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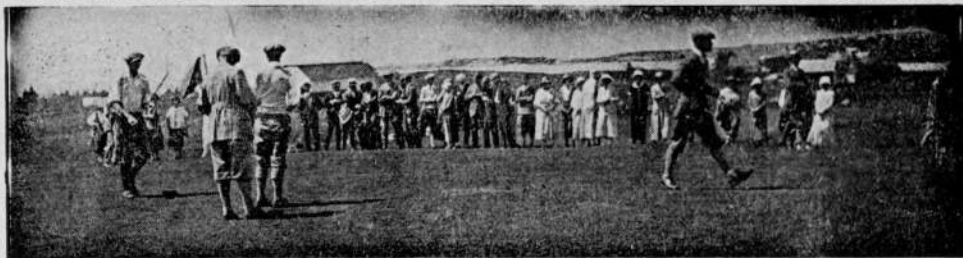
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**President of U. S. G. A. Reviews 1931 Activities.** Mr. H. H. Ramsay, New York, president of the United States Golf Association at the end of the year issued the following interesting statement:

"The year 1931 has been a particularly interesting year in golf because of the rise of so many new champions. With the withdrawal of Bobby Jones from all competition there was great interest in the question of who his successors were to be.

In the Open Championship, Billy Burke finally was the victor over George Von Elm after a double play-off. Francis Ouimet, after seventeen years, won the Amateur Championship for the second time at Chicago in a fine field which was distinguished by a large number of young players appearing in national competition for the first time.

"In the Women's Championship, Helen Hicks became champion by defeating Mrs. Glenna Collett Vare in the finals at the Country Club of Buffalo. In the Championship of the Professional Golfers' Association, Tom Creavy, by sensational golf, was returned the winner. The public links competition produced a new champion in Charles Ferrera, of San Francisco.

"As the year drew to a close, Wiffy Cox and Harry Cooper were making the best showing in the early winter tournaments, and it may be that Cox will have another sensational winter season.

"The year of 1932, we think, gives prospect of being another interesting year. For the first time the association is sending a women's team abroad to compete with a team representing Great Britain. This competition, which will be conducted along the same lines as the Walker Cup matches, likely will take place some time in May. Another International feature, the Walker Cup matches, is scheduled this year in the United States, but as yet nothing definite has been received on England's plans for sending a team over.

"The Open Championship of the United States will be held at the Fresh Meadow Club, Flushing, L.I., in June. This competition always brings out the finest field in the country and 1932 will be no exception.

"The Amateur Championship will be held at the Five Farms course of the Baltimore Country Club, Baltimore, Md., in September. We believe that with a few minor changes in detail, the plan of sectional qualifying utilized for this championship in 1931 will produce satisfactory results as far as as this competition is concerned. There likely will be no changes in the actual method of playing the championship."

**Golf Had Very Good Year in 1931.** Annual reports of golf clubs throughout Canada are coming in this month and as predicted last December by the "Canadian Golfer" the results financially for 1931 show that there has been, generally speaking, about ten per cent. of a decrease compared with 1930.

Considering the trying year just passed executives of golf clubs are to be congratulated on the very satisfactory reports they have been able to present for the consideration of their members. Golf has suffered less than any other sport and indications are for a distinctly good season in 1932.

It is especially gratifying that clubs carried on last year without having to cut down to any appreciable extent the number of their employees, whilst wages generally were not materially reduced. In this connection also golf more than "made good" compared with other pastimes.

Club memberships last year were remarkably well maintained—in fact, in more than one club so far reporting, an increase was reported—one club in Toronto, Thistledown, having increased its membership by over 100 in 1931.

**New U.S. Ball Promises to Be Popular.** The new U.S. ball has had its first baptism at the Pasadena \$4,000 tournament and the experts seem to be well pleased with it, both professionals and amateurs. The players claim that owing to the extra weight, namely 1.62, the same as authorized in Great Britain and Canada, the ball holds up better against the wind and putts better on the green than the 1931 lighter ball. The larger diameter also makes it "sit-up" better through the fairway. Altogether the United States Golf Association seems to have remedied the disastrous experiment of the past year and has really produced a ball which will meet with the approbation of both the high and low handicap players. It would not be at all surprising if this new U.S. ball will not be quite popular in Canada the coming season. Dealers already report some enquiry for them. It will be quite legal to use it in this country as it is not banned by the Royal Canadian Golf Association but can be played in any championship.

**U.S. Pros Averages Better Than British.** British statistics just published of the record of the leading professionals there in 1931 show that young T. H. Cotton heads the averages in first class events with 73.1 for each 18-hole round played. Close on his heels were six well known players, W. H. Davies, 73.3; F. Robson, 73.5; Percy Alliss (who made golfing history in the Canadian Open), 73.7; Archie Compston, 73.8; A. Perry, 73.8; and R. A. Whitcombe, 73.9. There were only 8 points between the leader and last of these seven players, certainly remarkable close scoring. A. G. Havers' average was 74.1, Abe Mitchell, 74.2; Mark Seymour, 74.3; E. R. Whitcombe, 74.5; A. J. Lacey, 74.7. J. H. Taylor in the few rounds he played had 75.2, whilst the two other members of the great triumvirate, who reigned supreme two decades ago, Harry Vardon and James Braid, had to be content with 80 and 82.

It is interesting to note that the best of the British averages in 1931 were some two strokes behind the best averages of the leading American professionals last year, which goes to show that the U.S. pro has still the edge on his Old Country rival, although possibly it may be argued it is easier to register low scores on American courses than on the wind-swept courses of Great Britain.



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

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When half the students of Norwich University voted in favour of golf a professional instructor was hired.

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Barney Berlinger, former all-round athlete of the University of Pennsylvania, has been voted the James E. Sullivan Memorial Medal as outstanding amateur athlete of the United States. The jury is composed of 600 outstanding sports leaders. Bobby Jones won the medal last year.

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Editorial Note, Toronto Mail:—

One craze succeeds another and perhaps is forced into oblivion by what follows. But instead of them being antagonistic why should they not be complimentary? As a constructive suggestion we propose that the next contract tournament should be played on a Tom Thumb golf links, and that the programme or caddying privileges should be reserved for the authors of cross word puzzles.

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The Editor wishes to thank most heartily many golfing friends in Canada, Great Britain and the States for kindly Christmas and New Year remembrances of cards, books and other much valued gifts. Perhaps hardly necessary to state they were deeply appreciated. To one and all thanks many, and good wishes for a record year in 1932, "both on and off the links".

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On his retirement recently Mr. Marshall H. Brown, divisional freight agent of the Canadian Pacific Railway, Toronto, was presented with a beautiful gold watch by his fellow officials and employees of the division. He has seen forty-five years service with the C.P.R. Mr. Brown is a member of the Mississauga Golf Club and has for many years taken a prominent part in golf.

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Major A. L. McAllister, manager of the Weston Golf and Country Club, writes:—

"In the December issue of the 'Canadian Golfer', page 531, under the caption 'There were Giants in Those Days', the plate shows one 'Jamie Anderson' at the extreme right, standing. This gentleman was the grandfather of D. A. Ferguson, the present professional of the Weston Golf and Country Club. Thus it would appear that Ferguson comes rightly by his golfing ability."

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The sudden death took place at Weston-Super-Mare of Sir William Mills, inventor of the Mills hand grenade, a weapon used extensively in the Great War. He was also famous in golfing circles, the Mills putter manufactured by his firm having a great reputation amongst golfers everywhere. Sir

William, who was 76 and who was educated as a marine engineer, was the inventor of numerous devices, ranging from telescopic stools and golf clubs to the Mills boat-disengaging gear, used widely in the navy, the telegraphic and mercantile marine.

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It is with very great regret that the Editor is called upon to chronicle the passing of Mr. Colin S. Cameron, K.C., of Owen Sound, ex-M.P.P. and former Crown Attorney of the County of Grey, a very old and valued subscriber of the "Canadian Golfer". He was one of the outstanding lawyers of Ontario and was widely known both in and out of the Courts. He was prominent not only in legal but Anglican, golf and other circles and his death is deeply mourned by hosts of friends in Owen Sound and throughout the Province.

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Our correspondents and subscribers in the States will kindly remember that in future it is necessary to place a 3 cent stamp on all letters posted in the States for Canada. The "Canadian Golfer" is in receipt of quite a large number of letters every week from the United States and these are held up very often for two or three days for non-sufficient postage making for an irritating situation. Please therefore will our U.S. correspondents in future be sure and attach a 3 cent stamp instead of as heretofore, a 2 cent stamp, on their envelopes.

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The 1932 edition of "The Canadian Almanac" is if anything, and if that was possible, even better than its predecessors. In the 85th year of its publication this compendium of Canadian information and statistics is simply invaluable to the merchant, the banker, the manufacturer, the editor and members of the professions. Every phase of Canadian life and Canadian activity is covered by this outstanding Almanac and the editors, Messrs. Arnold W. Thomas and Horace C. Corner, are to be heartily congratulated on the succinct and clever compilation of such an invaluable and authoritative mass of statistics and information. The Copp Clark Co. Ltd., Toronto, are the publishers and the price is \$3.50 postage prepaid—worth twice that and more.

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Canada's one and only winter tournament will be held on the beautiful Colwood course, Victoria, B.C., Feb. 22-27. This is for amateurs only, both men and women, and will attract entrants not only from British Columbia, but Portland, Seattle, and other Pacific Coast centres. It is quite probable too that golfers from Eastern Canada will participate. Owing to the unfavorable money exchange conditions prevailing many Canadian golfers will this winter cancel their usual Southern trips and instead journey to British Columbia, where the courses are open the year round, and where golf can be played under the most favorable conditions.

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Captain J. V. Perks, secretary-treasurer of the Victoria Golf Club, writes the Editor (who is only too pleased to make the correction):—

On page 454 of the November "Golfer" there is a story referring to this year's inter-varsity match between Oxford and Cambridge in which you say that it is on the cards that Phil Morse, amateur champion of Saskatchewan, may be included in the Oxford team, and that a Canadian has never played on either the Oxford or Cambridge team. Two of our members, Mr. J. R. (Jack) Matson and R. (Ronnie) Scott-Monerieff have played for Cambridge in the inter-varsity match. Jack Matson got his Blue in 1925 and played that year, Ronnie Scott-Monerieff, now at McGill, Montreal, got his Blue in 1926 and played on the teams in that year and the following, 1927, he was elected captain in 1928 but did not play on account of not going up again. I know you will be pleased to hear that Canadians have played on these teams and we shall be much obliged if you





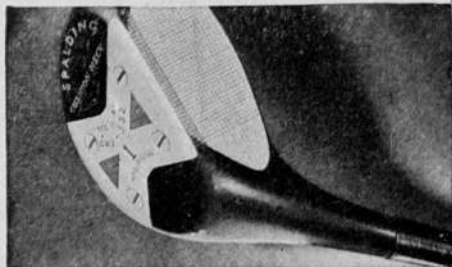
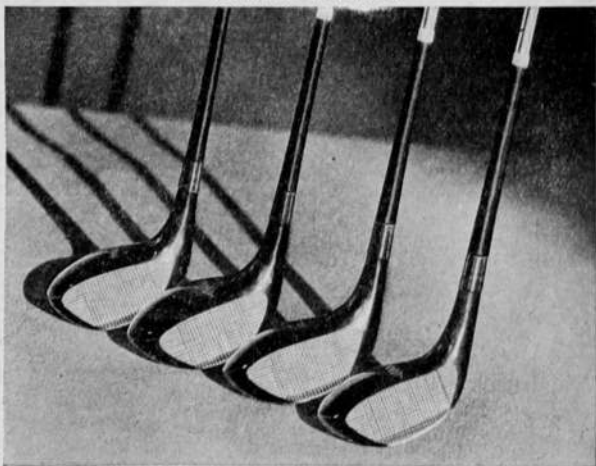
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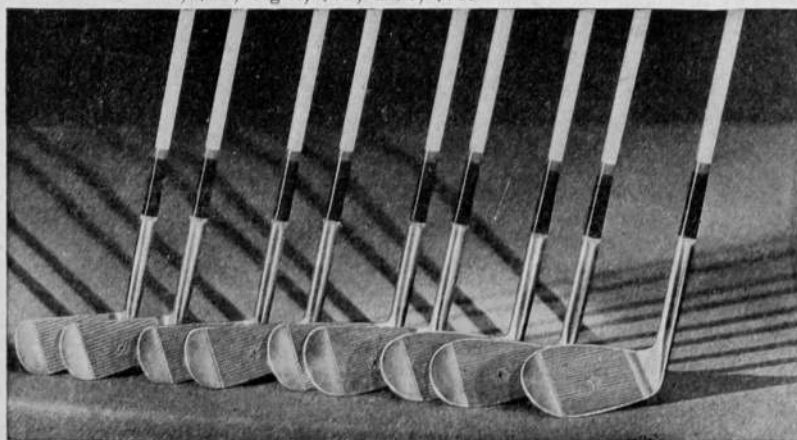


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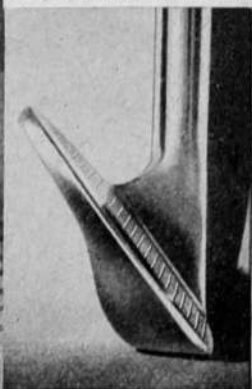
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will be good enough to make the correction. We are having lovely weather here just now, the links are beautifully green and the sun is shining brightly, I do hope we shall have nice weather for the Empress Hotel Mid-Winter Tournament which will be held at Colwood in February.

## "Canadian Golfer" Covers the Field

THE Waterdown Golf Club and a leading Toronto golf club in the December issue of the "Canadian Golfer" advertised for professionals for the coming season. Both received over forty applications for the respective positions. Replies were received by letter and by telegram from all parts of Canada and the States, whilst Mr. R. Swan Mason, president of the Waterdown Club, also was in receipt of a letter by air mail from Scotland.

The moral—If you "want to talk to the golfers of Canada you must use the 'Canadian Golfer'."

## Walker Cup Matches Will Be Held

LONDON, Jan. 14.—An incident of International sports arising from an obscure point of letter-writing etiquette, and threatening, it seemed, to leave the 1932 Walker Cup golf matches unplayed, to-night was well on its way to peaceful and satisfactory conclusion.

For weeks officials of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews have been waiting for an invitation to send their team to the United States. They have read in newspapers about Francis Ouimet being named captain of the United States team, but no other team members selected, dates set or course selected. The British say they did not know exactly what to do, and, therefore, hesitated to do anything.

To-day the gulf between the shy golfing authorities was bridged by Associated Press despatches.

What amounts to a United States invitation, from H. H. Ramsay, president of the United States Golf Association, is expected on the next mailboat, and it is not giving away official secrets to say that British acceptance is expected.

The crux of this International problem, it seems, has been the feeling on each side of the Atlantic that economic conditions on the other side might interfere with the amateur golf team classic.

Britain, it is admitted, has her economic troubles, but they are not serious enough to interfere with her golf.

Great Britain will have a capable team, composed mostly of promising youngsters as yet unselected.

In explaining to-day at New York the failure of the Royal and Ancient and the U.S.G.A. to get together, H. H. Ramsay said it always has been customary for the visiting team to open diplomatic negotiations.

The U.S.G.A. has been waiting for this overture, but since there seemed to be considerable confusion in England as regards willingness of the U.S. to stage the matches, Ramsay said he would immediately communicate with Henry Gullen, secretary of the Royal and Ancient, and set those fears at rest.

"I have no doubt the matches will be held this year," he said.

The last Walker Cup matches—they are played only bi-annually—were held at Sandwich, England, May 15 and 16, 1930, with Bobby Jones leading the U.S. team to victory, ten matches to two.

### Britain Will Send Team

A cable from St. Andrews, Scotland, Jan. 18th, announces the welcome news that notwithstanding the depression the Royal and Ancient has decided to send a British team of amateurs to the States next season to again try and wrest the Walker Cup from the U.S.—a trophy which that country has won ever since it was first competed for in 1922. It costs some money to finance a Walker Cup team—\$10,000 and upwards.

It is four years since the Walker Cup matches were last staged in the States. The British team always ends up its tour by playing in Toronto and Montreal, and sometimes Ottawa and Quebec, and it is expected that this year they will again be welcome visitors to Canada as guests of the Royal Canadian Golf Association and the Provincial Associations of Ontario and Quebec. The West would also like to entertain the visitors but it is not likely they will be able to afford the time to make the trip.

It is understood that the Cup matches will be played some time in September. The personnel of both teams will not be announced for some weeks. The only selection so far made has been Francis Ouimet, U.S. Amateur Champion, who has been selected by the United States Golf Association to captain the American team.

## Canadian Congratulations to "Johnny" and Mrs. Farrell

**D**EBONNAIRE Johnny Farrell, "the best dressed man on the links", and Open Champion of the U.S. in 1928, recently married Miss Catherine Bush, of Old Greenwich, Conn., and the happy couple have been enjoying a honeymoon in Hawaii. Farrell is very well known and popular on Canadian courses. He has participated many times in the Canadian Open, but has never landed our major event, although he has been "knocking at the door" on more than one occasion.

He first competed in Canada in 1923, then a mere youth, at Lakeview, Toronto, when with a score of 305 he ended up in 5th place. Then at Mount Bruno, Montreal, in 1924 he bettered his showing with a score of 291 for fourth place. He did not compete in 1925 but at the Royal Montreal Club in 1926 he was in 5th place with another 291 which tied with Tommy Armour and C. R. Murray. At the Toronto Golf Club in 1927 he again occupied 4th place, tied with Al Watrous at 292. He was an absentee in 1928 and 1929, but came back at Ancaster in 1930 to narrowly miss winning the event. He was in with a 278 which looked like the championship but Armour and Diegel subsequently both posted 277's, Armour winning in the play-off. Then last year at Mississauga he was again very much in the running, scoring a 283, one stroke back of Walter Hagen and Percy Alliss, who tied for first place. Therefore he has twice come within an ace of winning the Canadian Open.

Altogether Farrell's showing in our major championship has been quite remarkable. He is extremely popular with Canadian players and galleries, and hosts of friends in this country will extend to him and his young wife best wishes for many happy rounds in the "greatest match of all" on which they have just entered.



Popular Johnny Farrell, who has entered for the greatest of all "matches".

## Mississauga, Toronto Increased Its Membership in 1931

**T**HE members of the Mississauga Golf and Country Club, one of Toronto's most prominent golfing organizations, at the annual meeting this month had every reason to be gratified with the club's activities in 1931.

The revenue for the year amounted to \$72,242. The principal items making up this total were annual fees \$34,961, lockers \$1,305, green fees \$6,780. Dining room, etc., revenue amounted to \$27,839.

On greens and grounds the sum of \$17,155 was expended and on club house \$13,128. The revenue in excess of expenditure was \$2,536. It is very interesting to note that notwithstanding the general depression Mississauga in 1931 actually increased its membership. This now stands at 750, or an increase of 20 over 1930. Very few clubs in Canada added to their membership last year.

During the course of an interesting report the President, Mr. J. W. McFadden, stated:

"One main objective of the directors was to keep the condition of the course at its highest point of efficiency. With this in view new bunkers were erected at the fourth, sixth, seventh and tenth greens. Fertilizer was used when required. A new pump engine and a new truck, and some minor equipment were obtained at a cost of \$2,306.56. The chief expenditure in connection with the house was \$235.27 for veranda furniture. All these expenses as well as necessary repairs have been met out of the current revenue and are charged in the operating account.

"The main event of the season in so far as golf is concerned was the holding at your club of the Canadian Open Golf Championship. The collection of entrance fees for this championship and all other financial arrangements, with the exception of the dining room and snack room services, were entirely in the hands of the Royal Canadian Golf Association officials. Our relationship with them was most happy and harmonious."

## Golf in Days Lang Syne

**M**EMBERS of Canadian golf clubs, to-day, boasting as many of them do, revenues running all the way from \$30,000.00 to over \$100,000.00, as in one or two cases, may well wonder how the game could be played and supported half a century or so ago, on less than \$100 per annum. But such was the case. For instance, in 1881, or fifty years ago, the total receipts of the Brantford Club, as evidenced by the old records, were exactly \$73.32. The principal source of revenue was from membership, 24 active men players at \$2.00, 1 honorary member \$1.00, and 13 lady players at \$1.00. And yet the canny treasurer of the club in those early days of golf, perhaps hardly necessary to state he was a Scotsman and a Scottish banker of the old school at that, managed to show a balance on the season's operations of \$2.01. Think of that ye golfing executive spendthrifts of to-day, dabbling recklessly in your tens of thousands. The total expenditure on the Brantford course, fifty years ago, was \$20.76 "sodding, mowing, etc." The caretaker was paid the princely salary of \$10.00, whilst \$14.91 was spent on prizes. Wonder which of the old pioneer players pulled down that odd 91 cents as a result of his prowess on the annual prize day? The treasurer meticulously, enumerates the value of the club property at the end of the season as follows: Notice board 85c (probably notifying the uninitiated in the game that "trespassers would be prosecuted"), 6 flags and posts \$1.29, 6 tees \$1.50, 60 books of the rules \$6.00, total assets \$9.64. Golf was certainly not in the million-dollar class in Canada half a century ago, but its devotees possibly enjoyed the game just as much as its followers do to-day with all its luxurious surroundings.

## The Glendale Golf and Country Club

**G**LENDALE, Hamilton, is another prominent Ontario club which had a particularly good season in 1931. The executive for the past few years has very wisely spent most of its available money on the course, which to-day is recognized as one of the finest in the Hamilton District, with greens and fairways which leave nothing to be desired. Recently, however, it was decided to place in new lockers and showers and some \$5,000 has been expended on these improvements, which are of the most modern description. Glendale has a large and enthusiastic membership and well officered and well managed, prospects for this club for 1932 are of the very brightest.

## The Saskatoon Golf Club

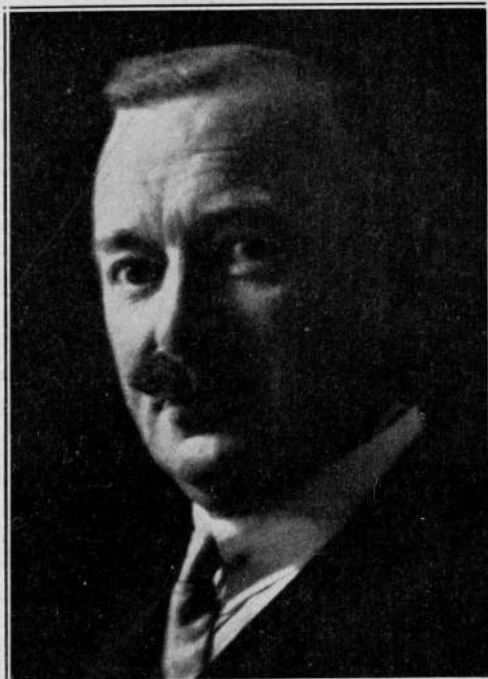
Leading Western Organization Has Championship Course and Beautiful Club House. Well Known Golfers Head Executive for 1932.

THE twenty-fifth annual general meeting of the Saskatoon Golf Club, Ltd., was held at Saskatoon on the 17th of November, 1931.

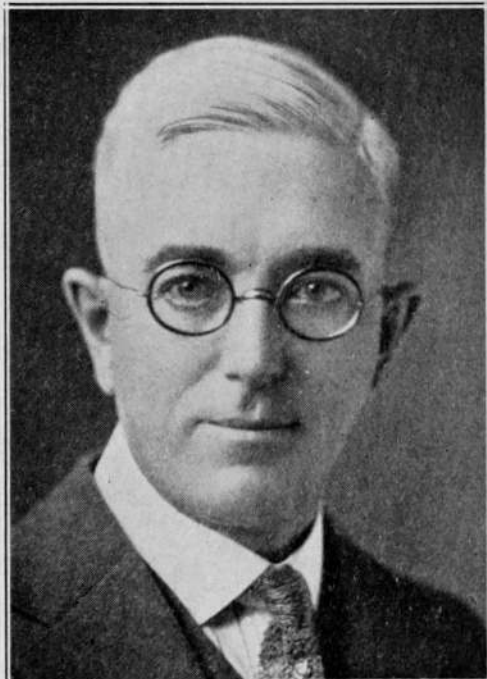
Mr. Archie Middleton, the president, in the course of his address com-

J. Ash and to fill these vacancies Messrs. J. D. Millar, J. R. Jackson and T. Skerratt were duly elected.

Mr. C. R. Ledingham was again elected captain for the year 1932 and following the meeting the prizes won



Mr. A. J. Trotter, president for 1932 of the Saskatoon Golf Club, "and a right good president, too."



Mr. N. C. Byers, Saskatchewan's representative on the R.C.G.A., vice-president of the Saskatoon Golf Club.

mented upon the fact that the new championship course had now been completed and that the club was now able to accommodate many more golfers and would-be golfers by reason of the additional nine holes. Reference was also made to the beautiful club house erected during the past year and special mention was made of the efforts of Mr. A. J. Trotter, who had acted as chairman of the finance, building and house committees during the past year and had been instrumental in raising a large sum of money for furnishing the club house.

The three retiring directors were Messrs. J. D. Miller, J. R. Jackson and

in 1931 competitions were presented by the president as follows:—

City Championship—Winner, F. Miley; runner-up, Walter Kinnear. Club Championship, Winner, P. Morse; runner-up, J. G. Countryman. Club Championship (2nd Flight)—Winner, W. B. McKenzie; runner-up, J. Leddy. J. D. Millar Cup—Winner, Jack Millar; runner-up, J. T. McOrmand. W. Hopkins Cup—Winner, E. L. Thomas; runner-up, Allan Thompson. Great Western Furniture Shield—Winner, J. D. Millar, Jack Millar; runner-up, J. G. Countryman, W. B. Fry. Capitol Theatres Trophy—Winner, R. McLean, A. Thomson; runner-up, F. Miley, Sen., F. Miley. May 25th, 4 hole foursome (scratch)—Winner, J. D. Millar and Jack Millar. May 25th, 4 hole foursome (handicap)—Winner, J. G. Countryman and W. B. Fry. May 25th, mixed foursome (scratch)—Winner, J. G. Countryman and Mrs. Countryman. May 25th, mixed foursome (handicap)—Winner, J. R. Jack-

son and Mrs. R. Watts. Junior Championship (Hanson Shield)—Winner, Ray Hunt; runner-up, J. Millar, Jun. Caddie Championship—Winner, J. Millar, Jr.; runner-up, S. Inskip. Spring Medal—Scratch, J. D. Millar; handicap, Jack Millar. Autumn Medal—Scratch, P. Morse; handicap, A. Westerburg. April Medal—Scratch, W. B. Fry; handicap, G. H. Anderson. May Medal—Scratch, H. R. Forfar; handicap, Roger Martin. June Medal—Scratch, Ron McLean; handicap, A. W. Robinson. July Medal—Scratch, J. D. Millar; handicap, Doug. Willis. August Medal—Scratch, P. Morse; handicap, D. Streb. September Medal—Scratch, Allan Thompson; handicap, J. R. Jackson. Labour Day Event (mixed foursomes)—Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Adam, Mr. and Mrs. P. Palko.

At a directors' meeting held subsequent to the shareholders' meeting,

Mr. A. J. Trotter was the unanimous choice of the directors for the office of president, while Mr. N. C. Byers, the Saskatchewan representative on the Royal Canadian Golf Association, was the unanimous choice of the directors for the office of vice-president, and Major J. H. Warren was again appointed secretary-treasurer.

A very virile organization is the Saskatoon Golf Club, well officered, well managed and with an enthusiastic membership. There is nothing but sunshine ahead of this outstanding Western golf club.

## Bobby Jones Designs New Club Models

**W**HEN Robert Tyre Jones, now a director of A. G. Spalding & Bros., accepted a position on the technical advisory committee at the Chicopee, Massachusetts, factory, things began to happen. The first was an entirely new model for the famous Cushion Neck sets, the next was a set of five woods for the player who does not do so well with the long irons.

Victor East, also of the Chicopee factory, assisted Bobby in the design of the new sets, following in almost every detail the sets that Mr. East made for Jones when he won the four major titles in one season. The chief difference was that the new models have the steel shafts in place of the hickory formerly used by the champion.

The outstanding feature about the new set is the wide beveled sole distributing the weight of the club at the bottom of the blade. The width of this sole varies from a trifle over a quarter of an inch in the No. 1 and No. 2 irons up to about three-quarters of an inch in the No. 8 and No. 9. This sole works something on the same principle as the sandwedge in that it keeps the club from taking too much of a divot by sliding it along under the ball.

Sets of six and nine irons will be put on the market soon, the smaller set being made up of numbers 2 to 7, inclusive, while numbers 1, 8, and 9 are added to the larger. Neither set includes a putter, but the Spalding organization is bringing out exact duplicates of Bobby Jones' "Calamity Jane" putter, which may be used with these sets. Calamity Jane has had more publicity during the past 10 years than any other golf club in history. The duplicates will come in stainless steel and will have the goose-neck and hickory shaft of the original. Another feature of the new clubs, both irons and woods, is the large white on black numerals on the grip end of the shaft identifying each club.

But the real innovation is the set of five woods. These have the bulger face and somewhat narrow head, from face to weighting, patterned after Jones' spoon.

Number 1 is a driver, number 2 a brassie, number 3 a spoon, number 4 about a 3 iron loft, and number 5 is approximately a mashie loft. These have the black heads and steel shafts and will be a decoration to any player's bag and more than a decoration to the bag of golfers who are able to hit good wood shots but have difficulty with their irons.

Pictures of these wonderful clubs will be found on page 567 of this issue.

## Golf Pro Must Be Paid for Sunstroke

**A**JUDGMENT of particular interest to golf professionals was recently handed down by Judge Delaney, of Paterson, N.J. Henry Higham employed by the Preakness Hills Country Club in that city, whilst giving a golf lesson, suffered a sunstroke in August, 1930, and was laid up as a result for nearly a year. He claimed that this was an "accident" which arose "out of" his employment. The judge held that this contention was good in law and awarded Higham \$15.00 per week for fifty weeks and also ordered



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the club to pay a fee of \$150.00 to his counsel, and also to pay medical expenses amounting to \$485.00.

Judge Delaney's opinion, which is scheduled to be published in the law reports, will, in the opinion of lawyers to whose attention it was called, attract nation-wide interest in golfing circles.

## Flies in Australia—and "Skeeters" in Winnipeg

**I**N Australia they have a very interesting competition known as "The Champion of Champions". That is the champions of various leading clubs and districts alone are eligible to compete. This tournament was recently won by E. L. Apperley, of the Manly Club, who played fine golf to capture the title. On the last day one of Australia's worst summer bugbears was strongly in evidence. Flies were so numerous and persistent that copious spraying around the tees and greens was resorted to in order to abate the nuisance for the players. Even so, the buzzing, biting torments were responsible for many a pull or slice or missed putt.

This reminds one of the Canadian Amateur Championship in Winnipeg in August, 1921. That year witnessed, unfortunately, a veritable plague of mosquitoes in the West and the pests literally by the million plagued players and spectators alike. There is no question that many a putt was missed on the greens of the Winnipeg course where the championship was held as a

result of the "skeeters" who in the dozen perched on the players' hands, and often held up the game in an effort to dislodge them. Eastern entrants will never forget that Amateur Championship experience in 1921 in Winnipeg, which after all was won by an Easterner, Frank Thompson—so there was no mosquito alibi after all.

## Both Winnipeg Municipal Courses

Had a Good Year in 1931 With Profits of Over \$13,000. A "Rare Golf Ball" Find.

WINNIPEG is the only city in Canada which boasts two municipal golf courses—Kildonan and Windsor both under the Public Parks Board and both highly successful clubs. Mr. G. Champion, the particularly able superintendent of the Board, writes the Editor:—

"The following figures will give you some idea of the success of our season in 1931:—

### Kildonan Golf Course:

|                     |             |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Green Fees .....    | \$23,576.00 |
| Locker Fees .....   | 296.95      |
| Golf Balls .....    | 1,585.00    |
| Club Rentals .....  | 831.35      |
| Club Repairs .....  | 204.25      |
| Miscellaneous ..... | 366.15      |
| Refreshments .....  | 5,532.30    |

\$32,392.00

Club House & Course Operating 24,186.37

Gross Operating Surplus .....\$ 8,205.63  
47,142 games were played over the course.

### Windsor Golf Course:

|                     |             |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Green Fees .....    | \$19,598.50 |
| Locker Fees .....   | 333.70      |
| Golf Balls .....    | 1,192.90    |
| Club Rentals .....  | 646.80      |
| Club Repairs .....  | 96.95       |
| Miscellaneous ..... | 313.60      |
| Refreshments .....  | 5,582.05    |

\$27,764.50

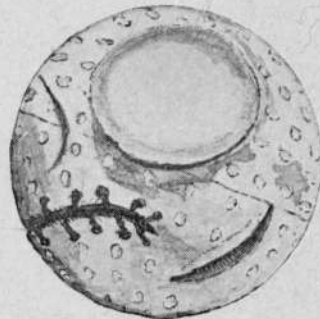
Club House & Course Operating 22,743.22

Gross Operating Surplus.....\$ 5,021.28

39,193 games were played over the course.

While the number of games played over both courses is down 4,871 as against last year, the season compares very favourably when compared with an average year.

A rare find on our Kildonan Golf Course this season would lead one to the conviction



It must have been a canny Scot who once owned this golf ball.

that the palm for economy should be awarded to the West. I am enclosing a sketch of a golf ball which you will notice has not only been stitched but also vulcanized, I have the ball in the office should anyone doubt our claim to "close" golf in Winnipeg.

I would like to take this opportunity of wishing continued success for you and your interesting Journal during the coming New Year."

## "Golf Is A 'Umbling Game"

GOLF prophets have had a bad year. Favourites failed to deliver in all the big tournaments in 1931, except the U.S. Women's National, and the Canadian Amateur, both ladies and men. For the U.S. National Amateur Bobby Jones named five possible winners and three of them failed to qualify. Out of twenty leaders in the sectional qualifying rounds twelve failed to qualify in the tournament proper. Grantland Rice, in one of his newspaper articles, repeats the old story of George Low, who comforted a golf weeper with this remark: "You must remember, sir, that golf is a 'umbling game.'" Mr. Rice then goes on to cite the case of Charlie Kocsis, brilliant young Detroit player, who eliminated Francis Ouimeau in the first round at Merion in 1930, who broke 70 five times in succession around Detroit last season and who defeated Tommy Armour in the Michigan Open for the title. Playing in the qualifying round at Chicago, Kocsis reached the fourteenth green before he got his first par, and, of course, did not qualify.



## Notables Play Cypress Point Course

**P**EBBLE BEACH and the Cypress Point links came in for the highest praise lately from two of the country's outstanding professionals. Billie Burke, of Connecticut, National Open Champion, and Wiffy Cox, of Brooklyn, who defeated George Von Elm to win the San Francisco match play Open, stopped off at Del Monte for a couple of days to sample the golf on the Monterey Peninsula and united in their superlatives to describe the golf mecca.



Famous quintette leaving the 15th green, Cypress Point, Del Monte, California.

"Cypress Point and Pebble Beach are the grandest courses of our experience," they said. "No where else have we seen such a combination of scenic splendor and sportiness. We honestly believe they have the world whipped in beauty and in the number of 'golf shots' they present."

The group above includes (left to right): Wiffy Cox, Billie Burke, Clarence Clark, of Bloomfield, N.J., professional golf champion of New Jersey; Peter Hay, Del Monte pro; and Arthur J. Lynch, of New York.

## Municipal Course for Monterey Peninsula

**D**EL MONTE, Jan. 10th.—The Monterey Peninsula is now the greatest golfing centre in the world. The passing by Pacific Grove of a \$40,000 bond issue on December 8 for a municipal golf links, increases the number of courses in this area to five. The others are Pebble Beach, Cypress Point, Del Monte and the Dunes course of the Monterey Peninsula Country Club. All the courses are within a radius of three miles.

The acquisition of a municipal course by Pacific Grove was made possible by the Del Monte Properties Company when it sacrificed the necessary land for one-third its assessed value. The Del Monte Company will work in close co-operation with this city by loaning the services of its green expert,

Joe Mayo, and Peter Hay, Del Monte professional. Chandler Egan may advise in the construction of the course, due to get under way next month and be completed by April. A very popular bond issue, the measure was passed by a 4 to 1 majority. In constructing the course, Pacific Grove expects to recapture in great measure its position of twenty years ago as an important resort centre.

The erection of still another course on the famous Monterey Peninsula comes as a direct answer to those who say golf as a sport is on the wane. Construction preliminaries are being handled by Erwin Dames, City Manager of Pacific Grove.

## Weston, Toronto Had a Good Year in 1931

**T**HE members of the Weston Golf and Country Club, Toronto, will at their annual meeting at the Royal York Hotel on January 23rd, hear quite satisfactory reports for 1931 notwithstanding the difficult year that has just closed. Mr. W. P. Dobson during the course of a very interesting annual report states:—

“The financial position of the club has been well maintained during the past year, as will be seen by the enclosed balance sheet and its supporting statements. The excess of income over expenditures (excluding depreciation) was \$2,054.37, and we closed the year with an excess of \$3,344.79 of current assets over current liabilities.”

The income for the year amounted to \$66,916. Annual fees accounted for \$33,775 of this satisfactory total. Entrance fees \$2,600. Locker rentals \$1,757. The dining room \$21,994, and green fees \$5,780.

The sum of \$16,117 was spent on the course, \$3,632 on property maintenance, whilst the catering, management and club house called for an expenditure of \$29,956. Assets are returned at \$201,192. Weston has a very enthusiastic membership of over six hundred and is looking forward to a record year in 1932.

## Cricket and Golf

(By L. G. Crawley, 1931 English Amateur Golf Champion, and Famous Cambridge and Essex County Cricketer, in Fairway and Hazard)

**I**T is generally supposed that it is difficult for anyone to mix cricket and golf, and that the one game spoils the other. At the same time it is interesting to notice that quite a large number of good batsmen become good golfers, and I venture to say that all really good batsmen could be good golfers if they had the opportunity to learn the Royal and Ancient game.

Now, when I talk of a really good batsman, I mean a batsman who is equipped with all the shots and not one who, by reason of his method and cramped style, has learnt to defend his wicket in such a way that he makes a number of runs in a deplorably long time. How often to-day, even in the best company, do we see a batsman raise his bat a spare six inches and then advance it perpendicularly upon the ball never opening the face and never therefore using his wrists. That type of batsman ought not to have the makings of a good golfer.

The preliminary movement in cricket and in golf is to “support the head of the striking implement.” The phrase is borrowed from tennis, but its use is appropriate to all ball games. The realization of this important fact, would, it seems to me, go far to remove the common complaint that one game incapacitates a player for the other. Would it not be true to say that all of us at times are in search of an excuse for our bad play, and will not allow ourselves to realize that the real question is one of mind over body, and not of any reaction of one game over another?

I realize that anyone holding the contrary view to the one I have put forward would instance the body movement that is inevitable in cricket, but is absent or at any rate ought to be absent in golf. That is perfectly true. In the former case you are hitting a moving object, in the latter a stationary one. H. H. the Jam Sahib of Nawanagar, more affectionately and better known as “Ranji”, used to say that “a batsman must watch where the ball pitches, go there, and hit it.” At golf the ball is stationary, therefore stand still and hit it. I maintain that, provided there is any sort of concentration, one is not in danger of forgetting this, and really there is no tendency to introduce into the



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game we are playing, the stroke or the motion which belong to another. I need hardly point out that in all I have said I am referring to the fit man and not to one, who, for instance, is stiff from an early season's effort with the bat.

To refer to my previous remark that a cricketer can, if he takes the opportunity, become proficient at golf; a very great deal, in my opinion, depends on some of the simpler yet fundamental points of the game.

I remember how Eustace Storey—fortunately for me—found me at Mildenhall one day, perpetrating I know not what in the way of golfing errors. He stopped me there and then, and these are the points which he emphasized and drummed into my head.

(1) a correct grip; (2) a straight but not stiff left arm; (3) hands down when addressing the ball to ensure the wrists being cocked at the top of the swing; (4) stand still; (5) the explanation of hook and slice; (6) head down.

Let me ask any cricketer whether these points, excepting No. 4, do not apply with equal force to a batsman? If they do apply, no surprise should be occasioned by a cricketer developing into a first rate golfer. Nor do I for my part see why both games should not be played successfully within one and the same week. On the contrary I am convinced that given the time and the opportunity, a batsman who has got command of cricketing strokes, can, and very often does, acquire a similar proficiency in the strokes required in golf, and quite possibly may find himself in less time than might be expected chasing Colonel Bogey, if not old man par himself, on a championship course.

## Japanese Professionals are "Good"

**P**LAY of the three Japanese professionals in the match play championship at San Francisco was remarkable and indicates that Japan may be counted upon to develop golfers skilful enough to take part in an International match within a few years. R. Asami, with scores of 75-76—151, and T. Miyamoto, with 74-77—151, both qualified in the first 32 for match play,

and with two strokes to spare. K. Yasuda, the third member of the Japanese group, scored 74 in the first round, but went up to 82 in the rainstorm of the last day and failed to qualify. In the first round of match play Miyamoto carried Billy Burke, National Open Champion, twenty holes, where Billy holed a ten foot putt for a birdie three. Miyamoto, after being two down at the seventeenth, won this hole and the eighteenth, to square the match. R. Asami defeated Harold McSpaden, Kansas, two up, in the first round and lost to Leo Diegel, last year's winner, 5 and 3.

The Japanese added greatly to the colour of the San Francisco tournament. It is quite on the cards that a world's champion may yet come out of Japan.

## Golfing in Canada on Christmas and New Years

THE almost summer-like weather which has prevailed throughout almost all of Ontario and other parts of the country has resulted in a large number of golfers taking advantage of the unprecedented conditions to enjoy their favourite pastime. Herewith a few sample despatches. From Woodstock, Ont., Dec. 31st:

"With dandelions sprinkled over the fairway, and the sun shining brightly above, the day proved too nice to stay home, and nearly a dozen golfers were out making their shots on the greens of the Oxford Golf and Country Club yesterday. Dan Russell, the golf professional, and E. B. Terryberry played eighteen holes without wearing gloves or sweater, and every one reports the course in remarkably fine shape for this time of year."

And then this one from Saint John, N.B., Jan. 1st:

"Anyone wishing to know what kind of weather Saint John and district are experiencing this winter could receive enthusiastic information from local golfers. A foursome and twosome played around the Ridgewood golf course today, just outside of Saint John.

"The ground has been bare of snow practically all season, and a warm sun contributed to the enjoyment of today's golfers."

From Kingston, Ont., Jan. 10th:

"They are still playing golf on the links of the Cataract Golf and Country Club. Yesterday, Herb Thompson, Roy Traverse, "Dick" Green, the club pro, and C. E. Taylor made up a foursome. Green turned in a card of 78 for 18 holes and the other golfers were playing in excellent mid-winter form. Major J. G. Fuller, American consul at Kingston, played a part of the course but did not finish the full 18 holes. The course is in good shape."

And from North Bay, generally one of the coldest spots in Ontario:

"North Bay was one of many Northern Ontario municipalities to enjoy (?) a California Christmas when there wasn't a semblance of snow. The afternoon was so balmy that the golfers suffered an off-season urge and at least three were unable to



North Bay golfers spent Christmas on the links. On the left Dr. B. F. Nott, and on the right, Jack Taylor.

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resist. Dr. B. F. Nott, Jaek Taylor and Bill Smith, all members of the North Bay Golf and Country Club, rounded the links for nine holes and thoroughly enjoyed the exceptional experience. The greens and fairways were in inviting shape considering the period of the year. While the golfers enjoyed themselves there were hundreds of skiers, hockeyists, snowshoers and other winter sport addicts who kicked their heels complainingly."

Ottawa reports Jan. 18th:—

Breaking all records for golf games during the winter months, five well-known citizens of Ottawa enjoyed a round at the Royal Ottawa Golf course on Saturday.

Jacob Smith, of 415 Elgin Street, who is in his 88th year, was one of the keenest participants. With E. F. Burritt, 243 Augusta Street, and J. L. Garland, 141 Somerset Street West, he enjoyed 10 holes.

The trio reported that conditions were "splendid" and that drives obtained greater distance than usual because of the condition of the ground, ice having formed where there were several pools of water.

Others to enjoy a round at the Royal Ottawa on Saturday were Captain L. E. Maynard and Walter Smithers.

Two members of the Ottawa Hunt and Golf Club, Bowesville Road, were also on the links on Saturday.

A number of pairs and foursomes had been arranged for Sunday but the weather man stepped in to put a stop to any further records being broken, with a light fall of snow.

On the many courses in Toronto, Hamilton, Brantford, London and other centres, dozens of golfers have been out nearly every day during December and January—easily constituting a record.

Toronto Mail Editorial:

"The Governor-General remarked recently that he had often heard of the Canadian winter but had not yet seen it. A few days later, on January 15th, he was playing golf over the course of the Royal Ottawa Golf Club. Canadians, of course, are heartily ashamed of this unseasonable weather, but we think we can assure His Excellency that real winter will soon be here."

## A Much Appreciated Letter of Commendation

THE Editor, perhaps it is hardly necessary to state, deeply appreciates the following letter from Mr. W. H. Plant, Toronto, president-elect of the Royal Canadian Golf Association. It will be a great incentive to "carry-on" in 1932:—

"For a number of years, I have looked forward each month to receiving the 'Canadian Golfer' and read it 'from cover to cover'.

"It has always appealed to me as being so instructive concerning things of interest to 'Golf in Canada'.

"I believe it has been of distinct service to the governing bodies of golf in Canada, and to the Provincial Associations, in assisting them to maintain the high standards of the game, which are our heritage.

"May I wish you personally and your Magazine, continued success and prosperity."

(Signed)

W. H. PLANT.

The Royal Canadian Golf Association,  
Toronto, January 2nd, 1932.

## The Passing of Mr. David R. Forgan

Celebrated Chicago Banker and Golfer, Who Started His Outstanding Career in Halifax, N.S.

THE death occurred last month in Chicago of David R. Forgan, outstanding Chicago banker, author on financial subjects and well known golfer. He was 69 years of age.

Mr. Forgan, who started his banking career in his native Scotland, was vice-chairman of the executive committee of the Central Republic Bank & Trust Company of Chicago.

Born in St. Andrews, Scotland, the cradle of golf, he became a noted player and won the first Western Amateur Championships of the United States in 1900. The well known golfing firm of Forgan & Son, of St. Andrews, Scotland, represented in Canada by W. C. B. Wade Company of Toronto, was founded by his father.

Beginning as a messenger of the Clydesdale Bank of St. Andrews, Mr. Forgan rose to become one of the influential bankers of the Middle West.

The banker was a close personal friend of the late President William Howard Taft and of General Charles Gates Dawes, American ambassador at London. He was known as an authoritative writer and speaker on financial subjects.

His entrance into the field of banking was due to the solicitude of his Sunday School teacher to get him started on a career.

When he was only fifteen years old, young Forgan, with several other boys, applied for a job as messenger at the

Clydesdale Bank in his native St. Andrews, Scotland. His Sunday School teacher was an official of the bank and young Forgan got the job.

After three years as bank messenger at the Clydesdale Bank, Mr. Forgan struck out for himself and went to Halifax, N.S., where he obtained a position with the Bank of Nova Scotia. In a short time he was placed in charge of the bank's business at Winnipeg and later was made branch manager at Fredericton, New Brunswick.

Mr. Forgan made his first connection with banking in the United States in 1888, when he became assistant cashier of the American Exchange Bank at Duluth, Minn. Two years later he went to the Northwestern National Bank of Minneapolis as cashier and then was promoted to vice-president.

The larger Chicago field called him in 1896 to a similar position with the Union National Bank, of which he became president in 1898. Two years later that institution was merged with the First National Bank, with his brother, James B. Forgan as president.

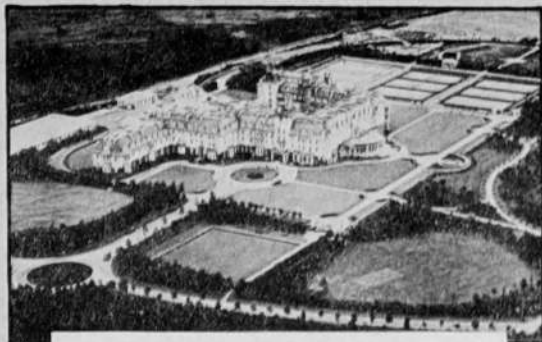
After helping organize the National City Bank of Chicago in 1907, David R. Forgan became its president and continued in that capacity until 1925, when the National City was merged with the National Bank of the Republic. Mr. Forgan became vice-chairman. He leaves to mourn his great loss a wife and five children.

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Mr. Forgan was very well known on the golf courses of Canada. He was a frequent visitor to St. Andrews, N.B., and won the golf championship of that resort on more than one occasion. He played a very sound game and was more often than not "in the seventies". His late brother, Mr. James B. Forgan, also a celebrated banker, with Mr. J. J. Morrison, of Hamilton, and the late Mr. Darling, of Atlanta, Georgia, as

young clerks in the Bank of British North America had the honour of playing the first game of golf in Halifax, N.S. This was in 1873 on the old Halifax Common, or nearly sixty years ago. Mr. Morrison is the only survivor of this celebrated golfing trio. He has been prominently identified with the Hamilton Golf and Country Club since its inception and still takes a very keen interest in the game.

## Dudley Stars Amongst U. S. Professionals in 1931

**E**D. DUDLEY, of Wilmington, Del., was the scoring champion of American professional golf in 1931.

Official statistics compiled by the Professional Golfers' Association of America disclosed that the big fellow from Wilmington, who captured the Los Angeles and the Western Open crowns during the 1931 year's rush for fame over the fairways, averaged only 71.39 strokes for the thirty events he played against all-star fields.

Right behind Dudley came Johnny Farrell, the debonair New York star, who averaged 71.8 shots for each eighteen-hole round against first-class competition. Although Farrell failed to capture an important title, he turned in his best golfing performances since he defeated Bobby Jones in that famous thirty-six hole play-off for the National Open Championship at Olympia Fields in 1928.

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Farrell was the hardest working professional of the year, the P.G.A. statistics revealed, contesting in thirty-six rounds of championship tournament play. A selected thirty rounds, the number played by Dudley, would have given him first place.

The official averages for the leading professional shotmakers of America were comparable with those of other seasons, proving that the balloon ball and the prolonged heat wave did not materially affect the game as played by experts. Several records were established, with Horton Smith's great 278, ten shots under par, in the \$10,000 St. Paul Open, being one of the smartest seventy-two-hole collections in the history of the pastime.

Walter Hagen proved that he could not be regarded as a golfing relic just yet. The Haig stopped his famous losing streak during the year by capturing the Canadian Open after a stirring battle with Percy Alliss, of Germany, and wound up in third place on a scoring average basis for the year. His record was 72, which put him a fraction ahead of Billy Burke, 1931 national Open Champion, whose record was 72.28.

The two leading money winners of the year, Gene Sarazen and George Von Elm, were over the 73 mark. Sarazen's average was 73.03, while Von Elm, who fought Burke in the great golfing marathon at Inverness for the National Open crown, averaged 73.12.

Other leaders and their averages were Harry Cooper, Chicago, 72.33; Al Espinosa, Chicago, 73.11; Mortie Dutra, Los Angeles, 73.33; Horton Smith, New York, 73.5; Macdonald Smith, New York, 73.58; Tommy Armour, Detroit, 74.14; Tom Creavy, New York, 74.21; Leo Diegel, Agua Caliente, Mexico, 74.6, and Wiffy Cox, New York, 75.



# Annual Meeting of U. S. G. A.

**Mr. H. H. Ramsay Re-elected President. New Ball Reported to be Giving Satisfaction. Dates of the Championships.**

**A**T the annual meeting of the United States Golf Association held January 9th in New York, Mr. H. H. Ramsay, a very capable executive indeed, was re-elected president. Total receipts for the year were \$94,923. Admissions to the Amateur, Women's and Open Championships were \$20,140 compared with receipts in 1930 of \$53,432. The depression so manifest throughout the States was in part to blame for this decrease, but there is also no question that the absence of Bobby Jones in the Amateur and Open Championships had also something to do with the big drop in gate money. He always draws the galleries. The Association financially is in a very strong position with total assets, consisting of cash on hand and in investments of \$87,450. A particularly well run organization is the U.S.G.A.

The dates for the 1932 championships were announced as follows:—

Amateur—At the Baltimore Country Club, Baltimore, Sept. 12-17.

Open—At the Fresh Meadow Country Club, Flushing, L.I., June 23-25.

Women's—Salem Country Club, Salem, Mass., Sept. 25-Oct. 1.

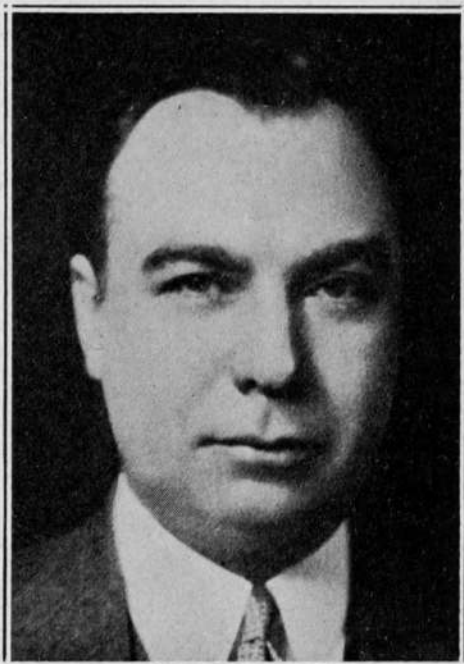
Public course—Cherokee Park Golf Course, Louisville, Ky., July 19-24.

Extracts from the remarks of Mr. Ramsay which will be read with interest by golfing executives and others in Canada:—

The Green Section of the Association as is shown by its detailed report has carried on its valuable work during the past year with great efficiency. The work of the Green Section each year becomes more important and member clubs are utilizing the service of the section to a greater degree than ever before. You will be interested to note that fifteen outdoor meetings were held during the year in various parts of the United States with an attendance of about twelve hundred people. The outdoor meetings, particularly those where there are adequate turf gardens or demonstration plots, are most helpful and these meetings will be enlarged and extended this year.

The Green Section expense is the largest item of expense which the Association has to bear. We have given careful considera-

tion to the plans of the section for 1932 and although these are times in which expenditures of all kinds are being cut, we believe it to be sound economy and in the interests of the member clubs to continue the work of the Green Section on its pres-



**Mr. H. H. Ramsay, New York, re-elected President of the U.S.G.A.**

ent scale, and therefore we shall not cut down our Green Section budget for 1932.

We believe that the experiment adopted this year in holding preliminary elimination rounds throughout the United States in order to make up the ultimate field for the Amateur Championship has been proven to be sound in principle. With the very effective co-operation and assistance of various State, Sectional District Associations the elimination rounds were successfully conducted and the playing results are now history. It was obvious, of course, from the outset that our plan would likely require some changes when tested by actual playing conditions. After carefully studying results and canvassing the situation to the best of our ability, we have concluded that in 1932 the elimination plan will be varied in but few particulars:—

1. The amateur champion will be exempt from the elimination rounds.
2. The basis of allocating places to each qualifying district mathematically, as heretofore, will be followed in principle. The

committee will reserve the right, however, to vary the allocation in any district, based upon the entries and the playing strength of the district.

3. The committee shall be authorized to make proper provision for foreign entrants, including the members of the visiting Walker Cup team and say ten additional places to take care of emergencies.

Realizing that with competitive conditions what they at present are in the Open Championship, and realizing further that since 1925 five Open Championships have resulted in a tie, we have concluded that hereafter in the Open Championships ties shall be decided by a round of eighteen holes rather than of thirty-six holes as heretofore.

In November last, as you know, the specifications for the golf ball were changed and the 1.68 by 1.62 golf ball was adopted, effective for play January 1st of this year. The criticism of the ball used in 1931 when analyzed reduced to two; one that the ball did not act properly in the wind, and secondly, that it lacked proper putting qualities. It may be that the Association was mistaken in providing all golfers with the same alibi, but however that may be, after carefully canvassing the situation throughout the United States and among all classes of players, the committee decided to increase the weight of the ball. To the extent that the new ball has been used, it seems to be meeting with entire approval.

## Fourth Empress Winter Golf Tournament

**T**HE following is the interesting programme of events for the 4th Empress Winter Golf Tournament to be played at the Colwood Golf Club course, Victoria, B.C., Feb. 22nd-27th:—

Monday, February 22nd, a.m.—Qualifying round men's handicap event, 18 holes (32 to qualify), remainder in flights of 16. A.M.—Qualifying round men's amateur open, 18 holes (first 16 to qualify) (Chamber of Commerce Cup). P.M.—Qualifying round women's handicap event, 18 holes (16 to qualify), remainder in flights of 8. A.M.—Inter-district Team Match, 36 holes (Matson Cup). A.M.—Team match, men. P.M.—Team match, women.

Tuesday, February 23rd—First round men's handicap event, 18 holes. Defeated 16 to form first flight. First round women's handicap event, 18 holes. Defeated 8 to form first flight.

Wednesday, February 24th—Second round men's handicap event, 18 holes. Second round women's handicap event, 18 holes.

Thursday, February 25th—Third round men's handicap event, 18 holes. Semi-finals women's handicap event, 18 holes. A.M.—Men's par competition, full handicap. A.M.—Women's par competition, full handicap.

Friday, February 26th—Semi-finals men's handicap event, 18 holes. Finals women's handicap event, 18 holes. Mixed foursome competition, three prizes.

Saturday, February 27th—Finals men's handicap event, 36 holes. Men's hidden hole competition (handicap). Women's hidden hole competition (handicap).

E. W. Beatty Challenge Cup, Chamber of Commerce Cup, Rotary Cup, Matson Team Cup. Also numerous handsome consolation prizes.



Miss Helen Wilson, charming young Victoria golfer, winner of the Ladies' Championship last year who will defend her title

## "Mac" Smith Picks Up a \$2,500 Cheque

SO good old Mac Smith has again demonstrated that he has yet to be reckoned with when it comes to out-scoring the classiest kind of a field. For the third time in seven years he has annexed the Los Angeles Open Championship, and incidentally \$2,500.00, showing a clean pair of heels to all the leading professionals, both young and old in America, with a score of 281, or five under par for the course.

"Mac" has been in the "spotlight" for over twenty years. He learned his game as a boy in famous old Carnoustie, Scotland, which has given more professional golfers to the world than any other Scottish town. More than one expert claims that Smith has more shots in his bag than any other player, not excepting Harry Vardon, of the old school, and Bobby Jones, of the new. Notwithstanding, however, he has never won the Open Championships of Great Britain or the States, although in 1910, or 22 years ago, he tied with his equally famous brother, Alex Smith, for the U.S. Open but lost in the play-off. The only major championship he has to his credit is that of the Canadian Open which he won in Montreal in 1926 with a score of 283. Next year he was runner-up at Toronto to Tommy Armour in the same event.

"Mac", who is 40 years of age, running true to Scottish traditions, has been careful of the "bawbies" during his long and successful career on the links, and is generally reported to be the best off financially of all the American professionals. He has accumulated a very tidy sum indeed during the past twenty years or so as a result of his prowess on the links.

The leading scores at Los Angeles:

|                                     |                 |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Mac Smith, New York....             | 69 67 72 73—281 |
| Dick Metz, San Angelo,<br>Tex. .... | 72 71 72 70—285 |
| Joe Kirkwood, Chicago....           | 72 70 72 71—285 |
| Olin Dutra, Los Angeles             | 72 70 70 73—285 |
| Leo Diegel, Agua Caliente           | 71 71 72 71—285 |
| Abe Espinosa, Chicago....           | 70 74 73 69—286 |
| Ralph Guldahl, Detroit....          | 73 74 69 70—286 |

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| Clarence Clarke, Belle-<br>ville, N.Y. ....  | 70 73 73 70—286 |
| Gene Sarazen, New Port<br>Ritchie, Fla. .... | 72 71 71 73—286 |
| Ray Mangrum, Los<br>Angeles .....            | 70 78 72 67—287 |



"Mac" Smith, who wins \$2,500 in Los Angeles Open.

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|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Walter Hagen, Detroit....            | 71 71 75 71—288 |
| Dallas Jeffers, Long<br>Beach .....  | 70 72 73 75—290 |
| Willie Hunter, Montebello            | 71 73 73 73—290 |
| Mark Fry, Oakland.....               | 79 71 68 72—290 |
| Johnny Farrell, New<br>York .....    | 73 73 70 74—290 |
| Al Zimmerman, Portland,<br>Ore. .... | 73 72 72 73—290 |

## Lakeview, Toronto, Had Handsome Surplus

**M**R. JAMES HOMAN was elected president of the Lakeview Golf Club at its annual meeting, held at the King Edward Hotel, Toronto. A satisfactory financial statement was read, which showed a nett operating revenue before depreciation of \$7,047.72. The retiring president, Harold L. Steele, reviewed the operations of the club during the past year.

Mr. Steele pointed out that it was now possible to write off completely the house furnishings and machinery, as well as to make very substantial provision for building depreciation.

Many improvements were made last season in the club house and grounds, including completion of the fairway watering system, grading and sodding, erection of a starter's house and installation of flood lights on the roadway and parking area.

Officers and directors for the ensuing year were elected as follows:—President, James Homan; vice-president, E. Koken; directors, W. A. Purtae, John Miller, J. F. Pringle, W. E. Uren, D. L. Wickham. Percy Roberts was re-elected auditor for the coming season. The committees will be as follows: Green, A. W. Purtle, chairman, with Dr. A. B. James and Dr. J. X. Robert as members; finance, John Miller, chairman, and J. E. Pringle; house, E. W. Koken; membership, D. L. Wickham, chairman, W. E. Uren.

The total revenue of the club amounted to \$60,826, as compared with \$63,560 for the preceding year. The drop in revenue was due, it was said, to lower prices prevailing on account of existing conditions. There was little difference in the volume of play and a greater interest shown by members in their club last year than in the preceding year.

## Why Wind is the Greatest Handicapper

(By J. H. Taylor, Five Times Open Champion of Great Britain)

**I**F my memory serves me well it was the late Mr. John Low who wisely declared, "The wind is the greatest handicapper in golf." It will be conceded by all who try to play it that golf under any condition of weather is a difficult game, but when once its essential principles are mastered it becomes a more or less simple proposition to the first-class performer.

Especially is this the case when the weather is in his favour and the slight errors of hitting remain unpunished. He uses all the little artifices of stance and swing to enable him to get the extra few yards that mean so much, knowing that he may indulge in them without being seriously disturbed as to the result. There is the width of the fairway to aim at, and the matter of a mere ten yards to right or left of its centre is of no moment.

It is only when the wind is blowing across that the first-class player is pulled up with the disconcerting knowledge that if he wishes the ball to land somewhere upon the prepared way no tricks can be attempted. The ball must be struck with even greater accuracy. The cross-wind accentuates the slight error, and possesses the playful attributes of upsetting all but the most perfect of swings.

My idea of a first-class player is one who can produce something approaching his best form when the weather is bad, and I confess to feelings of contempt for those who may be termed "fair-weather golfers."

It will be agreed that, as a class, the professional is a better rough-weather player than the amateur, and the reason is that the "pro" has learnt the game in a more exacting school. He has been forced to the realization that, in this country certainly, there are more windy days than calm ones, and has fashioned the swing to battle with the majority. He has studied stance, the almost imperceptible change of swing, and wrist action that enables him to hold the ball up into a left-hand wind, or keep in boring into a right-hand one. He knows that the ball must be kept in play whatever else happens, even if it means loss of length.

The old golfer regrets that the art of keeping the ball "under the wind" is lost to present-day players. It is now a rare sight to see any first-class

player set himself by stance and swing deliberately to knock the ball down and keep its flight low for its entire length—one of the most skilful strokes in the game. This loss must be attributed to the rubber-cored ball, which can be driven such enormous distances, whether or not it is ballooned into the air. In the gutty days every yard was valuable, and skilful precautions had to be taken to ensure that every inch was gained. Those of us who first learnt the game on seaside links had this essential lesson burnt into our brain. The player who has discovered how to keep the ball low, welcomes as an old friend, rather than an enemy, the boisterous breeze. He knows better than to fight it, feeling convinced that were he to make the attempt the scales would be heavily weighted against his effort. Rather does he call the wind to his aid and nurse it to advantage, using it as a buffer, whichever way it happens to be blowing.

I would cite James Braid as a great rough-weather golfer. His low, powerful strokes seem to laugh at the possibility of going astray.

The competitors in the English Close Championship at Hunstanton had more than a taste of testing weather, and the victory of Leonard Crawley was enhanced because of it. His reported announcement that "to make a hundred at cricket is child's play to competing in and winning a golf championship" proves that this brilliant player of ball games is as modest as his latest achievement is noteworthy. But I believe his statement to be true.

Crawley's success in the final was a great feat, when it is considered that Willie Sutton learnt his game at Hoylake, where gales are really appreciated as a test of golfing merit. John Ball would not have won eight amateur championships had he learnt the game elsewhere.

I repeat John Low's dictum, that the wind is the greatest handicapper, and he who wins any competition when old Boreas is on the rampage may congratulate himself that he has proved to be master over an element that is the sworn enemy of every aspiring player.

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## "John D." is Enjoying Golf at "93"

**J**OHAN D. ROCKEFELLER is celebrating his 93rd year by playing golf this winter every day on his private course at Ormond, Florida. He is in excellent health. The world's richest man often enjoys a round with Mr. and Mrs. John Dick, well known Canadian golfers of Cobourg, Ontario, who have a winter home at Daytona Beach, Fla.

Mr. Dick, by the way, had the honour of persuading Mr. George S. Lyon, rather reluctantly, to play his first game of golf on the old Rosedale links, Toronto. This was on the 18th of October, 1896, or over 35 years ago. Mr. Lyon was then a celebrated cricketer but became so fascinated with golf as a result of this first game, that he soon afterward gave up cricket and devoted his whole time to the Royal and Ancient. From the very start he showed great aptitude in the game especially with the driver and putter and only two years after he took up the game (1898) he won the first of his eight Amateur Championships. It is rather interesting to note that on the old Rosedale links he twice recorded holes-in-one. He has played thousands of games since those early days on courses throughout Canada, Great Britain and the United States but never has again registered the "one-shot" stunt.

## R.C.G.A. to Devote Souvenir Book Proceeds to Inter-Provincial Team Expenses

**M**R. B. L. ANDERSON, secretary of the Royal Canadian Golf Association, writes the Editor:—

“You will be interested to learn that at the meeting of the executive committee of the R.C.G.A. held in Montreal in December, it was decided that the entire proceeds derived from publishing the Annual Souvenir Book of the Association will in the future be given to the fund which is apportioned to the travelling expenses of the Provincial teams taking part in the Inter-Provincial match, held immediately preceding the Amateur Championship.

“The 1932 Souvenir Book will carry special articles regarding the activities of each Provincial Association.

“It is felt the above decision will be in the interest of golf generally in Canada, assisting directly as it does toward a continuance of the interest in the Inter-Provincial match and National Championship contributed so largely by the visits of the splendid teams from the West this year.

The Souvenir Book will therefore have an added interest to the various Provinces, an added value to the Association, and to those who make the publication possible.”

(This is a splendid idea and the R.C.G.A. is to be congratulated on thus solving the rather vexed question of Inter-Provincial team expenses.—Editor “Canadian Golfer”.)

## The High Cost of Golf

**T**HE high cost of golf is not really due to golf itself, but to the addition of social affairs in which only a small percentage of members participate. These few play and dance in elaborate club houses while the golfers pay the fiddler.

At least that is the situation as painted by John W. Fulton, well known U.S. authority, after a national survey for the purpose of determining whether the situation could be solved by the addition of affiliated social members.

The canvass followed the evolution of golf from the original, simple golf club, where a professional alone looked after all affairs while his wife ran the dining room in a modest club house, into the elaborate present-day socialized club.

The primitive club cost a member from \$20 to \$50 a year for golf, while the pretentious affair today costs him from \$150 to \$500, owing to elaborate club houses, large dining halls, dance pavilions, uniformed flunkies, French chefs, green keepers, caddie masters and other supernumeraries.

Many clubs have overcome this situation by taking in social members who played golf, if at all, only on days when golfing members were not at the club.

The canvass showed that large clubs which have adopted social memberships, such as the Merion Cricket Club, Philadelphia; Chevy Chase, Washington; East Lake, Atlanta; Olympic Golf and Country Club, San Francisco; Lido Club, New York, and Baltimore Country Club, had an average of 1,350 social members and 400 golf members with an average cost of only \$100 a year for golf expenses to the active golf members.

## Thistledown, Toronto, Increases Its Membership Over One Hundred

**T**HE ninth annual meeting of the Thistledown Golf and Country Club held this month in the Yellow Room of the King Edward Hotel, Toronto, brought out the largest attendance of shareholders in the history of the club and those present heard most gratifying reports from the various officers and committee. The past year was one of the best in the history of the club and nearly 100 new members were added. Considerable improvements were made to the course and these will be continued this year. The pumping system will be duplicated and a pump house will be erected. The invitation foursome tournament for the Perrin Trophy, which was inaugurated last season, will be staged again next June.

Captain Stan Stokes reported on the various golf activities during the past year, while Mrs. J. F. McCullough, president of the ladies' section of the club, presented a pleasing report.

There were three vacancies on the board, S. White and J. Houston being re-elected for three years, while J. W. Dunlop succeeded Alex Blyth for a similar term. The other members of the board are: President, B. T. Huston, re-elected; vice-president, W. A. Orr, re-elected; L. H. Nerlich, R. Bellamy, J. D. Craig and D. C. Cranston. Stan Stokes was re-elected captain with C. W. Hicks as vice-captain.

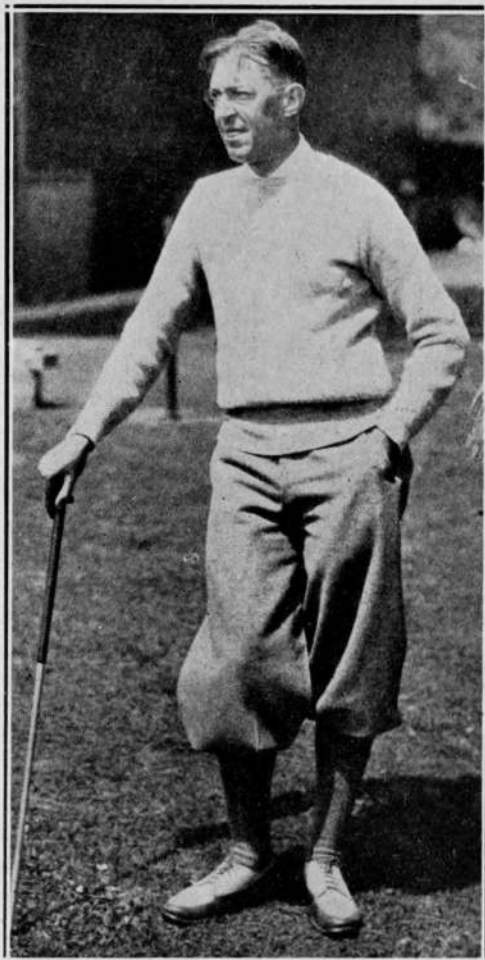
## Ouimet to Captain U.S. Walker Cup Team

**A**T the annual meeting of the United States Golf Association held in New York on January 9th, Francis Ouimet, U.S. National Amateur golf champion, was named captain of the 1932 United States Walker Cup team pending decision as to whether the matches would be played this year and the make-up of the women's International team announced. There being some question as to whether Britain would send a Walker Cup team to the States this year for the matches, the rest of the team was not named nor was the place or date set.

Mrs. Glenna Collett Vare, former women's National Champion, was formally named captain of the United States women's team which will go abroad in May to meet a team of British women in what is hoped will be a biennial event. The five members of Mrs. Vare's team will be Helen Hicks, National Champion; Mrs. O. S. Hill, of Kansas City; Virginia Van Wie, of Chicago; Mrs. Leona Cheney, of San Gabriel, Calif.; and Maureen Orcutt, of Englewood, N.J. Marion Hollins, of Los Angeles, and Mrs. Harley Higbie, of Detroit, were named as alternates.

The team will sail in May and probably play the matches before the British Women's Championship at Staunton, England, May 30-June 2. Several, if not all, of the members of the team will remain to play in the Championship.

The method of sectional qualifying trials for the amateur, inaugurated last year, will be continued, H. H. Ramsay, president, told the convention, and playoffs for the Open title hereafter will be limited to 18 holes.



Francis Ouimet, U.S. Amateur Champion, who will captain Walker Cup team.

## Lambton's Receipts Were Well Maintained in 1931

**T**HE Lambton Golf and Country Club, Toronto, one of the outstanding clubs of Canada, recently held its annual meeting and the members had the pleasure of hearing very satisfactory reports for 1931 notwithstanding the machinations of "Old Man Depression".

Lambton deals in large figures. The total revenue for the year was \$108,408; the principal items being annual and locker fees \$62,652, house income \$38,229, and green fees \$7,071. It costs a lot of money to run a first class golf and country club. The sum of \$29,977 was expended on green supplies, green renewals, watering greens, and green,

professionals' and gardeners' wages. House expenses called for an expenditure of \$54,630 and office and general expenses including taxes were \$23,081. Assets are conservatively placed at \$345,457. Showing confidence and appreciation, all the governors of 1931 were re-elected for 1932. Lambton is one of the best run and best equipped golf clubs in the Dominion, and has a particularly able staff headed by Mr. E. Mason, the doyen of Canadian golf secretaries.

The course will be the venue of the Canadian Amateur Championship this year and many improvements were made last autumn to three or four holes. Lambton will provide an ideal setting for Canada's premier amateur event.

## Great Britain and Overseas

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

**C**HARLES WHITCOMBE, who recently recovered from an illness contracted during his American tour, is again in almost invincible form, in proof of which he has discomfited many of the members of his own club, Crews Hill, Enfield.

There is a running competition at this club, in which Whitcombe, playing from plus four, concedes full handicap to any member who cares to challenge him. After some weeks Whitcombe has yet to find a member who can beat him.

One member, who had been playing extremely well, considered his form good enough to lower the colours of the professional. He had a handicap of eight, and was playing well down to it. In fact, he went round in 77, and yet was beaten 7 and 5.

To accomplish this remarkable performance Whitcombe had to go round in 62—three strokes better than his own record for the course. He accomplished the first nine holes in 30 strokes, and had only two 5's on his wonderful card. It read:

Out: .....433 523 334—30  
In .....343 343 534—32—62

Whitcombe has decided that in the same tournament next winter he will play from plus six, so that his opponents may have some sort of chance of winning.

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J. W. P. Blenkin, the Cambridge University Blue, accomplished a magnificent performance on the course of the Limpsfield Chart Club, near

Oxted, where he had a round of 67, which beats the long-standing course record of 68 (professional) by A. R. Baker and P. E. Finch, and 70 (amateur) by D. E. Landale.

Blenkin did the first nine holes in 32 after being five under 4's for the first six holes. His card read:

Out .....442 333 544—32  
Home .....442 444 544—35

Limpfield Chart is rather on the short side, but the course provides a sound test of golf.

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Playing on the Coombe Hill course in company with Capt. Woolf Barnato, Viscount Mandeville and John de Forest, the Earl of Westmorland holed his tee-shot at the ninth (165 yards).

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F. L. Moffitt, a professional, won the Open Championship of Egypt at Alexandria with an aggregate of 288. Lieut. Miller, Grenadier Guards, was second with 289.

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E. J. Barnsley, a one-armed player with a handicap of eighteen, finished thirteen down in the Purley Down Club's junior monthly bogey competition. Nevertheless he handed in his card and was the only one of the six junior competitors to do so, thus winning the event.

Barnsley is without his right arm, which he lost while playing football in his school-days. He has been playing golf for only about ten months.



Conditions were not conducive to good scoring, a thick frost covering the course and the winner in the senior section, S. V. Silvester (3) failed to beat bogey, finishing one down. In all the circumstances Barnsley accomplished a creditable performance.

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Middlesex professionals, playing from plus four, found it no easy task to concede handicap odds to members of the Metropolitan Police Golfing Society on the Sudbury Club's course, but the professionals won the match by ten games to eight.

Over 18 holes the professionals were successful by 6—3, but the police won the second series, played over nine holes, by 5—4. Four-ball matches were played all day.

Some excellent golf was played on both sides, and in the top matches W. G. Oke, the Middlesex professional champion, and P. Newberry, the home professional, had to play superlatively to beat P.C. Attwell, the police champion, and P.C. Day. Attwell surprised his opponents by driving almost as far as they did, but the policeman was not always sound in his putting.

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J. Cheal, who has completed 25 years' service as professional to the Seaford Golf Club, has been presented in recognition of his services with a silver cigarette case, an illuminated address, and a cheque for more than £100.

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The seventh hole on the Seaford course was twice "done in one" within the space of half an hour—first by F. Goosey (handicap 9) and then by A. B. Yeates (14), who were competing in a club tournament. The hole measures 138 yards.

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Acting as his own auctioneer, J. H. Taylor, five times Open Champion of Great Britain, raised £100 at the golf ball in aid of St. Mary's Hospital, London. He put up his famous mashie, with which he won the Open

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"J. H." naturally treasured the club, and had intended to leave it to his eldest son, but both agreed to auction it for "a good cause". Taylor in his day was known as the world's greatest mashie player and deservedly so, too. He was a wizard with this club.

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The Prime Minister has been made an honorary member of the Mid-Surrey Golf Club, one of the best-known clubs in Britain.

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A. H. Padgham (Royal Ashdown Forest), the professional match-play champion—he won the "News of the World" £1,040 Tournament—defeated A. G. Harrison (Littlehampton) by 7 and 6 in a seventy-two holes' match, the second half of which was played at Forest Row.

The pair finished level on the first half, at Littlehampton recently, but in the present game Padgham led by five holes at the luncheon interval, and won easily in the afternoon.

Padgham will become a full professional on Feb. 1 next, when he enters into partnership at Forest Row with his present employer, Jack Rowe.

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Although the Inter-Varsity match does not take place until March, the performances during the past term have given a good indication of the respective merits of the rival Blues. So far as playing form is concerned, there appears to be very little to choose between the two teams, Oxford having won seven of 10 games, and Cambridge 10 out of 15.

In several instances a team has been met by both Varsities, but as the playing strength of the opposition has varied these encounters themselves hardly form a reliable guide. All-round strength, rather than individual brilliance, is evident on both sides, and it may well be that in the

great match itself the "tail" will turn the balance.

The following matches were played during the last month or so:—

Oxford—Beat Oxford and Cambridge G.S., 20-10. Lost to Professionals, 7-8. Lost to Stoke Poges, 7-8. Lost to St. George's Hill, 3½-8½. Beat Royal Wimbledon, 10½-4½. Beat Addington, 11-7. Beat Oxford City G.C., 21-6. Beat Worplesdon, 10-8. Beat Tadmarten Heath, 6-2. Beat "The League", 24-20.

Cambridge—Lost to Worplesdon, 7½-10½. Beat Stoke Poges, 10½-7½. Lost to "Anchorites", 3-7. Beat Professionals, 7-5. Lost to West Hill, 6-12. Beat Northwood, 7½-4½. Lost to Berkshire, 7-11. Beat Addington Palace, 9½-8½. Beat Royston, 9½-2½. Beat "The League", 15-10. Beat Gog Magog, 10-2. Beat Royal Worlington & Newmarket, 9-5. Lost to Essex Professionals, 4-8. Beat Royal Wimbledon, 8-7. Beat "The Hitties", 6½-5½.

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The match between the professionals of England and Scotland, which was last played in 1913, is to be revived this year. The contest, which was instituted in 1903, when the Scottish professionals gained their solitary success in the series, was at one time the most important fixture in the calendar of professional events. Following the custom, it is proposed to play the match on the Saturday preceding the British Open Championship, so that this year it will be decided on the Princes' course, Sandwich, where the Open Championship proper is to be played, on Saturday, June 4. The last time that the match was played at Sandwich was in 1904, when, on the Royal St. George's course, the sides finished level.

"Stop worrying," advised the genial medico. "Go out on the links and have a round of golf."

"Doctor," said the tired business man, "nobody who plays golf as badly as I do is going to be able to stop worrying."

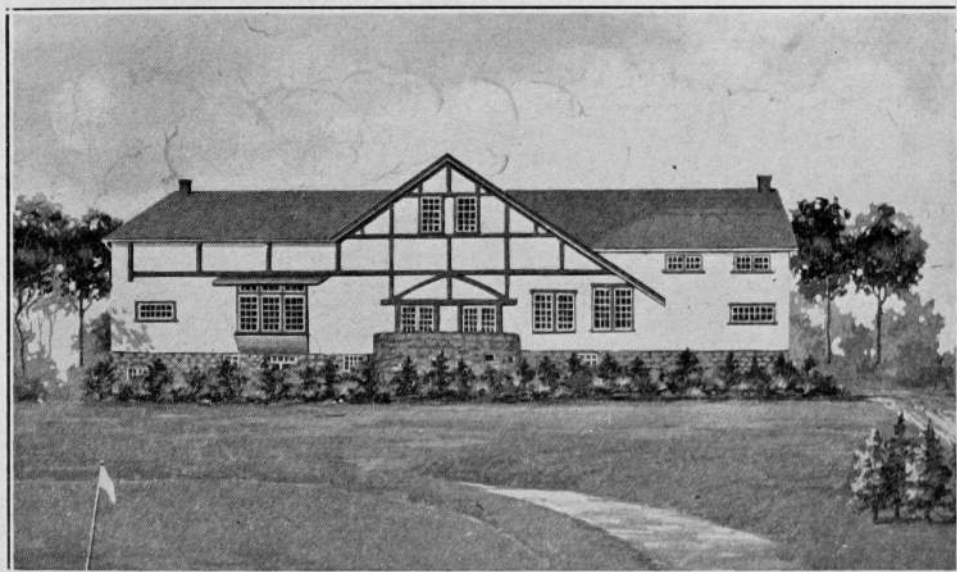
## Waterdown Golf Club

Has a Very Fine Property Adjacent to Hamilton. Eighteen-hole Course and Spacious Club House is Popular with Hundreds of Golfers. John B. Galloway Appointed Professional for Coming Season.

**T**AKING advantage of one of the beautiful summer-like days this month vouchsafed Ontario, the Editor paid a visit to the Waterdown Golf Club, Ltd., Hamilton's most recent and very successful golf course.

Mr. R. Swann Mason, a well known Hamilton real estate owner, is the

Nicol Thompson, the well known professional of the Hamilton Golf and Country Club, was entrusted with the laying out of the 18-hole course and he certainly made a capital job of it. He was fortunate in having a terrain to work upon which Nature seemed to have destined for golf links. He



The well-planned and commodious Waterdown club house.

president and general manager of the club and it is entirely owing to his acknowledged business ability and acumen that within a couple of years the undertaking has been placed on a solid golfing and financial foundation.

The property, consisting of nearly three hundred acres of beautiful, undulating and wooded land, is ideally situated not far from Clappison Corners and just off the two important highways leading respectively to Toronto and Guelph, and not far from the picturesque little town of Waterdown. By motor the course is only a few minutes drive from the centre of Hamilton, a distance of only four miles, and is approached by an excellent road right to the club gates.

has taken every advantage of the rolling ground, ravines and stream running through the property, and the result is really a championship course of 6,445 yards, with the 9th hole ending up in front of the club house, and the 18th at the back of the building—the ideal layout which all golf architects strive for, but which unfortunately is not always possible of attainment.

And here is the yardage of this well balanced course:—

No. 1, 410 yards, par 4; No. 2, 475 yards, par 5; No. 3, 135 yards, par 3; No. 4, 375 yards, par 4; No. 5, 450 yards, par 5; No. 6, 405 yards, par 4; No. 7, 400 yards, par 4; No. 8, 190 yards, par 3; No. 9, 425 yards, par 4; total out 3,265 yards; par, out, 36.

No. 10, 245 yards, par 3; No. 11, 175 yards, par 3; No. 12, 515 yards, par 5; No. 13, 425 yards, par 4; No. 14, 150 yards, par



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3; No. 15, 350 yards, par 4; No. 16, 375 yards, par 4; No. 17, 445 yards, par 4; No. 18, 500 yards, par 5; total, in, 3,180 yards; par, in 35.

Grand total, 6,445 yards, par 71.

It will be seen that there are the regulation four 1-shot holes, an excellent number of 2-shot holes, the backbone of all well laid out courses, and four 3-shot holes. Altogether an admirable arrangement, calling for every shot in the bag.

The greens are large and well placed and trapped, whilst the fairways leave little to be desired. The property was formerly a dairy farm, so the turf from the very start was in fine condition for the laying out of good fairways.

The big barn on the property has been very cleverly converted into a

most spacious and artistic club house. There is a large lounge and dining room capable of looking after the wants of two hundred and more guests, two "snack rooms", splendid kitchen arrangements, whilst downstairs are large and airy locker rooms, the professional's shop, shower baths and all the conveniences of an up-to-date club house. The spacious verandahs of the club house give a splendid view of the course and the surrounding country which is unsurpassed for beauty in Ontario. The course is 600 feet above lake level and as a result on the warmest day in summer a delightful breeze is generally enjoyed by the members and their friends.

The club already has a membership of over three hundred, whilst visitors to the course are very numerous, coming not only from nearby Hamilton but surrounding cities and towns. One week-end last season over 400 players teed-up but there was no congestion as "pairs" or "four-balls" can be sent off right at the club house either from the first or tenth tee.

This year Mr. Mason is planning to build a putting green in front of the club house and also a four-hole practice course back of the club house. He has ample land for another 18-hole course and it would not be surprising if in the years to come this will not have to be put into operation.

Mr. Mason announces for the coming season he has appointed as professional John B. Galloway, for some years assistant to "Jock" Burns at the well known Essex Golf and Country Club, Windsor, Ont. He learned a sound game in famous Carnoustie in Scotland, where so many outstanding professionals were trained. He is a capable instructor and club maker and is thoroughly equipped in every way to look after Waterdown's large and ever-increasing membership.

Waterdown too is fortunate in having a very capable head greenkeeper in W. Oliver, who was for some years employed on the Ancaster course. He

with part of his staff have been working all winter at Waterdown getting ready for the opening of the season.

The officers of this very virile club are: R. Swann Mason, president and general manager; J. H. Precious, secretary, and R. Mason, treasurer. Staff and members alike are looking for-

ward to a record season in 1932, and indications are that they will not be disappointed as every year the club is becoming increasingly popular and deservedly so, too.

The Waterdown Golf Club Ltd., has all the "hall-marks" of an enduring future.

## The Passing of a Great Banker

**T**HE passing in Montreal of Mr. C. E. Neill, vice-president and general manager of the Royal Bank of Canada, has removed from banking and financial circles one of the Dominion's outstanding figures.

Mr. Neill commenced as a junior clerk at the Fredericton Branch of the Royal Bank in 1889, became general manager in 1916, and continued in that position until 1929, when he became managing director. The years during his management were marked by more than ordinary hazards and difficulties, and it was during this period that the Bank achieved such a notable development in its business and advanced to a leading position in Canada. As pointed out by Sir Herbert Holt, the president of the Bank, at the annual meeting this month the interests of the Bank occupied a paramount position in his mind from the time he entered the service until the moment of his death. In his passing the Bank has lost a wise counsellor, his associates a loyal friend, and Canada an eminent banker and distinguished citizen.

Mr. Neill, whose philanthropies were many, was a very enthusiastic golfer. He was a member of the Royal Montreal and Mount Bruno Golf Clubs. His passing will be mourned by friends literally from Coast to Coast.



The late Mr. C. E. Neill, of Montreal, outstanding banker and financier.

## Canadian Statistics for 1931

**T**HE Dominion Bureau of Statistics announces the publication of the 1932 edition of the official handbook dealing with present conditions and recent progress in the Dominion.

Much of the material presented in the handbook has been specially prepared or rewritten for this edition—An introduction of eight pages outlines the world situation as it affects Canada and is preparatory to detailed treatment of all phases of national endeavour—area, drainage and climate; population; constitution and government; wealth and production; agriculture; forestry, mining; water powers; fisheries; fur trade; manufactures; transportation; trade, finance; labour; education, etc. The chapters dealing



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with agriculture, external trade and the taking of the census have been considerably improved, and a short section dealing with newspapers and periodicals in Canada has been introduced for the first time.

The book is prefaced by a foreword from the Hon. H. H. Stevens and is designed to give a well rounded picture of the current Canadian situation to those at home and abroad, and to provide a better basis of information for dealing with the business problems of 1932. It is freely illustrated and printed in tone to harmonize with the attractive cover.

Throughout the handbook the latest available information is included in each section, the figures in many cases extending to the end of 1931.

Applications for copies of the handbook should be addressed to the Dominion Statistician, Bureau of Statistics, Ottawa.

# "The Grand Old Man of Golf"

It Looks as Though in Mr. John White, of Saint John, New Brunswick, Canada Has Its Oldest Active Golfer.

RECENTLY the "Canadian Golfer" published an item from Ottawa claiming that Mr. Jacob Smith, a prominent member of the Royal Ottawa Golf Club, now in his 88th year was the oldest active golfer in Canada but St. John, N.B., has a candidate for the hall of fame, who goes Mr. Smith two years better.

Recently Mr. John White, of that city, celebrated his 90th birthday, and he still plays the game of games.

"I began playing golf in 1858 in my native Fifeshire in 'Auld Scotia,' said Mr. White on his 90th birthday with a chuckle, "and I was one of the last to go over the links before the cold weather set in this last season at Riverside (St. John's premier golf club)."

This makes Mr. White's golfing career 74 years long. He still uses a cleek he brought with him from Scotland when he landed in Saint John in 1862. And he'll have his clubs all polished long before the course is fit for play next spring.

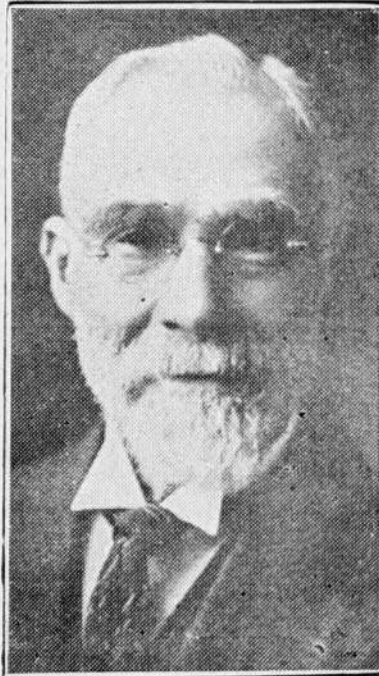
"Uncle" John White is venerated by Saint John golfers—and for that matter by the increasing army of devotees of the game who foregather in Saint John from time to time in Maritime tourneys. His little red golfing jacket and short springy steps are familiar to the Riverside Golf and Country Club membership and they consider it a rare treat to go around the course with him, not only to observe the consistency of his golf but for the enjoyment of his fund of golfing anecdote and ready wit.

One of the sights at Riverside in the summer time is to see John White, his daughter, Mrs. J. Pope Barnes, his granddaughter, Mrs. Ethelbert E. Church, of Hartford, Conn., and great-grandson, the six-foot Jack Church, playing a foursome. Young Mr. Church, now a man, has been a twosome partner of his great-grandfather since he was old enough to wield a club and learned the game under the tutelage of the old gentleman.

John White enjoys the respect of Saint John's citizenship and a wide circle throughout the Provinces. His life reads romantically. Leaving the wee town of Lundee Mill in the old land in his twenty-eighth year, where he was a banking junior, he crossed in a passenger ship and landed in Saint John without any definite plans. The father of the late Donald Fraser, arrived in Saint John on the same vessel. The friendship between these men, destined to become prominent in the affairs of New Brunswick, was firmly cemented during that long crossing.

Shortly after landing in this city, Mr. White associated himself with the late

George Stewart, then leading auctioneer and outfitter. The firm of Stewart & White, furniture dealers, evolved from this association and remained so with success for years. The son of Mr. Stewart became proprietor of the Quebec Chronicle. As years went on, following the death of Mr. Stewart, Mr. White conducted the furniture business un-



Mr. John White, of Saint John, N.B., Canada's oldest active golfer.

der his own name on Charlotte Street, where the Strand Theatre now stands. He retired more than 20 years ago.

Coincident with John White's golfing career in Saint John he was up to five years ago an ardent follower of the "besom and stane" game.

Mr. Frank N. Robertson, of the Westfield Golf Club, N.B., writes the Editor about this delightful nonogenarian:—

"I have known Mr. White all my life and have golfed with him and curled with him on many occasions, and have always greatly enjoyed his good sportsmanship. He is certainly our "Grand Old Man" in golfing and curling circles, and it would be interesting to know if there is anyone in Canada or the Mother Country who has played golf as long as he has.

"Mr. White was a member of our club as well as Riverside for several years, and his

easy, graceful stroke sending the ball perfectly straight on its course was the admiration of us all. He was never a long hit-

ter but always straight and very accurate in approaching. 'Tis a pity we have not more golfers like him.'

## The Humour of the Links

The Funny Side of the Game as Told in Poetry and Prose.

### The Candid Caddie

Golfer: Dear, dear; there cannot be any worse players than myself.

Caddie: Well, maybe there's worse players, but they don't play.

volunteered the stout gentleman who had just finished an exceedingly lucky round.

"Someone tampered with your mail," was the brutal comment.



Old Lady (to golfer, who is searching for a lost golf ball)—"You ought to be ashamed of yourself, bird nesting at your time of life."

### Nursery Rhymes Up-to-Date

Mr. Haydiddle Diddle could play on the fiddle,

But his tee shot was like a balloon.

The caddies all laughed to see such a sport,

And advised him to stick to a spoon.

Jack and Jill each sliced a pill

Into some casual water;

Jack was drowned and Jill when found

Said things no lady aughter!

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"I learned to play golf by a correspondence course with one of the greatest professionals in the world,"

Husband (setting off to important function): "Where the deuce is my top hat?"

Wife: "Oh, dear—I forgot! It's now hole six in the children's nursery midget golf."—"The Passing Show" (London).

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Novice (for the umpteenth time): "Wasn't that drive a smasher?"

"Scratch" Friend: "Yes, it's a great pity you can't take it home and have it stuffed."

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### Do You Get This "One"?

At a short blind hole, where you have to drive over direction posts,



two players were just leaving the green when a ball came over the bunker and trickled slowly towards the pin.

The ball stopped short, but, scenting a free drink, the players kicked it into the hole. As a third player climbed out of the bunker the others rushed up to him, shouting: "Congratulations, old man, the ball went right into the tin!"

"Thank heaven for that," exclaimed the third player, "otherwise it would have been seven!"

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Another year! And we renew  
Our ancient wish, that each of you  
Through sand and whin may safely  
steer

And always finish lying clear  
Of every kind of danger, through  
Another year.

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The Man with the Umbrella: "I think the sun's trying to come through, old man."

The Man with the Spade Niblick: "Oh, wave him on! Everyone else has come through already."—Sporting and Dramatic.

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"I'd have won the medal if I hadn't dropped a couple of strokes through having to play a Crusoe shot! What do you mean by that?"

"Well, my ball got into the bunker guarding the green and found a footprint in the sand!"

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"Who is this?" inquired his Satanic majesty as a forlorn appearing individual was led into the blast furnace which served as an office.

"This," replied the little devil office boy, "is a golfer."

"What is his handicap?"

"Twenty-nine."

"Let him go," thundered his majesty, "he's had Hell enough on earth."

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The Golfer: "They are all afraid to play me. What do you think my handicap is?"

The Girl: "Oh, I don't know. It might be your face, or perhaps it is just your general appearance."

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He: "My doctor says I can't play golf."

She: "So he's played with you too?"

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After spending many lonely hours in her home while her husband roamed the golf links, Mrs. Blank finally insisted upon playing with him. When she got to the sixth hole she turned to her caddie and remarked:

"I'm not so bad, am I?"

"No, you're not so bad," said the truthful boy, "but you're not nearly so good as the lady he plays with every day."

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The Pro—"Oh, he's one o' the shoemaker golfers."

The Amateur—"Shoemaker golfer? What's that?"

The Pro—"Oh, clubs soled and drives heeled."

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### "Where Ignorance is Bliss"

A man who had never played golf before went to the secretary and asked him for a card of the course, in order that he might keep his score.

After the round, the secretary asked the player if he was pleased with the result.

"I have completed the course in five over par," replied the novice proudly.

Astounded, the secretary looked at the card, then burst into laughter.

"I think you are a little mistaken," he said. "These are not the par figures but the length of the holes that you have counted."



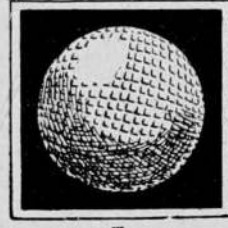
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The awful fate of a golf enthusiast.

## Bermuda Hotels Accept Canadian Money at Par

IT will be good news to the large number of Canadians who every winter go to Bermuda that the larger hotels there are accepting the Canadian dollar at par and that decision is officially announced by the Bermuda Hotels Associated.

A number of interesting golf tournaments are scheduled for Bermuda the next two months. Amongst others, Feb. 9th, Spey Royal annual tournament, Belmont Manor; Feb. 16-20, Belmont Manor Ladies' Championship; Feb. 16-20, Riddell's Bay Golf and Country Club Championship (Open); Mar. 1-5, Belmont Manor Men's Championship; March 8-17, International men's tournament at Belmont Manor (open to club pairs); March 8-12, annual Bermuda Amateur Championship at Riddell's Bay; March 15th, Hiram Walker, Gooderham & Wortz Championship, Belmont Manor; March 15-19, annual Bermuda Ladies' Championship, Riddell's Bay.

## Unknown Wins World's Biggest Money Tournament

FRED MORRISON, a big, strong fellow from Culver City, Cal., won the world's richest golfing stake this month, the \$15,000 Agua Caliente Open, by playing the final 18 holes in 73, one over par, for a 72-hole grand total of 284. He won the \$5,000 first prize in his initial appearance in big money tournament play.

Morrison, who is 31 years old, shot a 69 in the rain and mud on Wednesday to lead the field by one stroke, took a 74 the next day for a fourth place tie, and after rain forced a one-day lay-off came back with a 68, to take the lead again.

Two strokes behind Morrison came Gene Sarazen, of New York, who won the first Agua Caliente Open in 1930, then worth \$25,000. Sarazen took second place money of

\$2,500. His final round was played in 72, even par, which, with his previous cards of 70-72-72, gave him 286 strokes.

Olin Dutra, of Santa Monica, finished with a par-breaking 71 for the final round, to take third place in the tournament and \$1,500 of the prize money. He had 73-73-70 on the previous rounds, for a total of 287.

Lighthouse Harry Cooper, of Chicago, after being in second place at the end of the third round, faltered on the final nine to take a 76. This, added to his previous cards of 72-71-70, gave him a total of 289, and set him down in fourth place, worth \$900.

Last year George Von Elm, of Los Angeles, and Johnny Golden, Stamford, Conn., tied for first place with 293's. Von Elm had a 72-hole total of 294 this year, which placed him in fourteenth place, and netted him only \$260. Golden's final score was 297, which brought him \$100.

Tied for fifth place, with totals of 290, were Charley Guest, of Deal, N.J., and Willie Goggin, of San Francisco. They won \$700 each.

Leo Diegel, the home pro, who burned up the course on the first two rounds, and blew up badly the third round, finished the last day with a 76 for a total of 292 and seventh place.

## And Here's a Record

### Regular Golf Match Played in St. Thomas on January 8th.

**C**APTAIN R. W. Johnson and W. L. Agnew were responsible for an event which was unique and a record so far as the St. Thomas Golf and Country Club is concerned when they staged a golf match on the club's course at Union on Friday afternoon, January 8th. Never before, in St. Thomas at least, has a regular match been played so late, or perhaps it is, so early in the season and it may be a long time before another such event is possible. Old man weather provided an ideal day, no snow of course, and warmer than many days in late autumn. Some fifty members were present and the match lined up by President R. M. Anderson and Vice-President Dr. F. O. Lawrence was not only keenly contested but very much enjoyed by all who took part in it.

Afterwards a pleasant half hour was spent with coffee and sandwiches around the cheerful grate. The match resulted as follows:—

| President             |   | Vice-President       |   |
|-----------------------|---|----------------------|---|
| R. M. Anderson.....   | 0 | Dr. Lawrence .....   | 1 |
| D. T. Pullen .....    | 1 | Bob Johnson .....    | 0 |
| Dr. King .....        | 0 | E. D. Smith .....    | 1 |
| H. Wooliver .....     | 0 | R. W. Johnson .....  | 1 |
| W. L. Agnew .....     | 0 | J. B. Davidson ..... | 1 |
| J. Hunter .....       | 1 | T. Swindells .....   | 0 |
| C. W. Herron .....    | 1 | J. T. Stewart .....  | 0 |
| G. Cruickshank .....  | 1 | J. S. Lyons .....    | 0 |
| W. A. Gray .....      | 0 | B. Black .....       | 1 |
| W. U. Latonnell.....  | 1 | R. Cochill .....     | 0 |
| G. Nethercott .....   | 0 | C. H. Smith .....    | 1 |
| J. T. Humphrey.....   | 0 | Dr. Galbraith .....  | 1 |
| C. St. C. Leitch..... | 0 | W. Hollingshead....  | 1 |
| Rev. Johnston .....   | 1 | A. R. Sanders .....  | 0 |

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|----------------------|--------|----------------------|--------|
| Dr. Curtis .....     | 0      | Rev. R. Martin ..... | 1      |
| W. Dalziel .....     | 1      | L. Foster .....      | 0      |
| J. C. Conley .....   | 1      | W. M. Scott .....    | 0      |
| Rev. Soules .....    | 1      | G. L. Sherlock ..... | 0      |
| G. E. Disbrowe ..... | 1      | R. D. Emslie .....   | 1      |
| G. Geddes .....      | 0      | J. Burns .....       | 0      |
| J. Dowler .....      | 0      | G. Davey .....       | 1      |
| H. S. Cochrane ..... | 0      | J. A. Elliott .....  | 1      |
| Dr. K. McKay .....   | 1      | Rev. J. Davies ..... | 0      |
| H. T. Gough .....    | 1      | J. Casey .....       | 0      |
| F. Harding .....     | 1/2    | H. F. Williams ..... | 1/2    |
|                      | 12 1/2 |                      | 12 1/2 |

Golfers who have had the pleasure of playing over the sporting and picturesque St. Thomas course will be interested to know that some new property having been acquired, the second nine holes were almost entirely rebuilt last fall. The new greens are of the same type as those on the Royal York course, and were constructed by Stanley Thompson, who has been retained by the club to plan and supervise any improvements which may be made in the future.

The members of the club are well satisfied with the work done, which has resulted in a course which is second to none in Western Ontario.

#### Granby Also Playing Golf

Mr. N. E. Clouston, of the Granby Manufacturing Company, Ltd., manufacturers of the justly celebrated "Peg" golf tee, writes the Editor:—

"For the first time on record, golf was played on our local course during the month of January. Many of our 'golfing bugs' have enjoyed a round of the links."

## A Much Appreciated Letter

**M**R. A. A. ADAMS, for many years the very popular captain of the Hamilton Golf and Country Club, and one of the best known golfers in Ontario, very kindly writes the Editor:—

"I enclose cheque for annual subscription for 'Canadian Golfer', the magazine that keeps us in touch with what's doing in golf and golfers. Well do I remember when you placed your magazine on the market. At that time it could be termed a real venture for

there was but little golf played and very few golf clubs. To gather sufficient golf material to run a monthly golf magazine would seem a hopeless task. Quite on the contrary, from the first your magazine has proven a success and much credit is due it in helping to build up this wonderful game throughout Canada.

"From its inception the spirit of the 'Canadian Golfer' has seemed right for it has played no favourites nor has it confined itself to the higher-ups in the game, in other words, the plus and limit handicap golfers were placed on a par and never once has it overlooked man's true worth. Then when right time came for saying appropriate things it can be said that the Editor has but few equals."

## Some Good Pointers for Every Golfer

**J**ACK REDMOND, of Chicago, is an Internationally known golfer and authority on the game. Here are some valuable pointers which can be carefully studied by scratch and handicap players alike.

### The Iron Shot

1. Top of the swing for a full iron shot is curiously like the top of the swing in full drive. The compactness of the pose is even more emphatic, the swing appears upright, but the nearness of the hands to the body on the downstroke have a flattening effect.

2. As the club-head passes through the ball at the bottom of the swing, taking a slight divot, you have the effect of a crisp, sharp punch.

3. After hitting the ball, the head of the club should follow straight through in the line of the hole. This straight follow-through is really one of the most important parts of the stroke, for unless it is followed, a hook or sliced shot is bound to develop.

### The Mashie

As a general rule the mashie should be played with an upright swing. The feet are placed closer to the ball with the stance rather open, and the ball is much nearer the right foot than for other iron shots. The same principle applies for mashie play as does for longer irons; that is, you endeavour to hit the ball before you touch the ground with the club.

For the average length mashie shots, you should take the club back the same distance as you follow-through; that is, if you take a long back swing, your follow-through should be equally long.

In addressing the ball, remember to have the face of the club turned **BACK**. The reason for this is that you give more power to the back of the left hand, which will enable you to get longer distance with shorter swing.

In playing the shot the club is taken back entirely by the left hand, both arms, especially the left, being kept as straight as possible, but you do not have to keep them rigid or stiff. As you hit the ball, the left hand does most of the hitting and the back of the hand should do this, although the right must exert a certain amount of power.

Bring the arms slightly across the body and keep the head of the club low for about eighteen inches. For the ordinary player, the toe of the club should be pointing skyward at the end of both the back and forward swings.

### Advice

I want to respectfully suggest to my readers that the kindly advice so often offered (in the best of spirit) by Mr. Average Golfer is worse than worthless for most logical reasons. First, your friend does not know your particular muscle action; and second, the golf knowledge he wishes to impart has, no doubt, been gained in the manner of friendly pointers from Mr. Duffer.

Again I stress the fact that your pro is your golf doctor. He will gladly answer any query and he, of course, knows the answers! Help your pro help you.

# In and Round the Club House

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

Mr. S. L. McKay, of Sarnia, Ont., Governor of the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association, is spending the winter at Daytona Beach, Fla.

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Tommy Armour, of Detroit, British Open Champion and twice Canadian Open Champion, burned up 72 holes of the Miami Springs course for a 285 to win first money in the \$2,500 Miami Open Golf Tournament. Armour had rounds of 75 and 71 for the 36 holes the second day, which added to his previous 36-hole total of 139, gave him a record low score for the Miami event and \$800 prize money.

John Kinder, Caldwell, N.J., was nine strokes behind Armour with a 294 for second money while Mike Turnesa, Elmsford, N.Y., followed Kinder with 295. Willie MacFarlane, Tuckahoe, N.Y.; Joe Turnesa, Elmsford, N.Y., the defending champion, and Ed Williams, Cleveland, were in a three-way tie with 297 for fourth place. Willie Klein, East Williston, L.I., and Bill Mehlhorn, New York, had 299's.

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The eighth annual meeting of the Abitibi Golf Club, Iroquois Falls, was held on December 8th, 1931. The executive for 1932 were elected as follows:—

President, Mr. W. Kishbaugh; vice-president, Mr. P. Harrower; secretary-treasurer, Mr. J. Hardie; chairman of green committee, Mr. G. J. Hamill; chairman of match committee, Mr. A. R. Armstrong.

In spite of the difficult times the past season proved to be a very successful one, a fact which reflects great credit on the executive. The retiring members were Mr. F. E. Wood, president and member of executive for four years, and Mr. G. J. Morrisette, chairman of green committee. A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the retiring members.

Mr. Kishbaugh expressed his appreciation of having a strong com-

mittee elected with him. He stated that 1932 might be even more difficult than last year but with the con-



Tommy Armour picks up \$800 at Miami, Florida.

tinued support of the members he hoped to repeat the success obtained last year.



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The following are the officers of the Ladies' Section of the York Downs Golf Club, one of Toronto's most prominent clubs:—

President, Mrs. J. F. Hopkirk; vice-president, Mrs. W. E. Pepall; hon. secretary, Mrs. Whiteford Bell; captain, Mrs. C. H. Haas; vice-captain, Mrs. Mulholland; handicap manager, Mrs. F. Grant; ringer sheet, Mrs. Caulfield; general committee, Mrs. R. Kinnear, Mrs. A. R. Fraser.

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The Scarboro ladies held their annual meeting at the King Edward Hotel, Toronto, last month. There was a very large turnout of ladies at the meeting and the reports received from the different committees were received with great satisfaction as the activities of the ladies' section during the past season were very progressive. Mrs. J. H. Riddel was elected president for the ensuing year and Mrs.

W. E. Young was elected vice-president. The following ladies were appointed to the committee: Mrs. Jordan, Mrs. Levy, Mrs. McCord. Mrs. L. E. Woolley was elected captain of the club. Mrs. Riddel, the president for 1932, is one of the best known golfers in Ontario and has for some years been prominent in both Provincial and club championships.

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Mr. G. H. Davies, steward of the Essex Golf and Country Club, Windsor, Ontario, and Mrs. Davies are spending two or three months in England. For the first time in its history the Essex Club will not be kept open all winter.

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Mr. R. H. Greene, Toronto, vice-president of the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association, and Mrs. Greene are spending the winter with relatives at San Diego, California.

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The Editor, who has twice the past few years, had the privilege of visiting Gleneagles, Scotland, is of the opinion that this famous resort of the London, Midland and Scottish Railway is the most beautiful in the world. It has been very aptly termed "the world's" unrivalled playground. In addition to the three superb golf courses, there is riding, tennis, fishing, swimming and shooting. There is direct restaurant car and sleeping car services from Euston Station, London, to this famous Scottish resort with its superb hotel, and the many Canadians who will be touring Great Britain the coming season will make a mistake which they will ever regret if they do not put Gleneagles on their itinerary. Not to have played over the courses there is to have missed the golfing thrill of a lifetime.

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Mr. Charles C. Hole, of Montreal, after 34 years service with the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada—the last twelve as chief travelling auditor, has retired on pension and

with Mrs. Hole, like so many other Easterners, has taken up his residence in "Victoria the beautiful". Mr. Hole has always taken a very keen interest in golf and was one of the charter members and governors of the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association. Friends throughout Canada will sincerely wish Mr. and Mrs. Hole many years of health and happiness in their new home in British Columbia.

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At a meeting of the new board of directors of the Cedar Brook Golf and Country Club, Toronto, the following officers were elected for the new year: Honorary president, A. E. King; president, R. W. Parker; vice-president, Joseph Sedgwick; honorary treasurer, W. F. Day; chairman green committee, F. A. Duffort; chairman house committee, A. A. Kirby; chairman membership committee, W. J. McDermid; captain, A. Hinton.

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Mr. O. S. Scheifele, of Waterloo, Ontario, is the originator of beach and bank protection and reclamation by horizontal planting of willow poles. He has successfully solved the difficulties of more than one golf club in Ontario which have been very much worried by the inroads of streams running through their property. He has really accomplished remarkable reclamations.

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In the passing at the Toronto General Hospital last week of Mr. W. J. Taylor, proprietor of the "Sentinel-Review", Woodstock, Ont., Canada loses one of its most prominent journalists, and the Editor of the "Canadian Golfer" a very old and dear friend. Mr. Taylor always took an active interest in amateur sports and was at one time Editor of "Rod and Gun". Latterly he was quite a warm supporter of golf.

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Mr. George Shaw, formerly well known Canadian amateur, both in the West and East, who represents the American Fork & Hoe Company on

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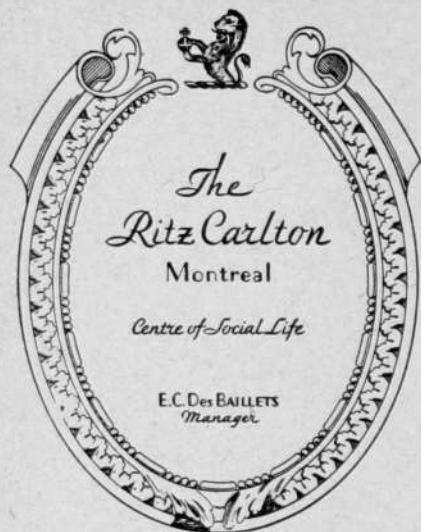
And here is a "horrible example" for would-be "one-shotters" in Canada the coming season not to follow. Despatch from Mexico City, January 20th:—

"W. R. Bartram, accountant for the Tampico Light and Power Company, made what his friends said was "a magnificent approach shot" during a game of golf on a Tampico course. But it killed him.

"As the ball described a perfect arc toward the pin, Bartram watched it a second in wide-eyed wonder, leaped into the air, uttered a single exclamation—and fell dead."

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C. R. Murray, the well-known professional of the Royal Montreal Golf Club, who in the winter also acts as professional at the Gulf Stream Golf Club, Delray Beach, Florida, is the



inventor of a very clever device—a steam box for cleaning and purifying soil. When the soil for top dressing greens is put through this process it is absolutely cleaned of all weed seed and fungi and is therefore a great money-saver. Mr. Murray writes the Editor:—

“We have had no trouble with crab grass in our greens at Dixie since we

steamed our soil for top-dressing. I shall be very pleased to give any greenkeepers further information about this steam box. I am confident this device will do away with many of their green troubles.”

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A number of prominent U.S. professionals are arranging to participate in the British Open at Princes, Sandwich, next June. Gene Sarazen and young Harry Cooper, the former Hamilton caddie, have decided definitely to enter. Tommy Armour will, in all probability, defend the title which he annexed last year and Walter Hagen will also very likely take another fling at the championship which he has won four times, 1922, 1924, 1928, and 1929. Sarazen has made five times to annex the British title. “Dogged is as does it,” apparently is his slogan.

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Several Canadian greenkeepers are in attendance this week at the big Greenkeepers' Convention at the Hotel Pennsylvania, New York. A very fine programme has been arranged for this outstanding event.

## A Home-Made Leaf Rake

THE removal of leaves and other litter from golf turf is usually a costly procedure. Machines have been developed in recent years designed to speed up this type of work and reduce the labour cost, but on most courses the leaves are still removed by use of the hand rake. The ordinary wooden hand rake, designed primarily for raking small lawns, is the most common implement in use for this work. A good many of the common gardening or lawn tools have been decidedly improved in recent years to meet certain requirements in the maintenance of golf courses, but the lawn rake has seldom been modified.

At the Meadowbrook Country Club, in the Detroit District, there is in use a modified lawn rake which has proved to be much superior to the common rake. This modified rake was designed by William H. Aston, chairman of the green committee of that club. The change was made by merely increasing the width of the rake to 48 inches, the customary width of rake being about 23 inches. In making this rake, Mr. Aston states, a  $\frac{7}{8}$ -inch pine strip  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches wide and 48 inches long is used. Into this holes are bored, not larger than the wire to be used for the teeth, one inch apart on the  $2\frac{1}{2}$ -inch way of the strip. The teeth are made by bending 12-inch lengths of heavy wire into the form a staple and inserting them half their length through the holes. The ends of the wire are turned and fastened securely to the wooden strip. The staples are then bent forward as in the ordinary wire rake so they will slide under the leaves. An ordinary rake handle is then attached.



This rake, which covers a much wider area than the ordinary rake, is much more effective in removing a light covering of leaves from a comparatively flat area. There is little increase in its weight over the ordinary rake. Men who use these rakes state that they are no more difficult to handle than rakes of standard size and that with them one can cover a much greater area in a given time. It is a simple device which anyone can easily make from material readily available.

A rake of this kind with teeth on both sides, Mr. Aston points out, would be very desirable, one side to be used for pushing and the other for pulling, simply by turning the rake over as desired. The operator could turn such a rake over and by pushing ahead could walk away with great piles of leaves in a fraction of the time it would take with the ordinary raking motions.

For raking around flower gardens, shrubbery, or similar irregular areas of turf such as are found around lawns, the standard rake is to be preferred, but there seems to be no reason why a much wider rake can not be used to advantage on the larger areas of a golf course.

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**WANTED**—For the season of 1932 by experienced professional, a position in a good club—British Columbia preferred. Has been many years in present position with renewal for next season but would like a change. Highest references. Apply care of Editor "Canadian Golfer", Brantford, Ontario, who will be very pleased to recommend applicant.

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## Forthcoming Winter and Other Fixtures

February 8, 9, 10, 11—27th Annual St. Valentine's Tournament for Women, Pinehurst, N.C.

Feb. 9—Spey Royal annual trophy tournament at Belmont Manor, Bermuda.

February 13, 15, 16, 17—12th Annual Seniors' Tournament, Pinehurst, N.C.

Feb. 16-20—Belmont Manor Ladies' championship tournament, Bermuda.

Feb. 16-20—Riddell's Bay Golf and Country Club championship (open), Bermuda.

Feb. 22—Augusta Seniors' Championship, open to players of 55 years of age and over. Forest Hills Golf Course, Augusta, Ga.

February 22-27—Empress Midwinter Tournament, Victoria, B.C.

February 26, 27, 29, March 1, 2, 3—28th Annual Spring Tournament, Pinehurst, N.C.

March 1-5—Belmont Manor men's championship tournament (open), Bermuda.

March 8-12—International men's tournament at Belmont Manor (open to club pairs).

March 8-12—Annual Bermuda Amateur Championship at Riddell's Bay, Bermuda.

March 11-12—Forest Hills Women's Invitation Tournament, Forest Hills, Augusta, Ga.

March 14—Augusta Women's Invitation Tournament, held at Augusta C.C.

March 15—Hiram Walker-Gooderham & Wortz championship at Belmont Manor, Bermuda.

March 15-19—Annual Bermuda Ladies' Championship at Riddell's Bay, Bermuda.

March 17—Augusta Country Club Championship, held at Augusta C.C.

March 24-25—30th Annual United North and South Open Championship, Pinehurst, N.C.

March 28, 29, 30, 31, April 1—30th Annual United North and South Amateur Championship for Women, Pinehurst, N.C.

April 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9—32nd Annual United North and South Amateur Championship, Pinehurst, N.C.

April 18, 19, 20, 21, 22—22nd Annual Mid-April Tournament, Pinehurst, N.C.

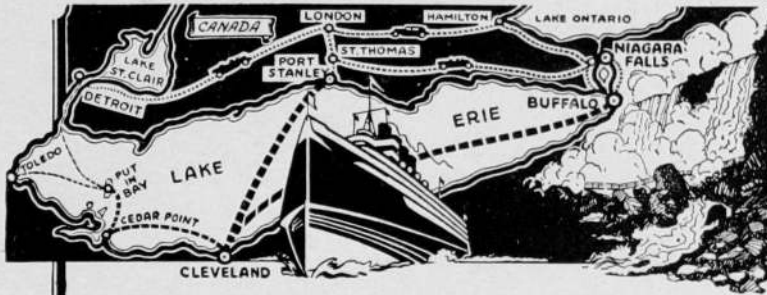
May 23, 1932—British Amateur Championship, at Muirfield.

May 24-25, 1932—Ladies' International Matches, at Saunton, England.

May 26-27, 1932—Ladies' Open Championship Qualifying Rounds, at Saunton, England.

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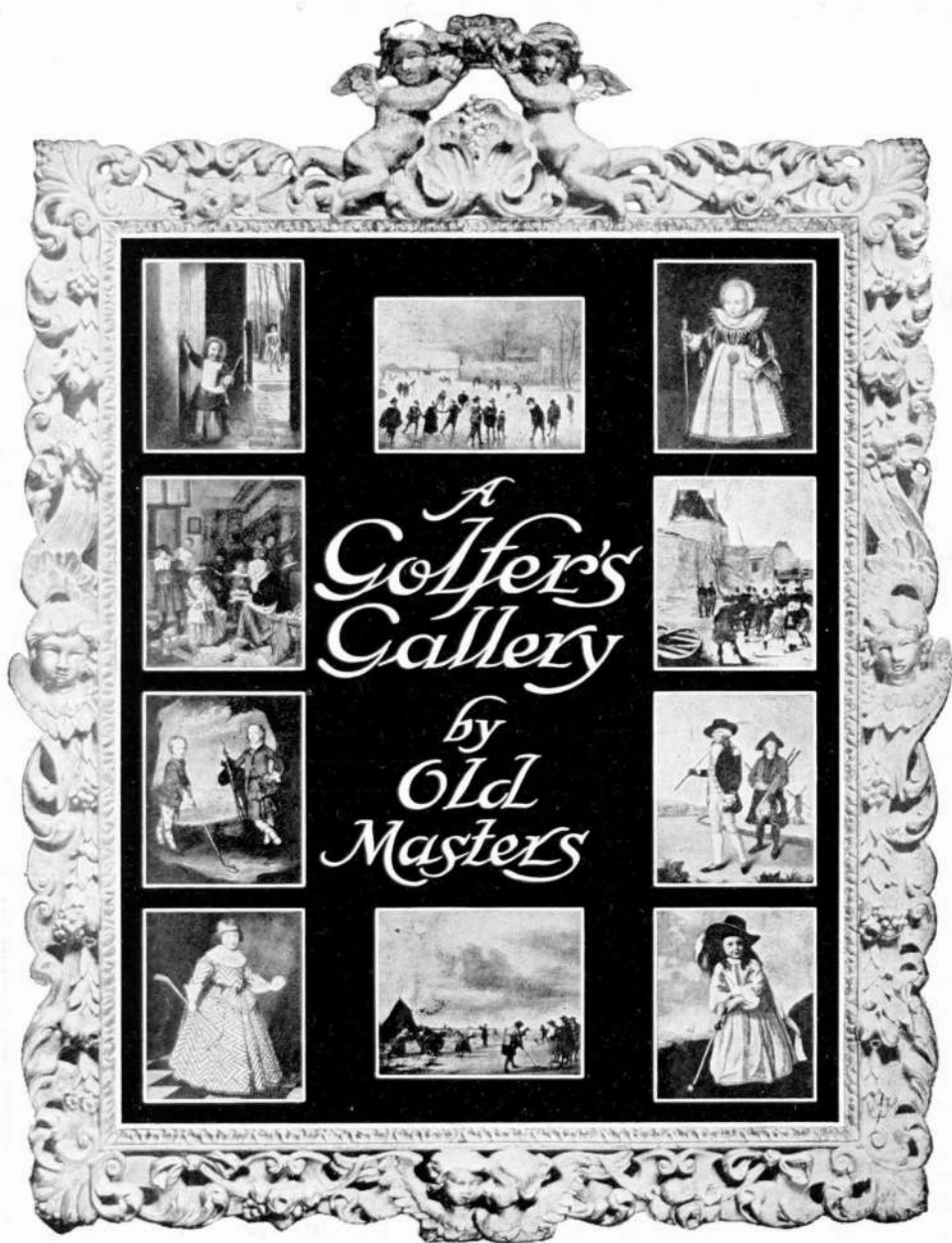


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