

Good, But . . .

When Robert V. Cox, of Utica, N. Y., scored a 126-yard hole in one on the thirteenth hole of the Yahnundasis Golf Club, New Hartford, N. Y., he had a perfect right to take pride in his accomplishment. However, Mr. Cox, playing a match with Mrs. Cox, failed to win the hole.

Given a stroke a hole by her husband, Mrs. Cox promptly placed her tee shot eight feet from the pin, sank her putt for a two, and shared the unusual "1" on the scorecard.

Read and Heed

Golfers at Tam O'Shanter Country Club, Orchard Lake, Mich., have been treated to a novel innovation of the standard clubhead cover. At the inspiration of Warren Orlick, club professional, the following inscriptions were sewed on sets of clubhead covers on sale in his shop:

- 1. Keep Your Head Down
- 2. Speed Up Play
- 3. Smooth Traps
- 4. Replace Divots

No Gambling — Only Golf

Sunnehanna Country Club, in Johnstown, Pa., and Colonial Country Club, in Memphis, Tenn., have left no doubt concerning their stand on gambling in connection with forthcoming tournaments.

Those invited to participate in the Sunnehanna Tournament of Champions received the following note:

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"For the record, we would like to stress the fact that there is absolutely no gambling connected with The Sunnehanna Amateur Tournament Of Champions—no Calcutta, no grab-bag, no pari-mutuel—no gambling of any kind.

"We are only interested in fine golf, fine social events, and gracious hospitality—and we would like those who accept our invitation to feel the same."

Invitations to compete in the Colonial Invitation Golf Tournament displayed the following inscription in large, bold type and red ink: "NO CALCUTTA POOL."

Open Televised

Golfers throughout the nation will share the last-day drama of the Open Championship via television again this year. The Eastman Kodak Company has announced that it is sponsoring the two-hour NBC-TV presentation of the final round from the Oak Hill Country Club, Rochester, N. Y., on Saturday, June 16⁻ The 56 basic stations of the network will carry the action from 4 to 6 p.m., EDT.

Nine TV cameras will be placed around the course to relay the action. Special lenses will enable the cameras to present close-ups of important action on the last few holes of play.

Babe's Appeal

Golf clubs are being requested to strike a blow at the dread disease of cancer in the name of Mrs. Babe Didrikson Zaharias. Babe, in a letter to the golf committees of

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all the nation's golf clubs, invited them to join her in a birthday celebration by sponsoring an event on behalf of the Babe Didrikson Zaharias Cancer Foundation, Galveston, Texas.

"My endeavor," says Mrs. Zaharias, "is to try and raise as much money as I can to fight cancer. Won't you help me help others to find an answer to this dreadful disease?"

Mrs. Zaharias, one of golf's all-time greats, has an impelling personal reason for fighting the dread disease. Her battle against cancer provided the impetus for formation of the Foundation.

Open Highlighted

The tenth and eleventh greens of Oak Hill Country Club, site of the USGA Open Championship, in Rochester, N. Y., are now familiar golfing territory to New Yorkers who use the Grand Central Terminal. The two holes were pictorially removed from their Rochester location and transported to New York as an exhibit by Eastman Kodak Company in the Terminal from April 17 to May 13.

The colorama was the world's largest photograph of a golf scene, 18 feet high and 60 feet long. Dominating the concourse, the picture called attention to the 1956 Open Championship and had golfminded commuters lining up imaginary putts as they continued on to work.

A group of four, in the foreground, were completing play at the tenth green. To the right, at the women's tee for the eleventh hole, another group waited while, on the eleventh green, still another group was finishing out that hole. Included in the latter group was William C. Chapin, President of the Oak Hill Country Club and a member of the USGA Executive Committee.

Origin of "Nassau"

Findlay S. Douglas, Amateur Champion in 1898 and USGA President in 1929 and 1930, has established the origin of "Nassau" in golf terminology.

According to Mr. Douglas, players in team matches among metropolitan New

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York clubs around the turn of the century were reticent to see newspaper accounts of matches in which they had been badly beaten. On a day when the team matches were being held at Nassau Country Club, in Glen Cove, N. Y., the home team suggested a new scoring procedure. By scoring one point for the winner of each nine holes of play, plus one point for the winner of the match, it became impossible for either side to be defeated by more than three points.

The new scoring procedure was adopted, the pain of losing eased and a new word added to the lexicon of golf.

More Low Scores by Women

Miss Lois Hayhurst, of Chicago, Ill., offers further information regarding low scores by women, as requested in the April issue of the JOURNAL. Miss Hayhurst informs us that Miss Patty Berg established the records for nine, eighteen and fiftyfour hole scores at 30, 64 and 210, respectively, in the course of winning the Richmond, Cal., Open in April, 1952.

Mrs. Ann Case Johnstone, of Mason City, Iowa, only tied Patty's nine-hole record when she scored a 30 during the Iowa Championship in July, 1955. Miss Betty Jameson subsequently tied Patty's fiftyfour hole record of 210, in the Babe Zaharias Open at Beaumont, Texas, in 1955.

Need A Pro?

Does your club need a professional? The Professional Golfers' Association of America is ready and willing to help you locate the right man.

The Employment Committee of the PGA exists for the purpose of assisting professionals and clubs in filling positions with qualified persons. In addition to providing a valuable service to PGA members and to interested clubs, the Employment Committee is an aid in maintaining the standards of those certified by the PGA to teach golf.

 As an adjunct to this personnel program, the PGA insures the member proin fessional access to the latest teaching
New methods and developments. A continuing
USGA JOURNAL AND TURF MANAGEMENT: IUNE, 1956 effort is made to perfect his ability to teach the game and to insure that he knows his profession.

Those interested in the services of the Employment Committee may secure further information through the PGA, 134 North LaSalle St., Chicago 2, Ill. The committee chairman is J. M. "Mick" Riley.

For Amateurism

The USGA has cooperated with the governing bodies of four other sports in the formation of the National Committee on Amateurism in Sports.

The Committee will meet regularly, perhaps semi-annually, for the purpose of serving as a medium for the member organizations to:

- 1. Consult on new problems of amateurism.
- 2. Understand the view points of one another on points of amateurism where policies differ.
- 3. Suggest means of reducing or eliminating such differences where feasible.
- 4. Propagate the amateur ideal that sports are played for their own sakes, without ulterior motive.

Subscribing organizations include, the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States, the National Collegiate Athletic Association, the United States Golf Association, the United States Lawn Tennis Association and the United States Olympic Association. These sporting organizations recognize the existence of differences among themselves on some matters of amateur interpretation, and the right of each organization to hold to such differences. However, they believe that they stand together on the broad common ground of dedication to the basic principle of amateurism, and that this principle may be advanced by regular consultation.

The Committee is the outgrowth of several meetings in the last year among sports leaders as unofficial representatives of the governing bodies concerned. These men were seriously concerned over a de-USGA JOURNAL AND TURF MANAGEMENT: JUNE, 1956

cline in amateur morality, as indicated by numerous sports "scandals" and their effect upon the youth of the nation. Their meetings were so fruitful that the participants agreed to recommend establishment of a permanent National Committee on Amateurism in Sports.

Each member organization will be represented by two persons on the National Committee. John W. Fischer, Chairman of the Amateur Status and Conduct Committee, and Joseph C. Dey, Jr., Executive Director, will represent the USGA.

Chairmanship of the Committee will be rotated annually among the member organizations in the aforementioned order. The Committee will have no disciplinary powers, its nature being consultative only.

It is within the power of the National Committee to invite other amateur sports governing bodies to accept membership, and it is hoped that other organizations will be enrolled later in the year.

Writing Achievement

In a golf-writing career spanning fiftyone years, H. B. "Dickey" Martin, of New York, has written seventeen books and countless newspaper and magazine articles on the ancient game. His monumental and scholarly volume, "Fifty Years of American Golf," reaches its twentieth birthday this year and has sold 30,000 copies. "Saint Andrews Golf Club, 1888-1938," written in collaboration with A. B. Halliday, is considered a classic in United States golf literature.

Mr. Martin, now 78, started his career in 1905 by covering a few tournaments for the old New York World. During the following years, he also wrote for the New York Journal American, the New York Globe, Golf Illustrated, Sketch, Tatler, The American Golfer, Golf, Collier's and Bailey's Magazine.

He is noted as an early manager and promoter of the career of Walter Hagen. During World War I, when he was instrumental in organizing Red Cross tournaments, Mr. Martin developed the idea of charging admission to golf tournaments.

However, it was not until 1922 that this practice actually took hold.

His most popular book was "Pictorial Golf," which sold 50,000 copies in England and 49,000 in this country. It sold 175,-000 additional copies in a lower-priced edition.

Some of his other works are: "What's Wrong With Your Game," 1930; "Great Golfers in the Making," 1932; "Apawamis Golf Club," 1940; "Garden City Golf Club," 1949.

Golf Box Score

A newcomer to the sports pages of the nation's newspapers is the Golf Box Score. The Golf Writers Association, responsible for developing the new scoring system, is attempting to make it a permanent sports page fixture after each round of major tournaments.

The new box score looks like this:

Rochester, N. Y., June 14 (AP, UP, INS)—Today's box score for first round leaders in the USGA Open Championship at Oak Hill Country Club (par, 70; 6,902 yards) follows:					
GI	HP 1	R 1	Г 1-Р	3-P	SC.
Middlecoff 1	7 1	1	6	0	65
Snead 1	8 () 1	L 4	1	67
Hogan 10	6 j	1 2	2	Ō	69
Oliver 1	5 8	3 1	3	1	70
Mangrum1	7 4	1 2	2 4	2	71
De Vicenzo 14	1 2	4	3	1	71
Maxwell 1	8 () () 0	1	71
Littler 19	6 2	2 2	2 3	2	72
Mayfield 1	71	L J	12	2	72
Souchak 1	7 2	e e) 1	0	73
*H. Ward 1	54	1	L 3	1	73
Ford 1	7 1	L 1	ι 1	1	74
*W. Campbell 1	54	1 %	2 3	0	74
*J. Campbell 1	6 8	3 3	3 2	1	75
*Denotes amateur.					

LEGEND: GHP—Greens hit in par. R—Times in rough. T—Times in traps. 1-P—One-putt greens. 3-P— Three-putt greens. SC.—Score.

New Golf Book

Newest addition to the ever enlarging list of golf instruction literature is "Better Golf in 5 Minutes", by J. Victor East. Apart from his suggestions concerning play of the game, Mr. East devotes two chapters of his work to tracing the evolution of the club and ball. He also offers an insight into the design of clubs. The volume, published by Prentice-Hall, Inc., contains numerous photographs and sketches.

Entering the Open, and Opening the Entries

The business of entering USGA competitions, with their requirements for USGA entry forms and such-like formality, always reveals some tasty little human touches.

Take the Open this year.

One gentleman sent in two entries. The second arrived frantically by air mail with a note that the first wasn't completely filled out and "through an error my little brother mailed it."

A Southern gentleman, lacking an entry blank, set forth all his qualifications and included such non-essentials as age, color and nationality. He wasn't taking any chances.

Last August a New England amateur tried to enter the Amateur Championship by telegraph. Among other complications, his club was not a USGA member, as is necessary for the Amateur Championship. So, after the Club had failed to apply for membership after a decent interval, the gentleman's entry had to be declined. His \$10 Western Union money order, submitted as entry fee, was returned to him.

That money order has been carefully nurtured, all through the New England floods of last summer and fall, the snows of winter, and now, as spring is bustin' out all over, it blossoms forth in all its yellow glory—the Western Union money order, we mean. For in entering the Open, for which USGA club membership is not essential, the gentleman sent it with this note:

"This is the same check that I had sent you last year but you could not accept because my club did not belong to the United States Golf Association. I could not cash the same check because it was issued to you and you did not endorse it when you returned it to me. I have checked with Western Union and the check is still negotiable. If, for any reason, you cannot accept this check, please endorse it, and I will send you a personal check. Thank you very much." Thank You.

Entry Accepted.