

# Combat Pay?

Hunters, apparently seeking rabbits with a .22 rifle in the woods and fields bounding the Knollwood Club, wounded Paul W. Pettengill, of Libertyville, Ill., a Knollwood member, as he was gallerying a second-round match during the Amateur Championship. Pettengill was taken to the Condell Memorial Hospital, suffering from considerable loss of blood, but fortunately he survived.

Most caddies for the Championship had been pressed into service from the Great Lakes Naval Training Station, and of course were military minded.

"Do I get combat pay today?" asked the caddie of James T. Blair, III, on the day after the shooting incident.

#### A Family Project

The Frank L. Markey family, of Staten Island, New York, has developed a family formula for the winning of golf championships. The golfing Markeys have 25 championships to their credit, daughter Joan accounting for the most recent with her third club championship at Shorewood Country Club, Dunkirk, N. Y.

Mrs. Markey leads the victory list with eleven championships, followed by Mr. Markey with six. Hugh, their son, follows with five and Joan has accounted for three. The Markeys live close to the sixth hole of their home course, the Richmond County Country Club, and Mr. Markey has taught all six of his children to play the game.

# A Champion's Tribute

The death of Mrs. Mildred "Babe" Didrikson Zaharias brought a deep sense of loss to all who knew her. However, as "Babe" had done on so many occasions, she left the scene with the memory of her inspiring struggle for the world to cherish.

Recognized largely for her golfing achievements in recent years, "Babe" was truly an accomplished athlete who excelled in basketball, track and field, baseball, and virtually every sport she played. In 1932 she represented the United States in the Olympic Games, establishing records in winning both the javelin throw and 80meter hurdles. As a golfer she won the USGA Women's Amateur Championship in 1946, and in the following year became the first American to win the British Women's Amateur Championship. Turning professional in 1947, she highlighted a distinguished golf record by winning the 1954 USGA Women's Open Championship.

But there was more to the career of "Babe" Didrikson Zaharias than an unparalleled series of athletic accomplishments. Win or lose, she always gave the game everything she had.

One of her final efforts was the Babe Didrikson Zaharias Cancer Foundation, formed to continue the battle she lost. It would be a fitting tribute to the memory of this great woman athlete if the Babe Didrikson Zaharias Cancer Foundation were to result in her greatest victory—help in defeat of the dread disease.

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# A SECOND SHOT THE HARD WAY



Des Moines Register & Tribune photo.

Iowa University student Tom Davies refused to let a little thing like a bad tee shot worry him. Playing in the Iowa Open, Tom watched his shot off the ninth tee soar away from the target and come to rest on the clubhouse roof. Undismayed, he climbed to the roof and dropped his second shot just short of the green. Not the prescribed method, but he got there.

# **Recent Golf Literature**

The Golf Operators Handbook, recently published by the National Golf Foundation, is a planning, building and operating guide for miniature golf putting courses, golf driving ranges and par-3 golf courses. The result of information collected from all over the country, the book was compiled to meet the increasing interest in this type of activity. Included are many pictures of actual layouts and plans for construction of these three types of golfing installations. The Golf Operators Handbook is available through the National Golf Foundation, 407 S. Dearborn St., Chicago 5, Ill. Purchase price is three dollars.

"The Story of the R. and A.", is the history of the first two hundred years of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club, 1754-1954. It is written by J. B. Salmond, and published by MacMillan and Co., Ltd., London (St. Martin's Press, New York).

The book presents the history and lore of the Old Course, the old players and townspeople of St. Andrews. It contains illustrations of players and sketches and plans of the Old Course. Among the color illustrations is Charles Lees' "The Golfers —A Grand Match Played on St. Andrews Links."

It has been about fifty years since Mr. H.S.C. Everard's "History of the Royal and Ancient Club" was published in 1907. Everard's book has been the standard work on this subject. Salmond's volume is broader in scope and fills in the past fifty years. It contains many entertaining anecdotes and constitutes a valuable contribution to the written heritage of the game. The foreword is by Bernard Darwin, Captain of the Club in 1934.

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# They Scored Their Age

Before the ink was dry on the September issue of the USGA JOURNAL, Mr. Mountford S. Orth, of White Plains, N. Y., joined the select group of golfers we reported had scored their age in an article entitled "Can You Score Your Age?" The feat was all the more satisfying for Mr. Orth, since it marked the conclusion of an eight year struggle to turn the trick. He had missed by one stroke since the age of 71 until he scored a 77 at the age of 79 on October 3 at Westchester Hills Golf Club, White Plains, N. Y.

Mr. C. T. Jaffray, of the Minikahda Club, Minneapolis, Minn., is another whose name is to be added to the list of those who have scored their age. Mr. Jaffray, now 91, matched his age with an 80 over his home course. A year earlier he shot a 75 at Phoenix, Arizona. Mr. Jaffray was a member of the USGA Executive Committee in 1905.

#### Evans' Close Call

Charles Evans, Jr., had a close call in his quest to play in fifty Amateur Championships. He injured his left hand severely, and it was so swollen in early September that it seemed he might be unable to meet the starter's call this year for his fortyfourth consecutive appearance. But meet the call he did, and in spite of the painful hand he extended young Donald W. Baker, of Santa Ana, Cal., to a 3 and 2 match.

# SPORTSMAN'S CORNER

Pre-tournament favorite Frost Walker was breezing along in his second round match of the Jefferson County (Birmingham, Ala.) Junior Golf Championship. At the end of seven holes of the 18 hole match, he stood 4 up on his opponent, 15 year old Sam Scales.



#### SAM SCALES

Young Walker had just smacked a beautiful drive off the eighth tee when he was called off the course because of the sudden illness of his father. Scales immediately went to Professional Ed Stacks and announced that he would default the match rather than accept a default by Walker. "I feel like Frost should have the match, Mr. Stacks," he said.

Walker's mother, uncertain her husband's condition would improve sufficiently to allow Frost to remain in the tournament, was loath to have her son accept the default. She agreed only after the tournament chairman convinced her that Sam had acted entirely of his own volition.

Mr. Walker recovered quickly enough to allow Frost to continue in the tournament. Pre-tournament expectations were realized when Frost went on to become the 1956 Jefferson County Junior Champion, an event made possible by the sportsmanship of Sam Scales.

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#### New Total For Ryerson

The last issue of the USGA JOURNAL AND TURF MANAGEMENT reported that Jack Ryerson, of Cooperstown, N. Y., had played a total of 1,040 golf courses. Mr. Ryerson was not content to play the same golf course while waiting for the story to appear in print. In a letter to the USGA he reported that he has now actually played 1,080 golf courses. Of this total 1,006 were played in the United States, 37 in Canada, and 37 in foreign countries.

### Necrology

It is with deep regret that we mark the passing of:

A. LINDE FOWLER, former golf editor of the old Boston Transcript. Mr. Fowler, one of the early writers of golf news, joined the Transcript in 1901 and began writing about golf in 1903. He was a member of the USGA Museum Committee.

FRED MILEY, veteran professional golfer. Mr. Miley had been active in professional ranks since beginning his career at the Philadelphia Cricket Club in 1900.

ROBERT L. M. AXT. owner of the Broadacres Golf Course in Bloomfield, N. J.

JOHN WEITZEL, golf professional at Hershey Country Club, Hershey, Pa. Mr. Weitzel was twice winner of the Pennsylvania Open Championship.

JAMES A. DONALDSON, former golf professional. A native of Scotland, Mr. Donaldson came to this country in 1917. He served as professional at the Glenview Club in Chicago, Ill., and the Fenway Golf Club, White Plains, N.Y.

THOMAS S. SERIO, of Buffalo, N. Y. Mr. Serio had served as a member of the USGA Public Links Committee for the past three vears.

Championship or Team Match	Entries Close	Sectional Qualifying Rounds	Dates of Event	Location
Open	May 15	June 2	June 12-13-14	Southern Hills C. C. Tulsa, Okla.
Women's Open	June 13	None	June 26-27-28	Forest Lake C. C. Bloomfield Hills, Mich.
Amateur Public Links	*May 29	†June 15-21	July 7-12	(to be determined)
Junior Amateur	June 27	July 15	July 30-Aug. 2	Univ. of Minnesota Golf Course, Minneapolis, Minn.
(a) Curtis Cup Match			Aug. 8-9	Brae Burn C. C. West Newton, Mass.
Girls' Junior	July 25	None	Aug. 11-15	Greenwich C. C. Greenwich, Conn.
Women's Amateur	Aug.1	None	Aug. 18-23	Wee Burn C. C. Darien, Conn.
(b) Americas Cup Match			Sept. 5-6	Olympic C. C. San Francisco, Cal.
Amateur	Aug. 7	Aug. 26	Sept. 8-13	Olympic C. C. San Francisco, Cal.
Senior Amateur	Aug. 29	Sept. 16	Sept. 29-Oct. 4	Monterey Peninsula Country Club, Pebble Beach, Cal.

Dates entries close mean last dates for applications to reach USGA office, except in the case of the Amateur Public Links Championship. For possible exceptions in dates of Sectional Qualifying Rounds, see entry forms.

Re Amateur Public Links Championship: \*Entries close with Sectional Qualifying Chairmen. † Exact date in each Section to be fixed by Sectional Chairmen.

(a) Curtis Cup Match — Women's amateur teams: British Isles vs. United States.
(b) Americas Cup Match — Men's amateur teams: Canada vs. Mexico vs. United States.