

IT'S YOUR HONOR

The Proposed New Rules

TO THE USGA:

I have just read with interest that the USGA Executive Committee has approved a revised code of Golf Rules toward the end of establishing a universal code, and that the Royal and Ancient Golf Club, St. Andrews, will vote on these revised rules, in September, and that if adopted, the code will become universal for the United States, Britain, Canada, Australia, and probably the rest of the golfing world except Russia, where, I am sure, the golf Soviet of all Russia will cast a big black veto against everything.

I congratulate you on your accomplishment and diplomatic success. It is a great contribution to the game of golf.

There is only one detail in your revision which I had hoped could have been worked out a little differently than the newspaper account indicates. Perhaps it may still be possible to amend the revision in respect to that detail.

The newspaper account indicates that the stymie is abolished. I am entirely in accord with the abolition of the stymie when the player's opponent lays the player a stymie. However, to me it seems only just that when the player lays himself a stymie, that he should be required to play the stymie, for the simple reason that he created the situation.

I could write at length about this point, but for the present it will suffice to bring it to your attention with the comment that about 15 years ago the Pennsylvania Golf Association carried out the experiment of abolishing opponent-laid stymies, and requiring self-laid stymies to be played during its Amateur Championships. There were no administrative problems that arose and there was complete and unanimous approval expressed by all the players, most of whom were canvassed during or after the tournament.

Again, with congratulations on bringing about international understanding, I am

E. H. MOLTHAN
Philadelphia, Pa.

Remarkable Club Record

TO THE USGA:

You can well imagine our elation and pride in Tommy Jacobs' victory in the USGA Junior Amateur Championship. His victory

will give the new Junior Association a tremendous boost as he is the first President of that organization.

Please correct me if I am wrong in saying that it is the first time in the history of golf in this country that two USGA Championships have been won by members of one Club in the same year. As you know, both Dave Stanley, the USGA Public Links Champion, and Tommy Jacobs are members of the Montebello Municipal Golf Club.

By way of information, Zell Eaton, professional at Montebello, recently won the State Open Championship and, partnered by Paul Bauman, won the State Pro-Amateur Crown. The Montebello Men's Club won this year's Southern California Public Links Team Championship. This is quite a record for one Club.

HAROLD A. DAWSON

Executive Secretary
Southern California Golf Association

A Needed Statement

TO THE USGA:

I read Fred Grau's article in the July issue of the Journal on Poa Annuua which included a short sermon on greenkeeper-chairman relations. It was the most needed, most straightforward, down-to-earth group of statements I've read for some time.

TAYLOR BOYD
Superintendent
The Camargo Club
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Enjoys "Golf House" Visit

TO THE USGA:

Enclosed is my contribution as a Founder of "Golf House." I would like to thank you for showing my father and me through "Golf House." It was a great pleasure, and I hope that I can come back and see it another time.

JAMES LYNNAH SHERRILL
Atlanta, Ga.

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

