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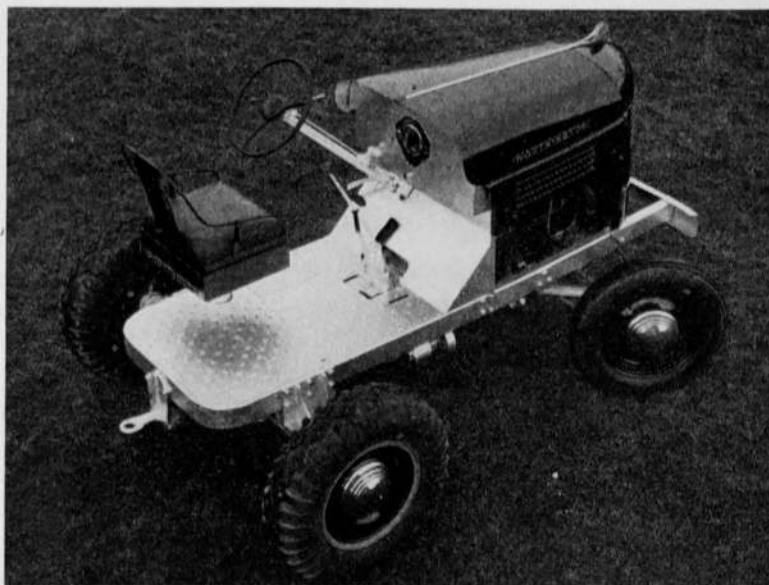
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Your Travelling Editor

Our readers will be interested to hear that editor H. R. Pickens, Jr., has established headquarters at Pinehurst for the winter months. From this golfing citadel he will be in constant touch with the pulse of golf, which is certain to add spice to his editorial pages during the inactive season. He will also be able to inform us of the doings of the host of Canadians, who take time out for a pre-season warm up on the southern fairways, news which is interesting to all of us because we will know where to ask for strokes when we ourselves start dealing on the first tee.

AFTER FIFTY YEARS THEY LEAD

Here is something to conjure with in this ever-ominous matter of rule changes—a fashion of which United States is becoming increasingly fond. Golf was seriously introduced in that country scarcely 50 years back. The conservative Royal and Ancient body of St. Andrews, most revered governing force in the golfing world, was formed in 1754. In short, golf was being “managed” in Scotland roughly 150 years before the game was recognized in this country. Moreover, it was played in Scotland back as early as the 14th or 15th century, depending on whether one wishes to believe the Dutch or the Scotch in the old controversy of who originated it. Due to the unfathomable progress of this game in the United States, Americans now feel qualified to take the lead in rule changes and altering golf as they see fit.

COLOR TOO COSTLY

For a long time it seemed that the names of certain professionals would continue at the top until they had to wear crutches in open tournament play. New talent seemed scarce,

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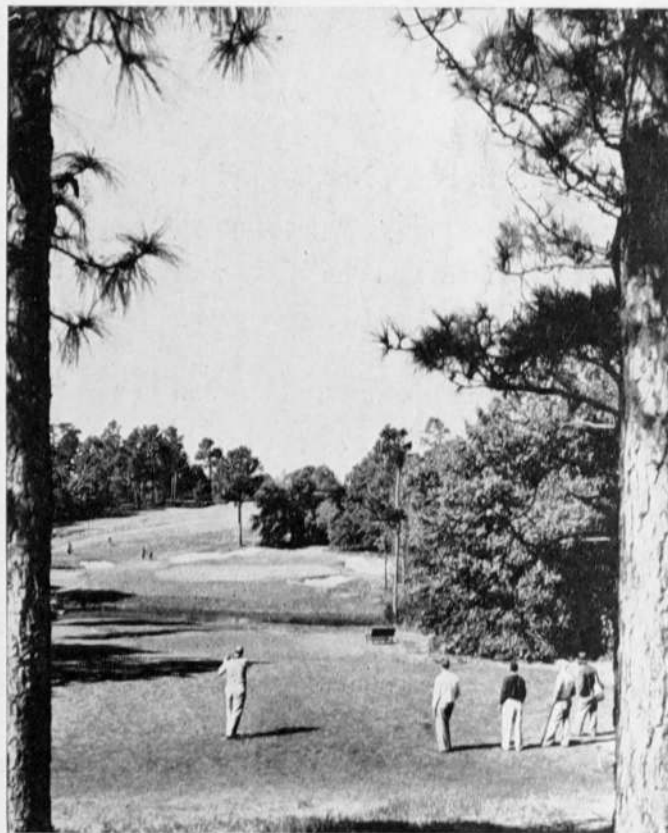


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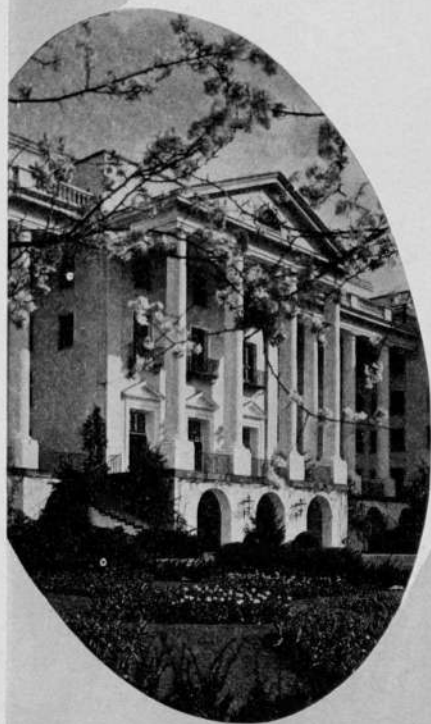


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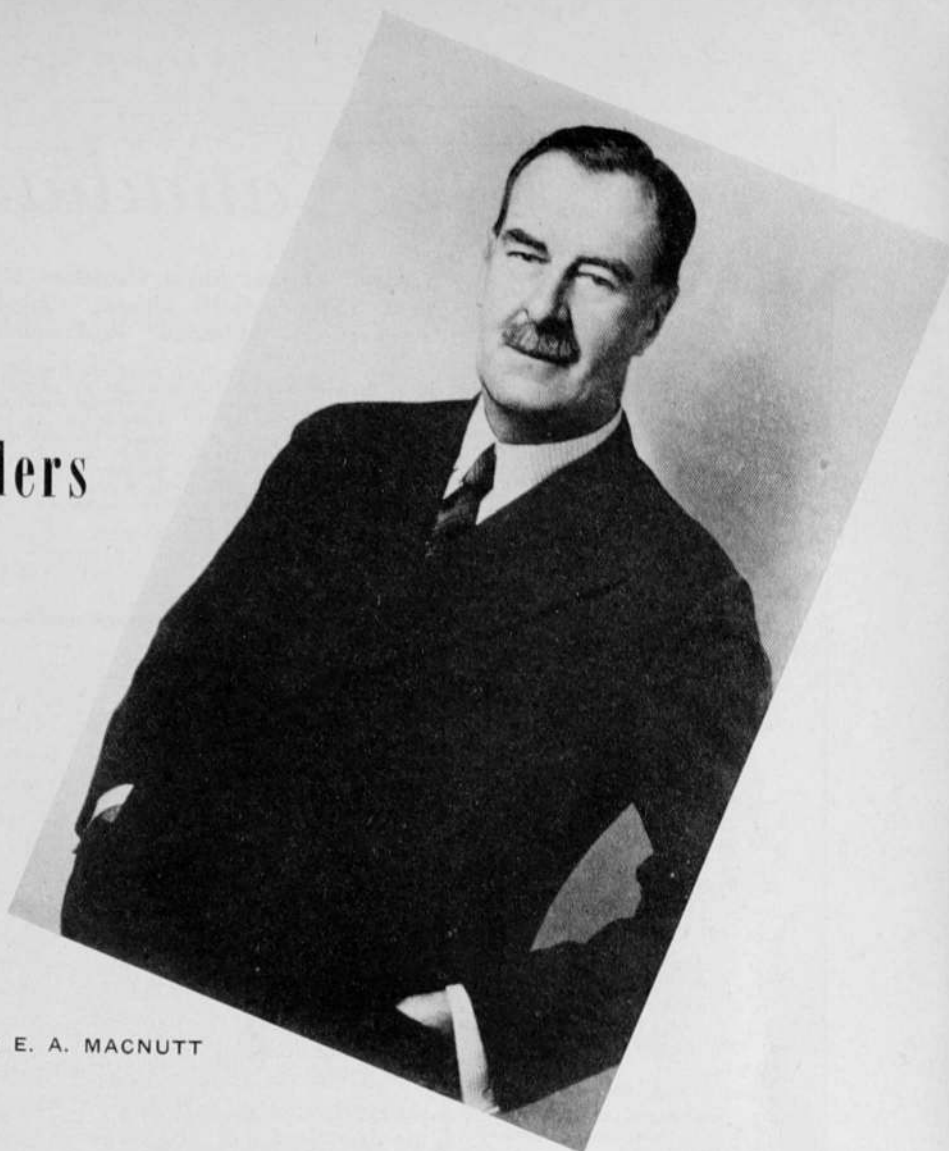


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One can hardly think of golf in Montreal and the Montreal District, without associating the thought with the name of Mr. A. E. Macnutt who is not only a first-class player, but a Golfing Executive of exceptionable ability and who for many years now, has given much time and energy to the development of The Royal & Ancient game, which he loves so well, in Canada's Metropolis.

Mr. Macnutt was born in London, England, his father being a well known Physician of the Empire's Capital. He started his business career in the States as Private Secretary to the President of the American Pegamoid Company becoming subsequently Assistant Secretary of that Company in New York. In 1899 he came to Canada as Secretary to the General Manager of the Merchants Bank of Halifax (now the Royal Bank of Canada). Later he became Assistant to the Inspector and afterwards the Assistant Accountant of the Montreal Branch. In 1904 he joined the Investment Department of the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada—one of the world's outstanding Assurance Companies. In January 1906 he was appointed Treasurer of the Company and in 1932 Vice President and Treasurer and in 1934 Vice President of the Board of Directors.

Mr. Macnutt was assistant Director of Production, Imperial Munitions Board, Ottawa during the War and Joint Chairman Province of Quebec Victory Loan 1917-1918. Treasurer and Member Business Committee Ca-

nadian Chambers of Commerce 1930. Member Executive Committee 1936. First Vice President, Montreal Board of Trade 1930. He is President of the Glengarry and Stormont Railway Company. President, Cornwall Street Railway Light & Power Company. President Stormont Electric Light & Power Company. Vice President, Levis Tramway Company. Director Consolidated Paper Corporation. His clubs are, Mount Royal, St. James', Royal Montreal Golf and Montreal Indoor Tennis.

It was thirty eight years ago, when Mr. Macnutt first started to play golf, when he joined in 1900 The Royal Montreal Golf Club—the premier golf club of the Continent. He was the champion of the Club in 1915 and again 14 years later—in 1929. In 1935 and 1937 he was the Senior Champion. Showing his great popularity with the members of The Royal Montreal, he was Captain in 1912, 1913, 1921 and 1922 and President in 1926, 1927 and 1928. He is also an ex-Hon. Secretary and Vice President of The Royal Canadian Golf Association. Only last September he was elected a Governor of The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association in which he of recent years has taken a keen interest.

A typical British-Canadian Imperialist, an outstanding financier with an International reputation, loyal friend and a leader in all social activities in Montreal, Mr. Macnutt has endeared himself to the citizens of "that no mean City" which is also the beloved City of his adoption.

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Frank N. Robertson, St. John, N. B. and D. H. Williams, Halifax, N. S.
This trio compose the R.C.G.A. representation in the East and will be in charge of arrangements for Canada's major tournament in its first playing in the East. Mr. J. Ernest Savard, R.C.G.A. President of Montreal, is automatically a member of this committee. With the approval of the mid August date by the U.S.P.G.A. the Maritimers can look forward to seeing the big names of golf in action at St. John this year. The Canadian title and Seagram Gold Cup now held by Sam Snead, is one of the top ranking events to the professional brigade and with the knowledge that they will be in Boston just prior to the Canadian Championship the usual starry field is assured.

R. J. Dawes Chairman

Shortly after the annual meeting of the Royal Canadian Golf Association preparations for the Canadian Amateur, Interprovincial and Junior Canadian Championships were set in motion. Mr. R. J. Dawes, R.C.G.A. Executive in Montreal; Mr. M. R. Ferguson, Immediate Past President of the P.Q.G.A. and R.C.G.A. Executive; Mr. H. B.

McLean, P.Q.G.A. President; Mr. Allan O. McKay, P.Q.G.A. Executive and Captain of the Mount Bruno Country Club; Mr. W. D. Taylor, Honorary Secretary-Treasurer of the P.Q.G.A. and Mr. Charles H. Sclater, donor of the Buckingham Cup, have been named by President J. E. Savard, to a special sub-committee in charge of the amateur contests which will be played at Mount Bruno Country Club on July 24-29th. Mr. Dawes, chairman of this committee, is the right man for the job and we can rest assured every detail will be given full consideration. Mount Bruno besides being one of the most beautiful spots in the country boasts a championship course that calls for all the courage and skill required of a champion. The programme is expected to follow the lines of previous championships with the Interprovincial Matches and Junior Canadian Championship being contested at 36 holes medal play on Monday. On Tuesday the first round of the match play will get under way with 18 hole matches carrying through to the semi finals on Friday and Finals on Saturday both of which are contested over 36 holes. Thus the Championship returns to Montreal after a lapse of five years as we think back on that

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memorable final between Scotty Campbell and Ross Somerville over the Laval-Sur-le-Lac Club course.

B. C.'s Big Event

The British Columbia Golf Association under the presidency of J. S. G. Musgrave of Victoria, B. C. are laying plans to make this year's B. C. Provincial Championship a big event. The dates selected are April 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th, and Oak Bay in Victoria is the club at which the field will gather. The choice of Easter week-end; the formation of a large committee; the invitation of international stars are part of the preliminary plans.

Maritimers Stage The Open

The Canadian Open Championship will be played over the Riverside Golf Club course, St. John, N.B. August 17th, 18th and 19th. This date has been announced in the press of both the United States and Canada through Mr. B. L. Anderson's office. In a letter from the R.C.G.A. Secretary we have been advised of the acceptance of this date by the Professional Golfers Association of America, through Fred Corcoran their tournament manager. With this dispatch came the official announcement of the Open Championship Committee which will be headed by Lt. Col. W. A.

Talking about Golf

EDITORIAL

H. R. Pickens Jr.

Just following the recent San Francisco Match Play Open championship, won by dark, handsome Dick Metz at the expense of everybody's good friend, Horton Smith, in the final, there was considerable talk among professionals as to the respective merits of match play and medal play.

The pros, it seems, expressed quite a general dislike for the former. They claim that playing an opponent rather than par allows an inferior player to win too often. Moreover, other complaints were expressed because certain individuals feel that match play is not a true test of golf and that there is too great an element of luck in it. Finally, it has been asserted that the stymie has become a nightmare to the professional player. Sam Snead, last year's sensation of the money trails, concluded that he doesn't care if he ever plays another round of match golf. Snead, somewhat in the throes of a slump, was eliminated in the first round. It will be remembered that little Paul Runyan gave him a bad beating in the final of the U.S.P.G.A. championship last summer. Snead, however, promptly turned the tables by outlasting Runyan (with whom he partnered) in the medal play Canadian Open just succeeding the former event. Snead's inability to compete successfully in a match play campaign is quite possibly why he doesn't care for this type of tournament. The point, however, is that with several pro leaders clamoring for an end to the stymie as well as to match play—it may be that the professional championship of America will be changed to a medal contest. We hope not! We also hope that there will be no more tampering with the stymie rule. When the day that winning is so important among the professionals that they have to change the rules so as to seek perfect equity—then it will be well for amateur associations to play by a separate code. As for the best players failing to win at match golf, it is rather notable that Metz, who won the preceding Oakland Open, continued his form to take the San Francisco tourney as well. One was medal, the next match play. As Richard Tufts of the United States Golf Association expressed it to your editor, it is as hard to win by a stymie for some men as it is for others to lose through one.

While we agree that the professional troupe are a fine lot, it is doubtful if winning thus is quite as

disturbing as the latter circumstances. Regardless, we feel that tradition in golf is the important item to protect for who knows, when we start clipping features of the game to suit our imagined tastes, that we may not perchance snip off the secret of its time-defying appeal. Samson's colossal strength was in a few locks of hair. Who can tell where the intriguing element in golf is to be found?

Sarazen on match vs. medal play.

It was on this subject that Gene Sarazen again hit headlines recently. Sarazen at Clearwater, Fla., while tuning up his game, took time off to say that "A master can win at match or medal play. The fellows in my class—Walter Hagen, Bobby Jones and Armour always could win tournaments both ways!" Sarazen had a word of disdain for those pros who frown on match golf, claiming that the inferior player often can spring an upset in an 18-hole round. "Any one," he went on, "who thinks he can't win at match play is lacking in the stuff that makes a champion." We wonder what Sam Snead will think of this remark.

Certainly in amateur golf the trend will always be toward match play as the medium of most pleasure for there is a new match represented in each new hole. The long strain of keeping the total score in mind is a tiring thing for the business man who comes to play golf for a little recreation—not the battle of a lifetime.

Personally we feel that amateur golf should continue to be played, predominantly as match play. If the professionals of the modern day wish to eliminate all man-to-man play from their campaign that is their privilege. After all they make their living by playing and should be the judges. However this would not alter the general opinion of most real golfers that the most colorful event which they play is their own U.S.P.G.A. Here one sees the mechanical perfection of such men as Snead shaken by the stalwart heart and strategy of such fellows as "little" Paul Runyan. It seems as we have said above, that the elements which make golf great, rest in such possibilities. It will be too bad if the pros eliminate them!

COMMENTS ON EDITORIAL (of REASONABLE LENGTH) WILL BE WELCOMED BY THE EDITOR



DR. CLAUDE BROWN, LONDON



J. ERNEST SAVARD, MONTREAL

J. Ernest Savard First French Canadian to Head Royal Canadian Association

By

WILLIAM D. TAYLOR

It is indeed unfortunate that large numbers from every province could not have been in Toronto to attend the recent 40th annual general meeting of the Royal Canadian Golf Association. On the other hand it was a small meeting, comprised of members of the national executive and representatives of provincial associations, but these gentlemen who are so actively interested in the golfing affairs of their own localities, will, I am sure, take with them an even greater pride and interest in their association with the Royal and Ancient pastime and new enthusiasm for their opportunities to serve a very worthwhile and far reaching golfing society. This assembly was a convincing example of the efficiency and worth of the democratic form of government, and so long as golf's leaders continue to be so wisely chosen we can look forward to participation in a sporting order in which we can fraternize with benefit both morally and physically.

Dr. Claude Brown, of London, Ontario, Association president, submitted the executive's report which indicated the successful conduct of the Association's widespread interests as a result of generous contribution, of time and thought, by an honorary executive ably translated and effected through Mr. Anderson's office. The president was generous in his words of thanks and appreciation to his fellow executives for co-operation shown him, but we know Mr. Savard's remarks, expressing appreciation to Dr. Brown for his tremendous contribution and able direction, was an expression of opinion which is deeply imbued in the minds of his associates, and all golfers who had the pleasure of making his acquaintance.

Provincial Relations Strengthened

The mutual trial arrangement to strengthen the ties between the provincial and national associations was generally successful and it has been recommended that this arrangement be continued for another year. The change provides that; each provincial association becomes a voting member of the governing body, and has the right to appoint one member to the national executive. The provincial associations effect the collec-

tion of annual dues by clubs to both associations. The Canadian Association receives a guaranteed sum from each province which is equivalent to the average total revenue received by the national association from that province during the five previous years. After an-

other year's trial it is expected the Royal Canadian Association will adopt the regulations in whole or in part and adjust its by-laws accordingly.

National Handicapping Promoted

In 1938, establishment of a uniform national handicapping system, publication of a handicapping and rating booklet, issuance of a national handicap list, was accomplished, and in this connection a special vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Richard J. Dawes, of Montreal, Mr. Frank Harris of Toronto, and Canadian Golfer.

Rules Committee Active

The rules committee, composed of Mr. R. C. H. Cassels, K.C., Chairman, Mr. C. W. Jackson and Mr. James Buchanan, were tendered a special vote of thanks for valuable service freely rendered in interpreting the rules, a service keenly appreciated by members.

Tournaments Successful Financially

The tournament schedule of national events was particularly successful from every point of view. Large fields participated under ideal conditions with exceptionally low scoring the rule. The first competition for the Buckingham Cup donated by Mr. Charles Sclater of Hamilton, Ontario, brought together junior champions from seven of Canada's provinces and singled out James Hogan, Jasper Park, Alberta, as the first national junior champion. This event was, and will be, contested each year with the 36 hole Interprovincial matches, and has already been a great boost to junior golf. Young fellows now have something very worthwhile to aim at, as the opportunity of travelling, expenses paid, with one's Interprovincial team is a privilege and experience which comes as a reward,

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FRANK HARRIS



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for the winning of one's provincial junior championship. The new Buckingham Cup will do much to foster wide-spread interest in junior events championships in all provinces.

The Open Championship played at the Mississauga Golf Club, in Toronto resulted in a net profit to the association of \$3,207.19. The splendid weather and resultant play-off swelled the gate receipt total to over \$7,000.00 which was over double the income from this same item the previous year. Mississauga Golf & Country Club proved an ideal host club for this important tournament and knowing as I do, the interest taken in the championship by the Mississauga members, the sincere expression of thanks by the association and complete success of the open will be satisfactory reward to them for efforts expended.

The fortieth Amateur Championship was likewise an outstanding success. Over 100 players entered the match play which was followed by large and sporting galleries. The

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eventual winner Ted Adams of Columbia, Missouri, was one of a popular and capable group of American entrants who added international interest to the proceedings. The net revenue to the association from this tournament was \$578.73.

Revenue for Interprovincial Fund

The publishing of the Canadian Annual Golf Review again proved a profitable enterprise, the report showing a net income of \$1128.92. These proceeds as per previous practice are annually contributed to the interprovincial team expense fund. The R.C.G.A.'s contribution towards the travelling expenses of teams to the Interprovincial matches this year totalled \$1678.60 which is made up as follows: 70% of total expenses to British Columbia and Alberta; 50% of expenses to Manitoba and New Brunswick; \$300.00 to Saskatchewan. As the tournament was held in Ontario, Ontario and Quebec did not receive any financial assistance.

Government Aids Green Section

Through the activities of Mr. R. I. Hamilton, Dominion Dept. of Agriculture, inquiries for advice from the greens section were carefully attended to, and this service given to association members by this governmental department has proven exceedingly valuable.

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R. J. DAWES



FRANK N. ROBERTSON



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A. W. MATTHEWS

Your Travelling Editor

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Hagen, Sarazen, Jones, Duncan, Mitchell, Vardon, Ray and Armour—all seemed to have a hand in the all-time golfing picture to such an extent that no one would ever displace them. Then came Ralph Guldahl, Byron Nelson, Picard, Revolta, Runyan, Thompson, Cooper, Horton Smith—a young crop who, though less individualistic, still seemed perhaps more perfect scoring machines than their great predecessors. Though most of this latter brigade are still very potent factors in all major tournaments, and will be for some years, (and even a few of the "old timers" of the first contingent continue to linger near the top) today, there is still a younger crop gradually taking command. Led by Sam Snead, such names as Jimmy Demaret, E. J. Dutch Harrison, Ben Hogan, Dick Metz, "Jug" McSpaden, Clayton Heafner, and several others are slipping into the lime-light. Professional tournament play, however, has undoubtedly lost glamour for today nobody on the "circuit" can afford to be colorful with so many business-like opponents in the field, all capable of smashing par into small bits.

GREEN ECCENTRICS

A few years ago Joe Turnesa, one of a veritable legion of golfing Turnesa brothers, decided that his putting was so bad that he would have to do something about it. After considerable experimenting, Joe found that by using his right hand alone he holed quite a few putts that way. He was, for a time, cited along with Leo Deigel, among the most eccentric putters in the game. In later years Joe has returned to the double-handed method and is now considered quite an excellent player around the greens.

A short time ago in an amateur handicap tournament in Pinehurst N. C. we encountered a one-handed putter whose efforts under these conditions put him in line for some sort of record, we believe. This was Mr. H. L. Frackelton of Poughkeepsie N. Y. On two occasions he hammered home goodly putts for deuces on par three holes. Playing with a handicap stroke on each he thus had two "net ones" on his card. So he becomes the only man in history who has had two "aces" on his official card in one day scored with one-handed shots!

JACK MACKIE AND "HAND SPEED"

A few days ago we met Mr. Jock Mackie, Inwood, L. I., son of the Treasurer of the United States Professional Golf Association and himself a professional. However, due to illness, Mr. Mackie is permanently unable to play golf. This is a sad blow to this strapping young fellow who was formerly known as a long hitter. But Mackie's love and interest in the game has not been quenched by this unfortunate circumstance. He has lately turned a hand at a bit of golf writing of an instructional nature. His first effort (which he turned over to that well-known golf writer, Herb Graffis) was reproduced in the Australian Golfer. At present he is doing a piece based upon a refutation of Ernest Jones' "swing the club" theory. Mackie is a student of the golf game who believes that there is more to hitting a golf ball for the long, required championship distances than just swinging the club. He points to the fact that most of the players are "hitters" rather than swingers, to prove his opinion. Mackie insists that what he calls "hand speed" is the fundamental of long hitting. We are rather inclined to this idea, ourselves, since certainly, in order to generate speed in the clubhead, the hands have to be in control of the club and moving at a terrific rate.



The presentation pictured above was snapped in front of Pinehurst's Country Club. It includes from left to right, Hilles R. Pickens, Jr., editor of Canadian Golfer; Mr. Percy Maxwell, famous golf architect who has remodelled several holes of the Masters course at Augusta; Bob Harlow, formerly United States P.G.A. manager; J. Livingstone and F. L. Frackelton both of Pinehurst. The team of Harlow and Pickens were victorious in the February Best Ball Championship at Pinehurst.

A SEVEN IRON SECOND ON A 520 YARD HOLE

After several days of warm-ups, one of the finest fields to collect along the money circuit this winter recently got off to a flying start in the Texas Open championships. Jimmy Thomson, seige-gun par excellence, posted a new competitive record with a magnificent 64 in the first round. Jimmy had nothing more than chip shots on most of the holes. Once he drove almost 400 yards. He got 11 pars, one bogey, six birdies and one eagle in his round. He played a 520-yarder in three, where he got this longest drive. His seven iron second was two feet from the cup!

SLIPPED TO 68

Thomson's record was amazing, but over the same course in practice two days before, Harold McSpaden scored a 59—It was the lowest scored on PGA record for a par 71 course. Said Jug after the round, "I couldn't have played a single shot better than I did." Thus at last we have heard of a satisfied golfer. Likewise, we know now what score is required to satiate the hitherto unsatiable complexity which is any golfer's incomprehensible ambition.

McSpaden's remarkable card read as follows:

	par	435	444	435—36
		344	544	443—35—71
McSpaden		324	343	334—29
		343	344	333—30—59

Not that it worries the layman to any particular extent—but it seems that this talk about "deader," or at least standardized golf balls will become a necessary step if these fellows continue to show such absolute abandon about making reasonably hard courses into Tom Thumb layouts. Incidentally when the pressure of actual tournament play went on in the opening round, McSpaden showed plainly that he is no "money player" by slipping to a 68! (We pause to blush.)

WE'LL SEE THE FAIRWAYS NEXT TRIP

Sunday we toured the Pine Needles course in Southern Pines. Playing with Mr. George Dunlap, Mr. Eric Thompson and professional Ted Turner, we had ample chance to see how a fine course should be played. Watching ourselves, however, we got the converse picture of how such a course "could" be played.



Pictured luncheon at the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, just prior to the sixteenth Annual General Meeting of the Ontario Golf Association are:
 Back row left to right: C. M. Jones, Scarborough, D. D. Carrick, Rosedale, Wardlaw Vair, Waterloo Country Golf Club, Frank Ritchie, Brockville, R. M. Gray, Rosedale, Hew Scott, Weston, Harry Holland, Weston, B. L. Anderson, Lambton—R.C.G.A., J. H. Chipman, Lambton, Elmer Dixon, Oshawa, Frank Harris, Mississauga, E. A. Harris Rosedale, J. Gordon Thompson, Sunningdale—London, Chas. Slater, Hamilton Golf Club, T. A. Browne, London Hunt, J. Lewis Brown, Secretary Treasurer, Inside row left to right: W. Roche, Globe & Mail, Geo. W. Lang, Westmount, Kitchener, W. Cecil George, Couchiching, Orillia, Geo. T. Honer, Northern Ontario, G.A., Kirkland Lake, D. G. Carruthers, Cataraqui, Kingston, P. Wilson, Royal York, P. Lobley, Royal York, Joe. Hilley, Royal York, 2nd inside row left to right: J. G. Reid, St. Andrews, John Machado, Toronto, Golf Club, M. A. Luther, Erie Downs, Golf Club, John H. Thomson, York Downs, J. W. G. Clark, Lambton.

J. GORDON THOMPSON LEADS O.G.A.

**Energetic Londoner
 Succeeds E.A. Harris Who Presented
 Excellent Report at 16th Annual Gathering**

When Ernest A. Harris, presented the Presidential and Director's report of the Ontario Golf Association to its Annual General Meeting, held recently in the Royal York Hotel, it was everyone's observation that the O.G.A. was in a progressively healthy position, the cooperative working arrangements with the Royal Canadian and other provincial associations were emphatically referred to by the retiring president, who stated that this harmony among golf's leading executives was clearly reflected in all branches of the Association's activities.

A growing membership, which now embraces seventy-eight clubs, is an encouraging indication of the general support by clubs throughout the province, and is a barometer indicating a better appreciation of the valuable service rendered by Provincial Associations and the necessity for all clubs to support organized golf.

Handicapping registrations, though acknowledged to be in the embryonic stage, showed a healthy increase to a registration of 515 players. The active tournament campaign throughout the province have brought players and club executives to the realization that a standard and general adoption of the approved O.G.A. regulations, (which is the National handicapping system,) is an absolute necessity to the successful conduct of golfing events, be they local or of provincial wide interest. In 1938 the approved method, in its complete form was recommended to clubs for the first time. With its immediate effect and automatic operation the Committee are anticipating a complete adoption by Member Clubs with the resultant substantial increase in handicap registrations and uniformity. As the O.G.A. and other provincial methods now coincide the provincial ratings issued have national recognition, and a handicap card will be found a valuable asset to every player.

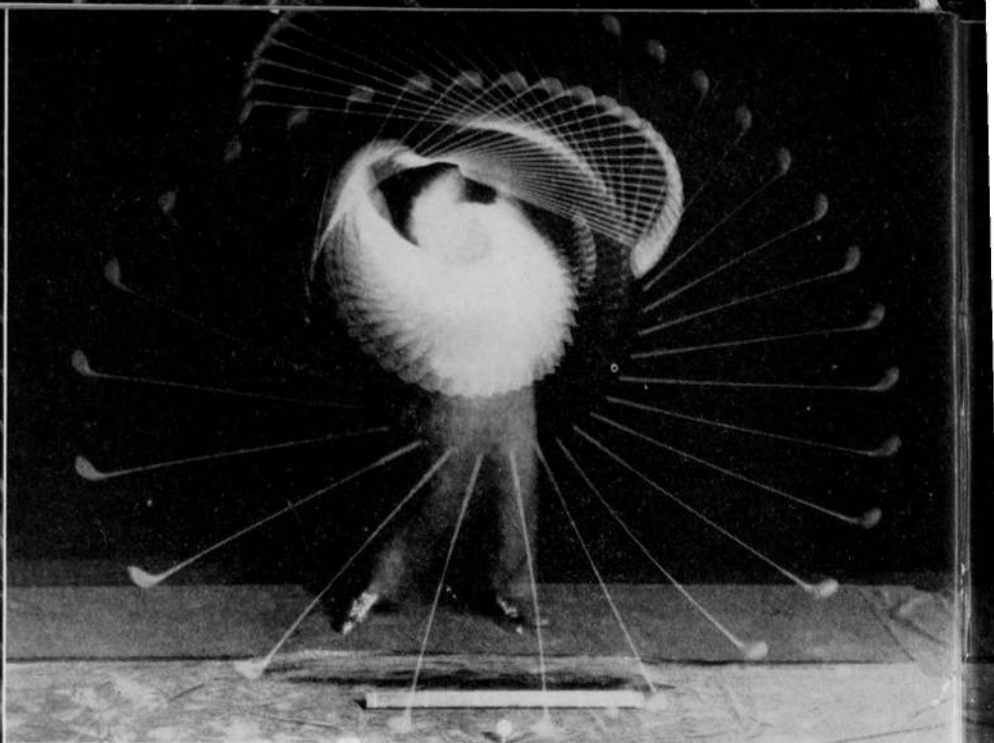
The Association's cash book balance for 1938 indicated receipts in excess of expenditure to the satisfactory extent of \$461.49, which when added to the treasury reserve, brings the assets of the Association to a total \$2799.45.

Large entries, keen competition and low scoring was the rule in the eleven tournaments conducted during the season.

The recapturing of the coveted Willingdon Cup, by Ontario's four-man team composed of, C. R. Somerville, James Boeckh, Ray Getliffe and Gordon Taylor Jr. achieved after a thrilling playoff with the Province of Quebec team was the season's highlight.

The reins of presidential office were transferred to the capable hands of Mr. J. Gordon Thompson, of London Ontario's Sunningdale Golf Club, a former vice-president. This energetic Londoner is supported by a distinguished and enthusiastic group of directors, all of which have been leaders within their own clubs and localities.

A change in by-laws was effected to permit the appointment of a new director for the Northern Ontario district. In this rapidly developing region near Kirkland Lake, twenty-two clubs had already formed what was known as the Northern Ontario Golf Association, and in future this body will have a representative director on Ontario's golf directorate, thus achieving direct affiliation with the parent association. George T. Honer, secretary of the Kirkland Lake Golf Club, and secretary of the Northern Association was the man elected to this new directorate post. Two well-known and popular personalities will assist the new president in vice presidential capacities. John D. Chipman, outstanding player and member of the Lambton Golf Club, and Elmer W. Dixon of the active Oshawa Club, former directors, are well qualified to handle their new executive posts. Among the newly elected directors is noted the name of one of Canada's model sons. The appointment of Donald Carrick to the board of the provincial golf association is an unquestionably wise selection. His progressively successful career through school, college and the legal profession has left his name deeply engraved in the sporting, student and business records of our day. Golf was just one of several branches of sport in which Carrick achieved distinction, and though his record is not as extensive as that of Ross Somerville, he has taken the measure of London's Sandy more often than any other Canadian when titles were at stake, par. This background coupled with his legal experience will make him a valuable acquisition to the directorate.



The pattern above is created by Bobby Jones as caught by the scientific eye of a multiple-flash camera. This amazing development in photography permits exposures of $1/100,000$ of a second, and, as it is also possible to accurately time the interval between exposures, the patterns thus formed make possible the measurement of club head speed as well as the velocity of the ball in flight. The print above was taken at intervals of $1/100$ of a second and the exposure of each picture is $1/100,000$ of a second. It is thus established the ball travels 225 feet per second on leaving the club face. The club velocity before impact is 166 feet per second. After impact it is reduced to 114 feet per second.



In the top left hand corner is seen a multiple flash photographic study of impact when a light driver meets a heavy golf ball. The time interval between exposures is $1/600$ of a second. The strain on, and action of a golf club through the hitting area is thus clearly defined. Just above the magic eye of the high speed camera stops Bobby Jones as his driver meets the ball. This exposure at $1/50,000$ of a second pictures the actual flattening of the ball on the club face.

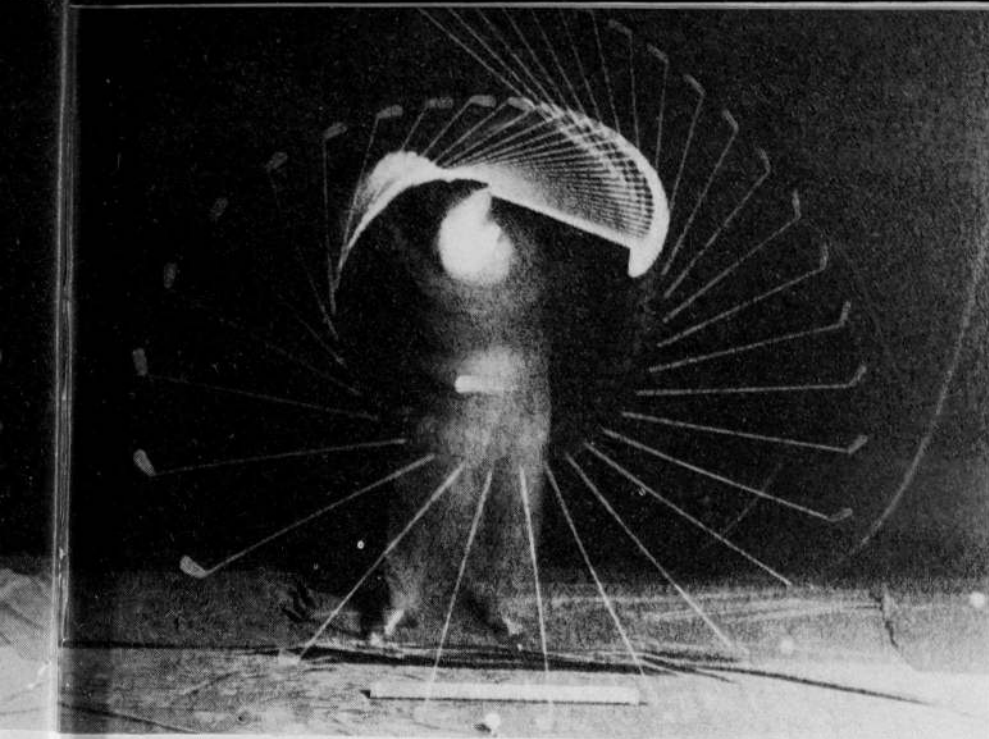
Ultra Speed Photos

A new process of ultra speed photography permitting speeds down to one one hundred thousandths ($1/100,000$) of a second is being utilized by A. G. Spalding Bros. in their research division. While the department will primarily investigate the principles of impact and flight as they effect performance in golf and other sports, the resultant prints now offer to the naked eye what professionals have been endeavouring to translate into words for a long time. The photographs in this series are submitted with the compliments of the Spalding organization to Canadian Golfer. All are copyrighted. Those desiring further information regarding the new photographic process by which these amazing pictures have been secured can do so by communicating with Thomas H. Stevenson, Director of Public Relations, A. G. Spaldings & Bros., Chicopee, Mass. The method and equipment used in securing these pictures arouses the interest and curiosity of anyone even mildly interested in photography. The taking of pictures is a subject we're not qualified to discuss but the captions do list the details and speeds of exposures and announce they have been achieved with what is termed multi-flash photography.

Application of these pictures to the study of the golf swing is quite naturally our particular interest. We now see for the first time just exactly what happens when we hit a golf ball. That is, we see what happens when Bobby Jones, the master swinger wields his clubs. The patterns so formed are certainly rhythm exemplified. In commenting on this series no attempt will be made to describe or analyze the hitting action. This occasion we will let the pictures speak for themselves, and the result will possibly be the carving of a few divots from the parlor rug.

Upon receipt of the pictures we were quite delighted in the thought we had found something worthwhile. Further reactions from those interested in swing analysis did not take long. A few blocks down the street Albert Murray, well known

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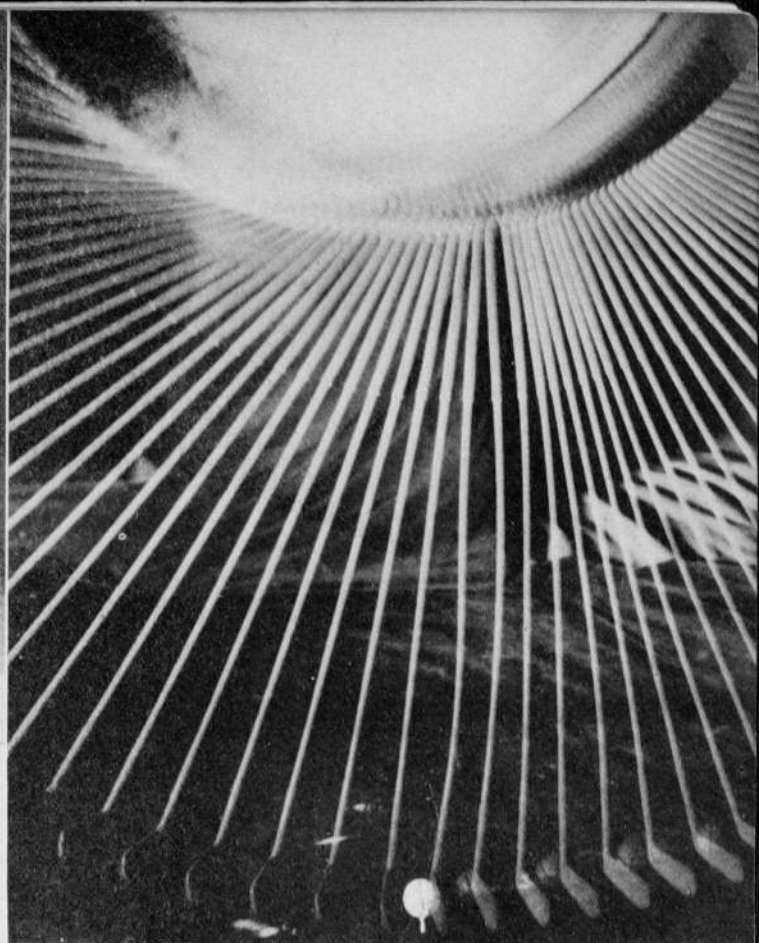
The new multiple flash camera traces Bobby Jones' iron swing from beginning to end as shown above. The time intervals and exposures are the same as the picture on the left. From the pattern it has been estimated the ball velocity is 198 feet per second. Club velocity before impact is 136 feet per second but after impact it is reduced to 102 feet per second. These figures when compared with the table from the driver swing clearly indicate the power advantage of wooden clubs over the irons in obtaining distance. The two pictures form an interesting set of comparisons as well as giving the reader his first insight into the actual movement and position of the club in the downswing and follow through.

s Analyse the Swing

Beaconsfield professional, was found in his smartly equipped golf school. The prints were laid before him and we waited for his comment. One print was examined and then another, "these are certainly wonderful" said Albert, "the finest illustrations of the swing I have ever seen." Albert looked at one quite closely several times and I noticed his pleased expression. My request for his reaction drew this reply, "It bears out what I have been endeavouring to explain in words for some time. It illustrates and proves my point and theory of instruction quite conclusively".

Having had a previous appointment to see Bobby Burns, Hampstead's stylish professional, we called at his golf school to find him busy with a lesson. On Bobby's reading table we found a copy of Sam Snead's instruction book. Bobby on arrival asked our opinion of this volume commenting that he felt the use of pictures made it much easier to explain the golf swing. "That is just why I dropped in to see you, I want your reactions on what is undoubtedly the finest set of action pictures ever reproduced." On examining the first print Bob said, "That shows it, shows it exactly. Where can I get one of these? It will save me a lot of explaining and brings out most clearly the proper swinging action".

The immediate enthusiasm of these two outstanding professionals for these multi-flash prints as an aid in explaining the golf swing is an indication that Spalding's research division will be kept busy making up these swinging imprints. It seems logical to expect they will soon complete a series showing the various strokes in golf. This new process will certainly remove a lot of the guess work from future instruction and will make possible the proving of many of the theories concocted by students of the swing. Theorists will find food for thought for the next few months with the possible result more than one will drop around to the canvas courts of the nearest golf school to test new ideas.



At top right we see the action of an iron club through the ball with exposure intervals at 1/600 of a second. It is clearly shown, impact of the club with the ball produces distortions of the shaft. Directly above Jones is caught at impact with his iron club for the brief space of 1/50,000 of a second. It is thus possible to compare the hitting action of an iron and wood at this point.



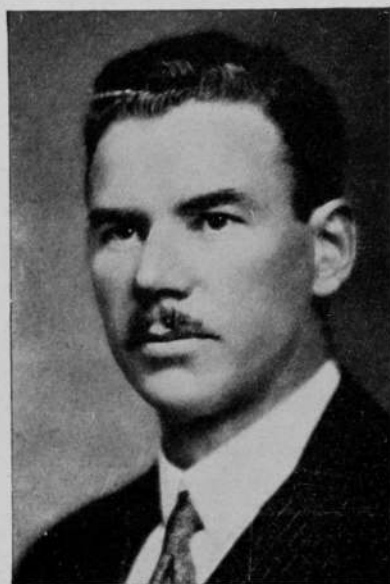
M. R. FERGUSON



E. M. HOLLIDAY



B. L. ANDERSON



C. H. SCLATER

Where Tribute Is Due

Tribute was paid three of golf's great benefactors, namely, George S. Lyon, W. Norman Boase and Dr. Walter S. Harban whose unfortunate deaths occurred during 1938. Mr. Lyon's record as Canada's grand old man of golf is well known. Mr. Boase was an international figure, chairman of the championship Committee of the Royal and Ancient Club of St. Andrews for many terms. Dr. Harban was a resident of Washington, D. C. founder of the U.S.G.A. Greens Section and prominent as a U.S. G.A. Executive.

International Aspect

During 1938 Canadians played host to the British Ladies' Curtis Cup Team who visited several points and participated in the Ladies National Championship. The British and United States Seniors' likewise were Canada's guests at the seniors triangular matches to which Toronto Golf Club were such excellent hosts.

1939 Events

Championships in 1939 will be played in Montreal and St. John, N. B. according to invitations accepted by the 1939 Executive. The invitation of Mount Bruno Country Club to be host club to the Amateur, Junior and Inter Provincial Matches from July 24th to 29th, and the invitation of the Riverside Golf & Country Club, St. John, N.B. to hold the Open the latter part of August, (Since set for August 17, 18, 19) when recommended to the Meeting met with unanimous approval. Plans for these events have already been set in motion.

Montrealer New President

No nominations were received further to the selection presented by the Nominating Committee. This slate was therefore declared elected. In a scene that was thrilling to witness because of its genuine sincerity Dr. Brown transferred the presidential badge of office to the association's new head J. Ernest Savard of Montreal. In stepping from the presidential chair the retiring executive head expressed his personal pleasure for the opportunity that had been his and his gratitude for very loyal support from all executives. Mr. Savard, he stated was eminently qualified to assume the leading role in Canada's golfing world, and charged him to carry on the worthy traditions and aims of what was a noble and important society.

Mr. Savard in accepting the chair sincerely thanked the meeting for the honour shown him, remarking, that he would do his best to carry out the duties of his office using as his guide the example shown by the able leaders which he fol-

lows. As a representative of the Le Club Laval sur-le-Lac in Montreal Mr. Savard is the first French Canadian gentleman to head the R.C.G.A. His appointment is a fitting acknowledgement of generous service rendered his club, provincial association; which he served as president, and as an executive on a national board. It is fitting too that a representative of the popular Laval Club should be so honoured as this French Canadian club, just outside of Montreal, is a model golfing institution whose reputation and goodwill knows no bounds.

On the 1939 slate are several new appointments but in each case those retiring have been replaced by men equally well known to the golfing public. Winnipeg's popular Dr. P. J. Gallagher succeeds Justice J. E. Adamson as Manitoba's representative; Ernest A. Harris and C. H. Sclater, donor of the Buckingham Cup succeed J. Dix Fraser and Geo. L. Robinson as members from Ontario and join Frank H. Harris who remains in office; M. R. Ferguson, immediate past president of the P.Q.G.A., joins R. J. Dawes and James T. Wilson as representatives from Quebec province. Mr. Frank N. Robertson, one of golf's hardest workers in the East, was appointed to the board representing New Brunswick and P.E.I. replacing Mr. J. Royden Thomson; D. H. Williams is also new to the board replacing Col. C. H. L. Jones representing the Province of Nova Scotia; Likewise, E. M. Holiday will be Saskatchewan's representative member in 1939. Remaining in office are W. S. Charlton of British Columbia and A. W. Matthews of the Province of Alberta.

At the new executive's first meeting, Mr. Frank H. Harris, a past president of the Ontario Golf Association and chairman of last year's Open Tournament Committee, was appointed Vice-President. In accordance with the new By-Law approved previously by the Annual General Meeting, a second Vice-President was elected. This post is filled by Lt. Col. W.A. Harrison of St. John, N. B. who has since been appointed Chairman of the sub committee in charge of arrangements for the 1939 Open which will be played at St. John, N. B. August 17-18-19.

The reappointment Mr. B. L. Anderson as Secretary-Treasurer was formally passed, and "Bert Anderson" enters his twenty-eighth season of service with the Royal Canadian Association. It is a particular pleasure to comment that B. L.'s own golf game has been kept in such efficient working order that he is selected and will go abroad with the Canadian Seniors' representation that will compete in England this summer.

H.B. McLean Heads P.Q.G.A. in 1939

J. H. Davey, Marlborough and
A. Samoisette, Laval
Elected to Executive

In the Canadian golfing world the affairs of Quebec Golf have always been of general interest. Because the Province of Quebec Golf Association are fortunate enough to have as members almost every club within its bounds, the golfing executives have been able to accomplish the organization of a province wide programme embracing the many phases of the game as it is played today. Quebec's good work has been watched carefully, sometimes followed, and it is mighty interesting and creditable that each board of directors have been able to make so many definite contributions. It is quite revealing to learn from the reports presented at annual meetings the voluminous amount of detail now handled by committees comprising our provincial organizations. In fact it is only by spreading the responsibilities among a large executive that the work can be carried on without imposing too great a task on any individual. Association presidents are possible exceptions, for once in office the affairs of golf are greedy in their demands for time and consideration. Already our leaders have been hard at work laying plans for a new season and when fall comes they will still be in harness. The golfing season is twelve months long for officers on club or provincial committees.

Mr. M. R. Ferguson, P.Q.G.A. President during 1938, presented the executives' report at the association's annual general meeting held recently at the Queen's Hotel. In reproducing it herewith, we know we are fulfilling the wish of the golfers of the province when we express to Mr. Ferguson a hearty vote of thanks for his generous contribution to the affairs of golf.

Phil Farley, Marlborough's golfing star who was given a two handicap rating, the first player in Quebec ever to be rated lower than three. Phil has both Ontario and Quebec provincial titles on his list of wins, but the Canadian Amateur title remains his goal.



*Report of the President and Executive Committee
December 31st, 1938*

Gentlemen:

Your Committee takes pleasure in submitting a report of the activities and affairs of the Association for the last year. In general the procedures and long established policies of the Association have been maintained, and we are grateful for the ready assistance and close co-operation of our member clubs in helping us to do this. During the term of this report there have been seven formal meetings of the Executive Committee. Our member clubs generally speaking had a successful season.

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SARAZEN FINDS COTTON FEUDING FUEL

A short time ago Gene Sarazen accused Henry Cotton of poor sporting attitude when the latter demanded \$10,000 to come to America for an exhibition tour this summer. Gene stated that Henry, as claimant to the world golfing crown, ought to come to America and prove his worth in our Open events. Sarazen pointed out that Hagen, Jones and he, himself, had never hesitated to go to England in their day, thereby increasing the importance of that country's Open championship and showing that they could win in any land under any conditions. In short, little Gene started something and then listened for an irate answer he must have known would be forthcoming.

Cotton's Rebuttal

Sarazen did not have long to wait. That squirely gentleman professional known as Henry Cotton tersely phrased a reply which had dignity and sting aplenty. First, he disclaimed any imagined idea that he was assuming the world's fairway crown. He pointed out that he held no major coronet at present. Then he said something to the extent that Sarazen always started "the American silly season by insulting somebody." Henry went on to say that he had commitments for the next year, club responsibilities and other work which would make a trip to America worth at least \$10,000 if it were to cover his expenses also. Cotton went on to point out that in the era of Hagen's Jones' and Sarazen's British invasions these fellows counted upon winning the British title because of what it was worth to them in dollars and cents. In other words there was nothing particularly sporting about the American excursions.

We give Henry the decision—but

So digesting the whole episode one must admit that Cotton takes the decision. He scored more direct hits and after making mince-meat of Sarazen's logic, delivered the "piece de resistance" by his very civilized attitude expressed in his own words, "I have no desire to quarrel with Sarazen, but I resent being insulted without any provocation." Yes, Henry wins, but that is just the way the incident goes down in the books formally. Our opinion is that shrewd Henry knows full well that his modesty does not lessen his widely acclaimed position as the best golfer in the world. Rather, it enhances it. This is deftly clever on his part. Moreover, one has the feeling that even were Cotton offered his \$10,000 he would



Gene Sarazen is a sports personality whose name excites immediate interest. Because he's always been good for a story golf writers have kept his name in the headlines. This is good business on Sarazen's part so it is believed in some quarters he intentionally keeps the pot boiling by stirring up an argument now and then.

find some excuse for not invading America. He would be very foolish to come under any circumstance, for as long as he remains supreme at home, there

will always be grounds for his admirers to give him top world ranking. Henry doesn't have to say or do anything. He's in and he knows it! Were he to hustle over here for a few tournaments—have his wings clipped as he surely would by America's rampant birdie-chasers—then his glamour would be gone. Back in the 20's Henry travelled the American "Gold Trails" for a winter. He is a far better player now, but still knows what it would cost him if he came and was unable to keep up with the boys. It isn't worth the chance, so Henry plays cagey—he stays home, claims nothing except the adoration of all British golfers, and coins money as no other professional is doing today. One title we must certainly concede him is that of being the smartest professional in the world!



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MANAGING DIRECTOR

Thrills We Don't Have Now!

A few evenings ago, a discussion took place about the thrills in golf. One of the company, a veteran who can see no good in anything new, said that so far as golf is concerned, thrills are a thing of the past. He is one of those who delight in reminding you that there are no statesmen now—none since the days of Gladstone; no actors to compare with Sir Henry Irving; no cricketers like W. G. Grace; and, of course, no golfers at all now; and so, if that antiquated idea is correct, it is little wonder that there are no thrills in the game. But surely no one would go that length. No one in touch with the game would deny that there are more top notch golfers in the world today than ever before.

Perhaps our old friend has had so many thrills in his time that he has ceased to be astonished at anything. Perhaps what was a thrill to him in his early career, is an everyday occurrence now. A hole in one, for instance. That happens so frequently that little notice is taken of it. But it used to be a different story. The old rough putting greens, well guarded by natural bunkers and ditches, made that a most exceptional feat; and a season used often to pass at North Berwick with scarcely a single instance of it. There is no well authenticated record of a ball being holed from the tee on the original thirteen hole course at Gullans or the old round at Luffness.

In 1880, James Law, a well known golfer in his day, holed the "Short hole across," at North Berwick in one; and he was so well pleased that he had a silver band put round the ball and kept it as a memento. If such was the custom nowadays the silversmiths would all be making fortunes. Mr. Law's feat was so exceptional that it was talked about for

By Bertie Paxton

quite a while; and yet, it should be remembered, that in those days North Berwick was quite a short course and many of the holes were within easy driving distance.

Another thrill which happily has disappeared is a free fight amongst the spectators at one of the old time challenge matches. They used to be common enough at Musselburgh but present day historians, compiling their facts from golf records instead of from first hand knowledge, never allude to such things. Still they provided a thrill. They added a zest to life although no one would wish to see them again. Nowadays a four ball exhibition match is as solemn and orderly as a funeral. It does not matter who wins. But in these old Musselburgh matches it did. The fishermen and town roughs had every penny they possessed on the result; they came looking for trouble and it was not long before they found it. Musselburgh was a public link; there was no admission charged, and, therefore, there were no stewards with authority to keep order; and when a row started it was just fought to a finish. Usually the town policeman was there but he was as bad as the rest. Musselburgh, with its race course in the vicinity, had a bad reputation for rowdiness. But it is only fair to mention that there were thrills of a very different kind which the golfers in Scotland used to enjoy.

Some of us are old enough to remember one or two of the rosy-cheeked, red coated veterans who had migrated from Leith and Bruntisfield when the buildings in Edinburgh began to encroach on this, "happy hunting ground". They found the East Lothian courses a great improve-



BERTIE PAXTON Victoria B.C.

ment on what they had left behind; but their old haunts were gone.

Gone were the comfortable old taverns where they used to enjoy their fortnightly club dinner and sip claret which was paid for by those who had lost their match that afternoon. Golf as these old fellows played it required no thrills. It was one thrill from start to finish. It was a leisurely game, replete with good fellowship and hearty laughter, as miss followed miss and the old heavy sand irons were in constant requisition. Proficiency in the game seemed to provide most of the thrills now.

It is not likely that any of that bygone generation would find much pleasure in following a four-ball exhibition match. It is doubtful if he would consider an afternoon well spent, trudging after a match the result of which mattered little or nothing. Nor would he be likely to relish a cup of tea and a cigarette in the clubhouse as a fitting climax to an afternoon's enjoyment.

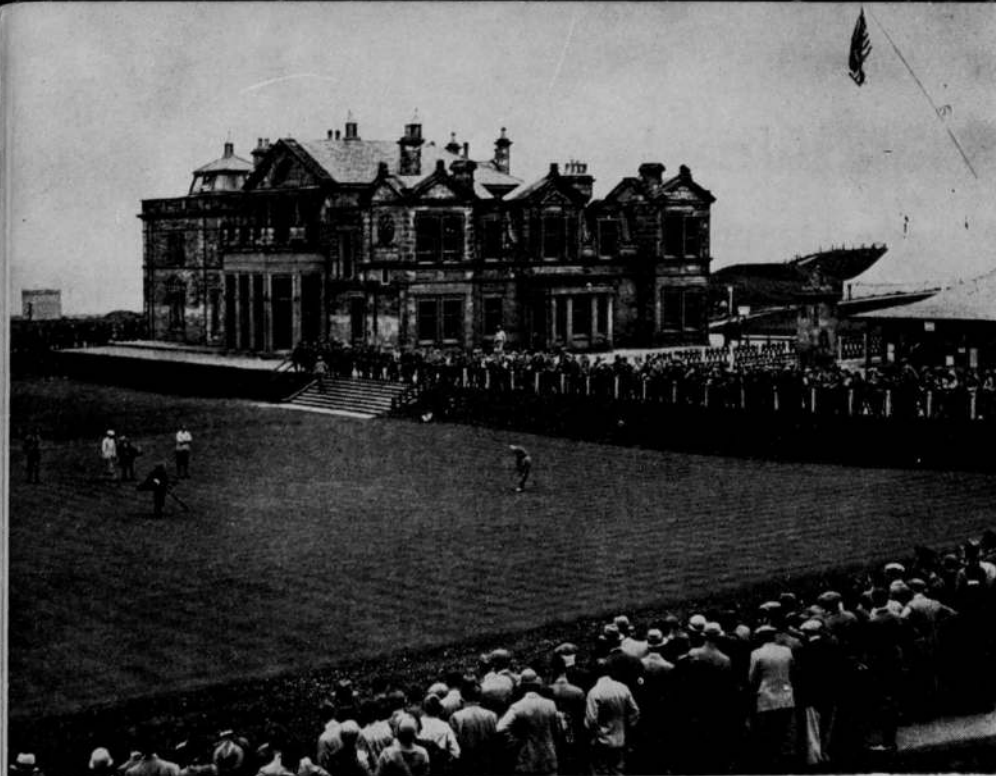


GOLF HOLES OF DISTINCTION

The fifth hole at the Gavea Country Club, Rio de Janeiro. A mountain stream skirts the fairway at right and crosses in front of an elevated well trapped green which is surrounded by a wealth of tropical growth. The rolling Atlantic is the background.

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EVOLUTION A Problem of Grave Concern to Royal and Ancient

The situation confronting those who rule golf on this continent and in the Old Country in connection with equipment is likely to become a rather confusing and complicated one. A few months ago Henry Gullen, secretary of the Royal and Ancient of St. Andrews, sent out a letter to the ruling bodies of golf in the world. It dealt with the growing problem of increasing length in modern golf balls. It seems that the more sensitive modern golf ball is making many of the ancient courses of the British Isles far too short for championship purposes. It will be remembered that historic old St. Andrew, itself, was deemed thus by the St. Andrews townspeople themselves, only last year. It was decided at that time, that only by building a new and longer course, could this community continue to be the golfing center of the world. Plans were then made to construct such a course, keeping the old layout as a monument to the game. Certainly, when that conservative, hoary golf-town admitted St. Andrews had become archaic, there was no denying that a new era of golf was begun.

The Golf Ball—Again?

Gullen's letter asked officials what they thought about limiting and standardizing golf balls the world over. He stated that unless such a plan was devised shortly, many famous layouts would be out-

moded. Limiting the ball was one alternative. Rebuilding and lengthening courses was the other. The latter seemed to Gullen and the R. and A., a far too expensive solution. This, of course, is not the first time that the matter of excessive length through the tighter wrapped ball has cropped up. A few years ago America's now standard "big ball" was made official in this country. This was done to decrease distance and make putting a more difficult phase of the game. Great Britain and Canada still hold to the "small ball." Yet today, there is no appreciable difference in the length of the Canadian "small ball" and the accepted American ball. Why? Because, through the past few years, American manufacturers have continued to improve their products by devising means of putting more life in them. Competitive manufacturing has brought this about. While the specifications of the standard golf ball for 1939 is a matter upon which the United Golf Association is not divulging any facts at the present time, we understand from Jim Coker, United States Rubber Co. field research representative, that the 1939 balls will be better and probably longer than ever. There is little that the legislators can do about manufacturing companies continuing to better their products unless they place physical regulations upon them. Even these would be very

hard to enforce. Thus, while Great Britain ponders the idea of limiting the ball, this country continues to invent ways of giving the duffer more yardage. In doing this the star players reap the reward of research and yearly find themselves closer to the greens with their drives. We learned from Mr. Coker that a majority of professional tournament players who are connected with sporting goods houses, even have specially wrapped balls which correspond to the terrific power of their swings to give them even more yardage! Some golfers report to us that Sam Snead's special golf balls are so hard that they feel like a rock to the ordinary player. But where is all this to end? Certainly the players who have special equipment have a vast advantage. How is the average amateur now expected to compete with the professionals—if at all?

The "Big Ball" Goes as Far

Mr. Coker stated that the present American ball will hold up and go just as far into the wind as the present Canadian ball because it is of a more modern construction. Thus the effect of enlarging the ball in United States a few years back has already been overcome. Naturally all players want the longest ball they can get. We feel that until some means is devised for restricting specifications for making golf balls there will be a growing problem in this connection.

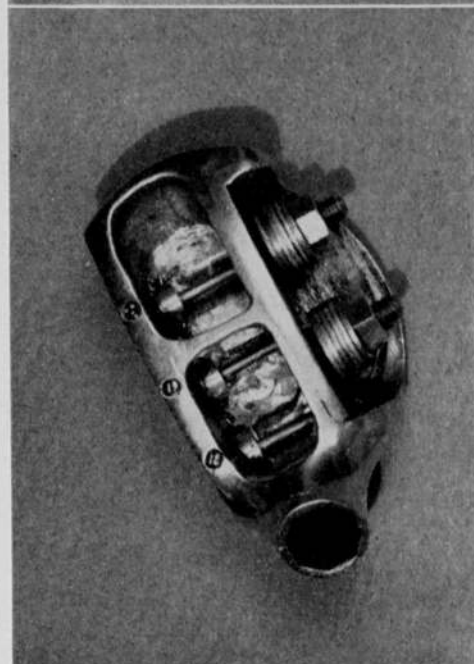
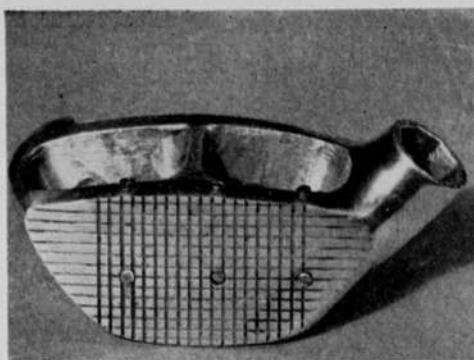
Evolution in Clubs Also

Not only does consternation face officials in the realm of the ball, but golf clubs, too, are coming in for their share of "streamlining" by the agile brains of inventors who seek to make the business of finding the right club for each individual a scientific process. How will the official look upon these new improvements? A few days ago, for instance, we were in on the showing of the fast-becoming-famous Wettlaufer "Niagara" adjustable clubs. Based upon exceedingly ingenious but simple principles of construction, the clubs were demonstrated to us and we must admit that they were most impressive — though hard-bitten conservatives may disagree. The Niagara club, by accurate alteration of weights within the head, and an adjustable shaft can bring an inveterate hooker or slicer back on the straight and narrow in a jiffy. "Fitting" of the club to a player's swing takes but a few minutes. As stated, all is simple and compact—no loose ends or clumsy devices.

The heads are of magnesium, light and harder than aluminum. The study which Mr. Wettlaufer, a successful manufacturer, has made over seven years for systematically fitting golf clubs to any player's swing has cost him some \$60,000. His excellent logic convinced us that these clubs have merit though we steadfastly refused to believe anything that did not happen before our very eyes. The reason for "fitting the club" to a player's swing is no different from the idea behind fitting shoes, length of club, weight or anything else which men feel requires individuality. The cry of "mechanical device" against the Wettlaufer club seems absurd on the basis of it being only a scientific means—the first which has come before us—by which exact calculation enables a man to hit straight with his own swing, just as his shoes enable him to walk properly with his own stride and his well-fitted clothes keep him from appearing ridiculous. We think Wettlaufer has done something to help the masses enjoy the game more—we mean the fellows who are footing the bills of golf, but who cannot go into the factories and by trial and error methods have special clubs made to suit their eccentricities—that is like many of the name-players do! If the stigma of being a mechanical device falls upon the Niagara club and thus makes it unfair, what about the equivalents which the champions are able to have made up in wood because they have access to the laboratories? The Niagara clubs only give the average player the same chance! Incidentally, there were many other features about these clubs which appealed to us purely on the grounds of being open-minded in our appreciation of logic backed up by a hard and cold demonstration.

It should be interesting

It does not seem too great a projection of thought, with these facts in mind that the evolution of both clubs and balls is likely to upset the game considerably in the near future. The former are likely to make our present courses obsolete if they continue to be improved. This seems a pointless and expensive development which well might be avoided by a timely bit of legislation. The adjustable club is something else however! Frankly, we are not unfavorably disposed to any move which will enable more players to derive further enjoyment from golf. Moreover, this improvement will imply no such widespread expense as the rebuilding of courses. What will be done in these matters time alone will tell. It should be interesting.



The upper picture is a close-up of Wettlaufer's test club showing pinions which are pushed in when ball meets club. In this way it can be determined where you hit the ball on the club face so that weight can be concentrated at this point. Tests have shown 95% of all golfers hit inside of centre. After experiment the proper weight, lie, and angle of club head is determined and models are then set to a player's particular requirements.

The second photo is another view of the Wettlaufer test club illustrating the manner in which weights can be added and distributed within the club head. Note the washers and the socket which permits the turning of the club face to a desired position. These clubs can be used to test the swings of man, woman or child, and adjustments can be made in a very few minutes.



R. L. Wettlaufer, inventor of the test clubs pictured to the left is seen above holding two of his models. The Buffalo inventor of the "Niagara" adjustable clubs visited Pinchurst recently where he demonstrated the models illustrated to your editor.



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PRACTICAL AND SCIENTIFIC TURF PRODUCTION

Grass Species Under Conditions of Close Cutting

By GEOFFREY CORNISH

It is of importance to note that even in those grasses capable of surviving close clipping, the food manufactured in the leaves and reserved in the roots is greatly decreased by mowing. Since food storage in the root increases the subterranean growth of the plant it is obvious that mowing retards root growth. Consequently, the amount of nutrients and moisture that the plant can draw from the soil is lessened, thus lowering the plants resistance to unfavourable conditions. These factors become proportionately larger as the height of cut is lowered.

From the foregoing it is evident that the height of cut should be watched closely by every greenkeeper and man engaged in turf production. Since conditions are variable, it is difficult to lay down any hard and fast rules. Moreover, the height of cut should be varied according to season and weather conditions.

In view of the fact that the more leaf surface there is exposed to the sunlight during the day, the more food there is synthesized and keeping in mind the demand of golf players for closely clipped grass on putting greens, it would appear that the time of day for mowing grass should be such that the maximum area of green surface should be exposed to the sunlight during the hours of greatest intensity of sunlight. Therefore, the later in the day the mowing can be left the better, particularly on putting greens that are being cut daily. Hence, early morning mowing, the common practice to-day, is, therefore, less beneficial than later mowing; and if conditions would allow it, the best time to mow putting greens as far as the grass is concerned, would be from 10 to 12 at night.

Although the grass during the spring-time and early summer will remain green under very close clipping, greens should not be cut extremely close during this period. It is at this time of the year that plants reserve food to tide them over the hot summer months. Continued close clipping in the spring will usually result in summer injury to turf, the cause of which can often not be diagnosed by the turfman.

When the hot summer sets in, no matter how ideal the condition of the turf, the mowers should be raised as high as the players will allow, and the

grass should be cut as infrequently as possible. It should be kept in mind that the longer the grass is allowed to grow in the autumn the more food materials there are reserved for early spring growth. Often so-called winter injury to turf is a direct result of starvation to the plant or weakness caused by inadequate food storage the previous autumn. However, it should be realized that close clipping in the fall tends to counteract snow mould. It is up to the greenkeeper to establish for his own turf the optimism height to cut in the fall. This, of course, will be between the length necessary for adequate food storage and the shortness necessary to keep snow mould out of the green.

As stated, food storage increases root growth. Root growth is a very important consideration on newly seeded areas, since it will often determine the health of the turf in months to come. Therefore, grasses on newly seeded areas should not be cut to green height

Authors Note

In recent years studies have been made by plant physiologists on the habits of growth of the various grasses. This work has been carried out in connection with pastures and other agricultural grasslands. As a result, this material for the most part has not been available to the practical turfman. The purpose of this article is to put forth briefly some of the recent technical developments in agricultural grassland maintenance, and point out their applications to turf work.

Primarily, it is fundamental that a closely knit turf is only formed by repeated moving or grazing. Obviously then, the conditions under which turf is formed are unnatural. Therefore, it should be realized that turf is a somewhat artificial creation, both the individual plants and the soil in which they are growing being affected by the repeated clipping.

GEOFFREY CORNISH

for at least five weeks after germination. This period on most soil types should allow for adequate root development.

It was previously stated in this article that neither the Blue Grass nor the Fescues had a great growth of green organs below the height of cut. Accordingly, on greens or grass areas where Blue Grasses or Fescues are predominant, a higher cut is required than on Bent areas.

GENERAL EFFECT OF TURF ON SOIL

On natural grasslands such as prairies, there is a tendency for the fertility of the soil to increase from year to year. This is possibly true but to a lesser extent on fairways or lawns where the clippings are allowed to return to the soil, and where there is a high enough cut to allow root development to penetrate to a considerable depth. On the other hand on putting greens, where the clippings are removed and where the short cutting results in shallow root penetration, the organic matter or humus content of the soil is reduced as time goes on. This facilitates the leaching of elements from the soil, and in districts of moderate to high rainfall, an increasing in acidity, unless there is some compensating factor such as an alkaline water supply. The increasing acidity and general starvation of the soil results in a change in soil structure, a depression of soil bacterial life, and a tying up of plant foods in chemical compounds useless to the plant. Turf production, of course, affects the soil directly by preventing proper aeration and water penetration. This shows the necessity for frequent spiking of turf. The general starvation of the soil and the resulting acidity arising from the turf can be remedied only by the judicious use of lime, fertilizers and waters.

In fertilizing a turf, immediate results in the form of green grass should not always be looked for. The future should always be thought of. For instance, during the spring seasons the turfman should be especially careful in the use of inorganic nitrogeous fertilizers, because it has been demonstrated conclusively that growth from such stimulation is made at the expense of reserved food in the plant. This leaves the individual plants short for the remainder of the growing seasons, making

it impossible to have a strong turf during that period. Therefore, only moderate applications of nitrogenous fertilizers should be made, particularly in the spring. For other reasons, heavy applications of such fertilizers should not be made at other seasons. It is of practical significance to note that British authorities have observed that the use of iron sulphate in connection with nitrogenous fertilizers will often offset the effect of over stimulation. This is probably due to the iron increasing the amount of photosynthesis taking place in the leaves, thus replacing those reserved foods quickly which have been used to make the new leaf growth. No turfman should, however, resort to the wholesale use of this chemical until he has fully proved its efficacy for his grass by a practical demonstration.

It has been generally realized among soil students that available phosphorous and potash, although necessary for the growth of turf throughout the growing period, are of even more importance during the spring, when at least one-half of the root growth of the plant is produced. When applying phosphoric acid in any form the penetration into the soil must be considered, and on heavy soils applications are of little benefit unless accompanied by spiking or coring. Applications of phosphoric acid in the autumn accompanied by a preliminary spiking should, under most conditions, assure an adequate supply of available phosphorous for spring growth, whereas spring applications may be of little benefit for some months to come. On the other hand, applications of potash in the autumn, particularly on higher soils are in part wasted due to leaching in the winter and early spring. On some of the lighter soil types, it is possible that there is a stunting of root growth in the spring due to a lack of sufficient potash, even after applications have been made the previous autumn.

Since soil type, weather conditions, climate, and a number of other factors are variable it is almost impossible to make any direct suggestions that would cover turf maintenance throughout all districts. Only general considerations can be made. It is fundamental, however, that in turf production under any conditions there are a number of irregularities to be contended with, chief among which are changes in the plant itself and the soil on which it is growing. Accordingly, all practices such as, mowing, fertilizing, and watering should be enacted in such a way as to compensate for all the irregularities.

GOLF FIXTURES

- Feb. 21-23. 2nd Annual Mixed Foursome Belmont Manor, Bermuda.
- Feb. 21st. Annual Tin Whistle Tournament, Pinehurst N.C.
- Feb. 22. Washington's Birthday Flag Tournament, Pinehurst, N.C.
- Feb. 23rd-25th. Annual Mid-Winter Tournament, Sea Island Ga.
- Feb. 23-24. Ladies Open Championships, Constant Springs, Jamaica.
- Feb. 25-26. Thomasville Professional Golfers Association Tournament.
- Feb. 26th. Coral Island Championship, Bermuda.
- Feb. 27-March 2nd. Annual Bermuda Ladies' Championship, Riddell's Bay.
- Feb. 27-Mar. 2. Dixie Amateur, Miami Country Club.
- Feb. 28-Mar. 4. Women's East Coast championship, St. Augustine Links.
- Feb. 28-29. Ball Sweepstakes Tournament, full handicap, Southern Pines, N.C.
- Feb. 29th-March 4th. Annual Bermuda Ladies' Championship, Riddell's Bay.
- March 3-4. Annual Senior's Tournament, men over 50, Sea Island Ga.
- Mar. 4. March Sweepstakes 18-hole Handicap, Southern Pines, N.C.
- Mar. 4-5. Amateur Open Championship of Jamaica, Constant Springs.
- March 5-8. International Four-ball matches, Miami.
- March 6-11. Empress Mid-Winter Tournament.
- March 7-10. Annual Seniors' Tournament, Pinehurst N.C.
- March 7-11. Belmont Manor Ladies' Championship, Belmont Manor, Bermuda.
- March 7-11. Warwick Vase Tournament, Riddell's Bay, Bermuda.
- Mar. 11. Southern Pines Country Club Championship, 36-hole Medal Play, Southern Pines, N.C.
- March 12. Harlequin Cup, handicap event, Medal play, Coral Island Golf Club, Bermuda.
- March 13-19. Southern Cross tourney, Palmetto G. C., Aiken.
- March 14-18. Belmont Manor Men's Tournament, Belmont Manor, Bermuda.
- March 15-18. Annual Spring Sea Island championship for 1939, Sea Island Ga.
- Mar. 18. P.G.A. Open Tournament, Southern Pines, N.C.
- March 19. Mixed Foursomes Coral Island Golf Club, Bermuda.
- March 20-22. \$4000 Pinehurst Open Championship, Pinehurst N.C.
- March 21-25. Annual Bermuda Amateur championship, Riddell's Bay Golf Club.
- Mar. 22, 23, 24. Eleventh Annual Women's Mid-South Championship, 54-holes, Medal Play, for title now held by Miss Patty Berg, National Women's Champion.
- Mar. 25-26. Ball Sweepstakes, Best Ball of Pair, full handicap, Southern Pines, N.C.
- Apr. 1-2. Scotch Foursome, selected drive, alternate shots, three-quarter handicap, Southern Pines, N.C.
- April 7-10. B. C. Amateur Golf Championship at Oak Bay.
- Apr. 8-9. Medal Play Ball Sweepstakes Tournament, full handicap, Southern Pines, N.C.
- Apr. 15-16. Best Selected six out of nine holes, one-half handicap, Southern Pines, N.C.
- Apr. 23-24. Medal Play, full handicap, Southern Pines, N.C.
- Apr. 29-30. Blind Bogey Tournament, Southern Pines, N.C.
- May 1-2. Bogey Contest, Best Ball of Team, Southern Pines N.C.
- May 13. O.A.G.A. Spring Tournament, Fort Erie, Ont.
- June 8-10. U.S. Open Championship, Spring Mill Course, W. Conshohocken, Pa.
- June 15-17. Ontario Amateur Golf Championships, Kingston, Ont.
- June 27. Western Parent & Child Tournament, Sunningdale Club, London, Ont.
- July 24. Interprovincial Matches, Mount Bruno C. C.
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- July 24. Canadian Junior Championship, Mount Bruno C. C.
- July 24-29. U. S. Amateur Public Links Championship, Mt. Pleasant Park Course, Baltimore, Md.
- Aug. 17-19. Canadian Open Championship, Riverside C. C. Saint John, N. B.
- Aug. 21-26. U. S. Women's Amateur Championship, Wee Burn Club, Noroton, Conn.
- Sept. 9. O.A.G.A. Fall Tournament, Kitchener, Ont.
- Sept. 11-16. U. S. Amateur Championship, North Shore C. C. Glenview, Ill.



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Winter golf, long one of the charms of this British Columbia capital at the southern tip of Vancouver Island, comes into its own in fullest measure, however, a little later in the season, for March 6 to 11, inclusive, are the dates selected for Canada's unique winter golf meet, the 11th annual Empress winter golf tournament.

For the past eleven years, the Canadian Pacific Railway and its Empress Hotel, the beautiful Old English manor house famous with world travellers, have been sponsoring the Empress winter tournament to show that the sunny south is not necessarily the only place where the fairway pastime is available when the sun has gone to the southern hemisphere.

No sooner was the tournament introduced than it became a success. Not only Victoria, Vancouver, Seattle, New Westminster, and other Canadian and American coast cities, but the snow-bound prairies and eastern Canada sent representatives into the winter golfing lists to try for the Sir Edward

Beatty handicap trophy and more than fifty other prizes offered.

Friends affectionately have dubbed the Empress tournament, "duffer's delight", because the Sir Edward Beatty event, in both men's and women's divisions, is contested on the basis of club handicaps, thereby giving the "Forgotten Man" of the fairway game—the handicapper, his chance to come into his own. As a matter of fact, a glance at the list of winners over the ten-year period reveals the names of several players with handicaps in double figures.

This is but one side of the picture, however, for the scratch player and low-handicapper feels just as much at home. In this well-balanced tournament, carefully designed to provide five or six days of continuous golf for all entrants, the Victoria Chamber of Commerce offers a special inducement to the big names of golfdom with the special amateur open event played for on a scratch basis.

The Victoria Rotary Club carries this idea a step further by awarding its Rosebowl prize to the woman player making the best gross score on the qualifying round, while the team match trophy awarded by the late well known Victorian sportsman, Jack Matson, is also played for on the basis of aggregate gross, and not net scores. Two other team match events, incidentally, for men and women, are inter-club affairs decided on net qualifying scores.

Play will open March 6 over the highly-scenic, short and sporty course of the Victoria Golf Club, better known as Oak Bay, where the fairways skirt the sea. Qualifying rounds of eighteen holes will give sixteen qualifiers in each division—men's and women's—a chance to play for the Sir Edward Beatty event, while there will be sixteen berths in the Chamber of Commerce event for that many low gross scorers.

The tournament is open to all amateurs anywhere and to members in good standing of the several Victoria golf clubs who play, incidentally, with their handicaps cut by two strokes to give prairie players, who are somewhat out of practice at that season of the year, a better chance at the baubles.

While the starry lads attend to their knitting in the Chamber of Commerce open event, the handicappers make merry in the Sir Edward Beatty competition, proving again that it is not how well you play golf that counts; it's how much you enjoy it.

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H. B. McLean Heads P.Q.C.A.

President Ferguson's Report
(Continued from page 15)

The Association's financial and membership situation as indicated in the detailed reports that follow, will, we feel, meet with your approval. Details of tournament and other golfing activities during the year are dealt with in the report of our Honorary Secretary, Mr. Taylor. While there were no conspicuous victories by any of our players, it is gratifying to comment on the general improvement in the play of a large number of the golfers in the Province, as indicated in their standing in open events and the reduction of their handicaps. This is particularly true with our younger players, some of whom attained the distinction of leading the field in our different events. Particularly we mention Gaston Ouellette of the Rivermead Golf Club, Ottawa, who as our Provincial Junior Champion was runner-up in the Dominion Junior Championship. Our Provincial Willingdon Cup team only lost after two play-offs of a tie score.

Lesley Cup Matches were played at the Merion Cricket Club golf course, Haverford, Pa. (Philadelphia district). The team that represented your Province, while not winning the tournament, otherwise ably maintained the traditions and sentiment surrounding this event. This match is annually gaining in prominence not only as a golfing feature but more especially in fostering the finer qualities of relationship between the districts in the United States which participate and ourselves.

Our own Intersectional Matches this year were again keenly contested and of interest not only to participants but all club members. The details are dealt with in the report of the Chairman of that Committee.

A new tournament was arranged and played jointly with the Montreal Professional Golfers Association this year between amateur players and professionals of some of our member clubs. Your Committee considered it a sound opportunity to improve the tournament experience of amateur players, and were pleased to make a nominal contribution towards prizes. The event was successful and we believe may be the forerunner of a more ambitious-like tournament.

It is a pleasure to remark on the impending election to the Presidency of the Royal Canadian Golf Association of Mr. Ernest Savard, a Past President of our Association. The Royal Canadian Golf Association is to be congratulated in having Mr. Savard accept the nomination to this important office. He is eminently fitted to fulfill the position, and the honor of occupying it is deservedly his for the intense interest and beneficial assistance he has shown golfing activities for many years past.

It is with satisfaction we comment on our harmonious relationship with the Royal Canadian Golf Association. The arrangement we entered into with them whereby we were obliged to assure them the collection of an amount equivalent to the annual dues they had previously collected from clubs in our Association has worked out without any financial encumbrance on us. Further, pursuant to this arrangement and in fulfillment of the right, this Association will have their own nominee on the Executive Committee of the Royal Canadian Golf Association.

Our financial position at the end of the year presents a sound statement. Our bank cash balance is over seven hundred dollars with a favourable balance of receipts over expenditures of a nominal character. Our surplus of over thirty eight hundred dollars over our cash balance is invested in approved securities. Complete details of our financial operations for the year will be found in the audited financial statement herewith.

The term of office of certain members of our Executive expires, and to those who are retiring as to others who continue in office, the Association is indebted for their untiring efforts in the successful direction of its affairs.

In conclusion, I am grateful to and sincerely thank the Executives of our Member Clubs, the Members of the Advisory Committee, Members of the Executive Committee, Club Professionals, and in particular, the Committee Chairmen for their splendid co-operation during my term of office which has made possible the conclusion of another satisfactory year in the Association's history.

On your behalf, as well as that of this Committee, to the Press of Montreal and throughout the Province I tender our appreciation of their kind attention and publicity given to the affairs of this Association during the year.

To my successor in office I extend my best wishes and know he may anticipate receiving the complete co-operation and support from his associates that I enjoyed and which gave me such pleasure during the year.

Detailed reports by all officers were also submitted to the Meeting. The Honorary Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. W. D. Taylor reviewed the detail of the tournament activities.

The Handicapping Committee headed by Mr. J. F. Chisholm opened their report as follows "In the last annual report of this Committee it was announced that all differences in the handicapping system of the P.Q.G.A. and the Ontario Golf Associa-

tion, and that their system would be adopted by the R.C.G.A. recommended to all provincial associations." This comment has far reaching influence, and is the result of a cooperative endeavour between provincial executives and directors of the R.C.G.A. Another paragraph as follows, "During the season 789 handicaps were issued as compared with 763 last year. Over 300 revisions were made. Mr. Phil Farley was granted a handicap of two", records the first "two" handicap ever issued in Quebec. The rating was justly earned by Marlborough's star who compiled the amazingly low tournament average of 74.37 during 1938.

The Intersectional Group Committee, of which J. Watson Yuile was Chairman, reported this contest had been conducted in seven different groups of four teams bringing into play 28 clubs and 280 players. This team competition is considered by many to be the best event in the tournament calendar.

The Rating Committee, whose work is so important to the national handicapping system, were called upon to rate seven courses during the season and figures established are as follows: Chaudiere 71; Gray Rocks 68; Manoir Richelieu 71; McKellar 69; Royal Montreal-North 71; Seignior Club 73; Val Morin 70. Mr. C. A. Beaudette, Chairman of this Committee invited clubs to contact the Rating Committee at any time changes were made to their courses.

The activities of the Juniors were covered in a report submitted by Mr. A. O. MacKay, Chairman of this new sub-committee and likewise by Mr. J. G. Stenhouse who headed the Seniors sub-committee.

The Financial Statement, as approved by the auditors, presented herewith in full detail, will give the reader accurate information concerning the association's annual transactions.

Annual Dues:	Receipts	
14 Clubs at \$75.00	\$1,050.00	
3 Clubs at \$50.00	150.00	
10 Clubs at \$30.00	300.00	
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		\$1,905.00
Royal Canadian Golf Association Dues:		
6 Clubs at \$40.00	240.00	
12 Clubs at \$25.00	300.00	
24 Clubs at \$10.00	240.00	
		780.00
Tournament Entrance Fees:		
Spring Open	195.00	
Quebec Open	425.00	
Quebec Amateur	175.00	
Father and Son	120.00	
Handicap Competition	160.00	
Mixed Foursome Tournament	146.00	
Metropolitan Trophy Competition	120.00	
Seniors' Tournament	180.00	
St. Andrew's Tournament	78.00	
		1,599.00
Handicap Income:		
Field Days	867.50	
Fees	789.00	
		1,656.50
1937 Entrance Fees collected in 1938		15.00
Interest on Investments—including refund of \$47.02 reacrued interest on bonds purchased in 1937		167.02
		\$6,122.52

DISBURSEMENTS	
Stenographic Services	\$ 960.00
Telephone	129.62
Office Rent, Light and Taxes	438.60
Printing and Stationery	548.18
Sundry Expenses	418.78
Gratuities and Tournament Expense	430.73
Interprovincial Team Expense	379.40
Lesley Cup Competition Expense	64.33
Prizes	1,608.88
Interest and Exchange	20.02
Badges	18.47
Insurance on Golf Trophies	30.00
Royal Canadian Golf Association, per Agreement	703.00
Total Disbursements for the Year	\$5,750.01
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements for the Year	372.51
Add: Cash in Bank 31st December 1937	357.45
Cash in Bank, 31st December 1938	\$ 729.96
Investment Securities held as at 31st December 1938: 4,000.00 Par Value Dominion of Canada 3% Perpetuals at cost (Market Value, 31st December 1938, \$3,710.00)	\$3,820.00

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H. B. McLean Heads P.Q.G.A. in 1939

On the executive for the coming year will be the following:
Mr. M. R. Ferguson, Honorary President, Beaconsfield
H. B. McLean, President, Senneville
C. D. Cowie, Vice-President, Kanawaki
W. D. Taylor, Honorary Secretary-Treasurer, Summerlea
J. F. Chisholm, Whitlock; J. H. Davey, Marlborough; B. N. Holtham, Sherbrooke, W. J. Lynch, Kent; A. O. MacKay, Mount Bruno; A. Samoisette, Laval; R. W. Warwick, Ottawa Hunt; J. W. Yuile, Royal Montreal.
of the above Messrs. H. B. McLean, W. D. Taylor, J. H. Davey, B. N. Holtham, A. Samoisette and R. W. Warwick were elected to the board at the annual general meeting for a period of two years. Mr. Samoisette and Mr. Davey are serving for the first

1939 O.G.A Dates

Dates for the year's important amateur tournaments were set at a private meeting of Ontario Golf Association directors, which appointed C. M. Jones, Toronto, as honorary secretary-treasurer of the association.

The Ontario amateur golf championships will be held this year at Kingston. June 15, 16 and 17, and the junior championships at Brantford June 29.

The senior tournament will be played over the course of the Catarqui Golf and Country club and the junior tourney over that of the Brantford Golf and Country club.

The O.G.A. spring tournament, opening the season, will be held over the Erie Downs Golf club course at Fort Erie May 13. The fall tournament will be held at the Westmount Golf club, Kitchener, Sept. 9.

The western parent and child tournament will be held June 27 over the Sunningdale club course at London.



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time while the others were re-elected for another term. Mr. J. G. Stenhouse after serving as chairman of the Seniors' Sub-Committee, and Mr. C. A. Beaudette, Rating Committee Chairman, retired from the board and were tendered thanks for their services at the annual general meeting. In the Quebec by-Laws six of the twelve officials are appointed for a period of two years at each annual meeting. At the subsequent executive meeting Mr. Ferguson was elected Honorary President; Mr. H. B. McLean of Senneville President; Mr. C. D. Cowie of Kanawaki Vice-President and Mr. W. D. Taylor was re-appointed Honorary Secretary-Treasurer. It was announced that the chairmen of sub-committees would be elected at the next executive meeting which takes place early in March, and that the 1939 Calendar of Events would receive the consideration of that meeting to allow member clubs this information before preparing their club programmes.

1939 Executive O.G.A.

President:

J. Gordon Thompson, Sunningdale Golf Club,

Vice Presidents:

John H. Chipman, Lambton Golf & Country Club,

Elmer W. Dixon, Oshawa, Golf Club

Secretary Treasurer:

C. M. Jones, Scarboro Golf & Country Club.

Honorary President:

Frank H. Harris, ex-officio

Past President:

Ernest A. Harris, K.C., ex-officio

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C. M. Jones, Scarboro Golf & Country Club,

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John S. Lewis, Brantford Golf & Country Club,

John Machado, Toronto Golf Club,

Frank Ritchie, Brockville Golf & Country Club,

Henry L. Schade, Essex County Golf & Country Club,

J. H. Thomson, York Downs Golf Club,

Wardlaw Vair, Waterloo County Golf & Country Club,

Warren I. Walker, Mississauga Golf & Country Club,

G. W. Wigle, Burlington Golf & Country Club.

Ontario Greenkeepers Elect New Officers

Ontario Greenkeepers' Association held their annual meeting at the Royal York Hotel this week. The officers for the season of 1939 were elected as follows: Pres., H. H. Hawkins, Lakeview Golf Club; sec-treas., J. Austin, Royal York Golf Club; directors, H. Purdy, Toronto Golf Club; C. L. Bluett, Glen Mawr Golf Club; C. Rotherston, Summerlea Golf Club.

The next meeting will be held at the Royal York Hotel, March 3, at 7 p.m., at which the guest speaker will be Dr. O. J. Noer, agronomist, of Milwaukee.

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