Waning Golf Season Calls Players to Many Courses

BUSY WEEK IS AHEAD FOR LOCAL GOLFERS

Greenwich Invitation Tourney Begins To-day—Travers and Ouimet May Meet.

SENIORS' EVENT IS NEXT

Commences Wednesday—Lesley Cup Matches Scheduled for Friday and Saturday.

One of the busiest weeks of the season is in prospect for the golfers of the metropolitan district. There will be some sort of tournament or competition on each of the next six days and on some of these events will conflict.

On the first three days of the week, to-day, to-morrow and Wednesday, the invitation tournament of the Greenwich Country Club will be played, and the best golf of the season in this district in point of quality will be on hand. Francis Ouimet and Jerome D. Travers both agree to play. The tourney will begin today with a thirty-six hole qualifying round and eighteen hole match rounds will be played on the two days that follow, the sixteen and two beaten men being provided for.

The club announces the list of pairings for the qualifying round to-morrow. The foursomes will be sent away at 8:30 and the others will follow at five minute intervals. The pairings:

8:30—Carl Tweedale, Greenwich, and G. B. Alling, Greenwich; 8:35, George H. Carhart, Greenwich, and J. D. Chapman, Greenwich; 8:40, Dr. Harold Darling, Greenwich, and C. N. Phillips, Greenwich; 8:45, G. P. Lynde, Greenwich, and R. S. Crocker, Greenwich; 8:50, Dr. Lyle, Greenwich, and Robert G. Watson, Westbrook; 8:55, J. W. Curtiss, Greenwich, and F. Morris, Greenwich; 9:00, R. B. Curtiss, Greenwich, and J. W. Spalding, Greenwich; 9:05, E. C. Converse, Greenwich, and Edward Shearson, Greenwich; 9:10, H. S. Rolfe, Greenwich, and E. H. Clark, Shawanee; 9:15, W. R. Thare to Apawamis, and S. D. Bowers, Brookline; 9:20, R. M. Lewis, Ridgefield, and W. Park, Seely, Brooklawn; 9:25, J. G. Anderson, Bronxville, and Robert Hunter, Wee Burn; 9:30, Grant Peacock, Apawamis, and H. N. Nassau, Nassau; 9:35, G. Peacock, Apawamis, and W. Wyatt, Yale; 9:40, Y. Ingersoll, Greenwich, and A. W. Tillinghast, Shawanee; 9:45, Francis Ouimet, Woodland, and Hamilton K. Kerr, Greenwich; 9:50, Fred Herreshoff, Garden City, and Frank Nelson, National; 9:55, Jerome D. Travers, Upper Montclair, and Gardiner W. Walker, Engineers; 10, Knight Parker, Hike, Bedford, and Perry R. Pyne, Yale; 10:05, Max R. Marston, Baltusrol, and A. C. Travis, Englewood; 10:10, H. Whitney, Nassau, and E. Morgan Barnes, Englewood; 10:15, C. B. Van Vorst, Hackensack, and A. L. MacIlvaine, Wee Burn; 10:20, W. M. Sheldon, Ridgewood, and E. S. Knowles, Pensacola; 10:25, Haines Cockhaine, Apawamis, and C. G. Dixon, Philadelphia; 10:30, J. R. Buchanan, Wee Burn, and Artemus Holmes, Wee Burn; 10:35, F. Boston, Huntington Valley, and H. Bowers, Westbrook; 10:40, Charles H. Bowers, Westbrook, and E. Hitchcock, Jr., Apawamis; 10:45, W. MacDonald, Wee Burn, and W. Walker, Jr., Apawamis; 10:50, J. Wilcox, Wee Burn, and W. H. Young, Summit, N. J.; 10:55, H. Lewis, Apawamis, and D. R. Hartshorne, Apawamis; 11, W. C. Booth, Jr., Apawamis, and C. Watkins, Apawamis; 11:05, R. F. Mackay, Ardsley, and R. W. White, Oakland; 11:10, F. C. Mason, Ardsley, and F. Knowles.

On Wednesday and Thursday the annual spring tournament will be played at the Apawamis Club. It will be the last gathering of the veteran golfers, who generally play a bigger field than that of last year, when over 200 took part in the sport.

The experiment of classifying the players in divisions according to their ages will be tried out this year, and if it proves successful probably will be made a permanent feature of the tourney.

The Metropolitan, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania golf associations will play in the annual Lesley cup matches at Baltusrol on Friday and Saturday. As the Massachusetts golfers now hold the trophy they will stand out on Friday, while the Metropolitan team plays Pennsylvania.

Massachusetts on Saturday will play the winner of Friday's match. Five foursome and ten single matches will be on the programme each day. In the event of a victory for the Metropolitan team on Friday Jerome D. Travers probably will meet Francis Ouimet at the heads of their respective teams on Saturday. The star match on Friday is likely to be between Travers and W. C. Fownes.

As a curtain raiser for the Lesley cup matches a four ball match is to be played at Baltusrol on Thursday. Jerome D. Travers and Max R. Marston will play Francis Ouimet and George Low, the Baltusrol professional.

Newspaper golfers will play the first half of a seventy-two hole medal play competition for the press championship at the Dunwoodie Country Club to-day. All bona fide employees of newspapers are eligible.

To-morrow the first of the autumn series of one day tournaments of the Women's Metropolitan Association will be played at the Forest Hill Field Club, Soho, N. J.

BEST WOMEN PLAYERS ENTERED.

Metropolitan Tennis List Contains Many Prominent Names.

Practically all of the best women lawn tennis players in the East will begin play to-day in the metropolitan championship tournament at the West Side Tennis Club courts in Forest Hills, L. I. The tournament will consist of singles, doubles and mixed doubles, the latter two branches beginning to-morrow. Miss Marie Wagner of the Hamilton Grange Lawn Tennis club, indoor national champion and challenger for the outdoor title, will start in the event and is looked on by close followers of the game as a likely winner.

Other prominent racket wielders whose names appear in the draw are Miss Clare Cousins, winner of the recent International match at Niagara-on-the-Lake; Miss Della Teare, winner of the Greenwich tourney and holder of the mixed doubles metropolitan title with Miss Merrill Hall; Mrs. Robert LeRoy, Miss Governeur Morris, Miss Ina Gittings and Miss Jane Rowson. Mrs. Dwight Davis, Mrs. Robert McLean, present holder of the title, is on the committee running the tourney, but probably will not play.

EVENTS VARIED AT OAKLAND.

Three Cup Events and Bogie Handicap Run Concurrently.

Oakland, Sept. 20.—Oakland Golf Club to-day included the fourth and last series of qualifying rounds for the Garden cup, a bogie handicap, a bogie handicap in the series for president's cup and match play for the governors' cup.

R. B. Malone, S. A. Salvage, R. D. Jones, W. H. Smith, W. H. Williams, A. Nesbitt, R. H. White and Frank H. Ball qualified for the Mary Garden cup. The elimination process play in the president's cup competition reduced the contestants to H. C. Woodruff, F. L. Smith, M. L. Feary and F. F. deRham. In the president's cup points were scored by George Nicola, with 88—19, C. Woods, 92—22, 70, and G. C. Hoag, 92—22, 72.

REMARKABLE FIGURES IN GOLF PLAY BY AMATEURS

Recent Scoring by Both Men and Women Speaks Volumes for Advance of Standard on This Side of Ocean.

By JOHN G. ANDERSON.

The golf season has been eminently successful from a playing point of view. When the 1914 golf accounts are added up it will be found that the sum total comprises several remarkable figures. To begin with there is the amateur championship qualifying round, where a tie at 144 strokes between R. R. Gorton of Brae Burn C. C., who scored two 72s, and W. C. Fownes of Oakmont C. C., who went round in 70, 74, set new figures for the event. The top qualifying score in this same championship was 163, another record.

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Such scoring speaks volumes for the standard of play, particularly the ability to perform under difficult medal conditions, for there were no rounds reported in the match play at Ekwanok which equalled Fownes' 70, made in his first qualifying round.

Then there is the women's championship which came to a conclusion Saturday. Miss Georgianna Bishop made a round of 85, which tied for the lowest qualifying score of all years, but the top qualifying score of 96 was no less than seven strokes better than on any other similar occasion in the last seventeen years. This speaks well for the quality of women's golf in the land.

Nassau was pretty well burned up last week, making it a simple matter to get long distances on the drive (Miss Lillian Hyde drove to the edge of the ninth green, at least 250 yards, slightly up hill), but the necessity for pitched approach shots with uncertain runs evened up the account and made the quality of golf stand out as surprisingly good.

I followed Miss Margaret Curtis in her round on Tuesday and could easily have imagined I was trudging along in the wake of Francis Ouimet. Miss Curtis's inward journey read as follows, and the hole distances may add to the shock: Tenth, 171 yards, 4; eleventh, 370 yards, 4; twelfth, 375 yards (up hill), 4; thirteenth, 390 yards, 3; fourteenth, 190 yards, 3; fifteenth, 395 yards, 4; sixteenth, 325 yards, 5; seventeenth, 405 yards, 6; eighteenth, 391 yards, 5. Total, 38.

Miss Curtis's score of 83 for the eighteen holes was all the more astonishing, for she was in five traps, and on six greens took three putts; on the homeward journey three putts were taken thrice. The strange part of it all, too, was that Miss Curtis was beaten by Mrs. Barlow, who had a score two strokes higher. And I might add that Miss Curtis had no approximations in her round, but putted out at each hole.

The professional end of the game saw a remarkable bit of play when Walter C. Hagin of Rochester led the field with a 68 in his first round at Midlothian and by continued low rounds kept in the lead at the end of each succeeding 18 holes. The same feat was accomplished by Fred McLeod in the professional tournament at Spring Lake, for he took the lead and never relinquished his advantage. This was the first time McLeod had finished in front in a Northern tournament, so far as I can remember, since 1905, when at Myopia, under conditions which were easily the worst in years, he secured the open championship title after a playoff with Willie Smith.

Francis Ouimet's round of 69 in the open championship at Midlothian is another feature of the year, for such scores by the best professionals in open events have been as scarce as the proverbial hen's teeth.

Apropos of the women's championship a number of amusing incidents might be told. I was standing near the third green in the first round of the championship match play when a couple of contestants were putting. One player laid the other a stymie and at once said, "Just a moment and I'll lift. Oh, no. I ought not to do that, for we didn't say anything about stymies before we started. Really, it's too bad and I'm awfully sorry."

Further proof that the knowledge of the stymie rule is not far spread among some of the feminine golfers was shown just an hour later when two golfers who were playing in the medal play handicap arrived at the eleventh green. One of the fair contestants found herself stymied and without the least hesitation called for a mashie instead of asking her opponent to lift, and the latter calmly stood by to see the result. The shot was poorly played and only resulted in the ball going a few inches so that it lay still stymied, about three inches back. Here again was a chance for a lift, but no, nothing of the kind happened, and another disastrous loft was attempted which sent the front ball almost into the hole. In two more shots the ball was holed and then the owner of the ball which was knocked near the hole tapped it in without bothering to replace it, and away they went with scores marked down as 5 and 8, and the owner of the latter figure volubly bewailing the existence of the stymie.

Another somewhat curious thing which shows the difference between men's and women's golf occurred at the second tee. I shall mention no names, but it was one of the best players in the tournament together with her partner who at the second tee sent back a caddy to get a score card. It seemed that the business of remembering what stroke had been taken on the various holes, or rather what were about to be taken, would prove too exacting, and so the caddy kept the card. This might be all right in the case of a pair whose score might run to double figures, but in the case of such good players, with years of campaigning, it seemed a trifle extraordinary.

Then there were two good friends who told all those around them that they were going out to have a friendly round, that they just couldn't imagine that they were playing in a championship, and so on. Ten minutes later at the first tee one remarked to the other: "Here all friendships cease. I'm going to give you a bad beating if I can."

"You'll have to play better than you did yesterday," was the answer. And off they went on a match that did not end till the seventeenth hole.

One thing I noticed, in fact no one could help being impressed by the joy and enthusiasm over a victory or a friend's winning. Schoolgirls going home on a holiday could show no happier looks or pleasanter smiles. It's fine to be a winner, and yet at the same time the most popular are those who are the good losers.

This week will see one of the finest competitions of the year when the Lesley cup matches are played over the links of the Baltusrol club at Short Hills, N. J. Golfing friendships and comradely feelings find truer expressions and keener satisfaction in these matches than in any other, not excepting the amateur championship event. The necessity of working hard for a team, the thought that every shot may spell victory or defeat, not for oneself alone but for ten men, stirs the player and appeals to his imagination. Every match is a good one, the leads are so arranged that there is no question of jockeying, and the whole matter becomes a question of sturdy fighting from the first tee. It is a fact that these Lesley cup matches have produced keener golf contests and closer struggles than any open tournaments.

This year's play will provide a number of thrills and many changes. New York plays Pennsylvania on Friday, and last year's winner, Boston, stands out to play the winner. If New York can defeat Pennsylvania's best there will be a wonderful gallery on Saturday, I should judge, for again would Francis Ouimet and Jerome Travers come together in dual contest. Last year's twenty hole match at the Country Club, Brookline, is still fresh in the minds of over four thousand spectators, and if Travers should win it would even up the score to two all.

But it is not at all certain that New York can win. Last year Pennsylvania won quite handily, and this year's team, I am told, will be 20 per cent. stronger. Young blood is being instilled, and as the same thing is being done to the New York team better matches should result. The past two years the New York team has been on the downward grade because the promising young players were not put in the lineup. The defeats of the past two years have shown the folly of that procedure, and two or three of the young star players will be on the team. One weak player or one who is known to be sadly off his game is a handicap which more often than not proves fatal to the team's chances.

Boston's team has always been composed of young golfers, that is they were in the majority, and this year's selections will be even more so than ever before. The team has never won the Lesley cup on a links outside of Massachusetts, but hope is running fairly high this year. If it should turn out that Boston meets Pennsylvania on Saturday the golf enthusiasts would be well repaid for a journey to Short Hills, for a match between W. C. Fownes and Ouimet would be fully as interesting as that between Mr. Ouimet and Mr. Travers.

HALL BEATS MAHAN IN WEST SIDE TITLE BOUT

Club Champion Advances Into Semi-final—Matches Run Off in Class B.

Forest Hills, L. I., Sept. 20.—Walter Merrill Hall, who won the singles championship of the West Side Tennis Club last year, came through to the semi-final round in the Class A division of the club tournament at the club courts here to-day, defeating Lyle E. Mahan, in straight sets in the second round at 6—3, 6—3. Hall played in better form than he has shown for some time and the result of the match was never in doubt. From the very outset of the match his hard drives proved too much for his rival to handle and gained him many points.

In Class B H. C. Worth and George S. Groesbeck reached the fourth round. Both of these players won their third round matches in straight sets, Worth defeating L. H. Fitch at 7—5, 6—2, while Groesbeck triumphed over J. D. Gengler at 6—1, 6—2. The summaries:

West Side Tennis Club Championship Singles. Class A—Second round—Walter Merrill Hall defeated Lyle E. Mahan, 6—3, 6—3.

Class B—Second round—C. G. Heyman defeated E. M. Alger, 6—1, 6—1; A. R. Dunham defeated W. Black, 12—10, 3—6, 6—3; T. F. Harrison defeated F. C. Newcomb, 8—6, 1—6, 6—4; M. Ackerland defeated J. W. Travell, 6—2, 6—3; J. D. Gengler defeated W. D. Bourne, 6—2, 6—3.

Third Round—H. C. Worth defeated L. H. Fitch, 7—5, 6—2; George S. Groesbeck defeated J. D. Gengler, 6—1, 6—2.

Class C—Second round—J. T. Kenny defeated E. D. Hubbard, 6—2, 6—3; A. C. Scott defeated H. Townsend, 6—2, 7—5; D. L. Weaver defeated Dr. Shine, 1—3, 4—6, 6—0; R. M. Stockwell defeated L. J. Carruthers, 6—3, 6—0.

Third Round—E. L. Satterlee defeated F. C. Fuller, 3—6, 7—5, 6—2; Francis Roger defeated A. C. Scott, 6—1, 6—1; E. T. Crilley defeated E. M. Leask, 7—5, 4—6, 6—2.

Oarsman Hart Jumps Overboard.

An eight oared Irish crew scored a victory by a few feet over a German crew over a one and a quarter mile course in the annual club regatta of the Metropolitan Rowing Club, held in the Harlem River yesterday. Harry Hart, rowing at No. 7 for the Germans, broke his oarlock and jumped overboard to relieve the weight in his boat.

Schoolboy Football Teams Practising Hard for Coming Campaign, Which Opens Oct. 3

The scholastic pigskin chasers are preparing for a banner season. In many of the high schools light practice was held last week and the response to the call for candidates met with good results in all cases. Many veterans are on hand and the new men look fit. The season will get under way on October 3. This will allow a scant three weeks of practice. As usual the season's best games will be played on election day and Thanksgiving Day.

Five veterans are on hand in De Witt Clinton and Manager Hillenfeld expects an other strong team. The veterans are Capt. Heisohn, Fitzpatrick, Hagarty, Huston and Power. The season will open on October 3 against Dickinson. The schedule is not complete yet, but will be so in a few days.

The Commerce eleven will be weakened considerably by the loss of several of its stars. Montgomery, Cann, Hooper, Hagemeyer, Taisch and Wagner are no longer with the school, and their places will be hard to fill. The call for candidates was issued early last week and among the veterans out were Schneider, Clapp, Parkes, Worch, Whitner and Foster. Capt. De Boer will not return to school until November.

Prospective candidates are trying for the Erasmus Hall team, winner of the B. F. Keith trophy last year, emblematic of the championship of Brooklyn. Jack Forsythe, as announced exclusively in The SUN last year, coach the eleven this season. Ten of last year's veterans are available, including Timme, Dobson, Schlack, Malcolm, Tuttle, quarterback; Hugh Cole, guard, Carl Troy, end; Everett Wood, back; Franklin Jackson, centre; Paul Castellanos, end; Jack Medley, tackle; Paul Field, back, and Charlie Tomkins, end. Larry Souville, formerly of Commercial, also will try for the team, along with Wes Cotterell, Andrew Jackson, Mush Sullivan and Al Hearn. Walter S. Knowlson is faculty manager and John Walsh is student manager. The season will open October 3 against the Curtis eleven at Hawthorne Field.

The Bay Ridge High School eleven has lost the services of only two of its players. The team was the surprise of the scholastic season last year and should again do well. Capt. Tom Grace has the following veterans back: Bright and Steele, halfbacks; Diamond, fullback; Aldman, quarterback; Cadel and Karlson, tackles; Grossman and Schubert, guards.

Practice for the Boys High School eleven began before school opening, with the anticipation of enjoying one of the most successful seasons on the gridiron. Before the summer vacation the candidates were put through a physical test and many showed a great improvement during the summer.

The Manual Training football warriors are out to win the B. F. Keith trophy this season. Coach Spencer will be in charge again. Two of the season's largest games will be played at Washington Park, the home of the Brooklyn Feds. Ebbets Field was the scene of the contests last year.

Coach Robert J. Shearer of the Commercial High School is rounding a large squad into shape rapidly. More than five reported for the eleven and weeding out will be started early this week. He will have five veterans to aid him, Everett Williams, Frank Becker, Leroy Johnson, Richmond and Robinson.

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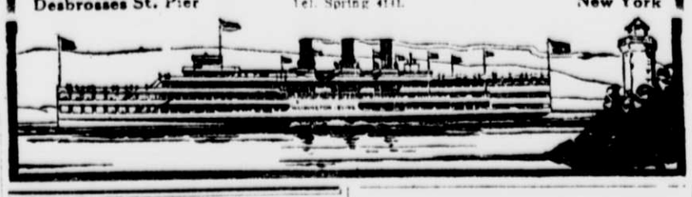

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