THE AMERICAS CUP TEAM

I F YOU enjoy spending your idle hours in agony, you might find the process of selecting your own personal Americas Cup Team a pleasant one. The USGA Executive Committee prefers less painful means of employing its time, however, and so it confesses to considerable difficulty in selecting the seven amateurs who will attempt to defend The Americas Cup against Canada and Mexico at the London Hunt and Country Club, London, Ontario, next month.

There is no question in its mind but what the Team it came up with meets the qualifications and will give an excellent account of itself. It does not gainsay, either, that there is in this country a multitude of fine young men with golfing talent which makes the selection of international teams increasingly difficult.

The 1954 Americas Cup Team will consist of Jack Westland, of Everett, Wash., non-playing Captain, and the following seven players:

WILLIAM C. CAMPBELL, Huntington, W. Va.

Don Cherry, New York, N. Y.

CHARLES R. COE, Oklahoma City, Okla. JOSEPH W. CONRAD, San Antonio, Texas DALE MOREY, Indianapolis, Ind.

WILLIAM J. PATTON, Morganton, N. C. E. Harvie Ward, Jr., San Francisco, Cal.

Three of these, Campbell, Coe and Ward, are veterans of the first match for The Americas Cup, at the Seattle Golf Club two years ago, as well as of Walker Cup matches. Cherry was a member of the last Walker Cup Team. Conrad, Morey and Patton will be representing their country in international golf for the first time.

In the event that any of the players selected cannot play, an invitation will be issued to one of the following alternates in the order named:

RICHARD D. CHAPMAN, Pinehurst, N.C. BRUCE CUDD, Portland, Ore.

KENNETH VENTURI, San Francisco, Cal. This second match for The Americas Cup will be held on Thursday and Friday, August 12 and 13. The first day will be devoted to three thirty-six-hole "sixsome" matches, in each of which each side will be represented by two players playing alternate strokes and competing simultaneously against the other two sides. The second day's program comprises six thirty-six-hole three-ball matches. Each match will be played to a conclusion, with extra holes if need be.

The Canadian Amateur Championship will follow The Americas Cup Match on the same course, starting the following Monday, August 16, and the USGA Amateur Championship will be held in the subsequent week at the Country Club of Detroit.

In the first match, the United States scored 12 points to 10 for Canada and 5 for Mexico. The Canadians recently had the benefit of competition in the interdominion matches held in connection with the two hundredth anniversary of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club at St. Andrews, Scotland, where they defeated Great Britain and New Zealand and lost to Australia and South Africa to place second behind Australia.

The well-established principles governed the selection of the United States Team:

- 1. Merit as a competitive golfer, based upon records in tournaments of importance in recent years.
- 2. Sportsmanship and general ability to represent the United States in international relations.
- 3. Unquestioned status as an amateur golfer.

Selection of Team members is not influenced by age, geography or any factors other than those named above.

In selecting this Team, the individual members of the Executive Committee nominated forty-two for consideration and actually rated and discussed twenty-six players.

Biographical sketches of the Team members follow:

Jack Westland



JACK WESTLAND

The non-playing Captain, Mr. Westland, gave all veterans new hope by winning the Amateur Championship in 1952 at the age of 47 and playing on the Walker Cup Team last year at the age of 48. He represents the Second Washington District in the House of Representatives of the United States Congress. His home is in Everett, Wash. He is married and has one son.

Mr. Westland's appearance with that Walker Cup Team was his third over a span of twenty-one years, since he had previously been a member of the 1932 and 1934 Teams. He was not associated with the last Americas Cup Team. Before Mr. Westland had graduated from the University of Washington, he won his state championship, in 1924. He was runner-up in the Intercollegiate Championship in 1925, French Amateur Champion in 1929, runner-up in the Amateur Champion in 1931 and Western Amateur Champion in 1933. He won the Pacific Northwest Amateur four times.

William C. Campbell

Mr. Campbell is a veteran of the 1952 Americas Cup Team and of two Walker Cup Teams. He was runner-up in the recent British Amateur Championship. A graduate of Princeton, he is 32, an insurance agent and broker in Huntington, W. Va., and a bachelor.

He went to the fifth round of the Amateur Championship in each of the last two years, to the fifth round of the British Amateur in 1953 and to the final of the Canadian Amateur in 1952. In 1949 he defeated Julius Boros in the quarter-finals of the Amateur but lost in the semi-finals.

In the 1952 Match, he competed only in singles and defeated Phil Farley, of Canada, 6 and 5, and Alejandro Cumming, of Mexico, 10 and 8.



WILLIAM C. CAMPBELL

Don Cherry

Mr. Cherry, the Canadian Amateur Champion, is a newcomer to The Americas Cup Team, although he was a member of the last Walker Cup Team. He is 29, a bachelor and a native of Wichita Falls, Texas. As a professional singer of popular songs, he cuts records and appears on radio and television networks and in theaters and night clubs throughout the country.

Last year, in addition to winning the Canadian Amateur, he was a semi-finalist in the Western and Southern Amateur

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Championships. In 1952 he was a semifinalist in the Amateur, runner-up in the Metropolitan (New York) Amateur and quarter-finalist in the Mexican Amateur.



DON CHERRY

Charles R. Coe



CHARLES R. COE

Mr. Coe was playing Captain of the last Americas Cup Team and has been a member of three Walker Cup Teams. He is 31, a graduate of the University of Oklahoma and resides in Oklahoma City. His business is oil investments. He is married and has three children.

Mr. Coe won the Amateur Championship in 1949 and was runner-up in the British USGA JOURNAL AND TURF MANAGEMENT: JULY, 1954

Amateur in 1951. He was Western Amateur Champion in 1950 and has won the Trans-Mississippi Amateur three times, the last in 1952.

In the 1952 Match, he defeated Reynaldo Avila, of Mexico, 9 and 8, and lost to Nick K. Weslock, of Canada, 3 and 2, in singles. He and Frank R. Stranahan lost to Weslock and Farley, of Canada, and to Percy Clifford and Roberto Morris, of Mexico, both by one hole, in foursomes.

Joseph W. Conrad

Mr. Conrad, the youngest member, is 24 years old and also new to international teams, but he has compiled an impressive record for his years. A 1952 graduate of North Texas State College and a member of three of its intercollegiate championship teams, he is at present a second lieutenant in the United States Air Force serving two years of active duty at the Lackland Air Force Base, in San Antonio, Texas, which is his home.

Recently he regained the Southern Amateur Championship which he first won last year along with the Trans-Mississippi Amateur Championship. He was the Mexican Amateur Champion in 1950 and the Texas Amateur Champion in 1951.



JOSEPH W. CONRAD

Dale Morey

Mr. Morey, who was runner-up in the Amateur Championship last season, also is representing the United States for the first time in international competition. His home is in Indianapolis, Ind., and he is a regional sales manager. He is 33 and was married last December.

Last year was a particularly fruitful one for Mr. Morey. He won seven tournaments, including the Indianapolis District, Indiana Amateur, Indiana Open and Western Amateur. In each of the previous two years, he went to the fourth round of the Amateur Championship. He was Southern Amateur Champion in 1950.



DALE MOREY Wide World Pho

William J. Patton

Mr. Patton captured the fancy of golfers everywhere when he played dramatically to within a stroke of tying Ben Hogan and Sam Snead in the Masters Tournament at Augusta, Ga., last spring, and he since has proved the performance was no fluke by winning the North and South Amateur and finishing first among the amateurs once again in the recent Open Championship, where he tied for sixth at 289.

This appearance will mark his debut as a member of an international team, although he was second alternate of the last Walker Cup Team. He was graduated from Wake Forest College in 1943 and is now 32 and a wholesaler of lumber in Morganton, N.C. He is married and has two children.



Wide World Photo
WILLIAM J. PATTON

E. Harvie Ward, Jr.

Mr. Ward is a veteran of the last Americas Cup and Walker Cup Teams. He won the British Amateur Championship in 1952 and was runner-up there last year. Although now an automobile salesman in San Francisco, he is a native of Tarboro, N. C., and a graduate of the University of North Carolina. He is 29 and married.

Last year, after going to the final of the British Amateur, he went to the fourth round of the USGA Amateur, to the third round of the French Amateur, tied for the amateur prize in the Masters Tournament and won the Georgia Amateur.



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