"Golf House" Is for You

People drift into "Golf House", the new USGA headquarters in New York, on the average of three or more per day. Often men working nearby come in during their lunch hours. They have signed the guest book from 28 states and six

foreign countries.

Our library is here for the use of golfers who would like to look up references or just sit down for a while and read. The other day J. F. Curtis, of Roslyn, brother of Margaret and Harriot, came in wanting to know when he played in a match against the Canadians. Mrs. Paul W. Adams, of Hartford, came to look up background for a Connecticut women's bulletin. A newspaper man from St. Louis wanted to write about "Golf House,"

We have more than 750 books, not counting bound periodicals, dating from the earliest days of the game. We suggest that anyone desirous of contributing to this library write in advance, giving the name of the book and author, so that there will be no duplication.

James O. Burns, of Kenmore, N. Y., recently donated a ball which Johnny McDermott used in winning the Open Championship in 1912, to increase our

collection of the memorabilia.

The USGA flag is now flying outside of "Golf House". It was donated by Isaac B. Grainger and the pole by James D. Standish, Jr.

A new idea for enrolling Founders of "Golf House" has come from Shepard Barnes, of Jersey City, N. J. He has made contributions in the name of his two young grandsons, Ross M. Barnes, Jr., of Detroit, and Charles W. Saacke, Jr., of Ruxton, Md. Mr. Barnes formerly was President of the Metropolitan Golf Association in New York and is a member of the USGA Handicap Committee.

Approximately \$20,000 is now needed to complete the purchase and renovation of "Golf House." Additional contributions to complete the fund are welcome, and any golfer, club, association or anyone else interested in the game may become a Founder. Contributions should be addressed to:

> USGA GOLF HOUSE FUND 40 East 38th Street NEW YORK 16, N. Y.

Following are Founders not previously recorded in the USGA JOURNAL:

> Frank Campsall, Jr. J. E. Cummings John McKinley Mrs. Warren R. Pollard Dr. A. G. Sacco Morgan J. Seaton C. Ross Somerville Mrs. Otto Wenzel William F. Zongker Club Berkley Hills Golf Club, Pa.

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ing only the original nine. The club purchased the original land, which it had been leasing, in 1924 and has since acquired some additional land to accommodate changes in the course. The ori-

ginal sand greens are now grass.

There are, of course, earlier references to golf in the United States, but none reflect the permanence which attaches to Foxburg and St. Andrew's. Rivington's Royal Gazette of April 21, 1779, a New York publication, carried an advertisement for clubs and Caledonian balls addressed "To the Golf Players," indicating some acceptance of the game here at that time. The South Carolina and Georgia Almanac of 1793 carried under the general heading "Societies Established in Charleston" an item entitled "Golf Club Formed 1786" and listed the officers thereof, and there were subsequent references in southern publications through 1811 to the "South Carolina Golf Club" and the "Savannah Golf Club." Russell W. Montague and four friends organized a golf club in 1884 at his summer home at Oakhurst, only two miles from White Sulphur Springs, W. Va. None of these endured, however. The first permanent golf club in this hemisphere was the Royal Montreal Golf Club, formed in 1873.