

IT'S YOUR HONOR

Amateur Supplies PGA Magazines TO THE USGA:

I noticed a rather plaintive plea in your July Journal asking if some good professional didn't have the October 1947 issue of the PGA magazine, all you needed to complete that set. I am not a good professional, just a fair amateur, but here is the missing issue.

I am glad to send it along so your files will be complete. It's a pleasure to be able to do something helpful for the USGA since for years all the help has been coming from your outfit to the players.

JOHN DERR, CBS,
New York, N. Y.

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In Memory of L. B. Icely

TO THE USGA:

At the request of Mrs. L. B. Icely I am enclosing her check payable to "Golf House."

This is being sent you in memory of her late husband, Lawrence Blaine Icely, who during his lifetime so often referred to the fine work being done in the interests of the game of golf by the United States Golf Association.

FRED J. BOWMAN,
Wilson Sporting Goods Co.
Chicago, Ill.

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Miss Hanson's Greatest Regret

TO THE USGA:

My biggest regret in leaving the amateur ranks was the prospect of having to tell you of the change in status. The USGA has meant more to me than I can possibly put into words and no matter what thrills, achievements and victories might be in store for me as a professional, nothing will ever match the dual honor last summer of having been named to the U. S. Curtis Cup Team and winning the USGA Championship — golf simply holds no greater thrills.

Throughout my amateur career the USGA has guided me, helped me and advised me and for this I will always be grateful. Your suggestion to speed up my play is as much responsible for what success I have enjoyed in my competitive career, as anything else.

It was no easy decision to write finis to my amateur career but the motivating power behind that decision was the hope that I could perhaps do more for golf, which has

been so good to and for me, as a professional than as an amateur.

I doubt if I shall ever forget what Mr. Joseph C. Dey, Jr., told me via long distance when I called to tell you about it. It was: "It's all the same game, Bev, whether you're pro or amateur." I hope that as a professional I will always find it within my power to live up to the high ideals of the USGA.

Somehow I've neglected for some time to send in a donation to "Golf House" but I would like to take care of that matter now and am accordingly enclosing a check. Also, I do most sincerely hope that you will not cease to ask me for future contributions to the USGA Journal as I've several ideas hopping around in my mind.

Again let me thank the entire USGA for your many kindnesses in the past and with the hope that they will continue in the future.

BEVERLY HANSON
MacGregor Golf Co.
Cincinnati, Ohio

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TO THE USGA:

I understand that some golfers have contributed one dollar for each year they have played golf, to complete your new home on East 38th Street in New York.

I think this an excellent idea, and as golf has done much for me, I am following their example.

My first game was played on Decoration Day, 1901, when I was 30 years old.

We were playing the old gutta ball in those days. My young brother bought a set of clubs for me and showed me how to hold them. I had no other instruction and had not even hit a ball until I drove off the first tee. My score for the first round was 149, which I think was not too bad under the circumstances, and I still have the score for that round.

I had my first golf lesson nine or ten years later from Donald Ross here in Pinehurst. I am still using a mashie which was in my first set of clubs.

I might add that I break 90 sometimes. Hoping you will soon have the money to complete the house,

STUART H. PATTERSON
Pinehurst, N. C.

Editor's Note: The USGA Journal invites comments on matters relating to the welfare of the game and will publish them as space permits.

IS YOUR BLOOD?

When in need of a good blood purifier, you should look for the name of Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co. on the wrapper. It is the only blood purifier that will cure all the skin diseases, whether you have pimples, eruptions, or any other skin trouble. It will also cure all the blood diseases, such as rheumatism, neuralgia, and all the other ailments that are caused by impure blood. It is a safe and reliable medicine, and it will cure you in a short time. It is sold by all the druggists.



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