# BACKS WAR SECRETARY FOR "PREPARED" ARMY

## Senator Chamberlain Wants Such Changes Made as Will Meet Existing Conditions.

## NEED OF MORE EFFICIENCY

### Head of Military Affairs Committee Says National Guard Should Be Strengthened and Improved.

[From The Tribune Bureau.]

Washington, Sept. 7.—Backing up the campaign of the Secretary of War to place the army in a state of "preparedness," Senator George E. Chamberlain, chairman of the Senate Committee on Military Affairs, issued a statement today to the effect that he was "earnestly in favor of placing the army of the United States on a better war footing."

"As long as we maintain the Monroe Doctrine, retain the Philippines, control the Panama Canal and dominate the Pacific, which is our manifest destiny, we must have an army adequate to care for these conditions and meet emergencies," said the Oregon Senator.

"No one advocates a large standing army in this country, but we ought to have as a military organization an army of efficient officers and drilled men, which can be augmented by trained men from a reserve and supplemented by the national guard of the states.

"There has been a great deal of general discussion as to the necessity of better preparation for sudden war emergencies, and there seems to be quite a unanimous opinion that at the present time our army is wholly inadequate, owing to the methods that have been employed. I am heartily in favor of such changes and improvements in the army as will meet existing conditions. We ought not to leave ourselves in an attitude where we fear the possibility of invasion by Japan on the Pacific Coast or by any other foreign country on our Atlantic Coast, nor in apprehension as to what might happen to our troops in case of intervention in Mexico because the army is inadequate for an emergency.

**Awakened by Mexico.**

"The present session of Congress has been occupied with matters which have taken all the time, so that little attention has been given to questions of national defence until the acute situation in Mexico has brought home to us the unpreparedness of this nation to face a sudden war.

"If there should not be a peaceful termination of the Mexican trouble, temporary war measures and makeshifts would have to be adopted, as has been the case at the beginning of every other war in this country, all of which have been disastrous and expensive on account of their experimental character.

"At the regular session of Congress the subject of increasing military efficiency must be considered. The Secretary of War has taken a pronounced position on the subject, and we will await his definite recommendations with a great deal of interest. I am not prepared now to say what should be done. The plans and details must be worked out by men of experience and judgment, but it is plainly apparent that improvements must be made and the army put in condition to meet the requirements of the nation.

"In my opinion, the national guard should be very much strengthened and improved. A great many more regular army officers should be detailed to give the officers instruction and secure better drill and discipline for the men. It would also be well to have a more strict medical examination of the enlisted men of the national guard, so that a larger percentage of trained men could go to the front in time of need.

**Reserve Corps a Problem.**

"The formation of a reserve corps is a very difficult matter, and one with which we have not had experience in this country. We cannot pattern on the lines of Continental countries, which have a conscription method of filling the ranks of their armies or control all available men for military service. Our army is a volunteer organization. The 'regular army man' is a voluntary soldier, who can return to other occupations at the end of his term of enlistment. It is possible we might establish a system by which soldiers who have retired to private life can be called to the colors when emergencies arise. Those are matters which must receive careful consideration when the legislation is brought before Congress.

"At all events, it seems certain that the country is becoming aware of the unprepared condition of our army, and will sustain Congress in making such changes as seem necessary to place the army on a footing to meet emergencies and secure the honor and integrity of the nation."

## NO COOLER WEATHER HERE

### Forecaster Sees No Relief for the East.

Washington, Sept. 7.—Cooler weather during the coming week is promised for the central part of the country by the Weather Bureau, but no prospect is held out for relief in the East and South, and even higher temperatures are indicated for the Northwest.

In the East and South temperature changes during the week will not be decided, while in the Northwest it will be warmer to-morrow, and by the middle of the week temperatures will be rising generally over the central and western portions of the country, followed by a fall over the Northwest toward the end of the week.

A marked disturbance now over Southern Alaska will extend eastward and southward, causing rains early in the week over the Pacific Northwest and about the middle of the week over the Northwestern states east of the Rocky Mountains. No other precipitation of consequence is indicated during the week, except in the South, where thunder showers are likely to continue the greater portion of the week.

## STAND HOLDING 600 FALLS

### First Aviation Flight in Guadeloupe Ends in Disaster.

Point-a-Pitre, Guadeloupe, Sept. 7.—While a French aviator, Reybaud, was making an attempt for the first time in the history of Guadeloupe to fly over Point-a-Pitre to-day, a stand in which six hundred spectators had gathered collapsed. Twenty persons were injured.

The aeroplane flight proved a failure, for the machine had scarcely risen from the ground when it caught in a wire fence, one of the wings being broken.


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# ASSAIL WILSON HISSERS

## "Antis" Condemn Suffragists Who Insulted President.

## "DISCREDIT TO THE SEX"

### "Verbal Militancy" Said to Prove Women Unfit for Politics.

[From The Tribune Bureau.]

Washington, Sept. 7.—"At a public meeting in Spring Lake, N. J., which was addressed by Miss Minnie Bronson, an anti-suffragist speaker, the suffragists in the audience hissed the name of the President of the United States. When such a thing happens it is time for the public to ask how far the 'votes for women' advocates of this country are behind their militant sisters in England."

This charge against the New Jersey suffragists is contained in a statement issued this afternoon by the Washington headquarters of the National Association Opposed to Woman Suffrage. The anti-suffragists find also in the occurrence an indication that such tactics may increase, since Mrs. Pankhurst, the British militant leader, is to visit the United States in October.

"With the announcement that the leader of all suffragist militancy is to come here," continues the statement, "it becomes the duty of the suffragists to see to it that their fight is conducted along saner and more patriotic lines. There is a violence of words no less than there is a violence of action. The institutions of the country can be attacked by the intemperance of words as well as by the physical outbursts of unreasoning and desperation.

"It is of inestimable importance that the discussion of the suffrage question be conducted in the United States in a decent and orderly manner. When in April, 1910, President Taft was hissed in a public meeting in Washington because he did not come out and indorse woman suffrage the women who did the hissing were subjected to stern criticism in the newspapers. Nobody approved of such a course. Everybody recognized it as containing all the elements of rowdyism.

"The second offence occurred on September 3, when Miss Bronson addressed the meeting in Spring Lake, where the suffragists have been active for some time. She was describing the lack of unanimity in the suffrage ranks as to what man they preferred to carry the banner of suffragism in the White House.

"'One suffragist declared,' she said, 'that Theodore Roosevelt was the champion wanted by their cause.' At this the suffragists cheered uproariously. 'Another,' she continued, 'told me they wanted Woodrow Wilson.' As soon as the President's name was mentioned hissing interrupted her remarks.

"When suffragists refuse to respect the high office of President of the United States, when they hiss its occupant's name, when they show contempt for the very government of the country, it is time to ask whether or not they have gone beyond the bounds of all reason in the heat of their misguided enthusiasm. Apparently they are beginning to substitute rowdyism for reason and are making violence a vice.

"It is needless to point out that such outbreaks show the unfitness of women to go into politics. They are unable to differentiate between personalities and patriotism. If they are allowed to persist in such tactics they will discredit not only their sex, but the American fame for respect of the law."

# TWO COURSES IN LINE FOR NATIONAL GOLF PLAY

## Either Oakmont, of Pittsburgh, or Ekwanok, in Vermont, Probable Next Year.

## OUIMET GETS HIGH PRAISE

### Many Believe Boston District Has Coming Champion—Travers Still Placed in Class by Himself.

With the national amateur golf championship tournament for 1913 a matter of history, thoughts naturally turn toward next year, as they always do immediately after a blue ribbon meeting. Although nothing could be given out on the subject officially there was an undercurrent of opinion that led many to believe one of two courses stood a good chance of being selected. Thus far the championship has never been held in the Pittsburgh section, and it is an open secret that the Oakmont Country Club could have the attraction for the asking.

Oakmont wants the championship play as soon as it can get its course up to that standard. Two years ago it came near going after the amateur, but finally decided that it would be better to wait. Since then the officials of the club have spent a fortune on improvements, and while the course is now regarded as presenting a good test of golf, the club may prefer to wait until 1915.

As a close second comes the Ekwanok Country Club. This course at Manchester, Vt., long has been a favorite retreat for golfers in the summer. Ekwanok could have had the championship this year, but it declined. During the last four months extensive improvements have been made there, and in the event of this being the final selection the chances are that little objection would be offered.

Unless good judges miss their guess the Boston district has a coming national championship possibility in Francis Ouimet. Although eliminated early in the tournament by Jerome Travers, the fact remains that Ouimet gave the national champion his hardest battle of the week. Long off the tee, and playing his irons like a professional, this young golfer from the Bay State certainly has a bright golf prospect ahead of him.

John Anderson, the man who held the ultimate winner level for the first eighteen-hole round, is also deserving of praise—possibly a deal more than he got, for at the finish of a stirring struggle, no matter how close, the loser is often forgotten. The Fessenden School professor really had no intention of competing in the championship this year, only yielding to persuasion a few days prior to the closing of the entries. He probably doesn't regret now that he did make the try.

As for Travers, it may only be repeated that this exceptional golfer must still be placed in a class by himself. The way he does things when the pinches come makes him the marvel of the amateur division. When he flubbed his mashie shot to the pit going to the first hole in the afternoon it looked as if he was on the verge of a breakdown; yet he not only won that hole, but from that moment reeled off thirteen consecutive holes in par figures. No wonder he won.

Of course, it is all over now and to the victor belong the spoils, yet that incident in the final stage of the testing round furnishes food for thought. Travers remains as champion and the United States Golf Association handicap committee will not have to scratch its head, so to speak, over the problem of finding the scratch man.

Yet, what would have been the answer had Travers taken a single additional stroke in that never-to-be-forgotten pit to the left of the home green? The single extra stroke would have prevented him from qualifying. It is hardly likely that the United States Golf Association, the highest court in American golf, would have placed Travers on scratch, yet who could say that he would have been any the less great golfer than he is to-day? Such may be the importance of a single stroke. It doesn't seem quite equitable, nor logical, but it's golf.

Immediately after the finish of the open championship at Brookline on Friday, September 19, Harry Vardon and Edward Ray will hasten to New York. They have an engagement at the Wykagyl Country Club on September 21, when they are scheduled to take on Alec and Macdonald Smith in an exhibition match. When the visitors arrive here they will be the guests of Ralph Day at the Republican Club. Day intends to give Ray and Vardon a chance to get acquainted with Wykagyl prior to the professional match by having them engage in a friendly affair the day before. On that occasion Day and Jerome Travers will have a round with the Britons.

It is hoped that John J. McDermott, the national open champion, has learned the lesson resulting from his "break" at Shawnee, for since he has felt the wave of indignation against him for his remarks anent Ray and Vardon being on a useless errand he has issued a statement apologizing for his words.

One of the most indignant was Robert C. Watson, president of the United States Golf Association. He wrote McDermott a sharp letter, reminding him that he would not be allowed to tee up at Brookline if he were not more careful, and quoting a clause in the constitution giving the president power under such circumstances.

McDermott wrote an apology to the president, and said he was only trying to protect the interests of the American professionals. Naturally Watson does not understand where McDermott has the right to assume the part of a guardian angel. Watson also wrote abroad, saying that McDermott's remarks in no way should be construed to mean that they represent the sentiment of the rank and file of American golfers.

It was something of a task to chronicle the happenings in the national championship last week with correctness, for the zealousness of the officials in handling the crowds prevented the newspaper men from getting to the front ranks of the gallery, unless it happened so by accident.

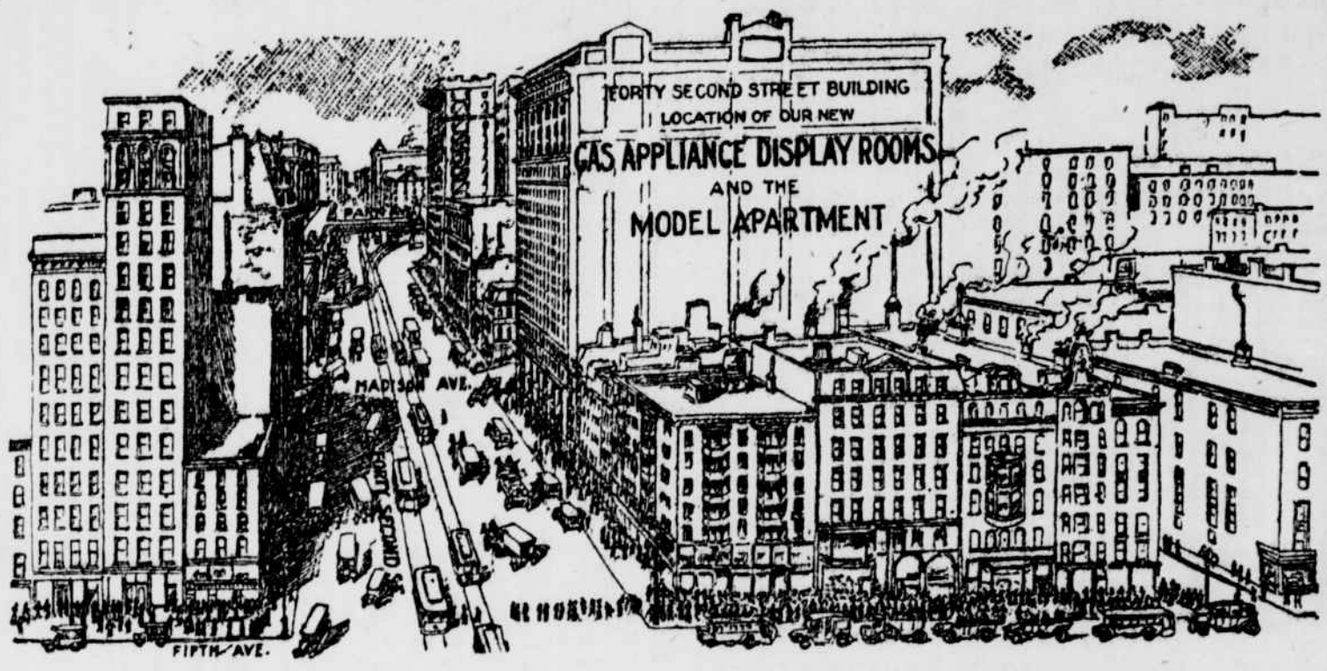
Henry Leach, the British authority, called attention to the different arrangement abroad. On the other side actual working newspaper men are provided with badges exclusively for themselves, and there is never any difficulty in getting beyond the line where the play can be seen in detail.

Even the underlings here carried out their tasks with such zeal that it was sometimes uncomfortable for the scribes. R. C. Watson, president of the United States Golf Association, was held up at the door by a fixed post policeman, because in his haste to get out on the links he had forgotten his badge.

Eight one-day tournaments have been arranged by the Women's Metropolitan Golf Association for the fall season. The dates follow: September 25, Inwood Country Club; September 26, Brooklawn Country Club; September 30, Morris County Golf Club; October 2, Richmond County Country Club; October 7, North Jersey Country Club; October 9, Salisbury links; October 14, Arcola Country Club, and October 21, Sleepy Hollow Country Club.

## SOUTHERN LEAGUE RACE OVER

Mobile, Sept. 7.—New Orleans to-day defeated Mobile by a score of 5 to 2 in the last game of the Southern Association season. The victory of the visitors decided the pennant race in favor of the Atlanta club by half a game.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