Gene Sarazen Captures Southern Open Golf Title From Fine Field on New Orleans Links

Pittsburgher Easily Defeats Leo Diegel for Championship

Victor Continues Fine Play of Previous Day and Leads Field by Eight Strokes, With 294 for 72 Holes; Diegel Finishes Second, With 302

By Ray McCarthy

NEW ORLEANS, March 4.—Gene Sarazen, of Pittsburgh, and Leo Diegel, of the local club, hooked up in a stirring golf duel in the last two rounds of the seventy-two hole Southern open championship here to-day, and although Diegel made a gallant fight to overcome the lead of his younger opponent he was forced to trail the fine playing youngster, who was once a caddie at the Apawamis Club in New York.

Starting the morning round five strokes behind his rival, Diegel, by virtue of some stellar golf by noon time had cut the lead of Sarazen to three shots. It looked as if the local luminary would win the first prize of $1,000. But in the afternoon Sarazen cut loose with such a fine round of golf that he not only won out with plenty to spare, but captured the prize for the best round of the tournament. His last round of 72 gave him a total of 294 for the meeting. He was the only player in the field in fact to break 300.

Diegel had to be content with a score of 302, which gave him second money by two strokes. Cyril Walker, of the Englewood Club, was third with a score of 304, and then came Jock Hutchison, British open champion, with a score of 308. His touring partner, long Jim Barnes, United States open champion, finished in a tie with Freddie McLeod, of Columbia, for seventh place. Charles Hoffner, of Philadelphia, and Peter O'Hara, unattached, finished ahead of McLeod and Barnes. Willie Melhorn, Tom Lally and Albert Gullickson were the others to finish in the money.

Sarazen's Putting Accurate

Sarazen from the start played beautiful golf and deserved his victory. Particularly did the lad play well around the greens. His approaches were generally on the pin and his putting was deadly accurate.

In the afternoon, instead of slipping off, as many figured he would do, the youngster came back with a beautiful round, the best of the lot, and vindicated the judgment of those who declare that he is a real golfer who is well on his way to becoming a champion.

Sarazen has played fine golf in the various Southern tournaments this winter, and has proved on each occasion that he is a player who must henceforth be reckoned with. His two rounds to-day were made as follows:

MORNING

Out ....3 5 4 5 4 4 4 2 5—36
In .....5 4 7 4 4 4 4 3 5—40—76

AFTERNOON

Out ....3 5 4 5 3 4 4 3 5—36
In .....4 4 4 4 4 4 5 3 4—36—72

Runner-Up Sensational

Diegel, of course, has by this time established himself as a great little player. He showed flashes of wonderful form to-day, but was not playing as well as Sarazen. The local star kept in the running most of the way by his wonderful recoveries. He managed to pull off a senstional shot of some kind on a majority of the holes. Time and again he emerged safely from a trap after it looked as if he must surely be forced to the rear.

Jock Hutchison started to burn up the course in the morning, but took three putts on the last two greens going out. At that he had a 36, one over par, and was right in line for a crack at the championship. But at the tenth hole he took three more putts, and instead of having a 69 or 70, as he might have had, the Hutch wound up with a 73.

In the afternoon he failed to hold the pace. He and Barnes are somewhat fatigued from their long tour and not on edge for tournament play.

Barnes Makes Come-Back

The Pelham star scored badly in the morning, due mostly to poor putting. On several greens he had as many as four putts. Determined to show his real worth, the big fellow stepped out in the afternoon and shot a grand round of 73. He, too, had an excellent chance to break 70, as he was out in 35 and going strong. At the fifteenth hole he was two under fours. At the sixteenth he missed a short putt for a four and at the seventeenth he took three extra putts for a 6.

Freddie McLeod, after a poor start yesterday, made a great comeback today to earn a tie with Barnes for seventh place. Hoffner and O'Hara, although they did not perform brilliantly, were steady all the way.

The prize money was distributed to ten players. Sarazen received $1,000, Diegel was awarded $750 as runner-up, Walker won $500 and Jock Hutchison received $250.

Golf Scores

Gene Sarazen, Pittsburgh.146—76—72—294
Leo Diegel, New Orleans..151—74—77—302
Cyril Walker, Englewood.149—79—76—304
Jock Hutchison, Glenview.157—73—78—308
C. Hoffner, Philadelphia.154—77—80—311
Peter O'Hara, unattached.154—79—79—312
Jim Barnes, Pelham.....157—83—73—313
Fred McLeod, Columbia..161—76—77—313
W. Melhorn, Shreveport..162—77—75—314
Tom Lally, San Antonio..163—78—75—316
A. Gullickson, Biloxi.....164—76—76—316

OTHER SCORES

John Rogers, Dayton, Ohio, 318; John Golden, New York, 318; Tom Rajoppi, Maplewood, N. J., 318; Bob MacDonald, Chicago, 318; Charles Hall, Birmingham, Ala., 321; Pat Doyle, New York, 321; Alex Campbell, New Jersey, 322; William Maguire, Houston, Tex., 322; Tom Boyd, New York, 323; Pat O'Hara, New York, 323; Dan Kenny, Pennsylvania, 325; George Turple, New Orleans, 328; Charles Hilgendorf, New Orleans, 328; W. J. Damen, New York, 328; Harry Turple, Hammond, La., 329; Tom Hughes, Chicago, 329; Jeff Adams, Gulfport, Miss., 333, and Frank Kenneth, Alexandria, La., 332.

Harvard Wrestlers Win Over Princeton Matmen

PRINCETON, N. J., March 4.—The Harvard wrestling team barely defeated the Princeton matmen here this afternoon in the University Gymnasium by the close margin of one point, the final score being 16 to 15. The last bout determined the victory for the Crimson, when Lockwood, of Harvard, with the score standing at 15 to 11 against his team, threw Engle after an excited contest.

The summaries:

115-pound class—Handler, Princeton, won by a fall from Lewin, Harvard, in 1:25.
125-pound class—Foreman, Harvard, decision over Moreland, Princeton. Time advantage, 8:29.
135-pound class—Crawford, Harvard, decision over Webster, Princeton, in 1:54.
145-pound class—Nelson, Harvard, fall from Todd, Princeton, in 3:31.
158-pound class—Robinson, Princeton, fall from De Wolf, Harvard, in 57 seconds.
175-pound class—Wilson, Princeton, fall from Abernethy, Harvard, in 4:08.
Unlimited class—Lockwood, Harvard, fall from Engle, Princeton, in 3:01.

Havana Lifts Ban on Boxing and Adopts Code

HAVANA, March 4.—Prize fighting as a public spectacle in Havana was again made legal to-day. Mayor Diaz de Villegas, who banned prize fighting several months ago, annulled his decree this afternoon and accepted a revised version of the Marquis of Queensberry rules as the capital's boxing code.

A national boxing commission, named by the Department of the Interior and headed by Senator Collazo, now will supervise the sport throughout the republic.

State Matmen Beat Indiana

STATE COLLEGE, Pa., March 4.—Pennsylvania State wrestlers to-day won from Indiana University, 15 to 14.

Masquerade, Man o' War and Their Royally Bred Daughter

These pictures of Masquerade (left) and Man o' War and their first born were taken at Haylands, near Lexington, Ky., on the day the bay filly was foaled

Columbia Victor Over Williams In Ice Contest

Loses Lead in Early Period by 3 to 1; Final Score, 5 to 3

The Columbia hockey team staged a fine rally after trailing in the first period and defeated the Williams sextet by a score of 5 goals to 3 at the 181st Street Ice Palace last night. Williams started with a rush and scored three goals in the first period to one for Columbia.

The Blue and White pierced the Purple's defense in the second period and went into the lead, 4 goals to 3. Rollins scored on a pass from Church and then Church tied the score at 3 to 3 on a short shot. Rogers put Columbia into the lead with a shot which covered half the length of the rink.

The final goal was registered by Captain Anderson, who glided through the wearied Williams team for a spectacular score.

The line-up:

Positions. Columbia (5) Williams (3)
C.....Rogers.....J. Stephenson
L. W.....Rollins.....Clark
R. W.....Church.....W. Stephenson
L. D.....Anderson.....Buell
R. D.....Squires.....Beckett
G.....Jennings.....Lowe

Scoring: First period—Buell, 5:02; Rollins, 6:04; W. Stephenson, 6:50; J. Stephenson, 8:58. Score—Williams, 3; Columbia, 1. Second Period—Rollins, 4:28; Church, 12:02; Rogers, 13. Score—Columbia, 4; Williams, 3. Third period—Anderson, 1:03. Score—Columbia, 5; Williams, 3. Referee—R. L. Von Bernuth, St. Nicholas Club. Time of periods—Three of 15 minutes.

Tendler to Box Sheppard

Lew Tendler, of Philadelphia, contender for Benny Leonard's lightweight crown, will make his first appearance in Brooklyn when he engages Johnny Shepard, lightweight champion of England, in the feature twelve-round bout at the Rink Sporting Club next Saturday night.

Harness Turf Planning to Hit The High Spots in New England

By Frank S. Cooke

Way down East they are planning for more and better harness racing than they have had in years. The revival of interest in the sport of the sulky in New England has been gradual until it has reached a stage when it is attracting national attention.

With the exception of Readville, the other Boston mile tracks, Narragansett Park, the fine oval in Maine and others have passed. Charter Oak has kept the game going in Connecticut and in other states good half-mile rings have come to the front and people are enjoying the sport on the two lap ovals just as much as did their fathers and grandfathers on the big tracks.

The Bay State circuit is one of the most compact and successful anywhere. This year it lists nine meetings, starting at Woonsocket on June 13 and continuing in the order at Stafford Springs, Avon, Windsor, Springfield, Northampton, Greenfield, Woonsocket and Norwich. This brings them up to the fairs, dozens in numbers, with Brockton the most important, as $40,000 is offered there for the horses.

Maine Getting Back in Earnest

Maine is getting back into the fray in no uncertain manner. Racing there is most popular at the fairs, and the managers of these expositions are offering $2,000 free-for-alls, with no entrance fees and adding free grub to the nags that participate. The free-for-all pacers that race up that way are as classy as anywhere, and to their ranks is added one of the best of the Grand Circuit herd, Sanardo, 1:59¾, recently having gone from the Murphy stable to that of Pottle for a campaign in Maine. Sanardo has raced well for some years, although never favored with the luck that has made others great. The little son of San Francisco will have to be right up to snuff to dispose of the iron-ribbed hobblers he will meet on the Maine half-mile ovals.

There is wholesome interest in the coming of the champion Austro-Hungarian trotter, Baka, 2:09½, that is to be a member of Fred Edman's stable and raced on the Grand Circuit this year. Baka is a son of Bohun, 2:18, by Caid, 2:07¼, his dam being Gava, 2:21, by Gayton, 2:08¼. He has the distinction of being the only 2:10 trotter bred in Austria-Hungary to trot to a record that fast in those countries, and he is considered by American trainers who have been racing there as far and away the best one they have produced. Baka has raced for three seasons with extraordinary success. In 1919 he won the Criterion, Derby trial and Derby, seven times first and three times second out of ten starts. He won eight straights in 1920, and in the Great Fair Prize at Vienna he trotted in 2:13, but was beaten through his extreme handicap by Niagara, which horse showed only 2:15 speed.

Edman, who will introduce this foreigner, is at Memphis with twenty head. He is getting ready for an early start, and will be at Grove City, Ohio, in May, when the bell rings, continuing on the half-mile tracks until the big line opens at North Randall. Edman is a good trainer and holds his own as a race driver.

Baka is the second horse bred abroad to be brought here in recent years. The other was the handsome stallion Willy, 2:05, that Al Pennock had on the circuit, winning a number of races and always being a contender, at least in the early stages, for he could go away like a runner.

W. L. Snow, who some years ago enjoyed the distinction of being the best handler of pacers in the business, now combines the job of managing the races at Endicott, N. Y., and training a stable of eleven head at that splendid half-mile oval. Snow won a lot of stakes on the Michigan circuit and in the East with Peter Pater (2:07¾) last year and looks for this horse to be a factor in the fast classes. Little Bondsman (2:08¼), Moko Axworthy (2:11¼), Emulator (2:14¼) and Mr. Jiggs (2:19¼) are other members of the stable.

Two or three years ago Snow made all of them take notice with Willington, 2:04¼. That pacer went wrong and was fired and laid away in 1921. His legs now are fine, it is reported, and as he showed ability to step in 2:02 on a mile track, he is likely to prove troublesome, as he is eligible to the 2:14 classes.

W. S. Harlan Has Big Stable

The biggest stable south of Kentucky, excepting those that winter in Georgia, is that of W. S. Harlan, of Lockport, Ala. Mr. Harlan has secured a barn at Lexington and will ship twenty-one head there on April 1 in charge of John Thomas, the Tennessee reinsman. The star of the lot is Bogalusa, that took a record of 2:06¼ as a two-year-old in 1920. He is said to be back in form now, and if so should figure in the 2:08 trots. Mainlick, 2:06¼, that raced so well last year; Easton, 2:06½, and Alta Evans, 2:09¾, are considered good material.

Pacers in the Harlan stable include Edna Early (2:02¼), Minnie Williams (2:11¼), Platinum (2:09), Abbacy (2:11½), Grataw, two years old (2:16¼), and a trio of recordless three-year-olds by San Francisco. Direct Star and John A. Mr. Harlan also has a number of young trotters by such sires as Ortolan Axworthy, Peter Volo, Etawah, Siliko and other top sires of colt speed. Thomas will get the material ready for the start of the Grand Circuit.

Harmsworth Trophy Races Not Likely To Be Contested

No Challenge Yet Received by Committee for International Speed Boat Classic

DETROIT, March 4.—Only a remote possibility remains that there will be a Harmsworth trophy speedboat race this year, it was announced to-day by the Detroit Gold Cup-Harmsworth trophy committee. The single chance is that a challenge had been placed in the mail before midnight February 28. None has been received by the Motorboat Club of America.

It has been announced another challenge would come from Sir W. Mackay Edgar whose Maple Leaf VII made an unsuccessful effort last summer to recover the famous trophy won from him by Commodore Gar Wood, of Detroit, in 1920, and also from a Canadian syndicate that planned to enter a craft powered with English engines. Late advices from England, however, indicate no challenge will be forthcoming.

Plans of the Canadian syndicate, headed by Colonel Thomas Duff, of Toronto, were cancelled when it was learned two 12-cylinder engines intended for the Dominion challenger could not be obtained in time for the race on Labor Day.

A third entry for the gold cup event, now restricted to craft of the runabout type, was announced by the local committee. It came from Pierre A. Proal, of Red Bank, N. J., who advised he would bring a 25-footer. The two entries previously announced came from Minneapolis.

Dodgers Sign Catcher

GAINESVILLE, Fla., March 4.—William Ward, of Miami, captain and backstop of the University of Florida baseball team, has signed a contract with the Brooklyn National League club, and will report to the Dodgers at the end of the college baseball season.

Shafer and Rosenbaum Team Wins Florida Tennis Title

Victors Capture Three Out of Four Sets by Score of 6–4, 2–6, 6–1, 6–4; Miss Cassel and Fritz Bastian Are Winners of State Mixed Doubles

By Fred Hawthorne

PALM BEACH, Fla., March 4.—G. Carlton Shafer, of Philadelphia, and Dr. William Rosenbaum, of New York, won the doubles lawn tennis championship of Florida this afternoon, on the clay courts of the Royal Poinciana by defeating Ralph L. Baggs and Richard W. Seabury by a score of 6—4, 2—6, 6—1, 6—4, in the final round of the annual title tournament. The tennis shown by the contending teams, while "streaky," provided great interest for the large gallery, for it always looked as though the losing pair were on the verge of starting a winning rally.

The mixed doubles championship was won by Miss Clare Cassel and Fritz Bastian, who vanquished Mrs. Frank H. Godfrey, of Boston, and her husband by a score of 6—2, 6—1. Bastian was the predominating figure in this match. It being difficult for the opening combination to get the ball out of his reach when Bastian took his stand at the net.

In a special women's singles match late in the afternoon, Mrs. Godfrey and Miss Cassel each won a set, the first for Mrs. Godfrey at 6—3 and the second to Miss Cassel at 6—4, provided plenty of hard hitting and some clever volleying.

Shafer and Rosenbaum were strong favorites before they went on the court to-day, the more so since it was Baggs and Seabury whom they had defeated in the final round of the Bahama Islands championship doubles just a week previously. The new champions had paired successfully in several other occasions, yet their team work to-day was not as smooth as it should have been, several clashes occurring in court when the players crossed in front of one another in their anxiety to score the "kill." Shafer offended more than Rosenbaum in this respect.

Baggs and Seabury relied mainly upon a defensive game from back court to hold their opponents in check, lobbing pretty consistently, but a majority of these tosses were short, allowing Rosenbaum and Shafer to get in fairly close to the net and smash their way to victory. Neither Rosenbaum nor Shafer was at his best overhead to-day and they seldom scored a finishing shot with one smash, it usually requiring three or four attempts before the point was won.

There were times when all four players got into the thick of fast volleying exchanges at the net and then each in turn took his share in bringing off spectacular shots. Rosenbaum earned a storm of applause in the last set when he pitted his volleying skill against the combined attack of Baggs and Seabury, finally scoring the winning shot with a beautiful cross court volley that Seabury made a wild but vain dive for without getting his racquet on the ball.

After dropping the second set, Rosenbaum and Shafer settled down to serious work, as did the other pair, and there were many stirring rallies as a result, with the new champions generally having more pace in their strokes. The work of Rosenbaum, Shafer and Baggs was about on a par, with Seabury only slightly behind.

Mrs. Godfrey and her husband made a valiant effort to win the mixed doubles, but Bastian and Miss Cassel were going very well to-day and always held the upper hand.

Lehigh Five Beats Fordham Quintet By Score of 27 to 16

Contest Is Close and Exciting Until the Final Minutes of Play

BETHLEHEM, Pa., March 4.—In a game replete with thrills, occasioned by phenomenal basket shooting, Lehigh this afternoon defeated Fordham here by the score of 27 to 16. With the score 15 to 10 in favor of Lehigh and nine more minutes to go, Crowley shot two pretty baskets and brought his team into the running.

The success was short lived, for in rapid succession baskets from all angles of the floor by Lingle, Hartung, Lees and Harper put Lehigh on the safe side. Kavanaugh caged the final basket of the game with a pretty shot from the center of the floor.

The line-up:

Positions. Lehigh (27) Fordham (16)
F.....Lingle.....Dunn
F.....Harper.....Cavanagh
C.....Lees.....Germaine
G.....Henschen.....McMahan
G.....Hartung.....Healey

Field goals—Lingle (2), Harper (2), Lees (3), Hartung, Dunn (2), Crowley (2), Cavanaugh, McMahan, Germaine. Foul goals—Lees, 11 out of 18; Germaine, 0 out of 2; McMahan, 2 out of 5. Substitutions—Marshall for Lees, Crowley for Dunn.

High School Chess Field Reduced to 6 Players

Four of the ten contestants remaining in the annual high school chess championship tournament at the Manhattan Chess Club were eliminated yesterday in the sixth round, leaving only six to play for the four prizes in the seventh round next Saturday.

The sextet includes Leon Brown, High School of Commerce, 5½; R. Seidenber, High School of Commerce, and Walter Prenowitz, Morris High, each 5; M. Atlas, Stuyvesant; Nathan S. Bentz, Stuyvesant, and Joseph Lapidus, Commercial High School, each 4½.

The summaries:

Brown, Commerce, 1; Vigliano, Stuyvesant, 0; Prenowitz, Morris, 1; Halper, Morris, 0; Seidenberg, Commerce, ½; Kleiman, Commercial, ½; Bentz, Stuyvesant, ½; Paller, Townsend Harris, ½; Atlas, Stuyvesant, ½; Lapidus, Commercial, ½.

Rally Wins for Blair Five

BLAIRSTOWN, N. J., March 4.—By means of a whirlwind rally Blair, led by Gebhardt, defeated Allentown Prep here this afternoon by 30 to 25 at basketball.

Rutgers Faculty Won't Approve Quintet Trip

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., March 4.—In reply to a petition formulated by the senior council and signed by virtually every student at Rutgers, asking for the faculty to reconsider their disapproval of sending a Scarlet quintet to the national intercollegiates to be held at Indianapolis on March 9 to 11, a special meeting of Rutgers faculty was held this afternoon. The following statement was given out by graduate manager William P. Garrison:

"The faculty in a special meeting held to-day declined to approve a trip of such character and duration for the squad."

This is the second invitation to compete in basketball championships turned down by Rutgers this week. On Wednesday the athletic authorities refused the A. A. U. invitation to compete in its national championship in Kansas City on March 6 to 11.

Exeter Wins on Track

BRUNSWICK, Me., March 4.—Phillips Exeter Academy, of Exeter, N. H., won the tenth annual Bowdoin Interscholastic meet to-day with 40½ points. Huntington School, of Boston, was second, with 23 points.

English Soccer Results

ENGLISH LEAGUE—FIRST DIVISION

Blackburn R. 0, Liverpool 0; Bolton W. 3, Newcastle U. 2; Everton 2, Bradford City 0; Oldham Athletic 0, Burnley 1; West Brom Albion 2, Chelsea 2; Sunderland 1, Sheffield U. 0.

SECOND DIVISION

Blackpool 2, Nottingham F. 1; Bradford 0, Wolverhampton W. 0; Clapton Orient 1, Barnsley 1; Crystal Palace 1, West Ham 0; Fulham 0, Bristol City 0; Hull City 0, Leicester City 2; Leeds United 3, Derby 1; Notts County-Bury not played; Rotherham C. 0, Portvale 1; The Wednesday 2, S. Shields 3; Stoke 2, Coventry City 2.

THIRD DIVISION—NORTHERN SECTION

Ashington 1, Tranmere R. 0; Barrow 1, Rochdale 1; Chesterfield 0, Stockport 0; Darlington 3, Wigan Boro 0; Durham C. 0, Halifax Town 1; Hartlepool U. 2, Accrington 1; Lincoln C. 2, Stalybridge C. 1; Nelson 3, Grimsby Town 0; Wrexham 4, Crewe Alexandra 0.

THIRD DIVISION—SOUTHERN SECTION

Aberdare-Luton Town postponed; Bournemouth 3, Windon Town 0; Brighton and H. A. 3, Newport C. 0; Bristol R.-Gillingham postponed; Charlton A. 1, Merthyr Town 0; Queens Park R. 1, Swansea T. 0; Reading 0, Millwall not played; Southampton 5, Kettering 0; Watford 0, Plymouth A. 1.

Havana Results

First race (three-year-olds and upward, claiming; purse $700; six furlongs)—Ma 107 (Hunt), 6 to 1, 5 to 2, 6 to 5, won; Jack, 108 (Chalmers), 8 to 1, 3 to 1, 6 to 5, second; Thistlebloom, 95 (McLaughlin), 4 to 1, 8 to 5, 4 to 5, third. Time, 1:13 3-5. Scratched—Medusa.

Second race (three-year-olds and upward; claiming; purse $700; six furlongs)—Reliability, 100 (Penman), even, 1 to 1 to 3, won; Rameau, 115 (Hunt), 4 to 5 to 2, 6 to 5, second; Ruddles, 110 (Ousley), 2 to 1, 3 to 5, 1 to 4, third. Time, 1:14 1-5. Scratched—Orris, Light Foot, Baby Faust, Bengalese.

Third race (three-year-olds and upward; claiming; purse $700; five and a half furlongs)—Marion Hollins, 102 (Bryant), 6 to 1, 5 to 2, 6 to 5, first; Curvature (Robinson), even, 1 to 3, 1 to 5, second; Sun Rose, 107 (Pool), 15 to 1, 4 to 1, 2 to 1, third. Time, 1:07 3-5. Scratched—Fickle Fancy, Tom Goose.

Fourth race (three-year-olds and upward; claiming; purse $700; mile and sixteenth)—Darnley, 115 (Dreyer), 3 to 1, 1 to 5, 1 to 10, first; Say Cheese, 107 (Burns), 12 to 1, 4 to 1, 2 to 1, second; Audrey, 107 (Chalmers), 7 to 1, 3 to 1, 6 to 5, third. Time, 1:49 2-5. Scratched—Plantaredo.

Fifth race (three-year-olds and upward; claiming; purse $700; one mile)—Ruddy, 108 (Schaffel), 3 to 5, 1 to 5, 1 to 10, first; Wedgewood, 101 (Penman), 6 to 1, 2 to 1, 4 to 5, second; Diversity, 96 (Mitchell), 3 to 1, 3 to 5, 1 to 5, third. Time, 1:41 1-5. Scratched—Who Can Tell, Sir George James, Caraway Stanley.

Sixth race (four-year-olds and upward; claiming; purse $700; one mile and 70 yards)—Haman, 106 (Pool), 3 to 1, 1 to 2, 2 to 5, first; Mayville, 103 (Schaffel), 3 to 1, 6 to 5, 3 to 5, second; Oakmont (Maibem), 7 to 2, 7 to 5, 7 to 10, third. Time, 1:44. Scratched—Pokey P.

Building Up Your Game

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Starting the New Season Right

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It is my belief that habit becomes more firmly fixed and harder to break in golf than in any other game.

This, I think, is due to the fact that in most other games your opponent figures largely in what you do.

His style may affect your style, and as there are different opponents with different styles there are frequent changes.

But in golf you play your own game without any outside interference. You develop certain habits and they become fixed, for you still go along playing your own game.

Unfortunately, not all the habits developed by all golfers are good ones.

There are many that must be changed to bring about an improved game, and as spring is coming in again now is the time to begin planning these changes.

Faults To Be Corrected

It is no easy matter for most golfers to correct faults, for the simple reason that under the spell of the game while they are playing they frequently forget what these faults are.

This applies to both star players and poor players.

For example, I know of at least three fine amateur golfers who are frequently beaten in tournaments by players not near their class. Each one of these has the same fault, that of hurrying the back swing and then hitting too soon—especially under pressure. They all know what the fault is, but they forget about it in a hard match.

Their one chance to get up where they belong is to make a habit of doing the right swing—in their cases to make a habit of a much slower back swing, a slight pause at the top and a more deliberate start on the down swing.

This new habit isn't going to be developed overnight. It will take time, but it can be done if each one will only make up his mind to think the matter over as he reaches the first tee—and then keep on thinking about it as he plays around.

It would not be a bad idea for each one to ask some member of the match to watch his swing and call attention to its speed.

I would suggest this spring that each golfer when he starts out to play START THE HABIT of swinging back evenly and steadily, and of not trying to hit too soon.

He should make a habit of this even in his practice swings, and should think about it as he reaches each tee.

Once the habit is developed he will then automatically swing at the right rate of speed and it will no longer be necessary to think of this particular detail of the swing.

From Last Year

Each golfer in the country must be able to remember certain faults from last year that he wished to correct—but somehow he didn't.

It may have been that one of these faults was standing too far away from the ball, falling into it with the weight too far forward.

Think of this when you first start out. Be sure that in addressing the ball your weight is more upon the heels than upon the toes—that the ball is close enough so you can hit it with the right elbow in fairly close to the body.

One of the main causes of heeling or slicing is standing too far away and so being forced to fall into the ball on the down swing.

Nearly every time you do this you will catch the ball up in the heel of your club.

You don't want to stand so close that your swing is cramped, but most of the mistakes are made the other way.

You have much more control over placing the ball when you are closer to it. Then at the top of your swing you are not beginning to lean forward, but are firmly set where you can put in real power.

When a boxer hits he may go forward on his toes, but he doesn't often start his swing with the weight on his toes, for he will then be out of balance.

Other Corrections

Putting, more than any other part of golf, is a matter of habit—of the right habit or the wrong habit.

Jesse Guilford, amateur champion, has made a habit of keeping his body still—and a still body means a still head—with the result that he is one of the best of all putters.

Hagen in some way last spring got in the habit of moving his body just a trifle before hitting the ball.

The result was that erratic putting spoiled the rest of his wonderful game until he corrected this fault right after the open championship. He has been almost unbeatable ever since, back where he belongs.

I would suggest the following habits to be started as the new season opens:

1. The habit of not gripping too tightly, especially with the right hand.
2. The habit of starting the back swing evenly and steadily without any hurry—and of not being in too great a hurry to hit the ball.
3. To make a habit of standing the right distance from the ball, instead of merely guessing each time you make a stroke.
4. The habit of keeping the body still while putting, and also the HABIT OF GIVING EACH PUTT A CHANCE TO GET AS FAR AS THE CUP. In other words, develop the habit of hitting your putts firmly. Don't continue the old habit of always being short. If you start that way again, as most golfers do, it will probably stick to you all through the season. It is hard to start back into an old fault, get it going again and then make your corrections later. It is ten times easier to start right and then try to continue the habit of keeping right. I am referring here to the simpler parts of the swing. For they cause as many missed shots as the more complicated ones referring to pivoting and shoulder work.

Don't think about these things once and then forget all about them at the next start. Check over the good habits you are working on and give them thought all around the course. It won't be long before they will then take good care of themselves and you can start on something else that needs attention.

Hagenlocher-Cochran Match Near Completion

One of the most important balkline contests in several years seems practically certain to be arranged as a result of several conferences held yesterday. It would bring together Erich Hagenlocher, the champion of Germany, and Welker Cochran, one of the Big Three of American billiards. It has been suggested that they play 2,400 points of 18.2 balkline in blocks of 400 on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week at the Strand Academy.

Hagenlocher has created a startling impression by his work here during the last two months. After defeating several lesser players he overwhelmed Albert Cutler, the perennial trial horse, last week in a 3,000 point contest in which he averaged 53⅓, with a high run of 385, one point more than the world's championship high run record held by Cochran.

Havana Entries

First race (purse $700; claiming; three-year-olds and upward; 6 furlongs)—Byeres, 98; Sailing Through, 108; Norma J., 108; Scar Flank, 110; Viola G., 110; Mark de Nunzio, 113; Jap Muma, 113; Beverly James, 115; White Crown, 115; Dragoon, 115; Little Bush, 115; Leen Rack, 118.

Second race (purse $700; claiming; three-year-olds and upward; 6 furlongs)—Keltol, 98; Wreckless, 103; Fair Lassie, 108; Speedy Lady, 110; Punctual, 110; Streamer, 113; Natrun, 113; Mr. Jiggs, 113; Red, 115; Jack Healy, 115; Prosperous Baby, 115; Frank Burke, 115.

Third race (purse $800; claiming; four-year-olds and upward; 1 mile)—*Chincoteague, 95; *Bermont, 100; *Foster Embrey, 102; The Pirate, 107; Harlock, 107.

Fourth race (Union Club Handicap; claiming; $3,000 added; three-year-olds; 1 1-16 miles)—Tomahoi, 98; Eleanor S., 98; †The Leopard, 101; †Plus Ultra, 104; Sea Prince, 107; Herron, 108. †J. Lowe entry.

Fifth race (purse $900; Hotel Almanderes Handicap; three-year-olds and upward 6 furlongs)—Leghorn, 93; Last One, 102; Mayor Rowe, 103; Mellora, 107; Tacola, 110; The Boy, 115; Judge Pryor, 115; Belle of Elizabethtown, 119; Aiken, 121; Ararat, 124.

Sixth race (purse $700; claiming; three-year-olds and upward; 1 mile and 50 yards)—*Coscorron, 93; *Dixie Girl, 100; Zole, 105; *Rat's Sea, 105; War Tax, 105; Mary Erb, 106; McAdoo, 110; Triomphant, 110.

Seventh race (purse $700; claiming; three-year-olds and upward; 1 mile and 50 yards)—*Nig, 88; Rigodon, 98; *Great Hawk, 104; Baby Faust, 105; *Chimera, 107; Blondel, 110; Baywood, 111; *Harry M. Stevens, 112.

*Apprentice allowance claimed.

Tales of a Wayside Tee

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Emerging from the mists and the multitude of 1915, a small, select group stepped forward to be classed for the first time as the Big Four of American amateur golf.

These four were Francis Ouimet, of Boston; Chick Evans and Robert A. Gardner, of Chicago, and Jerome D. Travers, of New York.

Seven years ago they were the topliners along the right of way. But seven years are a long stretch upon the competitive highway. The Big Four has now changed to the Big Five, and one of the old guard is no longer rated that high.

It is a queer turn of things that the first of the Big Four to drop out, and the only one, was not only one of the greatest match players of all time, but he was also the leading collector of golf crowns. We refer to Jerry Travers.

Up through 1915 he had won four amateur championships and one open title, a record no other American amateur has ever reached.

But after 1915 Travers, through the pressure of business, had but little chance left for competitive golf, and in 1919 Bobby Jones earned the place Travers had vacated.

Jones has never won a big national championship. But for all that he is one of the greatest amateurs in the world, and having just reached twenty has performed some of the most astonishing feats on record. In his last three amateur championships he has gone to the finals, the semi-final and the last eight.

The Fifth Wheel

Early in the campaign of 1921 the Big Four remained intact. They were Evans, Ouimet, Jones and Gardner.

Why should they have been called the Big Four? Partly through past achievements in big tournaments and partly because any one of them would have been favored to beat any other golfer in the country over the 36-hole route.

Guilford's main feat at that time had been to win the Massachusetts open the year before from a field of fine professionals.

At Hoylake he gave Cyril Tolley a rousing battle, losing only when Tolley dropped two corking putts on the sixteenth and seventeenth greens.

Guilford's next move was to become amateur champion of Massachusetts, beating Ouimet in the final round.

But his big splurge, of course, came when he ploughed his way through a rough sector at St. Louis, crushing Chick Evans and Bob Gardner in turn, being 6 up on one and 7 up on the other.

As Guilford has been playing fine golf since 1914, the brilliant climax of his eight years' march deserves high ranking with the elect.

The Campaign Ahead

Now we are upon the spring-tinted edge of a new campaign, with the Big Five facing competition that is more than formidable.

Boston, Chicago and Atlanta are the main centers of American skill. These leaders face one of the busiest campaigns of all time, what with the growing skill here at home and threatening gestures from abroad, with the pick of British talent contemplating another counter-attack.

The three main tests that offer opportunities will be at Prestwick, Scotland, in late May; at Skokie, Chicago, in early July and at Brookline, Boston, in early September.

There will be sectional championships of note scattered in among these titular tilts, but the main glory is to be gained in the larger coronations.

It has been nine years now since Travers repeated, winning two crowns in a row.

It was Ouimet who checked his third assault at Ekwanok, and Ouimet has never won since.

Ouimet, after an eight year lapse in so far as the main title is concerned, is about due.

So is Bobby Jones, who is capable of magnificent results and who has already stepped forward as one of the most effective stylists of the game.

Any outsider, from the long list of good ones, will have a hard time breaking through this line—but in golf anything can happen. There are veterans who are far from being through and there are crack youngsters coming on who have gained enough experience to be more than usually formidable. Such stars as Ruddy Knepper and Jimmy Johnston, from the West, are not to be overlooked. They have the game and the determination to get somewhere. Paul Hunter, from California, has improved immeasurably. The East, with all its golf, has few good youngsters coming on. Jesse Sweetser now seems the best of the younger element since Fred Wright has left for his Hawaiian trek. Star youngsters from New York's many thousands playing golf have been extremely scarce. In fact, New York has made no headway whatsoever in national golf affairs since the reign of Travis and Travers.

In recent years the West and South have shown far greater improvement in youthful play than the East, where in the main veteran campaigners are still in the saddle. And outside of Ouimet and Guilford, none of these has advanced to any considerable height in the last nine years, although Woodie Platt seemed to be well under way up to 1921, when Max Marston moved forward as the leader of the Philadelphia contingent.

The Big Five will again be largely favored in the main title tournaments of the year, with only a long shot chance that any one else will slip by their well ordered guard.

"Dark Horse" Building To Rival Bluenose

HALIFAX, N. S., March 4.—The fishing schooner Bluenose, winner of the 1921 International Fishermen's Championship Trophy, will have a rival in the tryouts in September, when this year's cup defender will be selected. It became known to-day that a "dark horse" is now building at Lunenburg to compete in the elimination races off Halifax next September. The international races will be held off Gloucester this year, probably in October.

It has become known here, also, that the American fishermen are having a schooner built at Essex, the Puritan, which they plan to enter in this year's races in an effort to wipe out the defeat of the Elsie by the Bluenose in last year's races.

Miss Bauer's New World's Swim Record a Great Achievement

Illinois Star Clips 6 3-5 Secs. From Own Mark For 150-Yd. Back Stroke

Miss Sybil Bauer, of the Illinois A. C., recently performed the greatest feat in the history of swimming for women when she hung up a world's record of 1 minute 59 3-5 seconds for 150 yards, back stroke, in the seventy-five-foot pool of the Naval Station at Great Lakes, Ill. Not only did she beat by 6 3-5 seconds her own former record for a sixty-foot bath and by 9 3-5 seconds Miss Ethelda Bleibtrey's for a seventy-five-foot tank, but her time is closer to the men's standard than any mark for the same distance.

In free style swimming, for instance, there is a difference of 22 2-5 seconds between the men's and women's international figures for 150 yards, while at the breast stroke the margin is 20 1-5 seconds. On the other hand, the men's back stroke classic stands at 1 minute 47 seconds, so that Miss Bauer came within 12 2-5 seconds of it. These figures speak for themselves.

Advices from the Coast state that Ludy Langer, of the Los Angeles A. C., national champion and world's record-holder in swimming, has reconsidered his decision to retire permanently from competition and will take part in a dual meet to be held shortly between the Los Angeles A. C. and the Olympic Club of San Francisco. The news is particularly pleasing, for experts believe Langer has yet to attain the limit of his possibilities.

Edwin Morine, of Culver Military Academy, Indianapolis, is credited with plunging seventy-nine feet in sixty seconds at a scholastic carnival in the pool of New Trier School, Chicago. The feat betters by one foot the interscholastic record held by Roger Bird, of Brookline (Mass.) High School since February, 1916, and equals the intercollegiate standard set by B. J. Wood, of Yale, in this city lately.

Miss Aileen Riggin, Olympic fancy diving champion, sprang a surprise at a meet for members of the New York Women's S. A