

The Women from the Start

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When the women golfers gather at the Waverley Country Club, in Portland, Ore., late this month, they will be competing in the 52nd USGA Women's Amateur Championship for the title which Miss Dorothy Kirby, of Atlanta, Ga., now holds. The first fifty-one playings have been replete with brilliant play and bad, great players whose names still live and flashy players whose names are nearly forgotten, heroic incidents and some which were simply amusing. Here is the record, in brief:

1895—The first USGA Women's Amateur Championship was arranged on short notice and played at the Meadow Brook Club, Hempstead, N. Y., on November 9, 1895. Thirteen ladies participated at 18 holes, stroke play, and the winner was Mrs. Charles S. Brown, of the Shinnecock Hills Golf Club, Southampton, N. Y., with 69-63—132. Miss N. C. Sargent, of the Essex County Club, Manchester, Mass., was runner-up at 134. Nine holes were played before and nine after lunch. The silver pitcher donated by Messrs. R. D. Winthrop and W. H. Sands was won outright by Mrs. Brown, and has been given to the USGA Museum by her son, Mr. A. M. Brown.

1896—It was decided to conduct the Championship at match play at the Morris County Golf Club, Morristown, N. J., in October, 1896. Twenty-nine entrants competed for eight places in the qualifying round, and the low scorer was Miss Beatrix Hoyt, 17, of the Shinnecock Hills Golf Club, with 95. She went on to win her semi-final match by default of Miss Anna Sands and the Championship by defeating Mrs. Arthur Turnure, 2 and 1, in the eighteen-hole final. Mrs. Brown did not defend. Miss Hoyt, who had not played in the first Championship, remains the youngest Champion. Robert Cox, M.P., of Edinburgh, Scotland, who was visiting this country, donated a permanent trophy, with the stipulation that the 1896 Championship be played at Morris County, a course he had helped to lay out in 1894. This is the trophy which is now in competition.

1897—The Essex County Club played host to twenty-nine entrants in August, 1897. Miss Hoyt again won the medal, this time

with 108, in a torrent of rain, and retained her Championship, defeating Miss Sargent in the final, 5 and 4. Eight again qualified for match play. Miss Margaret Curtis made her first appearance, aged 13 and carrying four clubs. She qualified fourth with 122.

1898—Miss Hoyt continued to dominate, winning the medal with a 92 and her third successive title by defeating Miss Maude Wetmore in the final, 5 and 3. Miss Hoyt was the only player to break 100 in the qualifying. Increased interest in women's golf was reflected by the sixty-one players who competed for sixteen qualifiers' places at the Ardsley Club, Ardsley-on-Hudson, N. Y., in October, 1898.



Miss Beatrix Hoyt

1899—Miss Ruth Underhill, of the Nassau Country Club, Glen Cove, N. Y., succeeded Miss Hoyt as Champion by beating Mrs. Caleb F. Fox, 2 and 1, in the final. Miss Hoyt had won the medal again, her 97 being the only score under 100, but she lost to Mrs. Fox in the first round, 3 and 2. Mrs. Fox was 39 and had raised a family before taking up golf, but her feat in this, her first Championship, was indicative of her career to come in the following three decades. The Championship was played on the Bala course of the Philadelphia Coun-

try Club in October, 1899, and attracted seventy-eight entrants. Miss Underhill later became Mrs. Harold T. White.

1900—Miss Hoyt won the medal for the fifth year in succession with a 94 over her home course, the Shinnecock Hills Golf Club, but again lost, this time to Miss Margaret Curtis on the 20th hole in the semi-finals. Miss Frances C. Griscom, of the Merion Cricket Club, Haverford, Pa., defeated Miss Curtis in the final, 6 and 5. The Championship was set ahead to August-September, 1900. Miss Hoyt, now 21, thereafter gave up tournament golf.

1901—At the Baltusrol Golf Club, Springfield, N. J., in October, 1901, entries rose to eighty-four. Miss Genevieve Hecker, of the Essex County Club, came through to defeat Miss Lucy Herron, 5 and 3, in the final. The Misses Herron, Margaret Curtis, Mary B. Adams and Mrs. E. A. Manice tied for the medal at 97.

1902—Miss Hecker repeated, defeating Miss Louisa A. Wells in the final, 4 and 3. The Misses Wells and Margaret Curtis were co-medalists, at 89, and were the first to break 90. The number of qualifiers' places was increased to thirty-two, and the highest score to get in was 103. The Country Club, Brookline, Mass., entertained the Championship, in September-October, 1902, and the entry of ninety-six was a new high.

1903—The scene moved west for the first time to the Chicago Golf Club, Wheaton, Ill., in September-October, 1903. Miss Bessie Anthony, of the Glen View Club, Golf, Ill., defeated Miss J. A. Carpenter, 7 and 6, in the final. Mrs. Fox led the qualifying with a 94, and only four scores under 100 were returned. 120 placed a player among the thirty-two qualifiers.

1904—Miss Georgiana M. Bishop, of the Brooklawn Club, Bridgeport, Conn., became Champion by beating Mrs. E. F. Sanford, 5 and 3, in the final at the Merion Cricket Club, in October, 1904. The Misses Charlotte Dod, Louise Vanderhoef and Harriot Curtis, each with 93, were co-medalists.

1905—Miss Pauline Mackay, of the Oakley Country Club, Watertown, Mass., defeated Miss Margaret Curtis by one hole in the final at the Morris County Golf Club in October, 1905. Miss Curtis and Miss Bishop tied for the medal at 87, a new low. Earlier in this year the Curtis sisters, Miss Griscom, Miss Bishop, Miss Adams and Miss Ethel Burnett made the first informal visit to the British Isles to play team matches

and to compete in the British Championship.

1906—Miss Harriot Curtis, Miss Margaret's sister and also of the Essex County Club, won the final from Miss Mary B. Adams, 2 and 1, in October, 1906. Miss Mackay opened the defense of her title by winning the medal at the Brae Burn Country Club, near Boston, with another 87.

1907—The Curtis sisters took over the Championship at the Midlothian Country Club, near Chicago, in October, 1907. Miss Margaret dethroned Miss Harriot, 7 and 6, after having won the medal with a 95. The following year Miss Margaret, with Miss Evelyn Sears, won the women's doubles championship at lawn tennis to become the only American to hold national championships in these two sports simultaneously.

1908—Miss Kate C. Harley, of the Fall River (Mass.) Country Club, defeated Mrs. T. H. Polhemus, 6 and 5, in the final at the Chevy Chase Club, Chevy Chase, Md., in October, 1908. Miss Harley previously had stopped Miss Margaret Curtis in the quarter-finals. Miss Harriot Curtis' medal-winning 85 was a new low, but she lost to Mrs. Fox in the second round.

1909—The British Champion, Miss Dorothy Campbell, of North Berwick, Scotland, crossed the Atlantic to complete the first double in women's golf. She defeated Mrs. Ronald H. Barlow, 3 and 2, in the final, at the Merion Cricket Club, in October, 1909. There were three other British entrants, but the last of these was beaten in the quarter-finals. Mrs. Fox and the Misses Margaret Curtis and Anita Phipps tied for the medal with 86s. Miss Campbell won her first match, 10 and 8.

1910—Miss Campbell, now the Canadian Champion and playing from Hamilton, Ontario, continued her mastery over American women golfers, winning the medal with a record-equalling 85 and the all-British final from Mrs. G. M. Martin, of Tavistock, England, 2 and 1. Another Canadian representative, Miss Florence Harvey, of Hamilton, reached the semi-finals but lost there to Miss Campbell. Miss Lillian B. Hyde won her first match, 10 and 8. The Homewood Country Club, Flossmoor, Ill., played host in October, 1910.

1911—Miss Margaret Curtis came back to eliminate Miss Campbell in the semi-finals and win for the second time at the Baltusrol

Golf Club in October, 1911, defeating Miss Hyde, 5 and 3, in the title round. Miss Campbell was again the British and Canadian Champion at the time. Mrs. Barlow won the medal with an 87.

1912—Miss Margaret Curtis repeated over her home course, the Essex County Club, in September-October, 1912. She defeated Mrs. Barlow in the final, 3 and 2, after taking the medal with an 88. The Championship was the sixth in which she won or shared the medal.

1913—An English girl, Miss Gladys Ravenscroft, who had won the British Championship the year before, took the title out of the country a third time. She won the medal, with an 88, and the final from Miss Marion Hollins, 2 up, at the Wilmington (Del.) Country Club, in October, 1913. Miss Muriel Dodd, of England, the current British Champion, lost to Miss Ravenscroft in the semi-finals. This Championship marked the first appearance of a young Georgia girl, Miss Alexa Stirling, who, although she failed to win a place among the thirty-two qualifiers, was to leave an indelible mark on women's golf. Miss Ravenscroft later became Mrs. Temple Dobbell.

1914—Entries rose to the second highest mark to that time, ninety-three, and ninety-two of these teed off at the Nassau Country Club, in September, 1914. Mrs. H. Arnold Jackson, of the Oakley Country Club, who had won as Miss Kate C. Harley in 1908, became Champion again, beating Miss Elaine V. Rosenthal in the final, 1 up. For the first time, all thirty-two qualifiers broke 100. Miss Bishop was medalist with 85, which tied Miss Harriot Curtis' and Miss Campbell's record.

1915—Entries went over the hundred mark for the first time, and one hundred eleven played at the Onwentsia Club, near Chicago, in September, 1915. Mrs. C. H. Vanderbeck, of the Philadelphia Cricket Club, won the medal with another record-equalling 85 and repelled another English challenger, Mrs. William A. Gavin, in the final, 3 and 2. Mrs. Vanderbeck had to survive a 22-hole match with Miss Stirling in the semi-finals. The match was the longest to that time in the Championship.

1916—Miss Alexa Stirling, of the Atlanta (Ga.) Athletic Club, initiated her supremacy in October, 1916, by beating Miss Mildred Caverly, 2 and 1, in the final. Mrs. J. V. Hurd, of Pittsburgh, formerly Dorothy

Campbell, was medalist with an 86. The Championship was played at the Belmont Springs Country Club, near Boston.

1919—Miss Stirling retained her title when play was resumed after World War I at



Miss Alexa Stirling

the Shawnee Country Club, Shawnee-on-Delaware, Pa., in September-October, 1919. She defeated Mrs. Gavin, now of Chicago, 6 and 5, in the final. This pair also tied for the medal at 87. Miss Glenna Collett made her first appearance in this Championship and won her first match.

1920—Miss Stirling won her third successive Championship at the Mayfield Country Club, near Cleveland, in October, 1920. She defeated Mrs. Hurd in the final, 5 and 4. Miss Hollins lowered the qualifying record, with an 82, and only one 98 earned a place among the thirty-two qualifiers.

1921—Miss Marion Hollins, of the Westbrook Golf Club, Great River, N. Y., ended Miss Stirling's reign in the first 36-hole final, winning 5 and 4, at the Hollywood Golf Club, Deal, N. J., in October, 1921. The Misses Cecil and Edith Leitch, of England, qualified but lost in early rounds, the former to Mrs. F. C. Letts, 1 down, in a match which was the upset of the Championship since Miss Cecil was the British Champion for the second successive year. Miss Collett, who had tied with Mrs. Latham Hall at 85, won the play-off for the medal, 92 to 93. There were one hundred eighty-one entries, a new record, and one hundred sixty-four actually played.

1922—Miss Glenna Collett, of the Rhode Island Country Club, Nyatt, R. I., set a new qualifying record of 81 and defeated Mrs. Gavin, again representing England, 5 and 4, to win the first of her six Championships. It was the third time Mrs. Gavin had been runner-up. The 36-hole final was employed again and has been continued to date. The Championship was held at the Greenbrier Golf Club, White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., in September, 1922.

1923—Miss Edith Cummings, of the Onwentsia Club, Lake Forest, Ill., a sister of Dexter Cummings, the national intercollegiate champion at the time, defeated Miss Stirling, 3 and 2, in the final at Westchester-Biltmore Country Club, Rye, N. Y., in October, 1923. Mrs. Vanderbeck upset Miss Collett in the third round, 2 and 1. Miss Stirling was medalist with an 84, and 95 was the highest score to qualify. The entry of one hundred ninety-six set another record, and one hundred sixty-six started.

1924—Mrs. Dorothy Campbell Hurd, now representing the Merion Cricket Club, won her third title, defeating Miss Mary K.



Mrs. Dorothy Campbell Hurd

Browne, 7 and 6, in the final. Miss Browne, the runner-up, who had played golf but a few years, had been national lawn tennis champion in 1912 and 1913 and a semifinalist a month earlier in the national lawn tennis championship. She upset Miss Collett at the 19th hole in the semi-finals. Miss Collett had set a new record in the qualifying with a 79. The Championship was held at Miss Collett's home course, the

Rhode Island Country Club, in September, 1924, and the entry fell to ninety-eight after a handicap limitation of ten strokes had been imposed.

1925—The Championship crossed the Mississippi for the first time, to the St. Louis Country Club, in September-October, 1925. Miss Collett beat Mrs. W. G. Fraser, of Canada, the former Alexa Stirling, 9 and 8, in the final. Heavy rains caused a one-day postponement of the final. Mrs. Fraser lowered the qualifying record to 77. Mrs. Caleb F. Fox was playing in her twenty-second and last Championship. She had qualified twenty times, won twenty-five matches, reached the semi-finals thrice and had been medalist once and co-medalist another time.

1926—Mrs. G. Henry Stetson, of the Huntingdon Valley Country Club, near Philadelphia, and Mrs. Wright D. Goss, Jr., fought it out in the final, the former winning, 3 and 1. Mrs. Hurd and the Misses Collett and Cummings all were eliminated by the third round. Miss Collett was medalist with 81. The Championship was held at the Merion Cricket Club, in September, 1926, and for the first time was conducted by the USGA Women's Committee, rather than by the Championship Committee.

1927—Mrs. Miriam Burns Horn, of the Milburn Country Club, Kansas City, Mo., beat Miss Maureen Orcutt in the final, 5 and 4, at the Cherry Valley Club, Garden City, N. Y., in September, 1927. Mrs. Horn was the first Champion from west of the Mississippi. Mlle. Simone Thion de la Chaume, the French and British Champion, was eliminated by Mrs. Fraser, 3 and 2, in the third round. The medal was won by Miss Ada Mackenzie, of Canada, with a 77, which equalled Mrs. Fraser's record.

1928—Miss Collett won her third title, defeating Miss Virginia Van Wie by the largest margin ever recorded in the final, 13 and 12, at the Virginia Hot Springs Golf and Tennis Club, Hot Springs, Va., in September, 1928. Miss Orcutt was medalist, with an 80. The former Mrs. Horn, now Mrs. George W. Tyson, lost to Miss Helen Paget, of Canada, 2 and 1, in the first round.

1929—Miss Collett became the first four-time winner at the Oakland Hills Country Club, near Detroit, by defeating Mrs. Leona Pressler, 4 and 3, in the final. Previously that year Miss Collett had been runner-up in the British Championship. Miss Helen Hicks and Miss Van Wie tied for the medal, at

79, and a score of 88 or better was necessary to gain a place among the thirty-two qualifiers. A feature was the match in which Miss Collett defeated Mrs. Harley G. Higbie at the 19th hole after having been 4 down and 4 to play in the quarter-final round. The longest match to that time came about when Mrs. Leo Federman defeated Mrs. Stetson on the 24th hole in the first round. The Championship was held in September-October, 1929.

1930—The Championship went to the West Coast for the first time, and the Misses Collett and Van Wie continued their rivalry in the final at the Los Angeles Country Club. Miss Collett winning, 6 and 5. This was Miss Collett's fifth title and third in succession. She had also been runner-up again this year in the British Championship. Mrs. Opal S. Hill was medalist, with 79. The Championship was held in October, 1930.

1931—Miss Helen Hicks, of the Inwood (N. Y.) Country Club, dethroned Mrs. Edwin H. Vare, Jr., the former Glenna Collett, 2 and 1, in the final at the Country Club of Buffalo, N. Y., in October, 1931. Miss Enid Wilson, the British Champion, was eliminated by Miss Hicks in the semi-finals, 3 and 1. Play in the qualifying round resulted in a four-way tie for the medal at 82 among Miss Orcutt and Mesdames Vare, Hill and Higbie.

1932—Miss Van Wie, of the Beverly Country Club, Chicago, won the first of her three successive Championships by turning the tables on Mrs. Vare, 10 and 8, in the final at the Salem Country Club, near Boston, in September, 1932. The margin squared an account that had been outstanding since 1928. Miss Van Wie had a 73 in the morning round. The Misses Van Wie and Orcutt tied for the medal at 77, and Miss Hicks, the defending Champion, failed to qualify. Miss Wilson, still the British Champion, again was halted, by Miss Charlotte Glutting in the quarter-finals. The competition between the United States and the British Isles, for a cup donated by the Misses Harriot and Margaret Curtis, was inaugurated this year in England.

1933—Miss Van Wie repeated, defeating Miss Hicks, 4 and 3, in the final at the Exmoor Country Club, near Chicago, in August-September, 1933. Miss Wilson, the British Champion for the third year in succession, won the medal with a record 76 but lost a Match of Champions to Miss Van

Wie, 6 and 5, in the semi-finals. One 87 was the highest score to qualify for match play and there were five qualifying scores under 80.

1934—Sixty-four qualified for match play, for the first time, but none could stop Miss Van Wie, who defeated Mrs. Vare in the semi-finals, 3 and 2, and Miss Dorothy Traung in the final, 2 and 1. The Championship was played at the Whitemarsh Valley Country Club, near Philadelphia, in October, 1934. Miss Van Wie thus became the fifth three-time winner, after Miss Beatrix Hoyt, Miss Margaret Curtis, Mrs. Dorothy Campbell Hurd and Mrs. Alexa Stirling Fraser. Miss Van Wie was also the fourth to win three in succession, after Miss Hoyt, Mrs. Fraser and Mrs. Glenna Collett Vare. Mrs. Vare, of course, had won five titles. Mrs. Vare, Mrs. Leona Cheney and Miss Lucile Robinson tied for the medal with 82s. The British Curtis Cup Team participated, five of their number qualifying but only one, Miss Wanda Morgan, going as far as the third round. A feature was the match in which Mrs. Opal S. Hill defended Mrs. L. D. Cheney on the 24th hole after having been 3 down and 5 to play. It was the second 24-hole match in the history of the Championship. Miss Van Wie retired from competitive golf after this victory.

1935—Mrs. Vare won her sixth Championship at the Interlachen Country Club, Minneapolis, Minn., defeating a home-town girl, Miss Patty Berg, in the final, 3 and 2. Miss Berg was 17 and playing in her first Championship. Miss Jean Bauer's 79 won the medal. The event marked Mrs. Vare's eighth and last appearance in the Championship final.

1936—The Championship trophy went overseas again for the first time in twenty-three years. Miss Pamela Barton, a 19-year-old English girl, added the USGA title to her British title by defeating Mrs. John D. Crews, the former Maureen Orcutt, in the final, 4 and 3. Miss Barton played the last 24 holes in one under women's par. It was the first double since Miss Dorothy Campbell's twenty-seven years earlier, and the last foreign victory. A 78 by Mrs. Julius A. Page, Jr., won the qualifying medal at Canoe Brook Country Club, Summit, N. J., in September-October, 1936. Mrs. Vare did not enter a defense of her title. The handicap limitation was reduced to six strokes.

1937—Miss Barton did not defend at the Memphis (Tenn.) Country Club, in Oc-

tober, 1937. Mrs. Page, of the Sedgefield Club, Greensboro, N. C., took the medal with a 79 and the title by defeating Miss Berg, 7 and 6, in the final.

1938—Miss Berg and Mrs. Page again met in the final at Westmoreland Country Club, near Chicago, in September, 1938. This time Miss Berg won, 6 and 5. Mrs. Page and Miss Dorothy Traung led the qualifying with 80s. It was the third year in succession in which Mrs. Page had won or shared the medal. Six members of the British Curtis Cup Team qualified, and Miss Clarrie Tierman, of Ireland, who reached the third round, made the best showing. Miss Dorothy Kirby upset Mrs. Vare, 1 up, in the first round. Miss Berg won her first match, 10 and 8.

1939—The handicap limitation was increased to eight strokes, and the largest field in the history of the Championship, two hundred one players, entered at the Wee Burn Club, Noroton, Conn., in August, 1939, and one hundred ninety-four started. Miss Betty Jameson, of the San Antonio (Texas) Country Club, defeated Miss Kirby in the final, 3 and 2. Miss Barton again contributed an international fillip but lost to Miss Glutting on the 19th hole in the third round. Miss Berg, the defending Champion, was unable to play because of illness. The qualifying medal went to Miss Beatrice Barrett, and her 74 established the present record. Seven returned qualifying scores of 79 or better.

1940—Miss Jameson won again at the Pebble Beach (Cal.) Course in September, 1940. She defeated Miss Jane Cothran, 6 and 5, in the final. Miss Traung's 78 won the medal.

1941—The Country Club, Brookline, Mass., was host to the women in September, 1941. Mrs. Elizabeth Hicks Newell of California defeated Miss Helen Sigel of Philadelphia, 5 and 3, in the final. Qualifiers were led by the Misses Alice Belanger, Bauer, Jameson and Grace Amory, all of whom had 76s. The handicap requirement was again lowered to six. Mrs. Newell turned professional after the Championship.

1946—When the Championship was renewed after World War II at Southern Hills Country Club, Tulsa, Okla., in September, 1946, Mrs. Mildred (Babe Didrickson) Zaharias of the Park Hill Country Club, Denver, Colo., defeated Mrs. Clara Callender Sherman in the final, 11 and 9.

The number of qualifiers was reduced to thirty-two, and the qualifying was extended to 36 holes for the first and only time. Miss Kirby won the medal with 152. Mrs. Zaharias had won the 80-meter hurdles and the javelin throw in the 1932 Olympic Games and had been reinstated after a period as a professional golfer. She won the British Championship the following spring, being the first American to do so, and then turned professional again.

1947—Miss Louise Suggs, of the Capital City Club, Atlanta, Ga., took medal honors with a 78 and went on to win by defeating Miss Kirby, of the same club, 2 up, in the final. Miss Suggs played each round of the final in 74, two under par. She was 3 up at noon and was hard-pressed to hold her lead as Miss Kirby made a 72, the lowest score ever recorded in the Championship, in the afternoon round. Miss Margaret Curtis played and scored a 102, which failed to qualify her, but her appearance marked her fiftieth anniversary in the Championship. The event was held at the Franklin Hills Country Club, near Detroit, in September, 1947. Miss Suggs won the British Championship the following spring and then also turned professional.

1948—Miss Grace Lenczyk, of the Indian Hill Country Club, Newington, Conn., defeated Miss Helen Sigel in the final, 4 and 3, as the Championship returned to Pebble Beach, Cal., in September, 1948. The only former Champions in the field were Mrs. Page and Mrs. Vare. Miss Suggs, Mrs. Zaharias, Mrs. Newell, Miss Jameson and Miss Berg had all turned professional. Mrs. Bettye Mims White, with a 77, led the qualifying. Miss Marlene Bauer reached the quarter-finals at the age of 14. Miss Sigel played the first nine in 34 strokes in winning her third-round match. Miss Dorothy Kielty called a disqualification penalty on herself after inadvertently allowing an 82, instead of an 83, to be posted by her name in the qualifying round.

1949—Stroke-play qualifying at the site of the Championship was abandoned, and one hundred seventy-one entrants competed in sixteen sectional qualifying rounds for one hundred twenty-eight places in match play at the East Course of the Merion Golf Club in September, 1949. Mrs. Mark A. Porter, the former Dorothy Germain, of the Llanerch Country Club, near Philadelphia, defeated Miss Dorothy Kielty, 3 and 2, in the final. Miss Marlene Bauer reached the semi-final round at the age of 15 but lost

there to Miss Kielty and later turned professional. Miss Margaret Curtis played again, losing in the first round. Merion was entertaining for the fourth time, more than any other club. Play had to be temporarily suspended in the first round because of rain.

1950—One hundred ten women competed in the second all-match-play Championship, without sectional qualifying, in September, 1950, at the East Lake Course of the Atlanta (Ga.) Athletic Club. Miss Beverly Hanson, of the Fargo (N. D.) Country Club, defeated Miss Mae Murray, 6 and 4, in the final. This golden anniversary event was noteworthy for the most extra holes ever played in the Championship: Miss Murray defeated Miss Fay Crocker, of Montevideo, Uruguay, on the 27th hole in the fourth round after nine extra holes. Each player was two under par for the 27 holes. Miss Philomena Garvey went furthest of nine foreign entrants, including members of the British Curtis Cup Team, losing to Miss Hanson in the fifth round. Mrs. Vare qualified for the twenty-second time, during which span she had won fifty-nine matches, six championships, two runner-up medals, four semi-finalist medals and six qualifying medals.

1951—Miss Dorothy Kirby, of the Capital City Club, Atlanta, Ga., after seventeen years of trying, broke through at the Town and Country Club, St. Paul, Minn., in August, 1951, defeating Miss Claire Doran, 2 and 1, in the final. An eighteen-hole qualifying round was re-instituted for sixty-four places, the best qualifying scores being 74s by Miss Carol Diringer and Miss Barbara Romack, who equalled Miss Barrett's record of 1939. Twenty players broke 80. Vicomtesse de Saint Sauveur, the British and French Champion, qualified but lost in the second round to Miss Mary Sargent. Miss Hanson, the defender, did not play, having turned professional.

