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Frood Seagram, Toronto, presents the Seagram Trophy to Harold McSpaden, Winchester Mass. professional at the completion of the latter's successful quest for the Canadian Open title at the Riverside Golf Club. Saint John N. B. Ernest Savard, president of the Royal Canadian Golf Association seen at left.



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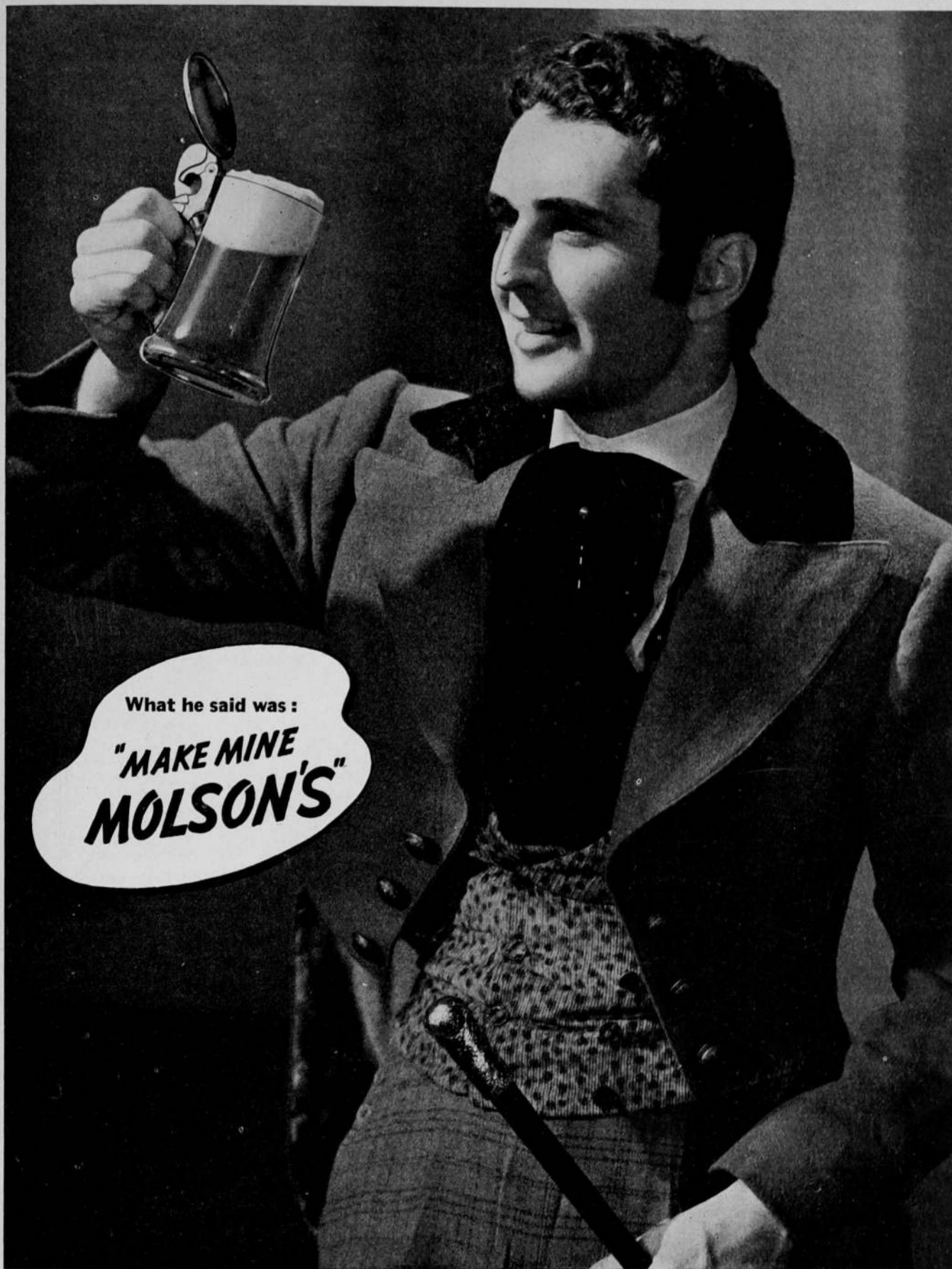


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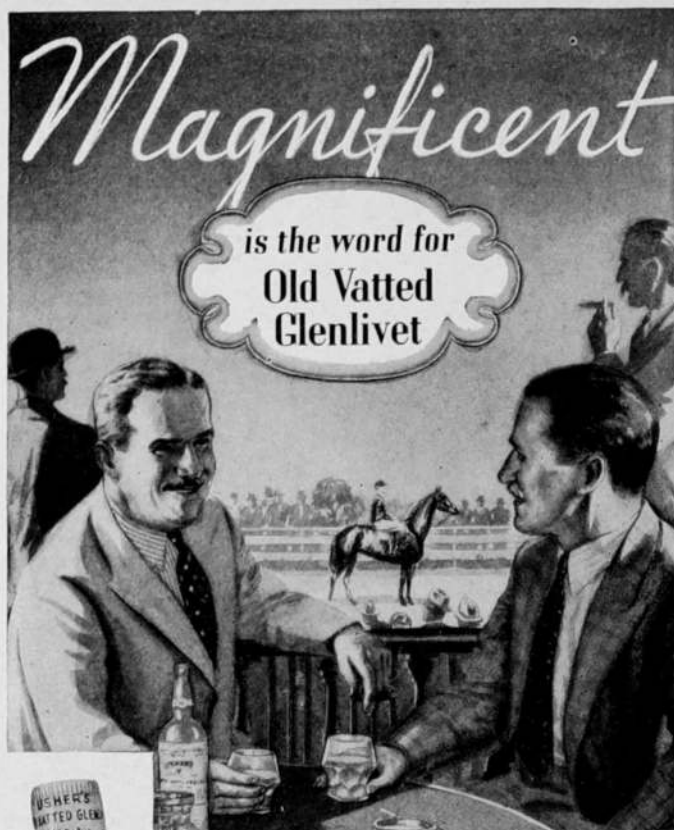
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ROSEMERE REVIEW



Left to right: Top, Miss Yolande Moisan, Laval, new Quebec champion; Miss Olive Rogers, Miss Velma Chennell and Miss Margaret Marshall; Marlborough, Mrs. Jack Nickson, Beaconsfield, runner-up in the championship to Miss Moisan; Second row: Low medalist, Miss Nora Hankin, Rosemere with Mrs. J. Stannifield, Seignior Club; Mrs. H. R. Pickens Sr. Marlborough, Mrs. D. S. Yuile, Royal Montreal and Mrs. N. K. Gordon, Rosemere; Mrs. A. D. J. Wright, Kanawaki and Mrs. ; Miss Peggy Shaw and Miss Phillis Wills, Summerlea; Miss Lois Cameron, Ilse-mere, Miss Lucette Lefavre, Laval, and Miss Joan Cameron, Ilse-mere; Mrs. J. Nicol, Beaconsfield, mother of Mrs. Nickson, and Miss Jean Darling, Beaconsfield; Bottom, Mrs. J. W. McKay, Madam Roland, mother of the new champion, Mrs. L. B. Saunders and Mrs. B. Chicherin, captain of the Rosemere Club; Miss Evelyn Burpee, Mrs. L. P. Saunders, and Mrs. A. E. Nixon.

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TWO EX-JUNIORS VIE FOR QUEBEC'S CROWN

If there is a modern golfing tale of persistence, steady improvement and an almost blind faith in one's ability to putt just a little worse than the gods, themselves, that story is rightfully interwoven with the coming of Yolande Moisan as Quebec ladies champion.

It is no secret that the diminutive French Miss with the tedious, slow, swing is not a long hitter. There were players in the field who contested the Quebec provincial crown at Rosemere who could give her yards off the tees, but not one who could average three 10-footers and three 15-footers each round as she did.

Miss Moisan rose from the ranks of Quebec Junior golf in Montreal. She has worked assiduously at her game for nearly ten years. Today she seems to have perfected a pretty effective system for scoring steadily under 85—and that, readers, wins many women's sectional titles!

Miss Moisan won her crown, her first major one, after a year (1938) in which she made the Quebec Interprovincial team and performed most creditably throughout that tournament season. We might have been recounting the background of Mrs. Jack Nickson, Beaconsfield swing-mistress, (formerly Miss Dorothy Nicol) whom Miss Moisan defeated in the final, 4 and 3. However after leading for most of 23 holes, Mrs. Nickson fell into an old fault, over-swinging, and hooked almost every tee shot into trouble from that point until her steady little opponent "rolled home" a 15-footer for a deuce at the 33rd green.

Miss Moisan was deliberate and, as ever, string-straight. Mrs. Nickson, powerful, but wild toward the end, collapsed after dominating the week of play up to the final. Miss Moisan learned her golf under professional Jock Brown of Summerlea club, but is now a member of Laval sur le Lac.

The Finalists had 88's in the morning round and ate lunch all even.

Miss Nora Hankin, Rosemere, definitely Quebec's outstanding medalist for the past two years, shot her home layout in 40-40-40 to take the qualifying medal. Last year's titlist, veteran Madam J. Dagenais, Laval, went out at the 19th hole of a thriller against Mrs. A. D. J. Wright of Kanawaki in the first round. Mrs. Nickson experienced a hard battle

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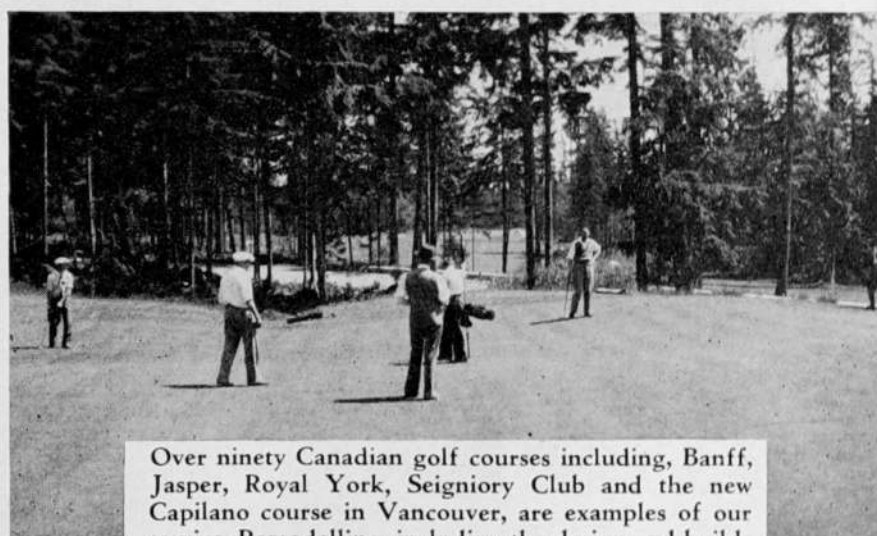
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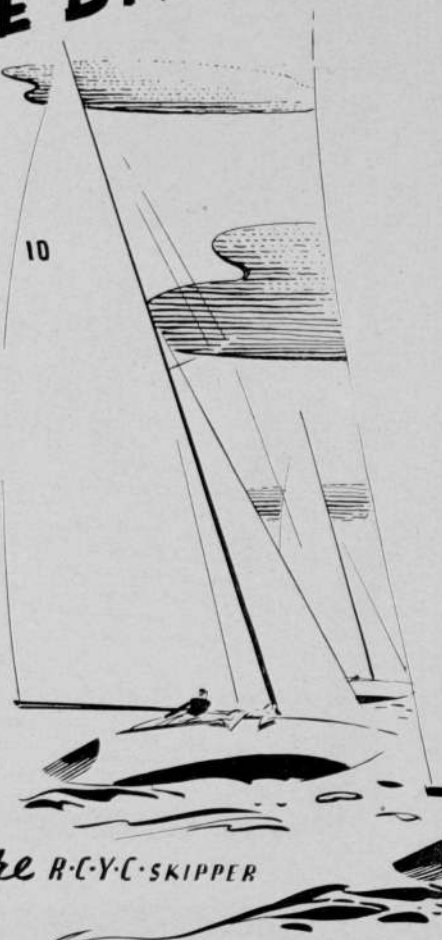
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Secretary Gagnon of the Laval Sur le Lac Club, Montreal, welcomes Secretary-Treasurer H. P. Baker, of the Canadian Seniors Golf Association as the latter group arrived at the French Canadian Club for their Annual Championship.

A W. H. WEBLING SONG

Even as former editor of CANADIAN GOLFER, Ralph H. Reville of Brantford is the "historian official" of the Canadian Senior Golfers and never fails to do something fine about recording the activities of Canada's "golfing fathers", so has another gifted Brantfordite assumed and worn well an unofficial title of "poet Laureate" of "the Seniors".

We refer in the latter instance to W. Hasting Webling who from time to time has contributed some splendid works in verse which aptly catch that grand sporting spirit of these venerable players at their annual tournaments. No better nor happier golfing occasions are to be found on the fixture lists of any sportsman than these events. You may well feel the "esprit de corps" of the Seniors and their appreciation of things fine in the lilting song presented herewith.

"SENIORS SONG TO LAVAL SUR LE LAC"

by
W. Hasting Webling
(September 1939)

What a joy for the golfer to find himself back

At the beautiful club of Laval Sur le Lac
Once more its hospitable welcome to share
Plus the sport and the pleasure one always finds there.

For surely there's nothing more friendly and free

Than the charm of this club and its fair company,

Or the friendship extended to cheer 'neath its sway

With a warmth so delightfully à la française.

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Laval sur le Lac
La Belle, sur le Lac
Whenever you beckon
We'll haste to come back
For fair is your beauty
And rich is the fame
Of your wonderful club
And your love of the game
La Belle, Laval sur le Lac.

No wonder the golfer from duffer to star
Acclaims its attractions wherever they are
Who thinks of its members, so gay, debonnaire

As the spirit of kindness and true savoir faire.

It's therefore quite certain that golfers all yearn

With the fondest desire, for a happy return,
To play o'er the fairways of dear old Laval
And drink once again to l'contente cordiale!

CHORUS

The Current Thought

By Hilles R. Pickens Jr.

THE OPEN WENT EAST—WHY?

It goes without saying that the effects of the 1939 Canadian Open golf championship will be felt for years to come. That is, there is likelihood of the game finding a new and fertile soil in the Maritimes now that players and youngsters of the Saint John and Rothesay districts have actually seen what it takes to produce a "big-time" champion.

One looked around at the caddies, most of them High School boys who had been specifically trained for this one tournament so as to provide sufficient numbers to accommodate all the visiting stars. On the faces of most of these boys one noted the rapt attention which they paid to the various points of technique. Undoubtedly there will be real players from this part of the country in the future — the guiding inspirations of whom will be such performers as Harold "Jug" McSpaden, Worchester, Mass., who won the title, Ralph Guldahl, runner-up.

The object of playing the Canadian championship in this part of the country for the first time was to awaken golf thereabouts. The Maritimes have not developed an amateur ace of first magnitude in recent years chiefly because the calibre of competition in this portion of the country is not testing enough to force champions to low scoring. Coming as it did, hand in hand with a strengthening of the bonds of the Royal Canadian Golf Association in the East, and increased organization among the Maritime provincial associations the gesture of moving Canada's number one championship to the banks of the majestic Kennebecasis River certainly ranked as one of the fine things which has been done for the game in Canada.

A MISTAKE IN PIN-PLACING

If anything marred the 1939 Canadian Open championship which was held on the Riverside Course it was the unfortunate placing of the pins for the last three rounds. The Riverside Course is a fine layout. A trifle on the short side, but correspondingly narrow to make up for this. Par is 70. With the pins placed in accessible positions golfers of the Guldahl variety could feasibly score it in 64. Such a round would have been natural had those in charge not made the short-sighted error of attempting to make their course appear more difficult than it really was.

It seemed unnecessary with such a fine course in such excellent condition to encounter the abnormality of hiding cups behind traps on the front lefthand corners of greens calling for iron shots for 180 carry. As Ralph Guldahl pointed out, one of the reasons for

playing the tournament in the East was to let the world know that championship golf is played in that part of Canada. Low scoring at Saint John would have been an item of interest to newspapers of many more cities. The publicity value of the prosaic 282 total with which McSpaden won the crown was comparatively negligible.

In the first round the pins were set out normally where an accurate pitch gave you a chance for a birdie. McSpaden had a neat 67. The next round they began to hide cups. A 69 was the best round turned in. Then with a great gallery out for the last day the holes were so hidden that the best the leaders were able to do was to post very ordinary 73's. Inability to stop the ball near the cups cost the players many birdies which would normally have been their's. With the course reduced to this condition the battle between Guldahl, Horne, and McSpaden resolved into a "scrambling" match when it should have been a case of who got the most birdies.

Horne "scrambled" himself out of the picture still hitting fine shots. Guldahl who is strictly the "heroic" type of golfer couldn't get his teeth into the course after one bad hole in each round on the last day; meanwhile McSpaden "hobbled" in with a closing 73 to win unchallenged after his first two rounds. The placing of the cups cost the tournament an exciting finish; cost Saint John and the Maritimes thousands of dollars worth of newspaper publicity, because of the mediocre scoring; it left the last day's crowd unimpressed without any picture of great golf; finally it sent the stars away a little bitter. As one contender put it, "that sort of pin-placing only makes us so-called stars look like fools. We're supposed to score better than such conditions allow. How can we put on a show under these conditions?"

MR. THOMSON AND RIVERSIDE

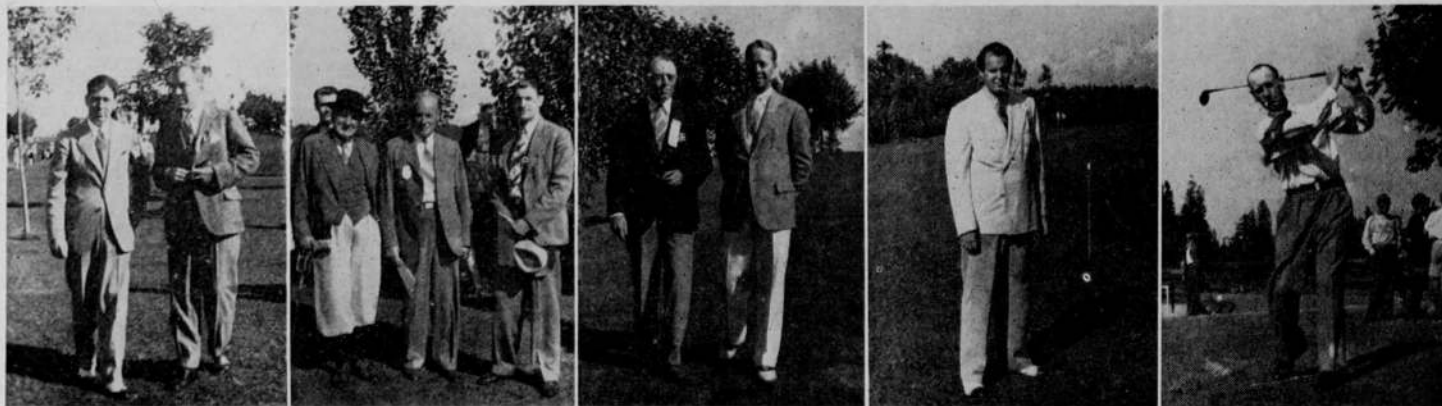
There was much of beauty and worth in this championship at Riverside, Percy Thomson, that exceptional sportsman, the man who made Riverside a real golf course with an eye to helping the game in his part of Canada, has done a great job. Scenically Riverside is one of the most enjoyable layouts this writer has ever seen. The surfaces of fairways and greens were beyond the slightest whisper of complaint. The Maritimers lived up to their reputations as "best hosts in Canada." (Those who were privileged to visit the Thomson's magnificent yacht will be foremost to attest this statement.) From an official viewpoint details were well handled on all sides.

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

As "Jug" Took The Mug"—

By Hilles R. Pickens Jr.



Harold "Jug" McSpaden, club professional at Winchester Mass. won the 1939 Canadian Open championship last month at the Riverside Golf Club at Saint John, N. B. It was an occasion for new precedents. Sturdy, sandy-haired McSpaden set one by winning his first national title — a feat he was destined to do sooner or later. The second precedent to be established was that of playing the Canadian Open championship in the Maritimes. This move in itself was a well-calculated experiment which in the main proved a worthwhile one. Third and last new feat effected at Saint John was accomplished by Ross Somerville of London, Ont. In placing as the leading amateur in the event he also tied with Stanley Horne of Montreal for the honour of being low Canadian. That achievement, made possible with his neat total of 291, is the first time in modern golfing history that the low score turned in by a Canadian was made by an amateur.

Following the event chronologically one should start with the fact that the field which started out over a narrow, short, but entirely adequate course on Thursday boasted possibly only one third the number of American "name" players of the past two years. This must be accredited to the remoteness of the championship site and the reduction of the purse to \$3000.00. (It must be realized that such an amount commands only a two-day tournament with no guarantee of a complete top-flight American stars in the United States.)

It is generally considered that \$5000.00 is the least amount for which one may attract a fairly complete galaxy of stars. The fact that the gamble of the long trip against the reduced purse discouraged many may be seen in that the present leading players, Henry Picard, U. S. professional titlist, Byron Nelson, U. S. Open champion, Denny Shute, Gene Sarazen, Clayton Heafner, Ky Lafoon, Johnny Revolta, Ed Dudley, Paul Runyan, Ray Mangrum, Johnny Bulla, as well as a number of other stars did not show up.

Not one champion of the past decade was on hand for an attempt at the crown. The now-inspirationless Leo Deigel, champion back in 1929, was at Riverside, but he commanded neither attention nor much newspaper space. Most of the gallery had forgotten the birdie-mad character of Rosedale, Toronto in 1928 and Kanawaki, Montreal, in 1929. They would have followed Snead, however, but Sam was ill and

Fred Corcoran, United States professional Golf Association, Tournament manager, with Herb Graffis, well-known Chicago publisher of *GOLFING* and *GOLFDOM* magazines; George Cumming, dean of Canadian professionals, Toronto, R. V. Woffendin, Spalding manager, Brantford; Dick Birch, Canadian Badminton champion, Campbell representative; two well-known Maritime players, Percival Streeter and "Gint" Cain; Ralph Guldahl, Chicago, runner-up to McSpaden; Jimmy Rimmer, Halifax, outstanding Maritime professional.

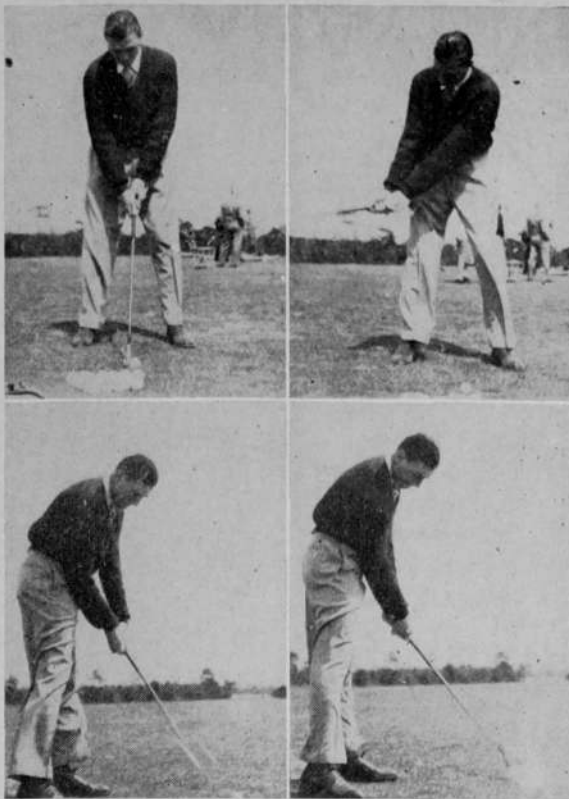
couldn't be back to defend his Mississauga laurels of last year, The crowd would have chased after Harry Cooper, too, had the 1937 titlist been there, but he, like the 1936 champion, Lawson Little, are not following the summer tournament circuit. They have clubs and are spending a season away from the wars.

Yet in spite of these many apparent obstacles those who were present went away satisfied with the fact that a great golfer succeeded Snead; that a fine course had been the scene of the championship and that much of the effort put into the event had not been in vain.

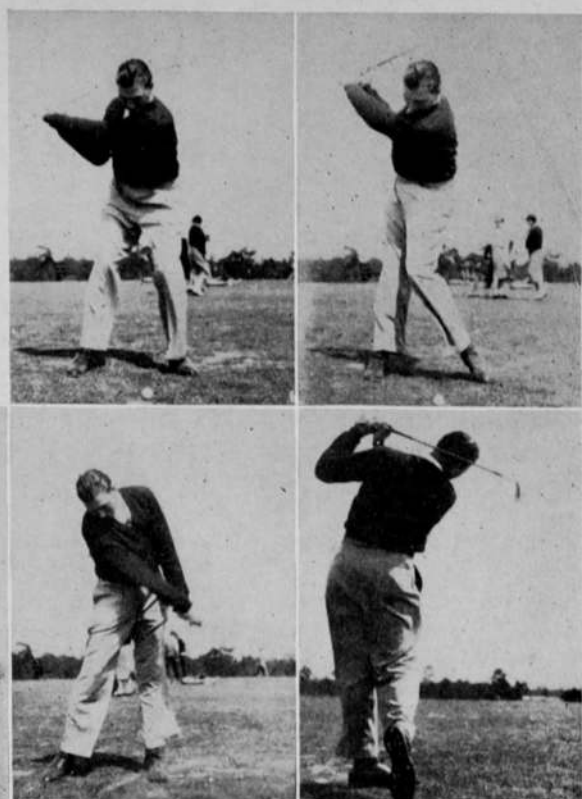
Taking the reader into the heart of the battle for the crown which quickly narrowed itself down to a duel between McSpaden and Ralph Guldahl, Madison N. J. professional (U. S. Open champion in 1937 and 1938) let's look at the fourth hole of the Riverside course for a moment.

This par five which bends to the right all the way from the tee to green measures some 500 yards. The difficult placement for a drive was the cause of much grief for many, inasmuch as the green could be reached in two if one was reasonably far and straight. Being either short or too much on the right side of the fairway inevitably resulted in having to cut the corner of the trees with one's second shot if the player wished to touch the tantalizingly placed green so as to obtain a chance at a "two-putt" birdie!

Here it was that Guldahl, the hulking Norseman with the flowing dark hair, dug his own grave; here it was that he placed the crown deftly on the capable brow of easy-going Mr. McSpaden. The Jug had a hand in it too, for he birdied this hole in the morning of the last day. Then in the afternoon he got a steady par. However Guldahl was not so fortunate. Once a hooked drive followed by a pushed third resulted in a ghastly seven; the second attempt was accomplished in similar figures differing only in the fact that the error came solely from a pushed spoon on his second. Guldahl required a total



McSPADEN HITS A LONG IRON



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of 14 strokes for the two holes. McSpaden needed only nine! Since there was a difference of five shots in these two players 72 hole totals (282 to 287) the gap is explained thus.

Yet this observer still feels that had the cups been placed in the centre of the greens for the last 36 holes Guldahl would have made up the three shots deficit which McSpaden's opening 67-69 gave him. As it was, the last day saw no one becoming "hot" for the simple reason the pins were "set up" in most treacherous positions. This took such a toll on everyone that McSpaden needed a brace of mediocre 73's to finish while Guldahl limped across the line with 73-75. Moreover the impossibility of low scoring under these conditions was again amply reflected in the fact that few of the rest of the field were able to improve their positions on the sagging leaders—much less overhaul them.

Several players who were far out of the running after the first two rounds were able to go "full out" fearlessly on this last day and bag respectable scores (Bobby Cruickshank with 71-69; Somerville with 71-72) but they were 13 strokes behind at the start of the last days firing. Little wonder they could go boldly and take chances which the leaders were never disposed to countenance.

It must be said that the Canadian representation was good. The professionals of this country took advantage of the less formidable foreign entry to play some rather excellent golf. Yet each time a home-bred looked as if he might sweep to victory something caused an abrupt upset. Take Stanley Horne of Montreal, for instance. The little Canadian P.G.A. titlist was as close as third at the halfway mark, two shots behind Guldahl with a 141 total.

At the three quarter mark he had made up a stroke on both McSpaden and Guldahl. As it was, a mere 69 would have tied him with handsome Harold. Yet in the clutch Stan began to lose shots despite the fact he never stopped hitting the ball very well! A mountainous 78 leered up at the end for a 291 score. He needed only a 73 to become the runner-up.

Sere Jimmy Rimmer, a golfer who has been top-rung in The CANADIAN GOLFER—September, 1939

Canada for many years, showed that his game has not been dulled by years in Halifax, away from first rate competition for the past seven years. Jimmy is a favorite among the Maritimers now and for two rounds was close to the front with 144. Like Horne he kept stroking well, but couldn't score another really telling round as he finished 76-74.

The showing of Bobby Burns of Weston in Toronto was encouraging. The stylist who has never been a strong finisher came along nicely with 74-71 for a 292 total, one behind Horne and Somerville. Likewise, the clocklike Lex Robson, Toronto, kept in the front rank with a smart 70-73 to tie with Burns. Among the amateurs Somerville was hard pressed to overtake and open a four stroke margin over tall, lean, Ted Bishop, former Pennsylvania Leslie Cupper. Bishop jumped into the lead with a first-round 69, but thereafter hovered around the 75-mark to post a 296 total. Phil Farley, three times low amateur in this event, was away to a flying start with a 70, but backed this up with a sad score of 80. His ultimate total of 303 placed him behind steady Henry Martell with 300. Martell was recently runner-up to Ken Black in the Canadian amateur championship and also winner of the Ontario Open championship this year.

Complete scores of the leaders were as follows:

H. McSpaden, Winchester, Mass.	136-73-73—282	\$1,000.00
Ralph Guldahl, Madison, N. J.	139-73-75—287	600.00
Victor Ghezzi, Deal, N. J.	143-74-71—288	400.00
B. Cruickshank, Richmond, Va.	149-71-69—289	300.00
Stan Horne, Montreal	141-72-78—291	200.00
*Ross Somerville, London, Ont.	148-71-72—291	
Bobby Burns, Toronto, Ont.	147-74-71—292	77.50
E. J. Harrison, Little Rock, Ark.	143-71-78—292	77.50
Horton Smith, Oak Park, Ill.	145-70-77—292	77.50
Lex Robson, Toronto, Ont.	149-70-73—292	77.50
Leo Diegel, Phila., Pa.	151-73-70—294	45.00
Jimmy Rimmer, Halifax	144-76-74—294	45.00
Gordon Brydson, Toronto	148-76-71—295	40.00
Bill Kerr, Toronto	150-73-72—295	35.00
*Ted Bishop, Boston, Mass.	145-75-76—296	
John Thoren, Woodland, Mass.	155-71-71—297	30.00
Bobby Alston, Ottawa	147-78-72—297	
Herman Barron, White Plains, N. Y.	150-74-74—298	
*Henry Martell, Edmonton	151-73-76—300	
Dick Borthwick, Toronto	154-75-72—301	
*Phil Farley, Toronto	150-79-74—303	
Bill Francis, Altoona	150-81-74—305	
Jimmy Thomson, Shawnee, Pa.	150-81-74—305	
Jules Huot, Quebec	150-79-78—307	
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FALL FERTILIZATION—WHY?

By
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For years many golf clubs have been trying to solve their turf problems by making unnecessary heavy expenditures on seeding, top-dressing, manuring and watering.

Re-seeding alone seldom produces desired turf improvement because thin grass is usually associated with a low level of soil fertility.

High expenditures involved in top-dressing can only be justified to level uneven surfaces, cover shallow rooted grass plants or to improve water holding capacity of sandy soil.

To cover 50 acres with manure at the moderate rate of 12 tons per acre necessitates handling 600 tons, but at 400 lbs. per acre, only 10 tons of concentrated fertilizer are required. On established turf surface applications of manure do not materially change the physical condition of the underlying soil. The manure fails to penetrate and become incorporated in the soil. Excessive applications tend to build a surface layer thus stimulating surface rooting.

Over-watering can be very injurious on heavy soils not only causing the leaching of plant nutrients but exaggerating soil compaction thus giving rise to infestations of deep rooted weeds and clover which can thrive under these conditions.

Each year the fibrous root system of grass plants dies during the winter and a new one is formed in the spring from

a food reserve stored in the crown of the plant or in the stolons the previous fall. If the plants are overstimulated at this time they will become surface rooted as there is too much growth at the expense of the roots. Root and top ratio is usually 1 to 1 in grass plants but by judicious watering and fertilizing it can be increased to $1\frac{1}{4}$ to 1 and from 2" to 4" deeper. Such a plant will withstand draught and adverse conditions to a much greater degree. It should not be overlooked that it is the decaying of the dead roots in the soil that keeps our golf soils supplied with organic matter. This organic matter is not only important in providing a cushion in the turf but is the factor which controls the fertility of all soils.

From the above information it can be readily understood how important it is to have a fertilizing programme that will encourage a very vigorous root development. The first step in the proper direction is to apply fertilizer in the early fall (August 15th to September 15th ideal) depending on the locality, when the plants are preparing for their dormant winter condition and building up a food reserve for the following spring. This is an ideal time, not only because of the above facts, but because the temperature, moisture and all factors controlling growth are optimum. The danger of encouraging weeds at this time is at a minimum as most of the obnoxious weeds to golf courses have matured and are dormant, thus giving the fast growing turf a chance to crowd them out of existence. If a proper fall fertilizing is practised, its effect will carry on until the following spring. In many cases spring fertilizing is very beneficial but it should not be made until there is some indication that the effect of the fall treatment is tapering off. The important considerations to keep in mind on spring applications are:-

1. Do not apply quick acting stimulants when there is satisfactory growth.
2. Do not charge the soil with fertilizers that will carry stimulation on into the summer weed period.

We must all be content with poorer playing conditions in the summer when most grasses are in a sub-dormant condition and the weeds are enjoying their active season. Except on light soils, fairway watering should be minimized at this time.

The prime requisite of any fertilizing programme should be to keep the soil supplied with the necessary plant nutrients in such quantities that will provide a continuous even growth throughout the growing seasons. Frequent light applications of slow acting fertilizers in most cases are preferable. Excessive use of rich fertilizers result in soft lush turf unable to withstand any adverse condition. Clubs which can purchase quantities of cheap manure should never use it until it is thoroughly decomposed and weed seeds are devitalized. This may take from 2 to 5 years depending on the amount of straw it contains and the number of times it is turned. Such material is best applied in combination with soil. This is a very sound method of fairway turf improvement but unfortunately is very expensive. (This comment does not refer to the use of compost for top-dressing greens which is still a standard practice.)

It must be remembered that all turf areas are just as different in reaction as to treatments of any kind as are human beings. Such being the case it is very seldom that maintenance practices in neighbouring districts are identical. This is particularly true in fertilizing soils and no fertilizing programme should be carried on until the soil has been studied from a fertility, physical and drainage standpoint, keeping in mind the requirements of the various varieties of turf to be treated.

Good results cannot be expected in soils that are compact from continuous traffic and lack soil air. Under such conditions nitrogen from fertilizers ceases to become readily available and the plants not only starve but there is also a strangulation of the fine turf roots.

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The CANADIAN GOLFER—September, 1939

Father Andrew and son Alex Morris, members of the Beaconsfield golf club in Montreal, won the much-sought after Quebec Father and Son championship recently at the famous old St. Lambert Country Club in the Canadian metropolis. The Morris family have been golfers for a long time, but never until the last nine holes of this championship have they shown provincial title dimensions.

From a field containing a bevy of experienced and competent contenders which included the J. I. Rankins, the H. R. Pickens, the J. A. Ellises, and the title-defending

MORRIS FAMILY SHOOT A 36—

A. G. Fenwicks, the two wiry Lakeshore players hardly were expected to emerge victorious.

Yet after the mediocrity of an outgoing 42 on the first nine Andrew and son Alex

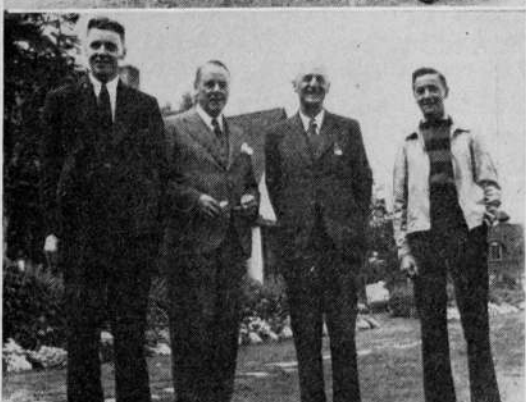
started to knock off pars all the way home and when they coolly added the total at the 18th they had posted a 36 for a neat 78 total.

The 1938 champion Fenwicks reached the 18th with a par four to tie, but required a spectre 9 to complete the day. The H. R. Pickens led the field with an outgoing 39, but ran into a similar score on the 10th hole to end their chances. The Father and Son event continues to be one of the most popular on the Quebec schedule and though war had disrupted the interest of many this year there were 33 pairs out at Country Club.



Photographed below are a number of the contestants.

Top left, Dr. and R. Edminson, Whitlock and A. R. and Donald Dewar of Rawdon; No. 2 Mr. K. H. Borrowes Sherman Peabody, R. D. Borrowes and H. A. Peabody of Montreal and Sherbrooke; No. 3 Ken and R. J. Ward of Summerlea Dr. G. and Tom Hale of Country Club; No. 4. R. D. and G. A. Wood Whitlock and H. C. and W. C. Shaw of Summerlea. Centre No. 5 Andrew and Alex Morris, champions, Beaconsfield; No. 6 George and David Crombie and H. R. Pickens Sr. Marlborough; Left top, No. 7 J. H. and H. J. Wilson, Whitlock and R. C. and R. W. Ronalds, Beaconsfield; No. 8 James R. Innes Sr. and Jr. Drummondville and L. K. and W. L. Shaw, Hampstead; No. 9 R. A. and J. A. Ellis, Kanawaki and W. Y. and H. W. Soper, Royal Montreal; No. 10 H. W. and Jim Sceeney, Hampstead, and Murray Hayes Sr. and Jr. Shawbridge.





THE HEARTY

By
Ralph H. Reville

Notwithstanding the lowering war clouds, the 22nd Annual Tournament of The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association this month, was largely attended by some 150 of the worthy Seigniors from all parts of Canada, attending the event. For the first time in the history of the Association, a French-Canadian club — Laval-sur-le-Lac a beautifully situated course some twenty miles from Montreal — was the venue of the Tournament. "The Lavallers" have for many years enjoyed the reputation of being "Prince of Entertainers" (the Duke of Windsor when Prince of Wales several times visited the Club of which he is the Patron) and the Seniors found that that enviable reputation is deserved to the limit. The hospitality of the officers and members of Laval-sur-le-Lac throughout the Tournament was simply unbounded and the opinion was general that from every angle, the 1939 Seniors' meeting was the most perfectly arranged and most perfectly run, of any in the long history of the Association. Viva, Le Club Laval-sur-le-Lac.

Every event of the three-day Tournament—September 4th 5th and 6th was keenly contested. As usual, especial interest centred in the competition for the magnificent Lord Shaughnessy Cup, emblematic of the Championship of the Association. After the first day's play at 18 holes, to the surprise of most of the players, it was found that R. M. (Bobby) Gray the four times champion was trailing that sterling Southpaw, player, F. H. Wilson, of the Ottawa Hunt Club, by one stroke, namely 78 to 77. However on the following day, the champion "struck his stride" and compiling an excellent 76 which added to his previous 78 gave him a commanding 154 to Wilson's 160, the Ottawa Hunt player getting into difficulties on his second round had to be content with an 83 for a total of 160 or six strokes back of the Rosedale expert who has now won the Championship "five times in a row." Gray, who has a particularly sound and consistent game in his bag, as was evidenced on the second day when blustering weather conditions, were anything but ideal for scoring, may yet rival the great record of that grand old veteran, the late George S. Lyon, who won the championship ten times. Wilson, who 45 years ago, was a champion amateur bicycle rider, as Runner-Up won the beautiful cup presented by the late Hon. Wallace Nesbitt. Georges Salter, of Marlborough, Montreal, a former Quebec Senior champion, slipped into third place with two consistent scores of 81-83-164

which gave him the Class A low gross prize for 36 holes. Another former Quebec Senior champion, R. B. Chillas of Beaconsfield, Montreal, tied with J. L. M. Thomson a well known Winnipeg player, and E. C. Gould of Brantford, a former President of The Royal Canadian Golf Association, for fourth place with scores of 165. It is interesting to note that Thomson and Gould posted identical scores of 81-84-165. R. C. Smith, the rangy player from Beaconsfield Runner-up to Gray for the past three years, slipped badly on the second day with an 87 which added to his initial 79 gave him a total of 166. A. E. Corrigan of the Chaudiere Club, Ottawa, father of Frank Corrigan, 1938 Quebec amateur champion, was in sixth place with 82-85-167. In seventh place was the popular President of the Seniors, J. I. Rankin, Beaconsfield, who carded 87-81-168.

But keen competition was not only in evidence for the Championship, but in all the other Classes — Class A (55 to 59 years inclusive) Class B, (60 to 64 years) Class C, (65 to 69) Class D. (70 to 74) Class E (75 to 79). There were no entries in Class F, 80 years and upwards. Last year at the Toronto Club four octogenarians, competed in this event. The putting and approaching competitions and the Foursomes held on the last day of the Meeting, as usual were greatly enjoyed and drew large fields of contestants. In all some \$800 worth of beautiful prizes were awarded. The following official list of prize winners "tells the tale".

PRIZE LIST		Prize		Winner
Event				
ALL CLASSES:				
Best Gross	36 holes	A. D. Coffee Set		R. M. GRAY
2nd Gross	36 holes	Relish Dish		F. H. WILSON
Best Net	36 holes	Platter		De GASPE BEAUBIEN
Best Gross	18 holes			
	First Day	Rose Bowl		R. C. SMITH
Best Net	18 holes			
	First Day	Dressing Case		H. M. BANKS.
Putting	18 holes	1st	Fluted Rose Bowl	W. Y. DENISON
	First Day	2nd	Glass Water Set	W. I. HOGG
Best Gross	18 holes			
	2nd Day	Liqueur Set		R. B. CHILLAS
Best Net	18 holes			
	2nd Day	Pewter Plate		J. E. WEEKS
Putting	18 holes	1st	Binoculars	T. E. MERRETT
	2nd Day	2nd	Asparagus Dish,	E. A. MACNUTT
Foursome Competition	3rd Day (Hdcp)	1st	Water Jug	RALPH SMITH
		2nd	Thermos Set	W. I. HOGG
			Flash	J. P. TREMBLAY
			Pewert Jug	Hon. Justice L. COUSINEAU

Left top; 1. Dr. F. H. Wilson, Ottawa; J. D. Coleman, Ottawa; W. K. Cook, Toronto; W. Y. Dennison, Ottawa. Group 2. A. H. Campbell, Montreal; A. F. Park, Muskoka; A. W. McMaster, Montreal; Samuel Short, Ottawa. Group 3. J. J. Carrick, Toronto; J. C. H. Dussault, Montreal; A. J. Ames, Ottawa; C. C. Holland, Montreal. Below Group 4. F. D. Burkholder, Ottawa; Col. A. de M. Bell, Quebec; C. L. Wisner, Toronto; W. E. Weyman, Levis. Group 5. J. P. Vair, Tillsonburg; W. C. Pow, Tillsonburg; S. H. Palmer, Preston; S. C. Vance, Tillsonburg; E. C. Sythes, Ottawa. Right top, R. H. Greene, Toronto; David Crombie, Montreal, two class E. Stalwerts. Centre. Dr. J. L. Warren, Montreal; bottom, S. H. Parker, Toronto, and William St. Pierre, Montreal, two more class E men.

SENIORS "CARRY ON"

Approaching & Putting	3rd Day	1st 2nd	Clock Seat Cane	
Four lowest Net Scores Any one Golf Club			Silver Comport	J. P. TREMBLAY
1st 7 2nd Days			Silver Macaroon Dish	ART PAINCHAUD
			Pewter Jug	GLEN S. CASE
			Glass Cigarette Box	GEORGE HAMILTON
Class A	Best Gross 36 holes		Dutch Liqueur Set	GEORGE SALTER
Class A	Best Net 36 holes		Smoking Stand	P. PARE
Class B	Best Gross 36 holes		Decanter	J. L. M. THOMSON
Class B	Best Net 36 holes		French Glass Centre- piece	Hon. Justice J. L. COUSINEAU
Class C	Best Gross 36 holes		Sterling Sandwich Plat	A. G. DONALDSON
Class C	Best Net 36 holes		Aluminum Plate	C. W. BATES
Class D	Best Gross 36 holes		Sterling Silver Chop Dish	J. A. OGILVIE
Class D	Best Net 36 holes		Cocktail Set with Tray	P. W. TOMKINS
Class E	Best Gross 36 holes		Sheffield Reproduction Waiter	C. C. HOLLAND
Class E	Best Net 36 holes		French Clock	S. H. PARKER

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION

The Annual Meeting of the Association was held on the evening of September 4th at the Laval Club House. The President, Mr. John M. Lyle of the Toronto Golf Club was in the chair and paid an especial tribute to the wonderful hospitality extended to the members by the officials and membership of the Laval-sur-le-Lac Club. The annual report of the particularly capable Secretary-Treasurer Mr. H. P. Baker, Toronto, was one of the most encouraging in the history of the Association. A cash balance of \$1236.37 was reported at the end of the financial year whilst the membership now reaches almost the limit of 400 provided by the Constitution. It was with deep regret that the report referred to the passing during the year of A. A. Adams, Hamilton (a former Champion of the Association) D. F. Cameron, Cornwall, Ralph Connable, Buffalo, N. Y. Dr. C. W. Haentchel, Haileybury, John Jenkins, Montreal, His Honour Judge Lee, Toronto, Theodore Meunier, Montreal, W. E. Phin, Hamilton, A. W. Ridout, Montreal.

Mr. John I. Rankin, of Montreael, was unanimously elected President for the ensuing year, Mr. Lyle stating with great regret that owing to professional duties, he would have to decline a re-nomination. Mr. E. A. Macnutt, of The Royal Montreal Club, was elected 1st Vice President and Mr. R. H. Greene of Toronto, re-elected 2nd Vice President, and Mr. H. S. Baker, Toronto re-elected Secretary-Treasurer. Mr. C. A. Bogert is again the valued Hon. President of the Asso-

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A cheerful group taken after the playing of the 10th Annual Labor Day Golf Tournament over the course of the French River (Ont.) Golf and Country Club. From Left to Right, I. Ilsley, Toronto; Mrs. N. P. Petersen, N. P. Petersen, Toronto; Miss Dorothy McGuire, winner of the ladies tournament and E. H. Banks, secretary of the tournament and winner of the 2nd net prize.

FRENCH RIVER'S TENTH REUNION

D. MacLachlan, Toronto, won the E. F. Seagram Memorial Trophy with a net score for the 36 holes of 133 at the 10th annual Labor Day Golf tournament played over the course of the French River (Ont.) Golf and Country Club on September 2, 3 and 4th. E. H. Banks, captain of the club, was second with 138 and Douglas Gerneroy, French River, third with 140, and tied with Gilbert Stephens also of French River. H. T. Bailey, French River, was fifth with 141 and John Murray MacLeod, Toronto tied him at the same total. M. L. Roenigk, Stratford, came seventh with 143.

Reno Commanda, French River, won the low gross with 145 for the 36 holes with Fred Jackson, sporting editor of the Toronto Star, second with 148. W. H. Plant, Toronto, was a good third with 151, made up of two rounds of 74 and 71.

Miss Dorothy McGuire, Simcoe, won the Ladies' Cup with a net score of 139 with Mrs. H. B. Alexander, Nashville, Tenn., second with 140. Miss Mary J. Harris, Toronto, was third with 144, and Miss Alice Camerer, Simcoe, and Mrs. Joe Barrett, Winnipeg, fourth with 168. Mrs. Alexander secured the low ladies gross with rounds of 78 and 76 for a total of 154.

The tournament, which was the most successful so far held in its ten years existence, was under the auspices of the Royal Canadian Golf Association and attracted an entry of sixty-five.

At the banquet, which followed the tournament, the Reverend Doctor Ronald McLeod, formerly of Rosedale United Church, Toronto, presented the prizes with E. H. Banks, press representative, Canadian Pacific Railway, and secretary of the tournament, in the chair. One of the features of the prize giving was the ovation given to J. G. Strathee, manager of the Canadian Pacific Railway company's French River Camp. ○

hope" is to reach the level of which his game is capable he must fight the desire to relax. Being contented to excel in local events may cause him to become too satisfied. It would be a grave mistake for him to content himself with that much glory. He is one Canadian who could, and may, step up to take his place among the greatest on the continent. Hard work and self-belief can bring any title in the world his way. ○

CONTENTMENT SEEN AS HORNE'S ONLY FOE

A lot of us were disappointed with the finish which Stan Horne put on at the Canadian Open championship at St. John in August. Stan stayed up there in third place for three rounds and might have won the crown had the brilliant little Ilsemer professional from Montreal been able to produce some of his vaunted sparkle. Yes, we might have been singing the praise of the first home-bred Canadian Open title-holder to appear in 25 years. But Stan drifted to a 78 to finish and that slipped him all the way up to 291 total. Mind you this still left him tied with Ross Somerville of London for the low Canadian honour; but Stan is a greater golfer than such an accomplishment.

Stan began this year by winning the Quebec Spring Open title in a breath-taking play-off duel with the formidable Bobby Alston at Beaconsfield. It was Stan's reserve power which won for him there. Early in March Stan came 10th in the great North and South Open in Pinehurst; he led the field on the first day with a 68 after only five practice

rounds between then and the first snow fall in Canada back in November.

As the season wore on in Quebec Stan swarmed over his local competition winning a large percentage of the Montreal Professional Golf Association meetings. He would have been a threat of major proportions to Lex Robson's sixth Millar Trophy conquest in early fall in Toronto had he continued to play, but the death of his father caused him to withdraw.

Finally the Quebec Open championship was played at Senneville and it seemed that the ever-threatening Jack Littler of Ottawa was going to walk off with the honours held in 1938 by Toronto's Dick Borthwick. However Stan Horne was still in the fight. Up the "stretch" he came with a birdie to win on the 520 yard 36th hole. Coolly he "ran down" an 8-footer for the title with a 142 score. Two blasting shots into the breeze had left him pin-high making possible this great demonstration of nerve.

Horne is exceptionally sound throughout his game, but if our Canadian "white



A group of the visiting professionals and wives who came to Montreal from Ontario to compete in the recent Quebec Open championship. Mrs. J. Whyte, Montreal; 1938 Quebec titlist, Dick Borthwick Toronto; Mrs. and Mr. Bill Kerr, Toronto; Bob Gray Jr. Toronto; Gordon and Mrs. Brydson, Toronto, and veteran Montrealer, popular Art McPherson.



Charlie Debryne, professional of Laval Club, Montreal, C. N. Moisan, Laval, and professional Albert Murray, Beaconsfield look on as Mr. Moisan's daughter, Yolande, defeats Mrs. Jack Nickson of Beaconsfield for the Quebec title. Rival teachers and father of the champion enjoyed proceedings.

THE CURRENT THOUGHT
(continued from page 5) Those in charge of the many items necessary to make a large tournament such as this successful fulfilled their duties with dispatch and grace. It is not exaggeration to say that nowhere in Canada could one have found a finer group of sportsmen than those gentlemen of the Riverside Golf Club. O

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Left to right; Three long-standing members of the St. Lambert Country Club watch Quebec fathers and sons teeing off in annual classic. They are J. E. Buchanan, St. Lambert; C. J. Black, Montreal and R. Johnson, Montreal. On the end Tom Hale and his father Dr. G. B. Hale.

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AS JUG RECEIVED THE MUG!

Frood Seagram presents Harold "Jug" McSpaden with the famous Seagram Gold Cup emblem of the Canadian Open Championship after the Winchester, Massachusetts, professional had annexed Canada's national title at the Riverside Golf Club, outside of Saint John, N. B. in August. Seen at the impressive presentation were Mr. J. Rothchild, Toronto, D. S. Williams, Col. W. A. Harrison Saint John, R. C. G. A. President, Ernest Savard, Frood Seagram, Toronto and Harold McSpaden, Winchester, Mass. McSpaden is the fourth winner of the Seagram Cup, succeeding Lawson Little, Harry Cooper, and Sam Snead. (Note: The play on words "Give Jug the Mug" was a spontaneous witticism for which we are indebted to Mr. Frood Seagram who used it in connection with the presentation of the exquisite Seagram Gold Cup to an equally exquisite golfer, Mr. Harold McSpaden.



1939 NICHE IN JASPER'S TOTEM

For the next 12 months Canada has lost possession of the Internationally famous silver Totem Pole trophy, emblematic of the golf championship of the Jasper Park Lodge Golf Week. This year it was won for the first time in history by a United States player from the Pacific Coast. Donald Thompson, the youthful and long-hitting star from the Waverly Country Club, Portland, Ore., defeated Dr. George Bigelow, Prince Albert, in a 36 hole final 9-8.

Just to make it a clean sweep, Miss Barbara Winn, of Seattle, turned in a grand week of golf to defeat Mrs. W. R. Cumming in the ladies final 4-3 which sent both championships off to Uncle Sam's country.

The Medical Profession championship was won by Dr. George Bigelow, Prince Albert from a field of forty medical men and the Canadian Rockies Senior championship was won by that grand old 87 year old "youngster" from Victoria, R. W. Gibson. The A division of this event went to Dr. D. H. Houston of Seattle. British Columbia won both the men's and ladies International team matches.

Eastern Canada sent a threat to the tournament this year in the person of Dr. Joe Sullivan, of Toronto. The doctor at the moment may be remembered better from his brilliant career in the hockey nets, but he is a grand golfer and turned aside some dangerous threats in the championship flight. He shot a 77 in the qualifying round the first time he had played the course.

History was made in the qualifying round when Dr. George Bigelow turned in an even par card of 70. This was the lowest qualifying round ever recorded in the 14 years of competition. Quite true that par has been broken many and many a time at Jasper, but not in a qualifying round of the golf tournament. Don Thompson, Portland, was one over par with 71 and Don Gowan, former B. C. Champion and well known in the East as a Willingdon Cupper, joined Dr. Sullivan in the 77 bracket. Carl Havens, Seattle and J. G. Heyburn, Louisville, Ky., both had cards of 78.

Although it had the ear marks of being the best competitive final at Jasper for many years, it turned out to be a little too one sided as peculiarly enough and the golfing fraternity will appreciate it, Dr. Bigelow, after playing grand golf all

TOTEM WINNER
For the first time in the history of the competition, the famous Totem Pole golf trophy this year went to the United States Pacific coast. Long-driving Don Thompson of Portland, Oregon, defeated Dr. G. E. Bigelow of Prince Albert, Sask., in the final of the international tournament at Jasper Park Lodge, Alberta.



week, just couldn't get into his stride for the final.

In the afternoon he gave the very large gallery a thrill by getting himself a fine birdie on the 19th hole and proceeded to match Thompson for the next four holes. However a few lapses told the story and the steady playing and stroking of Thompson made Bigelow carry the load. The match ended on the 10th green in the afternoon.

Hon. J. C. Bowen, Lieutenant Governor of Alberta, officially opened the tournament when he drove down the first fairway. 200 yards down the fair-

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with Miss Velma Chennel, promising Marlborough blond, in the semi-finals while Miss Moisan outstaidied the long-hitting Mrs. N. K. Gordon, Rosemere, in the other bracket.

Qualifying scores follow:

Nora Hankin, Rosemere 80; Mrs. J. E. Nickson, Beaconsfield 81; Mrs. Ian Adair, Rl. Mtl. 86; Mrs. G. B. Gordon, Rr. Mtl. 86; Velma Chennel, Marl. 86; Catherine Beer, Beacons. 88; Yolande, Moisan, Laval 88; Mrs. A. J. D. Wright Kanawaki 88; Mrs. H. W. Soper, Rl. Mtl. 89; Mrs. J. Dagenais, Laval 90; Audrey Macintosh, Beac. 90; Mrs. H. R. Pickens, Marl. 91; Patricia Pare, Rl. Mtl. 91; Dorothy Stanforth, Seig. 92; Evelyn Burpee, Islesmere 92; Miss J. Blondeau, Laval 94; Mrs. N. K. Gordon, Rosemere 95; Mrs. H. Mortin Kanawaki 95; Mildred Barr, Hampstead 95; Mrs. D. S. Yulle, Rl. Mtl. 96; Miss J. Ducharme, Marl. 96; Mrs. E. T. H. Seely, Islesmere 97; Mrs. L. Pullen, Rosemere 97; Ruth McDougall, Rosemere 98; Miss E. MacLennan, Cornwall 98; Mrs. H. M. Linton, Grovehill 98; Mrs. J. W. McKay, Islesmere 99; Mrs. B. Caplan, Wentw. 102; Joan Cameron, Islesmere 102; Mrs. T. Eardley-Wilmot, Kan. 103; Margaret Ellis, Kanawaki 103; Mrs. F. Hankin, Rosem. 103; Suzanne Gagnon, Rosem. 106; Miss A. Pare, Val Morin 106; Miss S. Trudeau, Val Morin 108; Jean Darling, Beaconsfield 110; Miss G. Dion, Laval 111; Mrs. H. B. Wicks, Rosem. 111; Mrs. A. E. Nixon, Islesmere 112; Mrs. J. C. Kelly, Mt. Ryl. 113; Mary Gibb, Val Morin 113; Mrs. C. Monet, Laval 116; Miss G. Burns, Grovehill 116; Mrs. G. B. Saunders, Islesmere 117; Lucette Lefaiivre, Laval 119; Mrs. A. Lefaiivre, Laval 130.

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If such is the case, deep, coarse rooted weeds and clover become very prevalent in the ensuing thin turf. Clover is particularly active in compact water-logged

way were lined up ninety caddies and the mad dash started for the ball. They all seemed to reach the ball at the same time and in a few seconds a disputed third down between Argos and Varsity had nothing on the scene at Jasper. The boy who retrieved the ball was rewarded with a \$5 bill by His Honor.

The Lieutenant governor personally presented prizes.

The tournament was under the Chairmanship of Mr. Arthur Kirk, Grove Hill, Montreal. Greenskeeper Brinkworth, who received a medal from the American Greenskeepers Association a year ago, had fairways and greens in grand shape and gave every golfer full opportunity to play well.

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soils as leguminous plants have the ability of manufacturing nitrogen from the air. Early spring fertilizing will exaggerate this condition by necessitating mowing when the soil is too soft and wet, thus causing hard, poorly turfed fairways during the summer months.

etiation. Herewith the complete list of the Board of Governors for the ensuing year:

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ANNUAL DINNER AND OTHER FUNCTIONS

During Tournament week, Mr. J. C. H. Dussault, K.C. of Montreal one of the outstanding members of the Laval Club and one of two French-Canadians on the Board of Governors of the Seniors (Sir George Garneau of Quebec, is the other beloved Governor of French-Canadian Nationality) and Mr. John I. Rankin of Montreal, newly elected President of the Seniors, were hosts at most delightful dinners to the Governors of the Association and a few distinguished friends. Then on Tuesday evening came the Annual Dinner of the Seniors attended by over one hundred members. This as usual was a most enjoyable and jolly dinner with good speeches, good music and good fellowship manifested to a marked degree. Mr. Rankin, the President, was in the chair and the members had the rare good fortune to have as Guest Speaker the Hon. Mr. Patenaude, the Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec who on rising to speak was given an ovation. He said:

TEXT OF HON. E. L. PATENAUDE'S SPEECH

Mr. President and Gentlemen,

This meeting which brings together at Laval-sur-le-Lac such distinguished followers of the game of golf, affords me the privilege which I very highly appreciate of wishing you all a most cordial welcome and congratulating you on having chosen this charming spot for holding your Annual Tournament and Convention and showing the high esteem in which the sport of golf should be held.

I do not think that there is any game which calls for more qualities and skill on the part of those who practice it or one which better shows the character of those who devote themselves to it. Neither do I know of any which affords such relaxation and healthful rest, together with the advantage of pleasant and useful meetings.

Golf leaves none of our physical powers inactive. It has been so designed that it gives the body, in a series of exercises without violence, the benefit of walking under the best of conditions and a combination of movements which induce suppleness and dexterity from all the organs and limbs. I would add too, that it calls for the participation of the best faculties of mind and high qualities of character. So much so, it would be difficult, in spite of appearances, to determine which of the physical, intellectual or moral faculties of a man are best brought out in this exercise or gain more advantage from it.

It is practically this entire activity of all a golfer's faculties which give such price to this sport and set a special note in the meetings of which the game is the occasion. I need scarcely mention the interesting psychological observation we can owe to it and which would alone make golf one of the most informative of all exercises.

It is enough for me to point out the practical advantages to be derived from the meetings, as to-day of men of experience and varied occupations. Now that communications have become so quick and easy between continents, countries and parts of one country, I venture to say that if the organizations of golf, did not exist, it would be necessary to invent them in order to favour and complete between individuals, the relations which modern life has rendered so necessary. Happily, golf is everywhere one of the best organized sports and the fact it is wide spread in the chief centres and the most cultivated circles, is the best proof of its value and the services it renders.

I am so glad that I assisted in establishing the Laval-sur-le-Lac Club. I am particularly gratified that you have chosen it as the place to hold your Convention. It may be presumption on my part



The Hon. E. L. Patenaude, one of the founders of the Laval club in Montreal whose welcome speech featured Senior's dinner.

but it seems to me that it would have been difficult to find a more charming spot. There are so many attractions here to make it an ideal one for an agreeable gathering. Nature has disposed on the Western extremity of this historic Island every beauty that can enchant the eye and inspire lofty thoughts. The greatness and variety of the panoramas, the gracefulness of the mountains and the calmness of the waters of the lake, offer here a glad change to tired dwellers of cities.

It is a great pleasure for me to talk to you who have come from different parts of Canada (and even from the great neighboring Republic) and to thank you for your coming to join with us in this Convention so apt to create between us new bonds of interest and friendship.

For our guests who do us the honour of a visit, as well as for us whose privilege it is to receive them, the meeting together of so many distinguished persons, cannot fail to be advantageous to us all.

I thank you gentlemen, for coming in such numbers to the Club of Laval-sur-le-Lac. We are honoured by your visit and it is my hope that the glad hospitality which the Club offers will induce you to return often and enjoy its privileges. I myself have passed here some of my most agreeable hours and amongst them I shall have especially pleasing recollections of those you have so kindly invited me to pass with you."

Other speakers at this delightful dinner were Mr. Bienvenu the popular President of Laval-sur-le-Lac, Mr. George Robinson of Toronto Captain of the Seniors' Association who thanked the members of Laval on behalf of the Seniors' Association for their unbounded hospitality and Mr. Thomas Rennie of Toronto, who presented a Sterling Silver Tray to Mr. Lyle the retiring President, on behalf of the Governors. Mr. Lyle making an apt reply.

Two of the most popular Seniors attending the Tournament were Mr. R. H. (Daddy) Greene, of Toronto in his 90th year and Mr. St. Pierre of Montreal in his 80th year. They were the very life of many impromptu little gatherings and also at the dinners, "Old Golfers never die." A guest from the United States was Professor Ford Ph.D. of Washington College, who speaks French fluently and especially made a hit with the French-Canadian Seniors.

The question of holding Tournaments during the War, was left to the decision of the Board of Governors at a meeting to be held later.

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