. Miss Collett did again reach the final, but Miss Fishwick astonished everybody by the manner in which she overcame both opponent and occasion. It was one of the most notable results big golf has given us.

The American did suffer to some extent from the luck of the draw, for on her route to the final she was set to meet both Miss Molly Gourlay and Miss Enid Wilson, the two players in whom our hopes of keeping the title were mainly vested. Miss Collett defeated Miss Gourlay on the 21st green, and Miss Wilson on the 18th, and when she got to the final she was showing the effects of the physical and mental strain. Nevertheless, Miss Fishwick, who is not long out of the Girls' Championship, did her bit gloriously.

### British-U.S. Rivalry

The above comments attach to the patriotic rather than the personal side of the Championship, for Miss Glenna Collett and her American colleagues were a delightful and sporting company whom British golf will at any time welcome back. They formed the



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largest and most formidable force we have ever had from women's golf on the other side of the Atlantic, and though they did not take the title away with them they played some fine golf and disclosed some of the potentiality of American golf in this sphere.

Their numbers made possible a representative team-match which helped to make the season memorable. The L.G.U. did not officially arrange the team, but Miss Molly Gourlay was asked to organize it. The British side, which included three Scottish golfers—Mrs. J. B. Watson, Miss Jean M'Culloch, and Miss Doris Park—won, but only by two points, in the ten-a-side encounter, which in any circumstances would have left the visitors with a due share of the hon-

ours, but which must be regarded as a first-rate performance in the light of the fact that the match had to be played when they were no more than 48 hours off the liner. The "you-never-can-tell" element in golf is emphasized by the inclusion as an extra in the British team after their original choice had been made of Miss Fishwick, who shortly afterwards was to become Champion.

Miss Doris Park was also included when the team numbers were extended, and she and Miss M'Culloch made a useful Scots contribution, considering the margin of victory, by winning their matches, the former against Miss Bernice Wall and the latter against Miss Hicks, the cheery personality dubbed "Hard Hitting Helen." Mrs. Watson, playing second for the British team, was beaten. The year closes on the interesting intimation that Miss Fishwick and a party of British players will make a trip to the States early in the New Year, and that an International match will be played there, probably in Florida. The L.G.U., who have decided to organize International matches of this kind, have not had the expected response to their fund for the expenses of teams going abroad. But the Americans are keen to foster the International team rivalry, and they ought to be encouraged.

#### The Scottish Season

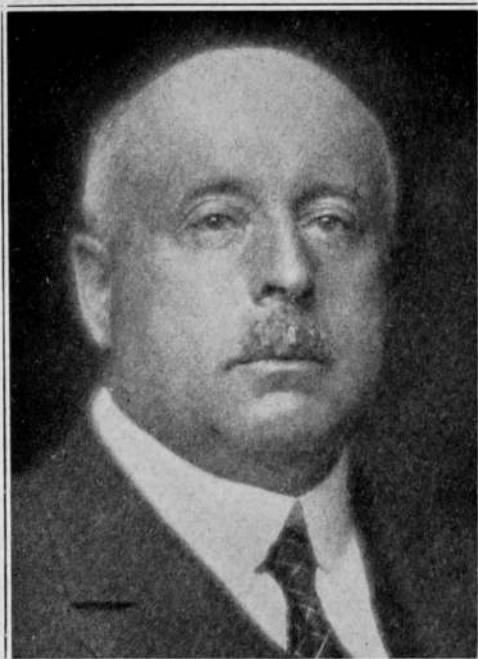
In Scottish golf Mrs. Andrew Holm is no surprise champion. Those who have followed events in the past two or three years have been prepared for her success at any time, for she has impressed both with the style and power with which she hits the ball. Until not long ago she was Miss Helen Gray, and both Elie, where she has a long standing holiday connection, and Troon, which is now her club, have presented her with tokens of their pride in her national success. The championship which took place at Turnberry—on the Arran course, which is less fluky and a better test than its companion—was a thoroughly interesting meeting.

## Mr. T. Frank Matthews Elected President of Lambton

**T**HE following are the names of the Board and the various committees for 1931 of the Lambton Golf and Country Club:—

President, T. F. Matthews; vice-president, Dr. N. S. Shenstone; C. S. Blackwell, John Westren, J. E. Ganong, W. H. Firstbrook, E. H. Gurney, D. A. Campbell; finance committee, C. S. Blackwell, John Westren, J. E. Ganong; house committee, Dr. N. S. Shenstone, John Westren, E. Holt Gurney; green committee, J. E. Ganong, D. A. Campbell, W. H. Firstbrook.

Lambton, one of the outstanding golf clubs of Canada, has always been fortunate in its presidents and Board of Governors. Mr. T. Frank Matthews, the 1931 occupant of the presidential chair, is very prominent in financial and other circles in Toronto. He is president of the Canadian Packing Co. Ltd. and has many other interests. He is also a very good golfer indeed and a very valued member of the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association. In the International matches in England in 1929 he was on the Canadian team and in a competition against the U.S. Senior team at Sunningdale he was the winner of the best nett trophy. Mr. Matthews has a particularly strong board of governors associated with him this year at Lambton and the affairs of the club are certainly in very strong hands, auguring a record season in 1931 for this very prominent and popular club.



Mr. T. Frank Matthews, prominent Torontonian, elected president of the Lambton Golf and Country Club.

## Golf Expenditures Half a Century Ago

**M**EMBERS of Canadian golf clubs to-day, boasting, as many of them do, revenues running all the way from \$30,000 to over \$100,000 as in one or two cases, may well wonder how the game could be played and supported half a century or so ago on less than \$100 per annum. But such was the case. For instance, in 1881, or fifty years ago, the total receipts of the Brantford Club, as evidenced by the old records, were exactly \$73.32. The principal source of revenue was from membership, 24 active men players at \$2.00, 1 honorary member at \$1.00, and 13 lady players at \$1.00. And yet the canny treasurer of the club in those early days, of golf, perhaps hardly necessary to state he was a Scotsman and a Scottish banker of the old school at that, managed to show a balance on the season's operations of \$2.01. Think of that ye golfing executive spendthrifts of to-day, dabbling recklessly in your tens of thousands. The total expenditure on the Brantford course, fifty years ago was \$20.76, "sodding, mowing, etc." The caretaker was paid the



princely salary of \$10.00 whilst \$14.91 was spent on prizes. Wonder which of the old pioneer players pulled down that odd 91 cents as a result of his prowess on the annual prize day? The treasurer meticulously, enumerates the value of the club property at the end of the season as follows: Notice board 85c (probably notifying the uninitiated in the game that "trespassers would be prosecuted"), 6 flags and posts \$1.29, 6 tees \$1.50, 60 books of the rules \$6.00. Total assets \$9.64. Golf was certainly not in the million-dollar class in Canada half a century ago, but its devotees possibly enjoyed the game just as much as its followers do to-day with all its luxurious surroundings.

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## A Record Golf Upset—Leading Pros Defeated

(By Griffith Bonner)

LOS ANGELES, Cal., January 26, 1931 (Special)—The Motion Picture Industries Open match play golf tournament just completed at the Riviera Country Club, Los Angeles, will be of interest to Canadian golfers as well as golfers all over the world as scoring a record upset in golf.

On the first day of play no less than ten famous golfers were defeated. The list is as follows:—

MacDonald Smith bowed before the stellar play of Ralph Guldahl, Dallas, Texas, the tournament winner. Smith lost one down on the nineteenth. Horton Smith lost 3 down and 2 to go to Neil Christian, Portland, Oregon, professional. Eddie Loos, of Chicago, lost 5 down and 4 to go to young Eric Seavall, of Los Angeles. George Von Elm, "business man golfer", dropped the decision to Chet Beer, Bakersfield professional, by a 2 up and 1 to go margin.

Fred Morrison, Los Angeles professional, defeated Craig Wood, of Bloomfield, New Jersey, by 2 up. Willard Hutchinson, Chicago, defeated Walter Hagen 4 up and 2 to play.

Upsets also featured the afternoon play in the second round. Joe Kirkwood dropped out of the proceedings in the second round, falling before Ralph Guldahl 3 up and 2 to go. Fred Morrison defeated Harry Cooper 2 up and 1 to go. Johnny Golden, Agua Caliente champion, bowed before the shots of Tony Manero on the 22nd green, and Seavall defeated Joe Turnesa one down on the 20th hole.

Add to the first day's upsets the fact that Leo Diegel and Al Espinosa, noted professionals, failed to qualify and we have a most unusual situation in American golf.

Guldahl continued to carry on with surprises when this 19-year-old Texan defeated Tony Manero for first place by a one up on 36 hole victory in the finals.

This whole event seemed to be a try out for the Ryder Cup play against the British and among the candidates whose play was watched by Walter Hagen were Tony Manero, Elmsford, New York; Olin Dutra, Los Angeles; Mortie Dutra, Long Beach; and Fred Morrison, Los Angeles.

Willie Hunter, Los Angeles, former British Amateur Champion, was in charge of the event, handling it in his usual fine style.



## Follows British Example

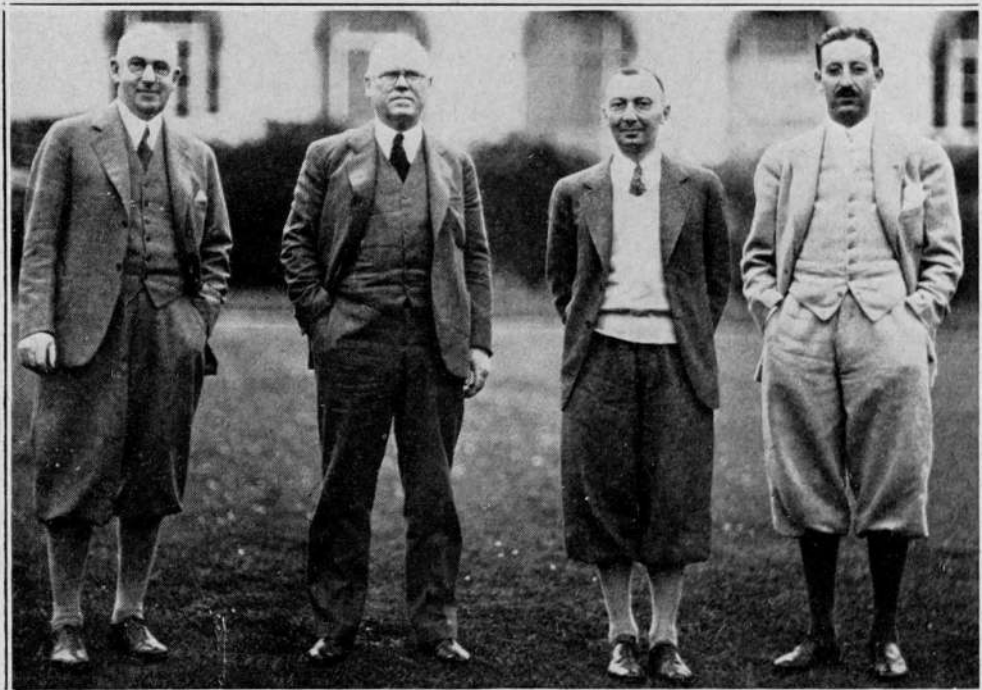
California Golf Association Takes Radical Step in Doing Away With the Amateur Championship Qualifying Round.

(Special to Canadian Golfer)

REVERTING to the original plan of settling golf championships, as maintained by the British Amateur, the officers and directors of the California Golf Association at the annual meeting at Del Monte Lodge on January 31st decided to eliminate the qualifying round.

Details of this tournament will be worked out later by the tournament committee, but it has been indicated that it will be the same as in past seasons.

Doing away with the qualifying round of 36 holes is a decided departure from the way the California



1931 officers of the California Golf Association elected at meeting of officers and directors at Del Monte Lodge, Pebble Beach. Left to right: A. V. Thompson, second vice-president; W. W. Campbell, first vice-president; Brace Carter, president; and John G. Levison, secretary-treasurer.

Golfers with handicaps of seven and under will be eligible to start in the match play with the leading players being seeded. Play will start on September 7 over the Pebble Beach and Cypress Point courses, and continue throughout the week. It is estimated that a field of 258 will start in the championship flight.

There will also be a handicap tournament for golfers with handicaps over 7 on the Del Monte and Monterey Peninsula Country Club courses.

State golf title has been determined. It is also something new for other state, sectional and national play in this country.

The plan has been under consideration by the California Golf Association for several years. The tradition and success of the British Amateur was a basis to work on. The principal reason, as announced by Brace Carter, the new president, is to eliminate the physical strain of the qualifying round and to bring about

a better test of golf in the match play rounds.

"Youth must be served," said President Carter in an informal discussion after the meeting, "but we decided it advisable to reduce the physical requirement and place more importance on golf. The player who has devoted years to perfecting his game should not be handicapped because of the exacting requirements of endurance in playing against the pencil when he has already qualified by reason of his handicap rating. I think it will be an excellent progressive move for California golf and will have the effect of bringing into competition many of our famous old players, who have not felt up to the physical exertions of the qualifying round.

"The other players with handicaps over 7 will have their handicap tournament as heretofore because we want to continue the California Golf Championship the gala event it has always been, especially as it will be celebrated on Admission Day as in the past."

Everett H. Seaver, the retiring president, is enthusiastic over the change.

"I think it will be beneficial to golf," he said. "It will have to be proved by experience how it works out. It is an experiment well worth trying. The system of play eliminates the possibility of a good player being put out by having one bad round in qualifying. We look forward with interest to trying out the plan that has worked so successfully in the British Amateur."

The board of directors considered putting back the tournament one week so as not to possibly conflict with the National but it was figured that two holidays—Labour Day on September 7th and Admission Day two days later—makes it logical to hold the event then so that players from all over the state will be able to leave their businesses and work without the loss of so much time.

Officers elected were:—Brace Carter, president; W. W. Campbell, first vice-president; A. V. Thompson, second vice-president; John G. Levison, secretary-treasurer. They will also serve as directors with E. B. Yoakum, Robert Skelly, C. M. Kellogg, George Nickel and James A. Mackenzie.

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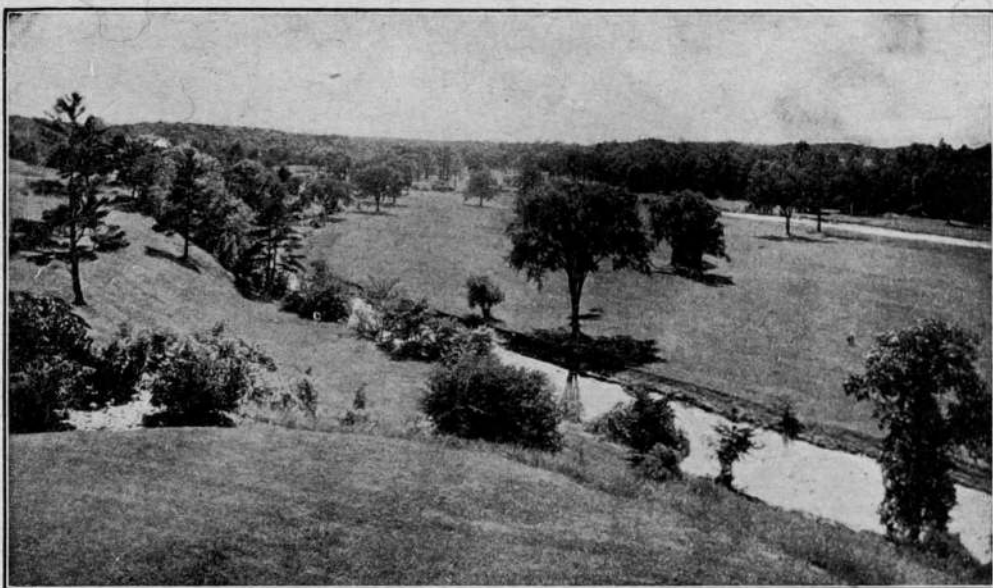
## Mohair as Indoor Golf Greens is to be Studied by Institute

**S**TUDIES in the use of mohair for indoors golf course greens and fairway material will be one of the first tasks of the Mohair Institute, which has just been established in Chicago under the directorship of A. C. Gage, editor of the Angora Journal and an Internationally known mohair authority.

The Institute will seek to further the interests of the American mohair industry through researches in improving the quality of the fleeces of the mohair goats and in developing new uses for the fabric that goes back to the Bible.

Turkey is the original home of the Angora goat, but the United States now has more mohair producing animals than any other country in the world. There are Angora goats in each of the 48 States, with Texas by far the largest producing state. Improved range practices in recent years have resulted in a finished product superior to that produced in the Old World.

Mr. Gage was formerly secretary of the National Mohair Growers' Association. In the past four years, he has travelled more than 100,000 miles in the United States and Canada in behalf of the industry.



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## Dates of Amateur and Inter-Provincial Championships

The Royal Canadian Golf Association announces that the dates of the Canadian Amateur Championship at the Royal Montreal Golf Club are August 10th to the 15th. The Inter-Provincial match which will also be held at the Royal Montreal will be played on Friday and Saturday, August 7th and 8th. As previously announced, the Open Championship of Canada is scheduled for the Mississauga Golf Club, Toronto, July 9th, 10th and 11th.

## "Golf Made Easier" is a Great Book

"**G**OLF Made Easier", by Charles Herndon (a graduate of Princeton University), is having a big sale alike in the United States, Great Britain and Canada. The "Canadian Golfer" is placing dozens of orders every month and has difficulty in keeping up with the demand for this invaluable book. Herewith some more reviews:—

From the Tyler (Texas) Journal: "The subject matter in arrangement, forcefulness and purity of diction shows the work of a scholar."

From Indianapolis News: "The book is a thorough study of the game of golf, yet it is so wisely simplified that any duffer should be able to build a golf game from reading it, and putting its recommendations into practice."

From Golfdom: "In several respects, this reviewer noted, the points set forth by Mr. Herndon were those established as valid by the new P.G.A. instruction pictures after years of debate. This is indication of the author's success at getting to the facts. The book not only is a good, simple manual for the average player but is worthy of attention by the professional because of the simple literary style in which the instruction material is handled."

From Golf Monthly (Edinburgh, Scotland): "Golf Made Easier is, without doubt, a book worthy of the game, and should appeal to all golfers."

But perhaps the greatest tribute to "Golf Made Easier" comes from the prominent London publication, "Golf Illustrated", which accords the work a long and most complimentary review ending up with "The General Discussion of the Swing remains the backbone of a book that all who wish to improve their game should possess and my advice to them is 'beg, borrow or——'. Well they can finish that phrase for themselves."

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## White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia

ON Monday, March second, The Greenbrier and Cottages, White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia, with its new additions fully complete, will open its doors for year round operation. The major addition, at the North end, has been named the "Old White", recalling the original and famous hostelry, which, for more than a generation was the outstanding gathering place for the famous personages of the country and particularly of the South.

The addition to the South end is Virginia Row, preserving the traditions of the historical cottages upon which site it stands. In this wing will be the Virginia Room, depicting in original frieze, the days of White Sulphur Springs from its inception in 1778 to the present time.



The stately "Greenbrier", White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia

To the westward, leading from the new rotunda, is the spacious auditorium seating six hundred for nightly sound pictures, banquets and social events. A smart supper club will be an unusual and new feature for The Greenbrier.

Two beautiful pent-house apartments, unique in American resort hotel-dom, top the main buildings. Six automatic floor levelling elevators will serve the main house. A Moller "Artiste" pipe organ will be a pleasing addition.

At the famous Casino, space has been doubled for luncheon, both indoor and on the veranda, and with its colourful setting—overlooking the three golf courses—its popularity will be further augmented.

Throughout the new additions, the rehabilitation of Paradise Row—famous bachelor's quarters since 1814—the Louisiana Row, and the Presidents' Cottages—pre-Civil War summer White House and home of Presidents—Alabama Row, the spirit of old White Sulphur has been predominant.

No other fireproof, European plan, year 'round resort hotel, with accommodations for more than a thousand guests, approaches The Greenbrier in comfort and beauty and complete appointment.

An airport of the first class, 2,500x3,600 feet, adjoins the golf courses and provides the best possible landing field for all sized ships. The stables will provide the best blooded of Kentucky and Virginia stock for those who wish to ride the 250 miles of Mountain Trails. The three golf courses provide the finest resort golf in the country.

Among the prominent clientele frequenting White Sulphur Springs are Charles M. Schwab, Dr. Charles B. Mayo, Mr. and Mrs. Edsel Ford, George F. Baker, Mrs. Graham Fair Vanderbilt, Hon. Robert L. Beeckman, General John J. Pershing, Aldred P. Sloan, Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Taft, Hon. Alfred E. Smith, Gen. and Mrs. W. W. Atterbury, Mr. and Mrs. Edw. F. Hutton, Rear Admiral and Mrs. Cary T. Grayson, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Somers Roche,

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The 7000-acre estate, with all its appurtenances, and The Greenbrier and Cottages, will be under the direction of L. R. Johnston, general manager, as in the past.

## Valuable Golf Trophies Which Were Lost

**A**ND here is a story of missing golf trophies. The American Professional Championship Cup, presented by the late Rodman Wanamaker, which had been lost for five years, has been discovered in the store-room of Walter Hagen's factory in Detroit. Hagen won the Championship from 1924 to 1927, but lost it to Leo Diegel in 1928. As the original cup could not be found a substitute trophy was provided. Diegel won in 1928 and 1929, and Tommy Armour last year. The original cup is now in the possession of the American Professional Golfers' Association, and the substitute trophy will be used for another purpose. The British Open Championship Cup was lost for some years, and was eventually found in the window of an Edinburgh pawn-

broker. The late Willie Park, who won the Championship in 1887 and 1889, did not see the cup for the first time until 1910 at St. Andrews.

Canada, too, is not without its experience of lost golf cups. The beautiful trophy presented by the late Duchess of Connaught for the Ladies' Championship of Canada was not played for from 1915 to 1918 as a result of the war and when the Championship was revived in 1919 its whereabouts could not be found. The officials of the R.C.G.A. hunted high and low for this valuable cup but without avail until some months after its loss had been reported it was found in the vaults of a jewellery firm in Ottawa, where it had been sent for "safe" keeping—in more senses than one. It had been entirely lost sight of and it was only by an accident that a clerk discovered it on a high shelf in the vault where it had reposed for some five years.

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## Toronto Golf Club Holds 55th Annual

A LARGE number of the members attended the fifty-fifth annual meeting of the Toronto Golf Club in the committee room of the head office of the Dominion Bank, Toronto, when excellent reports were presented. The president, R. C. H. Cassels, presided, and the reports showed that the past year has been one of the best, if not the best, in the long history of the club. Four of the directors, R. C. H. Cassels, E. H. Blake, M. Ross Gooderham and F. J. Mulqueen, completed their terms, but the former was eligible for re-election owing to his office of president. The new directors elected to fill the vacancies were: R. C. H. Cassels, M. C. Cameron, W. H. H. Boswell and C. S. Macdonald. F. J. Mulqueen was elected captain for 1931. The prizes to the winners of the main club competitions during the year were presented at the close of the meeting as follows:—

Club Championship—Lawrence W. Jackson.

Osler Trophy—John C. Mackenzie.

Cockshutt Trophy—J. Kerr Cronyn.

Jubilee Trophy—President's team.

Men's foursomes—A. C. N. Gosling and Duncan H. Campbell.

Ringer competitions—First flight, L. W. Jackson; second flight, M. C. C. Chisholm; third flight, G. L. Magann. Overseas Services Cup—G. E. D. Greene.

Parent and Child—Mrs. D. C. Rea and David Rea.

Mixed Foursomes—Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Macklem.

Junior Championship—Fred T. Rea.

A. H. Campbell, a former president of the club, was elected honorary president to succeed the late Col. H. J. Grasett.

At a subsequent meeting of the directors, R. C. H. Cassels was re-elected president; H. D. Burns was elected vice-president; M. C. C. Cameron, chair-



Mr. R. C. H. Cassels, K.C., re-elected president of the Toronto Golf Club.



man of the green committee; C. B. Lindsey, chairman of the house committee; Col. Ian Sinclair, chairman of the tennis committee, and F. J. Mulqueen, chairman of the handicap committee. Fred C. Armitage is the particularly capable manager-secretary of the club and he has under him a very efficient staff.

## Mid-Winter Tournament at Victoria, B.C.

THE outstanding golfing event of this month is the third annual Empress Hotel Mid-Winter Tournament at the Victoria Golf Club, Victoria, B.C., February 23-28. The programme calls for qualifying play of both men and women, Monday, February 23, followed by daily match elimination rounds to the finals of Saturday. All play is on handicap. Beginning Thursday, the last three days will provide special features to entertain those who have lost out in the earlier match rounds. Altogether a most delightful tournament which is attracting a large field of entrants of both men and women players from Canada and the States.

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## Scarboro Reports an Increase in Membership

THE twentieth annual meeting of the shareholders of the Scarboro Golf and Country Club was held in the King Edward Hotel, Toronto, on Saturday, the 17th January.

The reports presented to the shareholders were of a most prosperous nature in spite of the unfavourable conditions during the past year.

The president, Mr. Edmonds, in his report to the meeting stated that in spite of world-wide economic depression which of necessity has detrimentally affected all forms of sport, not excepting golf clubs, we have reason for congratulating ourselves in the results of the year's operations, as we can fairly claim that the year just closed was one of continued progress and development, and that the improvements made on the course and club house helped to increase the playing privileges and comforts of our members.

The course is gradually developing into one of the finest tests of golf in the country and the putting greens and fairways show the results of intensive care and fertilization.

The reports showed that there was an increase in membership during the year and that the club had managed to live within its income.

There were four vacancies on the Board, Messrs. Edmonds, Hessin, Lalor and Wheler having completed their term of office. The new directors appointed were:—Dr. Elliott, Dr. Givens, Mr. Bowcock and Mr. Woolley.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors held on Thursday, the 22nd of January, the following officers and committees were appointed:—

President, Dr. Alex Elliott; vice-president, Mr. R. D. Hume; finance committee, A. Pardoe, Jr. (chairman), G. W. Bowcock, C. E. Edmonds, G. C. Moore, R. W. McClain; house committee, L. E. Woolley (chairman), W. J. A. Carnahan, D. W. Ferrier, J. M. Lalor, P. Sherris; green committee, Dr. Dennis Jordan (chairman), H. T. Fairley, Dr. W. C. Givens, Dr. H. Graham, R. D. Hume, J. H. Riddel, Dr. D. E. Staton.

## Playing Golf in Florida

Albert H. Murray, Quebec Open Champion, Writes About Meeting John D. Rockefeller and Enjoying Golf in the Land "of Sunshine and Flowers".

**A**LBERT H. MURRAY, Quebec Open Champion and the well known professional of the Beaconsfield Golf Club, Montreal, and Mrs. Murray are spending the winter in Florida. Albert, paired with Willie Klein, made a particularly good showing last month in the pro best ball tournament at the Fort Lauderdale Golf and Country Club in which they were a tie for first place. Their best ball was a 66. They both "slipped" on the short 2nd hole, each taking three putts otherwise they would have won the event.



An interesting snapshot taken at Ormond Beach, Florida. Mr. John D. Rockefeller is second from the left in the front row. Fourth from the left in the back row is Albert H. Murray, of Montreal, Quebec Open Champion.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Murray had the pleasure of meeting Mr. John D. Rockefeller at Ormond Beach and they are very enthusiastic about the "world's richest man and oldest golfer". They say that he is wonderfully well preserved and does not look much over sixty. He often drives a ball "straight down the course for 160 yards or more." In the interesting snapshot reproduced herewith Mr. Rockefeller is seen the second from the left in the front row. In the back row, fourth from the left, will be seen Albert Murray standing next to Mrs. Hardisty, owner of the popular Riviera Hotel, Ormond Beach. Extracts from letter from the Quebec Champion:—

"This is certainly a country of sunshine and flowers. The Ormond course is in wonderful shape. Called on Karl Keffer, of the Royal Ottawa, at his club in Jekyl Island, Fla. He has a wonderful place and is very happy. I don't think many Canadians know much about Miami and the South or they would certainly spend their winters here. The living is about half that in Montreal. I was very much surprised. Golf courses are very nice, all grass greens. There is a course being built called Indian Creek. They are building it on an island. The club house, 18-hole course, private bridge, retaining wall, is costing over two and one-half millions.

I was paired with Johnny Farrell in the Fort Lauderdale Open. Had very strong winds and the new ball is a puzzle in high winds. Very few pros care for it. Went deep sea fishing with a party and had lots of fun. We got 14 king fish."

## Former Golf Champion Takes Up Racing



Miss Marion Hollins, famous golfer, who takes up racing.

**D**ESPATCH from Agua Caliente, Mexico:—

"Nevada Queen, sensational two-year-old filly, which holds two track records over the Agua Caliente course, will run in new colors on her next appearance. She was purchased by Miss Marion Hollins, former national women's golf champion, for a price stated to be in the neighborhood of \$15,000. Miss Hollins may also purchase Golden Gift, another fast two-year-old in the stable of Charles Farrell. Golden Gift has not faced the barrier as yet. Charles Farrell, breeder of Nevada Queen, will train the animal for Miss Hollins."

(Note—Miss Hollins has had quite a colourful career. She won the U.S. Ladies' Championship in 1921, the Pebble Beach Championship five times and many other important events, principally in California. She was responsible for organizing successfully the first woman's golf club in the world. Then

she turned her attention to stock markets and two or three years ago made a "killing" in oil which made her a millionairess.—Editor.)

## U. S. G. A. Interpretation of Rules

**D**URING 1930 the executive of the U.S.G.A. handed down the following interpretations and explanatory notes on the rules of golf. They will be read with interest by Canadian golfers although it must be remembered that the R.C.G.A. follows the decisions and rulings of the Royal and Ancient and not those of the U.S.G.A. :—

Definitions, Definition 5—Grass covered side walls, leading to a bunker are not part of the bunker. A ball lying on these grass side walls does not lie in or touch a hazard, and Rule 25 (pertaining to conditions of play in hazards) does not apply.

Rule 2 (Priority on the teeing ground)—In any handicap match the honour is determined by the nett scores at the preceding hole.

Rule 4 (Asking advice)—An opponent, a partner or a caddie may stand at the hole and elevate the flag in order to show the location of the hole.

Rule 11 (Removal of obstructions)—If a ball cannot be found in ground under repair, it must be considered a lost ball under

Rule 22. Dirt may be cleaned from a ball lifted from ground under repair. The ball when so lifted is not in play.

Rule 15 (Moving or bending fixed or growing objects)—A practice swing may be taken any place on the course provided the player does not violate the provisions of Rules 10, 15, 21 and 25.

Rule 17 (3): (Ball at rest displaced by outside agency)—This section also applies to a ball that has been stepped on and driven into the ground by a spectator.

Rule 21 (1): (Looking for ball in grass, &c.)—A person outside the match may point out the location of the ball for which search is being made. A ball given up as lost may not be played if later found.

Rule 22 (2): (Provisional ball played)—There is no limitation as to the number of strokes the player may play with a provisional ball before arriving at the approximate location of the ball believed to be lost or unplayable. The player is the sole judge as to when this ball is unplayable. It may be declared unplayable at any place on the course except in water or casual water.

Rule 23 (2): (Provisional ball played)—There is no limitation as to the number of strokes a player may play with a provision-



# 61st Annual Statement



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*The 61st Annual Statement of the Company shows substantial progress in the past year.*

Net Surplus earned .....	\$ 5,254,351.00
New Assurances paid for 1930 .....	60,526,212.00
Dividends paid Policyholders .....	5,080,789.00
Surplus Funds and Contingency Reserves .....	12,468,009.00
Total Assets .....	116,662,059.00
Insurance in force .....	492,833,318.00

Rate of Interest earned on Invested Assets 6.13%  
Lowest expense ratio in the Company's history.

### Financial Statement as of December 31st, 1930:

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Bonds .....	\$ 44,220,138.33	Policy Reserves .....	\$ 94,605,681.07
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate .....	42,342,981.71	Unpaid Policy Claims and Dividends to Policyholders, due but not paid .....	797,688.00
Stocks .....	865,849.12	Dividends left with the Company at interest .....	8,039,521.96
Real Estate, including Head Office Building .....	1,965,485.99	Taxes .....	229,081.90
Loans on Policies .....	22,100,398.41	Other Liabilities .....	522,077.26
Cash .....	142,529.29	Special Reserves and Surplus Funds .....	12,468,009.45
Premiums in course of collection .....	2,138,143.24		
Interest due and accrued .....	2,886,533.55		
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$116,662,059.64</b>	<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$116,662,059.64</b>

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### PROGRESS OF THE COMPANY

Year	Income	Assets	Paid to Policyholders	Business in Force
1890 .....	\$ 489,858	\$ 1,696,076	\$ 176,151	\$ 13,710,800
1910 .....	3,020,996	16,279,561	804,759	64,855,279
1930 .....	25,883,721	116,662,059	13,394,440	492,833,318

al ball before arriving at the approximate location of the ball believed to be out of bounds.

Rule 27 (1): (Ball in water hazard, ball in casual water in hazard)—There is no limitation as to how far behind a hazard a ball may be dropped. Grass within the boundaries of a water hazard is part of the hazard and when a ball lies thereon the club shall not touch the ground, &c., Rule 25. It is the duty of local committees to indicate the boundaries of water hazards by white stakes or otherwise.

Rule 32 (1): (Removal of flag-stick)—The penalty applies when the flag stick has been removed by the player's side irrespective of whether it be actually held when

struck. It also applies when the stick is attended irrespective of whether it is actually removed. In match play there is no penalty for striking the flag stick when it has not been removed or is not attended by either side.

#### Special Rules for Match Play Competitions

Rule 2—It is the opinion of the Rules of Golf Committee that where handicap matches result in a tie the tie should be decided by another round of eighteen holes.

#### Special Rules for Stroke Competitions

Rule 5 (The scores, making and the addition of scores)—The penalty only applies to the competitor whose score was returned incorrectly and does not apply to the competitor who acted as a marker.

## International Ladies' Matches Now Assured

THE British Ladies' Golf Union has accepted the challenge from the Women's Section of the United States Golf Association for an International match and the first of the series will be played in England next year. This completes the circle of such matches between Great Britain and the States, the amateurs of the two countries playing for the Walker Cup and the professionals for the Ryder Cup. Canada has never been asked to participate in the latter two fixtures but it is understood will be invited later on to enter the ladies' International contests with South Africa and France. This will be a splendid thing for women's golf in this and the other countries mentioned. These International contests not only provoke great interest but are of great educational value.

## The British Ryder Cup Team

THE announcement from London of twenty-four professionals chosen to hold themselves in readiness to take part in the Ryder Cup matches next June at Columbus, Ohio, demonstrates that Great Britain will probably again have to depend upon the older players as its first line of defense, namely, George Duncan, Abe Mitchell, Archie Compston, C. Whitecombe, E. Whitecombe and Fred Robson. When the Britishers won the cup two years ago, 7 matches to 5, all these men were on the team and all won a point or more in either the singles and foursomes. Last season, however, neither Duncan or Mitchell showed up well either in Championships or competitions. Young Harry Cotton was on the 1929 team and is practically sure of a place this year. Only ten men will eventually be chosen to make the trip. The other players favoured besides those mentioned to be selected are the younger men, Bert Hodson, A. J. Lacey, and W. H. Davies.

It costs money to finance an International team. As a result of the matches in Great Britain in 1929, there remains in the Ryder Cup fund £2,046, but it is stated this will not be sufficient to meet all the expenses and that £3,000, or \$15,000, will be required.

It is quite on the cards that all the Britishers will not only play in the U.S. Open at Toledo, July 2nd-4th, but in the Canadian Open at Mississauga, Toronto, July 9th-11th.

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## Trouble Over the British Ryder Cup Team

THEY are having trouble in the Old Country over the Ryder Cup team which is coming to the United States and probably Canada this summer. Harry Cotton, the most promising of the young British pros, has asked Percy Allis and Aubrey Boomer, who are not qualified to play on the team as they are employed respectively in France and Germany, and J. C. Boyer to join him as a team to compete in the Open Championship and tournaments in the United States. This the British Professional Golfers' Association objects to. The Association has ruled that all Ryder Cup team members must tour as a body in the U.S. and return to England at the same time. Cotton refused to abide by the ruling, claiming he must consider his own future. F. J. C. Pignon, manager of the British team, says: "I regret the unfortunate situation, but if I'm not to have a team divided against itself, all must submit to rules. I am unprepared to discuss the merits of the rule, but with James Braid, J. H. Taylor and Ted Ray on the Executive Committee, they must have good reasons for making the rule. If some members want to make a tour that means personal gain. It is better that we know beforehand."

It is to be hoped that the difficulties will be successfully ironed out, otherwise a serious situation will arise in the Ryder Cup competition which would be most regrettable from every standpoint. Cotton has been selected to play on the team but at the time of going to press had not sent in his acceptance. His absence from the team would weaken it materially.



Harry Cotton, Great Britain's leading young professional, who is having trouble with the management of the Ryder Cup team.

## Virginia Beach Venue of the Women's Southern Championship

VIRGINIA BEACH, VA., Feb. 16th.—Letters announcing that the 20th annual tournament of the Women's Southern Golf Association will be held during the week of June 8th, 1931, over the courses of the Princess Anne Country Club and the Cavalier Golf and Country Club were sent during the past week to the secretaries of the four hundred members comprising the association, by Mrs. Willard P. Sullivan, of Suffolk, Virginia, secretary and treasurer of the association.

The Women's Southern Golf Association ranks as the third largest women's golf association, and outside of the National Women's Tournament,



the Southern event is one of the most important in the country. It is expected to make the twentieth annual tournament a reunion of all players now living who have ever played in previous tournaments of the association.

The States embraced in the member clubs of the Women's Southern Golf Association are Alabama, Arkansas, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia and West Virginia.

The cream of Dixie's feminine golfers is drawn to the Southern tournaments and this year's tournament promises to be the largest in the history of the organization, as the association voted at its last meeting to extend its territory lines to include Maryland and West Virginia.

The Women's Southern Golf Association has been in existence for more than nineteen years but has never met in Virginia. Although Virginia Beach has been the scene of several large championship events for women, including Virginia State and Mid-Atlantic events, the Southern Association tournament will be by far the greatest golf event ever held in this section. Mrs. Willard Sullivan, president in 1929 of the Tidewater Women's Golf Association of Virginia, and Mrs. W. Barnham Jones, 1930 president of that association, presented the invitation of L. H. Windholz, president of the Cavalier Golf and Country Club and also president of the Princess Anne Golf Club, both at Virginia Beach, to hold the 1931 battle on the two Virginia courses. Mr. Windholz drew such an alluring picture of the advantages and charms of golf near the Virginia coast that the association voted unanimously to try the Old Dominion State.

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## Winnipeg Golf Club "Defunctus"

THE Winnipeg Golf Club Limited, the debenture holders of the Winnipeg Golf Club, have gone into liquidation and the picturesque Bird's Hill course will no longer be operated. This golfing property has been leased from the Hutchings estate, and was maintained by membership fees. During the past few years these have been found inadequate to meet expenses with the result noted. A thorough job was made of the seizure, even the cups on the putting greens being dug up.

The Winnipeg Golf Club was started in 1912, and until a few years ago the course was considered one of the finest in Manitoba. Lack of water has, however, proven a serious handicap, and the property has not received the attention of other first-class courses in recent years. It has a club house excelled only by that at St. Charles, ideally situated on the crest of the hill not far from the Hutchings residence, familiarly known as the Castle.

Chas. Reith, who was pro at the Winnipeg Club for several years, accepted an appointment with the Elmhurst Club some time ago.

It will be remembered that the Canadian Amateur Championship was held for the first time in the West on this course of the Winnipeg Golf Club. This was in 1921 and the event was won by Mr. Frank Thompson, of Toronto, now of Chicago, who defeated in the final C. W. Hague, of Calgary, now of Los Angeles.

A valued Winnipeg correspondent calls attention to the fact that this Winnipeg Club which now goes into liquidation is not the old Winnipeg Club which was established in 1894. This club, the oldest in the West, still "carries

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on" but under the name of the Norwood Golf Club. At one time shares in the defunct Winnipeg Club were sold as high as \$225.00. They are now worth nil. It might be mentioned here that a failure of a golf club in Canada is a very rare event indeed. Mismanagement, it is claimed, spelled the doom of the Winnipeg Club.

## Ava Golf Club, Brantford, Has Remarkable Growth

SHOWING an increase of 100 per cent. in membership and more than that in the actual playing on the links, the members of the Ava Golf Club of Brantford congratulated the officers at the annual meeting held this month. President R. H. Reville, after the members had heard the report of Secretary-Treasurer W. G. Buskard, paid a high tribute to the management of the club which good work was seen in the report. The transient players increased 50 per cent.

The social committee also proved that it was sharing the general prosperity, the ladies reporting that the balance was quite encouraging from their end of the game as seen at the 19th hole. The organization again noted the honour conferred by its patron, the honorary president, Marquis of Dufferin and Ava.

The board of directors for the coming year were elected as follows:—President, R. H. Reville; secretary-treasurer, W. G. Buskard; managing directors, S. A. Jones, R. J. Warner and R. V. Woffinden.

The enthusiasm of the club members was quite noticeable, the membership feeling that with the great growth of the pastime they would have to look for more land to take care of the influx the popular club to the west end of the city is making.

The various committees that will have charge of the operations in the summer were elected with strong leaders. The club this year will place into play three Badminton courts, there being a particularly well sheltered place on the links for these courts. Outdoor Badminton is quite popular in the Old Country and there is no reason why it should not also be so in this country.

## “Fast Greens and No Worm Casts”

**A**ND here is a particularly good 'un from the Pictou, Nova Scotia, “Advocate”. How would you like to play over an 18,000 yard golf course? :

“Jack McKenna and the editor were trying some golf shots on the harbour on Monday afternoon. A spoon picked the ball easily from the glib surface and in places there was light snow which could be used for teeing. With the long run a drive of 500 yards was easy enough. It was a perfect winter afternoon with bright sunshine and a tang in the air to give a zest to living. The pair decided to make an 18-hole Giant McAskill course on the harbour, no hole under 1,000 yards. They would start from the Market wharf, have three holes towards the lighthouse, three up the East River, three from the East River to the Middle River, three up the Middle River, three up the West River and three homeward bound, the 19th hole being already established by the Provincial Government in the heart of Water Street. Players will of course use skates. The balls will be red and it is expected that two clubs only will be needed, a spoon and a putter. Any player who cannot stand on skates will be toted around on a hand sled, the caddie fee for said toting being 50 cents a round. Invitations are being extended to the New Glasgow, Antigonish and Truro Clubs to send over teams for friendly matches. Why go to Florida or California for golf when you can have better sport in clearer, cleaner air on the wind swept fairways of Pictou Harbour?”

## London Public Golf Club to Have Two Courses

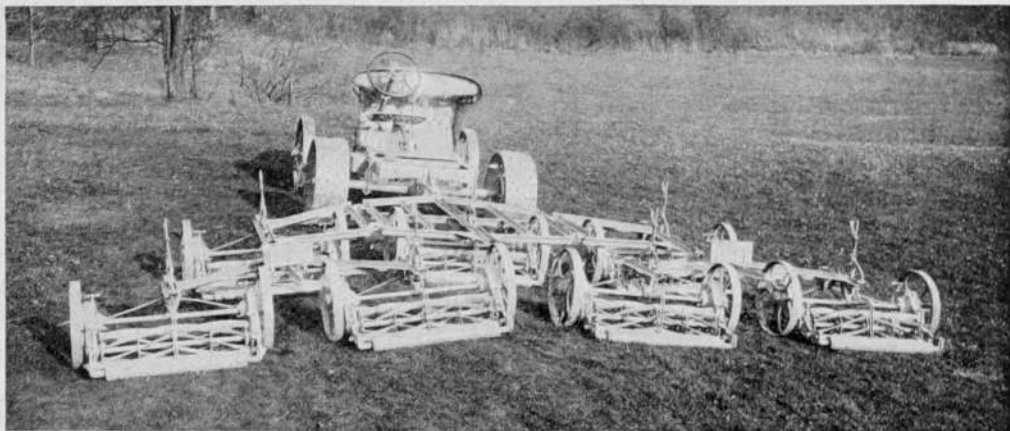
**L**ONDON, Ontario, is a particularly good example of what can be done by a progressive Parks or Utility Board of a city. Rather with fear and trembling seven years ago the London authorities decided to provide facilities for the ratepayers to enjoy golf at a nominal fee, and the Thames Valley course came into existence. At first the undertaking rather languished but soon interest was aroused and after the first season there was no question about the success of municipal golf in London—the heather was on fire.

Last year, Thames Valley had a membership of some nine hundred

and in addition collected the handsome sum of \$7,200 in \$1 green fees from visitors. The membership fee is \$15 per season with a reduced fee of \$10 for juniors, non-resident and wives of members. The operating surplus for 1930 was \$10,500. The total operating surplus from 1924 to date amounts to \$51,000, which has been expended as follows:—\$10,000 on a bridge across the river from the street car line; \$10,000 on the club house and \$31,000 on the construction and improvement of the golf course and payments on lands. The club has being entirely self supporting, all construction, operating and other ex-



## Worthington "MULTIGANG" GANG MOWER

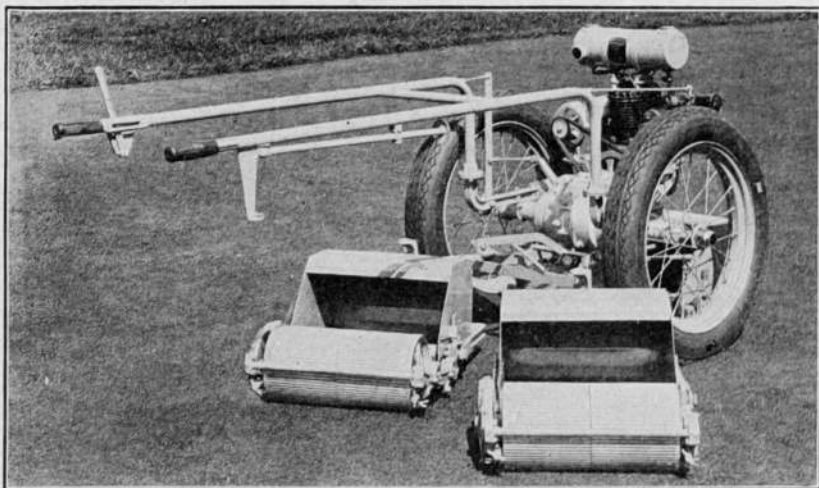


The Multigang and Worthington tractor will cut an acre of ground in four minutes. The cutting swath is 16 feet—it can be converted into a 5 gang mower cutting a swath nearly 12 feet by simply unhooking two rear Units.

A prominent Club where national championships are frequently held has written that a Worthington Lawn Tractor and Multigang has enabled them to cut all their fairways, tees, etc., in ten hours which has heretofore taken a tractor and five

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The Club estimates that this lessening of the time which allows the working force to be more effectively employed on other work, is equivalent to a money saving of \$25.00 per day.



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penses being paid out of earnings and 1930 finished with a cash balance in hand of \$1,000. On March 1st the club will start work on an additional 9 holes which in 1932 will provide the members with an 18-hole course of 6,200 yards and a 9-hole course of 2,700, both courses starting and finishing at the club house. What Lon-

don has done along public golf lines, every progressive municipality can also do. Make no mistake about that.

Thames Valley is fortunate in having had John Innes as its professional for several seasons now. He has done much for the members and the course being particularly well versed in all the phases of "the golf game."

## Another U. S. Amateur Turns Pro.

**L**EADING amateurs in the States following the example of several prominent young Scots of past years are turning their faces toward "star" professionalism, lured by prospects of an "easy life and easy money". George Von Elm has already joined the paid brigade with satisfactory results to himself and now comes word from Washington that Roland Mackenzie is seeking a job as a private professional or as the playing representative of a club. Asked if he would emulate George Von Elm and compete for cash prizes as a free lance professional even if he failed to obtain a club connection, Mackenzie answered that depended on how he went in competition against the pros.

If Mackenzie turns pro he will be the third Walker Cup player to renounce his amateur standing since the last National Amateur Championship was played in September, Von Elm and Bobby Jones already having done so. Britishers next year as a result of this defection should really have a chance to win the Walker Cup which unsuccessfully they have been trying to do now for ten years. As long as Jones and Von Elm headed the U.S. team their chances were very slim indeed.

## Golf One of Great Industries in U. S.

**G**OLF has developed into one of the United States greatest industries. Exclusive of the millions upon millions expended for clubs and balls and sartorial accoutrements, the amount invested in real estate, club houses and maintenance reached the enormous sum of \$852,891,408 in 1930.

For the first time since the game was imported from Scotland in the late years of the last century, the number of steady addicts verged on the two-million mark. This figure does not include the many thousands that were bitten by the "pee wee" golf germ.

The approximated number of 1,897,241 is arrived at through Herb Graffis, the very clever editor of *Golfdom*, the business journal of golf, and is apportioned this way:—

One thousand nine hundred and ninety-one eighteen-hole clubs, averaging 401 players, 798,391.

Three thousand three hundred nine-hole clubs, averaging 178 players, 587,400.

Four hundred and twenty-three public and daily-fee eighteen-hole courses, averaging 1100 players, 465,300.

One hundred and forty-two public and daily-fee nine-holes courses, averaging 325 players, 46,150.

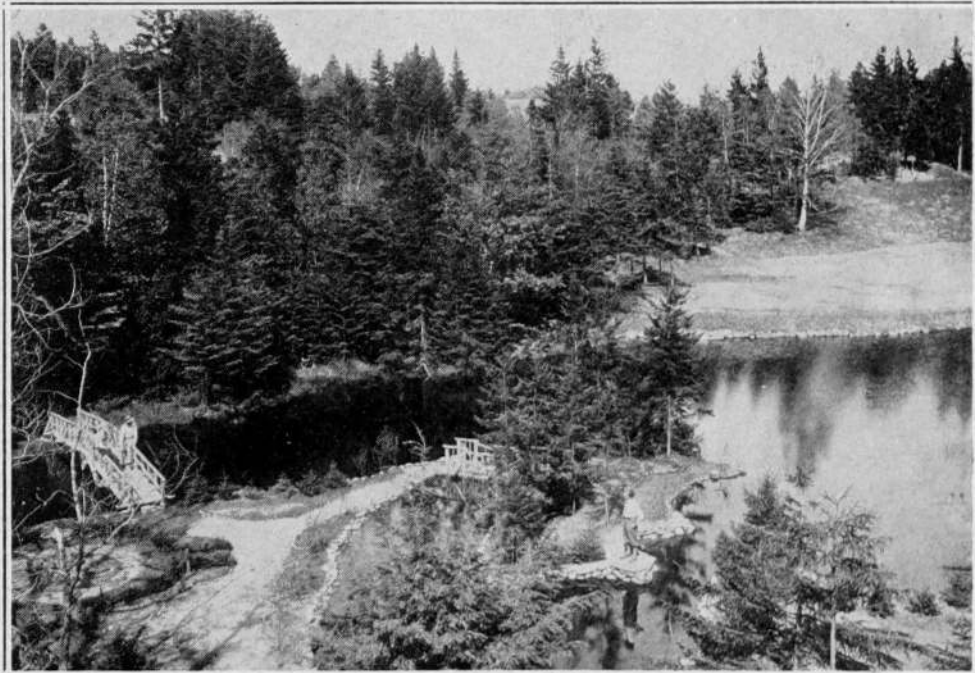
Thirty years ago the number of courses throughout the United States could be counted on the fingers of a pair of hands. To-day there are precisely 5,856 courses flourishing in all parts of the land.

## Beautiful Course for Digby, N.S.

**Eighteen-hole Lay-out Will be Opened for Play the Coming Summer at Popular Nova Scotian Summer Resort in Connection with the New Pines Hotel.**

**A**N 18-hole golf course with a handsome club house, set in beautiful scenery and with natural hazards among the most sporting in the Province will be at the disposal of tourists and visitors to the New Pines Hotel, Digby, Nova Scotia, the coming summer. Work on

built in such a way that the fine views afforded by the mountains and water are fully taken advantage of. The woodlands offer in many of the holes a complete division of fairways and create fine settings for many of the greens. Total length of the course is 6,300 yards and the par is 71, the



A view on the beautiful new golf course at Digby, N.S.

the course has been virtually completed and will be started almost immediately on the club house which will be ready by the time the first guests arrive for the 1931 season.

Practically the whole course, which was laid out by Mr. Stanley Thompson, the well known Toronto golf architect, slopes toward a stream in the centre so that from each hole practically all the rest of the course may be seen. There will be a very fine view of the course from the club house verandah, while the stream lends itself ideally to difficult mental hazards and to the creation of artificial lakes. The course has been

first nine holes being 3,110 yards, par 36.

A description of the course, hole by hole, follows:—

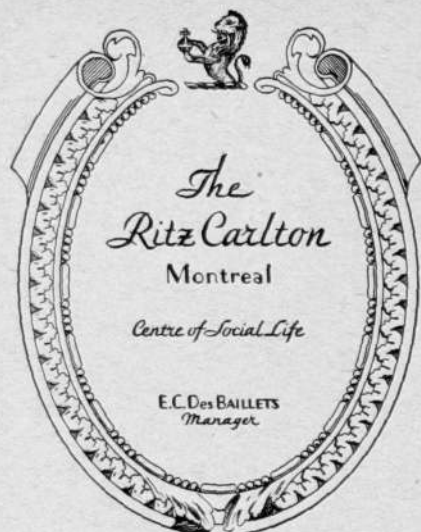
Hole No. 1, 385 yards, par 4. Over rolling ground lightly trapped on the left, with green large, well trapped and blended into terrain. This is a drive and pitch hole.

Hole No. 2, 175 yards, par 3. An iron shot across a pond and valley to a beautiful green nestled into the side of a hill with alternative route to the left where a patch of fairway will aid the timid player.

Hole No. 3, 340 yards, par 4. A drive and pitch with fairways carrying bunkers and green well trapped. This hole is uphill all the way.

Hole No. 4, 400 yards, par 4. A drive and iron to a large receptive green surrounded by trees. A nicely rolling fairway





with traps to right and left of green, forty to 50 yards out which first shot must carry

Hole No. 5, 240 yards, par 3. The play for this comes from the bush to the open where a large green lies atop a low hill. It is well mounted at back and trapped at side. Large area of flashed sand gives a striking appearance.

Hole No. 6, 420 yards, par 4. A long two-shot hole requiring two woods, or a long drive and iron to green. A carrying green on right and trees on both sides of the fairway from the 125-yard mark make accuracy of shots essential to avoid penalties.

Hole No. 7, 540 yards, par 5. This hole requires two full wood shots and a pitch to the green which is finely moulded and set in a group of large trees. The sides of the fairway border on the bush for almost its entire length. Sweeping bays have been cut into the woodlands giving a very scenic effect.

Hole No. 8, 160 yards, par 3. A one-shot hole from a lofty nest among pines across a winding brook to a perfect natural green nestled into a hillside below. In looking from green back to tee, the arching of the branches of the trees and the shape of the clearing gives the effect of a Gothic Cathedral.

Hole No. 9, 450 yards, par 5. This hole gives the long player a chance to be on the green in two and offers to the shorter player a good opportunity to be on the green in three. The first drive is untrapped. Heavy bunkers must be carried on the second and a chip shot reaches the green.

Hole No. 10, 445 yards, par 4. There are two tees to this hole. One is on the low ground and the other on the side of a hill. Pretty hedgerows and trees flank the fairway with a large green, well fitted to take

a second long shot. This hole is a marked dog's leg with a large bunker to carry after the turn.

Hole No. 11, 320 yards, par 4. This is a very picturesque and interesting hole. The tee is set in the side of a hill and blends into it. In front of it the ground is covered with prostrate juniper, falls away rapidly and a deep gully yawns below. A stream meanders through the bottom. Having carried the gully, a short second lands the player on the green which is a natural one, located in front of a small orchard. About 50 yards out from the green is a trap shaped like a question mark. A bridge is built across the gully to obviate too much extra hill climbing.

Hole No. 12, 420 yards, par 4. This is a slight dog's leg, starting in the open but soon plunging into bush land with well waved fairway outlines. A good drive and a well-placed iron brings the player to a spacious nicely saucered green. The fairway is undulating.

Hole No. 13, 470 yards, par 5. A driver, brassie and short chip to a wide open green with putting character. This hole is a dog's leg starting well back in the bush and coming into full view of the Annapolis Basin.

Hole No. 14, 200 yards, par 3. This is a full one-shot hole on a continual gradual slope to the green which is located in front of a well balanced group of maples. The traps are large and the sand is well flashed.

Hole No. 15, 395 yards, par 4. The tee shot is heavily trapped while the second turns a dog's leg downhill and to the left to a receptive but well bunkered green. A drive over the green would be fatal, as a valley opens behind it.

Hole No. 16, 130 yards, par 3. From high on one side to deep down in the valley on the other the ball must carry over a wide pond studded with beautifully landscaped islands. This hole is a picture.

Hole No. 17, 350 yards, par 4. A drive and a pitch to a natural green. Sand flashing is very effective in a bunker on a side of a hill at right of green.

Hole No. 18, 460 yards, par 5. The home hole is well trapped. All the bunkering and sand flashing close to the green are generous. The green itself is well moulded to give plenty of putting character. A pretty orchard at the back adds a final touch to the picture.

We now come—and most golfers come there without regret—to the nineteenth hole.

The club house will be a one-storey structure with a partly excavated basement and gabled roof, situated about 15 minutes walk from the hotel. It will face the Digby-Broad Cove highway and at its rear a series of

steps from a large verandah will lead to the 18th hole of the course, while the first tee will be at a short distance to the right of the building.

A semi-circular drive-way, broadening into a large parking space, will lead to the club house. Through the main entrance one will reach the entrance hall, with office, men's lockers and men's room on the right, and women's lockers and ladies' rest room on the left. Passing through the entrance hall one can go through two open doorways into the main lounge, equipped with a large, open fireplace. The verandah runs the length of two sides of the club house, on the side facing the course and the left side of the building and is reached through two doorways from the main lounge.

Both men's and ladies' quarters are to be equipped with showers of the

latest designs and are provided with spacious lockers. The interior finish of these quarters will be in plaster. Between the lounge and the verandah, on the right side, are a kitchen and storeroom, with facilities for serving afternoon tea.

The building will rest on a concrete foundation and will be finished outside in stained shingles. The roof will be covered with asphalt shingles and will have besides one high gable, a minor one over the verandah. The chimney will be built of Nova Scotia rubble stone. Decorations inside will be in light coloured paint.

In the basement will be the professional's shop. It will also contain a heating room for showers and hot water heating. The verandah will be screened in completely in warm weather.

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## Two Well-known Lady Golfers in the Spotlight

(By Griffith Bonner, Special to the Canadian Golfer)

**T**WO women golfers well known in both Canada and the United States were active in the California spotlight and sport light during the month of February. The golfers were Miss Mary K. Browne, former tennis champion, and Miss Marion Hollins, former U.S. National women's golf champion.

At Los Angeles in the midwinter invitation tourney of the Los Angeles Country Club Miss Browne again resumed her role as an amateur woman golfer, after having been barred from this privilege for several years by the United States Golf Association for her participation in professional tennis activities. Miss Browne, a former runner-up for women's National golfing honours, and a former contender in the Canadian women's tournaments, showed that she will still be a contender for golfing honours for several years to come. Without much practise on the difficult Los Angeles links that was the scene of the women's National in 1930, Miss Browne navigated the 18 holes in 88 strokes, to qualify well up in the championship division on a course that had been slowed up by a rain storm. The wood shots of Miss Browne were perfect and she could have outdriven many a golfer of the sterner sex from off the tee. Shots were lost by the tennis and golf expert around the green, where she often three putted and the work of her iron play was far from her usual standard. Miss Browne was given a testimonial dinner by her fellow players as a welcome home to the realms of amateur golf.

## Prince Opens Canadian-Designed Golf Course

**A** CABLE from Kingston, Jamaica, February 3rd, announced that the Prince of Wales despite the busy day which awaited him found time to open the new golf course at Constant Springs, six miles from Kingston. It is interesting to note that a Canadian, Mr. Stanley Thompson, of



H. R. H. The Prince of Wales who officially opened the new Jamaica Golf Course.

Toronto, was the architect of this 18-hole course, which he laid out when in Jamaica last year. It is an up-to-date lay-out in every respect and compares favourably with the magnificent courses designed by Mr. Thompson at Jasper Park and Banff which are acknowledged to be two of the world's finest resort courses. The Torontonians has now an International reputation as a golf architect he having designed several courses in the States besides a score or more in Canada of outstanding character. Mr. Thompson is especially proud of the fact that his course in Jamaica was formally opened by the heir to the throne—himself, a very keen golfer.

Incidentally the Prince seems to have quite impressed the Jamaicans with his ability as a golfer. A cable records that "the Prince of Wales found time to practice driving before officially opening the Constant Springs course. He excited considerable admiration of his drives which did not appear to suffer because of his long voyage."

The Prince and his brother also played golf during their brief stop at Panama, their next stop, notwithstanding a temperature in the shade of a hundred or so.

During his visit to Jamaica, at the dance given in his honour and that of his brother, Prince George, at Kingston, His Royal Highness chose as his partner for four dances Miss Betty Gardner, of Brockville, Ontario, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Gill Gardner, of Brockville. Mr. Gardner is a well known golfer and he and his family have done very much to make the Brockville Golf and Country Club the great success it is to-day.

## The National Greenkeepers' Convention

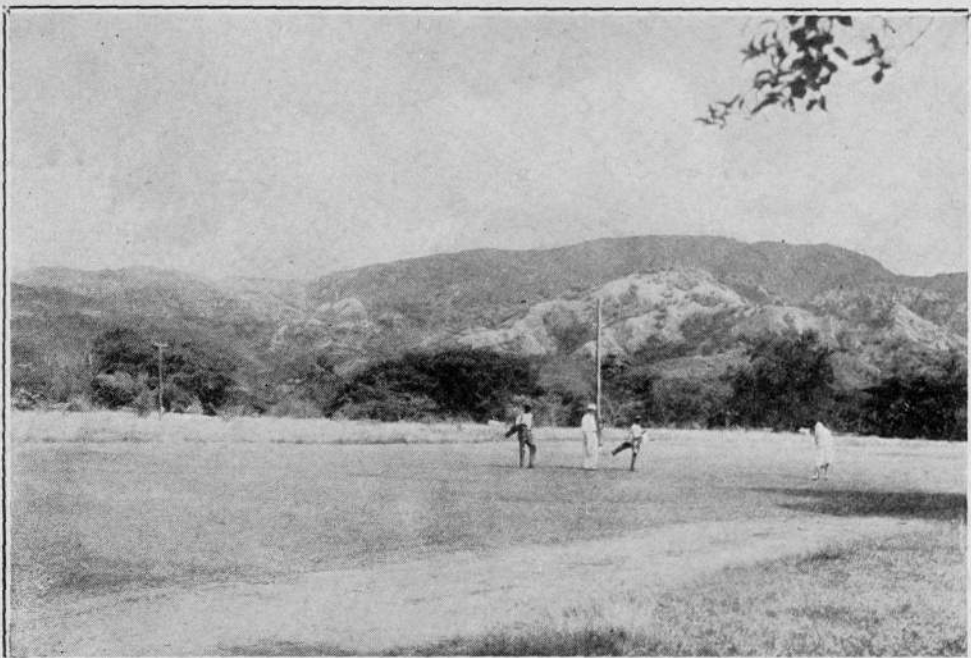
Canadian Team Wins the \$100 Prize for Construction of Putting Green.  
Toronto Awarded the 1924 Convention.

(By W. J. Sansom, Toronto Golf Club)

**T**OGETHER with other greenkeepers of the various clubs round Toronto we had the great pleasure of attending the Fifth Annual National Greenkeepers' Convention and Golf Show at Columbus, Ohio, February 3rd to the 6th. Arriving in Columbus Monday evening we

found many greenkeepers from all parts of the United States had already registered, and the manufacturers busily engaged in placing their equipment ready for the show. On visiting Mr. Morley, our worthy president, we were all pleased to see him looking so well after his recent





A view on the Constant Springs Golf Course, Jamaica, formally opened by H. R. H. the Prince of Wales.

illness and serious operation that he had undergone.

Tuesday morning the Golf Show opened, the show being held at the Auditorium, three blocks away from the hotel. There greenkeepers from all parts of America and Canada could be seen as well as some of the chairmen of green committees and secretary-managers of clubs thoroughly going through the equipment. And what a display! Everything in the way of equipment that is used for the upkeep of a golf course. There could be seen different improvements on machinery, cutting units for fairways, power putting green machines, etc. There was every known device on display for watering which everyone at the present time is very much interested in and are out for any information they can obtain for some kind of a watering system to instal. This is one thing clubs can spend a large sum of money on in installing a water system for watering fairways and it is advisable to get

all the information that can be had. There are all kinds of literature one can get on this very important question. Many of the leading clubs in the States that have a watering system have spent a great deal of money—anything from eighteen thousand to thirty thousand dollars.

The system most in favour for fairways is the hoseless system, running the pipe lines through the centre of fairways with the pop up valve, only requiring the services of one man to open valves at the different sections and again closing. That of course is a saving in labour and again there is not the expense of continually buying hose, also doing away with the labour of carting hose from one place to another. These are the important questions that have to be considered and even though it might be costly at the first to instal such a system at the same time it may be far the cheaper over the period of years. The size used for the pipe line is 6 inches reducing to 3 inches.

The golf show alone was well worth the time spent in attending the convention. One had the chance to see for himself all the latest and most up-to-date machinery and equipment enabling one to buy intelligently and well.

The following was the delightful programme participated in by national-wide authorities during the convention. All these papers were greatly enjoyed.

February 4th—Golf Course Construction in Relation to Course Maintenance, by Tom Winton, golf course architect, New York. Care of Trees, by Martin J. Davey, president Daveys Tree Expert, Kent, Ohio. Growing Grass Seed in America, by Theodore E. Odland, Agronomist Agriculture Experiment Station of Rhode Island, Kingston. Why Minerals in Fertilizers? by Professor R. J. Deloach, director of Agricultural Research Armour Fertilizer Works, Chicago. Co-operation, by Ganson Depew, chairman Green Section Committee United States Golf Association, Buffalo, N.Y.

February 5—Irrigation, by John MacGregor, greenkeeper Wheaton Golf Club, Chicago, Ill. Some Water Relations of Turf Plants, by Dr. H. Sprague, Agronomist State of New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station. Drainage, by Edward Dearie, Jr., golf course architect and constructor, Chicago, Ill. Poisons in Limed and Unlimed Soil, by J. White, Professor of Soil Technology the Pennsylvania State College. A Few Comments on This and That, by Professor B. R. Leach, Riverton, N.Y.

February 6th—The Greenkeeper and His Chairman, by L. S. Dickenson, Assistant Professor of Horticulture, Massachusetts

Agricultural College, Amherst. Practical Greenkeeping, by Jos. Williamson, greenkeeper Scioto Country Club, Columbus. Bookkeeping for Golf Courses, by E. W. Doty, treasurer Cleveland District Golf Association. The Form, an open discussion conducted by Professor J. S. Dickenson.

These very interesting and educational papers prepared by the speakers will be published month by month in the journal of the National Greenkeepers, so that those who were unable to attend the convention will have an opportunity of reading these articles.

The "Building of the Putting Green" contest was one of the outstanding features of this great convention. Teams were entered by J. MacGregor, greenkeeper of Chicago; J. Quail, greenkeeper, Pittsburgh; B. Hayes, greenkeeper, Pelham, Long Island, and one by myself (W. J. Sansom, Toronto Golf Club).

I am glad to say that my team won the prize of \$100 for building this putting green. It was a model of a 400-yard par hole built to scale with the plan showing the tee and fairway, this green being built with moulders sand, and green coloring for the finishing effect. Our Ontario team are to be highly commended on their excellent work. The team was as follows:—Captain of team, F. Hamm, Royal York Club; J. Austin, Humber Valley Club; Van Rosewell, Thornhill Ladies' Club; John Gray, Essex Club, Sandwich; B. Gray, Leamington, Ontario.

I had the honour of being elected to the second vice-presidency of the Association for 1931. It was decided to hold the convention next year in New York City and in 1933 in Chicago. In 1934 Toronto will have the great pleasure of playing host to this outstanding association—a very great honour indeed.

## Ladies' Club Has Successful Year

THE Ladies' Golf and Tennis Club of Toronto, Limited, the only ladies' club in Canada, held its annual meeting last month. Lady Baillie presided at the well-attended meeting and the directors present were: Mrs. D. A. Dunlap, Mrs. J. H. Gundy, Mrs. A. D. Miles, Mrs. A. F. Rodger, Mrs. Leonard Murray and Mrs. William C. White.

The club, as evidenced by the reports from the various committees, has had an interesting and successful year. C. S. Eddis, chartered accountant, presented the financial statement to the meeting, showing that the club, despite general conditions, has improved its financial position during the year: the liabilities show a reduction, and the cash and receivables an increase, as compared with a year ago—a total improvement in the club's position of \$1,300 in the year. The marked improvement in the greens and fairways has been commented on by well-known visiting golfers and the splendid display of flowers in the well-kept gardens makes the club one of the most attractive in Toronto.

It is interesting to note that Miss Ada Mackenzie, Canada's outstanding lady player, was responsible for the successful launching in 1924 of this interesting club. Until quite recently she was the club's most efficient secretary.

# Mutual Life Assurance Company of Canada

Had a Wonderful Year in 1930. Policyholders Listen to a Most Interesting Address From the President, Mr. R. O. McCulloch.

THE annual meeting of the Mutual Life Assurance Company of Canada was held in the beautiful head office building, Waterloo, Ontario, on February 5th. There was a very large attendance of prominent policyholders from all parts of Canada who had the pleasure of hearing most satisfactory and encouraging reports from the President, Mr. R. O. McCulloch and the general manager, Mr. W. H. Somerville. "The Mutual" had a wonderful year in 1930 in all departments of its varied activities. It ranks to-day as one of the greatest and best managed Assurance Companies in Canada, with total assets of \$116,662,000 and total insurance in force of \$492,833,000.

When moving the adoption of the directors' report the president, Mr. R. O. McCulloch, said in part, and his remarks are deserving of most careful consideration:—

"I am happy to say that the directors' report of your company covering the operations for the past year supplies me with encouraging thoughts, which we should broadcast to our policyholders and to the Canadian public. It is, for instance, a fact that in 1930 the company not only earned the largest profits in its history, but also paid out to policyholders the greatest amount of dividends in any of its sixty years of operation. The amount of new assurances paid for, while not as large as in the record year of 1929, was greater than in any previous year; and the net increase of assurances in force—\$31,522,665—was very satisfactory, and I regard it as doubtful whether any company of comparative size and age will have a greater gain in total assurances in force in relation to the business paid for than our own Company. It is noteworthy, too, that the substantial volume of our paid-for new business—\$60,526,212—and the satisfactory gain in assurances in force was not obtained through any high pressure salesmanship, or at any increase in cost, the expenses of operation having been actually reduced, and having reached in 1930 the lowest ratio to income at which they have ever stood.

"The net profits for the year—\$5,254,351.81—are \$211,316.41 in excess of the preceding year, and represent \$45.04 for each \$1,000 of total assets, which now aggregate \$116,662,059.64. The company's special reserves and surplus funds, which have been increased to \$12,468,009.44 in-

clude general investment reserves and free surplus available for contingencies of ample amount to take care of any adverse factors.

"Our mortality experience has again been favourable and the rate of interest earned on invested funds is the high figure of 6.13%.

"I am sure that these very favourable results must be very gratifying to the policyholders; and I desire to extend my



Mr. R. O. McCulloch, president Mutual Life Assurance Company of Canada.

heartiest congratulations to the office and field forces for the outstanding evidence of their efficiency and industry which the statements of the year present.

"The year 1930 was a very difficult one for all classes of business and will be remembered by reason of constantly growing depression in all lines of activity. The situation has been reviewed in many annual addresses and it is not necessary for me to repeat what has already been said and with which you are all familiar. Life insurance is fortunately one business which has been less materially affected than most by the general adverse conditions, as the decline of life insurance sales in 1930 was relatively slight, clearly indicating the value of life insurance and confidence of the people in its stability. As a speaker recently said, people might chase rainbows at times but they continue to put their faith in the solid protection of life insurance for the ultimate security of their families.

"It is a notable fact that while the market value of bonds, debentures or stocks



may go up or down, there has been no depreciation in the value of life policies, but rather the usual appreciation due to increase of years in force, and, considered in relation to commodity prices, the values of life insurance policies are much higher than a year ago.

"The guiding principle of the investment policy of the Company has always been "security first", and we have continued,



Mr. W. H. Somerville, general manager Mutual Life Assurance Company of Canada.

and will continue, to be governed by this principle. In time of depression and decline in security values the investments of financial institutions must bear the closest scrutiny, and the policyholders of this Company will, I am sure, be very gratified to know that our investments, valued on the basis authorized by the Dominion Department of Insurance, show an appreciation of \$1,840,630.65 or 4.08% over the figures at which they are carried in the Company's books.

"As most of the company's farm mortgages are on the security of properties in Western Canada the company's contribution to the development of the Western Provinces has been substantial. These investments have been made in selected areas on the recommendations of our own managers and inspectors, and our experience in the main has been satisfactory. We have every reason to expect that it will continue to be so, although we anticipate that the success of some of our farmer borrowers who may be having difficulties will depend upon the degree of co-operation we secure from them in taking advantage of assistance we pro-

pose to offer them to help them out of their present difficulties.

"The farmers of Western Canada have sustained heavy losses in connection with the 1929 and 1930 crops, and a few of our Western farm mortgagors are finding it difficult to meet their interest payments, not because they suffered from poor crops but because of low grain prices. It is manifest that grain prices will not soon again reach the high figures that were maintained for some years prior to 1930, and this illustrates the necessity of an improvement in present methods and in many cases the adoption of other methods, the elimination of waste, increased efficiency and a greater diversification of production. It may be that the present low cash prices of all grains may prove to be not an unmixed evil, as those farmers in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta who have a sufficient number of high-grade dairy cows, beef-cattle and hogs to consume a large portion of their 1930 grain crop stand to realize much more for their wheat and barley through milk, beef and pork production than can be realized at the present time for cash grain. This situation is bearing fruit in forcing many farmers to the conclusion that their future prosperity depends upon a diversified production which will assure them their living and operating expenses quite apart from cash grain. We still believe that, while in some sections of the West natural conditions are not favourable to other than wheat growing, the future success of a very large number of the farmers of Western Canada can best be obtained by a proper diversification of crops and the raising of livestock, under competent management, which will bring about a better farm production than has hitherto prevailed and a substantial reduction in the cost of production of grain and livestock which will enable Canada to successfully meet world competition in agricultural products. For this reason our Company has taken a very keen interest during recent years in the development of mixed farming in the West, and, in co-operation with four other Canadian Life companies, two trust companies and the Canadian Pacific Railway, has played an important part in the formation and development of the Colonization Finance Corporation. This organization, I believe, is destined to do much to assist the farmers of Western Canada, as their entire energies are being devoted to giving the farmers of the West, for the present particularly in Manitoba and Eastern Saskatchewan, the highest type of expert farm management service under the direction of a competent and experienced chief farm manager and his staff or zone managers."

The address of Mr. Somerville, the general manager, which followed Mr. McCulloch's, was a particularly interesting survey and summary of

the year's remarkably successful activities. He stressed especially the gratifying surplus earnings for 1930 of \$5,254,351, the largest in the history of the Company and \$211,316

greater than in 1929—a wonderful showing especially in view of the general world-wide depression the past year.

## “Chick” Evans to Retire from Competitive Golf

WORD comes from Chicago that “Chick” Evans, he of “the cheery smile”, has resolved to retire from competitive golf and will not enter any of the big events the coming season. The many times champion is only 40 years of age but has decided in future to confine his golfing activities to laying out golf courses and playing only in friendly games. “Chick” is very well known and exceedingly popular in Canada. The new 18-hole course at Guelph which has been given to his native city by Mr. Cutten, a Chicago millionaire, and which will be put into play this season, was designed by Evans. It is a very fine lay-out indeed and promises to rank with the outstanding courses of Canada. It is expected the formal opening of both the club house and course this summer will be made a notable occasion, many leading golfers participating in the function. Mr. Cutten's magnificent gift is greatly appreciated by the golfers of the Royal City. This is the first time in the history of golf in Canada that a course has been presented to a municipality.



## New Club at Dundas, Ontario, Too, Has Fine Year

A T a well attended meeting of the shareholders of the Dundas Golf and Country Club held in the public library at Dundas, Ontario, reports were submitted to show that the new club enjoyed a very successful season in 1930, despite the fact that only nine holes were available for play. The treasurer's report showed that \$33,800 had been expended on the course in an effort to make it the beauty spot of Ontario, but despite this the club finished with a balance on hand.

Next season only nine holes will be available for early play, but the expectations are that eighteen will be ready not later than the first of July. Extensions have been made to the locker room to provide accommodation for the increased membership and it was reported that large shares of stock had been purchased by Hamilton and Dundas men since the close of last season.

The election of officers resulted as follows:—President, J. M. Campbell; vice-president, L. G. Grightmire; second vice-president, Graham Bertram; secretary-treasurer, W. G. Campbell; chairman of the green committee, T. M. Stock; chairman of house, J. L. Grightmire; chairman of publicity, J. W. Lawrason. Directors, J. M. Campbell, Dr. T. A. Bertram, Thomas M. Stock,

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J. W. Lawrason, J. L. Grightmire, Frank Lennard, Jr., A. L. Shaver, Graham Bertram, J. F. Crowley, C. W. Pennington, D. E. Knowles and A. B. Smith.

The directors announced that Davie Hastings, who took over professional duties at the club during the latter part of the season, had proven himself well qualified for the position and will be re-engaged for 1931.

## How Bobby Jones Won Another Medal

THE gold medal of the U.S. Amateur Athletic Union which is awarded to the amateur who has done most during the year to advance the cause of sportsmanship and which was recently awarded to Bobby Jones, was given to him—because "He has been acclaimed often at home and abroad as an unofficial ambassador of the United States to foreign lands. During the several years that he has been in the public eye, there has not been a single reflection on his sportsmanship or amateur status. By his excellence of performance, retiring nature, disdain for acclaim, helpfulness to and generous spirit towards his opponents and fine example under many trying situations, he has endeared himself to all lovers of amateur sport."

The committee making the award is composed of a group of 600 outstanding leaders in the world of sport representing all sections of the United States. "Bobby" polled a vote twice as large as his nearest opponent, Clarence De Mar. In third place was Mrs. Helen Wills Moody, the great tennis player.

Jones will be given a testimonial dinner when he will be presented with the gold medal at the Medinah Athletic Club, Chicago, Thursday, Feb. 26th. The event promises to be attended by a very large and representative number of leading amateurs from all branches of sport in the States.



# Great Britain and Overseas

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

**T**HE greatest event in British professional golf this season will be the £1,500 tournament at Southport May 11th-15th. The event is being organized and financed throughout by the Dunlop Sports Co. Ltd. and the Corporation of Southport.

clared to be no longer an amateur. It is purely a domestic matter for the United States Association. In the event of Mr. Jones returning to this country and entering for a championship event, the club would be called upon to consider the matter, and not until then. In my opinion, the decision does not affect Mr. Jones's posi-



Going towards the 10th tee on the Rye Golf Course, M. C. L. Tindall, Chairman of the Rye Golf Club, Bernard Darwin, who won the Putter in 1924, and Captain A. G. Pearson, who defeated Darwin at the 19th and won the trophy, beating A. M. Vagliano.

This is the largest money tournament ever staged in Great Britain.

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In connection with the official announcement of the U.S.G.A. that Bobby Jones will no longer be eligible to compete in amateur events in the States, Mr. Norman Boase, chairman of the Royal and Ancient Club's Championship Committee, has issued the following interesting pronouncement:—

"The Royal and Ancient Club has received no notification of Mr. Jones's resignation, nor was the Club consulted in the decision that Mr. Jones has been de-

tion as a member of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club."

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One of the most interesting fixtures in the Old Country is the annual competition for the president's putter, participated in by the members of the Oxford and Cambridge Golfing Society. A very large and strong field of leading players participated in the fixture, which was won by Capt. A. G. Pearson, who defeated in the final by 6 and 5 A. M. Vagliano, the French Amateur Champion. There was a particularly large and prominent field of entrants.



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Mr. Hal Ludlow, ex-amateur champion of Wales, and the well-known artist, is now engaged in painting a portrait of the Prince of Wales in plus fours which Lord Glanely is presenting to the Royal Porthcawl Golf Club, of which His Royal Highness is patron. The painting will show the Prince with part of the course and the sea in the background.

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The old Derbyshire Golf Club has been wound up, and a sum of £115, representing a surplus, has been disposed of as follows:—£10 10s. each to the Derbyshire Children's Hospital, the Derbyshire Royal Infirmary, and the Women's Hospital; two-thirds of the balance to William Hutchings, former professional, and the remainder to the head groundsman, Jack Sheppard.

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W. H. Bermingham, the Cambridge University "blue," scored in club competitions at both West Hill and West Byfleet in one day. In the morning at West Hill he finished, from scratch, in 75, and left the club, after a quick lunch, knowing only that he had returned the best score up to that time. He then went to West Byfleet, where he won the monthly bogey with a return of all square. His 75 at West Hill also proved to be good enough to win.

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Mr. Gilbert C. Elliott, a keen golfer, and a friend of the Prince of Wales, has died at the age of 60 at his home, Hull Place, Sholden, near Deal. In accordance with his wish, he is to be buried in the rose garden of his estate. He was captain of the Royal St. George's Club in 1927, to which post the Prince of Wales succeeded in the following year. He was also a member of the Royal Cinque Ports Club and the Royal and Ancient, winning the Calcutta Cup at St. Andrews in 1926. Mr. Elliott was for 20 years chairman of the National Sporting Club, and was also vice-president of the British Boxing Board of Control.

Mr. Horace G. Hutchison, who won the British Amateur Championship in 1886 and 1887, or over forty years ago, has been elected president of the Oxford and Cambridge Golfing Society in succession to the late Mr. A. C. M. Croome.

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Mr. W. Bruce Hunter, who died, aged 51, at Davos, Switzerland, was a familiar figure to golfers in England and Scotland. He was the last surviving male member of the famous Morris family, being a grandson of Old Tom Morris and a nephew of "Young Tom." Mr. Hunter was a director of the firm which controlled Tom Morris's shop alongside the 18th green at St. Andrews. He played in the Open and Amateur Championships on several occasions, and in 1913 was runner-up for the Lancashire Amateur Championship. It is recorded of Mr. Hunter that he came into possession of the old Championship Belt and other golfing heirlooms of the Morris family and that he was offered a substantial sum by an American for the historic belt. He refused to sell it however, but presented it to the Royal and Ancient Club, and the belt is now one of the club's most prized possessions.

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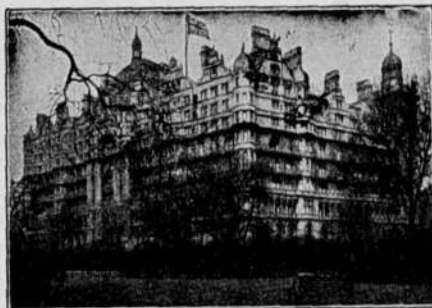
The Tasmanian Ladies' Championship, held at Kingston Beach, Hobart, was won by Miss Bonnie Thyne, of King's Meadows, Launceston, which is a full day's journey from Hobart, so that very little was known of Miss Thyne's skill and the result came as a complete surprise.

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George Duncan is to appear in a golf instructional talkie, which will be produced by a British concern at Elstree. Duncan is one of the world's greatest stylists.

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C. A. Whitcombe, Abe Mitchell, T. H. Cotton, P. Alliss, and H. C. Jolly have been invited to take part in the International golf week at Bastad, Sweden, in August.



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At the annual dinner of the Sussex Professional Golfers' Union at Brighton, England, Fred Robson was presented with an oak tantalus on the occasion of his leaving Cooden Beach for the Addington Palace Club.

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Colonel and Mrs. Skene, of Hall-yards and Pitlour, recently celebrated the 25th anniversary of their wedding. They were married in St. Giles by the late Very Reverend Dr. Cameron Lees on January 11, 1906. Mrs. Skene was a well-known member of Edinburgh society. Colonel Philip George Moncrief Skene is a well-known golfer at St. Andrews, where he has been captain of the Royal and Ancient. In the European War he was mentioned in despatches and received the O.B.E., the Croix de Guerre, and second class St. Stanislaus. He succeeded his father in the estates in 1911.



# Old Club and Course of Kitchener For Sale

THE Grand River Country Club of Kitchener, Ontario, which will in the future be known as the Westmount Golf and Country Club, Waterloo, puts into play this season its splendid new 18-hole course. The very handsome club house has already been officially opened with a most successful dance this winter. As a result of the new course and club house, the old 9-hole course and club house is for sale at the bargain price of \$30,000 it is understood. The land alone is worth that. It is just possible that the four important insurance companies located in Waterloo and Kitchener may purchase the property for the use of their several hundred employees. The companies would make no mistake about doing so, alike in their own interests and that of their staffs. The old course and club house are in first-class shape and most conveniently situated. That such a club could be run without any cost to the insurance companies hardly admits of a question. In fact, it should be a money-maker in the long run. A fully equipped and excellent golfing property for sale in Canada is something never heard of before. It shouldn't wait long for a purchaser and at such a price in a progressive centre as Waterloo and Kitchener.

## Humber Valley, Toronto

Is Preparing for a Record Year in 1931. Club House and Courses Alike to be Greatly Improved.

THE annual dance and presentation of prizes of the Humber Valley Golf Club and the Humber Tennis Club was recently held at the Parkdale Canoe Club, Toronto. The various prizes for the season of 1930 were presented as follows:—

Golf Section—Ladies' club championship—Miss Mary Blake, winner; Ida Phillips, runner-up.

Ladies' club handicap—Miss Ida Phillips, winner; Mrs. G. Pyrrait, runner-up.

Bowman Trophy—Miss Jessie Secord, winner; Miss Florence Graham, runner-up.

Men's club championship—Wm. Inglis, winner; Wm. Taylor, runner-up.

Men's club handicap—H. McSwigin, winner; W. T. Singer, runner-up.

R. Y. Eaton Shield, handicap—R. M. Addison, winner; Wm. Inglis, runner-up.

Century handicap—H. R. Polson, winner; H. C. Annis, runner-up.

Two-ball foursome—Wm. Inglis and Doug. Cockburn, winners; M. R. Lawson and E. A. Edwards, runners-up.

Staff Trophy—D. Hutchison, winner.

Young Trophy, boys 16 and under—Alex. McDonald, winner; Roger Pake, runner-up.

Stan. L. Wright Trophy, boys 14 and under—Jack Argent, winner; Bob Lawson, runner-up.

Young Trophy, girls 16 and under—Margaret Jacob, winner; Diana Pyrrait, runner-up.

Humber Tennis Club—Ladies' singles championship—Miss Isabel Simmons, win-

ner; Miss Betty Gravett, runner-up.

Men's singles championship—Wilf. C. Powell, winner; W. W. Hyndman, runner-up.

Mixed doubles and championship—Miss Isabel Simmons and Aubrey T. Maher, winners; Miss Betty Gravett and W. W. Hyndman, runners-up.

Humber Valley, which owes so much to Mr. Ralph Connable, "the Father of Municipal Golf in Ontario", had a very successful season in 1930, and is planning for a record season in 1931. Both the club house and the two courses are to be greatly improved the coming season, Mr. Connable states, who although (unfortunately for Canada), now living in Buffalo, still maintains a keen interest in the Humber Valley Club and its hundreds of members. Mr. Home Smith, the owner of the valuable land which the members of the club play over, has very generously and graciously extended the lease of the property for another term of years at a very nominal rental. He and Mr. Connable certainly have done a great deal to make golf possible on reasonable terms for the ratepayers of Toronto and are deserving of every commendation.

# With the Professionals

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

A COPY of "Golf", the first magazine devoted to the game in the States, published in New York 25 years ago this month, recently sent the Editor, contains a description of the Open Championship of Mexico, which was won by the late Willie Smith, brother of MacDonald Smith with the score of 289 which at that time constituted a world's low record. Among the contestants were the late Percy Barrett, for many years professional at the Lambton Golf and Country Club, Toronto, and the famous British pros, Sandy Herd, Jack White, Rowland Jones, and Andra Kirkaldy.

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The death is announced of Bob Stalker, professional at the Huntingdon Valley Club, Nobel, Penn. He was a former well known Scottish amateur but turned professional after the war.

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The numerous friends in Canada of Harry Vardon, the famous professional will be glad to hear that he has recovered from his recent quite severe illness. He has been convalescing at Bournemouth.

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D. T. Croal has been appointed professional the coming season for the new Westmount Golf and Country Club at Waterloo, which in the spring is opening one of the finest 18-hole courses in Ontario and an artistic club house second to none in the Province. Croal, who served most acceptably for six years as pro of the Grand River Country Club, Kitchener, which has given up its course there to take over Westmount, was born and educated in Edinburgh, where his family are prominent in journalistic and other circles. After taking an agricultural course at Edinburgh University he served overseas with the Cameron Highlanders and then with his wife and young family came out to Canada. Six years ago he joined the

professional ranks of which now he is such a capable member. Westmount is fortunate in having retained the services of such a competent coach. Mrs. Croal is also a keen golfer and plays a very good game indeed. They have a family of four bright



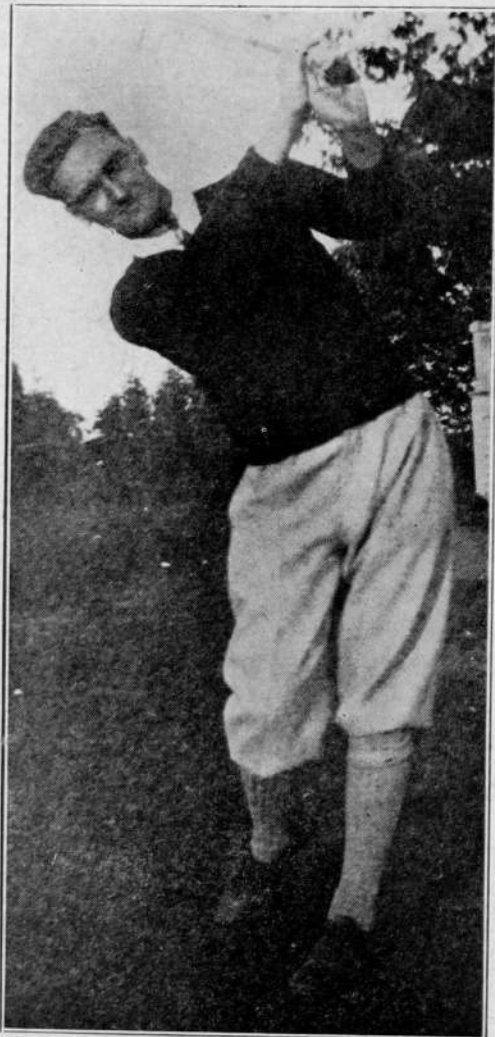
D. T. Croal, who has again been appointed professional of the Westmount Golf and Country Club, Waterloo.

boys, the eldest of whom is pursuing his studies in Edinburgh.

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It is no secret that the leading American professionals were profoundly glad when last season Bobby Jones decided to drop out of championship golf. The shadow of the great Georgian player had rested heavily upon them the past few years. In whatever event he entered and wherever, he was the dominating figure. He it was who drew the galleries, the Armours, the Hagens, the MacDonald Smiths and Diegels being more or less neglected. Jones is out of the picture but now along comes another colourful player in the debon-

aire, blonde George Von Elm, who, forsaking the amateur ranks a few months ago, has already stepped in to pull down \$6,750, his half share of first and second money in the \$25,000 Agua Caliente tournament. It was



Hugh M. Logan, Jr., brilliant young professional, who has been appointed pro at Cedar Brook, Toronto.

bad enough for Jones to steal their popularity thunder but Von Elm can also do that perhaps, plus the real money itself which Jones could not take.

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Ben Kerr, who had a most successful professional season at Yarmouth,

N.S., last year, and Mrs. Kerr and family are spending the winter with relatives in Galt, Ontario.

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Hugh M. Logan, Jr., son of Hugh Logan, well known professional, from a large number of applications has been appointed professional at Cedar Brook to take the place of J. Cairns, who goes to Lachine, Que.

Young Logan for the past season or so has been assistant professional at Huntingdon Valley, one of the leading clubs in the Philadelphia District. He is fine player and a good instructor and will unquestionably make good plus, at Cedar Brook, which is rapidly forging to the front as one of Toronto's most successful clubs. Cedar Brook has certainly made a good selection.

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Stewart, the professional of the Kooyonga Club, South Australia, a former Australian Open Champion, performed an extraordinary feat last month. He played 18 holes of exhibition golf at night without losing a single ball over the Kooyonga course, and completed the round in 77. The only light was a torch concentrated on the ball at each stroke, and the time taken was only one hour and three-quarters. Stewart played throughout with ease and accuracy. The club have sent the card to St. Andrews, Scotland, because of this unique performance.

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E. H. Wagstaffe ("Teddy" Wagstaffe) "pro" at Waterton Lakes Canadian National Park, Alberta, is wintering in Los Angeles, having motored South after quite a serious fall from a new Government Park bridge which shook him up considerably and caused hospital treatment.

"Teddy" writes in early January:—"I am feeling a lot better for my rest, after my accident, but still feel some effects," and says: "All golf courses here are beyond explaining; they are wonderful—also the midget courses, which, however, have lost thousands of dollars. They are lovely."



Charles A. Whitcombe and Henry Cotton probably will meet Tommy Armour and Gene Sarazen in a four-ball contest for a big money purse over 36 holes on a date before the Ryder Cup golf match at Columbus, Ohio. Whitcombe, Britain's newly-named Ryder Cup captain, and Cotton are two of Great Britain's finest players.

Whitcombe, who is 34 years of age, is Britain's match-play champion. He has been a consistently good player for a number of years and has climbed to the top by constant, earnest play. He is also Irish Open Champion.

Cotton is one of the youngest professional golf stars in the world. Seven years ago, at the age of 17, he turned professional. Since that time he has won a number of English country titles, finished as runner-up twice in the British match-play championship, tied for fourth in the Irish and French Opens, and last year he and Charles Whitcombe teamed to defeat France, 7 and 6, in the International doubles play.

It would not be surprising to see Whitcombe and Cotton represent Great Britain as one doubles team in the coming Ryder Cup match. Both Cotton and Whitcombe, along with other leading British professionals, are practicing with the new golf ball which became standardized in the United States on Jan. 1.

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Another important professional appointment has just been announced for 1931. The outstanding French-Canadian Club in Montreal, Laval-sur-le-Lac, has appointed as its pro for 1931 James J. Newman. "Jimmie" is a Canadian, born near the Royal Montreal Golf Club, and speaks French fluently. His father, William Newman, Sr., has for the past 35 years been with the Royal St. Lawrence Yacht Club as builder and designer. Jimmy was for four years assistant to Charles Murray at the Royal Montreal Club. His first club was with the Canadian Pacific Railway's Hotel

at Caledonia Springs, from whence he went to the Catarauqui Golf Club at Kingston, Ont., which position he filled for five years, spending the winter at Riverside, California, at the Victoria Golf Club. It was while he



"Jimmy" Newman, who has been appointed professional to the important Montreal golf club—Laval-sur-le-Lac.

was in California he attracted the attention of the late Frank L. Woodward, then president of the United States Golf Association, who engaged him to take over the Cherry Hills Golf Club at Denver, Col., which position he has filled for the past seven years, establishing a course record for that club of 65, and has to his credit the distinction of having made four

holes-in-one. It was Mr. Woodward, who is well known to the members of the Canadian Senior Golfers' Association, who singled Jimmy out as one of the best teachers in the United States. Laval is to be congratulated



"Jack" Cuthbert, outstanding Western amateur, who has been appointed professional of the Calgary Golf and Country Club.

on securing Newman's services and Canadian golfdom on his return to the professional ranks of his native country.

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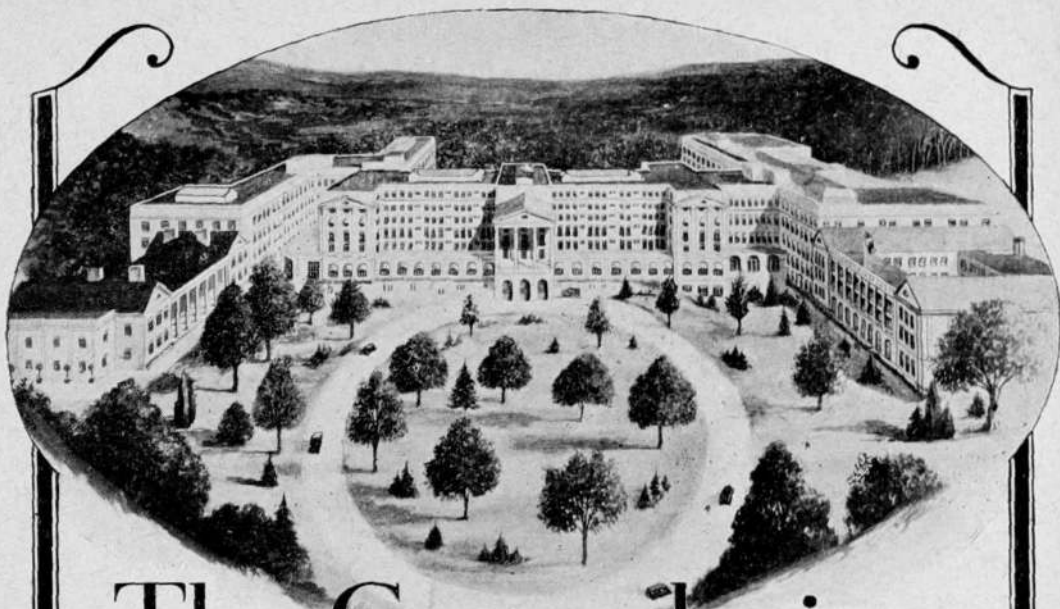
Tom Cairns, professional at the Cedar Brook Golf Club, Toronto, for the last six years, during which time

the club has made marvellous progress, has resigned in order to take over the Lake St. Louis Club at Lachine, Quebec. His departure will be regretted by the many members of the east-end organization, and golfers in Ontario generally. He is a particularly sound player and instructor and has done a great deal to develop the players of Cedar Brook which club last year produced the Junior Champion of Ontario in Phil. Farley.

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Still another well known amateur has decided to take up golf professionally. J. T. Cuthbert, of Edmonton, known all over the West as "Jack", has just accepted the position as pro of the Calgary Golf and Country Club, one of the prominent clubs of Canada.

Like so many other well known amateurs who have joined the professional ranks the past few years, Cuthbert learned a sound game in Scotland. Coming to Canada some fifteen years ago to take a position as a bank clerk, he quickly came into prominence as an outstanding golfer and for some years now has more or less dominated the game in Winnipeg and the West. He is the present Amateur Champion of Alberta, and has literally a score or more of Western titles to his credit. He has more than once too figured prominently in the East, participating in the Canadian Amateur. At Jasper Park in 1929 he reached the last eight in this championship. He twice won the Western Canada Amateur title, and once the Western Canada Open. He was Amateur Champion of Manitoba on four occasions and Manitoba Open Champion once. He also won the Saskatchewan Amateur three times, and minor events by the dozen. His collection of golfing cups and medals is perhaps only excelled in Canada by that of Mr. George S. Lyon. He, too, is a golf writer of ability and was for some time the golf editor of the Winnipeg Free Press. In Edmonton he was in the bond and stock business.



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Lem. H. White, of the Pine Point Golf and Country Club, Toronto, returned this month from an enjoyable golfing visit to California.

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Alf. Sims, professional of the Chedoke Civic Golf Club, Hamilton, reports a particularly good season at the Pine-Hurst Indoor Golf School, corner of John and Rebecca Streets, Hamilton. The school is equipped with 36 holes and four canvasses for driving. It is one of the finest layouts in Canada.

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Arthur Neve, professional at the Bigwin Inn Golf Course, Lake of Bays, is spending the winter in England. He returns to take up his duties again at Bigwin the commencement of the season.

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Adding a par 71 to his brilliant 65-stroke round of Saturday afternoon, Craig Wood, Deal, N.J., won first place and the \$1,000 prize in the annual Harlingen golf tournament, Texas. The tournament consisted of

36 holes medal play. Money prizes totalled \$3,500. Horton Smith shot a 68 to finish one stroke behind Wood. Smith carded a 69 the first day. Woods' score for the 36-hole medal play was 136. Smith stroked 137 for the two rounds. Al Espinosa, with 141, was third, winning \$400. Johnny Golden, winner of the \$10,000 first prize at Agua Caliente, and Charles Guest tied for fourth with 142 each. They split \$400.

Other participants, with their scores for the 36 holes and purses: Wiffy Cox, 143, \$100; Clarence Clark, 144, \$75; Harry Cooper, 144, \$75; Mike Turnesa, 145, \$50; Tony Manero, 145, \$50; Herman Barron, 146, \$50; Abe Espinosa, 147, \$50; Sam Schneider, 147, \$25; Jack Guild, 147, \$25; Jack Grout, 148, \$25; Pat O'Brien, Tom Raklets and Francis Schneider, with cards of 150, shared \$50.

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H. C. Jolly, the well known British professional, was recently married to Miss Joan C. Nadler, of Beckenham, Kent. He has a brother in Canada.

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Announcement was made last week by Secretary C. E. Cowling that Leslie Franks had been appointed assistant professional to Len. White, professional at the Pine Point Golf and Country Club, Toronto. Franks was an assistant at the Mississauga Golf and Country Club for a number of years. Mr. Cowling also announced that Edward Trumper would be the professional at the Crestwood Golf and Country Club.

## Canadian Ladies' Open Championship Week of September 28th

The Canadian Ladies' Golf Union will hold the Canadian Ladies' Open Championship at Rosedale Golf Club, Toronto, the week of September 28th, 1931, handicap limit 14.

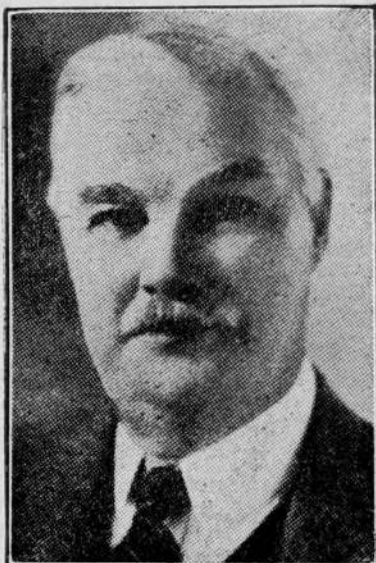
This date was decided upon to enable American golfers, competing in the United States Women's National Championship at the Buffalo Country Club, the week of September 21st, to reach Toronto in time to participate in the Canadian Tournament.

## A Great Company's Diamond Jubilee

**L**IFE assurance has now, apparently, reached such a point in public estimation and confidence that it seems comparatively immune from the ordinary vagaries and fluctuations of other lines of business. The Sun Life Assurance Company of

is almost magical and helps to explain the widespread faith of ordinary men in life assurance from the standpoint of investment as well as of family protection.

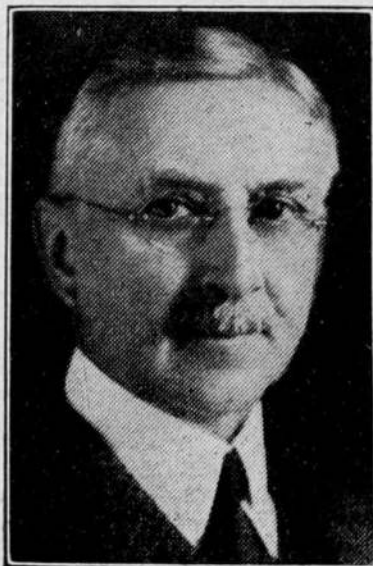
A most interesting feature of the report relates to the company's investments. The Sun Life has long been a consistent and successful investor in high grade stocks. These securities are valued on the last day of each year by the Canadian department of insurance on the basis of their market price on that day. Such a test this year, needless to say, was a most exacting one. Yet even at the abnormally low prices prevailing at the end of the year the company's common stock holdings, taken by themselves, showed a substantial excess over cost. Moreover, the actual cash dividends paid during 1930 on



**T. B. Macaulay, president Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada.**

Canada, whose report appears elsewhere in this issue, seems to enjoy this public confidence to an unusual degree, for it reports new policies written during the year to the nett amount of over \$700,000,000, the largest in the company's history of sixty years.

This year it celebrates its diamond jubilee. A graphic picture of its progress is shown in the report which discloses, decade by decade, its growth from assurances in force in 1880 of less than \$4,000,000 to over \$2,800,000,000 to-day; and of an accumulation of assets from less than \$500,000 in 1880 to nearly \$590,000,000 at the present time. Even more striking is the fact that the company has paid to policyholders and beneficiaries since its organizations over half a billion dollars—more than its entire assurance in force only ten years ago. This



**Arthur B. Wood, vice-president and chief actuary Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada.**

the total common stocks held by the company in the previous year were nearly \$1,000,000 in excess of the dividends paid on these identical shares in 1929. Such a satisfactory issue from the sharpest and severest market "break" in this generation is

a wonderful vindication of the investment sagacity of the company. The rate of 6.44 per cent., earned on the mean invested assets of the company is a further proof of thrifty administration.

The company announced that the profits to policyholders entitled to participate during the ensuing year will be allotted on the same generous scale as has existed for some time, and that the special maturity dividend which has been so popular will also be continued.

Mr. Macaulay's analysis of the present depression was a masterly one. He showed that in every depression improvement was first seen in the bond market, and that that improvement had already arrived in this present stringency. A distinguished fea-

ture of the present depression, which has been pointed out in various financial statements recently is that there has been a severe drop in prices, the price level for the average commodity being at the present time twenty per cent. lower than a year ago. This reduction has been very largely blamed as the chief cause of the trouble in 1930. Every optimistic forecast is welcomed, but it is well to remember that what is usually spoken of as the most stringent economic depression on record will take time to completely pass away. It is reassuring, however, to know that in the opinion of competent observers, like Mr. Macaulay, the tide has actually turned, and that a movement is in progress that will ultimately culminate in a new era of prosperity.

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## Glendale, Hamilton, Reports the Most Successful Season in Its History

THE most successful season in the history of the Glendale Golf and Country Club, Hamilton, was reported at the annual meeting of this organization at the Royal Connaught Hotel. It was fitting that the same board of officials that carried the club through its magnificent year was returned to office for another session. Norman Ellis is thus returned to the presidency, with P. T. Ward as vice-president, and Charles C. McDonald as treasurer. The directors are Messrs. N. J. White, W. T. Dunmore, George Spence, E. F. Clark, G. C. Martin, D. T. White, J. A. Robinson, F. F. Treleaven, George Clark and William Mayall. R. H. Beale was elected captain with G. F. Armstrong as vice-captain and W. W. Pett as captain of the century team. The latter will select his vice-captain and committee.

All reports indicated complete and satisfactory progress. The financial reports showed a total income of \$20,014.99, this being aided largely by a big increase in membership. The expenditures were \$14,454.67, leaving a handsome balance.

Included in the report of the president was the announcement that Jimmy Hunter, popular professional and greenkeeper, had been retained again. The president expressed appreciation to all officers and those who had helped during the season.

G. C. Martin presented the report of the green committee, showing vast improvements made to the course, while many changes in the club house were made, as indicated in the report of W. T. Dunmore, chairman of the house committee. Competition was on a greater scale than ever before, the captain, R. H. Beale, reported, while D. White reported a substantial increase in membership.



# "Golf in Days Lang Syne"

**More Records of Early Matches Played in Canada. Some Particularly Interesting Reminiscences About the Pioneer Players Contributed by Mr. R. C. H. Cassels, K.C., President of the Toronto Club.**

THE article which appeared in the January issue "In the Days Lang Syne" has, from many letters received, created a great deal of interest in golf circles throughout Canada, especially amongst the golfers of the older school.

And here are some more interesting records of games played a half century or so ago kindly furnished the "Canadian Golfer" by Mr. R. C. H. Cassels, K.C., president of the Toronto Golf Club, and a former president of the Royal Canadian Golf Association, a very keen follower and student of the Royal and Ancient as were many members of his family in the early days of golf in Toronto:—

Inter-Provincial match played at Montreal, June 28th; 1884.

Quebec	Holes	Ontario	Holes
E. Mann .....	0	A. P. Scott .....	9
G. W. F. Carter ...	0	A. W. Smith .....	5
W. A. Griffiths ...	6	W. L. Creighton ...	0
W. P. Sloane .....	0	T. M. Scott .....	3
Rev. J. Barclay ...	1	C. Hunter .....	0
J. Taylor .....	3	R. H. Bethune .....	0
Capt. Sheppard ...	2	J. Scott .....	0
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	12		17

Ontario won by 5 holes.

Inter-Provincial match played at Montreal, October 8th, 1887.

Quebec	Holes	Ontario	Holes
Rev. J. Barclay ...	3	A. W. Smith .....	0
W. A. Griffiths ...	0	A. P. Scott .....	10
J. Taylor .....	0	T. M. Scott .....	0
Capt. Sheppard ...	0	J. Scott .....	2
G. A. Drummond ...	1	Col. Sweney .....	0
H. Taylor .....	0	W. P. Sloane .....	3
P. MacNaughton ...	5	Geo. Bethune .....	0
H. S. Smith .....	1	W. L. Creighton ...	0
E. Mann .....	1	C. Hunter .....	0
J. Law .....	13	R. H. Bethune .....	9
G. B. S. Young ...	0	E. W. Phillips .....	2
G. Thomson .....	7	E. B. Osler .....	0
J. H. Balfour ...	14	F. O. Cayley .....	0
J. Braidwood .....	12	Col. Cotton .....	0
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	57		17

Quebec won by 40 holes.

July 1st, 1882.

Niagara	Holes	Toronto	Holes
Capt. Dickson .....	0	A. P. Scott .....	8
G. Dickson .....	4	R. H. Bethune .....	0
C. Hunter .....	0	W. L. Gordon .....	1
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	4		9

Toronto won by 5 holes.

November, 1882, played for Brantford medal presented by A. Robertson.

Toronto	Holes	Brantford	Holes
A. P. Scott .....	0	A. W. Smith .....	2
T. M. Scott .....	7	W. L. Creighton ...	0
G. Bethune .....	4	— Hunter .....	0
W. Moffatt .....	1	J. E. Lees .....	0
G. Keith .....	10	J. Y. Morton .....	0
R. H. Bethune .....	2	A. Wilkes .....	0
J. Scott .....	5	G. Wilkes .....	0
W. G. Cassels .....	2	A. Robertson .....	0
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	31		2

Toronto won by 29 holes.

November, 1883.

Toronto	Holes	Brantford	Holes
R. H. Bethune .....	3	J. Y. Morton .....	0
Geo. Bethune .....	4	A. Wilkes .....	0
T. M. Scott .....	6	J. Lees .....	0
A. P. Scott .....	5	W. L. Creighton ...	0
J. Scott .....	1	J. G. Patterson ...	0
G. Keith .....	6	K. G. Dickson .....	0
C. Hunter .....	4	Capt. Dickson .....	0
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	29		0

Toronto won by 29 holes.

November, 1884.

Toronto	Holes	Brantford	Holes
A. P. Scott .....	0	A. W. Smith .....	4
T. M. Scott .....	0	Capt. Dickson .....	1
R. H. Bethune .....	0	A. J. Wilkes .....	2
Geo. Bethune .....	4	J. Y. Morton .....	0
J. Scott .....	0	W. L. Creighton ...	2
A. J. Jopp .....	4	W. Simpson .....	0
W. G. Cassels .....	5	A. Robertson .....	0
R. S. Cassels .....	0	J. R. Thomson .....	7
J. C. Kemp .....	0	W. Moore .....	9
D. R. Wilkie .....	0	H. Whitehead .....	7
J. Collins .....	0	L. G. Whitehead ...	0
J. H. Horsey .....	0	F. Wilkes .....	6
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	13		38

Brantford won by 25 holes.

The Editor asked Mr. Cassels if he could provide some particulars about the pioneer players of golf in Canada, who figured in the matches recorded in this issue and the January issue. Herewith some particularly interesting extracts from a letter recently received from him:—

"You have asked me to tell you something about some of the players who took part in these early matches. W. G. Cassels, whose name appears, was not as you suggest, my father, but was an uncle of my father's. He was the father of Cyril Cassels, of the Bank of Montreal, London, who came out with the British Seniors in 1928. R. S. Cassels, whose name also appears, was another uncle of my father's,

and was the grandfather of Gordon Cassels, who was captain of the Toronto Golf Club in 1929 and 1930. These two uncles and my grandfather came to Canada from Scotland at different times, between 1835 and 1845. I do not know whether they played golf in Scotland, but I think it probable that they did, both because most people in Scotland played the game and also because their father was a member of the Honourable Company of Edinburgh Golfers, to which he was admitted in December, 1808.

A. W. Smith came to Canada from St. Andrew's about 1880 and resided first in Quebec, and later in London, and later again in Toronto. He was in the Quebec Bank. In Canada he was known as Andy Smith but in Scotland was known as "Curl" Smith. He was a very fine player and ranked with the very best players at St. Andrew's. I remember going into Ben Sayers' shop at North Berwick in 1899 to have a club repaired, and when the old club maker saw the name "Toronto" on my club, he said to me, "You'll know 'Curl' Smith." When I told him that I did he held forth at length as to the quality of his game and various matches which he had taken part in at St. Andrew's. I think that Smith was undoubtedly the best player on this Continent in the 80's and early 90's. While he was in London he played with the Brantford Club and when he moved to Toronto, he became a member of the Toronto Golf Club and was honorary secretary from 1890 to 1895. He won the championship of Ontario in 1889 with a score of 68. In 1895 he played in the Open Championship of the United States at Newport and tied for third place with James Foulis, a well-known Scotch professional, with a score of 176. The Championship was won by Rawlins with a score of 173 and Willie Dunn was second with 175. He played again in the United States Open in 1896 at Shinnecock, and tied for fourth place with a score of 158, the Championship being won by Foulis with a score of 152. H. J. Whigham and C. B. McDonald were the only other amateurs who played, Whigham making a score of 159 and C. B. McDonald not returning a card. All of these players came from Scotland. Smith only played once in the Canadian Amateur Championship, namely, in 1898, when it was expected that he would win easily. However, he was beaten in the semi-final by F. G. H. Pattison, of Hamilton, an old Musselburgh player, two up. In the final Pattison was badly beaten by George Lyon, who won his first Canadian Championship. The following day the first International match was played between Canada and the United States and Smith, although he had not won

the Canadian Championship, was placed first on the Canadian team, but was beaten by H. J. Whigham three up in 36 holes.

It is only fair to say that at this time Smith was getting on in years and was suffering a good deal from ill-health. He undoubtedly was not playing the game of which he had been capable a few years before. He died in 1901.

The Scott brothers, A. P. (Andy) and T. M. (Tom), also came from Scotland and became members of the Toronto Club, Tom being honorary secretary from 1880 to 1889. They were both very fine players, A. P. being a bit the better of the two. While he was not as good as Smith, he was quite good enough to give him a good game and to beat him occasionally. He was second to Smith in the Ontario Championship in 1889 with a score of 73. Both the Scotts are living in Toronto at the present time.

G. A. Drummond (afterwards the Honourable Sir George Drummond), a Senator of Canada and for many years president of the Bank of Montreal, also learned the game in Scotland. He was for many years greatly interested in the Royal Montreal Golf Club, and I think probably had something to do with the founding of that Club in 1873.

The Rev. James Barclay, who was a very prominent Presbyterian minister, was also a Scotsman and played an excellent game.

R. H. Bethune, for many years General Manager of the Dominion Bank, was born in Canada and learned his game here. He was Captain of the Toronto Golf Club from 1880 to 1888. George Bethune was a brother and also learned the game in Canada.

Charles Hunter, I think, also learned to play the game in the Old Country. He was the Ontario representative of the Standard Life Assurance Co. and made his real home at Niagara-on-the-Lake, although he necessarily spent a great deal of his time in Toronto. He was captain of the Toronto Golf Club in 1889.

W. P. Sloane also came from the Old Country and learned his game there. He was in the Quebec Bank and was stationed first in Quebec and later in Toronto.

I could go on almost indefinitely, but I think that I have probably given you more than enough."

(Note: We hope that Mr. Cassels will not "weary of well-doing" but later on when he finds time he will give our readers some more particulars about the early golfers of Ontario and Quebec who laid the foundations of the game so truly and well 'way back in the early seventies.—Editor.)

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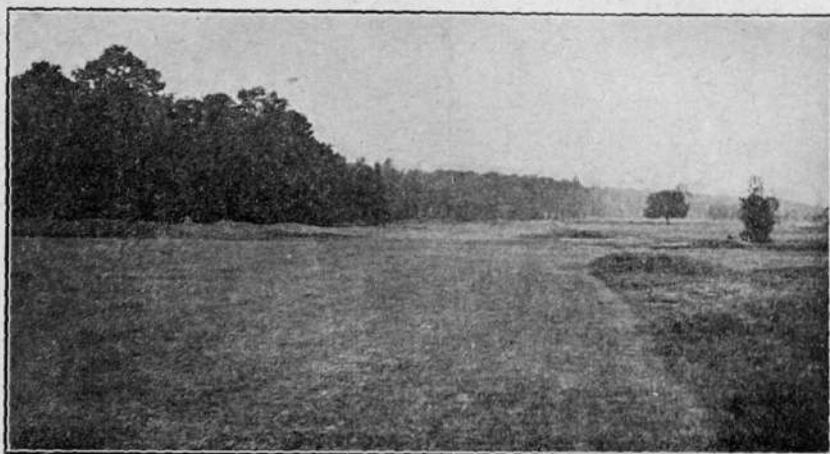
# Meeting of Governors of C. S. G. A.

Mount Bruno, Outstanding Montreal Club, to be Venue of Annual Tournament the First Week in September. Resolution of Sympathy on the Passing of Mr. E. L. Pease.

A MEETING of the Board of Governors of the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association was held recently in Toronto. Mr. P. D. Ross, Ottawa, the president, was in the chair and other Governors present were: Messrs. C. A. Bogert, Frank

of the Association, and the following resolution of sympathy was passed:—

“It was with profound regret that the Governors and members of the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association learned of the death, in France, on the 29th December, 1930, of one of its active and most respected Governors, Mr. Edson Loy Pease.



The spacious fourth fairway and green at Mount Bruno, where the Canadian Senior Tournament will be staged next September. The course was designed by the late Willie Park, celebrated Scottish golfer and architect, and is a magnificent layout.

Rolph, A. E. Dymont, Lt.-Col. J. B. Miller, G. S. Lyon, G. L. Robinson, Toronto; Lt.-Col. J. R. Moodie, Hamilton; W. H. Webling, Ralph H. Reville, Brantford.

From several invitations received, Mount Bruno Golf and Country Club, Montreal, was selected as the venue for the 1931 Tournament the first week in September, the dates being the 2nd, 3rd and 4th. It is four years since the Seniors met in Montreal.

The president read a particularly cordial letter from Lord Willingdon, the patron of the Association in reply to one sent by Mr. Ross, thanking him for his great interest in the Seniors during his residence in Canada.

Feeling references were made to the passing of Mr. E. L. Pease, of Montreal, for many years a Governor

Not only was he an outstanding figure in the financial life of Canada, but his staunch support and efforts in the interests of better sport never faltered, and in his passing Canada has lost one who contributed much to her economic progress, and this Association mourns a well beloved Governor.

Resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Mr. E. Raymond Pease, accompanied by an expression of the sincere sympathy of his associates in the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association.’’

The question of sending a team to England next July to compete in the triangular matches with the Seniors of Great Britain and the United States was discussed at some length. It was generally thought, however, that the Association, owing to business and other conditions would not be able to send a representative team this year to the Old Country. The veteran captain, Mr.



George S. Lyon, and other prominent players have already stated they would not be able to go. However, the members with handicaps of 15 or better will be communicated with and if fifteen express a desire to participate in the matches Canada will as usual be represented. Last year, it will be remembered, that the Seniors

of Great Britain and the United States were guests of the Canadian Seniors at the Toronto Golf Club. The idea was generally expressed at the meeting that these International Senior matches should be held every two years and not every year as in the past. This is the procedure in the Walker Cup and Ryder Cup matches.

## More "One-Shots" Reported from B.C.

THEY are still "tickling up the tin from the tee" in fair British Columbia. The following "holes-in-one" have been reported to the "Canadian Golfer" this month:—

Point Grey Golf and Country Club, Vancouver. The 10th hole, 100 yards, made in one by Mr. J. R. Borland, whilst playing with Messrs. J. Welsh, W. L. Waldie and H. W. Hodge.

Uplands Golf Club, Victoria. Mr. R. Schwengers playing with Messrs. Frank McQueen, H. Mearns and Allan Craig, negotiated the 167-yard 11th hole in one.

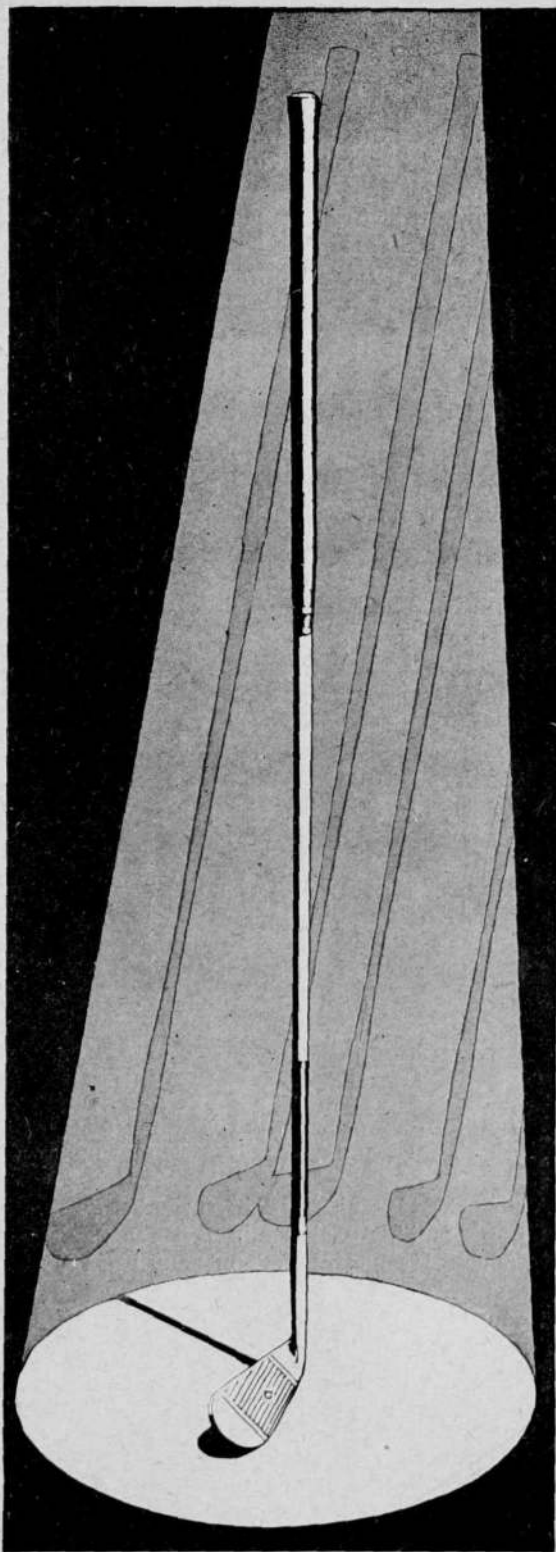
Then three performances from the University Golf Course at Vancouver. Mr. A. E. Erb, playing with Mr. A. De Long, recorded the stunt at the 10th hole, 120 yards. Mr. W. S. Robertson, playing with Mr. A. W. Wilmot, "turned the trick" at the 6th hole, 135 yards, and Mr. W. S. P. Alexander, also the 10th hole, whilst playing with Mr. A. T. Harper.

## Mr. T. S. Gillespie Re-elected President of Royal Montreal

THE annual meeting of the Royal Montreal Golf Club, the premier golfing organization of the Dominion, was held last month and a large number of members listened to particularly gratifying reports of the 1930 activities. Last year was one of the best years in the history of the club which will be sixty years old in 1933. At the meeting of the directors held immediately following the annual meeting, Mr. T. S. Gillespie was unanimously re-elected president for the coming year and Mr. K. G. Blackader was elected captain and chairman of the match and handicap committee.

The complete Board for 1931 is as follows:—President, T. S. Gillespie; vice-president, W. W. Robinson; captain, K. G. Blackader; vice-captain, J. A. Fuller. Directors, A. B. Wood, A. F. Baillie, W. W. Robinson, E. Alexander, J. Colin Kemp, R. J. Dawes, K. G. Blackader, ex-officio. House committee, W. W. Robinson (chairman), A. F. Baillie, E. Alexander. Green committee, J. Colin Kemp (chairman). Beautifying committee, A. Browning. Caddie match committee, A. G. B. Claxton.

This year both the Inter-Provincial match and the Canadian Amateur Championship will be held at the Royal Montreal. To take care of these outstanding events next August, several improvements and alterations are being made to the south course, and the competitors will find conditions ideal for the Championships.



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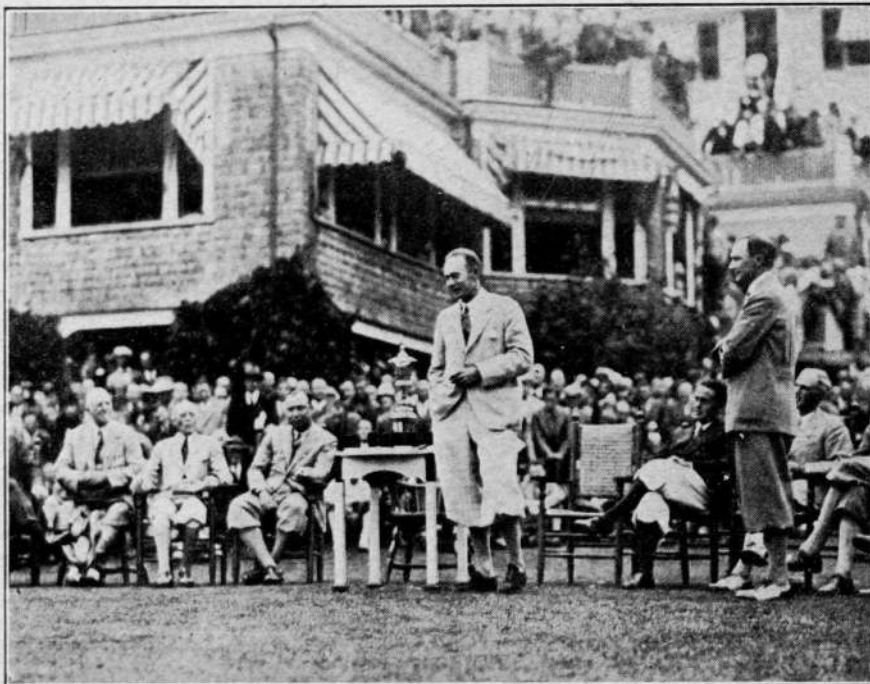
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## Perkins Wins Important U.S. Championship

**P**LAYING very fine golf indeed, T. Philip Perkins, hard hitting Englishman, won at St. Augustine, Florida, this month the U.S. National Championship of golf club champions, quite an outstanding event. He went through a classy field to defeat in the final, 3 and 2, young Mally Reynolds, of Jacksonville, but had to play better than par golf to do so.

Perkins, who is Birmingham-bred, first came into prominence four years ago when he won the English Amateur Championship. Then the following year he won the British Amateur Championship. He was then generally conceded to be the greatest find in British amateur golf since the war. In



**T. Philip Perkins, former British Amateur Golf Champion (central figure), who wins an important tournament in Florida.**

1928 he took part in the U.S. Amateur Championship and demonstrated that he was a golfer of calibre by going through to the final where, however, he was decisively defeated by Bobby Jones.

For some reason or another he was never popular on British courses and possibly for that reason two years ago took up his residence in the States, joining a bond house in the City of New York. He has played on courses in Canada, amongst others Rosedale, Toronto, and Ancaster, Hamilton, but never particularly distinguished himself in this country. He is a long-hitting rangy player and with Jones and Von Elm seceding from the amateur ranks is looked upon as rather a likely candidate next September at Chicago to win the U.S. Amateur Championship. He is 27 years of age and is now a member of the Fox Hills Club of New York.

Perkins when in England played under the colours of the Castle Bromwich Club, Birmingham, the club where Fred. Hunt, now of the Brantford Golf and Country Club, was assistant professional. Hunt gave him his first lessons in golf and is naturally very proud of his pupil.



# In and Round the Club House

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

Further deserved honour has come to Ralph Adams, popular Hamilton Olympic Club sprint star, who has won many laurels with Central Collegiate, the Olympic Club and Varsity. In selecting a captain for the Varsity track and field team, he was the unanimous choice for the position, and is expected to lead the Blue and White to many notable victories, as he will shortly start intensive training for a heavy season. Ralph is a son of Mr. A. A. Adams, for many years now the popular and capable captain of the Hamilton Golf and Country Club. "He is a worthy son of a worthy sire."

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A prominent Toronto business man, well known in his trade from Coast to Coast, Mr. David J. Ransby, general sales manager of the Toronto Carpet Manufacturing Company, Limited, died at his home, 74 Indian Grove, Toronto, last month. He was a member of the Lambton Golf and Country Club.

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Sir H. Montagu Allan, C.V.O., and Lady Allan are spending the winter enjoying golf and other sports at Pasadena, California.

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The new Worthington "Overgreen Scout" and "Multigang" Gang Mower are the very last words in mower efficiency. A prominent club where national championships are frequently held has written that a Worthington Lawn Tractor and Multigang has enabled them to cut all their fair-



Mr. Ralph Adams—a clean-cut young Canadian track star, who has been selected captain of Varsity track and field team.

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The dates for the North and South Open at Pinehurst this year will be March 26-27. Paul Runyan, assistant to Craig Wood at Forest Hill, in Bloomfield, N.J., who leaped into fame last winter by leading a brilliant field in the Open at Pinehurst, is expected to be on hand to defend his crown. An interesting point in connection with the North and South Open is that never in its long history has it been won by a member of the amateur ranks.

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Mr. Charles Herndon, author of "Golf Made Easier", has just received a cable from "Golf Monthly", Edinburgh, Scotland, ordering another large supply of this invaluable book. In Scotland as in the United States and Canada, "Golf Made Easier" is "going over big". Order your copy from the "Canadian Golfer", Brantford, Ontario. Price, duty and postage prepaid, \$2.50 (the same as in the United States).

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Winnipeg Legislation Committee has refused to ask the Provincial Government for permission to operate municipal golf courses on Sunday, and lovers of the ancient pastime in the Western capital are worried about their week-end arguments. The Parks Board asked Mayor Ralph H. Webb to seek permission for Sunday golf, which was threatened when the Tom Thumb Sabbath golf was barred. Golf has been played on Sunday in Manitoba, but when the miniature game was eliminated fears were expressed for the man-sized pastime, and suggestions for government permission made. Mayor Webb announced his

refusal to seek Government support for Sunday golf, and the players threaten to organize and fight for their games.

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The executive of the Ontario Branch, Canadian Ladies' Golf Union, take great pleasure in announcing Miss Winnifred Robinson, of the St. Catharines Golf Club, as the winner of the Ontario Handicap Cup for 1930.

This cup is awarded to the player having the greatest percentage of reduction in handicap during the season. Miss Robinson, who is the present Ontario Junior Girls' Champion, had the splendid percentage of 58.33, reducing her handicap from 12 to 5. An extremely close contender was Miss Cecil Smith, of the Toronto Golf Club, with 57.14 per cent., a reduction from 7 to 3. Another promising junior, Miss Mary Yeates, of the Hamilton Golf and Country Club, was third, reducing from 36 to 17, or 52.77 per cent.

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Miss Cecil Smith, of Toronto, Ontario lady golf champion, is not only a fine golfer but an expert skater. At Toronto this month she was a close second to Mrs. C. S. Samuel for the lady figure championship of Canada. Five of the judges placed Mrs. Samuel first, and two, Miss Cecil.

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Mr. Henry Barrett, for some years general manager of the Penman Mills at Paris, Ontario, has resigned his important position to take a well earned rest. He has been succeeded by Mr. H. W. Lundy, who has been associated with him for some years. Mr. Barrett is a popular member of the Paris and Brantford Golf Clubs and is also well known on Bermuda and Southern courses. He has for some years been an outstanding figure in the woollen and textile trade of Canada.

Golfing friends throughout Canada will be glad to hear that ex-Mayor Somerville, of London, Ont.,



Miss Winnifred Robinson, of St. Catharines, Ontario, who has been awarded the C. L. G. U. Ontario Handicap Cup for 1930. Miss Robinson last year won the Ontario Junior Girls' Championship of Ontario.

president of the Northern Life Assurance Company, who recently under-





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went a serious operation in a New York hospital, is convalescing. Mr. Somerville is the father of Ross Somerville, Amateur Champion of Canada.

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Mr. J. J. MacCracken, K.C., of Ottawa, is spending the winter months golfing at Seabreeze, Daytona Beach, Florida.

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Many friends will sincerely sympathize with Mr. Howard Lloyd, the head greenkeeper of the Rosedale Golf Club, Toronto, who last month was called upon to mourn the loss of his much beloved wife. Much sympathy goes out to him from many golfing and other friends.

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Carrying out their intentions with regard to the Crestwood Club, Toronto's latest golf club, interests supporting it this month placed some men to work. The club intends spending \$15,000 in the construction of greens. The secretary, Mr. Cowling, said that although the work might cost more early in the year, the club was advancing as much as possible, at the request of Scarboro' Township officials, who are confronted with an unemployment problem of considerable magnitude.

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Prescott S. Bush, secretary of the United States Golf Association, informs the "Canadian Golfer" that the Women's Committee of the U.S.G.A. will be as follows:—

Chairman, Mrs. Philip Corson, Plymouth Meeting, Pa., Women's Eastern Golf Association; Miss Frances Stebbins, Newton, Mass., Women's Golf Association of Massachusetts; Mrs. Paul Walker, Chicago, Illinois, Women's Western Golf Association; Mrs. O. S. Hill, Kansas City, Missouri, Women's Trans-Mississippi Golf Association; Miss Rosalie Knapp, New York, N.Y., Women's Metropolitan Golf Association; Mrs. A. E. D. Trabue, Los Angeles, California, Women's Golf Association of California; Miss Florence McNeely, Merion Pa., Women's Golf Association of Philadelphia; Mrs. David C. Gaut, Memphis, Tenn., Women's Southern Golf Association; Mrs. Edward L. Ives, Wilmette, Illinois, Women's Chicago District Golf Association.

# Annual Meeting of the R. C. G. A.

Record Attendance of Delegates Listen to the Most Gratifying Annual Reports in the History of the Association. Mr. Alfred Collyer, Montreal, Re-elected President, and Messrs. W. H. Plant, Toronto, and H. Milton Martin, Edmonton, Vice-Presidents, and Mr. B. L. Anderson Secretary-Treasurer. Educational Speeches by Dr. Christie and Dr. Archibald. Moving Championship Pictures Round Out Thoroughly Enjoyable and Profitable Meeting.

THE 32nd annual meeting of the Royal Canadian Golf Association held in the Concert Hall of the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, was attended by some two hundred delegates and golfers from the various clubs in Toronto and vicinity and members of the executive from Montreal. It was the largest attendance ever recorded in the long history of the Association and bodes well for golf in Canada, showing the keen interest taken by leading golfers in the Governing Body of Golf in the Dominion and its reports and deliberations.

Mr. Alfred Collyer, of Montreal, popular president during the past year and president-elect for 1931, occupied the chair and after a most excellent luncheon proceeded to conduct a most interesting programme consisting of speeches and reports in a particularly capable manner. The Association was extremely fortunate in securing the attendance at the meeting of the well known experts and authorities, Dr. Christie, principal of the Ontario Agricultural College, and Dr. Archibald, of the Experimental Farm, Ottawa, whose speeches along the lines of golf soil, seeds and course construction, the "Canadian Golfer" will publish in full in the March issue. Both speakers held the undivided attention of their hearers and deservedly so, too.

## Report of the President and Executive Committee

The very comprehensive and interesting annual report of the president and executive committee, covering the varied and successful activities of the Association in 1930 was pre-

sented by the President, Mr. Alfred Collyer, who from time to time explained in more detail many of the important questions dealt with dur-



Mr. Alfred Collyer, outstanding Montrealer, re-elected president of the R.C.G.A.

ing the past year. He asked for comments and criticism on the report but none were forthcoming, the delegates all recognizing that the executive had conducted the affairs of the Association the past year in a particularly able manner. The report, which was adopted amidst much applause, was as follows, and it is worthy of most careful reading—every paragraph of it:—

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Gentlemen:—

The year of 1930 has been one during which your Committee has given thought and work on a number of problems, some of which were touched on at the last annual meeting, and considerable progress has been made in what we hope will be satisfactory solutions.

The sub-committees have taken the greatest care to secure the opinions and points of view from various parts of the country with the result that your Executive Committee has given a unanimous approval to their decisions and would further state that the direct rulings of the Executive Committee have been made in all cases after securing the opinions from all members of the Committee even if they have found it impossible to attend the meetings.

A sub-committee was appointed to make recommendations on the position in the Association of Public Links, such as Municipal and Hotel Links. The report of this sub-committee, which has been recommended by the Executive Committee, is as follows:—

#### Membership and Dues

(1) There should be only one class of membership in the R.C.G.A. as provided for

in the Constitution, Article No. 3. Membership; as follows:

Section 1: Any golf club in the Dominion of Canada, which is governed by a Constitution and has regularly appointed officers, and has links and club accommodation, shall be eligible for election to membership.

(2) There should not be made any provisions for special membership in the R.C.G.A. of Public Courses.

(3) There should be no solicitation of a Public Course for membership.

(4) There should be appointed yearly District Membership Committees, and applications for membership should first be referred to the respective District Committee before being accepted by the Executive Committee.

(5) Applications referred to the Membership Committee by the Secretary should be accompanied by a questionnaire, as approved by the Executive Committee from time to time, providing for essential information.

(6) Public Courses eligible for membership should be subject to the regular scale of annual dues of the Association.

#### PUBLIC LINKS CHAMPIONSHIP

(7) At the present time there is not in Canada, and conditions do not warrant the establishing of a Public Links Championship.

Note: According to information received, the United States Golf Association has absolutely nothing to do with establishing or sponsoring Public Courses, and formed the Public Links Section of the U.S.G.A. to handle the details connected with the annual Public Links Championship and Inter-City Team Competition in connection therewith, which events are open to amateur golf players not members, nor who do not enjoy the privileges, of a private club maintaining and supporting its own golf course.

W. H. PLANT, Chairman.  
C. E. HARVEY,  
N. M. SCOTT.

If this meets with the approval of the delegates at this meeting, the incoming Committee will act on this report for the coming year.

The Green Section Committee appointed have had several discussions during the past year with Government officials, by which the Association might benefit by the work done at the various Experimental Farms in regard to grass culture, as well as combining the efforts of the various Provincial Green Sections which are now in operation or may be inaugurated by the Provincial Associations in the future.

This work was originated by Mr. Clarence Jackson last spring by interviews with the Departments in Ottawa. Since that date conferences have been held by various members of the Committee, and our Secretary with Dr. Grisdale, Dominion Deputy Minister of Agriculture; Mr. W. R. Road-



house; Mr. J. B. Fairbairn, Ontario Deputy Minister of Agriculture; Dr. Archibald, Dominion Department of Agriculture; Dr. Christie, Ontario Agricultural College, and Mr. R. L. Hamilton, Dominion Department of Agriculture.

The result of these conferences is briefly as follows:

That demonstration plots would be established by the Government in Montreal, Toronto and Winnipeg. Possibly further demonstration plots would be established in other Provinces in the future. These would probably be located at some golf club that had the ground to spare, and this ground would be selected and prepared under Government supervision for the benefit of all clubs in that part of the country. All seed, fertilizers, etc., would be provided by the Government.

It has further been understood that the Government will prepare a bulletin on cultivation of turf, etc. The first one will come out early in 1931. The information obtained by experience in the various Provincial Green Sections will be included in this bulletin. Unquestionably the Government will be glad to work in all cases in harmony with the Provincial Green Sections.

Owing to the fact that the bulletins received from the U.S.G.A. Green Section have been so irregular your Committee has this year found it necessary to cancel their arrangement to purchase these for the clubs of the Royal Canadian Golf Association. The Canadian bulletin which will now become an institution, will, of course, replace the bulletins received in the past from the U.S.G.A.

It is the feeling of your Committee that the actual work of maintaining green sections must devolve on the Provincial Association on account of the variable local conditions, the Royal Canadian Golf Association doing all in its power to secure co-operation between the various Provincial Associations and the Government Officials who are prepared to assist us in every way.

A further function of the Royal Canadian Golf Association is to see that the results of experience and work of the various Associations and the Government demonstration plots is issued in bulletin form for the benefit of all the member clubs of the Royal Canadian Golf Association.

The National Championships held during the year are covered in a separate report, but I desire to particularly refer to the Open Championship results held at the Hamilton Golf and Country Club, Ancaster, which resulted in a tie between Leo Diegel, Canadian Champion, 1929, and Tommy Armour, a former Canadian Open Champion. This tie necessitated a playoff on the Wednesday following the tournament, which was also played at the Hamilton Golf and Country Club who kindly donated their course for this purpose, with the result that

Tommy Armour won the Canadian Championship. Your Committee decided that the gate for this occasion, after expenses had been paid, should be divided between the two contestants in addition to the regular prize money.

Owing to the fact that a great many of the professional entrants to the Open Championship are undoubtedly of a calibre unable to meet the requirements of a tournament of this importance, your Committee has considered the restriction of entries from professionals who cannot show proper qualifications in their tournament play to make their entry of competitive value, the



Mr. W. H. Plant, Toronto, re-elected vice-president of the R.C.G.A.

prime reason being that the entry list is now so large, it is difficult to carry off the tournament in reasonable daylight hours and without unduly crowding a single 18-hole golf course.

The Amateur Championship held at the London Hunt Club was a very successful affair and we were glad to find that it was well attended by golfers of International repute. I am also very glad to say that Canada has again provided a golfer able to bring back the Amateur Championship to this country and to compete with the golfers of high calibre from other countries, whom we so gladly welcome to our tournaments.

This year the Interprovincial Match was held in Toronto, the Saturday before the Amateur Championship. Your Committee feels that for the general benefit of the teams that compete in this purely Canadian tournament in the future it should be carried on over two days, 18-holes on the Friday and 18-holes on the Saturday before the Amateur Championship, it being too much of a strain on the individuals competing to play 36-holes on a Saturday and expect them to start on the Monday following to compete for the Amateur Championship.

Your Committee feels that the great importance of this Interprovincial Match is



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probably not fully realized. In the first place, it brings together the representative golfers from the Provincial Associations once a year in direct competition, and enables the best Provincial golfers to compete in the Canadian Amateur the following week, but further than this, I feel that it gives a great opportunity for all the members of the Executive Committee to meet these representatives from the various Provinces and the mutual exchange of ideas is a wonderful advantage to all concerned. I feel very strongly that it is the duty of your Association to encourage all the Provincial Associations to send teams for this Match, and I trust that within a few years every Province will be regularly represented and the full benefit realized and appreciated by everyone."

The Lesley Cup matches, which golfers from Eastern Canada are invited to attend, were this year held at Pine Valley, and although the team sent down was not as strong and representative as we would like to see, the International friendly aspect of these matches gives our tournament golfers an opportunity of experience and competition with the best golfers in the Eastern States, which is of considerable benefit to them.

As inaugurated last year, your Committee is now selecting courses for the Open and

Amateur Championships a year in advance, and for 1931 the Mississauga Golf and Country Club has been accepted for the Open, which will take place on July 9th, 10th and 11th. The Interprovincial match and Amateur Championship will be held over the course of the Royal Montreal Golf Club at Dixie. The dates will be August 7th and 8th for the Interprovincial, and August 10th to 15th for the Amateur Championship.

The Souvenir Book which has been the feature of your Committee's activities for the last two or three years, was again produced and of sufficiently high standard to cause complimentary remarks of approval from a great many friends of the Association. This book is also one of the legitimate sources of revenue for your Association as well as being an interesting record for the activities of the Association, especially in regard to its tournaments.

There have been a number of comments in the golfing periodicals as to the Association's position in regard to the new ball adopted by the U.S.G.A. It may be well to again state that your Committee has felt it advisable to maintain the ruling made in 1929, that no change in the standard ball would be made unless action was taken by the R. and A. in Great Britain. This does not eliminate the use of the U.S.G.A. new ball which they have adopted and this ball can be used in the Canadian tournaments if a competitor so desires as it falls within the regulations now enforced by the R. and A. and this Association.

The question of national handicaps has also been discussed by your Committee at various times and a ruling has been passed that where competitors enter from Districts that have Provincial handicaps, the Provincial handicap rules over and above the club handicap. It is furthermore the policy of the Association to encourage, as much as possible, the establishment of Provincial handicaps which can be used as a basis for national handicapping, and it is hoped an agreement will be reached by the Provincial Associations which the R.C.G.A. can endorse.

Action was taken by your Executive reducing the handicap to 8 for entrants to the Amateur Championship, and it is doubtful whether this is yet low enough to make our Amateur Championship comparable in quality to Championships held in other countries. The chief argument in favour of lowering the handicap is that it will keep the field from becoming unwieldy and give an opportunity for every serious competitor to qualify.

Aspirants for national honours should realize that tournament experience and the winning of their spurs to make them serious competitors should be gained in Provincial and other tournaments and not in the national amateur tournament, which is held to decide the Amateur Championship

from amongst the finest golfers from all parts of the country, as well as duly qualified visitors of International reputation.

Your Committee feels satisfied with the financial standing of the Association as shown by the financial report attached, but I feel that great care should be taken in conserving the funds of the Association until we can accumulate a balance which will enable us to meet any possible contingencies in the form of falling revenues which may occur at any time owing to extreme bad weather or the like during our national championships, which would seriously affect our income.

On the recommendation of Mr. Harvey in his report of 1930, two Vice-Presidents were this year elected by your Committee, one from the West and one from the East. The wisdom of this has been apparent by enabling your Executive to secure greater interest and assistance from all parts of the country.

Problems occurred during the year in regard to the position of the miniature golf courses. These at first may in your minds not be worthy of consideration in relation to the objects of this Association, and undoubtedly a great many of them are not, but the problem is just where to draw the line as to what is a golf course, and your Committee without in any way desiring to take cognizance of or interfere with the operation of the big percentage of miniature golf courses, felt that it was necessary and desirable to make a ruling on the position amateur golfers might be placed in by competing in competitions held on such miniature courses. A resolution was therefore passed as follows:—

“The Royal Canadian Golf Association rules that the acceptance of cash prizes or playing in competitions for cash prizes on miniature golf courses is in violation of our amateur definition.”

You will note that there is a resolution before you to provide for an honorary president of the Association. On account of the great interest he has always had in the activities of the Association as well as his generosity in giving a Cup, emblematic of the Interprovincial Championship, your Committee felt that if he would accept, it would be an honour to the Association to have His Excellency, Lord Willingdon as our first honorary president. Although he is leaving Canada before our annual meeting, I still feel it would be an honour to the Association to have Lord Willingdon as our honorary president for 1931.

I desire to state in conclusion that as your president, I should be failing in my duty if I did not mention the harmony that has prevailed during the year in the deliberations of your Committee and the work and assistance which each and everyone has willingly given whenever called upon. Mr. W. H. Plant, vice-president in Toronto, and Mr. H. Milton Martin, vice-president in Edmonton, have, by their advice and assistance, been of extreme value to me as presi-

dent, and it has been the earnest endeavour with all the members of your Committee to act and make their rulings with due and proper consideration to every part of the Dominion. There are no thoughts of sectionalism in the operation of your Committee, every man doing his best for the future of the game and for the benefit of all member clubs of the Association.

I further desire to thank your secretary-treasurer, Mr. B. L. Anderson, who has looked after the detailed interests of the Association for many years, and his efficiency and experience is of extreme value to your Association.

#### Finances in Fine Shape

Mr. B. L. Anderson, the very capable secretary-treasurer of the Association, reported:—

“At the end of the year 1929 the Association had a surplus amounting to \$4,582.84. At the close of the year 1930 the Association had a surplus amounting to \$6,325.26. The receipts and disbursements statement sets forth all the financial transactions of the Association during the last fiscal year. The expense of maintaining the Association headquarters was about the same as the previous year. The Committee operated within the budget prepared at the beginning of the year and will continue on the same economical basis. Excess of receipts over expenditures in 1930 was \$1,742.42.”

Total receipts for the year were \$6,657.00 and the expenditures \$4,914.00. Excess of receipts over expenditures for year carried to surplus account, \$1,742.00. This surplus account now stands at \$6,325.00, made up of cash on hand, \$17.00; cash in banks, \$2,075.00; Government and Municipal bonds, \$4,033.00. The gate receipts last year at the Amateur Championship at London, Ontario, amounted to \$1,470.00, and entry fees \$605.00. Expenses in connection with the championship were \$1,049.00, leaving a nett income from the championship of \$1,045.00. The gate receipts at the Open Championship at Ancaster, Ontario, totalled \$3,057.00, and the entry fees \$845.00. Payments totalled \$2,514.00, the prize money and trophies calling for \$1,517.00 of this amount with special prizes of \$100.00. The nett income from the Open Championship was \$1,387.00. There was also a nett income from the souvenir book of \$908.00. Altogether the Association had a particularly successful and profitable year in 1930 and the delegates were very complimentary in expressing their appreciation of the general results.

#### The Rules of Golf Committee

Mr. Collyer during his explanations and comments on the Report paid a well deserved mead of praise to the Rules of Golf Committee of the Royal Canadian Golf Association, composed of Mr. R. C. H. Cassels, K.C., chairman, Toronto; James Buchanan, Montreal, and C. P. Wilson, K.C., Winnipeg. During the year the Com-



mittee was called upon to hand down several interesting interpretations and decisions.

#### Election of President and Executive

The nominating committee recommended the following as the officers of the Association for 1931. There was one nomination for Ontario received in addition to the official nominations, thus necessitating a ballot for Ontario. However, the choice of the Nominating Committee was endorsed.



Mr. H. Milton Martin, Edmonton, vice-president of the R.C.G.A.

Herewith the Board therefore for 1931:—

President, Alfred Collyer, Montreal, P.Q.; vice-presidents, to be elected by the new executive committee; secretary-treasurer, to be appointed by the new executive committee; executive committee, British Columbia, Kenneth McLennan; Alberta, H. Milton Martin; Saskatchewan, N. C. Byers; Manitoba, C. W. Jackson; Ontario, Gordon T. Cassels, W. H. Plant, L. M. Wood; Quebec, G. H. Forster, Adelard Raymond, N. M. Scott; Maritime Provinces, Hugh McKay. Mr. R. J. Dilworth, of Toronto, was reappointed auditor.

#### Election of Vice-Presidents and Secretary-Treasurer

At a subsequent meeting of the executive committee, Mr. W. H. Plant, Toronto,

was re-elected vice-president to represent the East, and Mr. H. Milton Martin, Edmonton, the West. Mr. B. L. Anderson was re-elected secretary-treasurer—all most admirable appointments.

Altogether the R.C.G.A. has a particularly strong board to look after and safeguard its interests the coming year, throughout Canada. The committee to nominate officers for 1932 was presented by Mr. R. C. H. Cassels, K.C., and elected as follows:—Alfred Collyer, chairman; C. E. Harvey, ex-officio; C. A. Bogert, H. Milton Martin, E. A. McNutt, W. W. Walker, Major W. D. Wilson.

#### Ryder Cup Team

Mr. Collyer during his thoughtful address, referred to the fact that as they all knew the British Ryder Cup team was coming to the States this year and he would like to ask the opinion of the delegates in reference to an invitation being extended to them to visit Canada. In 1927 the Britishers visited this country but there was one or two incidents that created some friction. The question of an invitation the coming season was left in the hands of the 1931 executive to decide. It is hoped satisfactory arrangements can be made.

#### President and Board Thanked

Messrs. George S. Lyon and Ralph H. Reville in moving and seconding a hearty vote of thanks to the 1930 board of directors, both referred to the fact that they had never during a long course of years attended a larger meeting or listened to more gratifying reports. Mr. W. H. Plant in replying for the board especially emphasized the devoted work of the president, Mr. Alfred Collyer, the past year. He had given unstintingly of his time and attention to the affairs of the Association and the result was to be seen in the particularly satisfying annual reports.

It is very interesting to note that in the three decades and more of the history of the R. C. G. A. that Mr. Collyer is the only president who has been accorded the honour of being elected two years in succession to that important position—certainly a very great tribute to his executive ability.

It is interesting to note that the Association has now a membership of 173 clubs, an increase of 11 during the year.

#### Moving Pictures Much Enjoyed.

After the meeting the moving picture shows of the British Amateur Championship at St. Andrews, and the Open Championship at Hoylake, Liverpool, last year were thrown on the screen and greatly enjoyed for an hour or so by the delegates. These excellent pictures were taken in the Old Country last season by Mr. A. A. Weir, of Winnipeg, ex-amateur champion of Manitoba, and well known, too, in Eastern golfing circles.

#### STOP PRESS NEWS

In the Belmont Manor Championship at Bermuda, Mrs. Dorothy Campbell Hurd, former British, U.S. and Canadian champion, defeated in the final Mrs. Maud Ross, of Ottawa, 7 and 6.

# The Winter Tournament Calendar

Feb. 23-28—Third annual Mid-Winter Empress Hotel Tournament, Victoria Golf Club, Victoria, B.C.

Feb. 26—Hiram Walker-Gooderham & Worts Tournament at Belmont Manor, Bermuda.

Feb. 27-March 5th—27th annual spring tournament, Pinehurst, N.C.

March 2nd—Augusta Country Club, Georgia, Club Championship, 32 to qualify.

March 2-6—Pebble Beach Golf Championship for Women, Pebble Beach, Calif.

March 3-7—Men's Amateur Championship at Belmont Manor, Bermuda.

Mar. 7-12—Pine Needles Tournament, Pinehurst, N.C.

March 9th—Augusta Country Club, Georgia, Women's Championship, 16 to qualify.

March 10-14—Annual Bermuda Amateur Championship at Riddell's Bay, Bermuda.

March 16-19—First Women's Southeastern Open Golf Tournament, Augusta Country Club and Forrest Hills courses, Augusta, Ga.

March 17-21—Annual Bermuda Ladies' Championship at Riddell's Bay, Bermuda.

March 19—McCallum Perfection Trophy and Lightbourn Cup Tournament at Belmont Manor, Bermuda.

Mar. 23-24—Pine Cone Tournament for Women at Pine Needles, Pinehurst, N.C.

Mar. 26-27—29th annual united North and South Open Championship, Pinehurst, N.C.

March 30-31—Southeastern \$5,000 Open Championship, Augusta, Georgia.

Mar. 30-April 3—29th annual United North and South Amateur Championship for women, Pinehurst, N.C.

April 1—April Fool's golf tournament, Del Monte, California.

April 6-11—31st annual united North and South Amateur Championship, Pinehurst, N.C.

April 17-22—21st annual Mid-April tournament, Pinehurst, N.C.

April 21st, etc.—English Close Amateur Championship, Hunstanton.

May 18th, etc.—British Amateur Championship, Westward Ho!

June 1st, etc.—British Open Championship, Carnoustie.

June 8th, etc.—British Women's Open Championship, Portmarnock.

June 8th, etc.—French Open Championship.

June 26-27—Ryder Cup matches, Great Britain vs. the States, Scioto Country Club, Columbus, Ohio.

July 2-3-4—U.S. Open Championship, Inverness Country Club, Toledo, Ohio.

July 9-11—Open Championship of Canada, Mississauga Golf and Country Club, Toronto.

Aug. 4-8—Public Links Championship of U.S., Keller G. C., St. Paul, Minnesota.

Aug. 7-8—Inter-Provincial Match, The Royal Montreal Golf Club, Dixie, Que.

Aug. 10-15—Amateur Championship of Canada, The Royal Montreal Golf Club, Dixie, Que.

Aug. 31-Sept. 5—U.S. National Amateur Championship, Beverly Country Club, Chicago, Ill.

Sept. 2-4—Canadian Seniors' Annual Tournament, Mount Bruno Golf Club, Montreal.

Sept. 21-27—Women's National Championship U.S., Buffalo Country Club, Buffalo, N.Y.

Sept. 28-Oct. 2—Canadian Ladies' Open Championship, Rosedale Golf Club, Toronto, Ontario.

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WANTED—A working greenkeeper experienced in the construction and maintenance of greens and fairways. Able to collect green fees. Sales privileges of golf accessories. A good opening for a man who takes an interest in his work and is willing to work hard. State age, wages and experience. Apply W. C. Saylor, Trenton Golf Club, Trenton, Ont.

WANTED—By former prefect of public school, and honour matriculant, now in second year Arts and Law Course Toronto University, position for summer months as tutor for young boy or other suitable position. First class motorist, good swimmer, etc. Apply Box 3333, care of "Canadian Golfer", Brantford, Ontario.

WANTED—Position as greenkeeper. Six years experience with a leading Ontario Club. First class references. Apply Stanley Cole, R. R. 4, Paris Road, Paris, Ont.

WANTED—Position as professional season 1931. Senior assistant for past two seasons at one of the leading clubs in Montreal with over 700 members. Previous experience in England. Highest references as regards ability as club maker and coach. Age 26. Box No. 880, "Canadian Golfer", Brantford, Ont.

WANTED—Young Scottish professional now in the States would like position in Canada as assistant professional to a good club. Best of references. Apply Box "J. L.", care of "Canadian Golfer", Brantford, Ontario.

- WANTED—Position as assistant pro, or pro, for small club for the year 1931, by young man aged 20, with club experience. Apply Box 123, "Canadian Golfer", Brantford, Ontario.
- WANTED for 1931, position as club professional. Married. All round experience including club making. Giving utmost satisfaction with present club. Change desired. Apply Box 139, "Canadian Golfer", Brantford, Ontario.
- WANTED position as greenkeeper capable of handling all golf course maintenance, and reconstruction work. Intimately familiar with scientific fertilization and bent grasses. Married, age 35. Can furnish high class references. Apply Box X.W., care "Canadian Golfer", Drawer 760, Brantford, Ontario.
- WANTED—Position 1931 by Scottish professional. 30 years old. Married. Giving utmost satisfaction with present club in Ontario and offered re-engagement but desires change. Sound coach and experienced in course construction and maintenance. Apply Box 145, "Canadian Golfer", Brantford, Ontario.
- WANTED—Secretary for a Toronto club. Apply stating experience to Box 760, "Canadian Golfer", Brantford, Ont.
- SITUATION WANTED—Jack Bond, St. Andrews, Scotland, desires change abroad with golf club. Employed St. Andrews, playing professional (summer), coach to Cambridge Undergraduates (winter). References with Editor. Address as above.
- WANTED—Greenkeeper to take charge of the greens, and also to look after the course, must be good with machinery and able to look after mowers, etc. Apply to the Pembroke Golf Club, Pembroke, Ont.
- PROFESSIONAL—Desires new connection for coming season. Twelve years' experience with Canadian and American clubs. First-class player, teacher and club-maker, also excellent knowledge of course construction and upkeep. 30 years of age, married, highest references. Write:—Ralph W. Webb, 20 Eversfield Road, Toronto 10, Ont.
- St. Andrew's Estates & Golf Club of Toronto, owning and operating Championship Golf Course (27 holes) invites applications for position of golf professional. Apply by letter only, stating experience and qualifications, to the Secretary, St. Andrews Golf Club, 11 Adelaide Street East, Toronto, Ontario.
- WANTED—Position as greenkeeper for a Canadian club the coming season. Fifteen years experience in England and Canada with splendid references. Apply Box 222 care of "Canadian Golfer", Brantford, Ontario.
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- WANTED—By nephew of Harry Vardon, position in Canada for 1931 with first class golf club. At present at leading Sheffield Club. The very highest reference. Fourteen years experience as professional and club maker. Highly recommended by Editor of Canadian Golfer. Address Drawer 760, "Canadian Golfer", Brantford, Ontario.
- WANTED—Position in Canada either in the East or West for season of 1931 by J. Coppack, professional of the Cleekheaton Golf Club, Bradford, recognized as one of the leading teachers of golf in England. Highest references as regards ability as club maker and coach. Address replies to Editor of "Canadian Golfer", Brantford, Ontario, or J. Coppack, Cleekheaton Golf Club, near Bradford, England.
- SALESMEN WANTED—87 MILES ON 1 GALLON OF GAS?—Startling Vapor Gas Saver. All Autos, Motorcycles. 1 Free. CRITCHLOW, 4131-A, Wheaton, ILL.
- WANTED—For season of 1931 position as steward in an Ontario or British Columbia Club, the latter preferred. The highest references from prominent golf clubs and golf officials in Canada. Address "Box 243" care of "Canadian Golfer", Brantford, Ontario. (This application endorsed by Editor of the "Canadian Golfer".)
- WANTED—Position as club manager and secretary. Specializing in golf course maintenance and construction. Experienced agriculturalist, also fifteen years financial, auditing and accounting experience. Eight years golf club experience. Highest references. Address Drawer 440, "Canadian Golfer", Brantford, Ontario.
- WANTED—Steward for Western Ontario club. Must have first class club experience and be capable of complete supervision of house. Apply stating full personal details and references to Box 480, "Canadian Golfer", Brantford, Ontario.
- WANTED—Young Canadian professional age twenty-four, single, would like position for 1931 season, with growing club, two years professional experience. Good player, teacher and clubmaker, also experienced in course construction and maintenance. Recommended by the Editor. Apply Box 292, care "Canadian Golfer", Brantford, Ontario.



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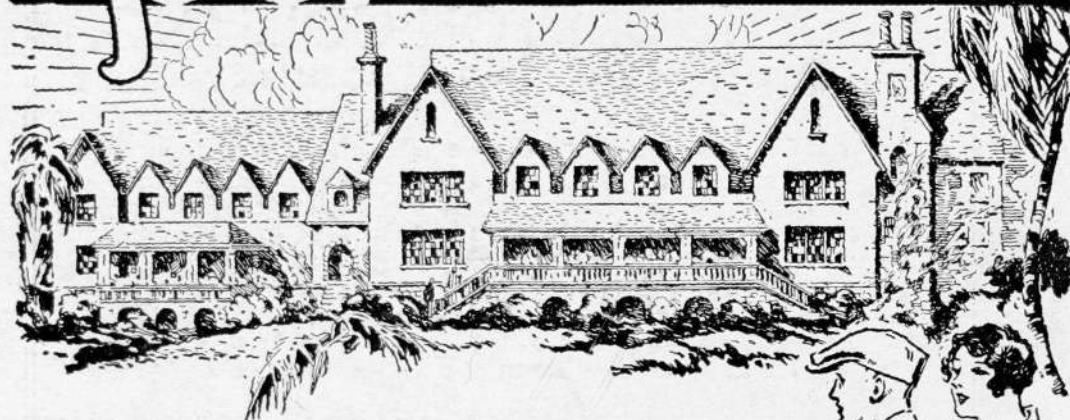
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