



A Real Hogan Fan

There is a gentleman in Edinburgh, Scotland, who has an interest in gardening and golf. By combining avocations he has produced an unusual garden highlight, calculated to interest his friends. Far from being the usual garden fare, on close inspection it looks suspiciously like what it actually is—a divot.

An enthusiastic admirer of Ben Hogan, the gentleman drove to Wentworth, England, to see the visiting American golfer appear in the Canada Cup Golf Tournament last June. Following Hogan around the course, he waited patiently until a long iron shot produced the desired souvenir. Picking up the divot, he returned with it to his home and found a spot for it in the garden—a most unusual "autograph" of Ben Hogan.

Caring For Your Caddies

In the Annual Report for 1956 of the Detroit District Golf Association, the Caddie Welfare Committee recommends to Caddie Committees of each club that they include the following on their program:

1. A year-round Caddie Master be employed for the training and supervision of caddies.
2. A proper caddie house or shelter be provided and also adequate and reasonably priced food and beverages be available on the premises.

3. A well organized and supervised sports program, including the privilege of playing the course each Monday, be made available to the boys. Suggested games: Basketball, handball, table tennis, softball, horseshoes.
4. Emphasize to parents and school authorities the opportunities for caddies to have fun, earn money, and learn how to play golf.
5. A Spring recruitment party and a final round-up Fall party to encourage caddies to return the following Spring.
6. Give consideration to caddies when it rains. Have a supply of raincoats available, if possible.
7. Create incentive programs to assure better caddies.
8. Create a caddie golf team to represent your club. Some clubs permit caddies to use swimming pools on off days.
9. *Literature Available:*
 - (a) Pin Pointers (a booklet for caddies).
 - (b) Recruiting and Retaining your Caddies.
 - (c) Caddieville, USA.
 - (d) Caddie Committee Guide and Electric Golf Car Survey.
 - (f) Caddie Quiz.

Are You A Litterbug?

A golf course is a beautiful site, but not when it is defaced by selfish and lazy golfers who scatter their litter indiscriminately along the fairways.

The Portland (Maine) Country Club Green Committee has tried to counteract this unnecessary habit by sending out a circular to its members headed "Are You A Litterbug?"

W. W. "Bill" Greer, of Davenport, Ill., and Tom Dreier, of St. Petersburg, Fla.,



Tom Dreier

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have more specific ways of fighting the anti-litter campaign. Attaching litterbags to their caddy carts they pick up the trash on their round and deposit it when they get to the clubhouse.

Last year the Sinclair Golf Club, in Rawlins, Wyo., closed its course for a week-end while the members cleaned the fairways. Another Club in Clark, S. D., sets aside an evening each spring for a spring clean.

Such instances should not be necessary. Golfers would not litter their own gardens with cigarette packs, torn up cards or pop bottles, so there is no excuse for such behavior on the links.

New Putter and Grip

The USGA has received several inquiries as to whether a new putter being marketed on the West Coast conforms to Rule 2-2 of the Rules of Golf.

The shaft is attached to a swivel in the center of the head, and the lie can be adjusted to suit the purchaser and locked by means of a set screw. The back of the head is slightly lofted and is adaptable for chip shots.

Our Implements and Ball Committee has considered this club from two separate aspects: (1) the use of the swivel and set screw in attaching the shaft and (2) the two faces.

In accordance with precedents established in several cases, the Committee found no objection under Rule 2-2b to the swivel and set screw, provided the set screw were locked and permanently sealed by the purchaser prior to play so that the club is not capable of adjustment during a round, as required by Rule 2-2b.

However, the Committee concluded the club did not conform to Rule 2-2d inasmuch as it has two faces of differing lofts and can be used to circumvent the fourteen-club rule.

The USGA also has had its attention drawn to a new grip in which the allegedly correct hand position is molded in. As the advertisement says: "The shaping makes it difficult to hold them any way but the right way."

All grips of this type do not, of course, conform to Rule 2-2f, which provides among other things that, "The grip shall be substantially straight and plain in form, may have flat sides but shall not have a channel or a furrow or be molded for any part of the hands."

Club Managers Elect President

Col. Richard E. Daley was elected president by the Club Managers Association of America at their annual conference in New York. Royce Chaney, Northwood Club, Dallas, Texas, was elected vice-president and Dan Layman, Union League, Philadelphia, was elected secretary-treasurer.

THEY RUN SOCIETY OF GOLF COURSE ARCHITECTS



Officers of the American Society of Golf Course Architects elected at their Annual Meeting held at Boca Raton, Fla., are from left to right: David W. Gordon, Doylestown, Pa., secretary-treasurer; William F. Bell, Pasadena, Cal., president; Howard Watson, Lachute, Que., Canada, vice-president.

Col. Daley has been vice-president of the association and is manager of the Army-Navy Country Club, Arlington, Va. More than a thousand of the 1700 members attended the conference.

Col. Daley was graduated from Youngstown College with an LL.B. degree and practiced law in Cleveland from 1925 to 1929. He is married and has one son, Richard B. Daley, who is manager of Kahkwa Club, Erie, Pa.

New Record for Women

The 72-hole score of 279 which Miss Mary Lena Faulk of Thomasville, Ga., made in the St. Petersburg, Fla., Open at the Sunset Country Club in February is a new all-time low for women and should be so recorded in place of the 284 scored by Miss Louise Suggs, of Carrollton, Ga., in the

1952 Women's Open Championship at the Bala Golf Club, in Philadelphia, Pa. It is noteworthy, however, that Miss Faulk won by only three strokes, and the runner-up was Miss Suggs, who with her score of 282 also broke her old record. Miss Faulk's scores were 71-67-73-68—279.

St. Andrews Prepares

St. Andrews University senate has made arrangements to advance its graduation ceremony by five days to alleviate the accommodation problem which arose when the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews announced the changed venue of the British Open Championship.

The Old Course, which has been closed for five and a half months, the longest period in its history, was re-opened for play on April 1.

During this period of inactivity the course has undergone an extensive overhaul. The soil has been top dressed, new tees have been laid and others improved. Many of the bunkers which were causing concern have been renovated.

Memorial to Dr. Lawson

The Chapel Hill Country Club, Chapel Hill, N. C., reopened this spring as the Robert Baker Lawson Golf Course, re-named in memory of the man who devoted much of his life to development and welfare of the course.

Dr. Lawson, for many years a member of the University of North Carolina faculty, was primarily responsible for introducing his daughter, Estelle Lawson, better known as Mrs. Julius A. Page, Jr., to the game. Mrs. Page was Women's Amateur Champion in 1937.

Taking charge of the course 26 years ago, Dr. Lawson built the original course and was its guiding spirit until his death in 1952.

R & A Goes Sectional

Interest, both domestic and foreign, in the British Amateur Championship has increased to such an extent in recent years that the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews last year reduced the maximum handicap for eligibility to two strokes and now has decided to institute sectional qualifying rounds patterned after our own system, effective in 1958.

Details of the sectional qualifying system remain to be established, but prospective entrants should note that British entrants for USGA Championships normally are required to undergo sectional qualifying tests. Exceptions are made, of course, from time to time for foreign players of special qualifications, such as members of visiting Walker Cup Teams.

Championship Form

The *South African Golfer*, in reporting a Women's Championship, came up with this story:

Two of the contestants became engrossed in conversation upon completion of play at the eighth green. As they walked down the ninth fairway, still conversing, they paused to ask their caddies where their drives had gone, only to be informed that they had forgotten to drive.

For Your Library

Prentice-Hall has published Book II of *Tips From The Top*, a collection of articles contributed by leading professionals and reproduced from the magazine *Sports Illustrated*.

Like its predecessor, the new volume has been compiled by Herbert Warren Wind and illustrated by Anthony Ravielli. Add it to your collection for \$3.95 or purchase the two books neatly boxed together for \$6.90.

A novel dollar's worth of instruction is Milt Rappoport's *Oh, No!* published by Simon and Schuster. Designed principally for the longer handicap golfer, it incorporates ten detachable cards covering the cures for golf's most prevalent ills.

Golf and Be Damned by Lawrence Lariar, which pokes fun at a golfer from every known angle, would be a dangerous weapon in the hands of any golf widow! It is a book designed to make one laugh and forget at the nineteenth, but not to be inwardly digested (Prentice Hall, \$2.95).

Mr. Lariar has also edited *You've Got Me in a Hole*, a compilation of golfing cartoons (Dodd, Mead, \$2.95).

Necrology

It is with deep regret that we record the deaths of:

EARLE F. TILLEY, Chicago, Ill., well known golf historian and collector of ancient golfing literature. He had contributed to the USGA JOURNAL on several occasions. An attorney for the past forty-six years, Mr. Tilley played most of his golf at the Olympic Fields Country Club.

MRS. J. H. FAULK, Thomasville, Ga., mother of Miss Mary Lena Faulk, Women's Amateur Champion of 1953.