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trating the correct stance for putting. This lack of formality however soon had to give way to convention's strict canon that the golfer must dress for polf as well as for dinner. The flaming red coat became de riggier on the golf course, hur caused many an ill-timed interruption of the game by attracting the attention of some resentful bull in a nearby field.



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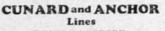
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Interesting Figures in Reference to Public Golf in Winnipeg

The generally accepted idea that Public Golf Courses cater to a select majority is entirely erroneous, as demonstrated by the figures at the Kildonan Municipal Course, Winnipeg, compiled by the very capable Parks Board Secretary, Mr. J. H. Blackwood. Of the 13,759 individual players who used the Kildonan course last season, more than 92% played less than 10 games

each. The figures are: 12,757 players, 1 to 10 games; 684, 11 to 20 games; 170 21 to 30 games; 72, 31 to 40 games; 31, 41 to 50 games; 27, 51 to 60 games; 14, 61 to 70 games, and four only, 71 to 80 games. The total number of rounds played at Kildonan, last year, was 52,291, which figures out roughly at 3.8 games per player. By the way, a recent compilation, shows that there are now 31 courses in Canada of a Municipal or public nature. This compares with only two a very few years ago.

The Kildonan Park Course was constructed and equipped from the Winnipeg Park Fund Levy, on land owned by the City at a total expenditure of approximately \$54,000. From the earnings of this capital expenditure of \$54,000 the Board in addition to paying all operating and maintenance expenditures, has been able to transfer to the City of Winnipeg from the operating revenues, the sum of \$34,000 during the past three years. And that is the answer

to carping critics, who still have the temerity to claim that golf municipally, is a tax on the taxpayer.

The average number of games played at Kildonan Park last year were on Saturday, 281; Sunday, 356; holidays, 481; remaining five days of the week 176. Average for the whole season, 227. No private golf club can show such attendance figures as above quoted.

In addition to Kildonan the Winnipeg Parks Board last year acquired the Windsor Golf Club property and opened it to the public. At Windsor no fewer than 12,324 games were played last season, with an average of 105 games per diem. Winnipeg is to be heartily congratulated on so liberally looking after the golfing wants of its citizens, the great majority of whom cannot afford to belong to the score or so of private clubs in that city, with entrance and annual fees more or less prohibitive from the ordinary wage-earners' standpoint.

Big U. S. Entry for British Amateur In addition to all the members of the Walker Cup team, already eight other U. S. Amateurs have entered for the British Amateur Championship to be held at Muirfield, commencing May 24th. It is probable that there may be others, so all told there will be a score of Americans participating, which easily

constitutes a record. So far there is no word of any Canadians participating. If any player desires to do so he should remember that it is necessary to make an entry through the Secretary of The Royal Canadian Golf Association, Mr. B. L. Anderson, 18 Wellington Street East, Toronto, Ont. Entries close with the Secretary of the Championship Committee at St. Andrews on Friday, May 7th, so there is not much time to spare. The entrance fee is two guineas. It is a long time since a Canadian player has entered for the British event. Mr. George S. Lyon competed twice, in 1906 and again in 1908. He made a very good showing on both occasions. It seems a pity that some of our younger players do not follow his sporting example of nearly twenty years ago. It is a great experience to participate in such an event and a great golfing education.

Better Observance of the Rules Should Be the Slogan for 1926 It is to be sincerely hoped both in the best interests of the game and the comfort and peace of the players, that the 1926 season now opening up will see a better observance of the rules and etiquette of golf, throughout the Dominion. They have in the past been lamentably disobeyed, to the discomfort and annoyance of all who have the welfare and worthy traditions

of the game at heart. In this connection, it is interesting to note that the Royal and Ancient of St. Andrews, and the United States Golf Association, have this year agreed upon three very important interpretations of the existing regulations. They are in brief:

No. 1. Smoothing over foot-prints in a hazard after the ball has been played and still lodges in the hazard—"There is no penalty for the player smoothing irregularities in the hazard made by his footprints or the soil displaced by his stroke, providing nothing is done that improves the lie of the ball for his subsequent play of the hole."

No. 2. Out of Bounds, Unplayable and Lost Ball.—"A player must play a provisional ball before he leaves the spot at which his last shot was played." In other words, he cannot leave the spot at which he played his shot and return to play a provisional ball. From the tee, a provisional ball is played after the opponent has played."

No. 3. Water Hazard.—"A ball that has lodged in a water hazard may not be considered under the Rule governing Unplayable Ball. Rule 27 is a specific rule covering the conditions under which a ball in the water hazard must be played. A provisional ball may not be played under Rule 27. If a player decides to drop a ball and play it, he must continue with this ball and is not allowed the privilege of playing his original ball if found to be playable in the hazard."

These important interpretations should be carefully studied and considered.



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

The English Association Football players before playing in the Finals last month finished up their training, so a London cable stated, "with brine baths and light exercise and a fair amount of golf."

The following cable from Cannes, France, will be read with much regret by the friends throughout Canada of Mr. W. R. Baker, C. V. O., Montreal (President of the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association), and Mrs. Baker:

"A burglar who entered the hotel room occupied by W. R. Baker, of Montreal, former Secretary and Assistant to the President of the Capadian Pacific Railway, and Mrs. Baker, stole a pearl necklace and a ring valued at 300,000 francs."

Here are the ages of the U. S. Walker Cup Team, which is shortly sailing for Great Britain: Roland MacKenzie, 19; Watts Gunn, 21; Jess Sweetser, 24; Bobbie Jones, 24; George Von Elm, 27; Francis Ouimet, Jesse Guilford and Bob Gardner beyond 30. This is easily the youngest International team ever recorded in the history of golf.

Mr. Grantland Rice, of New York, one of the foremost sport authorities in the world, recently spent ten days at Del Monte. Rice was enthusiastic over the Pebble Beach golf course and the new links to be built for the Cypress Point Club. He purchased a home site of more than two acres facing this course, so you can see that his was not merely a courtesy enthusiasm.

A particularly valued Winnipeg subscriber writes:

"I was interested in your taking up the spelling of "caddie," but why quote Webster? Webster is no authority on English-English. He may be all right on U. S. A. English. Chambers's Dictionary has this to say: "CADDIE, one who attends a golfer' at play, carrying his clubs; in the eighteenth century 'a messenger or errand-porter in Edinburgh." These latter survived as late as my school days, when the last of them died out. I can quite well recollect two of them, who sat at the corner of Great King Street (in which we resided)."

It is with very great regret that the Editor records the sudden death in England of Sir Hedley Le Bas, Chairman of "Golf Illustrated," London, and an outstanding Englishman. He was a most enthusiastic follower of The Royal and Ancient game for twenty-five years and his passing will be mourned by golfers from one end of Great Britain to the other. Sir Hedley, it will be remembered, was the chief backer of Mitchell this season in a 72-hole match against any American golfer for a purse of £500.

Six golf lessons will be radiocast through Station WEAO, of Ohio State University by George Sargent, professional of the Scioto Country Club, Columbus, Ohio, where the 1926 National Open Tournament will be held in July. Sargent, National Open Champion in 1909, and Canadian Open winner in 1912, is President of the Professional Golfers' Association of America. The schedule and topics are: May 5, "Importance of Good Stance"; June 2, "Proper Upswing"; June 9, "Hitting the Ball to Obtain Maximum Results"; June 16, "Approach Shots," and June 23, "Putting."

#### A despatch from Montreal, April 8th:

"A judgment which has caused considerable interest in golfing circles has been handed down by Mr. Justice Archambault, in the circuit court, in the case of J. J. E. Mattinson vs. the Hampstead Golf Club, Inc. The court dismissed the plaintiff's claim for \$90 as rental for lots belonging to him, which, he stated, had been used by the club without his permission. The club pleaded that it had made every effort to keep off the lots, but, by error, had encroached on a small portion of one of them during the latter part of 1925. The club estimated the annual rental value of the portion used at 60 cents, which amount was tendered into court. Mr. Justice Archambault held that the tender of 60 cents was sufficient, and Mattinson's action for the balance was dismissed with costs."

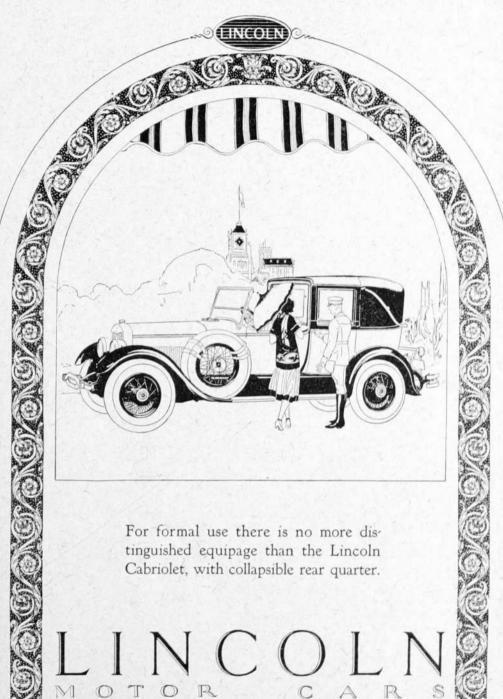
Although only having recently taken to golf, C. S. Titus, champion oarsman a generation ago, has already discovered that the ancient game, like rowing, must be based on rhythm. The oarsman must reserve his strength just like the golfer for the right moment, says Titus.

"If one starts to apply the strength too soon the stroke is ruined, and no good will come from his effort. The same thing applies to exerting the full strength too late. In this there is a similarity to golf, I find. One must wait for the club head to come through when hitting the ball and one must wait for the oar to reach the proper position before the full power of the body comes into play."

The General Passenger Department, Montreal, of The Canadian Pacific Railway, is again publishing this month, "Golf in Canada," from data supplied by the Editor of the "Canadian Golfer." There will be an edition of ten thousand copies of this interesting and handsomely illustrated brochure, which will be distributed very largely from London and other offices of the Company in Great Britain, where "Golf in Canada" is always eagerly anticipated by the British golfers contemplating a tour of the Dominion, as it supplies them with authoritative information and particulars of every golf club from Halifax to Victoria. The edition this year will show over four hundred clubs in Canada, an increase of some 100% in four years.

The coming season will certainly be a record one in regard to special and spectacular matches. The English admirers of Abe Mitchell, and they are legion, are out with a £500 offer to back him against any American professional and it is a certainty that either Hagen, Barnes or Sarazen probably will take up the defi this summer. And now comes a cable from London to the effect that the "Standard" has offered to back Mitchell and Mr. Cyril Tolley against Jim Barnes and Mr. "Bobbie" Jones. This certainly would be a stellar match. On past performances and in golf especially, they sometimes are most misleading, the U.S. pair would unquestionably be installed favourites. Mitchell, strange to say, has never won a World Championship, largely, it is claimed, as a result of "nerves." Barnes has both the British and U. S. Open to his credit. Jones has won the U. S. Open and the U. S. Amateur twice, whilst Tolley's chief claim for golfing supremacy, is the British Amateur Championship, and he won that six years ago. However, the match suggested would be fraught with unusual interest and it is hoped that the four experts selected will consent to its being staged. No

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terms or inducements, are mentioned in the cable, but it is presumed the amateur winning would be awarded silverware and the professional a substantial cash consideration.

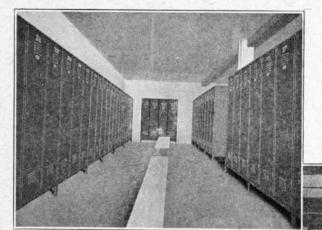
Golf is not only a \$1,000,000,000 business, but tabulated figures were given out this month by Frederick A. Smith, editor of "Club House and Fairway," Chicago, indicating that the investment alone in golf courses, club houses and equipment totaled three-fourths of that amount. No account was made of the value of accessory manufacturers' plants and output, or of caddie and extra entertainment expenses involved. Queries were sent out to 1,500 clubs, probably fewer than a third of the total, and averages were made on the basis of 4,000 golf clubs, although there are said to be 5,000 in the United States. Answers showed that the most valuable real estate devoted to golf was listed at \$1,250,0000, while the cheapest plot of ground was \$500. Cost of laying out links varied from \$50 to \$120,000, while the club houses ranged from \$100 to \$850,000.

#### Editorial, "Mail," Toronto-well worthy of perusal :---

"The golf season will soon open and no doubt we shall hear again of an occasional sudden death on the links. But that is no reason to deprecate the ancient Scottish game. Motorists are sometimes found dead at the wheel, but motoring is not to be condemned on that account. All that need be required of anyone is to take reasonable precautions against over-exertion or over-excitement and to remember that these affect different people very differently. The remark of Dr. M. J. Seifert, a noted Chicago surgeon, that death on the golf course from heart disease unsuspected by the sufferer is 'golf suicide,' has attracted wide attention, but he explains that what he meant was that such deaths would be preventable in most cases 'if every golfer over 50 would precede his playing season by a thorough physical examination.' The advice is very sensible, especially for those who have passed middle age. Few who feel well, eat well and sleep well realize the physical wear and tear of passing years. They are more likely to over-exert themselves than those whose ills have made them careful. Anyone who can afford to play golf can well afford to consult a doctor, and a thorough physical examination may prevent not only injury to himself, but undeserved stigma on a wholesome game.''



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# GOLF IN SUNNY ALBERTA



A PARTICULARLY interesting photo taken February 27th on the Jasper Park Lodge Golf Course, Jasper, Alberta. Whilst the courses throughout the East were mantled with snow, golfers in Jasper were thoroughly enjoying a round of their beautiful links, which, thanks to the enterprise of The Canadian National Railways, are possibly without a peer in America. The setting of the course is absolutely unrivalled, whilst greens and fairways are also unexcelled. Throughout Alberta the past few weeks golf has been enjoyed under excellent conditions. The West for once easily outdistanced the East as regards the opening of the golf season.

# A REMARKABLE ONE-SHOT PERFORMANCE

(Special Correspondence, "Canadian Golfer")

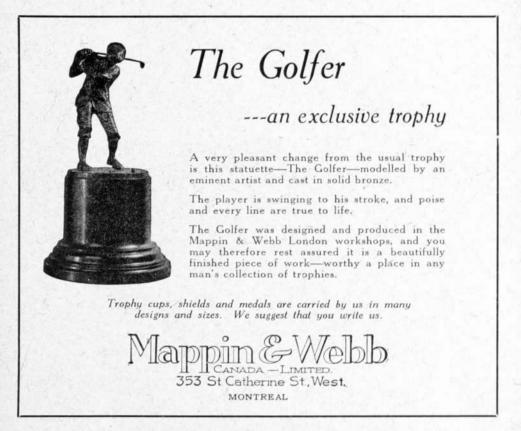
MANY strange stories equalling those of Ike Walton are related at the 19th hole, and here is one from Kelowna, the hub of the Sunny Okanagan, that will neither slice nor pull, as it is an "Honest to goodness follow through" tale, also eligible for the "Believe or Not" page:

A youth with the ambition of all good golfers to do and do again, purchased on Saturday evening a set of clubs, filed his application for membership in the Kelowna Golf Club and on Sunday hied him away to yon course in company with a friend who was his only instructor, teacher and guide.

Golf meant nothing to this recruit, who had never before even handled a club or noted any of the many interesting pictures appearing in the local paper of golf devotees in action.

He placed his ball as instructed on a little mound of soil, on which houses are not supposedly built, and then shown how to swing by his instructor. The ball at first showed inclination to retain its position and let the air absorb the shock, but eventually—they're off, the race is on. Ere long that grand and glorious feeling is experienced when one registers the click and eye notes with astonishment the ball's beautiful flight, and so with various experiences the awe inspiring 14th hole on the Kelowna course is reached, the 185-yard hole at which old players many times would gladly take as read.

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Visualize sloping ground to a pond, surrounded by a most fiendish looking bunker, beyond which the ground rises sharply 40 feet to a level piece on which the direction flag is raised, and just beyond which, dropped from sight, is the green; the fairway on the steep slope is guarded by trees against a pull, while on top and near the green other trees catch the slice.

Here is where it happened. The thing that is talked about both on and off the course, a "hole-in-one," by our new member, "believe it or not." Evidence there was aplenty, and Mr. Jack Ladd, of Kelowna, is the much congratulated and proud golfer, whose auspicious beginning at the "Royal and Ancient game" we trust is but an omen of things to happen, the shadow of coming events.

# "THE FOLLOW THROUGH "

(By Charles Herndon).

M OST players have a very hazy conception of the follow-through. But even when they know exactly what it is, some imagine that it will take care of itself; that all they have to do is to execute a well timed swing, and that a good follow-through will come naturally. It may come that easily to the expert, who does so much subconsciously, or perhaps we should say automatically. But even he had to get his good follow-through by voluntary efforts in the beginning. For the novices and poorer players there is nothing for it but to consciously visualize the path that they desire the elub to take as it passes through the ball, and then deliberately throw the club head along that path.

The follow-through is not the trailing of the club head after the ball; although that is the popular conception of it. The club head might trail well after the ball in a shot that was most unsatisfactory. My conception of the followthrough is the path of the club face while it is impinged upon the ball. The trailing part of the swing might be called the "follow-after." There is always a follow-through of some space and duration, if the ball is hit. The followthrough and the "follow-after" are not always dependent on each other for their lengths. There might be a long follow-through (as is sometimes the case in a sand shot), and very little "follow-after." Or there might be a long, curved "follow-after" succeeding a very short follow-through.

The follow-through, at best, is only a few inches; but its length is dependent upon the speed of the club head at impact, and its direction is dependent upon the direction the club head is travelling at impact. And the speed and direction is not a matter of chance; they must be planned and executed very accurately to bring about the results desired.

A straight follow-through is not a natural thing, but an unnatural thing. Something that is gotten in each instance by a deliberate, voluntary throw of the club head along a predetermined line. The habit of doing this might be acquired by long cultivation, so that it is done without much conscious direction.

The follow-through is not the effect of a good swing; it is the key stone, the vital, crucial, most important part of a good swing.

# GOLF NOTES FROM VANCOUVER

IN an exhibition golf match, played over the Jerieho Golf and Country Club course, Vancouver, April 12th, Bon Stein, Seattle amateur, defeated A. Carson McWilliams, of Calgary, 3 and 2. Stein negotiated the second 18 holes of this interesting 36-hole match in 72, which is par. The best professional record for the course is 73, while the best previous effort for amateurs was made by Stein himself with 74. Stein made the first 18 holes in 76. McWilliams' card was 77 and 76.

An initial step toward golf reciprocity was made during the week-end, when Carson McWilliams, of Calgary, tentatively promised to compete in the Pacific North-West tournament in Spokane in July, provided one or two of the American players would consent to take part in the Western Canada competition in Winnipeg, also in July. "Chuck" Hunter, Tacoma; Jack Westland and Bon Stein, of Seattle, were the men McWilliams was particularly desirous of securing, and at least one of the three committed himself to make the trip, it was stated.

## SALARIED SECRETARY FOR MANITOBA GOLF ASSOCIATION

THE Manitoba Golf Association, inaugurated quite a forward step when it recently decided to appoint a salaried Secretary to look after the wants generally of clubs and golfers throughout the Province. The Directors made a very wise choice when they selected for the position Mr. J. T. Cuthbert, who is not only a very keen student and enthusiastic supporter of the game, but a player of note, having learned his golf as a youth in Scotland. Last year, it will be remembered, he won the Western Canada Open, pitted against a strong field of amateurs and professionals, the Alberta Amateur and the Manitoba Amateur (the fourth time in seven years.) A rare triple accomplishment, never before recorded in the annals of Western golf. Mr. Cuthbert too, is a golf writer of experience and ability. The Royal and Ancient is now played in every place of any size in Manitoba, and it will be amongst the new Secretary's other duties, to see that these numerous clubs, many of which were only recently formed, are brought under the beneficent wing of the M. G. A., which is affiliated like all other Provincial Associations, with The Royal Canadian Golf Association.

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# MISS GLENNA COLLETT AGAIN DEFEATED

T really looks as though the incomparable Miss Glenna Collett, U. S. Lady Champion and twice Canadian Champion, was slipping a bit. As previously noted in this column, she the past winter experienced for her, the quite unprecedented experience of being twice defeated in two Southern Championships and now comes Pinehurst, N. C., her favourite stamping ground in the past, to add to her cup of woes. Last month in the North and South Women's Tournament she had to acknowledge defeat at the hands of Miss Louise Fordyce, of Youngstown, Ohio, by a 2 and 1 margin. Miss Collett had three times previously won this important event, in 1924 having defeated Miss Fordvce in the Final. The Youngstown expert is a very good golfer indeed, but heretofore has never been considered quite in the class of Miss Collett and other recognized U.S. Women stars. Last year she won the Ohio State Championship and in the National Championship reached the fourth round, where she was defeated by Mrs. W. G. Fraser, of The Royal Ottawa, by a marvellous 40 foot putt, on the 19th hole. She took part in the Canadian Ladies' Open Championship in Hamilton in 1924 and was fourth in the Qualifying Round, but was put out in the second round by Mrs. F. C. Letts, the well known Chicago player. Her victory at Pinehurst is to date Miss Fordyce's most outstanding performance.

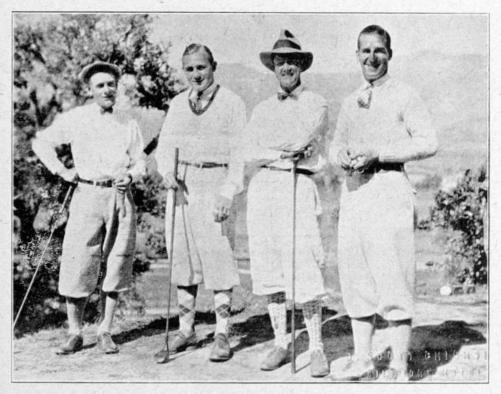
Miss Collett has been defeated on four successive occasions this year because of two things—keener competition and poor putting, or to make the last more comprehensive, an erratic short game. Miss Glenna has not had the touch around the greens since she went south late in January.

Consider first this erratic streak in her game. Miss Collett might have corrected this fault by diligent practice, Johnny Farrell and one or two other

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noted professionals, including Archie Compston and Wilfred Reed, did suggest a change in her putting style. All told the popular Glenna she was cutting across the ball with the blade of her putter, which produced a reverse spin or slice, thus preventing the ball from rolling straight.

Miss Collett has also been noticeably weak in her short game. Her wooden shots, which have always been remarkabe, are quite as good as ever, and her iron play since her trip abroad last year has improved. And yet because her short game was erratic, Miss Collett lost out. Had this department of her game been up to her usual standard she would have been down in the low seventies regularly the past Winter season. This shows how important putting and chipping is in golf.



#### QUARTETTE OF GOLFING EXPERTS

Interesting snap shot by Mr. D. Scott Chisholm, of Los Angeles, of an Amateur vs. Professional Golf Match last month, at the La Cumbre Country Club, Santa Barbara, California. The pros won by 4 and 2. Reading from left to right-"Bob" Peebles, well known California pro, Mr. Geo. Von Elm, the celebrated amateur, whose ranking is next to "Bobbie" Jones in the States and who is the second choice on the American Walker Cup Team leaving for England next month; Mr. C. W. Hague, for-merly of Calgary, Alberta, who was only deleated in the Final for the Canadian Amateur Champion-ship on the 38th hole at the Winnipeg Golf Club, in 1921, by Mr. Frank Thompson, of Toronto, and Harry Cooper, the young Englishman who won fame the past Winter, by annexing the \$10,000 Los Angeles Tournament with the record score of 279.

# THE LEVIS, QUE. GOLF CLUB

"HE annual meeting of the Levis Golf Club, Levis, Que., was held in the beginning of March; a large number of members attended, and the reports submitted showed the club to be in a flourishing condition. The meeting was under the presidency of Mr. V. A. de Billy, K. C., President of the Club since its foundation.

In presenting his annual report, the President of the Club took occasion to thank the various Chairmen of Committees who were in great part responsible for the success achieved by the club during the 1925 season; thanks were also offered to different members who helped the club in various ways.

The financial report showed that the affairs of the club were well managed, and though no surplus was announced, the members were gratified to learn of the financial conditions of the club after the general improvements which had been made last year.

The following directors were elected: President, V. A. de Billy, K. C.; Vice-President, Donald C. T. Atkinson; Secretary, Alphonse O. Mercier; Treasurer, H. E. Weyman; Directors, Alfred S. Gravel, Colin C. Breakey, J. E. Chapleau, K. C., Edouard Perreault, J. A. Morrisette, J. K. Laflamme, Godfrey S. Gourdeay and Jules A. Giroux.

The Levis Golf Club has had a very successful year in 1925; the course has been considerably improved; machinery has been acquired, and a very nice club house has been built; several tournaments have been held between members of the club, and matches with other clubs. The number of members of the club is increasing and all are looking for a prosperous season in 1926.

The Levis Golf Club has only been in existence since 1924, and it is to be congratulated on its success. Much credit is due to its President and other officers.

## BRANTFORD WHIST AND BRIDGE TOURNAMENT

THE Whist and Bridge Tournament, which the Brantford Golf and Country Club announces for 27th, 28th and 29th May next, promises to be a notable success. Several entries have been received from well known players, including Mr. Sidney S. Lenz, of New York, who is considered by many the cleverest exponent of the game in the United States. Mr. Lenz bears the unique distinction of being the only contestant who played without an error the series of Work-Whitehead set hands, in the competition of two years ago. Mrs. E. B. Brown, President of the Woman's Whist League of America, is bringing a party from Cleveland and New York State will be well represented. From Canada entries are in from many places, including Woodstock, Montreal, Toronto, Hamilton, Chatham, St. Catharines, Welland, Goderich, Galt, Paris and Grimsby. Programmes may be had on application to S. Alfred Jones, K. C., Chairman of the Committee, Box 182, Brantford.

# STYLE A DRAWBACK TO EFFICIENCY?

THE following quite startling pronouncement by J. H. Taylor, five times British Open Champion, will be read with a good deal of surprise by golfers generally in Canada, as "J. T." has always been looked upon as a staunch supporter of the traditional ideas in reference to the "correct" playing of the game. Apparently, however, he is now inclining to the "American" idea—any old style if you can get results:

"It is my belief that orthodoxy of style at golf is fast becoming a fetish, and a positive danger to those who accept it as final. I will admit that all the text-books teach it, and state emphatically that a good style should be the aim of all golfers who wish to succeed. Before going further we must determine what is a good style. It cannot be something east in a most rigid mould; it must be elastic. Every writer, every painter, every actor, has a style or individuality of his own.

If it were not so, every member of these professions would be turning out work similar to that which preceded it. The result would be a dull and drab monotony. Every style, I imagine, is the reflex of the individual, and as we are not all built alike, there is bound to be a difference in what is expressed. Concede this, and orthodoxy has not a leg to stand upon. Harry Vardon has been, and is rightly considered to be, the greatest stylist we have ever seen. Vardon was the embodiment of beauty as shown by style, but his temperament is such that he could not produce any other. His style was the outcome of the man. The same



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hypothesis can be applied to Braid, Herd, and all the rest of us. I cannot, however, believe that it was entirely due to Vardon's style that he proved himself to be the greatest golfer of all time. It helped, I'll admit, but my old friend had advantages, temperamental and otherwise, which took him to his high position. Had Macdonald Smith not been so orthodox in his playing he would not have broken down so badly in his last round at Prestwick. His orthodoxy left him no room to combat the attendant circumstances, which, admittedly, were all against him. He was precluded from giving the usual time and attention to his strokes that his style demanded. Playing all his shots in the same way, but with graded clubs, his game began to go astray, and being, if I may pleasantly say, hide-bound with orthodoxy, he could not adapt himself to the prevailing conditions. Style, to be completely successful, should not be slavishly obeyed, but considered in the light of being only fundamentally correct. It should not cocree, but lead."

# THE CHARLESTON AND THE CADDIES

(Special to "Canadian Golfer")

**P**INEHURST, April 15.—A new test of caddie ability has been found at Pinehurst. The well known Charleston, which has lately been used for everything from endurance contests to training football candidates and ascertaining mental agility, figures prominently in the affair.

Donald Currie, caddie-master, has a long line of black boys lined up waiting to carry the bags. When the rush is on the caddies are doled out fast, just as they come. But when it gets late in the day and business is a little slack, competition among the caddies is very keen to get the job, and earn the extra dollar, usually the third or fourth of the day.

All the caddies that call out are brought outside the lane and lined up. At a given signal they start to "charleston." When either the caddy-master or the golfer decides he has found the caddie who "charlestons" best he is given the job and the others sent back. This beats an old system of having the caddies chase balls. It is more interesting to both spectators and caddies. Every evening after sundown now caddies can be diligently seen practising the dance that brings them part of their earnings.

Those who think they have seen good charleston-dancers should take a peep at some of these black boys strutting their stuff!

# MITCHELL ADOPTS NEW STANCE

#### **DESPATCH** from London:

"Abe Mitchell, the country's leading hope for the recovery of the British Open Golf Championship from the United States this year, has so improved his iron play during the past Winter that he is enthusiastically talking and writing about his discovery of secrets of style. Mitchell had been unable to keep his iron shots from drifting to the right of the greens. Instead of using a square stance he had previously employed, he drops his left foot back slightly and advances the right, and he claims his iron play has greatly improved. He says: 'In practising with the irons I found that a tendency to stand too square at the ball, instead of facing slightly towards the intended direction, cause me to hit shots which drifted away at the end to the right of the green. I knew the ball was hit well enough, but it simply would not fly straight.

'And then, quite by accident, I stumbled on what may well be called a secret of the game. I had a lie which made me face well round to the hole. One foot was higher than the other on a small mound, and to get a comfortable stance I was forced to drop the left foot slightly behind. The right foot, that is, was advanced a trifle, and the left one was slightly back.

'The difference between the two stances was very little, and the casual onlooker would scarcely have noticed the change. But I not only noticed it, I felt the change to be the thing I was seeking. 'When I made the shot, the ball flew straight to the green, with no sign of a swerve

'When I made the shot, the ball flew straight to the green, with no sign of a swerve either way. To test this I immediately dropped another ball on the level turf and took up a similar stance.

'Once again the ball flew away, right on the flag all the time, and from that day in the winter months of last year my iron play has been really good. That chance discovery has done my game much good.'''

# GOLF IN MUSKOKA

#### Windermere Golf and Country Club has a Splendid 18-Hole Course, which is Right Up to Concert Pitch

THE "Summer Playground of America" aptly describes our Muskoka Lakes. Nowhere has golf advanced more rapidly than in this vacation district. An example of this is found in the Windermere Golf and Country Club, which was organized by the late Colonel Mason in 1920. Last summer, the remaining four holes were laid down and it is now a full 18 hole course, 5,900 yards, with excellent greens all watered, and fairways which do not suffer by



comparison with city courses. This photograph gives a view of the course looking from the first tee.

Windermere is accessible by both C. N. R. and C. P. R. connection with the Muskoka Lakes Navigation Company steamers. Motorists will find an excellent roadway via Bracebridge highway. The Club Directors for 1926 are Albert Matthews, President; A. W. Treble, Dr. Hinks, W. Earl Smith, Colonel A. E. Gooderham and William F. Irwin, Columbus, Indiana. There is no finer course in Muskoka than Windermere. Visiting golfers the coming summer can make no mistake in paying a visit and enjoying a daily round over these fine links.

# FINE PERFORMANCE BY HAGEN AND JONES

ALTER HAGEN and "Bobbie" Jones, respectively leading professional and amateur player of America, no one gainsays that, again had a battle royal last month at the West Coast Open Tournament over the Pasadena Country Club course at St. Petersburg, Fla., Hagen's home course, which naturally was all in his favour. The professional led a classy field with 283, made up of rounds of 70, 73, 69 and 71, but "Bobbie" was close on his heels with 285, compiled by rounds of 75, 69, 71 and 70. It will be noticed that both experts broke "into the sixties," bearing out the contention often made in the "Canadian Golfer" that now-a-days, to win a big Open Championship, there must be, almost of necessity, one round of the four, better than 70 and 70 only a few years ago, was almost an unheard of performance on a Championship course. Both these great medal players, Hagen and Jones, will compete this summer in

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the British Open and the American Open. They are wizards all right when it comes to the card and pencil, and either or both, of these great events, may well be annexed by them. One thing is certain as a result of their performances the past winter, it will call for the best golf the Britishers can produce, to prevent them once again bringing across the Atlantic, the coveted British Open Championship Cup.

# BIG C. P. R. GOLF UNDERTAKING

Four Miles from the Heart of the City of Vancouver, the Railway Company Has Expended \$150,000 in Building a Magnificent 6,630 Yard Course, to be Opened in July, from the Plans of Mr. A. Vernon Macan, of Victoria, B. C.

O NE hundred and sixty acres of land belonging to the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, and overlooking the Delta of the Fraser River have, in the past year been converted from a dense forest to a completely seeded golf course.

The grounds are located on 51st Avenue, Vancouver, within easy access from either the car line on Main Street or Oak Street, and some four miles from the heart of the city.

The length of the course is about 6,630 yards, with a par of 74. Some unusual features of the construction of the course are as follows: The tees are grass and have an area of 3,000 square feet. This means that it will be comparatively easy to keep them in first-class condition. There are no traps lining the fairway to catch a bad tee shot, thus speeding up play and eliminating a

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congested course, but while making it easier for the poor golfer to get up to the greens, yet, on every hole the green is so well constructed and trapped that it is only possible to get home with two shots if the tee shot is perfect. Again, all the greens have an area of about 10,000 square feet, very necessary to a public links.

The water system has been laid on the property, having a capacity of 500,000 gallons of water per day, and as the course will probably never use more than half of that amount, it may be seen that there is an ample supply. The water system is absolutely independent of the city, except insofar as the club house supply is concerned.

During the past winter eleven miles of under drains have been laid.

The fairways and greens were completed September 11th, and grass has now been cut. The fairways are sown with a mixture of fescue, red top and Kentucy blue, while the greens are seeded with Coos County bent (agrostis maritima).

The Canadian Pacific Railway Company has spared no expense to give Vancouver the best and will have expended \$150,000 for the course when complete. A rough card follows:

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7-360		4	4.4	16-200 "'		3 "
8-420	44	4	4.6	17-420 ''		
9-380			6.6	18-370 ''		
3,430	yards		par			

The charge made for play will be in the neighbourhood of fifty cents per round of eighteen holes, or \$20.00 a year.

6,630 yards .....74 par

At present, plans are being prepared for an up-to-date building giving all the necessary accommodation to golfers, with dressing rooms, dining room, shower baths, lockers, etc.

Mr. A. Vernon Macan, of Victoria, who has built golf courses all down the Coast, was in charge of the laying out of the course for the Company.

The clearing of the ground and the work in general was carried out by the Land Department of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company.

The course has not, as yet, been named, nor the Company which will operate it incorporated.

At the present rate of progression it is expected that all these matters will have been completed and the links open for play to the public in July next.

## MRS. DOROTHY CAMPBELL-HURD IS OUTSTANDING PLAYER

MANY Canadian friends will be glad to hear that our former Canadian Champion, and former resident of Canada, Mrs. Dorothy-Campbell-Hurd, has been playing exceptionally fine golf in the South, the past Winter. Last month she won the important invitation tournament at Augusta, Ga., defeating Mrs. D. S. Reymond, of Baton Rouge, in the final, by three and two. Mrs. Hurd, who has been an outstanding International figure in golf for some 30 years, is the only woman player who has to her credit, the three major Ladies' 982

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Championships, viz., the British (twice, 1909 and 1911); United States (three times, 1909, 1910 and 1924); Canadian (three times, 1910, 1911 and 1912). She also won the Scottish Championship three times (1905, 1906 and 1908), and other lesser championships, literally by the score. Her record has never been equalled by any woman golfer in Great Britain, the States or Canada, and probably never will.

# TWO COURSES FOR QUALIFYING ROUND

THERE will be quite a departure this year in the conducting of the Amateur Championship of Canada, the officials of The Royal Canadian Association, having decided to have the Qualifying Round of 36 holes played on two courses instead of as heretofore, one course. The Toronto Club, where the Championship is scheduled for June 28th to July 3rd, is "next door" to the



The Beautiful Club House of the Toronto Golf Club, where the Canadian Amateur Championship will be held June 28th-July 3rd.

Lakeview Club and all entrants will play a round of 18 holes there and a round of 18 holes at the Toronto Club. This will not only relieve congestion, but provide particularly interesting tests for the would-be champions. Lakeview is generally conceded to be perhaps the hardest test for medal play in the Toronto District (its par of 72 has never been broken in Tournament play), whilst Toronto is also a course calling for particularly well placed shots in order to register a creditable score. At Ottawa last year, Mr. Stanley Thompson, headed the 32 Championship qualifiers, with a 72 and 74 for 146. The total which permitted qualification was 164. It is virtually a foregone conclusion, however, that these figures will not be equalled at Toronto and Lakeview. The combined courses are easily three or four strokes harder than The Royal Ottawa, the scene of the 1925 Championship. Motor accommodation is being arranged between the two courses which are only a few minutes apart and the arrangement will unquestionably work out admirably, besides adding diversity, both for the players and the spectators.

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# NOTES FROM SOUTHERN PINES, N.C.

#### Well Known Ottawa Golfer Amongst the Season's Winners

THE February Tournament of Southern Pines Country Club was held on 22nd February, 1926 and subsequent days. The entrants were divided into three divisions of sixteen each. The winners and runners-up were as follows: First Division—Winner, Richard Wilson, of Southern Pines Country Club; runner-up, Dr. A. M. Brown, of Oil City, Pa. Second Division—Winner, G. H. Ackerman, of Passaic, N. J.; runner-up, John I. MacCracken, of Royal Ottawa Golf Club, Ottawa, Canada. Third Division—Winner, H. V. D. Terhune, of Passaic, N. J.; runner-up, Matthew Sims, of Detroit, Mich.

The March Tournament was held on 22nd March and subsequent days. The winners and runners-up in the four divisions were as follows: First Division—Winner, Ellis Maples, of Southern Pines Country Club; runner-up, Dr. N. C. King, of Brocklin, Mass. Second Division—Winner, D. L. Roberts, of New Britain, Conn.; runner-up, A. O. McGarrett, of Boston, Mass. Third Division— Winner, W. T. Wilder, of St. Paul, Minn.; runner-up, G. M. Adams, of Philadelphia, Pa. Fourth Division—Winner, H. H. Geiglein, of Baltimore, Md.; runner-up, T. H. Sweeney, of Port Jarvis, N. Y.

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# GOLFING WINDOWS UNVEILED IN ENGLISH CHURCH

#### Vicar in Dedicating Them, Makes a Strong Plea for a Sunday of Tolerance and Better Observance

THE Editor is in receipt of a clipping from the "Cheshire Observer," England, containing the particulars of the unveiling there last month at St. Nicholas Church, Wallesley, of two windows presented to the church by a golfer in appreciation of the twenty minute service for golfers held there every Sunday morning before the golfers begin their Sunday morning round on the nearby links. One of the lights depicts two golfers in "plus fours" and carrying



Wallasey Golfers admiring the new "Golfers' Windows" in the St. Nicholas Parish Church

golf clubs. Wallasey, it may be stated, is on the Wirral Peninsula, between the rivers Mersey and Dee, and not far from Liverpool.

As far as the "Canadian Golfer" knows, this is the only golfing window in any church in the world. It is a most unique tribute to the game and the liberal minded clergyman who instituted these short "golfing services." Wallasey as a result may yet become the Mecca of visiting golfers to the Old Country.

"The Rev. A. S. Roschamp, the Vicar, in dedicating the windows in the presence of a large congregation, said that we did not want a Puritan Sunday of gloom and confinement. He did not believe God required of us such a Sunday. We ought, however, to do our utmost to save the country from a Pagan Sunday, which headed straight for Bolshevism. The man who spent the whole of his Sunday in thinking about nobody but himself was reverting to Paganism and Bolshevism. Society and civilization had no security in selfishness. It was selfishness that made the trouble all the time and every time. By encouraging this service he was making a stand for a better Sabbath, and those who attended were helping him to do so. His words had been misquoted in some quarters and in other only half quoted, and he had been unjustifiably criticised by people who had never seen the windows themselves. This service stood for men who were out to play the game, not for themselves, but for their side; for men who knew what 'esprit de corps' was. He dedicated the window as a protest against a Godless Sunday and as a witness of our desire that England might remain a Christian land,"

# CHANGED CONDITIONS IN M. AND E. CONTEST

Competition to be Decided by Match Play Against Par

DECIDED change was made in the regulations governing The "Mail and Empire" competition to determine the men's city interclub team championship at the meeting of the captains of the various local clubs at Hart House, Toronto, recently. In previous years the matches have been match play between teams of twenty, the first season the competition being of the knockout variety and since then a schedule of games has been played in groups, the winners of which met in semi-finals and finals. The increase in the number of clubs from six in the first year to sixteen last season and possibly eighteen this year, meant so many matches that the list of fixtures of the various clubs were being interfered with and the older clubs especially, who have many independent interclub matches with out of town clubs were in favour of reducing the number of matches in The "Mail and Empire competition.

Various suggestions were offered the meeting, but it was finally determined to decide this year's championship by an eighteen hole round, match play against par, on Wednesday, June 9. The committee will select five or more local courses which meet all championship requirements and the clubs competing will send five of their twenty players to each of the four clubs to play against the par of those courses. No player shall play on his own course. nor shall he play with a club-mate. The club that finishes with the best showing against par on the four courses will be the holder of the title.

Some of the captains were in favour of using handicaps, others preferred retaining the group system and some wanted the new competition decided by 36 holes, eighteen early in the season and the same number late in the Fall. Mr. Dudley Dawson, of the Toronto Club, who suggested the match play against par, was elected Chairman of the Committee, with Mr. F. C. Armitage, of the Toronto Club, as Secretary and the Chairman was empowered to select a sub-committee to assist in selecting the courses and arranging the details of the competition.

Those who attended the meeting were: Chairman, Dr. A. A. Beatty; Secretary, E. C. Bowyer; Messrs. C. W. Long, Bayview; W. E. Lundy, Thornhill; W. B. Kenderdine, Scarboro; J. A. Dunlop, Islington; T. R. Banbury, Uplands; L. M. Watson, Thistledown; R. W. Parker, Cedarbrook; E. H. Paisley, Summit; B. H. L. Symmes, Mississauga; M. A. Stewart, Weston; W. H. Firstbrook, Lambton; J. Lindsay, Rosedale; D. Dawson, Toronto; W. F. Cumming, Humber Valley, and W. A. Price, Lakeview. In addition Shoreacres and York Downs are expected to enter and perhaps Lake Shore.

# CANADIAN SENIORS' TOURNAMENT DATES

THE dates have been finally decided upon for the Canadian Seniors' Ninth Annual Tournament. They are Thursday, Friday and Saturday, September 2nd, 3rd and 4th, at the Toronto Golf Club. On Tuesday, September 7th the team of fifteen selected players will leave Toronto for the Apawamis Club, Rye, N. Y., to play the American Seniors for the Duke of Devonshire Gold Cup, emblematic of the Senior Championship of America. This will be decided on Thursday, the 9th. The Americans have won the trophy six times and the Canadians twice. It must be remembered, however, that the U. S. Seniors have 600 members to draw from and Canada only 300. That tells the story. On the Apawamis Links, where the competition is always held when it goes to the States, the U. S. representatives are almost unbeatable; they know every hole on the course so well, which is a great advantage.

# GREAT BRITAIN AND OVERSEAS

Interesting Happenings on the Course of England Scotland, Ireland, Wales and the British Dependencies

LESLIE HENSON is making London laugh in the English version of "Kid Boots," the musical review with a golfing theme, now playing at the Winter Garden Theatre. As the boot-legging caddie-master Leslie Henson is a sheer delight and has the entire house-rocking with laughter.

H. J. Gaudin, who last month took up the duties of professional to the Wanstead Club, in succession to Percy Alliss—now in Germany—accomplished a remarkable score on March 6 when he went round Wanstead in 66. He had a sequence of seven 3's after the 11th hole. The previous "record" for these links was 68 by Alliss.

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Many British athletes and sportsmen who gained their fame on other fields, have now taken to golf to keep them fit between seasons. Jack Hobbs, the famous cricketer, who is training for the coming test matches which are eagerly awaited by all England, is now an ardent golfer. Even the billiard experts have found out that golf does not destroy their touch but what is more, they have discovered that the art of putting comes just as difficult to them as to any other golfing novice.

Deprived of their Captain, Mr. A. D. Cave, who had suffered an unfortunate accident just previous to the match, Oxford University were beaten by Cambridge in the 43rd inter-'Varsity match. Burnham (Somerset) was the venue and the weather bitterly cold, with a strong wind from an unusual quarter, which effected the players considerably. The result was somewhat of a surprise, though partially accounted for by the absence of the Oxford Captain; it does, however, square accounts between these two great Universities, who are now each credited with twenty victories. In the foursomes Cambridge had a lead of one match, whilst in the singles they

won six to four. Aggregate result: Cambridge beat Oxford 9 matches to 6.

Out of forty-three inter-varsity golf matches played to date, Oxford has



Mr. A. D Cave (Trinity), Captain of the Oxford University Team, who on account of an injury to his hand was unable to take part in the annual inter -Varsity match. The Cambridge win has been attributed to the absence of the Oxford Captain.

won 20, Cambridge 20, and three matches have been halved, constituting a remarkably close record. The longest sequence of victories going to Oxford, who won in 1899, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903 and 1904. Mr. A. Gordon Barry



has the remarkable record of being the only player to have represented both 'Varsities. He played for Cambridge in 1906 and 1907, and for Oxford in 1914. During the period 1885 to 1925 the two universities have produced four amateur champions, all Oxford men, who between them have triumphed on six occasions.

Ten players and two reserves will be selected by the Scottish Union from the undermentioned 19 nominations to contest the Amateur International match against England at Muirfield. The match will be played on May 22, and Robert Harris Amateur Champion, will captain the team. Thirteen of the nominated have previously played for Scotland against England. Of 14 matches decided, Scotland have won ten and England four. Nominations-J. Caven (Elderslie), C. Gibb (Troon Portland), W. J. Guild (Murrayfield), R. Harris (Royal and Ancient), W. L. Hope (St. George's Hill), A. Jamieson, Jun. (Pollok), J. L. C. Jenkins (Troon), D. Kyle (Roehampton), W. Willis Mackenzie (Mortonhall), A. Menzies (Ralston), W. A. Murray (West Hill), P. Mackenzie Ross (Edinburgh Burgess), R. Scott, Jun. (Glasgow), A. F. Simpson (Lothianburn), J. G. Simpson (Royal and Ancient), T. A. Torrance (Sandy Lodge), W. B. Torrance (Edinburgh Burgess), W. Tulloch (Cathkin Braes), and J. Wilson (Prestwick St. Nicholas). Of these, R. Harris, W. L. Hope, W. Willis Mackenzie, W. A. Murray, J. G. Simpson, T. A. Torrance, W. B. Torrance and J. Wilson are among those informed by the Championship Committee of the R. and A. that they may be asked to play in the Walker Cup contest.

The little Scottish town of Carnoustie lays claim to the title of the home of professional golfers. This town of 6,000 population, situated on the east coast of Forfarshire, at the mouth of the River Tay, evidently specializes in raising professional golfers for export, having sent to the United States alone during the past few years no fewer than 200 skilled experts of the game. From one establishment, that of Messrs. Robert Simpson and Son, over fifty have fared forth to distant climes. Not only in the United States, but in Africa, Australia, New Zealand and Canada are to be found these sons of Carnoustie. Their record of their successes too, has been equally interesting; Carnoustie men are always to the front in the championships of Great Britain and since 1899, when Willie Smith won the U.S. Open at Baltimore, they have figured strongly in the lists of American champions. If Macdonald Smith should win the U. S. Open it will be another famous victory for Carnoustie, for beside his brother Willie, the champion of 1899, another brother, Alec Smith, won the title at Onwentsia in 1906.

House of Commons were heavily defeated by the home club, Sandy Lodge, by 19 games to 6, three games being halved. T. A. Torrance, the British in-

ternationalist, led the club, and in the top single he defeated Col. Hon. F. S. Jackson by 5 and 4. This was only the second time that Jackson had been beaten in a team contest. The Scottish Solicitor-General, A. M. MacRobert, defeated Col. E. Basden by two holes. In the foursomes Torrance and G. S. George defeated Jackson and Major McAndrew by two holes. The latter couple were two up at the ninth. but the match was squared at the 14th. At the long 16th Torrance and George reduced their deficit, and after being dormie one, won the last hole for the match.

Cambridge University defeated an Oxford and Cambridge Society side over two series of foursomes, at Mildenhall, by seven games to three, with two halved. The Light Blues held a lead of 4 to 1 at the end of the morning's play, and won the afternoon games by 3 to 2. E. F. Storey and H. W. de Zoete, the Society's leaders, defeated J. C. Maughan and R. W. Speed, early in the day, by 5 and 3, while in the top game in the afternoon Maughan and Speed halved with C. V. L. Hooman and R. B. Vincent.

A high wind endeavoured to be master of affairs at the Ladies' London Foursomes Tournament at Sunningdale, and was the cause of some very curious incidents. In fact, its pranks probably brought about the defeat of Miss Cecil Leitch and her sister Edith (Addington), when playing against Miss Molly Gourlay and Mrs. Wilson (Camberley). During the play for the first three holes in the third round the wind seemed to be doing its utmost to upset the intentions of the sisters, and then, for the rest of the round, it tried to save them from defeat. They were 2 down at the third, and were still 1 down at the 11th. On the exposed heights of the 12th green Miss Edith Leitch was half-stymied, and, in trying to screw past the other side's ball, she struck it. Her own ball broke away from the hole, but a violent gust of wind diverted it into the tin. Thus Addington secured a half when they looked like becoming 2 down again. At the 15th Miss Edith Leitch had a

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putt of less than a yard for a half. Her ball ran half-way round the lip of the hole, cannoned on to the other side's ball, and came back into the tin. At the 16th Miss Gourlay had a putt of two feet to win the hole. As she was addressing the ball, however, a change in the wind caused Addington's ball, which was lying on the brink, to drop into the hole. Camberley eventually won by 1 up.

Bows and arrows triumphed over the more orthodox golfing elub at Royston on March 13th, when a team of Cambridge bowmen opposed Royston golfers, the archers winning four and halving one of the seven games. At each green the archer aimed at a straw ball and a correct hit corresponded with the holing of the ball by the golfer. From the teeing-ground the bowmen "drove" their arrows as did the golfers their balls, and similar penalties as obtain in the ordinary round of golf rewarded a badly directed arrow.

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James McDowell, of Prestwick, has won the Ayrshire Professional Championship, which he lost last year to Tom Fernie, when Fernie let loose at the finish, taking the last five holes in three apiece.

# TWO MORE CLUBS FOR MONTREAL

WORD comes from Montreal of the launching of two new golf clubs, work on the courses of which will be started this year. One of these clubs will be a very ambitious organization indeed. A magnificent property has been secured and it is the intention to lay out an outstanding 18-hole links on which will be erected a fine club house. Several very influential and wealthy Montrealers are back of this project and its success is already assured. The other club will cater more or less to golfers of moderate means. These two new clubs will bring the total up to 22 in Montreal and District, which almost equals Toronto, which city is now credited with 24 clubs.

# ISLINGTON GOLF CLUB, TORONTO

Elects Mr. W. A. Baird, President—Membership Was Doubled in 1925— Prospects for Coming Season are Bright Indeed—No Increase in Annual Fees, Although Much Money Has Been Spent on Course

THE second annual general meeting of the Islington Golf Club, Toronto, took place at the City Club last month, there being about one hundred enthusiastic members present.

The financial statement for the year 1925 went to show that for a comparatively new organization the Islington had accomplished wonders.

The club almost doubled its membership within a few weeks and from present indications it looks as though it will be well over the top before midsummer of the current season.

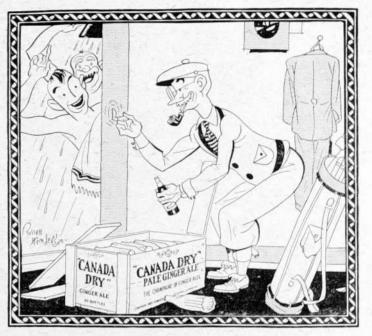
Colonel N. M. Young, President of the Club since its organization three years ago, intimated that it was his intention to decline office this year, but the meeting could not see it that way and along with his fellow Board members he was "sent down for another year."

At a subsequent Directors' meeting, however, he withdrew as a candidate

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for the Presidency, but even this act did not let him out, as he was elected Honorary President unanimously.

The officers and committees for the eurrent year are as follows:

Honorary President, Lt.-Col. N. M. Young; President, W. A. Baird; Vice-President, J. W. Pickup; Managing Director and Secretary, Capt. Melville Millar: Major W. T. Rogers, James Turner, J. C. MacBeth, Percy Hambly, J. H. Birkenshaw. Green Committee -Melville Millar, Allan Dunlop, Bart Milne, J. H. Birkenshaw, Tom Clayton. House Committee-J. W. Pickup, Percy Edwards, Percy Hambly, Geo. F. Knowles, J. L. McLachlin, J. C. M. Membership Committee-MacBeth. J. H. Birkenshaw, W. G. Scott, Charles Harrison, Cleaves McGowman, Eddie Elliott, Harry Price, Dr. W. L. Mac-Beth, Ross J. Craig, Alex. Goddard, Charles A. Edwards, J. M. Bowman and Karl E. Barton. Captain-Allan Auditor-Percy Edwards.

Contrary to the expectations of outsiders, there will be no assessment this year nor will there be any increase in fees with the exception of male junior members, this fee being raised from \$15.00 to \$20.00.

If the Islington continues to progress as it did last season, there is no apparent reason why the limited membership of 500 should not be reached before the season is over. A strenuous membership campaign will commence at an early date and as an inducement for new members to join up without delay the stock qualification has been made an easy matter.

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The fees for the current season are as follows:

Gentleman shareholder member, \$50.00; Lady shareholder member, \$25.00; Gentleman non-shareholder member, \$60.00; Lady non-shareholder member, \$35.00; Junior, male member, \$20.00; Junior, girls' class, \$15.00.

The ladies of the club will hold their annual meeting at an early date, when their officers and committees for the year will be elected.

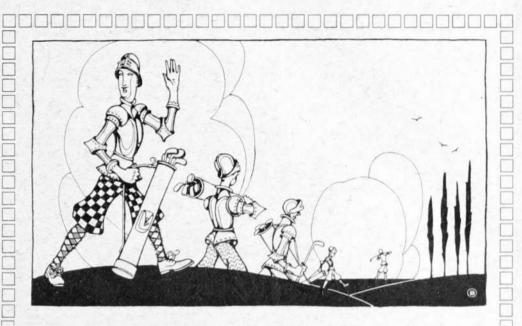
# THE PLACING OF THE TEES

M R. GEORGE LOW, the well known golf architect of New York, very well says:

"It is a mistake to place the tees so far back that the hole is ruined. Whenever there is a pro tournament the first idea is to place the tees so far back that the pro will have to stretch his shots. That is all right to make him work hard, but when a back tee destroys the value of the hole it takes a lot of the pleasure out of the game. Pros don't mind the distance that they must travel to the hole so much as the severe trapping around the green and through the fairway."

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Our doom is here We must desert our homes, be driven from the rooftrees of our hearts, to chase the small "white elusives" on the hills.

The call has sounded. We must go, gird on the irons of our calling, and pursue the higher duties of the nineteenth hole.

Our selfless souls can bear the loss of home: but for our dear ones-whom we must desert crusading in the clouds of summer golf, and leave at home to weep-for them, what cheer can buttress up their man-lorn solitude?

Come now, Crusaders of this modern day, add one more vow to this, your heavy load. Vow, then, to scatter on this barren waste of mourning solitude a shower of gifts, sweet memories of the days before we went-each lonely week, a gift; so they shall know that still we love them; that we still exist; and so (but whisper) conscience shall be salved.

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IN TORONTO

# "HEARD ON THE LINKS"

(Contributions for this Column by Subscribers will be greatly appreciated).

He was a golfing novice but he loved to hear himself talk, and this morning he had gasbagged his way round the whole eighteen holes, to the intense agony of his dour opponent.

Strolling to the club-house, the voluble one inquired, "Now tell me, what golf in a most light-hearted fashion.

thinks Rex Beach is a Florida resort and that sailors weigh anchor at sunrise by putting it on scales.

#### THE RETORT COURTEOUS.

Mr. Denvs Finch-Hatton used to



"How is your new maid this morning?" "Oh, able to sit up and give notice."

#### -The Goblin.

shots ought to be played with a shut face ?"

Instantaneously the reply was barked out, "All of them."

#### THE HONEST DRUMMER.

Many a business deal is closed on the links. A travelling salesman went around in 125, and the merchant with him said pleasantly: "You are a little off your usual game."

"No, this is my usual game."

"Well," said the other, "you may be no golfer, but you're an honest man. I'll just sign that contract you were speaking of.

The man who thinks a slow moving foursome will invite him through, also

During one inter-university match (savs the "Sunday Express"), he kept on giving his opponent quite long putts. At last an upholder of Oxford remonstrated, and said:

"Do you know, Denys, you are playing for your university and not for yourself?'

Mr. Finch-Hatton was rather annoved.

"Do you know," he replied, "you are playing for neither ?

#### TRUE TO FORM.

Four separate wrecks had cast up four men on a lonely island of the South Seas. There were two Scotchmen and two Englishmen. After several years a passing steamer hove to

Donald found their way to the skipper's cabin and in telling their experiences Sandy said: "It would grieve you, mon, to see the Englishmen. Never a word did they speak all the time they were there. They had not been introduced."

"And hoo did ye lads mak' oot?" inquired the skipper.

'Aye, mon, the day I found Donald on the beach we organized a Caledonian Society, a golf club and a Presbyterian Church."

#### GOOD GENERALS-POOR GOLFERS.

Apropos of a recent remark in "Golfing," London, that practically everybody at St. Briac is a retired Brigadier-General at least, it is interesting to note that a match was played there the other day between a team of thirteen British generals, captained by Sir H. Smith-Dorrien and "the Rest of the World" as represented by other players at Dinard. "The Rest of the World" fairly swamped the Generals, who were defeated 12 matches to 1.

I would not play like Hagen; 'Twould be a bore, I ween, Never to make a small mistake The length of tee to green.

Suspense is golf's attraction;

I say in positive tones.

Too true a stroke becomes a joke; I would not play like Jones.

-"Sport."

### "THE FUNERAL FOURSOME"

We all know 'em-that creeping, pestilential nuisance, four hardened old sinners, who take their time over every shot from "tee to tin" and refuse, quite against the rules of the game, in allowing faster players to go through. They are, sad to relate, to be found on many Canadian golf courses. They have recently been dubbed and dubbed most appropri-ately "Funeral Foursomes." Perhaps such a name of approbrium, may the coming season, help to speed them up

and took the four aboard. Sandy and a bit. If it does not, the title should be freely handed out to them. Even the ethics of golf would justify that.



"And how is your golf game, Bostwick?"

"Increasing bad, Newvilcher; I'm going from bunk to bunker."

### A THING OF BEAUTY.

"I care no dam for diamonds or rubies, For ornaments in silver or in gold;

Such baubles are for babies and boobies-- A dozen Kohinoors would leave me cold. Jewels are something I would never bawl for,

To me they're merely bits of coloured rocks,

But one thing, Ed., I have to simply fall for-A dozen virgin golf balls in a box."

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## FROM HER CADDIE.

- "Dear Miss: You rake me o'er the coals.
  - In words that sting while they amuse.

Because between the course's holes Sometimes the ball I lose.

And this I offer as my plea:

I am but human, after all;

When you are on the links with me, How can I watch the ball?"

Some women are queer. They can't see the difference when Spring opens, between their husbands playing eighteen holes of golf and digging eighteen shrub holes in a garden.

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THERE'S ALWAYS A CHANCE.

An eight on a four hole is tough, we'll admit,

But that is no reason to quit.

An eight for a four is a mean one to score,

But calls for a sample of grit.

- An eight on the card is a figure to rue, But nothing to turn the world blue.
- A three and a four will soon pull down the score,
  - While perhaps there will follow a two.
- Each hole is past tense just the moment it's done,

So don't let an eight spoil the fun.

The sun will still shine even tho' you take nine

And there's always a chance of a one. —"Golf Illustrated." He's walked his millions of miles without wearing plus fours and loud hose; he's never complained about the course; he has not only let someone else tell his story, but he has never blamed his downfall to a heel print in the sand. He is not a golfer. He is the Wandering Jew.

#### THE REMEDY.

"See the man. If is waving his arm. Why does he do that?" -

"He has lost his ball and is motioning for the players behind him to play through."

"Oh yes, here they come. But see, the man has found his ball and is playing it."

"Yes, that's a common trick. Let us hope somebody will hit the man on the bean."

## THE PASSING OF MR. REDMOND

#### Former Montreal Financial Magnate Succumbs Quite Suddenly at Cannes France

**T** T is with sincerest regret that friends throughout Canada will hear of the demise in Cannes, France, of Mr. J. Redmond, for many years one of the outstanding financial figures of Montreal, although he has recently made his headquarters in London, England. Mr. Redmond, who was a very keen and excellent golfer, a member of The Royal Montreal Golf Club, with many other prominent Canadians, had been spending the Winter in Cannes. On one very bitter day he insisted on playing golf and as a result was taken seriously ill with a severe cold, and notwithstanding every effort made by distinguished physicians, died after

only a few days' illness. His sudden demise came as a terrible shock to his many friends, who had been spending the Winter months with him at Cannes. There was a magnificent Mass for him at the Church of St. Juan-des-Pins, the edifice being filled with all the prominent people of Cannes, including the Grand Duke Michel, of Russia, and the Rajah of Pudukota, Mr. Redmond being immensely popular with the visitors to Cannes, where he had been in the habit of spending his winters for several seasons. He left an exceedingly large estate, having very extensive financial interests in Montreal and elsewhere.

## NEW PROFESSIONAL FOR THUNDER BAY

A wire just received from Mr. S. M. Connolly, President of The Thunder Bay Golf Club, Port Arthur, Ont., states that the Club has just appointed as their professional to succeed A. Pilon, a well known Scottish professional, James Fernie Blair, formerly of the Falkirk Tryst Golf Club, Larbert, Scotland. He comes to Canada with the highest recommendations. This is the last important professional appointment of the 1926 season. All prominent clubs are now provided with pros in Canada. It is not probable any other appointments will be made.

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## MISS COLLETT AGAIN SEEKS BRITISH HONOURS

OTHING daunted by the many defeats administered to her during the season just closed in the South, Miss Glenna Collett, U. S. Lady Champion and ex-Canadian Champion, is leaving this week to again attempt to win the British Ladies' Championship at Harleeh, Wales, which is staged for May 10th and following days. She will be accompanied on her great adventure by three outstanding young American players, the Misses Mary K. Browne, Jeannette Kennedy and Rosamond Sherwood, all ranking golfers. No foreign invader has ever won the British Ladies' Championship. Miss Collett, it will be remembered, was defeated last year by Miss Joyce Wethered, the ultimate winner, in the third round by 4 and 3. It has been stated that neither Miss Wethered nor her great rival, Miss Cecil Leitch, would again take part in the Championship. It is to be sincerely hoped for the prestige of British golf that they will not carry out this expressed intention-it is always a woman's privilege, anyway, to change her mind at any and all times. Without these two acknowledged stars, Miss Collett or one of the other U. S. entrants, might very well next month, carry off chief honours at Harlech. And that would be a calamity from the British and Empire standpoint, as the Old Country's supremacy in golf, has been sadly shattered of late, with the lone exception of the Women's Championship.

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## THE 1926 DATES OF MAJOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

THE dates of all the major Championships with the exception of the Canadian Professional, won in 1925 by Percy Barrett, Toronto, and the U. S. Professional Golf Championship, won last year by Walter Hagen, have now been decided upon for 1926. Here they are, with the names of the present title-holders: May 10th-15th, British Ladies' Open Championship, Harlech, Wales (Miss Joyce Wethered); May 24th-29th, British Open Amateur Championship, Muirfield (Mr. R. Harris); June 2nd and 3rd, Walker Matches, Great Britain vs. United States, St. Andrews (Cup held by U. S. since inception of the event); June 21st-23rd, British Open Championship, Lytham and St. Annes ("Jim" Barnes, U. S.); June 28th-July 3rd, Amateur Championship of Canada.



The Attractive Club House at Muirfield, where the British Amateur is being staged the week of May 24th.

Toronto Golf Club (Mr. Don Carrick, Toronto); July 7th and 8th, French Open Championship (Arnaud Massy); July 8th-10th, U. S. Open Championship, Sciota Club, Columbus, Ohio (Willie MacFarlane); August 5th-7th, Open Championship of Canada, Royal Montreal Golf Club (Leo Diegel, U. S.); August 30th-September 3rd, Ladies' Canadian Open Championship, Elmhurst Golf Club, Winnipeg, Man. (Miss Ada Mackenzie, Toronto); September 7th-11th, Ladies' Canadian Close Championship, St. Charles Club, Winnipeg, Man. (Miss Helen Paget, Ottawa); September 13th-18th, U. S. Amateur Championship at Baltusrol Golf Club, N. J. (Mr. "Bobbie" Jones); September 27th-October 3rd, U. S. Women's National Championship, Merion Cricket Club, Philadelphia (Miss Glenna Collett, Providence, R. I.); October 4th-8th, English Ladies' Close Championship, Woodal Spa (Miss D. R. Fowler).

The winners of the above events are looked upon as the world's golfing elect. How many of the 1925 champions will repeat in 1926? Judging from the results of other years, not more than two at the most.

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## ARMOUR WINS BIG EVENT

#### Former Scottish Amateur, Who Tied for the Canadian Open Championship in 1920, Stages a Stellar Performance

JOHNNY FARRELL, youthful Quaker Ridge star, defeated two of the greatest match players in the world to reach the final round of the first annual Winter Professional Championship of America, held last month at St. Augustine, Fla. In the morning he defeated Archie Compston, the British ace, 2 and 1 in

eighteen holes and in the afternoon he administered a more severe beating to Gene Sarazen, former American Open titleholder, the score being 4 up and 2 to play.

Tommy Armour, the other finalist, also turned in two notable performances. In the morning the former Scotch amateur put out Jim Donaldson, of New York, by 2 and 1, while in the afternoon he disposed of Leo Diegel, Canadian Open Champion, 3 up and 2 to play.

The Final was at 36 holes and the former Scottish Amateur decisively took the measure of Farrell, whom he defeated at the 28th hole. Armour was round in 70 in the morning session (par of the course 72), and was six under par for the last ten holes of the match. He wound up with a string of four holes in three—a most remarkable performance. Teamed up with "Bobbie" Jones the past winter the pair have played seven four-ball matches with the leading professionals, such as Hagen and Gil Nicholls, Barnes and Farrell, and Compston and Massy, and won them all.



Tommy Armour, Former Famous Scottish Amateur, now a Leading Pro. in the United States.

Armour is very well known on Canadian courses. Playing as an Amateur at the Canadian Open at Rivermead, Ottawa, in 1920, he tied with the late J. Douglas Edgar and C. R. Murray for the Championship, but was defeated in the play-off. The following year at Toronto, still playing as an amateur, he was in fourth place with 299, his last round of 70 being the best of the Championship.

Armour especially is a wizard with his irons, and the "Canadian Golfer" has always considered him unexcelled in this respect, an opinion recently backed up by "The Southern Golf Magazine" of Atlanta, Georgia, which says: "Tommy is one of the best iron players in the world to-day, and we only wish that "Bobbie" Jones could get by contagion, perhaps, some of the same facility."

The past winter, Armour was at the Whitfield Club, Sarasota, but this month took up the professional duties at the prominent Congressional Club, Washington, D. C. Altogether from a financial standpoint he was well advised to commercialize his undoubted golfing abilities. It is reported that he is making some \$20,000 per annum.

## GOVERNORS WILL SPEED PARTING TEAM

A N interesting feature arranged to take place during the dinner to the U. S. Walker Cup Team at the Waldorf Hotel, New York, on Tuesday evening, May 4th, will be the presentation to Mr. Robert A. Gardner, the Captain of the Team of letters from the Governors of all the States in the Union conveying hearty greetings and wishing the Team the best of luck while abroad. And that's what they think of golf in the States.

## FRANK THOMPSON'S FINE GOLF

Wins Florida Amateur Championship Quite Handily—During Tournament Makes a 69, Amateur Record for St. Augustine Course

CANADIAN player who has been heard from to some purpose the past Winter on Southern courses is Mr. Frank Thompson, of Toronto, twice Canadian Amateur Champion, who now for some months has been resid-

ing in Jacksonville, Fla., supervising golf construction work there, for Messrs. Stanley Thompson Co., Ltd., of Toronto. He was distinctly off his game last year in this country, but is again coming back strong, as witness his fine performance last month at St. Augustine, Fla., in the Florida Championship, which he eventually won, when he made a new record for the St. Augustine Links—a superlatively fine 69, including an "eagle" 3 on the 540yard 15th hole, a magnificent performance. It would surprise no one if this finished young player should again be the outstanding figure at the 1926 Canadian Amateur Championship, this summer at the Toronto Golf Club. The Toronto course has always appealed to him. By the way, C. W. Hague, formerly of Calgary, who was only defeated by Thompson at the 38th hole in the Canadian Championship in Winnipeg in 1921, is now residing in California, where too, he is figuring well up in a number of important competitions. He is a very steady and accomplished golfer.

In the Final for the Florida Championship the ex-Canadian Amateur had rather a walk-away in defeating the St. Augustine Champion, Harry Evans. He was five up at the luncheon hour. Notwithstanding a strong afternoon he was out in 37 to Evans' 39. The Ponce de Leon Trophy, which



Mr. Thompson, Frank who recently won Florida Championship, in a characteristic stance.

goes with the Championship, was won last year by Stanley Thompson, of Toronto, brother of Frank's, so the family now has a couple of "legs" on the cup. To reach the final Thompson had to register a 72 to defeat K. M. Reed, of Scardale, N. Y., 2 and 1. The match was featured by four halved holes in

"birdies." Evans with a card of 74 in the other semi-final bracket, defeated J. L. Anderson, of Cherry Valley, 4 and 2.

## INTERNATIONAL PRO. MATCHES

#### **DESPATCH** from St. Petersburg, Fla.:

"Professional golf teams representing Great Britain and the United States will probably meet in an international professional match on the Gleneagles Club in Scot-land, according to announcement here by Robert E. Harlow, manager of Walter Hagen, cap-tain of the United States team, following receipt of a cable from George Duncan, British eaptain.

Duncan stated that several clubs in England and Scotland sought the match, but that the club named had made a satisfactory offer. The match will probably be played the third week in June.

The United States team would be composed of MacDonald Smith, Al. Watrous, Gene Sarazen, Leo Diegel, Bill Mehlhorn, Tommy Armour, Bobby Cruickshank, Al. Espinosa, Joe Kirkwood, Johnny Farrell, Jim Barnes and possibly two others, in addition to Hagen. Duncan also said in his cable that an offer to set aside the receipts of the British Cham-

pionship at Lytham for use in sending a British pro team to the United States next Summer would probably be made.

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## KELOWANA, B.C. VERY MUCH ON GOLF MAP

A T the annual meeting of the Kelowna Club, held recently, which was well attended, the following officers and committeemen were re-elected: Mr. H. F. Rees, local Royal Bank Manager, as President (fourth consecutive term); Mr. G. R. Binger, Vice-President; Dr. G. L. Campbell, Captain, with Messrs. E. M. Carruthers, P. B. Willets, W. R. Trench, J. Lyell and J. Hunt as Executive.

The finances of the club were shown to be in healthy condition. The year 1926, the President stated, would see the completion of the 18 holes, giving this five year old club not only a most attractive 18-hole course, but the only one in the interior of the Province of British Columbia. The course, which is hilly, is located about a mile beyond the town, surrounded by orchards, in the Municipality of Clemore, and offers many attractions. An irregularly shaped pond in the centre gives particular character to four of the holes, and incidentally claims many balls. The membership is on the increase, many beautiful cups are contested for annually, the ladies being particularly active both in the play and and in good offices for the club's advancement. This year, in the Fall, the Ladies' Interior Championship will be played over the course. In this connection it is interesting to note that since the inauguration of this event four years ago, it has been won once each by Vernon, Penticton, and twice by Kelowna representatives. The men's Interior event has also been twice won by its members, one of whom, Mr. Roy Herne, is now professional at the Hastings Park Golf Course in Vanvouver.

## GOLF IN THE MARITIMES

#### Championships Will Be Held at the Halifax Golf Club During the Week of July 26th

**P**REPARATIONS are now under way for the 1926 Maritime Provinces Golf Championship Tourney, to be played over the eighteen hole course of the Halifax Golf and Country Club, Ashburn, Halifax, Nova Scotia, from July 26 to 30 inclusive, according to an announcement made by Dr. J. H. L. Johnstone, of Dalhousie University, Halifax, who is the Hon. Secretary of the Maritime Province Golf Association.

The annual tournament, as usual, will take place under the auspices of the Maritime Provinces Golf Association, the officers of which are as follows: President, Peter R. Jack, Halifax, N. S.; Vice-President, Hon. F. B. McCurdy, Halifax, N. S.; Hon. Secretary, Dr. J. H. L. Johnstone. Executive, Senator Robinson, Moneton, N. B.; C. J. Jones, Woodstock, N. B.; Stuart McCawley, Glace

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Special interest is being taken in this year's tourney in view of the fact that it will mark the first time a Maritime Championship series has taken place on an eighteen hole course.

While the cream of Maritime Province golfers representing the various clubs of the three Provinces will perform in the tournament as in former years, this year's entry list will in all probability be augmented by the presence of a number of American exponents of the game. Those in residence at the summer colonies at Chester, Digby and other points in the three Provinces will be invited to participate.

Dr. Johnstone, the Hon. Secretary of the M. P. G. A., is already working hard to make the meet one of the most successful ever held in the Maritimes, and with the elaborate clubhouse of the Halifax Golf and Country Club at Ashburn at his disposal, definite plans for the entertainment of the visitors are being made.

The 1925 Champions of the Maritimes all of whom will defend their titles, are: Amateur, Mr. Frank Meilkle, Halifax; Open, S. W. Lingard, St. John, N. B.; Ladies' Championship, Miss Edith Bauld, Halifax.

## THE LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIPS IN WINNIPEG

THE "Canadian Golfer" is delighted to hear from officials of the Canadian Ladies' Golf Union that many players from all over Canada have signified their intention to participate in the Canadian Ladies' Open and Canadian Ladies' Close Championships at Winnipeg the weeks of August 30th and September 7th. The indications already are for a most representative attendance of the leading lady players of the Dominion. Winnipeg golfers are preparing the most cordial of welcomes for the visiting women stars of golfdom.

The C. L. G. U. is every month adding to its club membership. On the same mail recently Miss Allan, Toronto, Secretary-Treasurer of the Union, received two applications for membership—one from Charlottetown, P. E. I., and the other from Duncan, B. C.—almost the extreme limit of East and West. The C. L. G. U. is indeed "Union" in name and in fact.

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## MANITOBA GOLF ASSOCIATION

Mr. T. J. Lytle Elected President and Mr. J. T. Cuthbert, the Many Times Champion, Permanent Secretary.

M.R. T. J. LYTLE, who has been carrying on the work of the Manitoba Golf Association as Vice-President for the last six months, was elected to the presidential chair at the annual meeting of the Association held recently at the Fort Garry, Winnipeg. Mr. Lytle finished off the 1925 season for R. H. Baird, who left the city for Regina during the latter part of the year.

The election of officers, writes the Golfing Editor of the "Tribune," and the provision for changes in the constitution provided the features of a fine meeting. It was a decidedly representative one with 13 clubs represented from outside clubs. Brandon, Portage la Prairie, Stoney Mountain, Beaches and Sandy Hook were all represented.

One of the most important features of the meeting was the discussion over the change in constitution. Clarence Jackson, of the St. Charles Golf and Country Club, with a small committee, had been allotted the task of revising the constitution and making a report; at this meeting. The work was done carefully and well and Mr. Jackson explained the points changed.

One of the big changes was to form an Executive Council of nine members. This council would elect its own officers and it was believed this method would prove a more efficient manner of handling the affairs of the Association than the present system.

A discussion took place on the coming tournament to be held by the Western Canada Golf Association. All were optimistic over the success of the event and the local Association pledged its support to Charles Harvey and his associates in making it the best tourney in the history of the Association.

Mr. Lytle, in opening the meeting, paid a fine tribute to the last President, R. H. Baird, who was transferred to Regina during the last season. He said that 1925 had been an eventful year, a feature of which was the establishment of an inter-club competition be-

tween the city and outside clubs. Mrs. Harold Hutchings had donated a fine trophy which was awarded the Brandon Club to defend. Mr. Lytle also referred to the loss of Ernest Penfold, who had left the city for Minneapolis.



An Outstanding Western Golf Executive. Mr. T. J. Lytle, Elected President of The Manitoba Golf Association.

Mr. G. Innes Mackenzie in his annual report, showed that the Association had operated at a slight loss last year. This was due to the extra expense in running the Manitoba Open Championship. There had been an increase in membership, which included among the outside clubs Brandon, Portage la Prairie, Winnipeg Beaches, Souris, Neepawa and Stoney Mountain. Rivers Golf Club had just sent in a letter applying for membership and it was believed Minnedosa and a number of others would follow this year.

In connection with the Hutchings' Trophy, a new Board of Trustees was



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Votes of thanks were tendered to Mr. Jackson for his work in revising the constitution; President T. J. Lytle and G. Innes Mackenzie for their fine leadership, and Walter MacDonald for his services as Auditor.

The officers elected for the coming season were:

Hon. President—R. H. Baird, the retiring President, who is now a resident of Regina.

President-T. J. Lytle, Assiniboine.

First Vice-President—Charles Harvey, Elmhurst; Fred. Tod, Winnipeg Beach; D. E. Clement, Brandon; E. R. Mills, Stoney Mountain; C. W. Jackson, St. Charles; Frank Hale, Niakwa; S. MacDonald, Portage la Prairie, and A. J. Wilson, Pine Ridge.

Those present at the meeting were:

Elmhurst, W. A. McKay, Charles Harvey ; Southwood, E. J. Townshend ; Assiniboine, H. Arkle, D. Arnott; Portage la Prairie, S. MacDonald, C. E. Smith; Stoney Mountain, J. E. Birchenough, E. R. Mills; Pine Ridge, G. C. McDonald, A. J. Wilson; Winnipeg Beach, Fred Tod, A. L. Smith; Norwood, T. S. English, R. C. S. Bruce; St. Charles, C. Hall, C. W. Jackson; Niakwa, Frank Hale; Brandon, D. E. Clement, Dr. Carter; Alcrest, J. Lamont, W. Macdonald; Sandy Hook, Dr. Currie McMillan, G. Innes Mackenzie, Secretary; T. J. Lytle, Vice-President.

At a subsequent meeting of the Committee, Mr. T. J. Cuthbert, the well known Western Champion golfer, was appointed to the position of Secretary of the Association.

The appointment is an important one for the affairs of the Association, as the new Secretary will be largely responsible for the success of the present effort to put the organization on a solid foundation throughout the province. Under the guidance of President T. J. Lytle, the Association hopes to include every golf club in Manitoba in its membership and to render the clubs, such service as will make member-



ship worth while. It was the feeling of the committee that Mr. Cuth- the affairs of the Association for some bert was best suited for the position years past. A better selection could for, in addition to his activities in the

game, he has taken a keen interest in not possibly have been made.

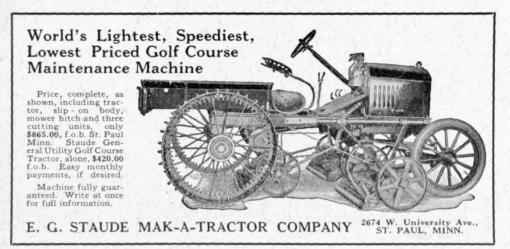
## THE CAPTAIN!

A Particularly Interesting Article by Mr. Fane Sewell, President of the Summit Golf Club, Toronto

VERY year in most clubs the question arises, who is going to be our Captain ? The year past has probably been a busy one, and possibly a successful season, and the Captain has done well, and who, it may be hoped, may be induced to continue in office. He may do so and he may not!

If, as should be the practice in every club, the Captain is chosen by the members, and is not an appointee of the august Board of Directors, who rightly or wrongly, may consider themselves the only arbitres of the fate of the members, the man must be willing to serve. An unwilling member may prove a failure, he may feel that he has been forced into the job, and has not the time for it, besides, and here's the rub, the duties of the office will interfere with his games. Election by the members should be part of the most important business of the Annual General Meeting, and once elected the members should fall behind him with enthusiasm and give him whole-hearted support right from the start. Much depends upon the Captain for the season's success.

The Captain to be successful, must have the trait of unselfishness well developed, he has to give up things if the club is to gain by his leading. He CANADIAN GOLFER



must have initiative and courage, and the bump of organization. Poor players have to be drawn out, and encouraged, and the low handicap man given an example of doing something more than just playing round and packing off home. The Club has to be inspired to try and do something which will bring out the best elements of the game and produce a feeling of bon camaradarie among the ordinary players conducive, when a match has to be played off, of standing aside, if necessary, and letting the best team be chosen, and when picked for the honour of the Club to go to it with verve and enthusiasm, to win every point possible; there should be no huffiness when request is made to play on a foreign course when the home one is more enjoyable. The Captain has his difficulties often in even getting together a team; do not increase it by half-hearted compliance.

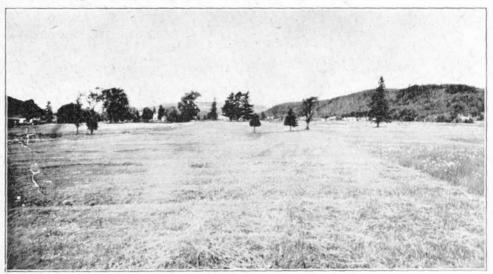
Esprit de corps in fact in all its beauty, should be inculeated by the personality of the Captain, and his Vice who should emulate all the good points of his chief. A good Captain is a strong asset to the Club. He need not be a star player, it is perhaps better that he should not be, inasmuch as he would not then be in such demand for the game and would have more leisure for the organizing of the component parts, watching those coming on, keeping an eye on the handicaps, by taking round players who are showing increasing skill, and urging others who through diffidence are not getting the best out of themselves. Further, some players need just the little push necessary to bring them along, and the Captain is the man for the job.

He should arrange the season's fixtures, giving plenty of opportunity for all the flights to compete without any of them feeling they are snowed under; that is where the careful handicapping comes in which makes or mars the season's enjoyment. He should keep the competitions crisp, and allow no overlapping or delays, letting it be understood that the schedule must be kept strictly with no exceptions, thus avoiding discontent and charges of favoritism which should be eschewed.

Courtesy and taet are essential with great good humour, and power to make quick decisions on matters of golf lore is a sine qua non. The Captain must be a worker, and to be fairly ready with an impromptu speech on occasions will help to make his path smoother and add no little pleasure to the many happy days of his office, despite the set-backs which of necessity occur occasionally. Finally, he should be friendly with every member as far as possible but, familiar with none, and able in time to address each member by his name, a difficult thing but invaluable.

## GOLF IN THE LAURENTIAN MOUNTAINS

NE of the most beautiful Golf and Country Clubs in the Montreal District, is that of the Laurentian Lodge Club, Inc., at Shawbridge, Que., situated 41 miles, or an hour and a half by motor, from Montreal, along a fine highway. The pretty picture herewith, is a scene looking up the second fairway, towards the green, charmingly placed under the three pines seen in the distance,



beyond which are the artistic club house and cottages. This is only one of the many vistas enjoyed by the many members and visitors to this outstanding resort, which is fast becoming the Mecca of golfers fond of a delightful weekend. If you are visiting Montreal during the season now opening, be sure to arrange for an introduction to Laurentian Lodge Club in the Laurentian Mountains, and you will never regret a round or so of the picturesque course.

## CAPTAIN BULLOCK WEBSTER

Well Known on Canadian Courses, Wins the Important Northern California Championship

#### (By H. T. Gardner).

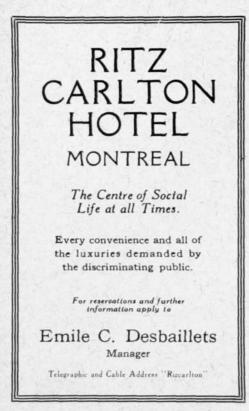
IN an event which bristled with upsets from the beginning, Captain Bulloch Webster emerged winner in the Northern California Championship last month.

Those who consider themselves to have the necessary qualifications to act as seers in picking the winner of such events had a busy time and were forced to change their choice as each round finished. The person who was responsible for the upsets and who perhaps made a greater name for himself than any other entrant was Mr. George Nickel, the well known San Francisco amateur. In two consecutive rounds Mr. Nickel defeated Dr. O. Willing, (who had previously won the Qualifying medal), the American Internationalist, and Mr. George Ritchie, the San Francisco Champion, and latterly was only beaten by Mr. Griswold in the 36-hole semi-final by 2 and 1.

The championship, which was won last year by Mr. George Von Elm, who did not defend his title this year, was played over the Beresford Course of San Francisco. Designed by Donald Ross, it is doubtful if there is any better bunkered course in the West and it calls for good golf.

Neither of the finalists need introduction to Canadian golfers. Captain Webster played on many of the courses

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in the Dominion during his trip across country in 1923. For two years he was at Del Monte, during which time he won the Californian State title. Latterly he has taken up his residence in Los Angeles. Mr. Griswold is one of the famous quartet of Seattle golfers who have made golfing history on this coast, and of the two finalists it might be said that he is the more finished golfer, while Captain Webster showed more aggressiveness. Like so many finals, the golf throughout was ragged, although conditions were ideal and while there were some good holes there were many where play was very ordinary. Mr. Griswold, famed for his iron play, seemed to have lost touch.

At the end of the morning round Captain Webster had a lead of one hole, and this lead still existed at the 27th and at the 32nd the Captain had made the game dormy in his favour. From this point Mr. Griswold made a stand by taking the 33rd hole in two to the Captain's three. He took the 34th hole in a good four. Playing his second to the 35th green Captain Webster put his second into the bunker guarding the green, but his opponent was not able to take advantage of the mistake and pulled his own second shot badly and the hole was halved in 5, leaving Captain Webster winner by 2 and 1. One of the most pleasing features of the game was the splendid sporting feeling which existed between the finalists.

[Note.—Captain Bulloch Webster took part in the Canadian Amateur at Kanawaki, Montreal, in July, 1923, a few days after his arrival from England and qualified with 158. In the second round he was defeated by Mr. W. J. Thompson, the ultimate champion, by 3 and 2. He subsequently played in Toronto and on many courses in the West and British Columbia, before taking up his residence at Del Monte.—Editor.]

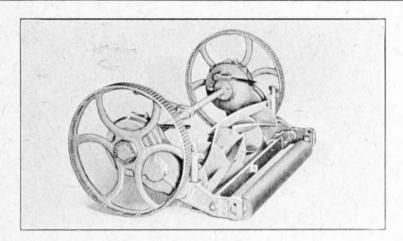
## "BOBBIE" CRUICKSHANK COMES INTO HIS OWN Diminutive Scot, a Former Amateur, Wins Big North-South

Title at Pinehurst

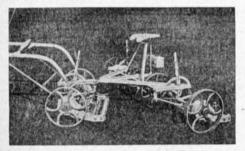
"B OBBIE" CRUICKSHANK, that cocky young Scot who has been loudly knocking at golf titledom's massive portal since he carried Bobbie Jones to extra holes at Inwood in 1923, has gained admittance, winning the North and South Open Championship this month at Pinehurst by one stroke, with a medal score of 293. His rounds were 71-74-74-74. Phlegmatic McDonald Smith, North and South Champion of 1925, Mr. Arthur Yates, N. Y. amateur and Tommy Harmon, home-bred young professional, of Yonkers, N. Y., were tied for second place, a stroke behind the wee Scotsman.

Only four others in the great array of talent that competed were able to break 300. Joe Kirkwood, the Aus-

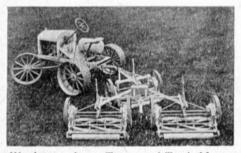
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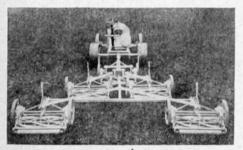
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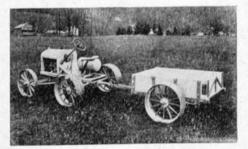


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tralian, finished with 296, while Fred. McLeod, of Washington, came in with 298; Walter Hagen and Tommy Armour with 299 each. Bill Mehlhorn and Jock Hutchison completed the 72 holes in 301, Johnny Farrell with 302, and Leo Diegel in 303.

Like all the many championships wherein Cruickshank has been a factor, the victor was not determined until at least five other players had holed out their final putts. Harmon could have tied by sinking a five-foot putt on the home green, but he missed. Smith, Kirkwood, McLeod and Hagen all had a chance entering the final nine, but faltered.

Not even a hole in one, accomplished on the short seventh hole, could bring Smith victory, due to ill luck on the final nine.

Cruickshank, after faltering in the final morning round, grew confident after holing an 18-foot putt on the tenth, settled down to par golf and came home a winner, doing the final nine in 34.

The grit that carried Bobbie through four years of war with the Seaforth Highlanders of his native country, that gave him heart for six months in a German prison camp and that eventually led him to safety in an escape through Holland, has stood him in good stead on the links of the United States.

Few golfers have borne up under such misfortunes as Cruickshank has experienced. Only two years after his arrival in this country to be professional at the Shackamaxon Country Club in Westfield, N. J., the Scot became a principal figure in one of golf history's most interesting episodes.

That was in 1923 and the National Open Golf Championship was played at the Inwood course on Long Island. On the final day of the regular play Cruickshank placed an amazing iron shot dead to the pin at the 18th and with a birdie three tied the greatest amateur and one of the greatest linksmen, Bobbie Jones, of Atlanta.

The next day, in an 18-hole play-off, Cruickshank was defeated at the 18th when Jones just about duplicated the shot from soft sand in the rough to the right of the fairway. Throughout that season the Scot's name was high in the list of every important open and professional competition, and since then he has been a man to be feared at all times.

Only this winter down in Texas Cruickshank found himself in a tie at the end of the tournament and lost out in the play-off. He will enter the U. S. National Open at the Scioto Club, Columbus, O., this summer, as one of the favourites. His winning of the North and South will do much to hearten him and give him confidence.

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## BURLINGTON GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB

Had a Splendid Year in 1925—Location of Links Amongst the Finest in Ontario

THE fourth annual meeting of the Burlington Golf and Country Club was held last month in Hamilton at the Chamber of Commerce rooms, when there was a large representation of members present. Mr. W. J. Westaway, first Vice-President of the Club, presided. The various reports showed that the club had an exceptionally good season in 1925. the revenue being much greater than the season previous and the operating expense very little more. The club was enabled to write off over \$3,000 from its organizing expense. The trophies won during the season of 1925 were presented as follows:

The club championship for men, cup donated by Robert Johnson, won by Arthur Dorman.

Ladies' club championship, cup donated by Janet Ripley, won by Mrs. Charles Anderson.

Junior boys' championship, cup donated by Dr. H. A. Robertson, won by Harvey Somerville.

Junior handicap championship, cup donated by Dr. H. A. Robertson, won by Wm. Flatt, Jr.

Father and Son championship, cup donated by F. W. Watson, won by L. R. Woodcroft and Son.

Father and Son handicap, cup donated by F. W. Watson, won by S. W. Somerville and Son.

Century players' championship, cup donated by Robert Johnson, won by C. E. Tuck.

Ladies' handicap championship, cup donated by Robert Johnson, won by Miss Isobel Hooper.

There was no change in the Board of Directors, the officers for the year being as follows:

W. J. Southam, President; W. J. Westaway, First Vice-President; R. C. Ripley, Second Vice-President; Frank R. Elliott, Secretary; L. M. Appleford, Norman S. Braden, R. H. Foster, Lt.-Col. B. O. Hooper, D. S. O.; Robert Johnston, Lt.-Col L. H. Millen, D.S.O., James J. MacKay, Dr. W. J. McNichol, F. W. Paulin, M. C. Smith, S. W. Somerville, Charles E. Thompson and F. W. Watson, Executive; Dr. R. A. Robertson, Captain; M. D. Warner, Vice-Captain; J. A. W. Brown, Century Captain; George Petrie, Century Vice-Captain.



A Popular Hamiltonian, Mr. W. J. Southam, Managing-Director of the Hamilton "Spectator," re-elected President of The Burlington Golf and Country Club.

The total income of the elub in 1925 was \$28,609, and total expenditure \$25,399—most encouraging figures. The total assets of the elub are now \$211,614. The Burlington Golf and Country Club has to-day one of the finest golfing properties in the whole of Ontario. The location is absolutely unsurpassed.

At a meeting of the Ladies' Section of the Club the officers elected for the coming year were: President, Mrs. H. A. Robertson; Vice-President, Mrs. P. D. Carse; Secretary, Mrs. H. C. Russell; Treasurer, Mrs. W. J. McNichol; TRACTORS—GREENS MOWERS—TOP DRESSING MACHINES —COMPOST MACHINES—CUTTING UNITS—ROLLERS— HOSE—SPRINKLERS—FERTILIZERS, ETC.

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Mrs. W. H. Montague, the retiring Captain, gave a very interesting and satisfactory report of last season's activities. At the conclusion of her report, Mrs. W. J. McNichol, on behalf of the Ladies' Executive, presented her a basket a flowers as a slight token of their appreciation of her interest in the team and the club. Mrs. A. Donald very kindly donated and presented the ringer score prize, won by Mrs. C. Anderson. Miss Isobel Hooper won the handicap tournament, represented by the Mr. Robert Johnston cup. Mrs. Charles Anderson won the club championship, represented by the Janet Ripley cup.

A half-hour open discussion resulted in many helpful suggestions for the coming season. Following the conclusion of business tea was served and a social hour spent. Members of the club were the guests of the Executive. Mrs. F. W. Watson and Mrs. S. W. Sommerville presided at the tea table.

## THE NORTH AND SOUTH AMATEUR Ross Somerville, of London, Makes Good Showing in This Stellar Event

G EORGE T. DUNLAP, of New York, 17 years old, won the Qualifying Round of the annual North and South Amateur golf tournament at Pinehurst, N. C., this month,

with a 75-73=148. C. Ross Somerville, of London, Ont., was third with 74-78=152, while Arthur Yates, of Rochester, defending champion, was one stroke behind the winner.



Eugene Homans, of the Englewood, N. J., Golf Club, Metropolitan Junior Champion, played the feature match of the second round when he eliminated C. Ross Somerville, of London, Ontario, runner-up in the Canadian Amateur, by the slender margin of 2 up.

Young Homans was one down with five to play against Somerville, but a nice three at the short fifteenth squared matters. At the 457-yard sixteenth Homans drove just exactly 300 yards, far ahead of the Canadian, as he usually was. While Somerville sliced his iron and over played his third, Homans was just off the edge with his second and ran up to within four feet for a birdie 4.

With a lead of one, Homans preserved it at the short seventeenth, when they halved it with fives. Somerville missing a great chance. Homans played the home hole well and got his four, Somerville missing a half by inches. Homans had started the round with a birdie three and reached the turn two up. Temporarily upset, the junior champion lost the tenth, twelfth and thirteenth. Both players were around 38-40—78, with several conceded putts.

Another youthful winner was Page Hufty, of Washington, who eliminated Robert McDougall, of Chicago, member of the Princeton, N. C., golf team. His margin was 2 and 1. Young Hufty, who had been playing well all season in the South, had his match with Mc-Dougall well in hand all the way.

Hufty eventually won the Championship, which ranks as one of the big events of the season, by defeating in the final Lawrence Sheriff, of Tampa, Fla., 2 and 1.

The Washington youngster was the victor after he had almost allowed a big lead to slip from his grasp. Sherriff played courageously, after being 7 down and 10 to go, and won five of the remaining holes on birdies. Hufty is only 18 years of age.

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## Montreal Green Section Meeting

A MEETING of the Montreal District Green Section was held at Macdonald College, Que., on the 7th and 8th of April. While last year's conference was well attended, there was no doubt in any minds but that the development of this phase of course maintenance is making sound and substantial progress and is being materially assisted by the co-operation of clubs from all points of the Province of Quebec.

The Montreal Green Section has adopted a programme that includes an information bureau for the distribution of technical knowledge on all subjects relating to golf course maintenance and also to assist in co-operative purchasing. It is the intention that the Clubs throughout the Province shall buy their supplies through this bureau and as the total purchasing will then be on a larger scale, considerable reduction in prices will thereby be secured. Firms having golf course requisites for sale have signified their intention to cooperate in this respect so that the service will go into effect this season. The progress already made is due chiefly to the efforts of Mr. George Kent and Dr. F. C. Harrison, of Macdonald College, Chairman and Secretary, respectively, and also Messrs. Kenneth Dawes and R. J. R. Stokes, who occupied similar positions last year.

At the conclusion of the lectures, a hearty vote of thanks was passed in appreciation of the assistance rendered by Dr. Harrison and the members of the staff who lectured, in making the conference a success. Dr. Harrison was the recipient of a golf club bag and a box of golf balls as a token of thanks for the work he has done for the golfers of Quebec.

The following addresses were given and will appear later in printed condensed form for the benefit of those who were unable to attend:

Drainage, F. G. North; Manures, Dr. A. McTaggart; Compost, A. H. Walker; Weeds and Other Pests, Dr. B. T. Dickson; Grass and Seed Supplies, Seed Commissioner G. H. Clark; Artificial Fertilizers, Watering, Stolons and Grass Nurseries, C. A. Tregillus.

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#### G. LeLacheur, Dominion Seed Branch.

Browntop, Rhode Island Bent and Colonial Bent are different names for the same grass, according to the country of origin. Browntop seed production is being encouraged in our Maritime Provinces and 20,000 pounds were marketed this season. The New England States formerly produced Rhode Island Bent seed in quantity, but very little during recent years. The Browntop or Colonial Bent of New Zealand has been in demand in both the United States and Canada, also the German Mixed Bent which is composed largely of Browntop with very small percentages of Creeping and Velvet Bents.

With the rapid increase in the number of golf courses, recreation grounds and fine lawns, there is a large demand for turf grass seeds. The United States imported last year about three million pounds, and Canada a half million. The Browntop supplies have been high in price and are in special demand for putting greens, particularly in Canada and the northern half of the United States. Price of seed is perhaps a secondary consideration provided genuineness of variety, quality of stocks, and freedom from bad turf weeds can be assured.

German Mixed Bent was formerly often diluted with Red Top, and very few lots will grade above No. 3 under our Seeds Act. Both the German and Colonial Bents are usually high in chaff, dust or other inert matter, and are sometimes foul with weed sceds. These expensive turf grass seeds should always be purchased on Canadian seed grades, and No. 1 is the cheapest for putting greens when the cost of hand weeding is considered.

The different varieties of bent grass seeds can be distinguished only by an expert with the aid of the microscope, and Red Top seed cannot be distinguished from that of Creeping Bent. If grown together the varieties will cross and produce hybrids of doubtful value. The growing seed crops can, however, be inspected in the field and certified as to purity of variety. There are well marked differences in root system, leaf blade, ligule, and flowering head when the varieties are grown separately without natural crossing.

In developing our Browntop seed industry careful attention has been given to all these factors. Very little Red Top has been sown in the Maritime Provinces, and only in certain districts. When the off-type plants exceed ten per cent. of the crop a field is not certified as Browntop, but might be sold as Browntop Mixture.

A Dominion Seed Inspector examines each field of Browntop primarily for purity of variety and weed content. If the purity is ninety per cent. or over and the weeds are of a kind so that the seed can be cleaned to grade, the field is certified accordingly. The report of inspection includes size and position. of field, year of seeding and kinds of seed used, estimated yield of Browntop seed, etc. and the grower in submitting his seed to the Cleaning Plant is required to make a declaration that it is from the field so inspected. The field inspection and the official sealing in the sack under the seed grade is a guarantee to the purchaser which is not provided with imported stocks.

The cleaning of Browntop seed is a slow and tedious process. Special machinery with finely-adjusted air blast is required, and the expensive screens, both woven wire and perforated, soon wear out from the friction of fine sand and soil particles. The latter are removed by a screen with seventy meshes to the inch, and the seed is so small that some. of it is wasted in the operation. Some lots of Prince Edward Island Browntop have been cleaned to ninety-six per cent. of pure seed, and the germination usually runs over ninety per cent.

The principal turf weeds which gave trouble in cleaning are ox-eye daisy, plantain, field chickweed, yarrow and wild tansy. Practically all the daisy are held on the upper screens, and laboratory tests have proven that very few of those which pass these screens will germinate. The plaintain and chickweed are more difficult of separation, and many fields are turned down on this account. High cutting of the seed crop is recommended to escape these bottom weeds, and it is hoped that a header may be found suitable for harvesting.

Dr. F. T. Shutt, Dominion Chemist, is cooperating with the Seed Branch by making analyses of Browntop soils and planning fertilizer experiments to encourage seed growth. This grass flourishes on a soil ranging from sandy loam to clay loam, and the samples examined are rather poor in fertility. They are all strongly acid, which does not favour clover and the agricultural grasses.

In the general farming practice of the Maritime Provinces this type of soil if seeded down to clover and timothy will soon revert to Browntop, which appears naturally as a volunteer crop. As the fertility becomes too low other natural grasses and weeds gradually displace the Browntop and the meadow becomes useless for seed production.

The fertilizer experiments of last year indicate the value of ammonium sulphate, and this result is in keeping with that obtained by the U. S. Department of Agriculture at the Arlington turf gardens. It is probable that superphosphate and muriate of potash are also required for a miximum seed crop, which is an additional consideration to the production of turf. It is our intention to have larger areas treated this season, and the seed from each will be harvested separately for camparison of yield and quality.

The growers are being advised to break up their fields which have passed the Browntop stage, cultivate thoroughly for destruction of weeds, apply commercial fertilizers, and sow Browntop with a nurse crop of oats. It may take a couple of years to become well established, but the demand for seed will be increasing and permanent. United States dealers have purchased some of the Maritime seed, but most of it was reserved for the Canadian trade.

It is evident that the price of Browntopseed must necessarily remain high. The yield per acre in 1925 averaged only forty pounds, and only sixty-two per cent. of the total graded No. 1. The costs of production, centralizing, eleaning and marketing are borne by the growers, and they must be assured of fair profits to continue in the business. The dealers pay for seed, sacks, transportation, storage and distribution, and should have a reasonable return for the money invested and to cover the services rendered.

## Composts and Surface Dressing

#### A. H. Tomlinson, Associate Professor, Department of Horticulture, O. A. College, Guelph.

It is obvious to bring about the best with grasses for such as Putting Greens, in particular, a surfacing or top dressing with soil compost is very necessary. Experience, observation and expriments show that this soil mixture or compost should consist of elay, loam, sand, well rotted barnyard manures, leaves or other organic matter. The type of soil or compost necessary for feeding grass must be such that may be made into fine grains and easily absorbed or assimilated by the grass roots and surface growth. Such a compost, must in every way, be suitable for the grass plant requirements. For soils already rich in humus or organic matter it would not be wise to use a compost with an overabundance of manures. But for the type of soil formation which needs much building up in organic matter this should be the chief ingredient. It is never wise, however, for compost that is to be used right on the grass surface to be overly rich in manures. It is estimated that clay, loam and sand should be about 80 per cent. and manures not more than 20 per cent. of the material applied to the soil. Too much manure would likely create a splendid breeding ground for earth worms, beetles and their larvæ. Furthermore, too much manure on the surface would not be easily assimilated by the grass plants and would likely prevent soil aeration and soil moisture absorbtion. It rests with the conditions and circumstances to what material may be brought together for use but the essential things no doubt are soil grains mixed with humus made as fine as possible so that grass plants may easily assimilate such.

#### HOW TO PROCURE COMPOST.

Turf or sod which boasts plenty of fibrous roots is the first thing to get hold if pos-It is the root or fibrous material which sible. is of the greatest value rather than the actual soil grains that exist in the turf. Thus turf or sod to be of the best value must have plenty of root growth. Grass which has been browsed upon or kept cut short makes better compost that a tall growing grass sod. Tall or starved grass produces long, thin roots and only a very few in comparison to short grass roots. Meadow sod or turf where cattle have been running is particularly the best because of the short fibrous roots and such turf will have been enriched by the stock. If it is impossible to procure turf then a good surface soil should be made use of, particu-larly a soil which has been enriched with a cover crop plowed under, as peas or clover especially or enriched with manures. Barn-yard manure, if procurable, by all means should be added for mixing in the compost pile or bed. Weeds may be utilized by way of cut down surface growth rotted in a separate heap or mixed with the compost. Wood chips, peat, or moss litter which may have been used for stable bedding may also be considered. Sand is very useful and necessary where the existing soil is of clay or muck formation.

#### HOW TO TREAT COMPOST INGREDIENTS

For speedy use the foregoing all or in part may be placed in low piles or shallow pits and mixed or placed in layers and mixed later. Mixing may be done by hand or by harrows drawn with horses. Continuous mixing or turning over aids in speedy decomposition, especially if barnyard manure be present and if the compost be very dry an occasional drenching with water is needed. (Care must be taken, however, to guard against the soil being made too wet by over deluging with water.) Frequently within a few months such a soil is ready for use. To aid in decomposition, especially if straw and cut down weeds be present, Ammonium Sulphate should be applied, using 10 to 15 pounds to a cubic yard. If time allows another system, which perhaps is the better, but at least a year should elapse before the soil be used, is that of stacking the compost in layers. This system is usually adopted by gardeners for potting soil requirements. Decomposition is not brought about as rapidly with large stacks as it is with shallow heaps or with beds. The stacking, however, is especially suitable where sod or turf is concerned and perhaps with manures. The same thing applies to freshly gathered leaves. All may be placed in layers from six inches to one foot or more. Stacks may be any height.

#### WHEN TO PROCURE COMPOST MATERIALS

As far as the turf is concerned the best time is after the growing season, which is early summer or in late fall because of the presence of so many new live fibrous roots. For that matter turf or manure may be placed in heaps at any time and rotted down, and, if required allowed to decompose separately and later mixed as a compost. Weeds could be cut down and allowed to decompose during the summer season. To save time and it is usually wise for the sod or earth, manure or other organic matter and sand to be placed together rather than in isolated separate piles. With the low bed or pile system mixing can be proceeded with at any time if weather and circumstances allow.

#### SHELTERS FOR COMPOSTS.

The mixing of soil may be done any time if shelter be provided. If the stacks, beds or pits are fully exposed the material that is screened may be stored under a temporary shed so that heavy rain, particularly in the spring or fall, may not cause the sifted soil to become too wet. No doubt exposure to the weather aids in decomposition of the compost, but sheds allow for winter work which otherwise could not take place. Sheds permanent or otherwise may be built of wood with a roof, of course, and sides provided if required.

#### SCREENING THE SOIL

Before compost is used it must be made fine, thus sifting or screening is most necessary because it is the fine grains that are needed. But on no account must the rough material remaining after screening be thrown away. This must be worked back again for further decomposition. This material if organic matter, is most valuable. Rubbish as sticks and stones must be discarded. It is not necessary to keep compost in stacks for a number of years. It is true this brings about decomposition and fine soil grains, but its plant food value is low. New composts possess much more valuable plant food material than old soil mixtures. Old soil lacks vitality.

#### APPLICATION AND QUANTITY.

For the best results with grass plants, soil surfacing should be done as soon as growth

commences in the spring and should be continued right through the growing season and again in late fall. Monthly applications may be the best. Always where continuous mowing takes place frequent soil applications are necessary. On the Putting Greens, especially during the height of the growing season, grass is mowed daily or nearly so. This means that new surface plant food is very necessary. Grass plants are surface feeders. They do not send roots a long way down unless searching for plant food, but remain within an inch or so of the surface. They are continually sending out surface roots and many varieties form stolons, thus constant surface feeding is most essential for best results. It is not wise to apply, in the winter months or at any time, a heavy dressing. Never more than a depth of one-sixteenth of an inch to a quarter of an inch, but just sufficient to allow the grass to absorb the soil mixture after watering or

brushing in. About a cubic yard of screened compost to 2,500 to 5,000 square feet the usual thing, but conditions vary and experience teaches what to apply in every case. During the early spring and fall larger quantities should be used because the grass plants at this time make their best growth. A heavy winter dressing is not recommended whether it be of compost or sand because suffocation may follow.

#### CONCLUSION.

To sum up, a compost for grass surface feeding needs the best soil ingredients. Applications of compost at the right periods must be the chief consideration, together with the proper use of fertilizer and water supply. Grass plants must be treated as individuals as much as any other cultivated forms, and according to its requirements and use properly treated.

## Fertilizers

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Fertilizers for golf course maintenance should be as a supplement not to barnyard manure as in farming operations, but to proper composting.

The value and importance of composts, together with their formation, composition and use, must be kept in mind when considering the study of chemical fertilizers. One of the chief functions of compost is the retention of moisture. This is, as we all know, an important point in the condition of a green or fairway. Unless the organic matter is present we have a drying out which is not productive of the best conditions for grass growth. The first essential then is proper composting and in many cases with proper composting no fertilizers are required. But generally with our best efforts some additional plant food must be supplied to bring about proper growth and hence we must turn to chemical fertilizers.

It is fortunate that we have materials which we can use to bring about certain soil conditions which we desire. It is also fortunate that such available materials will supply the plant food which is likely to become deficient and will encourage growth of a desirable type. But we should never make the mistake of depending on fertilizing materials alone, but should use them in the proper way, that is, as supplemental only.

#### FUNCTION OF FERTILIZER CONSTITUENTS.

By chemical fertilizers we mean those materials containing nitrogen, phosphoric acid or potash, singly or in combination. As a result we cannot include lime in this classification, but since lime has received such publicity and really is an excellent thing in its place, we must discuss it also, but not under fertilizers.

Nitrogen is essentially a stem and leaf producer. It does not markedly influence root formation, although as nitrogen compounds percolate through the soil, the roots may be encouraged to go after it to some extent. It is an element that does not hasten the maturity of a grass or other plant so we have less tendency for grass to seed where it is used. Further, nitrogen tends to increase the growth of grass at the expense of weeds and clovers, the latter principally. Of course, if the grass growth is strong enough, the weeds may be crowded out too, but they are quite resistant.

Phosphoric acid, on the other hand, greatly stimulates clover and tends to make grass mature. A maturing grass has not the soft velvet feel nor the bright green that we desire, hence we do not like an over supply of phosphoric acid on a putting green.

Potash is also associated with maturity and the growth of clovers, and hence is not desirable on the green.

#### FORMS IN WHICH NITROGEN MAY BE BOUGHT

From the above considerations we arrive at the conclusion that nitrogen is about all we require from a standpoint of greens. We have many sources of nitrogen, so perhaps a discussion of each might be of benefit. There are at present about eight or nine different nitrogen carriers on the market which may be used for fertilizer purposes and these I have summarized on a sheet which is handed around. This sheet is got out for agricultural purposes, but the information can be readily applied to golf course conditions. We can see that nitrate of soda is hardly the thing to use on greens. Its main use is in the vegetable garden. This is principally on account of its loss by leaching, necessitating frequent applications, its extreme solubility and its alkaline effect on the soil. This is due to what is called selective

absorbtion of the ions of which sodium nitrate is composed. The nitrate portion is used up or leached out and sodium part remains. This tends to produce an alkaline reaction in the soil which we do not think desirable, as it tends to produce weed growth, particularly true of chickweed and plantains.

The organic fertilizers, blood meal and tankage are quite satisfactory, but are relatively slow in action compared with some of the other forms—principally nitrates. One must also consider the difference in percentage of nitrogen present and since it is the nitrogen we are supplying, we have to calculate the relative amount of the different materials which will carry the same amount of nitrogen.

Ammonium Sulphate or sulphate of ammonia is a manufactured product, and is a by-product of the gas and coking industry. In this case we have an acid residue left in the soil. It is the ammonia which is used up by the plant and the sulphate part remains, making up for an acid condition. The organic materials have this tendency also, but of course much slower. This is supposed to be the chief value of ammonium sulphate as a golf course fertilizer and every one talks of nothing else. However there are other forms, while they may not have the acid action ascribed to ammonium sulphate, they are just as good nitrogen suppliers. It is just a question if the acid conditions generally demanded or sought for are possible. Take for instance a soil which is naturally high in lime. This will run in many cases as high as three per cent. In the top six inches of soil we have in an acre about 2,000,000 pounds of soil. In a green of say 5,000 sq. ft. we have approximately 250,000 lbs. of soil, three per cent, of this is 7,500 pounds of lime. One hundred pounds of ammonium sulphate removes about 80 pounds of lime. We would not apply more than 50 pounds to a green in a season. This gets rid of 40 lbs. of lime. How many years will it take to get rid of 7,500 lbs? Is it practicable then to make a soil acid where there is a fair percentage of lime to start? Of course we will always approach that condition and since the surface of a green is not natural soil but largely sand and compost which is more or less free from lime, we may attain acid conditions.

One of the newer nitrogen compounds which I think would have a place in golf course work is urea. This is a synthetic compound manufactured in Germany and contains nitrogen in an organic form. This must be converted into nitrates before the grass can make use of it. It leaves no residue either acid or alkaline, in the soil. It is clean, odorless, soluble in water and in nitrogen content is highly concentrated, carrying 46 per cent. of nitrogen. It must therefore be used very carefully. It is much more reasonable in price also than other nitrogen carriers. It is marketed under the trade name Floranid.

Another new product is Leunasalpetre, also produced in Germany by the Badische-Anilin-Soda-Fabrik. It is a double compound named ammonium sulphate nitrate, contains 26 per cent. N. and should be just as satisfactory as ammonium sulphate, or perhaps more so. The other forms of nitrogen carriers are in my opinion unsuitable for green work, although any of them, except the nitrates can be used quite satisfactorily on fairways.

Now as to application of fertilizing materials; we have the choice of several methods, (1) applying with compost; (2) applying alone and watering in; (3) applying by some attachment on the hose. The first is in my opinion preferable, as it is easily done, and entails no extra labor. We determine the amount of the fertilizer we wish to apply. mix it with the compost at time of screening, and apply the compost at the desired rate. If additional applications are required the material should be mixed with sand crushed fine, spread evenly, and then watered sufficient to carry it in, but not sufficient to cause run off. I am inclined to look with suspicion on machines for distribution of fertilizer with water, as there is difficulty in knowing exactly how much one is applying. Perhaps when one has been accustomed to them they might prove satisfactory. For fairways if we want clover or at least

have no objections to it, we can use what we call a complete fertilizer, say a 4-8-4; at the same time I would not advise the use of a fertilizer alone, but would prefer to top dress with short, well rotted manure in the fall. This would assist in keeping up the organic matter supply and prevent drying out. Since the grass clippings are allowed to accumulate, some claim manuring is not essential, but I believe it is. If we use nitrogen alone on fairways which cover a considerable area the cost is quite large. Using phosphoric acid and potash, as well lowers the cost of the material and gives as good results, but tends to encourage clovers. Such fertilizer may be applied at the rate of 400 lbs. per acre broadcast and preferably in damp weather after a rain. However, if the growth is good on fairways, there really is no need for fertilizer of any kind.

As far as lime is concerned, we keep it off greens unless we want a clover green. The types of grasses especially recommended do not take kindly to lime. If the fairways are not doing well it might be advisable to use a form of crushed limestone, but since an alkaline condition tends toward weed production it might be advisable to attempt by introduction of the bent grasses to establish bents even on the fairways. That is a matter for each Green Committee to decide.

Of recent years we have a great increase in the advertising of humus for golf courses, and possibly at little time can be profitably spent on the discussion of these materials.

Leaf mold, humus, or muck—in the most cases much the same type of material is generally an accumulation of organic matter formed under water logged conditions. It is partially decomposed—varying of course in this respect, and its value as a source of plant food depends on its state of decomposi-

tion. It has often been compared with manure which is entirely wrong. Manure, well rotted, has a very high bacterial content, whereas this other material has very little. Manure contains more mineral matter and more nitrogen generally and carries it in a much more available condition. Some peaty materials and mucks contain a high percentage of nitrogen, but it is not available. The natural deposits of black organic material are highly resistant and do not decay readily, while manure is in the process of decay. It is in the latter state that we want it. We can conclude, therefore, that muck or peaty materials should be incorporated with well rotted manure before using.

#### SOME TESTS FOR SOIL ACIDITY.

The question nowadays seems to be how to get a green acid enough to prevent weed growth and still permit the acid resistant grasses to flourish. We therefore should have

a method of determining how acid the soils of our greens are and if it be practicable to make them sufficiently acid so as to meet present day recommendations. The best method in my opinion, for this purpose is to use some indicator which will show the degree of acidity. Of these we have a variety covering a wide range of acidity and alkalinity, but I will only mention two, bromthymol blue and bromeresol purple. The former in an alkaline soil is blue in color, in acid pure yellow. Variations of blue, green and yellow give the range. The latter gives in neutral or alkaline a purple color in acid clear yellow.

A commercial preparation which gives the same result is Soiltex, which may be purchased from supply houses.

If we desire acidity we can obtain it by the continued use of ammonium sulphate, and we can tell every season how far we are getting.

## MR. C. F. TODD HEADS VICTORIA GOLF CLUB

A T the annual meeting of the Victoria Golf Club, Victoria, B. C., Mr. Charles F. Todd, one of the most prominent golfars on the Club. dent, taking the place of Mr. John Galt, who during his tenure of office did so much for the welfare of this very important club. Mr. J. D. Virtue is Captain and Chairman of the Green Committee, whilst other well known Victorians on the Board are Messrs. R. Baird, H. G. Garrett, L. H. Hardie, A. E. Haynes, J. M. Hedley, A. D. King, H. Paterson and H. H. Shandley. Captain J. V. Perks is the capable Secretary—a position he has now held for some years.

The Club has a membership of 650 of the leading residents of Victoria. The reports presented recently at the annual meeting were of a most encouraging character. "Phil" Taylor is once again the capable professional. He is one of the leading players on the Pacific Coast. He has the quite remarkable record of 61 for the Oak Bay course.

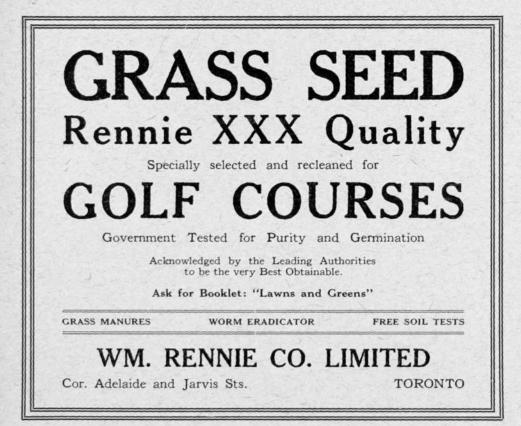
## NEWS FROM FAIR AUGUSTA, GA.

#### Many Canadians This Season Have Thoroughly Enjoyed Golf and Other Sports in This Famous Resort.

#### (Special Correspondence, "Canadian Golfer").

S the season at this resort draws to a close, it will be of interest to a large number of your readers, to learn of the finals, both from an entertainment and sport point of view, each of which ended in a whirl, much appreciated by the visitors.

Most interesting of the latter might be said to be the Ladies' Invitation Golf Tournament, which drew such prominent players as Mrs. Dalton, Mrs. S. Reymond, of Baton Rouge, La., state champion; Mrs. J. R. Armstrong, of New London, Conn.; Mrs. E. C. Stone, champion of the ancient City of Boston: Mrs. Dorothy Campbell-Hurd, who is spending the winter here, and many other high class club wielders. The only Canadian representative was Miss Edith Turner, of Hamilton, who succeeded in getting into the first sixteen. Miss Turner is a very promising player, a pupil of Nicol Thompson, of Aneaster, and will be heard of later. Mrs. Hurd eventually won over Mrs. Reymond 3 and 2, after a hard fought battle. Mrs. Hurd pays great tribute to Mrs. Reymond's tee shots, saying they are as near perfection as possible. Mrs. Hurd had the advantage on the



new Raynor Creation greens, which are a marvel, especially in view of their being so lately completed.

Next in order came the visit of Kirkwood, who played a four ball match with Montgomery Harrison, ex-state champion; Johnny Dawson, the Spalding Company's Chicago representative, and David Ogilvie, Jr., the Australian star, being paired with young Ogilvie. The first named combination won out after the usual close finish in such events.

Kirkwood subsequently gave an exhibition of a few of his trick shots, one of which especially struck the writer as most useful of the bunch, that of his approach shots, which landed back of the pin and betrayed a disposition to the extent of four or five feet, to backspin the eup.

The Annual Horse Show, the main society event, took place on the 23rd, 24th and 25th, the most successful yet of this infant association, it being only the third of its existence. Some thirtyfive classes were judged, besides several exhibitions of jumping, military drills, etc. Weather conditions were perfect, allowing a startling display of color on the ladies' part. The very able gentlemen in charge were led by Harold A. Richardson, managing director, who in passing, we might say is Canadian born; Basil H. Grant, assistant, M. W. Partridge, secretarytreasurer, and others, together with a representation of the various business interests, all of whom carried to a successful conclusion an entertainment that will inevitably lead to a permanent organization being effected.

Forrest Hill golf layout proceeds apace, truly a busy scene of stump extractors, tractors, to say nothing of the mules, which seem to enjoy the work, judging by the ceaseless movement of their ears, which never seem at any time to be at the same angle. It is expected to have the whole course ready for next season's play, also the hotel, which it has been officially an-

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nounced, will be commenced in May, the site being on the highest elevation in these parts, affording a fine view of the surrounding country. It is being financed by the Adair Realty Trust Company, of Atlanta, and will be managed by the Ricker Hotel Company, operators and owners of the famous Poland Spring House. It does not need very much business acumen, therefore, to realize what this means. However, these are times money costs speak louder than words, and by speaking of it as a \$2,000,000 proposition, will convey some idea to the average reader, hunting for real news from the pages of your valuable journal what the new "Forrest Hills-Ricker" property will amount to when completed.

Mr. Ralph Connable, of Toronto, spent a week here at the Bon Air Vanderbilt on his way back from Florida, accompanied by his better half. His car caravan, in which he travels, excited a great deal of interest among the car fans.

Still another proposition in the hotel and golf line, which eventually will out-rival all the others, will be casting "its anchors" about three miles from the Savannah River in South Carolina, and toward Aitken, or say seven miles from here. Some forty-five hundred acres have been obtained or optioned and preliminary surveys are under way, for three or four golf courses, with loads of aereage for more, when required. This big undertaking is to be financed by Chicago interests. Pinehurst will have to "look up and take notice" but there is room for both, and others to come.

The course and hotel at Berekman's in this vicinity, to which casual reference was made in your last issue, is another busy scene with foundations well advanced. This is situated on the old Berekman estate, which had a world wide reputation for its nursery products. The present owners inherit in the purchase a variety of foreign trees, shrubbery, magnolias, etc., which were claimed the finest in the world. Certainly the new "Fleetwood" will have a most beautiful setting.

Now to come back to earth, "divots and dubs." We must mention the annual mixed foursome handicap, finished on the 4th, which was more than usually interesting on account of the quality, though unfortunately not the quantity of those entered. The finalists were Mrs. Dorothy Campbell-Hurd and Mr. M. R. Fidgeley; Mrs. W. Thomas, Augusta, and Mr. F. S. Danforth, and the latter pair were victors at the fourteenth.

We must not fail to mention that Mr. George R. Turner and Miss Edith Turner, of Hamilton, the only entry from Canada, made a bid to get into the semi-finals, but had to give way to Mrs. Hurd and her partner, Mr. Ridgely.

The South Atlantic Tennis Tournament was held on the week beginning March 9th, among the contestants were such luminaries in the tennis world as William Tilden, Jacky Harada, H. Chapin and Mrs. Chapin; Miss

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Elizabeth Ryan. Mr. Tilden and Miss Ryan won the singles respectively for the men and ladies, and Mr. and Mrs. Chapin the doubles. Mrs. Chapin is usually Miss Helen Wills' partner, which leaves nothing to be said. Slashes and smashes seem to be in tennis parlance the equivalent of slices and drives in golf, and gave the onlookers all the thrills they paid for.

The following are among the recent -Canadian arrivals:

From Toronto: Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Crocker; Mr. and Mrs. Osler Wade; Mr. and Mrs. George Heintzman; Mr. A. C. Matthews; Thomas B. Greening, G. Silverthorn, R. J. Dilworth, J. W. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Connable; Mr. and Mrs. John D. Armstrong; Master Robert Broddy Duggan; Master Wallace Rowe Duggan; Mrs. R. B. Duggan; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Mc-Laren.

From Montreal: Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Timmins; W. J. Morice; T. B. Jones: J. W. Robertson, Ottawa; H. P. Pike, Brantford; Mr. and Mrs. Percy Thomson, Mrs. Eric Thomson and Miss Mabel Thomson, St. John, N. B.

All these entertainments and contests with the opening of the private gardens at various times to the public, afternoon teas, bridge parties, ladies' shops, with their present time bargains, give ample to interest those who cannot engage in golf and kindred sports, and seem to answer the criticisms usual of these resorts, that such visitors find it "hard to put through the time," which in view of events above described, this special "Hill of Augusta" cannot fairly be accused of.

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If Mr. Richardson is as successful in earrying this company to a prosperous conclusion as he has the recent horse show, its stock holders are to be congratulated.

## NEWS FROM THE MIDDLE WEST

#### Executive Activities Promise a Record Season Among Clubs of Western Provinces—Many Courses Plan Extensive Improvements to Foster Interest in Game

THE Norwood Golf Club, of Winnipeg, which has an exceptionally high playing record in Manitoba, elected Mr. W. P. Over as President, and Mr. Brvan O'Kelly Vice-President at their annual meeting. A very satisfactory report was rendered by the retiring directors, who were complimented by Mr. R. C. S. Bruce on the results they had achieved. This season should show an even better financial showing as last season heavy expenditures for course improvement had to be made. Mr. W. F. Minty was reappointed Hon. Secretary-Treasurer and the new Executive in addition to the officers, will consist of: A. B. Alexander, R. L. Denison, J. E. Huxley, R. Y. Kilvert, E. W. S. MacVey, W. M. Sinclair, E. J. Townsend.

J. T. Cuthbert, Manitoba Amateur Champion, was elected an honorary member for the year, and Messrs. R. C. S. Bruce and T. S. English were appointed as delegates to the Manitoba Golf Association. The Norwood Ladies' Section elected Mrs. J. W. Alves Captain at a most enthusiastic meeting and other officers Vice-Captain, Mrs. F. G. Bowser; Secretary-Treasurer, Miss D. Boys; Committee, Miss L. M. Hamilton, Mrs. A. F. Mackinnon, Mrs. G. B. McTavish, Miss M. B. Somerville and Mrs. F. W. Tuxworth. Delegate to the L. G. U. Mrs. J. W. Alves.

A despatch from Portage La Prairie, Man., March 23rd :

"Yesterday several enthusiastic golfers made their official start, but failed to complete the course, as it was found to be unplayable at many points. With the advent of fine weather, it is hoped to see many new devotees at the Island Park course."

Dauphin, Manitoba, is one of the most enthusiastic golfing cities in Western Canada, not only has it a successful country club, but last year was organized the Dauphin Community Golf Club, which promises to be extremely popular this season. Golf can





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be played at the Community for \$10 per season or an entire family can secure a season ticket for \$20. Fees so moderate should enable everyone in the Dauphin District to play the Royal and Ancient game of golf. Walter Brierly will head this Community Club in 1926 with C. D. Bates as Vice-President, R. G. Mackie, Secretary, and Douglas Kitney, Treasurer.

Enthusiasm is also running high at the Country Club, where several of the fairways will be widened, while others will be provided with proper drainage. A private driveway will also be provided from the main road to No. 8, and will continue to No. 9. The building of an adequate club house is also contemplated, and work will commence as soon as a plan has been decided upon. The fees for 1926 will be the same as last year. The Executive Committee ap-

pointed for the year consisted of C. W. McLachlin, Wilfrid Robson, Roger Watson, Dr. W. J. Harrington, O.-E. Heaslip, W. H. Arnett, J. L. Bowman, Dr. N. G. Trimble and J. A. Campbell.

The Southwood Golf Club, at their annual meeting, enthusiastically endorsed the course improvements commenced by last year's officers by returning them to office. Mr. J. H. Parkhill is the guiding genius of the Southwood Golf Club, assisted by E. J. Townshend, Vice-President and Treasurer, and A. Innes, Secretary.

The President of the Ladies' Section is Mrs. H. J. Watson, Club Captain Mrs. Gordon Ritchie, and Mrs. J. A. Gray is the lady secretary.

The Winnipeg Alcrest Club will make many improvements to their club house this year which will greatly add to the comfort of the members during the coming season. They have also adopted an excellent plan to encourage junior members by allowing the course to school boys during the summer holiday season, each morning except Sundays and holidays for the nominal fee of 25 cents. This is indeed an excellent plan, as it is only by encouraging the juniors that the standard of Canadian golf can be improved.

The Directors of the Melville, Sask., Golf Club were able to present their annual meeting with a financial balance to commence this season's activi-With finances in such excellent ties. shape the club are planning increased activities this year and under Mr. W. B. Moore as President, look forward to a record season. Mr. C. B. Narraway was elected Vice-President, Mr. T. Andrews Chairman of the Managing Committee and Mr. T. F. Mawer was again appointed Secretary-Treasurer.

The Moosomin Golf Club, Sask., by virtue of an arrangement with the Agricultural Society and the Turf Club, enjoys excellent golf facilities at very moderate cost. Tribute was paid to these societies at the annual meeting of the golf club by the Hon. Presi-

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dent, Mr. J. A. Whiting. The officers elected for the season were: President, B. L. Brown; Vice-Presidents, W. B. McLean and W. A. Gabb; Secretary-Treasurer, P. G. Wood.

The annual meeting of the Portage Golf Club, of Portage La Prairie, showed a steady growth in the club's affairs. This year increased activity is planned under the following officers: Hon. President, H. N. Dunham; President, D. McKillop; Vice-President, D. H. J. Hassard; Secretary, C. A. Smith; Treasurer, J. H. Chaseley. D. McKillop and N. S. Bailey representatives to the Manitoba Golf Association.

The ladies of Portage were also active and at their annual meeting Mrs. J. H. Chaseley donated a silver flower basket to be played for during the season. Representatives were appointed to the C. L. G. U., Mrs. C. A. West and Miss Vennard being chosen. H. T. Hazelton, one of the founders of the club, was chosen to lead the Niakwa Country Club, as President, at the annual meeting held at the Fort Garry, when the membership was well represented and the greatest enthusiasm was displayed regarding the future of this young golf club. George H. Saults was elected Vice-President; Jack McVicar, Secretary-Treasurer, and Colonel R. F. Bingham, Assistant Secretary.

R. Bingham, who is in charge of the disposal of the club's stock, reported well on the manner in which the membership is increasing, and forecasted a ready response to the forthcoming drive for members.

It was decided by the meeting that a less cumbersome system of managing the club's affairs would be effected by the amalgamation of the directorate of the holding company and the playing club. H. T. Hazelton, G. T. Koester, D. H. Bain, R. Bingham and W. W.

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Hall were re-elected as directors of the holding company, and these five, along with F. G. Hale, Dr. W. W. Musgrove, Dr. N. W. Warner, F. T. Saults and Dr. Gordon Fahrni will compose the directorate of the club as a whole. Dr. Fahrni was appointed in place of R. O. Taylor, who was unable to continue in office, and the rest of the Board represented re-elections in a body.

Yorkton, Sask., plans to open a new course on May 24th, and at their recent annual meeting planned to make this an outstanding event in the golfing history of Yorkton. The officers who will have charge of activities this season are: President, C. W. Atkin; Vice-President, V. R. Smith; Secretary, W. B. O'Regan; Treasurer, J. W. Kempston. Executive Committee: C. W. Atkin, V. R. Smith, W. B. O'Regan, J. W. Kempston, J. B. Gibson, W. M. Graham, Dr. Watchler and Dr. A. F. Laird.

A special general meeting of the Gladstone Club, Manitoba, was held on Thursday evening with President J. C. Veit in the chair, when the following officers were elected for the season: President, J. C. Veit; Vice-President, J. G. Crawford; Captain, R. McAskill; Secretary-Treasurer, R. C. Fahrni; with L. W. Smith, S. H. Fahrni and D. G. Adamson, in addition to the officers, composing the council.

Membership fees for the year were fixed at \$10 for men and \$5 for ladies. The purchase of a new mower for the fairways was authorized by the meeting.

## DATES OF ONTARIO CHAMPIONSHIPS

#### York Downs, Toronto, Chosen for the 1926 Events—Election of a Strong Board of Directors—Toronto "Star" Presents Cup

A T the Third Annual Meeting of the Ontario Amateur Golf Association, recently held in Toronto, the following were elected Directors for this year: A. A. Adams, Hamilton; R. M. Gray, Jr., Toronto; Geo. Jacobs, Oshawa; C. M. Jones, Toronto; John S. Lewis, Brantford; George S. Lyon, Toronto; W. H. Plant, Toronto; Ross Somerville, London; Douglas Stewart, Barrie; W. J. Thompson, Toronto; W. Watson, Sarnia; a representative from Kingston.

At a subsequent meeting of the Directors the following officers were unanimously elected—all splendid appointments: Honorary President, I. H. Weldon (Summit); President, W. H. Plant (Lakeview); Vice-President and Hon. Secretary, W. J. Thompson (Mississauga).

The principal item of business was the selection of York Downs Golf Club, Toronto, as the venue of the Ontario Amateur and Open Championships, the dates being: For the Amateur, June 17th, 18th and 19th; and for the Open, June 21st. The selection of the course on which the Junior event will be decided was left for consideration by the Executive. This will be played early in September, probably on the 11th.

Mr. B. L. Anderson, Secretary of The Royal Canadian Golf Association, addressed the meeting, dealing with the necessity of co-operation between the Provincial Associations and R. C. G. A. Any steps taken by the O. A. G. A., to further this desirable movement, was left to the incoming Committee.

The Toronto "Star" very kindly donated, to the Association, a handsome Trophy, representing the Amateur Championship of Ontario, and this was formally presented at the meeting by their representative, Mr. Hayes. This trophy will be held for the year by the Club, from which the Amateur Champion enters, and a replica will be given to the Champion.

The Association had a very successful year financially. York Downs is one of the latest of the Toronto Clubs, but has developed greens and fairways already unexcelled in the Toronto District. It will provide a most interesting setting for the Championships.

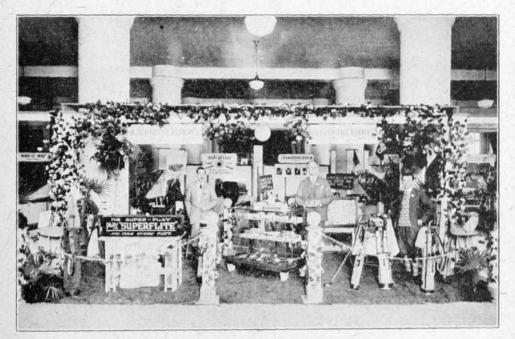
## NATIONAL GOLF SHOW

#### Canadian Firm Scores a Great Triumph at this Big Event

M R. JACKSON WALTON, of Toronto, the well known amateur, under date of April 10th : ''I had occasion to visit Chicago at the

same time as the National Golf Show—the biggest affair of its kind that has ever been pulled off, and it will, I know prove of much interest to you to hear that the one and only Canadian exhibit—that of The North British booth without showing the greatest interest and those in attendance are kept fully occupied answering a succession of very intelligent questions.

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Rabber Company—is regarded as the finest exhibit in the whole show.

As far as Golf is concerned, I doubt if Canadian goods ever had a greater triumph. Coupled with this pleasing feature, the American public is showing a kind and sympathetic interest in the Canadian exhibit and it makes one feel that the boundary line is indeed imaginary.

George Curtis is here in the latest plus four attire and worked incessantly to make the booth and its decorations what they are.

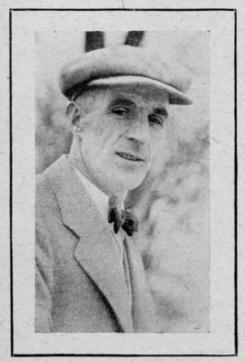
There is a wonderful percentage of 'pep' in the atmosphere and as for the future of the game, it would seem there is no chance of correctly visualizing the limits that may ultimately be attained. I would go as far as to say that the American Walker Cup Team will be stronger and stronger from year to year, for any device or advice that simplifies the game is rapidly absorbed by the American player. Nobody passes an exhibit or Charles L. Abernethy, golf department manager of the factory in Edinburgh, Scotland, here all the way from Scotland in charge of it, has proved a source of great interest to everybody. The Chicago papers have been most liberal in their praise and comment on this lone, foreign exhibit, and other competitors from across the line and overseas should take the tip and fall in line when the 1927 show comes around.

There is everything here from a creeping bent seed and seedling to a Toro tractor; there are balls, caps, clubs, putting devices, plastic models, bag carriers, magazines, moving pictures, model putting course, Joe Kirkwood and his trick shots, everything in clothes, shoes, hats, trophics and a thousand and one other things of interest and usefulness to golfers, golf clubs, the wholesaler and retailer. It is an education from A to Z; music, entertainment, dancing and even broadcasting. There is positively no limit.''

## WITH THE PROFESSIONALS

#### Many Interesting Items About the Men Who Do So Much for Golf from Coast to Coast in Canada

T will be remembered that last month at West Palm Beach, Fla., C. R. Murray, of The Royal Montreal, and Willie Klein, the local pro, defeated Willie MacFarlane and Leo Diegel respectively the U. S. and Canadian



Tom Ross, the Recently Appointed Professional at The Wascana Country Club, Regina, Sask.

Open Champion, by 1 up. On this occasion Klein had a 68 (the course is 6,389 yards, par 70). Charlie Murray writes the "Canadian Golfer"; "This boy Klein is the coming American champion. He has promised me that he will be at the Canadian Open at Montreal next August for sure." This tribute coming from Murray, one of the best judges of a player in America, stamps Klein as a wonder all right.

George Cumming, the well known professional of the Toronto Golf Club, returned last month from a most suc-

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cessful winter season in Jamaica. He reports golf "booming" there as elsewhere. Many Canadians visited Jamaica this season.

#### Wm. Heyworth is the professional this season at Nanaimo, a promising British Columbia club, which was organized a few years ago.

#### Leslie Louth, assistant to Nicol Thompson at the Hamilton Golf and Country Club, has been appointed professional at the Muskoka Lakes Golf and Country Club, Port Carling —one of the many Muskoka courses. The appointment is an excellent one from all standpoints.

R. Cunningham, of the Cataraqui Golf and Country Club, Kingston, is another leading Canadian professional who has just returned from spending the Winter in the Old Country.

P. Cooper, a clever young assistant professional at Weston last year, has been appointed this season professional at the new Riverside Golf Club, near Weston, which is a semi-public course, with all the ear-marks of success.

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Within a few days of arriving in Canada, "Sid" Hunt, a brother of Fred. Hunt, of the Brantford Golf and Country Club, received the appointment of pro at the historical Niagaraon-the-Lake Golf Club, which is one of the oldest golfing organizations in Canada with a thoroughly interesting course. "Sid." like his brother, Fred., received his training (for ten years), under the celebrated English pro, C. H. Wingate at Castle Bromwich, the famous club near Birmingham. He is a fine player and coach and a club maker of exceptional ability, and will prove quite an addition to the rapidly increasing ranks of high-class Ontario professionals.

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In a letter to the Editor A. J. Miles, the popular and clever professional of the Mississauga Golf Club, Toronto, writes that during the recent visit he made to the Old Country he thoroughly enjoyed "many foursomes, which are still very much played on the courses

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in England and Scotland." It is really a pity in Canada, that the "foursome" (two partners playing on the one ball), has been superceded almost entirely by the "four-ball" match, which had its origin in the States some few years ago.

C. R. Murray, of The Royal Montreal Golf Club, has returned from the Gulf Stream Golf Club, Delray, Florida, where he had a most successful season. Just before leaving Florida he and "Andy" Kay, of Lambton, paired up in the International Four-Ball Championship at Miami, where they were beaten by Tom Kerrigan and Johnnie Farrell 3 and 1. The match

Johnmie Farrell 3 and 1. The match was all square at the 29th hole, but an "eagle" and a "birdie" by Kerrigan subsequently proved the undoing of the Canadian experts.

The Couchiching Golf and Country Club, which has a particularly interesting and pretty course at Orillia, well bunkered and well kept up, has engaged Frank Raval as professional this season-a most excellent appointment. Frank was for some years assistant to L. Senour, at Scarboro, where he was very popular with the members. Last season he was at the Monteith House, Lake Rosseau. He will be a great factor in improving the golf of the players of Orillia who (both ladies and men), take a keen interest in the game. The Couchiching Club also is patronized by many summer visitors.

"Ernie" Wakelam, the very energetic and efficient professional of the Kent Golf Links, Montmorency Falls, Que., run under the management of the Quebec Railway, Light, Heat and Power Company, Limited, one of the outstanding financial concerns of the Ancient Capital, writes enthusiastically of golfing prospects for the Kent Golf Club in 1926. Extracts herewith from his interesting letter:

"Last senson our course was in good shape and members and visiting guests, who were many, took full advantage of it and enjoyed it immensely. Officials and directors of the company were highly satisfied with the result and with prospects of 1926 being a "Bumper" season, we are making preparation to handle the ever-increasing number of tourists. It is surprising how the population of the 'Ancient Capital' has taken to the game, new members coming in steadily to delve into its mystic fascination and who knows, there may be a champion embryo amongst these young beginners."

Here's hoping there may be. The Editor is strongly of the opinion that a champion will yet be evolved from French-Canadian golfers in either Montreal or Quebec, the one the oldest and the second the second oldest golfing centre in America.

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That very interesting New Brunswick Club, Riverdale, Moneton, has decided very wisely this season to en-



How Champions Train—On the left, Mickey Walker, World's Champion Welterweight boxer. On right, Pete de Paolo, U. S. Auto Racing Champion. Photo taken on the Los Angeles Golf Course, by Mr. D. Scott Chisholm.

gage a first-class professional, and the club has been fortunate in securing the services of J. R. Williams, an outstanding player, coach and club-maker. Williams was brought up in the game at the Royal St. David Golf Club, Harlech, Wales. Starting to learn clubmaking at the early age of 12. He served five years during the war with the Welsh Fusiliers and was wounded three times. Later he was playing and teaching professional for three years at the celebrated Royal Liverpool Golf



Club, Hoylake (the home club of Mr. John Ball and other famous players), acting under John Morris, the noted Hoylake head professional. He then took over the pro duties at the Woolton Golf Club, Liverpool, which position he resigned last January to come to Williams has won several Canada. Tournaments in Liverpool and District the past few years. He won the North of England Assistants' Championship in 1923 and was fifth in the Welsh Championship in 1921. He will undoubtedly do much the coming season for golf in Moneton and District.

From the Wentworth Club, Virginia Water, Surrey, the brilliant player, George Duncan, writes the Editor in reference to the much discussed American supremacy. The ex-Open Champion, by the way, some years ago hurt his right knee and to ease the strain especially in his iron play, altered to some extent his stance. A well known "bonesetter" has recently effected a cure and "Duncan is himself again." He should again be heard from in the big championships this summer. And when he is at the top of his game, no one can take his measure.

There will be many "new faces" seen amongst the golf professionals on the golf courses of Canada this month. The new appointments are as follows:

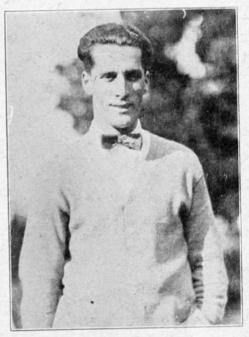
Toronto—''Jim'' Johnstone, Rosedale; ''Lex'' Robson, Weston; George Jones, St. Andrews; Riverside, P. Cooper. Ontario—Hugh Logan, Cobourg; Fred Hunt, Brantford; Hugh Law, Goderich; Harry York, Gananoque; ''Ben'' Kerr, Galt; ''Bob'' Cunningham, Woodstock, Ont.; D. Pullen, St. Thomas; F. Ravell, Orillia; Wm. Gunn, Dunnville; R. McKelvie,

Beach Grove, Walkerville; J. S. Mitchell, Monteith House, Muskoka; Sidney Hunt, Niagara-on-the-Lake Golf Club; L. Louth, Muskoka Lakes Golf Quebec-A. H. Club, Port Carling. Murray, Beaconsfield, Montreal; Frank Grant, Country Club, Montreal; Geo. Elder, Whitlock Golf Club, Hudson Heights, Que. Harry Hotchkiss, Manoir Richelieu Golf Club, Murray Bay, Que.; J. M. Patten, Rosemount, Que.; H. J. Devlin, St. John's, Que; T. McHugh, Laurentian Golf Club, St. Agathe des Montes, Que; A. Black, Tadousac, Que; W. Madden, Hampstead Golf Club, Que.; Wm. Lickford, Cowansville, Que.; J. R. Williams, Riverdale, Moncton, N.B. Western Canada -Tom Morrison, Mayfair Golf Club, Edmonton, Alta.; W. Spittal, Elmhurst Golf Club, Winnipeg; S. T. Ross, Wascana Club, Regina; W. H. Brinkworth, Elmwood Golf - Club, -Swift Current; Fred. Fletcher, Moose Jaw. British Columbia-C. H. Perkins, Vancouver Golf and Country Club; "Jimmy" Huish, Marine Drive Club, Vancouver; Wm. Heyworth, Nanaimo, B. C., and Geo. Pook, Powell River, B. C. This is a big change from last season and easily constitutes a record. All appointments in Canada have now been made with the exception of one or two summer resorts and these positions will be filled this month. There has been no lack of applicants this year for professional positions, largely owing to the influx of Old Country players, many of whom came out the past few weeks on the rather remote chance of securing a berth-usually speaking an ill-advised step. The "Canadian Golfer" has had as many as thirty or more applicants on file in its office for professional positions this season in Canada.

Willie Gunn, formerly at Kitchener, will be at Dunnville this season, where the new club is progressing apace. He returned this month from spending several weeks in Florida with Mr. V. Uttley, of Kitchener. The following from the Daytona Beach "News," Fla., tells a particularly interesting story: "Red' Monahon, famed starter at the Ormond Beach Golf Club, claims there's no such thing as a coincidence in golf. It's the

way the shot's played. Students of the law and man might back up 'Red's' study of theories but the fact remains that Willie Gunn, golf pro here from Canada, gets his eagles and things at the pin where the number on the flag corresponds with the day of the month.

Gunn figures solely that the 13th and the 15th are his "lucky" golf days. Last sea-



Leslie Louth, appointed this season as professional at The Muskoka Lakes Golf and Country Club, Port Carling, who (as reported in the February issue of the "Canadian Golfer"), won fame in Bermuda the past Winter by making a 315yard hole-in-one, which almost equals the world's record (330 yards).

son he had a hole-in-one at the 13th hole on the 13th day of the month, and it fell on a Friday to boot. 'Was that a coincidence?' 'No,' says 'Red.'

This week, Gunn socked one at the 175yard 15th hole on Monday, the 15th. He just 'wondered' what would happen when he teed off. The ball landed in front of the green and ran up swiftly on the green, but a boy was sprinkling the green and the ball could not be followed on account of the hose.

Gunn walked up there thinking the ball had run across the green as he could not see it. 'Gosh,' murmured the boy sprinkling, 'Where did the ball go?' asked Gunn. 'Right in the cup,' answered the boy ultra-respectfully.''

After a highly successful season at Shreveport, La., where he set three new

## May Anniversary Number "HE next issue of the "Canadian Golfer" will mark the Twelfth Anniversary of the magazine and the opening of the greatest golf season in the history of the game in Canada. It will be an edition of 100 pages or more, handsomely illustrated, and will be easily the best number yet produced. A splendid issue to advertise in, reaching as it will, every golf elub and every prominent golfer from Coast to Coast. As advertising for this Anniversary number is already heavy, an early application for space is advised in order to get a good location. Write for terms, etc. Toronto Representative, A. G. IHITCHON, Advertising Manager, H. E. Smallpeice, "CANADIAN GOLFER." 32 Church Street, Brantford, Ontario. Toronto. Good number to start a subscription if not already on the lists. Annual Subscription \$4.00.

course records and incidentally tied with "Bobbie" Cruickshank in the Texarkana open tourney, Fred Hunt this month took up his duties at the Brantford Golf and Country Club as pro. He was formerly assistant at Brantford under Captain C. H. Perkins, now in Vancouver, and is assured of a most successful season. He is not only a fine player and coach, but an exceptionally good club maker, having had a most valuable training in England.

J. Sims, a Scottish golfer, formerly of Aberdeen, has been appointed professional at the golf club at Gray Rocks Inn, a most attractive summer resort at St. Jovite, Que., in the Laurentian Mountains.

Jas. A. Swift, formerly of Cherry Hill Golf Club, Ridgeway, Ont., recently returned to Montreal from a visit to the Old Country. "Andy" Kay, the Lambton expert, has returned from playing on all the principal courses in the South. He met and played with all the principal U. S. stars and made a most creditable showing in many of the Tournaments. He reports a most enjoyable and instructive tour.

Macdonald Smith, holder of the Western Open and North and South Open golf titles, will not compete in the British Open Championship this year, but will concentrate on annexing the American Open title in July, he has announced.

Smith, who is at Miami enjoying a brief rest with his brother, Alex. Smith, also a professional, was a contender in the British meet last year and finished in third place.

George Pook took over the duties of club professional from S. McCulloch, at Powell River, B. C., the middle of

last month, and has had quite a busy time making clubs and giving lessons to many aspiring members.

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Through the medium of the "Canadian Golfer" and its want advertisements, nearly a score of professionals this season have secured positions in Canada literally from Coast to Coast. It always pays to use the advertising columns of the "Canadian Golfer."

And this is the way that Cyril Walker, ex-U. S. Open Champion, who learned his game in the Old Country, ranks the fifteen leading courses in the States:

1, National; 2, Pine Valley; 3, Oakmont; 4, Inwood; 5, Oakland Hills; 6, Fenimore; 7, Inverness; 8, Lakeland, San Francisco; 9, Chicago Golf; 10, Brae Burn; 11, Scioto; 12, Garden City Golf; 13, Merion Cricket; 14, Mobile; 15, Battle Creek.

The Anchor liner "Caledonia the other Saturday contained no fewer than ten Scottish professionals going over to take up posts again in the States and Canada.—"Golfing," London.

Nicol Thompson, Ontario Open Champion, returned this month to Hamilton after a particularly busy Winter season in Bermuda, where hundreds of visiting golfers from Canada and the States enjoyed their favourite game under ideal conditions. Bermuda is rapidly becoming one of the outstanding Winter resorts for tourists. Thompson had a particularly successful season. His young assistant, Leslie Louth, is still in Bermuda, but he, too, is shortly returning to Canada to again take up his professional duties in this country.

Maurice Boxall, professional at the Erie Downs Golf and Country Club, Bridgeburg, Ont., who takes a particularly keen interest in this coming 18hole course, states that it wintered well, especially the Washington Bent Grass. He is looking forward to a very busy season, as several inter-club matches have already been arranged for and the club competitions will be numerous, many trophies having been donated, among others by the President, Mr. F. T. Pattison, Mr. J. R. Reoseh and the



George Elder, Who is the Professional This Season at The Whitlock Golf Club, Hudson Heights, Que., succeeding Frank Grant, who goes to the Country Club, Montreal.

Superior Development Co., which built the course. It is also on the cards that an Invitation Tournament will be held next September.

The Annual "Get Together Dinner" was held at the Statler Hotel, Buffalo, April 10th and showing the enthusiasm of the members, 250 turned out for this delightful event. Erie Downs will be

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very much on the golfing map this season. The club has in "Ted" Rose a particularly capable green-keeper this season.

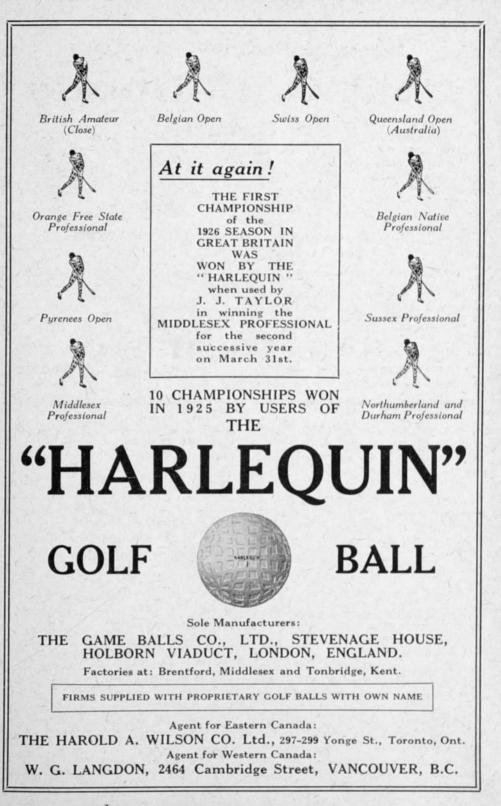
Tom Ross, the recently appointed professional of the Wascana Country Club, under date of April 12th, writes:

"I have been here a week now, and it looks as if we are going to have a very successful season. The weather has been fine the last two days and quite a few had a try out. Regina is a fine city."

A. Pilon, the elever young professional for the past two seasons at the Thunder Bay Golf Club, Port Arthur, has left for Akron, Ohio, where he has secured a lucrative position. Pilon has the distinction of having to his credit the lowest score ever made over a 9hole course in Canada—an uncanny 29 at Thunder Bay, which is rather a short course of 2,705 yards, but by no means an easy one. This was elaimed at the time as a World's record, but this is not so. This is held by W. H. Horne (a visitor by the way, to Canada a couple of years ago), when he negotiated the Isipingo course in South Africa in 27. The five times British Open Champion, "Jimmie" Braid, also equalled and beat Pilon's score when at Hedderwick, near Dunbar, Scotland, he carded a 57, made up of 28 out and 29 in. This 57 even is not a World's 18-hole record. This is held by George Duncan, who in 1913 in the Championship of Lucerne, had an 18hole record of 56.

Archie Compston, the long-lashing Englishman who has been campaigning in the South the past winter, gained a noteworthy victory in the West Coast Open Championship, played at Lakeland, Florida. Compston defeated a number of top-notch players who were out for the title and finished with a five-stroke lead on the field, his total being 285. He was three strokes behind Willie Klein at the start of the last two rounds, but finished with a 70 and 69. Mike Brady got off to a flying start when he registered a

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67 in the opening round, but he ruined his prospects by taking an 80 in the second swing around the circuit. The fight was close for second place, Mehlhorn nosing out Sarazen and Cruickshank with a total of 291 on the final day. Barnes and Diegel started in the event, but withdrew, the former suffering from a bad thumb which interfered with his playing.

Eric Bannister, the popular professional of the St. Charles Club, Winnipeg, who has recently returned from a trip to the Old Country, where he played some exceptionally fine golf, writes that Winnipeg golfers have already enjoyed several fine days for golf interspersed with a snow storm or so. Courses in Winnipeg, where the two Canadian Ladies' Championships will be held this year, will be in fine shape this season.

Willie Lamb, assistant to George Cumming at the Toronto Golf Club for the last two years, has returned from his Winter position as professional at the Monterrey Country Club, Mexico, and has commenced his duties at the Toronto Club. Lamb, who is one of the best of the younger players in Canada, reports a very successful season in Mexico.

A despatch from London, April 16th:

"British professional golfers are showing increased interest in the institution of an annual competition similar to the Walker Cup Competition in the amateur ranks. A golfing enthusiast, whose name has not yet been made public, is ready to give a challenge cup for annual play alternately in England and the United States.

The first series of matches are planned over the St. George's Hill and Wentworth courses early in June. Arrangements for this are in the hands of the Professional Golfers' Association in England, with Walter Hagen scheduled to select a team from the United States.''

T. J. Devlin, the professional of the Knowlton Golf Club, Knowlton, Que., which has one of the prettiest links near Montreal, reports the course has wintered well. The greens seeded with Prince Edward Island Bent last year have especially come along well.

"Bill" Kinnear, professional at Saskatoon, and one of the best known golfers in the West, has recently returned from California, where he spent the Winter. On his way home he stopped over at Vancouver and has this to say of the British Columbia Championships held there this month: They were a great success in every way and I can't say too much for the excellent way the Tournament was run and the hospitality of the Jericho Golf Club, whose genial Secretary, Mr. Taylor, and the pro., Alex. Duthie, especially did everything to make everyone feel right at home."

Thomas McGrath of the Glendale Golf and Country Club, Hamilton, and one of the leading professionals of Ontario, returned last month from a trip to his native Ireland. He played quite a few matches with the leading pros there and enjoyed them very much indeed. He reports a most delightful trip.

## OFFICERS OF THE WESTERN CANADA GOLF ASSOCIATION

THE following are the strong Committees of the Western Canada Golf Association, which will have charge of the 1926 Championships to be held at Elmhurst, Winnipeg, the week of July 26th:

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Tournament Committee Chairmen—Messrs. C. E. Harvey, General Chairman; T. J. Lytle, Vice-Chairman; G. Innes Mackenzie, Alcrest, Secretary (P.O. Box 1391); J. H. Blackwood, Parks Board, Accommodation; R. Robertson, Elmhurst, Caddie; Hon. Robt. Jacob; Elmhurst, Entertainment and Reception; Neil Dow, Elmhurst, Finance; Col. J. N. Semmens, Elmhurst, Green; T. J. Lytle, Assiniboine, Match; Gordon Hunter, Winnipeg, Program; C. P. Wilson, St. Charles, Referee; Geo. H. McKeag, Alcrest, Transportation; D. MacMillan, Regina, Winnipeg.

## **RESULTS IN B. C. CHAMPIONSHIPS**

THE first Championships of the 1926 Canadian season were staged the week of March 31st at the beautiful Jericho Country Club, Vancouver, B.C., and were an unqualified success in every particular.

For the first time an Open Championship was held. This was won by Neil Christian, of Yakima, Washington, one of the best professionals on the Pacific Coast. His score was 295 for the 72 holes. There was an excellent entry of 28 players—22 professionals and 6 amateurs.

The Amateur Championship, which was won by Bon Stein, of Seattle, Wash., once again crosses the Border. In the final were Mr. C. D. Hunter, of Tacoma, Wash., and Mr. Jack Westland, of Seattle, Wash. The morning round of 18 holes was very close indeed, with a score of 77 to 78, Hunter being one up on his opponent. In the afternoon he won the Championship, defeating Westland 2 and 1. There was an entry of 48 of the leading amateurs of the Coast.

The Ladies' Championship was won in 1925 by that brilliant Winnipegger, Mrs. Harold G. Hutchings, and she repeated this month, defeating Miss Janet Drysdale, of Vancouver, in the 18-hole final 4 and 3. There were 21 contestants.

A detailed report of these most interesting Championships will appear in the May Anniversary Number.

## MITCHELL DRAWS FIRST BLOOD

### Outstanding English Professional Picks Off First Big Tournament of the Season in Commanding Fashion

Y "large and small" for some years now, Abe Mitchell and George Duncan, the one a Scot and the other an Englishman, who paired up together, made so many staunch friends in Canada, during their two tours here, have been accounted the leading golf players of Great Britain, notwithstanding that they have done nothing of note in the Open Championship and have had to lower their colours to A. G. Havers and Archie Compston, on more than Of these two stars, one occasion. Mitchell has recently been given the preference and he thoroughly justified the confidence of his many admirers when he went through a brilliant field of fifty of the leading Old Country professionals at the opening £200 Tournament of the season, last week

in a most commanding fashion. To win this Tournament, he defeated such stars as Jimmie Ockenden, former French Open Champion, 3 and 1; Archie Compston, 1924 Open Champion, 4 and 3; W. B. Smith, looked upon as England's most promising young pro., 4 and 3, and George Duncan, 1920 Open Champion, his old time rival and team mate, 3 and 2. It was a great and glorious victory for the long-hitting "Abe," and he is to-day the golfing idol of Great Britain and acclaimed as the "white hope" of the Old Country to wrest the British Open Championship next June from the U. S. invaders, headed by "Jim" Barnes, the present Champion, and Walter Hagen, the Champion in 1922 and 1924.

## THE "HOLE IN ONE" STUNT

THE lady golfers in Canada are off to an early start in the 1926 "Hole-in-One" Competition.

Playing over the Nanaimo Golf Club course at Nanaimo, B. C., with Mrs. J. M. Paterson in a monthly medal round, Mrs. E. A. Fletcher made the 9th hole, 133 yards, in one, and thus has the honour of being the first lady golfer in Canada to record the feat this season. Hearty congratulations. The Editor particularly enjoys the privilege of bestowing a year's subscription to the "Canadian Golfer" to Lady "one-shotters."

Not to be outdone by the ladies of British Columbia, Mr. F. N. Tait, of the Point Grey Golf and Country Club, on Saturday, April 10th won enduring fame playing over the Point Grey Golf and Country Club course at Vancouver, he negotiated the snappy little 65-yard 10th hole in one. The feat was witnessed by Messrs. G. Thomas, G. D. Cornish and F. W. Guernsey.

## IN AND ROUND THE CLUB HOUSE

Interesting Happenings on the Courses of Canada, Great Britain and the United States.

Dr. J. A. Dickson, a popular member of the Hamilton Golf and Country Club, and one of the Canadian Seniors, is leaving this month to spend a year or so in Great Britain and on the continent. He is planning to play over some of the leading golf courses whilst en tour.

Miss Glenna Collett, Providence, R. I., United States Women's Golf Champion, set a new Pinehurst record for a qualifying women's score at Pinehurst, N. C., when she turned in a 38-39=77 score in the medal round of the North and South Women's Championship.

The following are the dates decided upon for the important 1926 Invitation Tournaments at the Shawnee Country Club, Shawnee-on-Delaware, Pa., which are always participated in by the leading players of America:

Annual Invitation Open Tournament for the Shawnee Shield, Tuesday and Wednesday, July 13th and 14th.

Annual Invitation Tournament for the Buckwood Trophy, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, July 29th, 30th and 31st.

Annual Invitation Fall Tournament, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, October 14th, 15th, 16th.

The Niagara-on-the-Lake Golf Club, founded in 1876, but which during the war had to vacate its course for the use of the soldiers, was reorganized two years ago and has been so successful that the management felt justified in expending considerable of its funds in improving the nine-hole course on the Mississauga Common. Ideally situated with lake and river bordering one side and many beautiful Summer homes and fine trees the other side, the course has many attractions, among them its cool breezes and the unique second hole played over the dike and parapet surrounding the old fort. General C. M. Nelles, C. M. G., who owns a

summer home in the vicinity, is President of the Club this season, supported by a strong Board of Directors as follows: Vice-President, Dr. Wallwyn; Secretary-Treasurer, Capt. D. A. R. Rogers; Captain, Jos. Burns, and Messrs. Robertson, Ridgley, McPhee, Dr. Rigg and Major Linger. The interesting and historical course is some 3,500 yards in length and has many feature holes.



H. R. H. The Prince of Wales, who whilst recuperating from a recent operation on his ear, has been playing golf at Sandwich, with much benefit.

The Red Deer Golf and Country Club is another Alberta Club planning to extend its 9-hole course to 18 holes this summer. Congratulations. An eighteen-hole course spells success always.

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J. J. Taylor in retaining the Professional Championship of Middlesex at Stanmore on 31st March, played throughout with the new Harlequin Mesh Ball. His rounds were 76 and 70, the latter establishing a record for the new course. Taylor has been playing some extra good golf recently, and on the 25th of March he had a round over his own course, Potter's Bar, in which he returned a remarkable score of 67, being 11 strokes up on Bogey. In this



round Taylor also used the Harlequin Mesh.

Harry Yorke, in the Buffalo "Express," has this to say of the two Canadian courses at Ridgeway, Ont., and Bridgeburg, Ont., largely supported by the residents of the Bison City:

"Cherry Hill course is under the care of George C. Langlands, who is also an Eastern expert, with experience gained from association with nationally noted course makers. Langlands says the Cherry Hill greens are in the most promising condition, and the fairways will be much better grassed than last year quite early in the summer.

Ted Rose, greenkeeper at Erie Downs, which, for youth, ranks next among the newer courses, announces that the newly grassed fairways have benefited materially by the prolonged aqueous conditions. Erie Downs can do with all the moisture available, while the grassing process still is young."

In the finals of the Mixed Two Ball Tournament at Powell River, Miss O'Hearn and Kyles, defeated Miss Kilburn and Flett, after a hard fought battle, 1 up, at the eighteenth hole. The finals of the Men's Two Ball Tournament saw the defeat of A. S. McLean and Graham by Peacock and McKenzie, 5 up and 4 to play.

The Win. Rennie Seed Co., Ltd., Seed Annual for 1926 is a beautifully printed booklet of 100 pages, which will be eagerly scanned by farmers, gardeners and members of Green Committees of Golf and Bowling Clubs. The Rennie Seed Company make a specialty of their XXX grass seed for golf courses and have supplied it for years to the leading clubs in Canada.

A New York despatch, April 6th: "Archie Compston, British professional golf champion, sailed this afternoon for England on the Mauretania. He said he would return about the first of July to compete in the American Open tournament.

Compston, regarded as one of the greatest linksmen in Europe, came here with Arnaud Massy at New Year's and made an impressive showing in tournaments and matches held in Florida during the last three months. Compston won the Ridge Championship at Lakeland and finished fifth or better in three of the four other major open tournaments in the South. In team match competition, Compston averaged 71 2/5 strokes for twenty-four eighteen hole rounds, and his victims included Bobby Jones, National Amateur Champion; Willie MacFarlane, American Open titleholder, and Jim Barnes, British Open champion. Compston will go back to England again after the United States Open, but will return December 1st to begin his duties as professional at the new golf course at Davis Shores, off the St. Augustine mainland."

Captain Melville Millar, Secretary-Manager of the Islington Golf Club, Toronto, writes:

'The course came through the winter in splendid shape and without any winter kill, I am pleased to say. We commenced rolling fairways on the 10th and we hope by the 17th to have the entire course open for play with the flags on the permanent greens. The club house has already been overhauled and put in commission, that is to say, the locker rooms, etc.; the snack room will be in commission by May 1st, with a competent steward in charge.

We picked up quite a number of new members during the winter, and hope to close our membership list by July 1st.

By the interesting advertisement which appears elsewhere in this issue, it will be noticed that Mr. John C. Russell, 132 St. Peter Street, Montreal, sole distributor in Canada for the cele-

brated Worthington Mower Co., has this year a particularly fine line of the famous Worthington mowers, which have made for themselves such an enviable record on golf courses from Coast to Coast. Clubs requiring mowers, lawn tractors and tractors and dump carts this season would be well advised to communicate with Mr. Russell. The 1926 Worthington Cutting Unit is the very last word in workmanship and efficiency.

Mr. W. E. Vernon, one of the best known golfers of the Collingwood Golf Club, left this month for Los Angeles and other points in California, where he and his party will play on the leading golf courses.

A. E. Cruttenden Professional. SUMMIT GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB. Jefferson P. O. Ont.

Mr. H. W. Fitton, of Brantford, an ex-President of the Brantford Golf and Country Club, who has resigned from the Bank of Commerce after many years valuable service, and Mrs. Fitton, left this week for Europe, where they will spend the next year or so. They carry with them introductions to many of the best golf clubs in the Old Country.

Dack's Limited, 73 King Street West, Toronto, and also at Montreal, Winnipeg and Windsor, has for a century been supplying the best dressed men of the Dominion, with their footwear. Their Golf Shoes are especially famous from Coast to Coast and can be seen on every golf course. Happy the golfer who wears Dack Shoes-they provide absolute "foot comfort" and that means better and more comfortable golf, and as a result a better game and a better score.

Mr. A. H. Campbell, a prominent resident of Toronto, has been re-elected Honorary Secretary of the Canadian Red Cross Society. Mr. Campbell is The Largest Railway System in America



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an ex-president of The Royal Canadian Golf Association and of the Toronto Golf Club.

The prominent Toronto firm of The Harold A. Wilson Company, Limited, Athletic and Sporting Goods Dealers, have been appointed the representatives for Eastern Canada of The Games Ball Company, of England, manufacturers of the famous Harlequin Golf Ball, which is being placed on the Canadian market this season. The Western representative of the Company, as previously announced, is Mr. W. G. Langdon, 2464 Cambridge Street, Vancouver, B. C.

Diminutive Willie Hanter, professional at the Brentwood Club, California, formerly British Amateur Champion, is the new California Open Champion. He wrested the crown from a field of the West's leading players April 19th at Los Angeles, California, by completing the 72-hole medal battle with a card of 295. George Von Elm, Salt Lake City, the well known amateur and member of the U. S. Walker Cup team, was runner-up with 302.

As we go to press the sad news comes of the passing from pneumonia, of Mr. J. P. Downey, ex-M. P. P., Superintendent of the Ontario Hospital, Orillia, formerly Editor of the Guelph Herald. Of late years he had been a most enthusiastic devotee of golf and the prosperous club at Orillia owes much to his encouragement and guidance.

Major C. R. Crowe, of Guelph, who has been appointed Commandant of the 1926 Bisley Rifle Team, is an enthusiastic member of the Guelph Golf Club and the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association. He is himself a champion rifle shot.

Mr. "Don" Carrick, Canadian Amateur Golf Champion, drove a ball with carry estimated at 250 yards on the Rosedale course during a round last week end with his father, Col. J. J. Carrick.

Playing from the eighteenth tee into the "punch bowl" which is serving as a temporary green, Carriek carried the hill above the green, his ball sinking into the club house lawn.

Several members of the Rosedale Club witnessed the drive. It is said that the feat has never before been performed on the course.

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The following is the strong Executive of the Lady Associate members of the Hamilton Golf and Country Club for the coming year: Hon. President, Lady Hendrie; President, Miss Haslett; First Vice-President, Mrs. J. L. Counsell; Second Vice-President, Miss Climie: Third Vice-President, Mrs. G. Lynch-Staunton; Fourth Vice-President, Miss Morrison; Secretary, Mrs. Howard Duffield; Captain, Miss Gladys Secord; First Vice-Captain, Mrs. Stinson Thompson; Second Vice-Captain, Miss Rosalind Bell. Handicap Committee, Misses Jane McFarlane, Dorothy Davis and Marion Mills.



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Senior Ringer Board, Mrs. P. B. Yeates. Junior Ringer Board, Miss Dorothy Martin. C. L. G. U. delegate, Mrs. J. L. Counsell.

A cable from Oxhey, England, April 18th:

"Following the drubbing which he administered to George Duncan, Abe Mitchell gave additional proof of his 1926 golfing prowess yesterday by beating the veteran Ted Ray 7 up and 5 to play. The match was played on Ray's own course here, and was over 36 holes for a prize of £100. The Oxhey Club raised the purse to back their judgment that Ray was unbeatable on his own grounds."

Undeterred by the backward Spring weather, hundreds of golfers in Toronto and other centres in Ontario were out on the links the week-end of April 17th. Reports generally are to the effect that the courses wintered very well, notwithstanding the severe winter. The bent grass greens especially stood up well.

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Nation-wide regret has been recorded this month on the demise of the

well known publicist, Col. George Ham, of Montreal, for many years Publicity Agent of the C. P. R. and a former well known Winnipeg journalist. The Colonel was one of Canada's most celebrated humorists. Years ago he poked much fun at the game of golf and predicted that it was only a passing fad, but he was a broad and liberal minded man and quite recently admitted to the Editor of the "Canadian Golfer' that there must be "something after all in the fool game or so many fools wouldn't be playing it." Dear, loveable George Ham will be mourned and missed for many a day by his legions of friends, not only in Canada, but throughout the United States and Great Britain.

The annual City of Toronto Ladies' Golf Championship will be held at the Lambton Club this year, probably on Monday and Tuesday, June 14 and 15. The title and the Mrs. Alex. Rogers Thophy is held at present by Mrs. W. A. Whittington, of the Toronto Golf Club, her predecessors being Mrs. F. J. Mulqueen in 1923, and Miss Ada Mac-Kenzie in 1924. The Championship will be decided by 36 holes medal play, eighteen each day, and is open to members of clubs in Toronto that are affiliated with the Canadian Ladies' Golf Union.

It is with extreme personal regret that the Editor is called upon to record the sudden passing of Mr. Alex. T. Reid, President of the A. T. Reid Co., and one of the outstanding business men of Toronto, which occurred April 17th, as a result of blood poisoning which developed from an infected facial scratch. His demise came as a great shock to countless friends throughout Canada.

Mr. Reid took up with the game of golf most enthusiastically some years ago, and was a particularly active member and official of the Lambton Golf and Country Club. He was also a member of the Rosedale Golf Club and a most valued member of The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association, always participating in the Tournaments and on more than one occasion, winning prizes

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in the annual competitions. He was a charter subscribed of the "Canadian Golfer," and a most valued friend and adviser at all times. His place will indeed be hard to fill, not alone in the home life, but in the business and golfing life of Toronto. The Editor joins with golfing friends throughout the Dominion in extending to Mrs, Reid and the three daughters most heartfelt sympathy in the irreparable loss they have been called upon to sustain.

The fiftieth annual general meeting of the Toronto Golf Club was held in the Committee room of the Dominion Bank. The meeting, which was presided over by the President, Mr. Clarence A. Bogert, was attended by a large number of the members. The statement presented showed the usual healthy state of affairs of this, Ontario's oldest and most prominent golf club. The members of the Board who retired upon the completion of their terms were Messrs. M. C. Cameron, A. T. Davidson, Dudley Dawson and Leighton McCarthy, K. C. The vacancies were filled by the election of Messrs. F. G. B. Allan, H. D. Burns, Christie T. Clark and C. S. Macdonald. Dudley Dawson was elected Captain for the coming season. At the close of the business meeting the prizes were presented to the winners of principal club competitions, as follows:

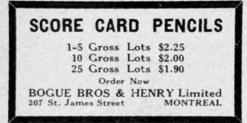
Club Championship—R. M. Gray, Jr. Osler Trophy—Hugh R. Aird.

Cockshutt Trophy-Evan M. Begg.

First Flight, Ringer Competition— John Haddon, 52; runner-up, J. Kerr Cronyn, 56.

Second Flight, Ringer Competition ---W. W. Angus, 62; runner-up, Evan M. Begg, 64.

At a subsequent meeting of the Directors, Mr. C. A. Bogert was reelected President for the year and Mr. Gerald B. Strathy Vice-President.



The ladies of the Sarnia Golf Club had a particularly successful annual meeting April 8th, when the following capable Board of Officers was elected: Miss K. M. Murphy, Hon. President; Mrs. Hugh F. Smith, President; Mrs. N. L. LeSneur, First Vice-President; Mrs. T. C. McCobb, Second Vice-President; Miss Gale Gilroy, Secretary-Treasurer; Miss K. Atkinson, Captain; Miss S. B. Milne, Handicap Manager.

Last year the Collingwood Golf and Country Club, spent quite a lot of money on equipment and on their fairways, resulting in a vast improvement to the course. This spring the club purpose making an outlay to improve the greens, creeping bent, etc. Mr. W. E. Vernon writes: "We are looking forward to a particularly fine season on the Collingwood Links in 1926." The Editor visited the course a season or so ago and can testify to its many interesting feature holes.

The Golf and Country Club of Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., held its annual meeting at which the four former Directors were re-elected. They are Col. P. B. Wilson, E. Walton, O. W. Bridges and Elmer W. West. Two of the Directors who were elected last year to fill the vacancies left by James Hawson and George W. Goodwin were J. Noble and Hart Buck. The other two Directors are George R. Gray and W. C. Franz.

The Ladies' Committee of the Lookout Point Golf and Country Club, Welland, held their annual meeting on March 12. Much regret was expressed at the absence of the President, Mrs. R. Harcourt, through illness and as Mrs. Harcourt was unable to continue as President, it was the unanimous desire of the meeting that she be made Honorary President of the Committee, which was done. Reports for the past year were then received, and the following officers elected for the coming season: Honorary President. Mrs. R. Harcourt; President, Mrs. E. Binns; Vice-President, Mrs. H. D. Cowper; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. C. T. Grantham; Captain, Mrs. B. J. Mc-Cormick.

The Highland Golf Club, of London, held its annual meeting last month, and it can be safely said that this was the club's most enthusiastic gathering, as its members can point with no little amount of pride to its fine plant and course, and since the club's pioneer days are over will look forward to greater things from the development of the game itself.

The Directors and the Committees in charge of the golf and house were reelected, and it is expected that President J. M. Moore, Mayor of London, will likely be re-elected at the next meeting of the new directorate.

The Directors elected were: J. M. Moore, J. K. Campbell, T. H. Mann, E. S. Little, C. Spittal, J. McHale and J. Richter.

Golf Committee—G. McLachlan (chairman), H. F. Easton (captain), W. D. Davidson (vice-captain), W. E. Greene, W. E. Turville, J. D. K. Black, G. Tennent and Dr. E. Spence.

House Committee—C. Spittal, N. K. Keene and Dr. K. Berry.

Most of the fixtures for the coming season have been arranged by the Weston Golf and Country Club. It has been arranged to play the Willie Park Trophy, which was one of the big successes of the Toronto golf season last year on Saturday, September 11, two weeks earlier than last year. The club is rendering assistance to the Ontario Agricultural College, who are operating with the Green Section of the R. C. G. A., under the direction of Mr. Tregillus, in an endeavour to obtain for the senior students in turf culture and landscaping, the practical application of their scientific knowledge. Two students from the College will be employed at Weston during part of the

coming season. Other Toronto Clubs, it is understood, will also co-operate with the Green Section along these lines.

A meeting of the members of the Riverdale Golf and Country Club, Ltd., Weston, was held at the King Edward Hotel this month and the Directors for the ensuing year are: J. Harvey Bone, President; Cecil White, Newton H. Conley, William Johnstone, Vice-Presidents; John P. Loughrin, Secretary-Treasurer and Managing Director.

This club was re-organized last Fall and at the present time has a membership of 100. Plans for a membership drive were started and the members feel sure that 250 players will start the season. The services of P. Cooper, assistant professional at the Weston Golf and Country Club last year, were procured for the season of 1926.

A despatch from Orangeville, Ont., April 1st:

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<sup>1</sup> There was a large attendance last night at the annual reorganization meeting of the Orangeville Golf and Country Club, held in the auditorium of the Public Library. Dr. R. N. Kyles presided, and reports of various committees showed the organization to be in good condition. The club have a nine-hole course, a mile west of the town and more improvements will be added this Spring. The newly-elected officers are: Honorary President, Dr. R. N. Kyles; President, W. C. Hopkins; Vice-President, Mrs. C. R. Me-Keown; Treasurer, J. E. Sutherland; Secretary, Charles E. Lamon; Grounds Committee, Dr. R. W. Rooney, E. C. Clark, Dr. G. H. Campbell; Ladies' Committee, Mrs. (Dr.) R. N. Kyles, Miss Emma McKay, Mrs. Alexander S. Walker, Mrs. (Dr.) G. H. Campbell, Miss Winnifred E. Bennett.''

The ladies' branch of the Cataraqui Golf and Country Club, Kingston, Ont., held its annual meeting at the home of Mrs. F. H. MacNee. The chief item of business was the election of officers, which resulted as follows:— President, Mrs. William Harty; Vice-President, Mrs. W. B. Dalton; Secretary, Miss Isobel Minnes; Assistant Secretary, Miss Edith Ritchie; Treasurer, Miss C. Rutherford; Handicap Committee, Mrs. W. G. Minnes (Captain); Miss Caroline Mitchell, Mrs. H. C. Welch; House Committee, Mrs.

Halloway Waddell, Mrs. J. H. Emilie, Miss A. Minnes and Mrs. W. E. Kidd.

The very attractive solid brass paper weight shown below, is rather a unique idea designed by the Dunlop Tire & Rubber Goods Company, Limited, for



presentation to golfists making a Holein-One with the Dunlop Golf Ball in 1926. A plate is attached to this weight containing the player's name and also the fact that he has fulfilled the requirements of the Dunlop Holein-One Club. The Golf Ball used by the player is attached to the weight and forms a permanent record of the feat, in addition to providing a very useful article for a desk.

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- FOR SALE—My share in The Thistledown Golf Club. Reasonable price for cash. Apply H. G. Mecready, R. R. 1, Richmond Hill, Ont
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## VARDON STILL THE GREAT GOLFER

THE very many Canadian friends of Harry Vardon, will be gratified to know that the "greatest golfer of all time," is playing this season a game quite up to his form of years lang syne. He is still as good for an 18-hole or 36-hole competition as in his palmiest days, and they certainly were "palmy" all right. Recently the Master, as he is affectionately called, made a 68 at his home club, South Herts, Totteridge, London N., in faultless style. In the big Roehampton 72-hole Tournament last week too, he was well up among his younger rivals. Vardon will be 56 years of age May 7th next. Here's wishing him on behalf of his host of admirers in this country, "Many many Happy Returns of the Day." No one has done as much to improve the standard of golf throughout the World, as the six times Open Champion of Great Britain and the twice Open Champion of the United States.

## FORTHCOMING IMPORTANT FIXTURES

May 10, etc.—British Ladies' Open Championship, Harlech, Wales.

May17-20.—Irish Amateur (Close) Championship at Portrush.

May 22.—International Match, England vs. Scotland, Muirfield.

May 24, etc.-British Open Amateur Championship, Muirfield.

June 2-3.-Irish Professional Championship at Malone, Belfast.

June 2-3.-Walker Cup Match, Great Britain vs. United States, St. Andrews.

June 5.—R. C. G. A. Green Section Tournament—All Golf Courses throughout Canada.

June 16-17.—Qualifying Rounds, British Open Championship at Various Sections.

June 17, 18, 19.—Ontario Amateur Championships, York Downs, Toronto.

June 21.—Ontario Open Championship, York Downs, Toronto.

June 21, etc.—British Open Championship, Lytham and St. Anne's.

June. 28-July 3.—Amateur Championship of Canada, Toronto Golf Club, Long Branch, Ontario.

July 3.-French Amateur Championship at St. Cloud.

July 7-8.-French Open Championship at St. Cloud.

July 8-10.-U. S. Open Championship, Seiota Country Club, Columbus, Ohio.

July 12-17.—Western New York Women's Golf Association Championship at the Park Golf Club, Buffalo, N. Y.

July 13, 14.—Annual Open Invitation Tournament, Shawnee Country Club, Shawneeon-Delaware, Pa.

July 15-17.—Metropolitan Golf Association Open Championship tournament at the Salisbury Links, Garden City, L. I.

July 18-24.—Western Golf Association Amateur Championship tournament at the White Bear Yacht Club, St. Paul, Minn. July 26-30.—Championships of the Maritimes, Halifax Golf Club, Ashburn.

July 26th, etc.—Western Canada Championships, Elmhurst Golf Club, Winnipeg.

July 29-31.—Annual Invitation Tournament, Shawnee Country Club, Shawnee-on-Delaware, Pa., for Buckwood Trophy.

August 5-6-7.—Open Championship of Canada, The Royal Montreal Golf Club, Dixie, Que.

Week of August 30.—Ladies' Canadian Open Championship, Elmhurst Golf Club, Winnipeg, Man.

Sept. 2, 3, 4.—Canadian Seniors' Ninth Annual Tournament, Toronto Golf Club.

Sept. 6 to 10.—Irish Amateur (Open) Championship at Portmarnock.

Week of Sept. 7.—Ladies' Canadian Close Championship, St. Charles Country Club, Winnipeg.

Sept. 9.—International Seniors' Match, Canada vs. United States, Apawamis Golf Club, Rye, N. Y.

Sept 10.-Individual Seniors' Championship, Apawamis Golf Club, Rye, N. Y.

Sept. 11.—Ontario Junior Championship.— Course not yet decided upon.

September 13-18.—United States Golf Association Amateur Championship at Baltusrol Golf Club, Short Hills, New Jersey.

September 27-28.—Westchester County Golf Association Open Championship tournament at the Century Country Club.

Sept. 27-Oct. 3.—American Women's Championship at Merion Cricket Club, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Oct. 4, etc.-English Ladies' Close Championship, Woodall Spa., Lincolnshire.

October 4-8.—British Ladies' Close Championship, Woodall Spa.

Oct. 14-16.—Annual Invitation Tournament, Shawnee Country Club, Shawnee-on-Delaware, Pa.

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