

# The Red Coats Are Still Coming

What the well-dressed golfer wore back in the Gay '90's would seem very warm in this August weather, but not even Joseph was attired in more colorful raiment. The principal feature of that costume was a bright red coat.

Several examples of these coats have been added to "Golf House" recently. Henry O. Havemeyer, son of the first President of the USGA, sent two, which had been his own. One was of the Newport Country Club in 1896, the other of the Yale University golf team of the same year. Mr. Havemeyer was a member of the first Yale golf team and recalled the other members: Rossiter Betts, Roderick Terry, the two Smith brothers, Courtlandt D. Barnes, John Reed, Jr., and his late brother, Frederick C. Havemeyer. Mr. Havemeyer also gave nine old yearbooks of the Newport Country Club.

John B. Ryerson, whose father, Arthur Ryerson, attended the first meeting of the USGA on December 22, 1894, twice visited "Golf House" this summer. First he brought in some old magazines in response to an appeal in the JOURNAL. Later he brought a red coat of the Otsego Golf Club, a red vest, and a woman's red golf jacket which his mother had worn.

A club owned by the late Governor Al Smith, of New York, was sent in by Johnny Gaucas, professional at the Van Schaick Island Country Club, Cohoes, N. Y.

"I used to be Al Smith's regular caddie," he wrote, "and one day he asked me if I had any clubs. I told him I didn't so he gave me the club."

Mr. Gaucas presented also a Winches-

ter mashie, a Lenox niblick and a Wright and Ditson putter.

Other 1951 contributions not previously mentioned in the JOURNAL are:

P. H. Karcher, Anvers, Belgium, reprint of David R. Fergan's well known definition of golf, printed on ancient printing presses with material from the original workshop of Plantin (16th Century).

Dr. Robert J. Smith, Buffalo, N. Y., 32 books on golf and several old golf magazines to help complete Library files; two copies of "A Blind Man Breaks Eighty", in braille.

Board of Greenkeeping Research, Bingley, Yorkshire, England, copies of its Journal to complete Library files.

Temple Publicity Services, Bristol, England, packet of booklets on golf clubs in Britain.

Joseph C. Dey, Jr., Glen Cove, N. Y., British ball autographed by members of the victorious USGA Walker Cup Team, which defeated Great Britain, 6-3, at Birkdale Golf Club, Southport, England.

George W. Klewer, Chicago, a magnifytee. Dick Baxter, Taconic Golf Club, Williams-town, Mass., shank-proof mashie.

C. J. Sennett, Greenfield, Mass., Tom Morris driver with unusually small head.

Henry F. Bolesta, Tampa, Fla., Spalding cleek with wooden inset in face and old Spalding brassie.

Richard D. Chapman, Osterville, Mass., original putter used by Mr. Chapman in winning the 1940 Amateur Championship.

Prentice-Hall, Inc., copy of 100 Handy Hints on How to Break 100.

Saucon Valley Country Club, Bethlehem, Pa., photographs of "Golf House" interior and copies of framed sepias of USGA Amateur Champions.

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