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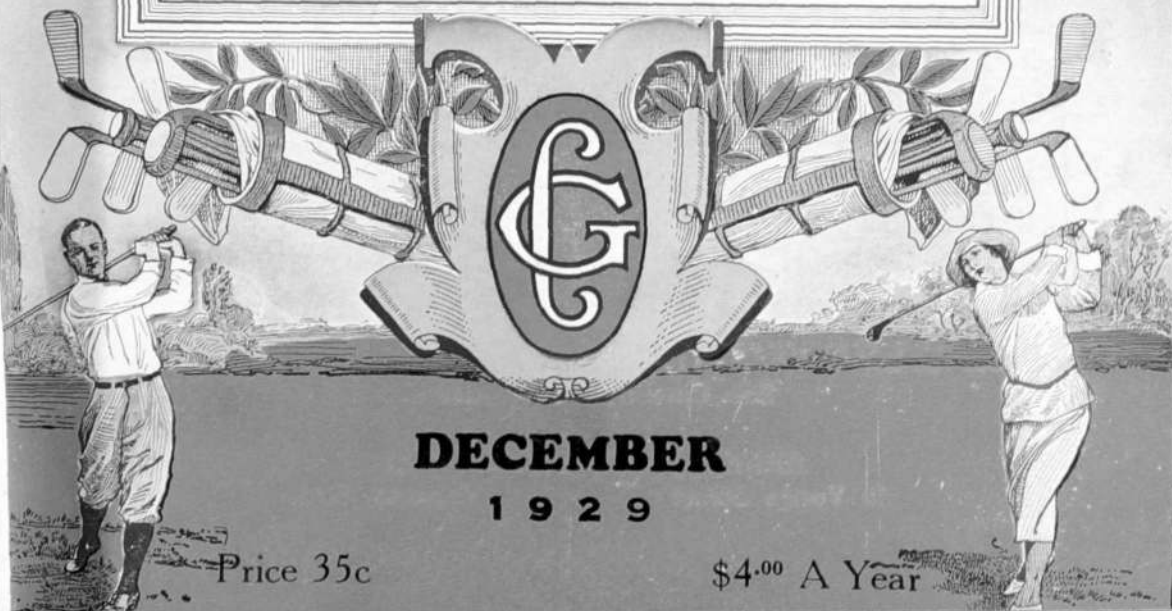
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U.S.G.A. Will Not Recognize State Team Expenses.

The United States Golf Association has recently handed out a rude jolt to the many State Golf Associations in that country by unanimously decreeing, and many will think harshly, that expenses of teams sponsored by the State organizations will not be recognized in any tournaments. The governing body of golf in the States will only permit expenses incurred by the teams participating in the Walker Cup matches against Great Britain, in Public Links Championships and in the Inter-College competitions.

In Canada, in contra-distinction, the Royal Canadian Golf Association permits the various Provincial Associations to defray the expenses of teams representing the Associations in the Inter-Provincial events. Both the U.S. Seniors and the Canadian Seniors' Associations also pay the travelling expenses of their teams playing in the International Matches. The U.S.G.A., however, has now emphatically gone on record against such practices. This, however, will not have any bearing or significance in Canada.

The Conservation of Wild Flowers and Birds on Golf Courses.

The following letter received by the Editor from Miss Frances M. Flintoft, of Sarnia, Ontario (a member of the Sarnia Golf Club), is well worthy of perusal and careful attention upon the part of golf club executives:—

“There seems to be an agitation growing stronger throughout Canada for the preservation of our Canadian wild flowers. Many of these beautiful wild flowers are rapidly becoming extinct. Golf Clubs could do a great work in wild flower preservation instructing the greenkeepers in the care of the wild flowers on the links by refraining from destroying them unnecessarily. On many American courses they have the same reverence for their wild flowers as they have for garden flowers, and trees and treat

them accordingly. Why not bring this subject forward at the coming annual meetings of golf clubs? Yours for the preservation of wild flowers."

Miss Flintoft is quite right. By all means preserve the wild flowers which flourish in many of the ravines and places adjacent to the fairways on the links of Canada.

Another matter of interest as mentioned in the November issue is the conserving and encouragement of bird life on the golf courses of the Dominion. In the United States a very strong society has recently been formed with that end in view, among those sponsoring the movement being "Bobby" Jones and Grantland Rice, the Internationally known sports writer. It is also proposed to start a similar society in Canada. Birds and wild flowers both add to the attractiveness of golf courses and the enjoyment of golfers who, generally speaking, are ardent lovers of nature and "the great out-doors."

**R.C.G.A. Not
in Favour of
Changes in Ball.**

As was generally expected (as announced in our November issue) the Royal Canadian Golf Association has gone on record as not favouring any change in the meantime in the size and weight of the golf ball. At a recent meeting of the executive of the Association it was decided "that no changes would be made in the golf ball at the present time, on account of the absence of any demand for a change and from the fact that the Royal and Ancient of St. Andrews are not making any change."

This important pronouncement means that as far as Canada is concerned the example of the United States Golf Association in authorizing a larger and lighter ball in 1931 will not be followed here but that the stand taken by the R. and A. in continuing the use of the present smaller and heavier ball will be adhered to. Unquestionably this ruling will be received throughout the Dominion with gratification. The present 1.62 ball has installed itself a great favourite especially with the rank and file of golfers who are strongly opposed to the idea of the new ball, which will mean loss of distance off the tee and through the green of anywhere from 25 to 40 yards and your average golfer does love to swat 'em, "two hundred yards or more," something which will be impossible with the larger and lighter ball, authorized to be used by the U.S.G.A. the year after next.

**Executives Now
Preparing for
Annual Meetings.**

Secretaries of many of the leading golf clubs in Canada are now busily engaged in getting out their annual reports for 1929, and it is understood that generally speaking the financial year just closing has been unusually successful and profitable. The balance sheets of several of the major clubs now run into large figures. Revenues of from \$30,000 to \$50,000 are not at all uncommon whilst a few clubs will show receipts well over the fifty thousand dollar mark.

Until a few years ago golf club annual meetings were not held until the spring. Now the larger and more successful clubs clean up all business by the end of December and prepare in January their budgets for the ensuing year. And that's the right thing to do.

VOTE FOR "MORE GOLF"

Following the example of Toronto, Montreal and other larger centres, Brantford, Kitchener, and Galt at their municipal elections this month voted in favour of introducing daylight saving next summer. Perhaps needless to say that golfers in a body and patrons of outdoor sport generally plumped for the measure, which will be a great boom to all lovers of the out-door life in the three progressive cities mentioned.



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

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Sir Ernest Holderness, the former British Amateur Champion, who has not been much in evidence lately on the golf course, last month was runner-up to George Gadd, the famous professional, in the Surrey Open Championship. Sir Ernest has still to be reckoned with in first class company.

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Here's a breezy one from Belmont, Mass.:—

"The earth tremors recorded on the Massachusetts Coast gave James Cash, Jr., of Omaha, Neb., a Harvard law school student, a hole in one, according to members of the Belmont Springs Country Club. Cash, playing in a foursome, teed off from the 16th hole and his ball landed on the green and stopped on the lip of the cup. The golfers felt a disturbance and when they next looked at Cash's ball it was in the cup."

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The Editor and Staff of the "Canadian Golfer" are once again privileged to extend to the many subscribers of the Magazine in Canada, Great Britain, the United States and other countries, sincere wishes for a joyous Christmas and a Happy New Year—sans bunkers, sans hazards—plus health and happiness aplenty. And so, as Tiny Tim observed in Dickens immortal Carol, "God Bless Us Every One."

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For the fifth successive year R. C. Matthews, M.P., has been elected president of the Toronto Cricket Club. This year the club made a brilliant showing, among their achievements being the winning of the John Ross Robertson Cup, emblematic of the championship of Canada. Mr. Matthews, in addition to cricket, has always been a loyal supporter of golf and is an ex-president of the Rosedale Golf Club. All amateur sport always finds in the popular Toronto M.P. a loyal friend.

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At the annual dinner of the Hermitage Club, Dublin, Ireland, President Cosgrave was the principal guest, and he spoke in praise of the game as a recreation. Golf, he observed, is a very rational recreation and sound training for mind and body. Its real benefit, he thought, was psychological; the mind benefits most, and men in all walks of life know that they find in golf a complete change from the worries and cares of everyday life.

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Mr. C. J. Hanratty, of the Publicity Department of the Canadian National Railways, Montreal, and formerly golf editor of the Montreal Gazette, has recently been promoted to London, England, as chief of the Press Bureau of the C.N.R. in Great Britain. Mr. Hanratty only last August was in charge of the representative party of journalists who visited Jasper Park and the Can-

adian Amateur Golf Championship there as guests of the C.N.R. Hearty congratulations on his well-earned advancement will be extended to him by golfing and other friends throughout the Dominion.

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Mr. W. Dick, well known golfer of Victoria, B.C., in renewing his subscription—

“Your Magazine is as breezy and interesting as ever and very readable.”

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Despatch from New York, Dec. 7th:—

The New York State Golf Association Executive Board at its annual session yesterday at the Hotel Biltmore unanimously passed a resolution expressing its support of the United States Golf Association in its decision to forbid the paying of the expenses of teams representing State and sectional golf associations.

The resolution was a vote of confidence to the national body for its stand in the Lesley Cup controversy, as the proposal of Wesley M. Oler, of Apawamis, which was adopted, called for the support of the U.S.G.A. “in the matter of amateur rules, particularly as they apply to the payment by the local associations of expenses of golfers to various events.”

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New York Times:—

“The United States Golf Association took a firm stand against the proposal to have the expenses of Lesley Cup players paid by the competing sectional associations. The salvation of golf as an amateur sport has been the character and capacity of the men who have been on the Governing Board of the U.S.G.A. ever since its organization. It would be better to wipe out the two expense exceptions—the Walker Cup trip every four years, and the annual public-links tournament—than to grant the Lesley Cup expense proposal, and open the way for more of the same. Real amateur golfers would soon be elbowed off the tee and out of competition by professional amateurs, moving from tournament to tournament at no expense to themselves.”

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So successful is the London Municipal Golf Course—“The Thames Valley”—that the authorities the coming season are planning the expenditure of \$12,000 on an up-to-date new club house. Both London and Hamilton, especially are two cities that have found municipal golf not only self-supporting but extremely profitable. The Hamilton Civic Course annually records a balance of \$6,000 to \$7,000 after all expenditures and London does not lag far behind. As a matter of fact, there is not a single municipal golf course in Canada, from Halifax to Vancouver, that does not more than pay its way. The coming year Stratford and other progressive cities are planning to establish public links. They can make no mistake in doing so.

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And here are three outstanding feats of the past season in England:—The Foxgrove professional, Herbert Jolly, playing on his home course at Foxgrove registered a round 62, the lowest score of 1929 made on a recognized first-class course in Great Britain. Fred Robson, the Cooden Beach professional, who played on the British Ryder Cup team which visited Toronto and Montreal two years ago, holed the sixth at Cooden Beach, a par 4, in two, and then proceeded to negotiate the 7th, 260 yards, in one, by holing a full brassie shot. Playing over the Scraftoft course at Leicester, Mr. D. McCrystal and Mr. T. H. Matthews, who were playing together, both holed out the 17th in one stroke—a 1,000,000 to 1 shot it has been figured out.

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The cable recently announced that “Sandy” Herd, the celebrated Scottish professional, had made the eighteenth hole-in-one of his long and notable career on the 18th hole of the Moore Park Club—his home course. “Sandy”, who is 62 years of age next April, easily holds the world’s record for “One-Shotters.” His nearest rival is his famous brother Scot, James Braid, who has

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call for special care

THE chances for motor accidents multiply greatly on pavements which are wet or covered with snow or ice. Even when equipped with chains, an automobile will not stop in so short a distance as on a dry pavement.

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Just before the vehicle is brought to a stop, the clutch should be disengaged.

On slippery pavements that are free from traffic, practice this method of controlling your automobile. The skill you acquire may prevent an accident and perhaps save a life.

Remember, too, that your brake bands pick up moisture from the pavement in wet weather. A wet brake is not so efficient as a dry one.

Driving in fall and winter has its dangers both in city and country. By schooling yourself in handling your machine on wet or slippery pavements, your driving will be safer for yourself and for other drivers. Remember your automobile is a machine. It does just what you make it do.

Care, Courtesy and Common Sense—on the highways at all times—but particularly now when new dangers are present.

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eleven "oners" to his credit. Herd, who toured Canada with J. H. Taylor six years ago, has been promised a gold putter by an admirer if he ever brings his total of holes-in-one up to twenty. It looks as though he may yet land this rich prize as he is as vigorous as ever and is playing as good golf now as he did 27 years ago when he won the British Open Championship. Herd, like so many other noted professionals, is a product of St. Andrews, Scotland.

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"Our own Mr. George Lyon" has a rival in Mr. Spencer Gollan, of Scotland, also over seventy years of age, who was a competitor recently in the Calcutta Cup Competition at St. Andrews. Mr. Gollan won the New Zealand Championship in 1902 and 1906, and even under the weight of his advancing years he is still able to play down to a handicap of six. He, too, was keenly interested in the Turf, and at one time owned "Australian Star," one of the best horses of his time. His son, Mr. Donald Gollan, is a sculler of note, and has appeared in the final heat of the Diamond Sculls at Henley.

THE PASSING OF JACK MORRIS—SIXTY YEARS PRO AT HOYLAKE

THE death was announced last month at Liverpool of Jack Morris, for sixty years professional at the famous Hoylake Golf Club of that city.

This easily constitutes a record for long service in a golf club, although there are several professionals in the Old Country who have been with their clubs for thirty years or more. In Canada the record is held by George Cumming, who has been at the Toronto Golf Club for over a quarter of a century. He is worthily known as "the doyen of the professional corps in the Dominion." Other well known Canadian professionals who have continuous club service of twenty years or so are C. R. Murray, the Royal Montreal; Karl Keffer, the Royal Ottawa, and Nicol Thompson, the Hamilton Golf and Country Club.

The position of a golf professional is an onerous and important one, calling for both ability and tact and men equipped to hold the position over a long term of years are quite out of the ordinary.

Morris, who was an honorary life member of Hoylake, had the honour of coaching Mr. John Ball, eight times amateur champion of Great Britain, and once the Open champion—a record which will probably never be equalled. Mr. Ball, who is 66 years of age and who of recent years has not participated in competitive golf, is also an honorary life member of Hoylake and his hotel, immediately adjoins the links. It is quite the Mecca of golfers from all parts of the world.

Morris was born at St. Andrews, Scotland, in 1847, and was therefore 82 years of age. He was appointed professional to the Royal Liverpool Club at Hoylake the 14th of July, 1869. "Auld Tom Morris", of immortal memory, was his uncle and "Young Tom" was his cousin. Young Tommy was four years his junior, and to illustrate the long services of "Jack" Morris with the premier golf club of England, "Young Tommy" was holding the first of the four Open Championships which he won, the year his cousin crossed the border to take up his duties at Hoylake. The old professional who was known to tens of thousands of golfers was especially proud of the fact that he had four times made the famous "Rushes Hole" at Hoylake in one stroke.

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GOLF DOWN BY THE POUNDING SEAS

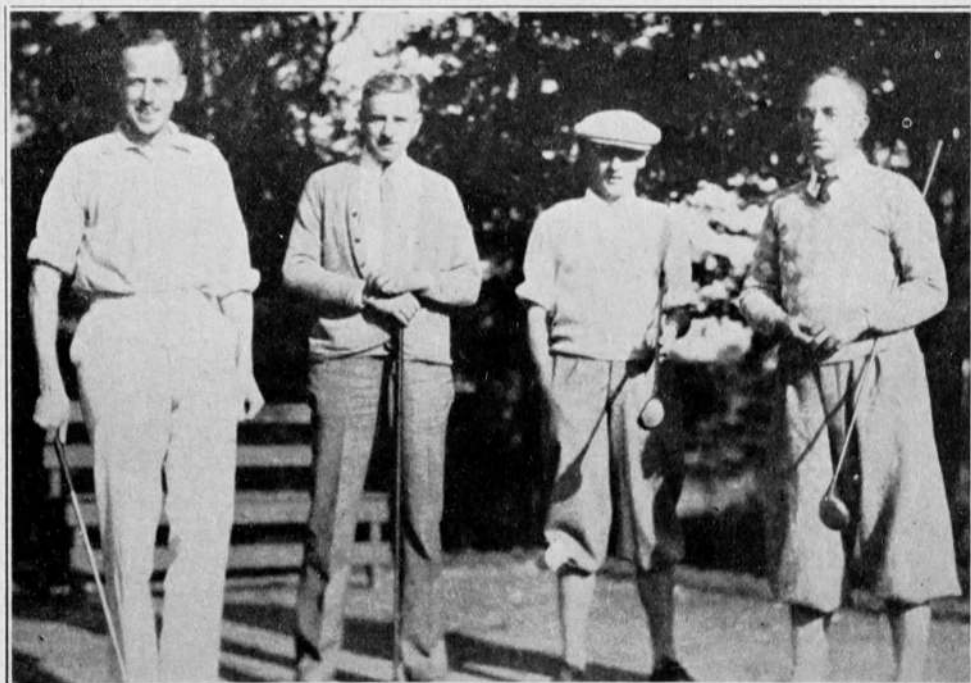
The Maritimes Have Just Closed a Record Season. Marriage of Mr. Gerald Mielke, Six Times Amateur Champion. Former Haligonian Wins Championship of Norway. Interesting Bank of Montreal Tournament.

(By Wm. J. McCall, Halifax, N.S.)

PLAYING with all the skill of a senior golfer, Lloyd Brown, 16-year-old Gorsebrook Club caddie, won the caddie championship at the popular Halifax South End links. Brown, who, by the way, is a younger

into a links star. J. Gallivan and H. Crane, two other promising youngsters, were next in line with cards of 81 and 82 respectively.

Thirteen boys, ranging in age from 11 to 12 years, competed over 9 holes



Bank of Montreal Branch Managers, Maritime Division, play golf at Ashburn, Halifax. Left to right, J. Garrow, Staff Department of the Bank, Montreal, winner of the Tournament; W. Stewart, Yarmouth, N.S.; H. E. Mercer, Mahone Bay, N.S., and Edward W. Pope, Halifax.

brother of Reginald Brown, the 1928 champion, and who carried off the honours in the Second Division last year, led the field of nearly forty boys with a brilliant score of 78 for the eighteen hole round. Gerald Hare was runner-up to the champion with a score of 81 strokes.

Arthur McCarthy, a boy of 14 years, equalled Brown's score of 78 in winning first place honours in the Second Division. This youngster has all the earmarks of a fine golfer and with proper training should develop

in the Third Division Class. G. Fader shot a nifty 41 to cop first prize. One stroke behind was H. Smith, while P. Reyno and L. Pelham were tied in third position with 43 strokes each. Harry Foley, 9-year-old son of the club professional, Harold "Sam" Foley, was the youngest competitor. He carded a 73 for nine holes.

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From Oslo, Norway, comes the interesting announcement that Frederick H. Palmer, M.C., former Haligonian, is the winner of the golf

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championship of Norway this year, having recently defeated Dr. J. E. Ohman, the 1926 champion, at the 37th hole of the final match.

Five down at the end of the first eighteen holes, Mr. Palmer fought hard to pick up the lost ground and managed to cut down his opponent's lead to one up at the 27th hole. The last nine holes of the 36 were hard fought and were played in a steady drizzle. Dr. Ohman, who had carded a 73 in the initial round, was unable to maintain his early form, and it was thus that Mr. Palmer managed to square the match at the 36th green. The championship was decided on the extra hole and Mr. Palmer was winner.

In the semi-final round Mr. Palmer defeated Hakon Grut, a former champion of Sweden.

Mr. Palmer is Canada's Trade Commissioner in Scandinavia. He will be remembered by the sporting fraternity as "Freddy" Palmer, of hockey

and football fame, who played with Halifax Wanderers some years ago, and who captained the crack Nova Scotia Technical School hockey team which went to Charlottetown, P.E.I., in an effort to bring the Maritimes Championship back to Halifax.

Mrs. Palmer, who was formerly Miss Natalie Freeman, is something of a golfer herself. She advanced to the semi-finals of the Norway Ladies' Championship, winning her match at the nineteenth hole. She, however, lost to the 1928 Ladies' Champion at the 20th hole of the final match.

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Mr. Gerald Mielke, of Halifax, six times Maritimes Amateur Champion, this season joined the ranks of the Benedicts, marrying Miss Florence Martin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Martin, South Park Street, Halifax, a particularly charming young lady. The good wishes of golfers throughout the Maritimes for a happy married life will be extended to them.

Gerald is easily the outstanding golfer of the Provinces "down by the sounding sea." He didn't compete in the Maritime Championship this year and was obliged to withdraw from the Nova Scotia Provincial Championship at Sydney as the result of the sad news of the sudden death of his father. He was leading the field at

Golf Club. Having come to the city to confer and dine with Jackson Dodd, Assistant General Manager, who was accompanied from Montreal by James Garrow, of the Staff Department of the Bank, and Mr. Gilbert, an Inspector, the managers from Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick did not pass up



Gorsebrook Club caddies taken in front of the club house at the completion of their annual Tournament. Lloyd Brown, 16, winner of the competition, with a fine score of 78 for 18 holes, is seated in the second back row (wearing glasses). "Sam" Foley, club professional, is seen standing to the left. On the right are J. D. Abraham, vice-captain, and Col. H. D. Clarke.

the time. His outstanding performance of the season was a brilliant 65, three under par, at the Ashburn links, Halifax. It is a great pity that he does not take part in the Canadian Amateur and other events. As a youth he did in 1920 compete in the Canadian Open at Rivermead, Ottawa, and created a most favourable impression among the experts who prophesied at the time a brilliant golfing future for him.

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No doubt the most interesting, both from a standpoint of business and pleasure, of the late season golf matches held in Halifax was that in which branch managers of the Bank of Montreal of the Maritime Provinces Division, participated at Ashburn

the opportunity for an afternoon on the links.

In company with A. E. Nash, superintendent of the Bank at Halifax, Edward W. Pope, manager, and others of his Department, including the other city branch managers, the visitors were entertained at lunch at the Halifax Golf Club, following which foursomes were played in the afternoon.

James Garrow, of the Montreal staff, led the field with a brilliant card of 76. The winner was heartily congratulated upon his performance in chalking up such a fine score over the difficult and tricky Ashburn layout. Mr. Garrow, however, is not a stranger in Halifax. He was a member of the accounting department of the local branch of the Bank for three

years before his departure for Montreal.

G. P. Worseley, of Moncton, N.B., turned in the second best score of the afternoon and was closely followed by F. Merritt, of Wolfville, N.S. The other managers competing were as

A. M. Peters, St. John, N.B.; A. T. Bayly, St. John (Haymarket Sq.); C. A. Robinson, St. John (Union St.); M. A. John, St. Stephen, N.B.; D. G. Scott, Woodstock, N.B.; W. Stewart, Yarmouth, N.S.; E. C. Helsby, Halifax (North End); H. St. C. Woodill, Halifax (Willow Tree).



Mr. Gerald Meilke, famous Maritime Amateur, who recently entered for "the greatest match of all."

follows: A. G. Guest, Amherst; E. P. MacKay, Bathurst; H. K. Hopkirk, Bridgewater, N.S.; G. G. Woodward, Canso, N.S.; G. Filliter, Charlottetown, P.E.I.; W. H. S. Burritt, Chatham, N.B.; G. Lawson, Fredericton, N.B.; E. G. Coombs, Glace Bay, N.S.; A. R. Manning, Grand Falls, N.B.; C. Baker, Hartland; F. J. McDonald, Lunenburg, N.S.; H. E. Meicer, Mahone Bay, N.S.; P. G. Wier, Marysville; H. Henshaw, Perth; P. W. S. Dawson, Port Hood; H. P. Boucher, Riverport, N.S.; E. R. T. Heustis, Shediac; A. J. Hollyer, Sydney, N.S.;

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Championship of the Lingan Golf and Country Club, Sydney, N.S., for the season of 1929 was won by J. S. Nairn, who was successful in defeating the favourite, George Hault, in the final match. A large field followed the players in their championship round and were treated to a good exhibition of the Royal and Ancient game.

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The 1929 season at the Brightwood Golf and Country Club, Dartmouth, N.S. (across the harbour from Halifax), rated as having the finest championship course east of Montreal, was one of the most eventful in the history of the Club. While none of the major competitions were staged over Brightwood's lofty, wind-swept slopes there were quite a number of local matches which both members and visitors enjoyed to the full.

Prizes, won in season competition, were presented at the annual closing recently, by J. G. Rainnie, club president, as follows:—

Men's Competitions—Championship (Vidito Shield)—Won by A. H. Creighton.; runner-up, E. L. Teasdale.

Grant Cup—Won by E. M. "Spud" Beazley.

Saar Cup (eclectic)—Won by C. W. Durrant, score 62.

McCurdy Cup—Won by J. P. McNeil.

Farquhar Cup (best gross average score for the months of June, July, August and September)—Won by C. W. Durrant.

Junior Championship—Ernest "Bubs" Morley.

Ladies' Competitions — Championship (Farquhar Cup)—Won by Mrs. W. T. Allen. Runner-up, Mrs. F. S. Coombs.

C.L.G.U. (Spoon)—Won by Mrs. F. S. Coombs.

June Competition—Won by Mrs. J. W. Douglas.

July Competition—Won by Mrs. Gerald Creighton.

September Competition—Won by Mrs. J. Douglas.

Reduction of handicap (30 to 36 class)—
Won by Mrs. A. K. Baillie.

Reduction of handicap (20 to 30 class)—
Won by Mrs. F. S. Coombs.

Greatest reduction of handicap (36 class)
—Won by Miss Nan Churchill.

Eclectic Competition—Won by Mrs. J. W.
Douglas.

Best gross score (Tuesday play, August
and September)—Won by Mrs. A. H.
Creighton.

Ladies' Foursomes—Won by Mrs. A. H.
Creighton and Mrs. S. McKnight.

Driving Competition—Won by Mrs. F. S.
Coombs.

Approaching and Putting—Won by Mrs.
A. K. Baillie. * * *

William "Bill" Kelly, of Sydney, a
student at St. Francis Xavier Uni-
versity, Antigonish, N.S., won the
championship of the Antigonish Golf
and Country Club, defeating J. A.
Chisholm 6 and 5 in the final. With
the title went the Royal George Hotel
Cup.

Chisholm had previously eliminated
in the semi-finals Dr. R. F. MacDon-
ald, last year's winner, by a margin of
one up. In the first round of the
Kelly-Chisholm play, the former
equalled the course record of 28 for
the first nine holes.

(Editor's Note—Kelly is one of the
"coming" golfers of Nova Scotia. He
was the winner of the Second Divi-
sion at the Maritime Championships
at Saint John, N.B.) * * *

Winners of prizes in the various
competitions of the season at the
Gorsebrook Golf and Country Club,
Halifax, N.S., are as follows:—

Men's Competitions—Club Championship
—G. P. Laidlaw; runner-up, Dr. T. M.
Sieniewiez.

Affleck Cup (June handicap)—R. M.
(Bob) Ellis; runner-up, John W. Wood.

Lieutenant-Governor's Prize and Adams
Cup—F. B. Barnstead; runner-up, Dr.
Sieniewiez.

Kane Cup and Hobberlin Trophy—G. P.
Laidlaw; runner-up, A. E. Jamieson.

Driving Competition, A. R. Thomas.

Approaching and Putting—Dr. W. L.
Fluck.

Eclectic (lowest gross)—William Dickson.

Eclectic (lowest nett)—G. W. Hazen.

Eclectic (second lowest gross and nett)—
A. E. Jamieson.

Left-hander's competition—F. Barnstead.

Ladies' Competitions—Club Championship
—Miss Margaret Cook; runner-up, Mrs.
Robert Patterson.

Lady President's Prize (best nett score
in July)—Miss Lydia Roy and Mrs. M. D.
Fitzgerald, tie.

C.L.G.U. Spoon—Mrs. T. L. Connolly.

Affleck Cup (June handicap)—Mrs. Vern-
on Mullock; runner-up, Mrs. J. H. Lownds.

Adams Cup (July handicap)—Mrs. J. H.
Lownds; runner-up, Mrs. Mullock.



"Following in Dad's Footsteps." Nine-
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Kane Cup (August handicap)—Miss E.
Baxter; runner-up, Mrs. G. M. Wood.

Championship, 2nd Div.—Mrs. R. M. Ellis.
Driving Competition—Miss E. Baxter;
runner-up, Mrs. G. M. Wood.

Approaching and Putting—Miss Isabel
Cavanagh; runner-up, Mrs. T. L. Connolly.

Eclectic (lowest gross)—Mrs. T. L. Con-
nolly.

Eclectic (2nd lowest gross)—Mrs. Fred
Barnstead.

Eclectic (lowest nett)—Miss B. Burgoyne,
Mrs. G. W. Hazen, tie.

Mixed Foursomes—Winners, H. J. Free-
man and Mrs. Lownds; runners-up, A. L.
Scott and Miss E. Baxter.

Family Foursomes—Winners, Mr. and
Mrs. G. M. Wood; runners-up, Mr. and Mrs.
H. J. Freeman.

THE UNIQUE QUALIFICATION FOR \$25,000 TOURNAMENT

IN CONNECTION with the record-making \$25,000 Tournament of the Agua Caliente Club (Mexico), January 14-17, a very unique qualification for the event is being observed. The players will not be forced to qualify on the ground for the competition and but one 18-hole round will be played on each of the four days allotted for the 72-hole competition. The Los Angeles \$10,000 Open, which will be staged just the week prior to the Agua Caliente event, will be the qualifying round for the \$25,000 tournament. Players who qualify for the Los Angeles Open will automatically join the eligible list for the Agua Caliente competition the week following along with the usual quota of star performers who are exempt from the preliminary tests in the Coast winter tournaments such as all foreign professionals, members of the Ryder Cup team and leaders in the U.S. National Open and P.G.A. championships. The complete division of the \$25,000 as announced by Leo Diegel (Open champion of Canada), professional at Agua Caliente and manager of the tournament, is as follows:—First \$10,000, second \$5,000, third \$2,500, fourth \$1,500, fifth \$1,000, sixth \$750, seventh \$650, eighth \$550, ninth \$450, tenth \$400, eleventh \$350, twelfth \$250, thirteenth to twentieth, eight awards of \$200 each. Entries of all leading American professionals already are assured and from European countries will come a number of fine golfers, Diegel has been advised.

QUEBEC BRANCH C. L. G. U.

Five Hundred Attend Annual Meeting and Luncheon. The Cancelling of Close Championship is Discussed. Interesting and Encouraging Annual Reports.

THE official season of the Quebec Branch of the Canadian Ladies' Golf Union came to a fitting close last month when almost 500 gathered for the annual meeting and presentation of field day prizes at a luncheon at the Mount Royal Hotel, Montreal. Mrs. T. Arnold was elected president of the Quebec Branch at the meeting.

The honorary president for the coming year is Miss K. Campbell, while the vice-presidents elected are Mrs. A. E. Mussen, Mrs. H. H. Matthews, and Mrs. George Chahoon, Jr. Mrs. E. P. Christian was voted into the office of honorary secretary-treasurer, and Mrs. W. Garth Thomson is again the handicap manager. Miss Eileen Kinsella, chairman of the par committee, and Mrs. W. S. Light-hall as assistant secretary-treasurer, were voted into office.

A feature of the luncheon was the presentation of the field day prizes. Miss Eileen Kinsella, crack Senneville golfer, took the lion's share of these, winning no less than three major

awards out of six. Mrs. W. G. Fraser, Miss Kate Robertson and Miss Dora Virtue also took major honours.

Following the luncheon a proposal that a motion be made favouring the discontinuing the annual ladies' closed tournament of the C.L.G.U. was discussed, but no definite decision was reached on the matter. It was decided, however, that the proposal be kept in mind and that the opinions of the other branches of the C.L.G.U. be obtained.

Herewith some extracts from the interesting annual reports read at the meeting:—

The President:—When you did me the honour last year of electing me your president, I accepted with a great deal of trepidation. I supposed I was undertaking a very arduous task and one which would entail a lot of work and considerable time. On the contrary, this year has been for me a most interesting and instructive one. I have learned a great deal about the inner workings of the C.L.G.U. both National and Provincial. I have enjoyed our meetings and met many interesting people. I owe my grateful thanks to the ladies of my executive, for the time which they have given and the efficient work they have

done. I wish to give special thanks to the ladies—heads of the different departments—my first vice-president, Mrs. Mussen; Mrs. Christian, our secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Mann, convener of field days; Mrs. Garth Thompson, convener of handicap and rules committee; Mrs. Hathaway, pars manager, and Miss Kinsella, who keeps us before the public eye—for their willingness always to help me and for their unflinching courtesy to me at all times. I also wish to thank the captains and members of the different golf clubs who have co-operated with us in the tournaments and field days and who with their interest and enthusiasm have done so much to encourage us. We feel this has been a successful year. I know no year can be so good that it cannot be improved on, but we have done our best to make this year an interesting one and if we have pleased the majority we will feel well repaid. I want to thank the Press for their wonderful co-operation with us, and for the space they have given us in their daily papers. Our thanks are also due to the ladies who have so kindly led us to-day in our musical programme.

It is with great pleasure I introduce to you the new National President, Mrs. Lyle, and I wish to extend to her a very hearty welcome on behalf of the Province of Quebec. I am so glad to have Miss Haslett with us to-day—president of Ontario, and who as acting president while Mrs. Lyle was away, so ably carried on the National work.

The Honorary Secretary-Treasurer:—It is once more my privilege to present the Annual Report of the activities of our Branch of the C.L.G.U.—one which, I think you will agree, shows a steady growth in both the interest manifested and the results achieved.

The Executive Committee has held regular monthly meetings throughout the year, at which all matters pertaining to the running of the Branch, and the arranging of the various tournaments, were discussed and settled.

We sponsored nine competitive events in all—six Field Days, one Provincial and one City and District Championship, and a Championship for Junior Girls.

The Provincial Tournament was held during the week of June 17-21, over the course of the Summerlea Golf Club, and while the field was not so large as in some other years, it was fairly representative, 13 of the clubs being represented. Mrs. Alexa Stirling Fraser was the medallist, but circumstances prevented her taking part in the match elimination play, and she, with the good sportsmanship characteristic of her, refused to accept the honour, which went to Mrs. H. R. Pickens, who was only one stroke behind Mrs. Fraser in the qualifying round. The finals were again this year played between Miss Virtue, the defending champion, and Mme. J. Dagenais, who as

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Long Beach Open Jan. 3-4-5	3,500
Los Angeles Open Jan. 8-10-11-12	10,000
Agua Caliente Open Jan. 14-15-16-17	25,000



CALIFORNIA this winter will be a mecca for the followers of golf. History of the sport is in the making at Agua Caliente where \$25,000 in prize money will be distributed at the termination of four days of play on January 17th. The richest purse the game has ever known, arranged as a sequel to the series of brilliant events listed above, will turn the eyes of golfdom to Agua Caliente, in Old Mexico. Here, under the shadow of the Campanile, professionals and amateurs of international repute will wage a contest unique in golf annals!

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runner-up last year took Miss Virtue to the 20th hole. The battle was even more strenuous this year, and was waged to the 23rd hole, where Mme. Dagenais succeeded in wresting the title from Miss Virtue, and has, I believe, the honour to be the first French-Canadian woman to hold the Provincial Championship.

The Team Shield, which is played for annually in the qualifying round of this championship, was won by the team of the Royal Ottawa Golf Club.

Of the six Field Days, which this season were divided in equal proportions between the clubs in the outlying districts and the clubs in the immediate neighbourhood of Montreal, I shall say little, details will be given you by the chairman of the field day committee.

This plan of distributing the field days over the Province did not prove to be quite as successful as the committee had hoped, as the greater proportion of the entries for the three "out-of-town" events came from the Montreal clubs. This was offset somewhat, however, by the fact that at each of these three events, a fair share of the prizes offered was won by members of the clubs at which the tournaments were held, which, of course, was most stimulating and encouraging to them, the more so as the winning scores in many cases were the very best ever turned in by the winners.

I cannot pass on without reference to the remarkable improvement shown in the scores returned at these events. As those of you who have been taking part in these Field Days since their inauguration will remember, the scores of the 36 and 36-plus players, and indeed sometimes of players with lower handicaps, were frequently very high indeed. This year it was the exception to receive scores over the 125 mark; and it was rather the rule than the exception that

the winning score for the 36 handicap players, for whom a special prize was offered on each day, reduced that player's handicap by several strokes. I think we may take it that the Field Days have amply justified their existence.

The second annual Championship for Junior Girls of the Province was played over the course of the Montreal Country Club, 36 holes medal play, 18 on August 29th, and 18 on August 30th. The winner was Miss Barbara Tooke, aged 16, of the Beaconsfield Golf Club, with scores of 87-96, total 183, which, I think you will agree, is good golf. Miss Tooke took possession for the first time of the Junior Cup, presented to the Branch for annual competition by the 1928 executive committee of the Branch.

The appeal of the executive committee to the clubs to encourage and help their junior members was evidently responded to in some measure, as is evidenced by the fact that this year we had 13 entries from 6 clubs as against 10 entries from 5 clubs last year, and would have had many more but for the 35 handicap limit. Of these 13 young players, no less than 8 reduced their handicaps during the three days play, three of them being already in the Silver Division; and one, Miss Oara Gault, a 16-year-old entrant from the Ste. Agathe Club, reduced from 33 to 20, a rather remarkable achievement.

The third Montreal City and District Championship was held over the south course of the Royal Montreal Golf Club on September 9th and 10th; 36 hole medal play, 18 holes each day; and produced, in addition to the largest entry to date for this event, some very fine golf. Miss Marjorie Kirkham, who left us two years ago to reside in California, celebrated her return to the Branch, and her first entry into our competitions, by winning this tournament, with scores of 89-81—170; Miss Dora Virtue, the defending champion, being runner-up. At the risk of boring you with figures, I would like to mention that from this field of 116 players, on the first day 4, and on the second, 10, reduced their handicaps.

I think it is fitting here to express to Miss Kirkham, Miss Virtue and the other members of our Branch who took part in the Canadian and American Championships, the congratulations of the Committee and the Branch as a whole, on the very creditable manner in which they represented us.

Handicap Manager's Report:—This has been a banner year in the history of the Branch. Following the impetus given the game by the institution of field days three years ago, the players have excelled themselves both in increase in number and in excellence of performance.

There are now thirty-six clubs in the Quebec Branch. One has just joined, two are inactive, three were under winter rules all season and one has not sent in sheets. This leaves twenty-nine active clubs with a

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little over 1,500 players all chasing after the elusive handicap. Of these, ten per cent. are in the Silver Division, leaving ninety per cent. in the Bronze, and curiously enough thirty-six per cent. hold a thirty-six handicap.

The flourishing condition of the clubs, as a whole, may be indicated by the fact that 22 per cent. of the players, or about one-fifth, reduced their handicaps in varying degree this year, while the noble army of new arrivals to swell the lists accounts

for 17 per cent. of the names on the Medal Sheets.

Coming to individual clubs, Summerlea tops the Province with 40 per cent. of its members reducing handicaps, next comes Grand Mere with 36 per cent., and Beaconsfield with 33½ per cent. The enthusiasm of the tyros in the game brings the Country Club of Montreal to the fore with 38 per cent. of their members earning handicaps for the first time, followed by Forest Hills, 35 per cent., and Hampstead, 29 per cent.



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I have great pleasure in recording that our City and District Champion, Miss Marjorie Kirkham, is the winner of the Cup presented by the Quebec Branch for the greatest reduction in handicap for the season. Miss Kirkham earned a handicap of 7 on joining Marlborough and later reduced it to 3, chiefly owing to her splendid play at Royal Montreal during the City and District Championship and at Ancaster in the qualifying round for the Open Championship of Canada. This represents a reduction of 57 per cent. Miss Doris Taylor, Summerlea, one of the Province's young rising stars, comes second with a reduction of 48 per cent., and close on her heels follows Mrs. Irwin, of Kanawaki, with 47 per cent.

I have to congratulate the captains of the different clubs on the excellent work done on the sheets. Practically every sheet was carefully kept with the added end columns correctly filled in. This, I may say, is of tremendous help to the handicap managers in making out the sheets for next season. The interest of the players in the C.L.G.U. medal rounds was evident, espe-

cially in the Bronze Division, one club having three members tying for first place.

In all, 15 teaspoons have been awarded in the Silver Division and 27 coffee spoons in the Bronze. I must thank the handicap committee for their thorough co-operation in all the work throughout the season and to express my appreciation of the loyal support given this department by my colleagues on the executive and our excellent field day managers.

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Chairman Field Days Report:—In the golf season of 1929, the Quebec Branch of the C.L.G.U. has held six field days; three were in Montreal District, one in Ottawa; one in Grand Mere, and one in Sherbrooke. For Ottawa and Grand Mere special Pullman cars were arranged for, and everything possible was done for the comfort and convenience of the players. The surprisingly large entry list of 145 for Ottawa and 123 for Grand Mere proved the popularity of the venture in holding out-of-town field days, at Sherbrooke the entry was splendid from Montreal, but disappointingly small from Sherbrooke District, as the majority of players there seldom enter 18-hole competitions, and were not sufficiently familiar with the runnings of a field day, to feel eligible to play. However, the hospitality of the executive was most cordial and all those who entered had a most enjoyable day.

The three Montreal and District field days all had record entry lists and averaged over two hundred competitors, making the chairman's task cover over six hours continuous work, of starting couples at five minute intervals.

Five prizes were played for at each field day so that every class of competitor had an equal chance of winning something.

The chairman made all previous arrangements through the different club executives for popular priced luncheons, standard caddy fees, and so far as possible, motor transportation for the players; co-operation and courtesy were met at every club where events were held, and even the weatherman helped by giving 5 fine field days out of six.

The entry fee of fifty cents per player has amply covered the expenses of club tips, postage, ledgers and thirty prizes, and still leaves a balance for the coming season.

In closing, the chairman wishes to thank most sincerely the president, Mrs. Arnold, for her never-failing co-operation and advice, and for her personal attendance and help at every field day but one throughout the summer; also to thank the field day committee—Mrs. S. Chillas, Mrs. E. R. W. Hebden, Mrs. E. P. Christian, Mrs. R. C. Ronalds and Mrs. Garth Thompson—for their arduous and efficient duties at the score board, assisted by Miss H. Bernard; and last, but in deepest appreciation, thanks to the press representatives for their always willing service in keeping the results and notices regarding field days before the public.

MARRIAGE OF A POPULAR YOUNG SARNIA GOLFER

A RECENT wedding of much interest to golfers was that of Donald Seger McKay, only son of Mr. and Mrs. S. L. McKay, of Sarnia, Ont., to Dorothy Evalean Willson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Willson, also of Sarnia, which took place at St. George's Anglican Church, the Rev. Canon Collins officiating. After the ceremony, the happy couple left by motor for Detroit, Chicago and other points, followed by the enthusiastic acclaim of their many friends.

The young groom, it may be mentioned, is one of the most popular and successful young golfers of Western Ontario, being champion of the local club, and recently won the Royal Bank Tournament, of which Bank he is a promising member. It might be further mentioned, that Donald comes by his golf naturally, his forebears hailing from Dornock, Scotland, while his father is also a golfer of distinction, being a Governor of the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association and a member of the Seniors' International Team which visited Great Britain this year.

The "Canadian Golfer" desires the pleasure of adding its hearty congratulations and best wishes to the young couple. May fair fortune favour them and keep them long on the "fairway" of life.

CANADIAN CLUB GOLFERS

End Up Season with a Jolly Dinner in New York. Election of Officers for 1930.

(By a Staff Reporter)

THE Golf Circle of the Canadian Club, New York City, closed its season on November 17 with the outstanding event of the year—the annual dinner. The attendance topped sixty, and the spirit of friendship can be compared only to an ideal drive down the fairway.

Shortly after seven o'clock dinner was ready, and Chairman Ernest W. Appleby teed off with a toast to President Hoover and then to the King. Dinner service was interrupted periodically to give the artists an opportunity to entertain with instrument and song. This delightful evening was made especially so by Earl Tuckerman and Harvey Hindermeyer, the Gold Dust Twins of radio fame, who with Frank T. Harrat as their accompanist, were most liberal and entertaining with their songs. They comprise the most loyal trio of friends the Golf Circle knows, and there is no one else so welcome at its functions.

Harry Armstrong was in good form, and as song leader kept things moving so that there never was a dull moment throughout the evening.

A genuine surprise was sprung on the artists when Chairman Appleby summoned them in front of the head table, and requested President Edwin A. Scott to finish the story. President Scott in addressing the trio, remarked that the usual routine of showing appreciation had been changed for the evening. On every occasion, he pointed out, when these artists had appeared on the program, the Golf Circle had always used kind words to express the thanks of its members, but on this occasion it had been decided to adopt a more permanent form of expression, and as such, had selected for each a handsome vase which it was his pleasure then to present.

There were also two birthday presentations during the dinner. Dr. John Silken and Chas. H. Tuke had a double celebration and were presented with tools of their trade.

After the dinner the first order of business was the election of officers. C. DeWitt Rogers, as chairman of the Nominating Committee, reported the selection of the present officers for

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re-election, and moved that they be re-elected.

The motion was properly seconded and the vote taken by President Scott, who declared the officers for the year to be duly elected as follows:—

Honourary chairman, Dr. George B. Palmer; chairman, Ernest W. Appleby; vice-chairman, John A. Noonan; secretary, Frank P. Syms; treasurer, Dr. John Skillen; handicapper, Dr. Anthony Bassler; tournaments, Auguste Giraldi.

Prizes and clubs on which next

year's tournaments are to be held, were then called for and met with a generous response.

Dr. Anthony Bassler interspersed several stories with compliments to Frank P. Syms as the season champion, and to other prize winners, with an appeal to members for co-operation, especially in marking all cards plainly and turning them in.

Vice-Chairman John A. Noonan then distributed the prizes to the winners, and in addition thereto, there were many special prizes.

THE ROYAL AND ANCIENT FALLS INTO LINE

A CABLE from St. Andrews, Scotland, Nov. 28th:—

"The British rules of golf committee to-day announced its approval of steel-shafted clubs, which now will be legal for British Championships.

"Controversy over the steel shaft has divided British golfers into two great camps, and only yesterday a competitor in a national event was disqualified for using steel-shafted clubs.

"Opponents of steel shafts have expressed the fear that one of the results of legalizing steel will be the passing of the ancient club makers' craftsmanship. But a scarcity of good hickory has driven the St. Andrews solons to approve of the type of club United States golfers have been using for years.

"The official wording of to-day's announcement at the autumn session of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club follows:—

"Steel shafts as approved by the rules of golf committee are declared to conform with the requirements of the clause in rules of golf on 'form and make of golf clubs.'"

This decision of the R. and A. will be received with a good deal of gratification in Canada. Some four years ago the Royal Canadian Golf Association decided to legalize the steel-shafted clubs, thus for the first time in the history of the game not following "in the footsteps" of the R. and A. which it has always done in the past. Now both Associations are on "all-fours" again which is a source of satisfaction and for congratulation all round.

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WRITES "30" TO A NOTABLE CAREER

Mr. H. E. Smallpeice, of Toronto, Journalistic and Advertising Expert, Retires After Four-score Years and More from Varied Business and Other Activities.

ON NOVEMBER 30th, in his 82nd year, Mr. H. E. Smallpeice, J.P., of Toronto, still mentally and physically as fit as ever, brought to a conclusion a remarkable life of journalism and advertising activities. Mr. Smallpeice has for the past fifteen years been the Toronto representative of the "Canadian Golfer" and the Editor has the greatest pleasure in testifying to the invaluable assistance and support during this decade and a half, accorded to him and the Magazine by this veteran of "the Fourth Estate."

Mr. Lamont Hagey, the Toronto Globe librarian, and another of the old school of journalists, who have done so much for the newspapers of Canada in the past, in a recent issue of the "Globe" says:—

"Mr. Smallpeice is a native of Guildford, Surrey, England, and is a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry Smallpeice, of Toronto.

"Mr. Smallpeice, after a brief period at school, entered the field of journalism as messenger for Hon. George Brown, Editor of the Globe, 66 years ago. He well remembers carrying the telegraph message to Hon. George Brown's home on the morning of April 7, 1868, conveying the news of the shooting of Hon. T. D'Arcy McGee by an assassin at Ottawa.

"During Mr. Smallpeice's long connection with newspaperdom he saw service on the Toronto Daily Telegraph, the Toronto National and Sun, which he started, and the Guelph Herald, which he bought and ran for years. Mr. Smallpeice for some years was representative in this city for the Montreal Journal of Commerce. He was one of the founders of the Canadian Press. For 25 years he was advertising and business manager of the Toronto World. For a period of 10 years he was a member of the Board of Education of this city, and at one stage of his career in journalistic life he was the confidential agent of the late Sir John A. Macdonald, the first Premier of Confederated Canada. No man in Toronto,

and probably few in Canada, has known personally so many distinguished men in public life and in Federal and Provincial spheres in Canada. Mr. Smallpeice in his long career as reporter, journalist, advertising man and political agent became acquainted with all or most of the famous statesmen, railway builders, bankers, etc., who had much to do with making Canada a going nation. Mr. Smallpeice is a member



Mr. H. E. Smallpeice, J.P., who retires after over sixty years spent in the journalist and advertising field.

of the Masonic fraternity and is prominent in the Anglican Church. Mrs. Smallpeice passed away seven years ago. Mr. Smallpeice announces he will now retire, taking up his residence with Mr. and Mrs. J. Bruce Martin, Lellis Avenue, Toronto."

In the evening of his long and memorable career it would certainly be a worth-while thing if Mr. Smallpeice could be persuaded to get together his reminiscences, stretching over a 60-year period, embracing Canada in its making, and publish them. They really would constitute "the book of the year."

INDOOR GOLF INCREASINGLY POPULAR

ALTHOUGH golf on the links is now no longer possible in the North, ardent followers of the game and beginners in the larger centres such as Montreal, Toronto and Winnipeg will still be provided with facilities for enjoying to some extent their favourite sport by means of the indoor golf school. It is only comparatively of recent years that these schools were inaug-

urated but they have become firmly established and during the winter months thousands patronize them alike to the benefit of their health and game. In Toronto this winter quite an ambitious miniature course, costing a good deal of money, has been built under the supervision of George Cumming. It has an area of 5,000 feet of turf, the greens are protected by bunkers and there are water hazards as well. The greens are made of a special preparation which closely resembles real grass in appearance. It is the intention to hold regular tournaments from time to time on this interesting course open alike to amateurs and professionals. Four well known Toronto professionals are in charge of this ambitious undertaking—Arthur Hulbert, Thornhill; Davie Ferguson, Weston; Frank Lock, St. Andrews, and Gordon Brydson, Toronto Golf Club. Later on in the season a Canadian Indoor Championship both for men and women will be staged.

FORMER BRITISH AMATEUR CHAMPION TO RESIDE IN U. S. A.

MR. "PHIL" PERKINS, of Birmingham, who won the British Amateur Championship in 1928 and was also last year runner-up to Bobby Jones in the American Amateur, recently arrived in New York, where he will take up his residence, having decided to become an American citizen and engage in business in that country. Perkins is unquestionably the best amateur golfer developed in England since the war and will be a decided addition to the amateur golf ranks in the United States. He was a visitor to Canada last year but did not play up to form on the courses here. For some reason or other he was not at all popular on the golf courses of Great Britain and left his native country without any golfers bidding him good-bye and good luck—rather shabby treatment to extend to an ex-amateur champion.

Perkins strenuously denies that he intends to eventually join the professional ranks in America like the former British amateur champion, Willie Hunter, and the former crack Scottish amateurs, Tommy Armour and Bobbie Cruickshanks, all of whom have made dollars galore since joining "the paid brigade."

"THE BATTLE OF THE BALLS"

(Golf Monthly, Edinburgh)

GOLFERS readily will appreciate why the American golfers when they come to this country may be permitted to take part in our competitions with a ball of the American specification, while, on the other hand, British golfers when they go to the United States must play with a ball of the American specification. The explanation is that the American ball, being larger and lighter, is within the statutory limits of the Royal and Ancient minimum, and will not travel so far as the ball of the British standard. When the Americans come they will handicap themselves should they use the ball of the size legal in their own land. In America, of course, championship competitors must abide by the ball as restricted in that country, but it remains to be seen whether the general body of American golfers will faithfully adhere to the new ball, or whether they will prefer the better British ball. There is more than one pointer that in America many golfers will go their own way and play with what suits them, just as in this country a number of clubs are disregarding the decision of the Royal and Ancient and authorizing steel-shafted clubs.

DIEGEL AGAIN WINS PRO CHAMPIONSHIP

Many Times Canadian Open Champion Demonstrates That He is Just as Good at Match as at Medal Play. Johnny Farrell Runner-up.

IN THE most colourful championship ever staged for the professional golf title of America the Canadian Open Champion, Leo Diegel, at Los Angeles once again demonstrated that he is unquestionably one of the greatest golfers in the world at match and medal play. His winning of the championship for the second time in succession will be particularly popular in Canada, where he has installed himself a warm favourite. Canadians, too, will be pleased that Johnny Farrell, who met Diegel in the final, where he was defeated 6 and 4, has got back into his stride again. The past season he was woefully off his game. In fact, he was going so badly last summer that for the first time in years he did not compete in the Canadian Open Championship at Montreal, much to the regret of the many admirers of the handsome and debonaire young Irish-American.

The story of this outstanding championship by telegrams in tabloid form:—

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 2.—Stroking his way through the most brilliant competitive round ever hung up for the Hillcrest Country Club course, Fred Morrison, tall Los Angeles professional, posted a 65 this afternoon, for a total of 136, to capture medal honours in the 36 holes qualifying round of the 1929 Professional Golfers' Association Championship.

Exceptionally fast and tricky greens proved the undoing of many entrants, and mounted the scores of several of the veterans. The qualifiers:—

Fred Morrison, Los Angeles	71-65—136
Leo Diegel, Agua Caliente,	
Mexico	71-69—140
Tony Manero, New York	70-71—141
Gene Sarazen, Fresh Meadow,	
N. Y.	69-72—141
John Golden, Paterson, N.J.	71-70—141
Densmore Shute, Youngstown,	
Ohio	72-70—142
Al Espinosa, Chicago	73-70—143
Albert Aleroft, Youngstown, O.	70-73—143
Charlie Guest, Los Angeles	74-69—143
Frank Walsh, Chicago	75-69—144
Horton Smith, Joplin, Mo.	71-73—144
Larry Nabholtz, Houston, Texas	73-72—145
Al Watrous, Detroit	74-71—145
Craig Hood, Long Island, N.Y.	72-73—145
Bob Shave, Aurora, Ohio	76-69—145
Harry Cooper, Buffalo, N.Y.	77-69—146

David Hackney, Methuen, Mass. 72-74—146	
Clarence Clark, McFarland,	
Okla.	73-73—146
Herman Baron, White Plains,	
N. J.	76-70—146
Guy Paulsen, Chicago	72-74—146



Leo Diegel, Canadian Open Champion, who again wins the U.S. Professional Championship.

Joe Kirkwood, Philadelphia	75-72—147
Johnny Farrell, Long Island,	
N. Y.	76-72—148
Walter Hagen, Detroit	70-79—149
Bill Mehlhorn, New York	75-74—149

Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 3.—In a first round crowded with all the thrills in golf, upsets, comebacks and a new course record, the "big guns" of the professional ranks moved through to-day's opening 36-hole



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matches in quest of the 1929 championship of the Professional Golfers' Association.

The most dazzling round ever clubbed out of the rolling fairways and tricky greens of the Hillcrest Country Club course saw Leo Diegel, of Agua Caliente, defending champion, post a morning card of 64, seven under par, to eliminate P. O. Hart, of Wheeling, W. Va., by the lopsided score of 10-9. Diegel's 64 bettered by one stroke the former competitive record set yesterday by Fred Morrison, of Los Angeles, medalist.

Hardly less spectacular than Diegel's scoring feat was the great "comeback" of Walter Hagen, present British champion and holder of the P.G.A. title five times in the past. Hagen overwhelmed Bob Shave, Aurora, Ohio, 9-8 to-day.

Yesterday Hagen barely squeezed into the qualifying class with a poor 149. Tied for thirty-second place with four others, "The Haig" was forced to play off the deadlock for the remaining two places in the qualifying list. Two dropped out before darkness compelled a halt. Last night Harry Cooper, of Buffalo, was ruled ineligible for play and his withdrawal enabled Hagen and his partners-in-tie, Mehlhorn and Cuici, to continue in the tournament. Tommy Armour was ruled out by his physician, who said the Detroit professional was in no condition to compete because of a recent attack of ptomaine poisoning.

Championship hopes of two strong contenders were scattered over Hillcrest's fairways. Horton Smith, who has blazed a sensational trail since he came out of Joplin, Mo., last year, was toppled over by Craig Wood, Long Island, N.Y., youngster and winner of the recent Hawaiian Open. Three down at the 27th, Smith made a "garrison finish" to square the match at the 36th but lost out on the next hole. Wood snared a birdie three to win.

In the other upset, Neal Christian, of Portland, Ore., defeated Frank Walsh, of Chicago, 6 and 5. Christian, hardly figured to take the measure of a campaigner of Walsh's calibre, toured the course in 66 for his morning round, to hold a five-up lead at the half-way point.

Gene Sarazen and Johnny Farrell, former National Open titleholders, advanced to the second round. Farrell was pressed a bit to beat out John Golden, Patterson, N.J., one up, while Sarazen had less difficulty in eliminating Jack Hendry, St. Paul, 3 and 2. The medalist, Morrison, removed Joe Kirkwood, Philadelphia, from the ranks of contenders, five and four, and William Mehlhorn, New York, had an easy time beating Guy Paulsen, Chicago, 7-6.

The gallery, numbering several thousand, was treated to eight rounds of below-par golf. In addition to Diegel's 64, and the 66's by Hagen and Christian, the 68 class was occupied by Mehlhorn and Golden. Espinosa, Farrell and Morrison had 69's.

Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 4.—Paced by two favourites, brilliant Leo Diegel, defending

champion, and Walter Hagen, five times holder of the title, contenders for the 1929 Professional Golfers' Association championship, stroked their way to-day through a gruelling second round of 36-hole match play that saw the field narrowed down to eight. Diegel swept through his match in easy fashion with Herman Barron, Port Chester, N.Y., 10 and 9, while Hagen's win was not as decisive, but he eliminated Charles Guest, Los Angeles, 5 and 4.

Two former National Open champions, Gene Sarazen and Johnny Farrell, advanced to the third round. Sarazen defeated Fred Morrison, of Los Angeles, tournament medalist, 3 and 2, while Farrell eliminated Henry Cuici, Bridgeport, Conn., 2 and 1.

In the most bitter struggle of the day, Al Espinosa, Chicago, nosed out another veteran campaigner, William Mehlhorn, New York, on the fortieth hole. They were even at the ninth; Mehlhorn picked off a one-hole advantage at the eighteenth and they were all square at the twenty-seventh. Espinosa had rounds of 36-35—71. They halved the first three extra holes in 4, 3, 4, and Espinosa won the match on the next green with a par 5.

Al Watrous, Detroit, removed Larry Nabholtz, Houston, Texas, from the picture with an overwhelming defeat, while Tony Manero, New York, raced through his match to-day with a 6 and 5 win over Eddie Schultz, Troy, N.Y. Craig Wood, young Bloomfield, N.J., star, entered the third round with a 3 and 2 win from Neil Christian, Portland, Ore.

Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 5.—Over the knolls and valleys of Hillcrest course to-day raced the two "greyhounds" of the field, Leo Diegel and Walter Hagen, to turn in decisive victories, but the real golfing thrills of the day traced their source to a former Open titleholder, who fought his way out of the shadows of defeat to stay in the running for the National Professional Golfers' Association championship.

While Diegel, defending champion, and Hagen, chief challenger, were sailing through an easy third round of 36-hole match play, Smiling Johnny Farrell, of New York, met and matched a stern golfing test, to come from behind and nose out Craig Wood on the thirty-seventh.

Diegel removed Sarazen from the ranks of contenders with the same steady brand of golf that has marked his play from the start. After Sarazen had won the second hole, Diegel evened the match on the fifth, and went into a lead at the seventh. He never was headed. At the eighteenth he was 3 up, and at the twenty-seventh 2 up.

Hagen had his own way with Manero, who was nervous from the first. Twice Manero missed putts of less than two feet, to lose the holes. At the eighteenth Hagen had increased his margin to 3 up. He was 6 up at the twenty-seventh.

The Watrous-Espinosa tilt was close all the way. Watrous held a 1-up advantage

at the eighteenth, but they were all square at the twenty-seventh. One up and one to go, Watrous, a former Canadian Open champion, won the thirty-six with a birdie 4 to finish 2 up.

Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 6.—Championship hopes of Walter Hagen crashed on the



The ever-popular Johnny Farrell, "the world's best dressed golfer," runner-up in Professional Championship.

fairways of Hillcrest to-day when the colourful wanderer of golfdom bowed to the superior play of Leo Diegel, defending titleholder, 3 and 2, in the semi-finals of the National Professional Golfers' Association tournament.

While Diegel met and matched the challenge of Hagen, Johnny Farrell, of New York, cruised through his test to eliminate Al Watrous, Detroit, by an overwhelming 6 and 5 victory.

Los Angeles, Dec. 8.—On the rolling fairways of Hillcrest yesterday, Leo Diegel, of Agua Caliente, Mexico, met and matched a final challenge to stroke his way to one of the most prized golfing titles of the nation, the Professional Golfers' Association Championship. Defender of his title, Diegel came through yesterday to turn back Smiling Johnny Farrell, of New York, in the final 36-hole match play round, 6 to 4.

Some 4,000 persons who trailed the match saw, not so much an exhibition of great golf, but rather a closing rally by the champion that was aided largely by two unexpected "breaks." One up going into the twenty-seventh, Diegel added that hole when his ball was knocked into the cup by Farrell's putt. The crowd hardly had recovered from its surprise when the same incident occurred on the next hole. As on the preceding green, Diegel laid his slender rival a half stymie. Each time Farrell tried to shave past and each time failed. His

ball propelled Diegel's into the cup for unlooked-for wins.

After the match had ended and Diegel was being presented with the champion's cup, medal and \$1,000 cheque, he said:

"I'm just a very lucky boy. Johnny putted for me a couple of times and I guess that won the match."

To repeat for his championship Diegel was forced to fight through a lower bracket that included two former national and P.G.A. titleholders. On successive days he disposed of Gene Sarazen and Walter Hagen. As runner-up, Farrell, a former national Open champion, received a cheque for \$600 and the P.G.A. runner-up medal.

Diegel has now been installed as the favourite for the rich tournament at Agua Caliente, Mexico, where he is professional. The first prize is \$10,000, with other prizes amounting to \$15,000.

ST. CHARLES, WINNIPEG, IS ADDING 9-HOLE COURSE

THE St. Charles Country Club, Winnipeg, one of the leading golf clubs of Canada, with a fine 18-hole course, is now building an additional 9-hole course which, from all accounts, will be one of the best tests of golf in the West. The famous British golf architect, Dr. Mackenzie, drew the plans. He is noted for the beauty and balance of his greens and this new St. Charles course will embody some of his latest ideas and best work along these lines. No expense is being spared in the building of these 9-hole links in order to set a standard for the West in course construction.

THE U. S. G. A. TAKES STRONG STAND ON AMATEURISM

THE application of the State and District Associations to be allowed to pay the travelling expenses of teams competing in tournaments has been flatly refused by the United States Golf Association. Herewith extracts from the official pronouncement:—

"A. In allowing the payment of expenses of members of the Walker Cup Team and in dealing with the expense question of Public Links players, the Committee has made exceptions to the rule with the full recognition that unless these exceptions were made, the competitions in question could not be held. The value of the Walker Cup competition in International sport has been fully demonstrated; it is beyond question that the Public Links Championship, initiated by the Association, is one of the contributing causes to the rapid growth of municipal and public links golf in this country. It seems unwise to the Committee to allow these exceptions to be made the basis of further exceptions to such an extent that the exceptions may well destroy the rule itself."

"B. The Committee believes that the best interests of the game require strict enforcement of the present amateur rules and not the creation of further exceptions. To allow the payment of team expenses by all state, sectional and district associations, in whatever competitions they may desire, it is believed

is merely opening the door to extinguishing the amateur rule entirely. Experience in other sports has shown that to permit generally the payment of expenses has led to conditions which are unsatisfactory. The proposed amendment and its resulting extension to all forms of team competitions might easily tend towards commercializing the sport and encourage a group of players whose sole activity might be that of playing on golf teams throughout the country with expenses paid. The Committee does not believe that amateur golf competitions, by teams or otherwise, require a subsidy, or that the development of the game in this country demands or requires the creation of a class of paid golfers."

"C. While the fact that the Royal Canadian Golf Association allows the payment of team expenses is a fact to be considered, it is not a controlling one; the amateur question both in Canada and Great Britain does not present the problems which arise in this country. It is understood that the Royal Canadian Golf Association adopted its course with the approval of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews, which latter organization advised on the subject without taking into consideration conditions in the United States."

"The entire subject was carefully considered by the Association some three years ago in connection with a similar request, and it was the unanimous opinion of the executive committee at that time, as well as that of its advisory committee (composed of former presidents of the Association), that to make the change requested would be unwise. The committee is again unanimously of the opinion that it would be dangerous to adopt the proposed amendment."

"It may be that the present rules governing amateur status do work a hardship on a few players, although no such argument has been advanced by those proposing the amendment. The committee believes that the advantages claimed for the amendment are greatly outweighed by the disadvantages, and by the dangers to the cause of amateur sport which would follow the adoption of the amendment. The committee has sought, in adopting and enforcing the rules governing amateur status, to base its action on the principles of simple honesty and high sportsmanship. It asks the full co-operation and support of all clubs, and sectional, state, and district golf associations, in maintaining its standards."

THE QUESTION OF THE "SEEDED" DRAW

OF RECENT years in Canada as well as the United States in the major championships the "seeded draw" has taken the place of the old draw "from the hat." That is to say, outstanding players are placed in the upper and lower brackets in championships so that in the semi-finals and final, as a general thing, the favourites come together. Mrs. Stewart Hanley, chairman of the Women's Committee of the United States Golf Association, and a good tournament player, doesn't approve of this "seeding process." She says: "Golf is a game wherein luck enters more than in any other competitive sport, and the old custom of the draw should not be the subject of ridicule any more than the matter of the stymie or 'rub' of the green."

Generally speaking, however, the "seeding" of players works out all right and provides the galleries with the thrills that they expect and demand. It looks as though the system is here to stay and that the coming season will see it followed in all match-play championships in both golf and tennis, although Mrs. Hanley in her effort to revert to the old-fashioned draw is receiving the support of many well known golfers, both men and women.

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A WORTH-WHILE HINT TO GOLF EXECUTIVES

BY THIS time those clubs that will need new professionals, greenkeepers and secretaries during the 1930 season are well aware of their requirements. Unfortunately, many of these clubs will wait until the last minute before they engage their new men, and by then most of the better qualified men will be signed up by rival clubs. Those hired late will be handicapped by lack of time in getting off to a good start at their new clubs. Plenty of planning should be allowed a man who enters a new job full of ambition and energy. Sign your man during the next month or so and give him time to consider carefully just what he is going to do when he enters your club's service. If he is the right kind of a chap, this early action will pay you well.

MANITOBA GOLF ASSOCIATION

Discusses Many Matters at its Semi-Annual Meeting in Winnipeg. Interesting Address from Mr. C. E. Harvey, President of the Royal Canadian Golf Association.

LOCAL, municipal, Provincial and Dominion golf affairs came in for lengthy discussion at the semi-annual meeting of the Manitoba Golf Association held in the Marlborough Hotel, Winnipeg, last month. Clarence Jackson, the president, was in the chair, and more than 30 members attended.

C. E. Harvey, president of the Royal Canadian Golf Association, in addressing the meeting, declared that a Provincial body would never be successful should not all clubs outside of Winnipeg be vitally interested. He stressed the value of visits to country points, and drew attention to the reception of a party of Winnipeg golfers at Portage la Prairie, Brandon and Souris, declaring that the links at Souris were a revelation in country courses. He made a strong plea for such visits, feeling that they were of great benefit to the association. With others who had made these trips, Mr. Harvey was able to understand the problems of the outlying courses.

The R.C.G.A. had always sought to enlist the aid of Provincial Associations in putting over the inter-Provincial match in connection with the Dominion Championships, the speaker stated. The 1929 tournament drew by far the finest field, for every Province was represented except the Maritimes. This inter-Provincial match serves to create great interest in the national tournament, and the speaker sought

continued co-operation between the individual Provincial Associations. However, it was not the intention of the R.C.G.A. to take away the government of Provincial matters from the local groups, he said.

J. A. Blackwood substituted for James McDermid as representative from the municipal golf courses. Mr. McDermid was recently painfully injured in an automobile accident. Mr. Blackwood dealt at some length with municipal links, recalling the first course which was opened at Minneapolis in 1916. He cited examples in St. Paul and Duluth and showed how their efforts had considerable bearing on the development of municipal golf in Winnipeg. These public courses, the speaker said, provided no detraction from private clubs within Manitoba, rather developing members for the private organizations.

Arthur J. Wilson brought up the question of uniform handicaps for all clubs within the jurisdiction of the M.G.A. With reference to this a letter was read from the R.C.G.A. where in the following figures were suggested:—

One stroke in the first nine; two strokes, one in each nine; three strokes, one in first nine and two in second nine; four strokes, evenly divided between each nine; five strokes, three in first nine and two in second nine; six strokes, three in first nine and three in second nine. All

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these strokes are to be taken on medium holes. On more than six strokes the R.C.G.A.'s suggestion was that the longer holes be taken into consideration. In dealing with this it was suggested that the M.G.A. send representatives to clubs outside of Winnipeg to decide each club's possibilities.

It was pointed out that the idea of awarding strokes to a player was in order to make the match as equal as possible and that the effort was to standardize strokes, as it was fully understood that it was impossible to standardize courses. After much discussion the meeting decided to leave this matter to be dealt with at the annual meeting.


Another point of dissension was the fact that local rules were not uniform. At first the suggestion was made that a special committee—which was named—should consider club regulations. This matter was also referred

to the annual meeting, with the understanding that a letter be sent to all affiliated clubs which would make their own arrangements, subject to the approval of the provincial body.

Appreciation was voiced for the splendid work of Bruce Boreham, who until recently had filled the office of secretary of the M.G.A.

The inter-club championship came in for some criticism on the manner in which the draw was made. It was the contention of some members that the seeded draw was not in the best interests of the game, and, in opposition, it was maintained that this selecting of players brought out the best average performer through the qualifying round and the subsequent match play of a tournament. This question was also left for the consideration of the March meeting.

The competition against par meant only additional work for club secretaries without clubs securing any



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benefit therefrom, one of the speakers asserted, and although every effort had been made to make this event more attractive to the average golfer, it had been a partial failure. Various solutions were offered for the problem by several members, all of which were noted and will be referred to the incoming tournament committee. A short discussion took place on a change in rules governing the Hutchings Trophy but no action was taken.

A plea for further direct assistance in the matter of inter-club games for clubs outside of Winnipeg, was voiced by Fred Keer, Neepawa, and John A.

Birchenough, Stoney Mountain. Both declared that the association should endeavour to make arrangements for these games and not leave it to individual clubs. Clarence Jackson, the president, drew attention to the fact that no direct invitation had been received from any one of these clubs but that with the consent of the speakers the matter would be given exhaustive consideration at the annual meeting.

Jim Morkill, one of the foremost of Winnipeg's sportsmen, who was among the concluding speakers, dwelt at considerable length on the value of municipal links in the developing of members for private clubs. The speaker felt that golf was only an old man's game, and that no boy should take up this sport until he had reached the age of 25, because of the fact that it turned his interest from the more strenuous sports which he should enjoy in his youth and in his early manhood.

BOOKS FOR HOLIDAY READING

“**L**ONE TREE” (Copp, Clarke Co., Ltd., Toronto). The popular writer, Harry Leon Wilson, who has scored so many successes since “Ma Pettengill” made him famous, has found a particularly genial atmosphere in the Lone Tree Ranch, and big hearted Ben Carcross, who overnight found himself rich as the result of an oil strike on the ranch. A very virile but withal loveable cattleman is Ben and his de luxe and other experiences make thoroughly interesting reading.

“Red Silence” (Doubleday, Doran & Gundy, Ltd., Toronto). Miss Kathleen Norris in Dory Garrison, who is the chief actress in the charming little drama unfolded in this book, has limned a particularly charming figure. “Red Silence” has plot and action and interest is sustained from the first chapter until the last.

The Biography of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales (Macmillan Co. of Canada, Ltd., Toronto). Here is one of the popular holiday books of the year which will make the ideal gift for old and young alike. Everyone wants to read about the “Smiling Prince” who is the idol of an Empire. B. W. and L. Townsend have in a most informal manner gathered together a wealth of interesting incidents and anecdotes about the life and work of the Prince. Particularly interesting to Canadians will be the chapters devoted to the tour of the Dominion in 1919 and his private visit to his ranch in Calgary in 1923. “The Prince is a born sportsman,” say his biographers, “and his love of the open air has done more than anything else to preserve his health. The Prince is very fond of golf, which he learned to play two years before the war.” Many interesting golf anecdotes are recorded about him. The big sale already for this Royal biography is not at all surprising.

"Jim the Conqueror" (Copp, Clark Co., Ltd., Toronto). Any work by Peter B. Kyne is always assured of a large audience and everyone with red blood in their veins responds to his stirring Western characters and climaxes. "Jim the Conqueror" is Kyne at his best and no higher praise than that can be paid any book of fiction. By all means add the "Conquering Jim" to your holiday reading lists.

"The Runner" (Doubleday, Doran and Gundy). No man can recall the strenuous pioneer days of early Canada in more romantic fashion than Ralph Connor, and "The Runner," just off the press, promises to be a record seller. The Niagara Peninsula has been chosen as the background for this latest story and the days are those of the "War of 1812." There is a strong historic interest in his vivid descriptions of those famous battles of Stoney Creek, Queenston, Lundy's Lane and such national heroes and heroines as General Brock, Chief Tecumseh and Laura Secord march across its pages. Political intrigue, military inefficiency and Indian craft all play their part in this intensely interesting story, whilst romance is woven in the lives of Brock's runner, a picturesque French-Canadian youth and the daughter of a pioneer British colonel. It is a book that every Canadian will enjoy and one that every young Canadian should read.

"Tiger Claws" (The Copp Clark Co., Ltd., Toronto). This is a novel of New York's underworld and the South Sea Islands by the well known Canadian author, Frank L. Packard, who, by the way, thoroughly enjoys "a round of the goff." All the world now-a-days loves a "thriller" and Mr. Packard in "Tiger Claws" certainly has served up a delectable dish, which runs the gamut of adventure and mystery. Quite one of the best of this well known author's rousing stories.

FORTUNATE "ONE-SHOTTERS" WHO SECURED SPALDING BALLS

THE tidy total of thirty-two fortunate golfers in Canada the past season earned a box of Spalding golf balls; so dear to the heart of all golfers, as a result of their prowess in making a "hole-in-one." Here is the list:—

Dr. A. B. James, Lakeview Golf Club, Toronto, Ontario; S. Horne, Lookout Point Golf Club, Fonthill, Ontario; Frank Lock, St. Andrews Golf Club, Toronto, Ontario; P. P. Young, Humber Valley Golf Club, Humber Bay, Ontario; L. R. Baker, Lookout Point Golf Club, Welland, Ontario; P. M. Calvert, Boule Rock Golf Club, Metis Beach, Quebec; Dr. E. M. Laurin, Whitlock Golf Club, Hudson Heights, Quebec; R. R. Taylor, Islemere Golf Club, St. Dorothy, Quebec; B. E. T. Ellis, Oakville Golf Club, Oakville, Ontario; A. R. Harper, St. Andrews Golf Club, Toronto, Ontario; D. R. Henderson, Truro Golf Club, Truro, N.S.; N. F. Dinning, Lennoxville Golf Club, Lennoxville, Quebec; Judge Gregory Barrett, Minaki Golf Club, Carberry, Manitoba; Mr. Alfred Cutts, St. Andrews Golf Club, Toronto, Ontario; F. A. Upper, Lookout Point Golf Club, Welland, Ontario; J. R. Buller, Thornhill Golf Club, Toronto, Ontario; J. S. Ireland, Beaconsfield Golf Club, Point Claire, Quebec; L. E. O'Donnell, St. Francis Golf Club, Sherbrooke, Quebec; Wm. Scott, Lennoxville Golf Club, Lennoxville, Quebec; Mr. Mulheron, Deer Lodge Public Golf Course, Winnipeg, Manitoba; E. H. Dewar, Uplands Golf and Country Club, Thornhill, Ontario; J. M. Innes, Bathurst Golf Club, Toronto, Ontario; Mrs. J. Train Gray, Calgary Golf Club, Calgary, Alberta; Miss Jean Rattray, Gyro Golf Club, Regina, Saskatchewan; Dr. Geo. Malcolm, Chaudiere Golf Club, Ottawa, Ontario; Mr. L. V. Allen, Humber Valley Golf Club, Humber Bay, Ontario; Dr. R. E. Davidson, Glen Stewart Golf Club, Humber Bay, Ontario; Dr. Adam Beatty, Rosedale Golf Club, Toronto, Ontario; Mr. S. Levine, Daysland Golf Course, Daysland, Alberta; Vernon P. Mullock, Gorsebrook Golf Club, Halifax, N.S.; Mr. Geo. A. Briggs, Rivermead Golf Club, Ottawa, Ontario; Mr. George Heffer, Davidson Golf Club, Davidson, Saskatchewan.

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THE AGITATION FOR A LARGER HOLE

ON THE West Hill Course, near London, a competition was recently held in which the size of the holes was increased from $4\frac{1}{4}$ inches as now universally authorized, to 5 inches. Some one hundred players participated. Every competitor was asked to sign a card, on which was typed two questions: (A) Are you in favour of any alteration in the size of the existing hole? (B) Are you in favour of further experiments being carried out? Each player was requested to place a cross against one or other of the questions, at the end of the day's play. Actually, out of some seventy cards signed, about thirty favoured the continuing of experiments, and forty were satisfied with existing conditions.

The present size hole has stood the test for many decades and it is safe to say it will continue to do so. The agitation for a larger hole is foredoomed to failure. Poor putters should try and improve their putting and not endeavour to have the hole enlarged for their especial benefit.

STANDARDIZED FLAG STICKS

(By W. L. McAtee)

A PIECE of golf course equipment that is mentioned in the Rules of the Game of Golf, and upon the character of which scoring at time depends, one would think should be standardized. The exact dimensions of the hole are specified, but nothing is said of the flag stick that fits into it; the weight and size of the ball are dictated, but the flag stick which may permit or bar entry of the ball into the hole is ignored.

Rule 32 reads in part, "If the ball rest against the flag stick which is in the hole, the player shall be entitled to remove the flag stick, and if the ball fall into the hole the player shall be deemed to have holed out at his last stroke." This rule evidently was drawn with a type of flag stick in mind that might prevent a ball from entering the hole. Nevertheless, flag sticks that do not prevent such entry must be common, judging from the numerous "holes-in-one" that are made nowadays.

It is common knowledge, however, that flag sticks are of great diversity in the most important dimension, diameter, as well as in height and other details of design. There is nothing in the rules to forbid a flag stick so thick as to prevent the holing out of all types of shots, a contingency evidently not envisioned by the rules of golf.

It would seem that a standard for flag sticks should be added to that of the hole, and of the ball, since, with diversity in them permitted, the game might distinctly differ in an important feature according to the varying whims of greenkeepers or committees.

The most feasible way of standardizing would seem to be establishing a maximum diameter for the pin at the base of the flag stick and specifying the height at which it must support above the level of the green the socket which holds the stick. With the diameter of the ball 1.62 inches, and the diameter of the hole 4.25 inches, there would be clear room for the ball to fall in on all radii from a truly centered support one inch in diameter. No such thickness of shank is needed, however; in fact, a slender type is advisable, as the stem of the flag stick often leans so that it is not centered. Any practicable dimension less than an inch would serve, and it might be well to stipulate interior equipment of the cup that would keep the flag stick truly centered. If the base of the socket were always 2 inches above the putting surface, it would offer no obstacle to any ball having a reasonable chance of dropping. Standardizing of flag sticks as to colour, height, and other details would seem undesirable, as variation in these respects may be useful in relation to varying local conditions.

COLWOOD'S (B.C.) PALATIAL NEW CLUB

REPORTED to be one of the largest and most palatial buildings of its kind in the country, the new club house of Colwood Golf and Country Club, Victoria, B.C., rapidly nears completion and will be ready for its formal opening in time for the second annual Empress Mid-Winter Tournament, which is to be played over the famous Colwood course Feb. 17 to 22, inclusive.

Built against a high hill which commands a view of spacious fairways and a magnificent sweep of Parkland bordered with evergreens and ancient gnarled oaks, Colwood's new club house, replacing the one which was de-



A view on the Colwood Golf Course, Victoria, B.C., where the Mid-Winter Golf Championship will be held next February.

stroyed by fire a year ago, is to be headquarters for scores of amateurs expected to enter for the mid-winter golf tourney. It is a high, wide-gabled structure of three stories, comprising spacious lounges, where huge fireplaces will roar their cheer and comfort; a large ballroom and dining room, wide, comfortable locker rooms and snug card rooms. It is finished in cream-colored stucco, with dark wood facings.

Colwood is fortunate in having a large and influential membership, whilst the links, too, every year are visited by many leading Americans and tourists from all parts of the world. The course has been acclaimed by more than one expert as the finest inland course in Canada. The fairways and greens are a pure delight and are always in superb condition.

GOLF IN PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

WITHIN recent years golf has become very popular in Prince Edward Island. The Charlottetown Golf and Country Club has made steady progress and at the present time boasts of a membership of several hundred persons. The course at Belvedere is said to be one of the beauty spots "down East", possessing fairways with splendid turf and greens unsurpassed. Admirably situated some three miles east of the Capital City, the links overlook the Hillsboro River and a vast stretch of undulating farm lands

extending to the south of the river. In autumn the beauty of the surrounding woods, the trees with their variegated colours, holds a charm which players and visitors alike greatly admire.

The Royal and Ancient game was entered into this season with much enthusiasm. Competitions were keenly contested and play for the many trophies and prizes offered, occasioned no little interest among the club members. Mrs. E. W. McKinnon ranks supreme among the lady players, having won the Longworth Cup, Wellner Trophy and Vice-President's prize. Miss Edith Rogers was runner-up in the championship. A. V. "Vic" Saunders is the club champion, having eliminated E. Gunsaulus, Jr., in the final play-off.

Arnold Taylor, a graduate of the junior ranks this year, who shows promise of becoming a fine player, was the winner of several lesser events in addition to copping the Wellner Cup and McKinnon and McClure Trophies. The President's prize was carried off by K. M. Martin, who also annexed the W. W. Roger Trophy. In the long driving competition F. B. Conrad won the Standard Cup. Lemuel Prowse, son of Councillor J. W. L. Prowse, captured the junior championship. Edward Miller was runner-up.

An entire new layout is being planned for 1930 and is to be ready for play next June.

The Club has a very capable group of executives and much of the success of the organization is due to their splendid services and zeal. The officers are: President, Mr. Percy Pope; vice-president, D. B. Stewart; secretary, H. W. Weeks; treasurer, G. P. Nicholson; directors, E. D. Nicholson, G. G. Hughes, K. M. Martin, L. E. Wellner; green committee, H. W. Weeks, E. D. Nicholson; new course committee, H. W. Weeks, G. G. Hughes, D. B. Stewart.

ADVICE TO THE VICTIMS OF SOCKETING

(J. H. Taylor, Five Times British Open Champion)

ONE of the greatest calamities that can happen to the most painstaking golfer is to find himself engulfed in an orgy of that most terrible of golf diseases, socketting—described with unbecoming levity by those who are happily free from it as "Hitting it off the pipe," or "shanking." To those who are suffering agonies of mind caused by this particular golfing catastrophe, I offer my heartfelt sympathy.

Once my impetuous nature prompted me to step from a moving taxicab, with the result that I fell on my head and received a slight concussion. It happened a week or so before the final of the "News of the World" Tournament at Sunningdale in 1912, and as I had qualified I was reluctant to forego the pleasure of contesting it. Undoubtedly I had received a severe shock to my nerves, and I should have been wise to have withdrawn. I did not progress far—I was knocked out in the second round—but the experience was enough to completely shatter what nerve I possessed.

Nerves, I suppose, caused me to socket one approach shot, and for 18 months afterwards I trembled to my boots whenever I took a mashie in my hand. I was attacked in what was supposed to be my strong suit, and the most exasperating aspect of it was that I could not do what I knew was right. I would either hit the ball off the pipe so that it slithered off to the right in that most fearsome tangent, or, in an endeavour to avoid this at all cost, I pulled it to square leg. My old friends, Braid, Vardon, and Herd will remember. They helped me with kindly advice and wise counsel which cheered for the moment; but I had to become reconciled to the grim fact that I had to go through and work out my own salvation. This bitter experience taught me that "socketting" is nothing more than a state of nerves disordered by the fear of what might happen. My long experience as a coach also convinces me that if one can succeed in getting a pupil to hit the ball somewhere on the

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blade of the club that fear disappears. To those who cannot manage to do this, despite the most valiant trying, I offer the following advice which I have found most efficacious:—

Socketting is usually caused by a faulty body balance whilst the stroke is being made, allied to the right arm being allowed to move outward and away from the side on the downward swing.

Stand well back, with the weight of the body on the heels, and retain this position throughout. Do not lean forward toward the ball as the club descends, but exaggerate the leaning back on the heels position. Keep the blade of the club open—that is, turned outward. Look at the near side of the ball and see to it that the right arm above the elbow is pressed into the side all the time, remembering that the left arm should provide the greater part of the motive power for hitting the ball.

CARING FOR TREES ON THE GOLF COURSE

GOLF courses are at first generally blessed with an abundance of handsome forest trees. As the virgin underbrush is cleared from the woods to make room for fairways and putting greens, the trees, however, are robbed of the natural layer of decomposing vegetation which is the source of their food and water. Fertilization and irrigation must be resorted to in most cases if these native trees are to be retained in locations where the turf is kept cut short, as on fairways and tees and near putting greens. Often subirrigation is necessary to save trees in such locations, and it has been practiced

successfully on some courses. Where subirrigation is impracticable or not deemed necessary, additional surface water beneath the trees can and should be applied. Soil beneath a tree is generally drier than soil in the open, due to the double draught on the moisture supply by the tree and the surface vegetation, and also to the interception by the branches of the natural rainfall coming from showers. There is also a double draught on soil nutrients beneath trees, and for this reason additional fertilization is called for in such locations. On the golf course this additional fertilization can perhaps best be attained by more frequent application of fertilizers under the trees. Of greater value perhaps are top-dressing with compost and, in early winter, spreading a mulch of thoroughly rotted animal manure on the ground over the spread of the roots of the trees. This mulch should be allowed to remain on the ground over the winter. Any residue that may remain the following spring may be raked away if it is deemed objectionable. Trees must also be kept pruned if they are expected to thrive. Dead branches should be carefully removed to make room for new growth and to prevent the spread of decay. No annual budget of a golf club is complete unless it includes an item to cover tree surgery, tree replacement, and general care of the trees.

LADIES' INTERNATIONAL MATCHES PROBABLE

IT WOULD appear as though the suggestion sponsored a few months ago by the women's section of the U.S.G.A. that International ladies' matches should be arranged for may soon come to fruition. At a recent meeting in London of the Executive Council of the Ladies' Golf Union the matter was favourably discussed. Triangular matches, Great Britain, the United States and France are proposed. The L.G.U. also took up the matter of sending a team to South Africa—why not Canada, too?

If these International matches are inaugurated and it would appear that they will be, Canadian ladies' golf will indirectly benefit because there is no doubt when the British and French teams come to the States to play their fixture Canada will be visited. Such International matches will be colourful, interesting and educative.

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HEREWITH a few belated returns of holes-in-one for the 1929 Canadian season which closed Oct. 31st—no awards will be made for performances made after that date:—

Our old friend, the Point Grey Golf and Country Club, Vancouver, is again in the spotlight. Playing with Messrs. J. G. Robertson, F. E. Maguire and J. C. Butter, Mr. S. J. Hatchett bagged a "oneer" at the 165-yard 17th at Point Grey.

Shaughnessy Heights, Vancouver, is once more in the picture. Playing

with Mr. R. L. Cobb, Mr. C. F. Stafford found "the tin from the tee" on the 3rd hole, 124 yards.

Kamloops, B.C., records a brace of 'em, both at the 9th hole, 138 yards. Miss Maud Kelly, captain of the ladies' section of the club, playing with Major S. Workman, and Walter Gower, a junior member, playing with Mr. L. Stapleton, were the fortunate "one-ders" to turn the trick.

And here is a really remarkable performance—but let the Nelson, B.C.,

"Daily News" tell the wonderful story:—

"J. H. D. Benson, of the Imperial Bank, local golfing enthusiast, has come through with his second hole-in-one in two weeks, accomplishing what seems to most players who know the game, an almost impossible feat. In addition to the fact that two holes-in-one have been made by the same person within such a short space of time, there is also the fact that both holes were made during the stress of match play.

"The first hole-in-one was made during the Labor Day tourney while a match was being played. Mr. Benson got his single there on No. 4, which is 159 yards in length.

"The second hole-in-one on No. 2, this time during a qualifying round for the Appleyard Lowe Cup competition. The hole is 175 yards in length with a par three.

"It is an uphill hole with a hump in front of the green, Mr. Benson using his driver, turned the trick with a long fairly high drive which landed nicely below the hump of ground and bounced onto the green and so into the cup."

With these additions the grand total of "holes-in-one" made in Canada the past season from May to October inclusive reaches the imposing figure of 205, made up by Provinces as follows:—Alberta, 15; British Columbia, 40; Manitoba, 13; Maritime Provinces, 9; Ontario, 93; Quebec, 25, and Saskatchewan, 10. As in past years it will be noticed that Ontario "one-shotters" easily lead the field, with British Columbia as usual in second place and Quebec third.

It is interesting to note that no fewer than twenty-three ladies recorded the feat, which is a remarkable total for the fair sex as in past years they seldom were represented by more than a dozen or so. This total of 23 by Provinces was divided as follows: Alberta, 2; British Columbia, 2; Maritime Provinces, 1; Ontario, 12; Quebec, 3; Saskatchewan, 3. The ladies fayre are evidently every year becoming more proficient with their mashies and irons.

The 20,000 to 1 shot was pulled off by all classes of golfers, from players over seventy years of age (oh, no! no ladies in this class) to juniors of ten summers or so, and from Judges on the Bench and Captains of Finance to caddies. Every profession and walk

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To our new members the Editor extends hearty Christmas and New Year greetings. May they enjoy the "Canadian Golfer" for the next year

and other awards generously donated by leading firms, sent to them as a slight reward for their prowess—but please don't get the habit and repeat the performance in 1930. One or two did this year, and that's rather "rubbing it in."

BAYVIEW GOLF CLUB, TORONTO, ACQUIRES NEW PROPERTY

THROUGH a real estate deal involving \$220,000, the present Bayview Golf Club, Toronto, laid the basis this month for a removal to a new course north and northeast of the present premises and a change of name to the Glen Mawr Golf and Country Club.

The realty transactions, which were negotiated by Gordon McLaughlin, of McLaughlin & McLaughlin, Bay Street, comprised the purchase of a 130-acre parcel and the optioning of another 48-acre parcel and the leasehold of the 130 acres which the club now occupies north of the city.

Under the new arrangement the club will become a private corporation with 500 men and 150 women members. It is planned to construct a new 18-hole course on the 130-acre purchase, access to which is by a 300-yard approach from Bayview Avenue. This property lies to the north and the northeast of the present course. The optioned 48 acres, known as the Boyle farm, lies to the east of the purchased property and will be used for a 9-hole course for women.

USEFUL TIPS FROM THE EXPERTS WHICH WILL MAKE GOOD WINTER READING

The Interlocking Grip

THE interlocking grip has been adopted by many famous golfers. Francis Ouimet has always used it and found it better suited to his game than the overlapping. Another famous star to use the interlocking grip is Gene Sarazen, who got the idea at Apawamis. All of the caddies who worked there copied Willie Anderson's style and of course took the grip, too. Willie was professional three years ago and won a championship while connected with this club.

The idea of the grip is to combine the hands so that they will work together in unison. If this grip is comfortable there is none better, but many golfers find it inconvenient.

Macdonald Smith.

The Left Arm

"The left arm should be kept straight on the back swing and

through every shot until the ball has been struck. Except the putt, of course. I mean my left arm is kept straight, and I think, the bending of that arm tends to make a chop instead of a swing, and here is a point I am just learning.

"The left hand should be regarded as the master in the swing. I'm not sure it really is the master. I know that the right hand provides the punch, or most of it. But if I get to thinking about the right hand, and ignoring the left, the right seems to get in too soon, and all kinds of trouble results. By regarding the left as in control, I can get a sort of "feel" in the stroke, and the right, no matter how ignored, comes in at the proper juncture. At Sunningdale, when I had rounds of 66 and 68, qualifying for the British Open, I felt as if I were literally making the shots with my left hand."—"Bobby" Jones.

Lining up the Putt

There is a way to line up every golf shot that brings about a certain amount of accuracy. With the putt it is simple enough because the ball is not hit very far. The eye must look directly down on the ball making a right angle out of this line and an imaginary one running from the ball back between the two feet. In this way every thing is lined up with squares. The ground is flat and the line down from the eye is perpendicular, then there is the line that we take the club back. The correct line to the hole can easily be found if we have the other angles right.

If the ball is hit with the arms extended with a rather flat lie to the putter it will be difficult to keep the ball going straight toward the cup.

Bill Mehlhorn.

About Socketing

There is one painful and sometimes paralyzing disease with iron clubs that can attack champions as well as long handicap players. Needless to say it is called "socketing." This generally comes from having the left wrist locked. The player gets this wrist bent. He will not carry the left wrist boldly enough and far enough back. He gets his left wrist and also the club face too much into the position which they should occupy in putting. Shove the club from the left shoulder and get the blade of the club open.

Occasionally there is a different cause. The player having got his left heel off the ground does not get it back to the ground by the time that he hits the ball. I have seen very good players fall into the habit occasionally and it is worth watching for.

George Duncan.

Putting a Science

Putting is an exact science. It is easy to learn and hard to forget if one will use sound principals in making the shot. First of all it is necessary to hit the ball and keep the club going on a straight line after the ball. If this is done each time nothing else will matter providing one has



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lined up the hole properly and used the right judgment in regard to the distance. It is always best to hit with enough strength to go a little past the hole as many putts will go astray at the last turn of the ball and wander from the line.—Horton Smith.

Iron and Mashie Don'ts

Don't sway in the backward or forward swing.

Don't lift the hands higher than the right shoulder.

Don't relax the finger grip of the club.

Don't allow the right elbow to wander.

Don't allow the mind to go off on an excursion or in anticipation of disaster.—J. H. Taylor.

Use Care in the Selection of Spoon

For approach work with a spoon, the club should not be too heavy or too powerful. It is a stability and not length that is necessary when approaching the hole with a spoon, and to the average player, and perhaps to the expert as well, it is wise to keep the club on the light side with a shaft which is not inclined to play pranks in the matter of unexpected length. The secret of a good spoon is to have a club which will not deceive you,

particularly in the matter of length. A spoon which will occasionally propel the ball 20 yards or more farther than the player expected or desired, is a menace, but the spoon which is not capable of hitting the ball more than a certain distance, say 170 or 180

yards, is an ally which can be trusted. There is then but little risk of the ball finding trouble beyond the green. And nowadays the trouble to be found beyond the green is often more serious than that to be found in front of it.
Harold Hilton.

MAJOR OPEN GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS OF 1929

THE following are the results of all the important Open Championships in 1929:—

British Open—Walter Hagen—United States—292.

American Open—Mr. Robert T. Jones, Jr.—Won play-off from Al Espinosa, 141 to 164 after tie at 294.

Canadian Open Championship—Leo Diegel—United States—274.

Western Open—Thomas D. Armour—273.

Great Lakes Open—Walter Hagen—277.

Irish Open—Abe Mitchell—England—150 (36 holes).

New York State Open—Billie Burke—287.

Shawnee Open—Harry Cooper—294.

Massachusetts Open—Mr. Jesse P. Guilford—295.

Catalina Open—Horton Smith—245 (54 holes).

Pensacola Open—Horton Smith—274.

Florida Open—Horton Smith—284.

La Gorce Open—Horton Smith—289.

North and South Open—Horton Smith—287.

French Professional Championship—Horton Smith—273.

Bermuda Open—Willie Macfarlane—135 (36 holes).

Sacramento Open—Thomas D. Armour—289.

Long Beach Open—Walter Hagen—276.

Philippines Open—Larry Montes—275.

La Jolla Open—Johnny Golden—215 (54 holes).

San Diego Open—Leo Diegel—282.

Miami Open—Gene Sarazen—294.

Miami Beach Open—Gene Sarazen—286.
Los Angeles Open—Macdonald Smith—285.

Pasadena Open—Craig Wood—138 (36 holes).

El Paso Open—William Mehlhorn—271.

Texas Open—William Mehlhorn—277.

Hot Springs Open—William Mehlhorn—Tied with Horton Smith and Bobby Cruickshank at 290, Mehlhorn won play-off with a 70.

Florida West Coast Open—Tom Racklets—278.

German Open—Percy Alliss—England—285.

Pennsylvania Open—Edward Dudley—293.

Metropolitan Open—William Mehlhorn—288.

Ontario Open—David Spittal—148 (36 holes).

Saskatchewan Open Championship—Eric Bannister—149.

Long Island Open—Macdonald Smith—286.

Michigan Open—Al Watrous—283.

New Jersey Open—Johnny Golden—280.

Quebec Open—A. J. Hulbert—147 (36 holes).

Glenn Falls Open—Billie Burke—Won play-off from William Mehlhorn, 37 to 38 (9 holes) after tie at 286.

Westchester Open—Bobby Cruickshank—290.

French Open—Aubrey Boomer—Defeated Archie Compston 141 to 142 after tie at 283.

Oklahoma City Open—Craig Wood—294.

Oregon Open—Horton Smith—280.

HOLES WERE LONGER IN DAYS LANG SYNE

ONE interesting and little known fact about early golf is that the holes were very much longer about the beginning of the last century than they subsequently became, and were on the average quite as long as they are now. If the fact that the game was played with feather balls be taken into account, they were at least half as long again. Previous to 1821 the five holes on Leith Links measured as follows:—1st, 414 yards; 2nd, 461 yards; 3rd, 426 yards; 4th, 495 yards; 5th, 435 yards—2,231 yards—or an average of 447 yards, which would be equivalent to a length of over 600 yards with the rubber-cored ball.

In the old days five and six holes on courses were quite common. Fifty years ago when golf was first played in Brantford the course consisted of six holes only.

CRACK BRITISH PROFESSIONALS ARE NOW TOURING SOUTH AMERICA

SOUTH AMERICA, like every other country now-a-days, is taking a very great interest in golf, and clubs are springing up all over the country. In the bigger centres there are now thousands of enthusiastic devotees of the game. Last week two outstanding British professionals, Aubrey Boomer and Henry Cotton, arrived at Buenos Aires and will play exhibition games and participate in tournaments there and in other cities during the winter months.



Aubrey Boomer, French Open Champion, who has the world's record for 18 holes (61).



Henry Cotton, who is conceded to be Great Britain's most promising young professional.

The Argentine now has some very fine native-born professionals and the Britishers will not have it all their own way by any means.

Boomer was on the British Ryder Cup team which played in Montreal and Toronto two years ago. He, however, did not particularly star on Canadian courses. The best he could do at Toronto was 156 for 36 holes and 148 at Montreal. This year he won the French Open Championship after a play-off with Archie Compston. He was runner-up in the British Open in 1927. His chief claim to fame, however, was the marvellous 61 he carded in the tournament at St. Cloud, France, last May, which was participated in by the U.S. Ryder Cup team and the majority of the British experts. This 61 easily constitutes a record on a 6500-yard course and probably will never be duplicated. Boomer had no fewer than 10 threes in the 18-hole round and only one 2, which are always more or less lucky. In discussing his record-making round Boomer said:—

“I had the delightful sensation of swinging as if the club were in a groove. It went up and down as if it were controlled by some mechanical force which held it to the correct

line. This was the feeling with all the clubs from the driver to the putter, and while I have no doubt that I was hitting with all my usual strength, I was less conscious than is customary of applying power. The secret of my success was the accuracy in iron play. It was that which gave me my chance to return such a low score.

"The late Willie Park, who is still remembered as a wizard on the green, declared that the player who could putt was a match for anyone. That may be true, but I like the reply of Willie Campbell, who said the man who could approach had no need to putt."

Cotton is looked upon as the best of the young British professionals. He is only 22 years of age but has figured high up in many important championships and tournaments. He visited the States last winter and created a very favourable impression. All he wants is experience to round out a game which should take him far. He is quite a student and before leaving for South America took up the study of Spanish. Both Boomer and Cotton will give golf lessons during their tour for which they are already well booked up and by large and small it looks as though they are in for a profitable and enjoyable winter.

"THE EXTRA BIT OF LOFT ON THE BRASSIE"

(Francis Ouimet)

THE modern first-class golfer to-day has little use for a brassie or spoon shot through the fairway because he is approaching greens after the drive with some sort of an iron. Occasionally he finds a course where he can follow a tee shot with a brassie or spoon, but these occasions are rare and in the main he gives little thought to the playing of such strokes. On the other hand the average player gets plenty of opportunity for doing so and there is nothing dearer to his heart than the shot with the brassie which travels at the proper trajectory toward the green.

Speaking of brassie shots reminds me of a three I made on the seventh hole at Pine Valley last September during the George Crump Memorial Tournament. I like to think of this three because it was made in a medal round and on a hole measuring well over five hundred yards. Threes are rare even on the short holes at Pine Valley, so I trust I will be pardoned for writing about this particular one. It happened in this fashion. With a favourable wind I had gotten off a long tee shot, possibly two hundred and seventy-five yards more or less and right down the centre.

My ball had stopped on the other side of a wee incline giving me a downhill lie. I have always made it a point to have a fairly generous loft on the face of my brassie and even more than is considered the normal loft on my spoon. My first impulse was to play the spoon so as to be certain to carry the awe-inspiring cross trap, placed to catch a half-hit second. Then I decided against this and played the brassie. I did not quite get down to the ball, rather half topped it, and away it sped straight but low. It looked as though the ball did not have sufficient height to clear the bank on the far side of the trap, which meant at least a six and perhaps a seven, but it sailed over safely, with something like two inches to spare, and scampered along to within eighty yards of the green. From here a mashie-niblick pitch sent the ball into the cup. One little realizes sometimes what a little thing can convert a six into a three. In my case it was a matter of two inches.

That extra bit of loft on the face of the brassie probably turned the trick and, now that I think of it, I am wondering whether or not the average player would not get his brassie shots away more often if he had his brassie cut back a bit more generously. I see many of my friends trying to use a brassie through the fairways with a face almost as straight as a driver, and they cannot understand why it is they are not more successful in getting the ball up and away.

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GALT HAS A FINE NEW COURSE.

Progressive City on the Banks of the Grand River Will Formally Open New 18-hole Links Next Season.

GALT, as becoming a "City of Scotsmen," has for many years been quite one of the centres in Ontario for the twin Scottish games of golf and curling. It was in 1908 that the Royal and Ancient game was first played by Galtonians, or 21 years ago, which makes the club from a golfing standpoint, quite one of the pioneers of the Province. Curling has been played there for considerably over half a century.

From the very start the Royal and Ancient became popular and the club has for many years ranked as having one of the leading 9-hole courses in Ontario with a beautiful location on the banks of the "Noble Grand" and a spacious club house the scene of many enjoyable social functions.

A year or so ago a second club was started in Galt with a membership of

well onto a hundred. However, wiser counsel prevailed and after many discussions it was decided to amalgamate forces and create one large and influential club for the city. This, of course, meant the enlarging of the old 9-hole links to 18 holes to properly take care of the increased membership. Fortunately by acquisition of adjacent land to the north of the links this could be brought about in a very suitable and satisfactory manner. Strong committees were formed with ample financial backing and the result is that Galt golfers next year will be playing over one of the finest and most picturesque 18-hole courses in Ontario—a credit alike to one of the most progressive manufacturing and residential centres of the Province and the fine body of amateur sportsmen who have always worthily sup-

plied the best traditions of golf and kindred sports in Galt and surrounding towns. The Club was for many years called "The Waterloo Golf and Country Club" but is now known by the pretty and appropriate name of "Riverview." In addition to Galt residents of the neighbouring towns of Preston and Hespeler are keenly interested in the club.

The links are located on the eastern bank of the Grand River just beyond the city limits and constitute one of the most picturesque spots in Waterloo County. The land is gently rolling and is crossed by a small creek which in places meanders through a wooded ravine. The new course, over 6,000 yards in length, was completed in September of this year and will be in play next season. The architect for

the work was Stanley Thompson and Company, Ltd., of Toronto, and the builder was the Trans-Canada Construction Company of the same city. The length of the course is 6,100 yards. The entire distance is well trapped and bunkered. Several water hazards are also offered and it is felt that the course as now completed will try the skill of the most accomplished golfer.

Always a most successful club, loyally supported in the past by the leading men and women of the city and vicinity an even a bigger and brighter future stretches ahead of "Riverview." It is understood the formal opening of the new course will be appropriately observed next season.

PROMINENT TORONTO PROS COLLABORATE

AS USUAL the winter golf school will be much in evidence again this season in Toronto.

Archie Bloor, for many years assistant to Willie Freeman at York Downs, and during the summer months professional at the popular Eastbourne Golf Club, Eastbourne, Ontario, has a particularly well equipped school at the Clarendon Apartments, Clarendon Avenue and Avenue Road, Toronto, and has already booked a number of members.

Then the following group of well known Toronto professionals, D. Hutchison, F. Lock, D. Ferguson, R. Sansom, L. H. White, G. Brysdon, have definitely decided to open up a large golf school in the Oxford University Press Bldg., 128 University Ave., which will be run in conjunction with the miniature golf course which is located on the top floor of the same building. It is felt that instead of several professionals having several small schools scattered throughout the city that one large, centrally located school with first-class equipment will be able to give first-class service to the golfing public and by eliminating competition between the different schools also effect a saving in overhead which will be passed on to the public in the form of a reduced membership of \$5.00 instead of the customary \$10.00 fee which has prevailed in the past. It is the intention of the promoters of this idea to conduct a clean, attractive and up-to-date establishment with 10 teaching courts and four practice courts. Such an establishment will undoubtedly be an asset to the golfing community of Toronto and District. This school is not necessarily confined to the above mentioned six professionals. Other Toronto professionals who may wish to become associated with this organization will be permitted to do so.

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WITH THE PROFESSIONALS

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

Mrs. Abe Espinosa, of San Francisco, wife of the celebrated professional, has apparently found married life full of "bunkers and hazards". She last month secured a divorce from Espinosa on the ground of cruelty. She also claimed he refused to take her out with him on his golfing trips to tournaments and championships. Well, he can't be blamed very much for that.

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"Dave" Russell, assistant the past season to Eric Bannister at the St. Charles Club, Winnipeg, has returned home to Brantford for the winter months. He is enthusiastic about golf in the West. He states that Eric Bannister is playing the best golf of his brilliant career as witness record scores of 65 and 66 the past season made by him on Winnipeg courses. Bannister is undoubtedly one of the ranking players of Canada and it is a pity that he is not seen more frequently in Eastern championships. He won the Saskatchewan Open Championship this year.

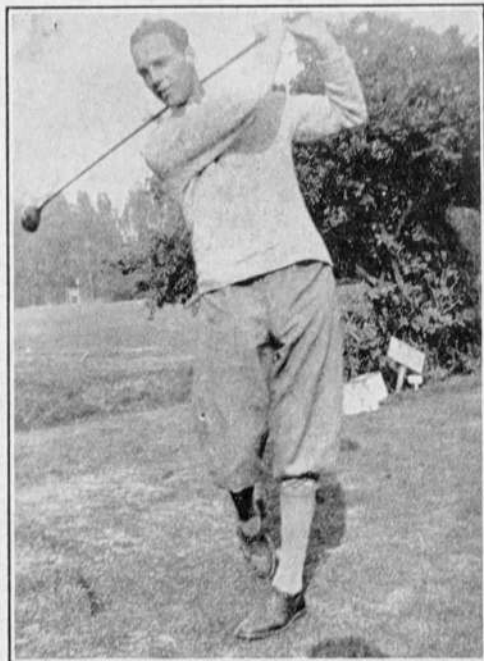
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The first professional appointment for 1930 has just been announced. From a large number of applicants the Riverview Golf Club, Galt, Ont., has selected "Reg." J. Batley as pro for next season, and a capital choice it is, too.

Batley came out to Canada in the spring of 1927 and for a time served as assistant to Jimmy Johnstone at Rosedale, Toronto, who formed a very high opinion of him. Then he was for a few weeks at a summer resort at Sandy Hook, Ont. In 1928 he went to the Kent Golf Links, Montmorency Falls, a very popular club in Quebec City, and here he put in two very successful seasons.

A tall, slashing young player is Batley, who has been well grounded in the game along the best Old Country lines. He is a son of James B. Batley, of the Thorpe Hill Golf Club, Thorpe Hill, Essex, an International

player and instructor of note. An uncle is Alfred J. Miles, formerly professional at the Mississauga Golf Club, Toronto, and one of the best players who ever came to Canada. He returned to England three years ago much to the regret of golfing friends



A slashing young golfer, Reg. J. Batley, appointed professional at Galt, Ontario, for season 1930.

here. "Reg" is a splendid type of a young professional, well educated and with a most agreeable manner. Galt with its new 18-hole course and a largely increased membership, will provide him with ample opportunities the coming season to alike develop his game and develop the golf of Galtonians, many of whom are very good players, indeed. Several other professional appointments will also shortly be announced for 1930, as a number of clubs are making changes.

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A. F. Macpherson, professional at the Marlborough Golf Club, Montreal, where he had a most successful season,

and Mrs. Macpherson left last month to spend Christmas in Los Angeles, California. He will return to Montreal in January to open up as usual his winter golf school at the Mount Royal Hotel.

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Horton Smith, of Joplin, Mo., with a round of 66, four under par, wrenched the lead from Billy Burke, Westport, N.Y., and took first money in the Bay Cities' \$5,000 Open golf tournament at the Berkeley Country Club, Berkeley, California.

Smith posted par 280 for the 72-hole grind, while Burke, Ryder Cup star, was three strokes behind. In a finish blazed with birdies, the world's most consistent young professional speeded up in each round to close with a rush at 74-71-69-66—280. Burke took a steady 71-69-71-72—283.

From the outset it was a duel between Smith and Burke. While fair-weather stars fell by the way, Smith pierced a thick fog in the morning with 17 pars and 1 birdie, for a card of 69, 1 under par, and buffeted a cold wind in the afternoon for a record-

breaking 66, the most brilliant golf of the tournament.

Third money went to Johnny Perelli, former caddy from the Berkeley Country Club, who turned in 288.

The scores included:—

Joe Kirkwood, Australia..	73	72	74	71	—290
Al Watrous, Grand Rapids, Mich.	71	77	72	72	—292
Tom Kerrigan, British Columbia	72	72	79	80	—312

Twenty players shared in the \$5,000 prize money. Smith carried off \$1,000 for his efforts. Second money of \$800 went to Burke, and third of \$600 to Perelli. Kirkwood got \$450. Watrous gathered in \$250.

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Willie Robertson, who for some time past has been professional to the West Lancashire Club, Blundellsands, and who is a Canadian-born golfer, has decided to re-cross the Atlantic, and seek further fame in California. Members of the West Lancashire Club have presented him with a parting gift in the shape of a silver cigarette case.

GOLFING MOTORISTS SHOULD SET GOOD EXAMPLE

IT HAS been estimated that 90 per cent. of golfers and their families drive motor cars and the estimate perhaps is a conservative one. The appeal of the Highway Safety Committee, of which the Hon. Geo. S. Henry is chairman, calling for special care in driving on wet, slippery pavements this winter, is bound to find loyal support from this large class of representative and intelligent motor drivers. The following are the salient points to be remembered in winter driving:—

“Chances for motor accidents multiply greatly on pavements which are wet or covered with snow or ice. Even when equipped with chains, an automobile will not stop in so short a distance as on a dry pavement.

“Motorists and pedestrians should keep this fact in mind. Too abrupt application of brakes is the cause of much skidding. Disengaging the clutch at the same time emphasizes the tendency to skid, and also detaches the most efficient brake on the automobile, viz., the engine itself.

“In braking on a skiddy pavement close the throttle, take the foot off the accelerator, leave the clutch engaged so that the engine helps the braking process, and apply the brakes **GRADUALLY**.

“Above everything else don't lock the wheels of your vehicle by suddenly clamping down the brakes.

“Just before the vehicle is brought to a stop, the clutch should be disengaged.

“On slippery pavements that are free from traffic, practice this method of controlling your automobile. The skill you acquire may prevent an accident and perhaps save a life.

“Remember, too that your brake band picks up moisture from the pavement in wet weather. A wet brake is not so efficient as a dry one.”

NEW PRESIDENT OF THE MUTUAL LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY

Well Known Golfer Succeeds Another Prominent Supporter of the Royal and Ancient Game.

DESPATCH from Waterloo, Ont., Dec. 5th:—

“At a meeting of the board of the Mutual Life Assurance Company of Canada, held this afternoon, the President, Hume Cronyn, ex-M.P., London, asked to be relieved of the responsibility of presidency on account of ill-health and on the advice of his physician, and the board, understanding that Mr. Cronyn's decision was definite, accepted his resignation with great regret.

“R. O. McCulloch, Galt, first vice-president, was elected president, and Louis L. Lang, president of the Lang Tanning Company, was elected first vice-president.

“The directors were glad to know that Mr. Cronyn will remain on the board, as they feel that his services as a director will be of great value to the company.”

The Mutual Life, one of the strongest Assurance companies in Canada, is fortunate in having such an outstanding financier as Mr. McCulloch succeed Major Cronyn in the presidential chair. Both are exceedingly well known golfers, who have done much, very much, for the Royal and Ancient game, respectively in Galt and London. In his younger days, Mr. McCulloch was a keen cricketer and collaborated with Mr. John E. Hall, Toronto, for so many years secretary of the Ontario Cricket Association, also now a well known golfer, in the

Cricket in Canada, a most invaluable editing and publication of a very handsomely illustrated book on



Mr. R. O. McCulloch, Galt, Ontario, elected president of the Mutual Life Assurance Company of Canada.

reference work which is to-day highly prized by followers in this country of the grand old English game.

HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY'S NEW 18-HOLE COURSE AT EDMONTON

GOOD progress has been made during this past summer on the work of construction of the new 18-hole golf course on the Hudson's Bay Company's Reserve at Edmonton.

This course was designed by Mr. Stanley Thompson, golf architect, Toronto, and local golfers are enthusiastic at the promise for interesting play which is presented. The length of holes is well balanced with an attractive assortment of long and short holes. Small undulations in the ground will add interest to the play, and the traps in the vicinity of the green will afford exciting moments and thrills.

The length of the course is 6,250 yards, with a par of 72.

We understand that it is the intention to construct a club house early in the spring with lounge and dining room, locker and wash rooms, and all the usual facilities. This club house will be located at approximately one mile from the city's business centre and one block from the street railway.

It is expected that the grounds will be ready for play by next midsummer, and it is proposed that the links will be operated as a public course by the

land department of the Hudson's Bay Company at Edmonton, and probably a manager will be appointed who will attend to the details of operation. No decision has yet been made on the appointment of a staff nor on the fees to be charged for play.

Edmonton will welcome the opening of these new links, and they should prove a very convenient and popular addition to the recreational facilities of the city.

THE PASSING OF WELL KNOWN LONDON GOLFER

IT is with sincere personal regret that the Editor is called upon to record the passing on December 13th of Mr. Frank P. Riddell, B.A., formerly classical master in the London Collegiate Institute. Taken suddenly ill he was being removed to the hospital when he expired.

Mr. Riddell in his day was one of the best known golfers in Western Ontario and for many years with the late Mr. George T. Brown and other earlier followers of the game worthily upheld in match and tournament play the colours of the London Hunt and Country Club.

He was a very sound player indeed, capable on occasions of scoring in the seventies. Possessed of a most courteous and kindly disposition, it was always a delight to play a round with him. He was one of "the old school of golfers" whose ranks in every city are being so sorely depleted. "Their like we shall not soon see again."

Mr. Riddell was extremely well known, too, in scholastic circles, having a very high reputation indeed as a classical scholar. Former pupils in all parts of Canada with golfing friends throughout Ontario will be sincerely sorry to hear that he has "played the last game of all" and will join in sincere sympathy to the bereaved relatives. Interment took place in Port Dover, his old home town. A former pupil, the Hon. Mr. Meighen, ex-Premier of Canada, attended the funeral services at London.

THROUGH AMERICAN SPECTACLES

Much Travelled Doctor Morlan Has Played Over Golf Courses Throughout the World and Has Decided Views About Them.

DR. H. J. MORLAN, of Chicago, has in his time travelled three hundred thousand miles and over this "long trail" has visited golf courses throughout the United States, Canada, Great Britain, Europe, India, New Zealand and Australia. He has written a series of golf articles of a very chatty and interesting character. Herewith a few extracts from one of his last letters:—

"The question most frequently asked me is in relation to the comparative merits of golf courses in the various countries of the world. It is surprising the number of people who have the very erroneous opinion that Great Britain has the best courses. They have the oldest, but most certainly not the best, not by a long way.

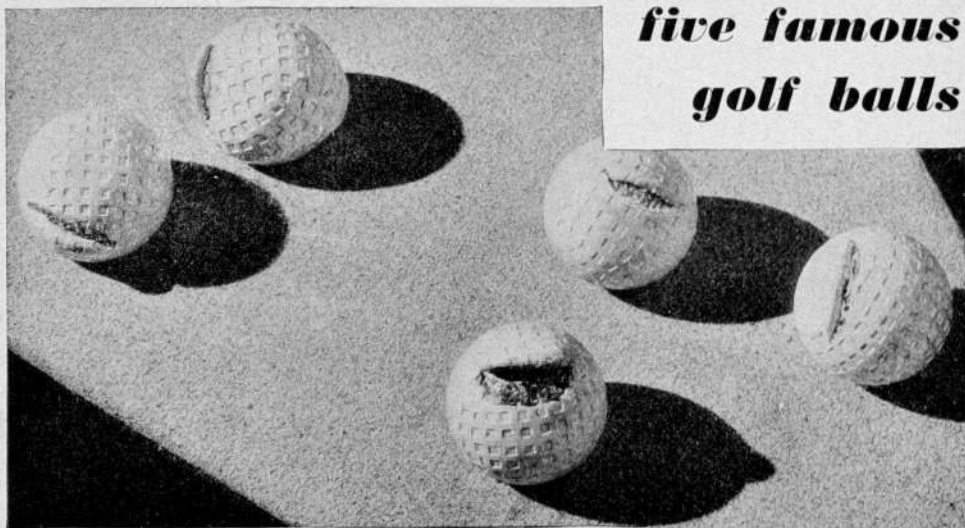
"I will make this broad statement and am prepared to defend its accuracy. There are many more really representative and

championship golf courses within either the Chicago area of Illinois alone or the Metropolitan District of New York, than within the entire British Dominions, including all of the Provinces. One must remember that England and Scotland are small countries—like one of our States—and though golf is an old game there, it is but recently—comparatively—that the game has become so universally popular, even over there.

"I am friendly to Great Britain and visit over there very often and I must say without the slightest prejudice, that if I were to select what I honestly consider the fifty most wonderful and perfect golf courses in all the world, it is my opinion just now, that I would have to nominate every one of them from within the confines of the United States.

"Continental Europe and Asia are almost negligible as possessors of top-notch courses, but they have many delectable examples where you may always play with pleasure—and at times, with profit.

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"As I ponder over the possible selections in a list of the fifty best, there comes to mind as contenders, but one in Germany, two in Canada, one in Australia, and seven in England and Scotland. But we in the U.S. have many times as many courses to select from and we spend vastly more money to construct, improve or maintain them.

"For many reasons I have neglected—really avoided—the mention of much of what has just been written. But in view of the numerous requests for just those very opinion, I have elected to publish my personal opinion of the subject for the consideration of the many readers who would eventually write me about it.

But now let Great Britain have her inning. When one compares what one receives for his time and money as a member

of any good representative course in any portion of Great Britain—including the Provinces—as compared with what they would get for the same outlay in America—there is no comparison! The advantage is all with Great Britain.

In England, Scotland, Ireland, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, and elsewhere among the British countries, one many enjoy full membership privileges in a worthy golf club, where the membership is composed of the finest of gentlemen and the best golfers of the local district and the cost is within financial reach, and without a hardship, of almost any man of average salary: artisans, office men, clerks and small merchants as well as the man of means. Golf is not a rich man's game in Great Britain. It is just a gentleman's pleasure and mode of exercise. There a golf club is a golf club, nothing more. You may eat at the club if you desire and some of the clubs have bathing facilities. But the latter is the exception, not the rule. There is a locker-room, but usually the members come to the club attired for their game; they play it and return home for their change of clothes, which by the way, most Britishers affect every evening before dinner whether they play golf or not, and, I must say, we might profit by that example.

"In America, golf club memberships are so expensive as to be practically prohibitive to the average young man unless he has a father who can pay the freight. For the young married man with his new financial burdens it is even worse. Consequently, we exclude because of prohibitive fees, most of the potential golf material of the nation. Not so in Great Britain!"

(It would be interesting to know the two courses in Canada mentioned as worthy of being considered of championship calibre. Our good friend the Doctor, we are afraid, may be a globe-trotter of repute, but a mighty poor judge of golf courses. We, for instance, refer him to no less an authority than Bobby Jones, who is on record as stating that St. Andrews, Scotland, is the world's finest test of good golf. And yet the Doctor in a previous article damns it irrevocably.—Editor "Canadian Golfer.")

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When you settle yourself to run that long putt in—
Consume your own smoke, hold your tongue and be still."

IN AND ROUND THE CLUB HOUSE

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

WITH the president, Mrs. Krueger, in the chair, a most enthusiastic meeting of the women's section of the Scarborough Golf Club, Toronto, was held in room "G," at the King Edward Hotel. Gratifying reports were read by the secretary, Mrs. J. A. McCauley, showing that all organizations were in a prosperous condition.

There are now 140 playing members, fifteen intermediate, six non-resident and fourteen junior members. During the year many renovations were made to the club house by the committee.

Numerous letters have been received from those who took part in the closed championship expressing their appreciation of the comfort and entertainment provided for them, these being attained by the untiring efforts of one committee.

A most inspiring report was given by the captain of the 12-hole players, Mrs. G. S. Steele. There are 45 active members belonging to this organization and the interest displayed by each and all might be emulated by older players. During the year 26 competitions were held, and nine special luncheons served.

After the reception of reports balloting took place, the result being as follows: President, Mrs. P. Grant; vice-president, Mrs. K. McIvor; captain, Mrs. J. H. Riddel; corresponding secretary-treasurer, Mrs. J. J. Carrick; committee, Mrs. D. J. MacRae, Mrs. Ewart Young, Mrs. W. J. A. Carnahan.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the retiring officers. With the new president, Mrs. Grant, in the chair, a number of plans for the coming year were discussed, after which the meeting adjourned.

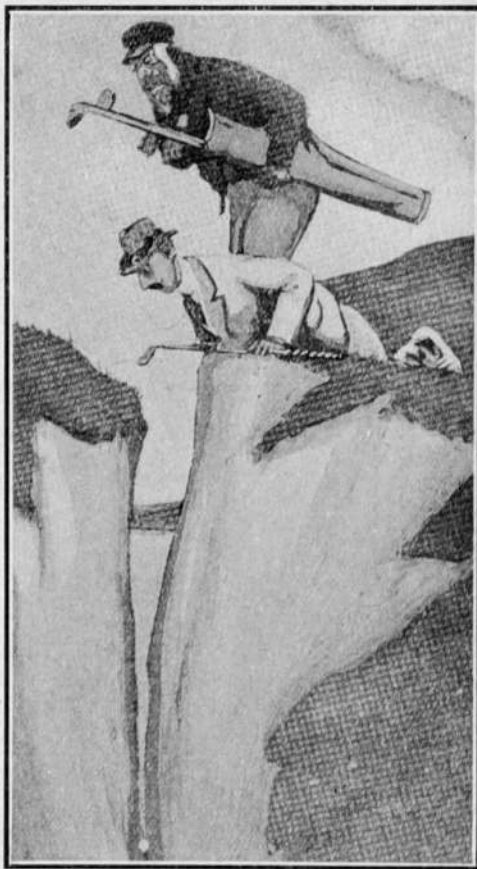
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At the annual meeting of the Rosedale Ladies' Section of the Rosedale Golf Club the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. A. Miles; secretary, Mrs. H. C. Lefroy; captain,

Mrs. Harold Beatty; handicap committee, Mrs. Millichamp and Mrs. Thomas.


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Members of the Uplands Golf Club, Toronto, held a dinner dance last month in the Empire Ballroom of the



Chappie—"I say, Caddie, Bah Jove! What shall I take for this?"

Prince George Hotel. Guests were received by Mrs. Arthur V. Cressy, Mrs. G. Howard Armstrong and Mrs. E. H. Jolliffe. Mrs. E. P. F. Smiley and Miss McDonald arranged the fairway, hazard, and golf club dances. Prizes were presented by C. Landell, the president. The Silver Trophy was won by M. McPherson; the Henning Trophy by H. S. Thurston; the Christie Trophy by A. McLatchy; the



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Mr. Harry C. Slemin, managing director of the Office Specialty Mfg. Co., Ltd., Toronto, and family are amongst the many prominent Canadians leaving this month to spend Christmas in Bermuda.

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At a meeting of the women golf members of Trenton, Ontario, the various reports of the year presented were of an encouraging nature. Officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows: House convenor, Mrs. H. D. Graham; assistant, Mrs. J. Kinney; house committee, Mrs. J. W. Farley, Mrs. M. W. Addison, Mrs. W. B. McClung, Mrs. A. Bellagham, Mrs.

F. L. Reid, Mrs. W. Avery, Mrs. J. L. McLean, Mrs. R. Y. Wemyss, Mrs. C. Saylor and Miss Evelyn Labey; bridge convenor, Mrs. J. E. Renton; committee, Mrs. P. E. McAuley and Mrs. W. B. Crowe. Mrs. W. B. McClung will be captain, and Mrs. W. J. Johnston, assistant captain.

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W. C. B. Harris was unanimously elected president of the Ken-Wo Golf and Country Club, Kentville, N.S., at the ninth annual meeting of that organization. The full slate of officers for the ensuing year follows:—

President, W. C. B. Harris; vice-president, H. M. Chase, K.C.; directors, Geo. E. Graham, Geo. C. McDougall, C. H. Foshay, J. E. Hales, H. A. Troyte-Bullock, A. E. H. Chesley, Herbert Oyler and Dr. J. A. M. Hemmeon; auditors, Geo. W. Munroe and J. D. Harris.

A. E. H. Chesley, the retiring president, was in the chair and there was a large attendance of members. Reports submitted show that the season of 1929 had been a most successful one. Financially the Ken-Wo Club had the best year in its history, the report of Dr. W. H. Eagar, secretary-treasurer, showing an operating profit of \$1,223.97, compared with an accumulative profit of \$573.56 for the previous eight years. The total revenue for 1929 was \$3,769.00.

A substantial purse was presented to W. A. Hanson, the caretaker, in appreciation of his carefully discharged duties.

Prizes won during the season were presented to the winners by Miss Edith Stairs, ladies' president, as follows:—

Sir Robert Borden Cup, John R. Harris; runner-up, G. H. Ruffee. H. A. Troyte-Bullock Cup, A. M. Parker; runner-up, Fred Merrett; W. C. B. Harris Cup, John R. Harris; runner-up, Dr. Leslie Eaton; Oyler Shield, Fred Merrett; runner-up, J. D. Harris. Approaching, John R. Harris. Approaching and putting, Dr. J. A. Hemmeon. President's prize (eclectic)—John R. Harris; runner-up, A. M. Parker. 28 over handicap competition, Dr. Leslie Eaton. Mrs. A. G. Guest Family Foursome Cup—Fred and Miss L. Merrett; runners-up, Jack and Miss D. Harris. W. H. Eagar Cup (approaching and putting), Miss Gwendolyn Hales. Graham Handicap Cup, Miss Edith Stairs;

runner-up, Miss D. Harris. Graham Championship Cup, Mrs. G. H. Ruffee; runner-up, Miss L. Merrett. C.L.G.U. Spoon, Mrs. G. H. Ruffee; Miss Bernice Hales. Junior Trophy, John T. Roach; runner-up, R. V. Creighton. Miss Edith Stairs Cup—Miss L. Merrett (driving). Mrs. J. Elliot Smith Cup (best ringer score), Miss L. Merrett and Mrs. G. H. Ruffee (tied). Miss M. Troyte-Bullock Prize, Mrs. O. H. Foshay.

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Mr. R. Y. Eaton, president of the T. Eaton Co., Ltd., Toronto, has acquired 200 acres of land situated just north of the Bayview Heights development—one of the largest transactions to take place in recent months in the District of Toronto.

This 200 acres is situated in a scenic district, is heavily wooded, and is 625 feet above sea level. Toronto and Lake Ontario may be seen on a clear day, while the meandering Don adds a further touch of beauty to the picture. The sale of this piece disposes of most of the Don property up through Thornhill and adjacent to the Toronto Ladies' Golf and Tennis Club, and the Thornhill and Uplands golf courses.

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Brig.-General C. M. Nelles has been re-elected by acclamation Mayor of Niagara-on-the-Lake. The General takes a very keen interest in the golf club there, which is one of the oldest in Ontario and of recent years has been exceptionally prosperous. The course every season is visited by a large number of U.S. and other tourists, whilst the local membership is a large one.

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The closing dance and presentation of prizes at the Glendale Golf and Country Club, Hamilton, was a delightful event and one attended by many members and friends. The club rooms were most attractive with autumn leaves and flowers, and an excellent orchestra furnished music.

The following is the list of winners and runners-up for the season's various events:—

Men—Empire Cup, F. C. Pollitt. Medal, G. S. Tournament, D. T. White. Ellis Cup (Club Championship), C. T. Bastedo; runner-up, J. S. McCaughey. 2nd flight, W. B.

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Ladies—Club Championship, Mrs. C. Gooch; runner-up, Miss Sharp; Championship Consolation, Miss H. M. Spears; runner-up, Mrs. R. B. Eyres. Diggins Cup, Miss H. M. Spears; runner-up, Mrs. G. F. Armstrong. Lowe Cup, Miss Jessie Slater; runner-up, Miss D. Rice. Greenway Cup, Miss J. B. Dixon; runner-up, Miss J. Slater. Dunmore Cup, "B" Class Championship, Mrs. J. Moyer; runner-up, Mrs. G. F. Allison. McCaughey Cup, Junior Championship, Miss Mary Hunter; runner-up, Mrs. McCauley. White Cup, best three nett scores by a junior, Miss Mary Hunter. Allison Shield, beginners, boys and girls, Miss W. Sloan; runner-up, Master B. Alexander. Reduction of handicap, Miss Mary Hunter, 16 strokes. C.L.G.U. spoons, Silver Division, Mrs. C. Gooch; Bronze Division, Mrs. G. Houston and Miss J. Slater, a tie. Ringer score, Silver Division, Miss Spears, 69; Bronze Division, Mrs. Houston; "B" Class, Mrs. G. F. Allison, 43; "B" class, Mrs. J. Moyer, 44.

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Dr. W. K. Ross, superintendent of the Ontario Hospital at Penetang, has been promoted to the superintendency of the Ontario Queen Street Hospital. Dr. Ross is a well known golfer and a charter member of the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association.

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The financial statement of the Arrowdale Civic Golf Club, Brantford, presented at the meeting of the Parks Board this month, was very satisfactory. The statement for the year's operations showed that the receipts were greater than the charges, there being a favourable balance of \$1,170. On capital account, including purchases of land to round out the course, and putting the new land into play, the expenditure was \$13,062. Total receipts for the past season were \$6,506, and expenditures \$5,336.

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Mr. A. King-Smith's score of 80, enabled him to win the first prize of the tournament on the miniature golf course, 128 University Avenue, Toronto. Messrs. Harry Phelan and Jack Strathdee tied for second place with scores of 83.

With two holes to play and one stroke lower than King-Smith, Strathdee appeared to be the winner. Misplays on the seventeenth and eighteenth holes, however, forced him into a tie with Phelan. Seventy-six players took part in the match. The average score was 95, and the high

score was 119. In the play-off subsequently between Messrs. Phelan and Strathdee, the former won.

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The close of the Portage Golf Club, Portage, Man., was brought to a final climax when the members held an "at home" in the Odd Fellows' Hall, with a large number in attendance. The president, W. Alexander, commented on the fine season just passed. He also congratulated the respective winners on their splendid showing. The following were the prize-winners:— Dr. N. S. Bailey, club championship; S. M. Macdonald, club handicap prize; lady championship, Mrs. Osborne; ladies' runner-up, Miss K. Bailey; ladies' low handicap, Miss E. Hill; ladies' low score, Miss Vennard. The Elks' Orchestra provided the dance programme.

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The annual general meeting of the Souris Golf Club, which boasts one of the finest courses in Manitoba, was attended by a good number of shareholders. President W. C. McCulloch occupied the chair.

S. B. Prest, C. Redpath and S. Lightfoot, retiring directors, were re-elected to the board of directors, and with W. C. McCulloch, G. T. Sewell and E. G. Hetherington will manage the affairs of the club during the season of 1930.

The report of the secretary, G. T. Sewell, showed a membership of 124,

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and an increase in green fees. The financial statement was satisfactory and many improvements were made during the past season, including additional buildings, sinking of a new well and renewed fencing.

The club championships were won by Cyril Evans with Lyall McMorran as runner-up, and Mrs. C. W. Fisher with Mrs. G. T. Sewell as runner-up. Both runners-up were previous club champions.

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The annual meeting of the Virden Golf Club, Virden, Man., brought out a splendid attendance of both ladies and gentlemen. J. A. McLachlan was elected president for the 1930 season and the club anticipates a prosperous year under his guidance. The retiring president, Dr. George Clingan, was named honorary president.

Other officers elected were: Vice-president, W. Newburn Miller; secretary-treasurer, George J. Gabel; executive committee, J. E. Hood, Fred Bridgett, Dr. Fryer, D. Maxim and S.

L. McBain; social committee, Dr. Fryer, A. E. Higginbotham, J. A. McLachlan and Miss McNiven; auditors, A. E. Higginbotham and Robert Andrew. The report of the secretary-treasurer showed a total membership for the past season of 57 and gross receipts of \$760.

The presentation of prizes for the men's open championship was made as follows: 1, Dr. Fryer, silver entree dish; 2, Ted Boiteau, cake and bonbon dish. During the season, Dr. Clingan had been instrumental in forming a boys' club and in the competition among the youngsters, Hugh Sinclair had proved successful with John Higginbotham second.

George Clough gave some delightful and original sketches bearing on golf, while Mrs. A. E. Higginbotham, president of the women's club; A. G. Hay, the first vice-president, and J. D. McIven, another past president, also spoke. Following the presentation of the prizes, Messrs. Hood, Fryer, McLachlan and Col. Palmer spoke of the value of golf and other competitions in a community, mentioning especially the Winnipeg Free Press golf tournament.

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The Fair La-dy Golfer

See the La-dy on the tee. What is she doing?

She is writing down her score, which was only nine for that hole!

Why does she not move on? Some men are waiting to play.

She will e-vent-u-al-ly. But first she must re-turn to the edge of the green and pick up her bag.

Why does she not lay the bag on the far side of the green, so as not to de-lay the game?

Because if she did that she would not be a la-dy golf-er.

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The ladies' section of the Thistle-down Golf and Country Club held their annual meeting at the King Edward Hotel, Toronto, for a review of the past season's activities and the election of officers for the coming year. The following were elected to

office for the year 1930: President, Mrs. J. F. McCullough; secretary, Mrs. C. H. Tillett; tea hostess, Miss E. Armour; captain, Mrs. Alex. Blyth; vice-captain, Mrs. S. White; committee, Mrs. W. S. McCulloch, Mrs. L. D. Dougan.

The past season was a most successful one, both financially and in the many competitions held during the year, and the ladies are looking forward to a bigger and better season for the coming year.

Experts' Opinion

The late Willie Park: "The man who can putt is a match for anyone."

Harry Vardon: "The man who can pitch does not need to putt."

Walter Hagen: "The man who can drive makes every shot easier or harder."

Vienna, the capital of Austria, boasts two particularly charming golf courses and club houses with a membership of several hundred. Leading Austrians are taking up with the game most enthusiastically. Old Country pros are teaching them "the game of games."

Mr. George W. Greenwood, a recognized English authority, has been figuring it out who would be the best golfers in the world to play the best shots with the respective clubs used in the game. He chooses Abe Mitchell for the driver and also for the brassie. Duncan is the choice for the spoon. For the No. 1 iron (which now generally takes the place of the cleek), Tommy Armour is his pick, whilst Bobby Jones is unhesitatingly awarded first place when it comes to No. 2 and 3 irons. Roger Wethered is the choice for the mashie, and Ted Ray for the mashie-niblick. Hagen is acclaimed the putting king and also the best maker of bunker shots. This combination of players "should beat the world," Mr. Greenwood asserts.

His Honour W. D. Ross, the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, has recently had built for him a very in-

teresting nine-hole course on his beautiful property at Erindale, Ont. Other private courses are being projected for next year by well-known Torontonians and Montrealers. In Great Britain and the States there are many such links.

Mr. Washington J. Johnstone, former financial superintendent of the post office department and widely known sportsman of Ottawa, died at his home Dec. 8th, aged 75. Up until a quarter century ago Mr. Johnstone was one of the leading trap and game shots in the Dominion. He was a champion oarsman and paddler and a keen golfer, having celebrated his 70th birthday by winning the championship of the Chaudiere Club of Ottawa.

Following the example of golf, cricket and other associations the British Lawn Tennis' Association has decided to recommend to the International Lawn Tennis Federation that one open tournament be held yearly in which amateurs may meet professionals.

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Whether the skies be gray or blue,
May the Giver of Gifts give these
to you.

The late "Jimmy" Murphy, of A. G. Spalding & Bros. Ltd., Toronto, beloved by golfers and all sportsmen, left an estate of \$20,000, which is divided among relatives with the exception of \$1,000 and a diamond ring left to Mrs. Frank Davis, of Toronto, "in recognition of former kindnesses."

The Hon. P. C. Larkin, Canadian High Commissioner, London, has just been made an honorary member of the Sandy Lodge Golf Club, one of the

leading clubs in the Metropolitan District, well known and popular with many Canadian golfers visiting London. This is a very high golfing honour, indeed. Mr. Larkin has recently taken up the Royal and Ancient game quite enthusiastically.

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Although there was some good scoring in the third and final day's play of the Toronto and District ladies' indoor golf championship at the miniature course, 123 University Avenue, Toronto, no one could dislodge Mrs. J. Robertson, of the Thistledown Club, who was leading at the end of the first two days, who was returned the winner with an 88. Mrs. C. S. Eddis, of the Toronto Ladies' Club, was the runner-up with 90, while others who broke 100 during the three days were: Miss L. Goddard, 92; Mrs. D. C. Meyers, 95; Miss Helen Reid, 96; Miss B. Boland, 97; Mrs. J. G. Mackenzie, 98, and Mrs. Rutherford, 98. Mrs. E. D. Chambers won the consolation prize.

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The following are the prize winners in the ladies' section of the St. Thomas Golf and Country Club, which had a record season in 1929:—

Club Championship—Mrs. G. Porter; runner-up, Miss J. Torry. Consolation flight, Miss M. Turner; runner-up, Mrs. Galbraith. Beaten fours, championship flight, Miss E. Tate; runner-up, Miss Sutherland. 9-hole players, Mrs. C. T. Boughner; runner-up, Mrs. E. Hockin. Handicap Cup, Mrs. G. Porter (note, third year in succession this lady has won this Cup). Driving competition, 18-hole division, aggregate, Mrs. G. Porter; longest drive, Mrs. Galbraith. Driving competition, 9-hole division, aggregate, Mrs. Curran; longest drive, Mrs. Kennedy. Approaching and putting, 18-hole, Miss E. McKillop; 9-hole, Mrs. V. F. Kingston. 9-hole players putting on green contest, Mrs. Boughner. Tombstone contest, Mrs. G. Porter. Qualifying rounds, championship, nett scores, 18 holes, Mrs. H. C. Cammeron; 9-hole, Mrs. Hayman.

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Mr. W. W. Baird, president, and Mr. Norman T. Avard, vice-president, were re-elected to these offices respectively at the annual meeting of the Amherst Golf Club, Amherst, N.S. Both Mr. Baird and Mr. Avard have taken a great interest in the activities of the club during their tenure of

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office and their re-election is evidence of desire of the members for them to carry on the good work for another year. An executive committee composed of B. Russell MacLean, A. G. Guest, D. W. MacDougall, Miss Amy Black and Miss Mary White, was appointed and this body will in turn name the secretary and treasurer and standing committees. Mr. Baird, in his annual report, spoke of the club's seasonal activities. He referred to the big increase in the number of members and also stated it was evident that there would be an addition to the membership list in the forthcoming year. W. E. Learned, treasurer, reported a satisfactory bank balance, even after a season of many big expenditures for improvements. Reports from the green and games committee were submitted by D. S. Biggs and D. W. MacDonald.

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"Abe Mitchell," says Golf Monthly, "who is still one of our longest drivers,

and Mr. Cyril Tolley, the longest driver amongst amateur golfers, take the natural grip of the golf club. Mr. John Ball does not employ either the V or the over-lapping grip, and Sandy Herd, who looks like lasting the longest of the great quartette, is not an over-lapper. Miss Cecil Leitch, who led women's golf so long, never employed the over-lapping grip."

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Mr. P. S. Bush, secretary of the U.S.G.A., notifies the "Canadian Golfer" that the following officers and committees have been nominated for the United States Golf Association for 1930—nomination always means election at the annual meeting in January:—

President, Findlay S. Douglas, The Apawamis Club. Vice-Presidents, H. H. Ramsay, The Creek Club; Robert M. Cutting, Hinsdale Golf Club. Secretary, Prescott S. Bush, The Round Hill Club. Treasurer, Charles H. Sabin, National Golf Links of America. Counsel, John G. Jackson, Deepdale Golf Club. Executive Committee, Findlay S. Douglas, The Apawamis Club; H. H. Ramsay, The Creek Club; E. H. Seaver, Los Angeles Country Club; Prescott S. Bush, The Round Hill Club; Charles H. Sabin, National Golf Links of America; Herbert Jaques, The Country Club (Brookline); Rodman E. Griscom, Merion Cricket Club; A. S. Kerry,

Seattle Golf Club; Robert T. Jones, Jr., Atlanta Athletic Club; Ganson Depew, Country Club of Buffalo; Cornelius S. Lee, Tuxedo Golf Club; Robert M. Cutting, Hinsdale Golf Club; Harrison R. Johnston, White Bear Yacht Club. Six State, Sectional or recognized Golf Association are represented on the ticket as follows: Herbert Jaques, New England Golf Association; E. H. Seaver, Southern California Golf Association; Rodman E. Griscom, Golf Association of Philadelphia; Robert M. Cutting, Western Golf Association; Ganson Depew, New York State Golf Association; Harrison R. Johnston, Minnesota State Golf Association.

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Mr. Cyril Tolley, the British Amateur champion, who made such a creditable showing in the U.S. Amateur Championship at Del Monte, California, on his return to London only remained long enough to play in the Mixed Foursomes at Worplesdon to again return to the States in company with Major Keith Thorburn, the Scottish Internationalist. Mr. Tolley has resigned his seat on the London Stock Exchange, and has retired from his partnership in the stockbroking firm of Bowers and Wrey. He is making a visit of some weeks to the States, partly with a view to studying American stockbroking methods, but there is no suggestion of his remaining there and he intends to go into business again on his return to London.

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To have reduced a debt of about \$2,500 to a little more than a hundred dollars in spite of considerable expenditure for new equipment, and to have added the names of many new members to its books, is the proud record of the Highland Golf and Country Club, Glace Bay, C.B., for the season of 1929—without a doubt the best in the history of the organization. These facts were shown at the annual meeting of the Club recently held (Nov. 18th). The report of the Treasurer regarding the club's finances brought unstinted applause from the members present. The membership, it was shown, had increased to 104. An executive committee composed of Dr. Grant (chairman), Glace Bay; H. D. McLean, Waterford; J. H. Hunt, Glace Bay; Malcolm Martin, Dominion; E. A. Hutchins, A. D. McNeil and

Joseph Traboulsee, Glace Bay, was appointed. This executive will meet shortly to appoint various committees, officers and captains for the coming year. The following prizes were awarded by A. D. McNeil: Club championship (Gazette Cup), J. W. Neville; June handicap (Dr. Grant Cup), David McCarel; approaching and putting and driving, Remy Gratto.

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The following were the winners in 1929 of the principal men's amateur championships:—

British Amateur—Mr. Cyril J. H. Tolley, England, won from Mr. John N. Smith, England—4 and 3.

American Amateur—Mr. Harrison R. Johnston, St. Paul, Minn., won from Dr. O. F. Willing, Portland, Oregon—4 and 3.

Canadian Amateur—Mr. Eddie Held, New York, won from Mr. Gardiner W. White, New York—3 and 2.

National Public Links—Carl Kauffmann, Pittsburgh, won from Mr. Milton Sonerant, Toledo, O.—4 and 2.

French Amateur—Mr. Jack Westland, New York, won from Mr. Richard Fletcher, England—6 and 5.

Canadian Seniors' Championship—Mr. J. E. Caldwell, Ottawa, won by default from Mr. George S. Lyon, Toronto, after tie at 157.

U. S. Seniors' Championship—Won by Dr. George T. Gregg, Pittsburgh, 156.

British Boys' Championship—James Lindsay, Falkirk, won from Scott Riddell, Duff House Royal—6 and 4.

Amateur Championship of Cuba—Mr. Arthur W. Yates, Rochester, N.Y., won from Mr. Norman Newton, Havana—8 and 6.

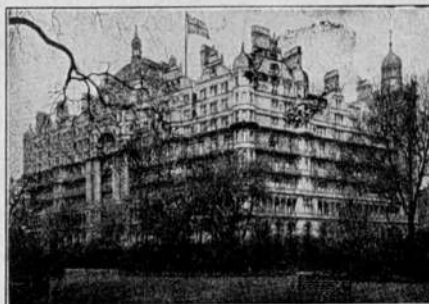
Bermuda Amateur Championship—Mr. A. C. N. Gosling, Canada, won from Mr. Nicol Thompson, Jr., Canada—5 and 4.

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It is stated that one British golf ball factory has turned out in one year in the neighbourhood of six and a half million golf balls, representing a value to the factory of approximately £485,000.

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The following figure as the ten ranking amateur players in the United States as a result of the past season's showing:—1, Robt T. Jones, Jr.; 2, Harrison R. Johnston; 3, George Von Elm; 4, George Voigt; 5, Don Moe; 6, Dr. O. F. Willing; 7, H. Chandler Egan; 8, Francis Ouimet; 9, Jess Sweetser; 10, Johnny Goodman.



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The only one of the "Old Brigade" on this list is Francis Ouimet. Young Don Moe was the winner of the Western Amateur and Johnny Goodman was the youth who accounted for the downfall of Bobby Jones at the U.S. Amateur at Pebble Beach. All the other selected players are well known by reputation to Canadian followers of the game.

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Mr. J. F. Pattison, Collector of National Revenue, Bridgeburg, Ont., and a leading official of the Erie Downs Golf Club, which is now in the enviable position of having a waiting list, writes renewing his subscription for 1930:

"The 'Canadian Golfer' is a very bright and interesting magazine—one the golfers of Canada should be proud of."

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Mr. J. H. Freedman, Canadian general manager for A. G. Spalding & Bros. Ltd., the past season spent a good deal of time visiting the golfing

centres of Manitoba, Alberta, Saskatchewan and British Columbia, where his Internationally known firm has extensive interests. He is very enthusiastic about the sporting prospects in all these Provinces. He is particularly pleased with the golf situation there. This year easily constitutes a record, he says, new clubs springing up everywhere, whilst hundreds of new players have been enrolled. He is also very enthusiastic about the "quality" of the golf being played as well as the "quantity". The West and the Coast are unquestionably developing some of the best players in Canada.

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In England, as in Canada and the States, public golf courses are money-makers. The government office of works this season derived a nett profit of £2,000 from the two public golf courses at Richmond Park, in the London District. It is interesting to note that a few years ago when the first course was built the government insisted on a number of well-to-do golfers guaranteeing any loss that might be sustained as a result of the venture.

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Both the Oxford and Cambridge golf teams had more than one important match last month. Oxford this year, thanks to U.S. Rhodes scholars, are showing up very well indeed. A strong Worplesdon team was beaten by the Oxonians 10 events to 8. A feature of the singles was the excellent form displayed by R. H. Baugh, the American captain of Oxford, who beat R. H. de Montmorency, the British International, by 3 and 2, having a score of 67 for the 16 holes. Baugh, in the foursomes, was part-

nered by a compatriot, C. Sweeny, and then beat de Montmorency and C. N. Ambrose 3 and 2. Another all-American combination, the brothers S. and H. Scheftel, scored a win for Oxford, beating E. A. Tooth and the Hon. D. S. G. Calthorpe, the Warwickshire cricketer, by 6 and 4. Cambridge, on the other hand, was defeated by Royal Wimbledon, 11 events to 4. The annual Varsity match next year which will be played at Hoylake, is looked upon as almost sure to be won by Oxford which has a particularly strong team.

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AT SUNNINGDALE (England)

1927

With friendship and fair weather,
 And a caddy to one's mind,
 Life may have other finer things
 But—they're difficult to find!
 And so it was at Sunningdale,
 The sun was in the blue,
 And silvery clouds went nobly by
 On the west wind drifting through;
 And we had come three thousand miles
 Across the wide, wide sea,
 But a fairer day and a fairer way
 We knew could never be.

Then suddenly from far aloft
 Came an aria sweet and long.
 O well I knew the singer to be
 The bird of Shelley's song;
 It dropped and sang and singing dropt—
 O minstrel from out the sky,
 You sang for joy and not for me—
 I listened and passed you by.
 I listened and passed you by,
 But something had entered in;
 A new true link to bind me fast
 To a sea-girt island's kin!

O singer that sang at Sunningdale
 Your song is far from done—
 I hear it still in Canada
 Beneath December's sun
 I hear it and I seem to see
 Each lovely verdant vale,
 The pine-clad heights and heathered slopes,
 Which men call Sunningdale!

And so may hap some song of mine
 From lowliest earth up-borne,
 May linger in some distant heart
 Like mine too prone to mourn,
 J. E. Caldwell (champion of the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association).
 City View, December, 1929.

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Mr. William Barnett, the wealthy Irishman whose horse "Trigo" won

the Derby, is an enthusiastic golfer and although 64 years of age is still rated at scratch in Ireland. He is captain of the Royal County Down Club, Belfast, and was recently given an enthusiastic reception by the members of that club. A large crowd met him headed by caddies and escorted him to the club house to strains played by Irish pipers.

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Harry Cotton, the young British professional who spent several months in the States last season and who in the tournaments in which he participated had an average of 72½ strokes per round, is convinced that in order to get the better of American pros an average of 69 strokes is necessary. And Harry has it figured out right. Rounds in the seventies will never win big events these days in America.

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Golf Illustrated, New York, "holes-out" all right when it remarks editorially:—

We earnestly hope that instead of a new crop of reformers concentrating on an increase in the size of the hole that they apply their efforts to having the hole properly placed on the green. The size of the hole is all right, but frequently where it is placed is all wrong. If the cup is considered too small by some players, why make it harder to hole out by placing it in "weird" locations? The modern coaches are teaching the young players to approach for the hole, and to try to hole out their short approaches and eliminate putts. In a recent inter-scholastic tournament, over a dozen short approaches were holed out and one-putt players were frequent. It is much easier to hole out a short approach than make a hole in one, and every player seems to feel at a short hole that he is going to make it in one from the tee, so why not try for the hole in short approaches? The player who thinks the hole is too small should practice, as one very fine putter did, with a small tin about two inches in diameter. The regular hole will then look like a butter firkin. Practice putting and forget the size of the hole, but place it in a fair position on the green, is our suggestion.

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Montreal, as usual, will have a number of winter golf schools. So far the following are operating:—

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A. F. Macpherson, on his return from California next month, will open up at the Mount Royal Hotel and several other schools will also probably be started in January.

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According to the United States Commerce Department only 2,300,000 British golf balls were sold to America in 1929 as against the record figure of 3,352,714 in 1926.

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At the general annual meeting of the Midland Golf and Country Club, Midland, Ont., the following directors were appointed for the year 1930:—
Jas. Playfair, president; D. S. Pratt, vice-president; R. F. White, D. L. White, F. W. Grant, J. W. Benson, W. F. Beck, Capt. E. F. Burke, Jas. Wilkinson, W. E. Preston, J. T. Payette,

W. E. Preston was appointed captain, and W. L. Mackenzie, vice-captain; D. L. White and P. J. Fasken, auditors. The officers of the ladies' branch of the club are: President, Mrs. Playfair; vice-president, Mrs. Potvin; sec-

retary, Mrs. Featherstonhaugh; captain, Mrs. M. S. Keller; vice-captain, Mrs. J. W. Nettleton; junior captain, Miss Margaret Craig; handicap committee, Mrs. Keller, Mrs. Nettleton, Mrs. T. W. Duncan and Miss Switzer.

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Youth From Sidewalks of New York Wins Rich Stake. Favourites Finish Out of the Money.

DESPATCH from Avalona, Santa Catalina Island, Calif., December 15th:—

"A youth from the sidewalks of New York, Tony Manero, today stroked his way to victory in the annual \$7,500 Catalina Island Open golf tournament, shooting the 54 holes in 12 under par for a 186 card.

"In his wake came Olin Dutra, a native son of California, one stroke behind, while "Wild Bill" Mehlhorn turned in a 188 for third money.

Trailing these by many strokes were the favourites of the three-day tourney—favourites who left their hopes for the big prize money in hillsides and in the deep canyons of the unusual course, which is an easy one to score on, not being of recognized championship length.

Diegel Tied for Fourth

"Most fortunate of these select, placed on the pedestal of golfdom because of past records, was Leo Diegel, Agua Caliente Baja, California, who recently successfully defended his Professional Golfers' Association title. "Larruping Leo", after a disappointing 67 last Friday, pulled up with a 63 yesterday and turned in a 59 to-day to place himself in a tie for fourth with Charles Guest, Los Angeles; John Golden, Paterson, N.J., and Frank Walsh, Chicago. This quartette had cards of 189 for the tournament.

"Horton Smith, the 21-year-old Missouri pro, failed to do better than a 193 in the way of defending the title which he won from Walter Hagen a year ago by a stroke.

Hagen, British Open champion, was far down the list with a 195.

"Manero played consistent golf from the start. He turned in a 64 on the opening day to tie for second place in the field of some 139 starters. Yesterday he bettered this by a stroke to remain in second place. The young pro staged a rousing rally to-day with a 59 over the par 66 course.

"By turning in the 59, Manero collected nine birdies, something of a feat in 18 holes of play. This was not sufficient, however, to give him low score for the individual 18. This honour went to Frank Walsh, of Chicago, with a 56.

"Manero received \$1,500 as the winner's share of the tourney, with Dutra gathering \$1,000, and Mehlhorn \$500.

Coleman Leading Amateur

"Fay Coleman won the amateur honours, the Culver City, Cal., player carding a 199."

Leading scores for the 54 holes:—

Tony Manero, New York.....	64-63-59—186
Olin Dutra, Los Angeles	65-61-61—187
Bill Mehlhorn, New York.....	63-67-58—188
Charles Guest, Los Angeles....	63-64-62—189
John Golden, Paterson, N.J.....	67-61-61—189
Leo Diegel, Agua Caliente.....	67-63-59—189
Frank Walsh, Chicago.....	64-68-57—189
Harry Cooper, Buffalo	65-63-62—190

Scores of some of the well-known players:

Joe Turnesa, New York.....	69-62-60—191
Johnny Farrell, New York.....	64-64-66—194
Walter Hagen, Detroit	66-68-61—195
Bobby Cruickshank, N.Y.....	66-65-65—196
Mike Turnesa, New York	68-65-63—196

THE QUESTION OF THE LADIES' CLOSE CHAMPIONSHIP

AT THE annual meeting of the Quebec Branch of the Canadian Ladies' Golf Union in Montreal the other day, the question of recommending the discontinuing of the Canadian Ladies' Close Championship was discussed and it was decided to get the opinions of the other branches of the C.L.G.U. on the question before any recommendation was made. This Close Championship is, comparatively speaking, a recent fixture, having been played for first in 1922. Previous to then the Open Championship, instituted in 1901 or 28 years ago, was the only ladies' major event.

In the past the trouble with this Close Championship has been that it is always run in connection with the Open Championship, thereby calling upon the Canadian players to participate in two weeks of continuous golf—something which no woman should be called upon to do. The most hardened professional wouldn't think of tackling such a grind. It would be a pity to do away with the Close Championship, but the C.L.G.U. would be well advised to detach it from the Open Championship week. Some other dates should be devised. The winners of the event have been: Mrs. Hope Gibson, Hamilton, 1922; Mrs. Mulqueen, Toronto (Miss Sidney Pepler), 1923; Mrs. Harold Hutchings, Winnipeg, 1924; Mrs. R. J. Holmes (Miss Helen Paget), 1925; Miss Ada Mackenzie, Toronto, 1926, 1927, 1929. There was no championship in 1928.

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MONTREAL PROFESSIONAL WRITES ABOUT AGUA CALIENTE

ARTHUR F. MACPHERSON, professional of the Marlborough Golf Club, Montreal, is spending a few weeks in California. He writes the Editor:—

“The Agua Caliente course, where the \$25,000 tournament is to be held Jan. 14th-17th, and where Leo Diegel, the Canadian Open and U. S. Professional champion, is in charge, is going to be some course, also the Race Track alongside of it. They have not quite finished the course yet but 1,800 men are at work on the course and track rushing them through for the formal opening January 1st. The place is going to be a second Monte Carlo. The boys are already playing at Catalina, getting ready for the “Big Show.” They have 18 holes in play but the last nine will be winter rules. Hutton Martin, pro from Reno, Nevada, shot a 35-28=63 recently, so you see the boys are hot out here. I have entered for four tournaments. That is all I could enter for as I am leaving for home on or about the 15th of January to open my winter golf school at the Mount Royal Hotel, Montreal.”

THE WINTER TOURNAMENT CALENDAR

Dec. 16-19—Season Members' Tournament, Pinehurst C.C.

Dec. 17-18—San Gabriel Amateur-Pro., San Gabriel C.C., Cal.

Dec. 19-21—Bermuda Open, Riddell's Bay.

Dec. 20-22—Pasadena Open, Pasadena Municipal Course, Cal.

Dec. 24—Father and Son Tournament, Pinehurst C.C.

Dec. 25—Santa Claus Tournament, Del Monte, Cal.

Dec. 26-31—Midwinter Tournament, Pinehurst C.C.

Dec. 27-29—San Diego Open, San Diego C.C., Cal.

Dec. 29-31—New Year's Tournament, Del Monte.

January 3-5—Long Beach Open, Virginia C.C., Cal.

Jan. 6-10—Mid-January Tournament, Pinehurst C.C.

Jan. 8-12—Los Angeles \$10,000 Open, Los Angeles C.C., Cal.

Jan. 10-11—Miami Beach Open, Bay Shore, Miami Beach.

Jan. 14-17—Agua Caliente Open, Agua Caliente C.C., Mexico.

Jan. 15-18—Walter J. Travis Memorial Tournament, St. Augustine Links.

Jan. 21-25—Pan-American Women's, Edgewater Gulf G.C., Biloxi.

Jan. 24-26—El Paso Open, El Paso C.C., Texas.

Jan. 26—Sweepstakes, Pebble Beach, Cal.

Jan. 27—Men's Fla. East Coast Championship, St. Augustine Links.

Jan. 27-31—Bay Shore Club Championship, La Gorce Course.

Jan. 27-Feb. 1—St. Valentine's Tournament, Pinehurst C.C.

Jan. 28-Feb. 1—Pan-American Amateur, Edgewater Gulf C.C., Biloxi.

Jan. 30-Feb. 2—San Antonio Open, Brackenridge Park Links, Texas.

Feb. 3-6—Women's St. Valentine's, Pinehurst C.C.

Feb. 3-7—Women's Amateur, Bay Shore, Miami Beach.

Feb. 4-8—Bermuda Ladies' Championship, Riddell's Bay G. & C.C.

Feb. 11-14—Senior's Tournament, Pinehurst C.C.

Feb. 12—Lincoln's Birthday Tournament, Del Monte, Cal.

Feb. 14-16—Valentine Tournament, Del Monte, Cal.

Feb. 17-23—Empress Hotel Mid-Winter Amateur Tournament, Colwood Golf Club, Victoria, B.C.

Feb. 21—Tin Whistles Anniversary, Pinehurst C.C.

Feb. 21—Gold Vase Tournament, Pebble Beach, Cal.

Feb. 21-23—Washington's Birthday Tournament, Pebble Beach, Cal.

Feb. 28-6—Spring Tournament, Pinehurst C. C.

March 3-7—Pebble Beach Championship for Women, Pebble Beach, Cal.

March 11-15—Bermuda Amateur, Riddell's Bay G. & C.C.

March 18-22—Winter Amateur Championship, St. Augustine Links.

March 21-23—La Gorce Open, La Gorce, Miami Beach.

March 27-28—North and South Open, Pinehurst C.C.

March 31-4—Women's North and South Amateur, Pinehurst C.C.

April 1—April Fools Tournament, Del Monte, Cal.

April 5—Annual Team Match, Pinehurst vs. All South, Pinehurst C.C.

April 7-12—North and South Amateur, Pinehurst C.C.

May 2-4—Shriners Tournament, Del Monte, Cal.

May 15-16—Walker Cup Matches, Royal St. Georges Golf Club, Sandwich.

May 26—British Amateur Championship, St. Andrews.

June 16—British Open Championship, Hoylake.

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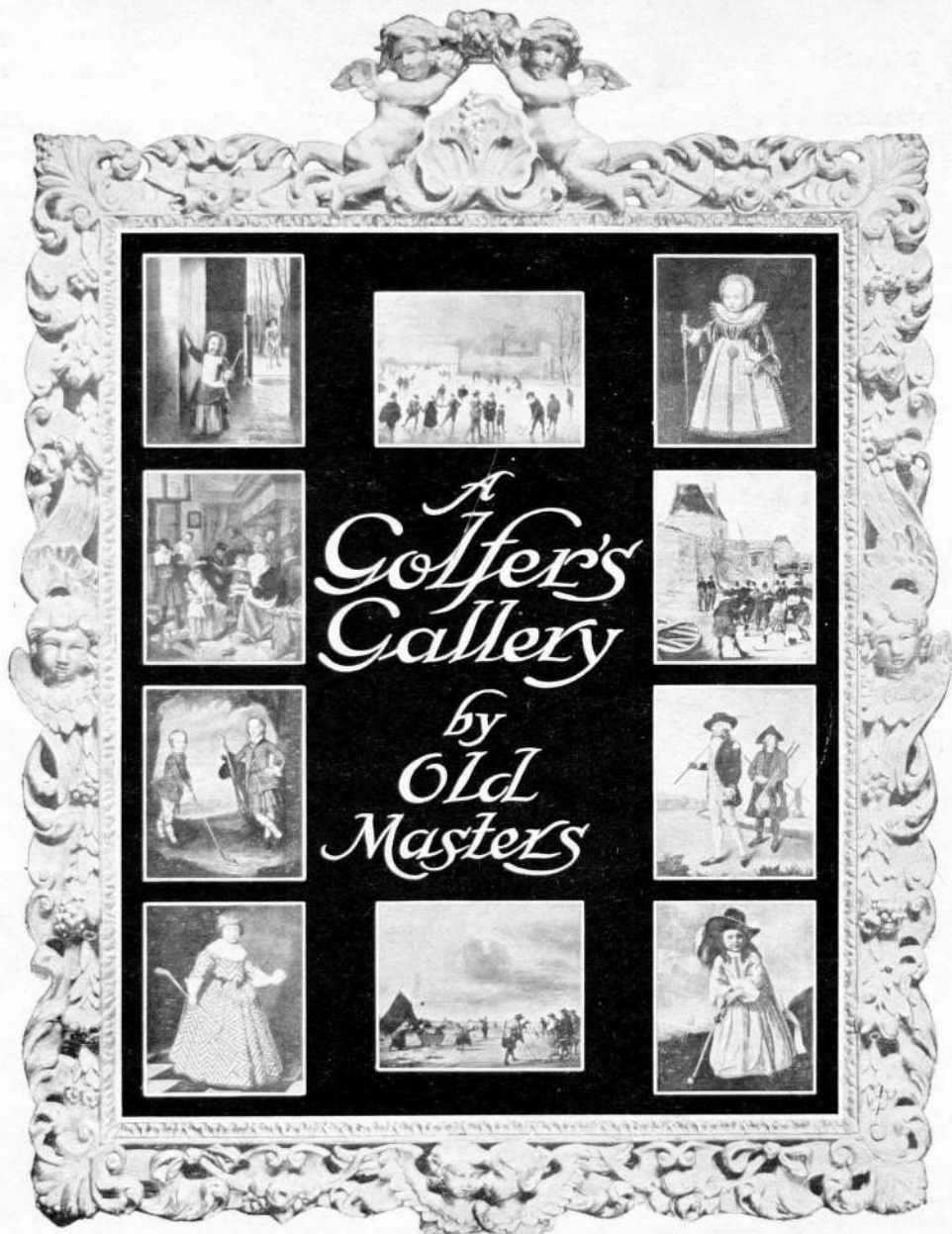
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