

A Fishy Story

The luck of the Irish reached a million to one peak recently at famed Killarney when a golfer, playing the eighteenth hole, sliced into the lake. As the ball descended it struck a rising trout. The golfer waded into the water and retrieved the ball and the stunned fish!

The story has brought forth the following parody:

Oh the dirty little pill
Went soaring out until
It plunged right into the water;
It fell on the snout
Of a rising trout
So he waded in and caught her!

British Cup Plan

In an effort to achieve the strongest possible Walker Cup Team by 1959, when the match again will be played in Great Britain, the British have adopted a four-year plan, according to Raymond Oppenheimer, Chairman of the Walker Cup Selectors. This year's match will be held at Minneapolis, Minn., on the last two days of August.

Dai Rees, Britain's Ryder Cup captain, and Bill Cox, of London, winner of numerous British professional titles, have been appointed coaches and every part of Great Britain will be searched for talent.

The Public Courses Association and the Artisans' Association have been invited to help in the search for prospective members of the 1959 Walker Cup Team. Any

youngster recommended will receive coaching from Rees and Cox.

"We want the best possible players, irrespective of district or anything else," Oppenheimer is quoted in the St. Andrews (Scotland) *Citizen*.

The cost of coaching will be borne by the Royal and Ancient Golf Club Selection Committee, which incorporates the Walker Cup Selection Committee.

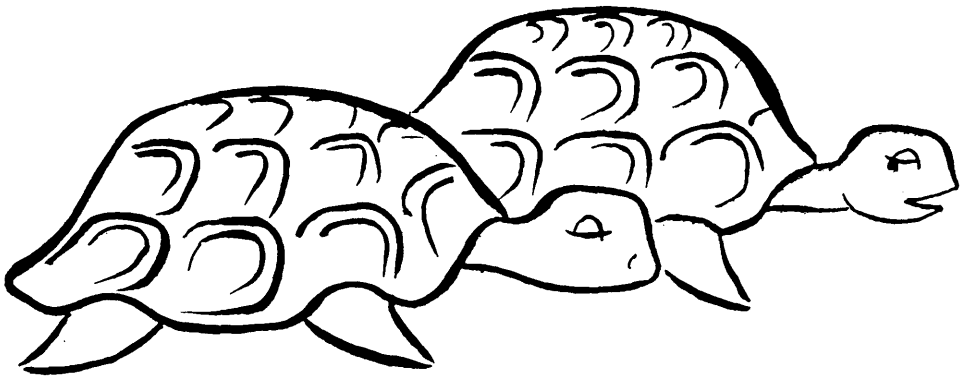
"If we find a good young prospect, we will send him straight to our coaches, then test him before a crowd as big as possible in exhibition matches against Rees and another player," said Oppenheimer. "He will undergo a real toughening up process."

Record Entries

The choice of Winged Foot Golf Club, Mamaroneck, N. Y., as the venue for the recent Women's Open Championship proved to be the most popular to date, by far; and the choice of the Manor Country Club, near Washington, D. C., for the Junior Amateur Championship was almost as popular.

The record entry of nearly 100 for the Women's Open was almost twice as many again as the previous high of 58 recorded in 1954 at Salem Country Club, Peabody, Mass. Amateurs outnumbered the pros by more than two to one, the majority of them entering from the Metropolitan New York area.

The field, which contained five former holders of the title as well as the champion,



Roger.

"Do hurry, dear, people will think we're playing golf."

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Mrs. Kathy Cornelius, was strong in quality as well as quantity.

The record entry of approximately 1,060 for the Junior Amateur marks the first time it has gone over 1,000.

Completing the Circle

To enter an event twice and win twice is a unique occurrence, but when the dates are 36 years apart it must constitute a record.

It happened to Mrs. Glenna Collett Vare last month at the Rhode Island Country Club, Nayatt, when she completed the circle in her long golfing career by regaining the Women's Rhode Island State title which she won in 1921. She had not competed since.

She celebrated her 54th birthday by winning her semi-final match from Miss Ruth Eddy, of Newport, R. I., and clinched the title the following day against the defending champion, 19 year old Miss Betty June Bobel, by 2 and 1 over 36 holes.

Rival for Eisenhower

The acting Prime Minister of Japan during Nobusuke Kishi's visit to the United States last month was Mitsujiro Ishii, and for the record Mr. Ishii probably could give President Eisenhower strokes both in

the play of the game and in devotion to it.

Mr. Ishii is a nine-handicap player and is also President of the Japan Golf Association.

Hill of Fame

The New York State Seniors' Golf Association has petitioned the committee in charge of the Hill of Fame of the Oak Hill Country Club, Rochester, N. Y., that an oak tree be named in honor of Charles Evans, Jr., of Chicago. Favorable action has been taken by the committee and approved by the Board of Governors of the Club. Mr. Evans has accepted. The tree will be dedicated on Thursday, July 18, during the annual tournament of the Seniors. Thus Evans will join the immortals already memorialized: President Eisenhower, Robert T. Jones, Jr., Walter Hagen, Ben Hogan and Cary Middlecoff. Before the inception of the Hill of Fame, Francis Ouimet was similarly honored on a nearby beautiful pin oak.

Ramps of Coal Ash

The 10th at North Shore Country Club, Glen Head, Long Island, N. Y., is an interesting par 3 hole. Although it measures slightly less than 150 yards, it is deeply cut through a ravine. As a result, golfers

had to walk down through the ravine and up a very steep grade to get to the green. It was a difficult walk for many of the older golfers, and as a result, several preferred to begin at the 10th rather than encounter this climb after 9 holes of play.

Last winter, Mr. William Sloan, Superintendent, built a ramp of coal ash, obtained at a nearby lighting company plant. The coal ash was obtained for the hauling. Eight thousand yards of coal ash went into the building of this ramp, which is 22 feet deep at its deepest point, and is 300 feet long. The ramp banks were stabilized with tall fescue.

A Rare Junior

The USGA's Junior Amateur Championship has brought to light many gifted young men, and it is fun to follow their progress, especially in the cases of Ken Venturi, Hillman Robbins, Gay Brewer, Mason Rudolph, Don Albert, Eddie Merrens, Don Bisplinghoff, Rex Baxter, Jr., Tommy Jacobs, Joe E. Campbell, Fred Rick Jones, Ward Wettlaufer and Frank Boynton, who have gone on to earn reputations in adult ranks.

However, for those who follow the event closely from year to year, it is just as much fun to follow a youngster's progress within junior ranks.

For example, a sandy-haired young man of 13 drew attention in the 1953 Junior Amateur Championship at first only because of his age and because the luck of the draw placed him in the very first match off the tee.

When he won that match, we made note that his name was Jack Nicklaus, and by the time he had advanced to the fourth round, we were all aware not only of his name but also that he came from the Scioto Country Club, in Columbus, Ohio, and was a real strong player despite his 13 years.

Well, to make a long story short, he has now qualified for five successive years, and at the age of 17 he will be playing out his final year of eligibility at the Manor Country Club, in Washington, this month. He made the quarter-finals in 1955 and the semi-finals last year.

SPORTSMAN'S CORNER

Hero of the recent British Amateur Championship at Formby Golf Club, Lancashire, was 5 ft. 6 ins. tall Leslie McClue, a Scot from the little industrial town of Renfrew, near Glasgow.

Leslie McClue had beaten Lt.-Col. A. A. Duncan, former British Walker Cupper, in the third Round and so qualified to meet former US Walker Cup man Dale Morey.

They were walking across the 11th tee, McClue two up, when Morey paused to have a practice swing. McClue stood back, then thinking Morey had finished, started to move and walked right into Morey's driver as it was coming back.

It struck him a fearful blow on the right side of the head and the curly-headed Scot fell to the ground.

Morey ran at once to him and McClue revived in thirty minutes. He was dazed and blood streamed down his head and clothes, but he insisted on finishing the round. Morey was most upset but the gallant McClue kept going to win.



LESLIE McCLUE CHATS WITH H. B. RIDGLEY

It was found on examination that his ear was badly torn, and the doctor, a friend of McClue's, decided nine stitches were necessary.

McClue pleaded with the doctor not to do anything that would prevent his playing the next day, so the stitching was done without an anaesthetic. Later that evening McClue, suffering from slight concussion, collapsed, and so anxious was the doctor for his welfare that he and his wife sat up with him all night.

For most of it he was restless, but slept a little towards morning, and at 9:30 woke up, announced that he wanted coffee and toast and that he would be on his way to the course to meet his opponent, H. B. Ridgley, the eventual runner-up.

Looking pale and shaken and his right ear encased in dressing, he was beaten 6 and 5 over 36 holes, a fighting show. Next day he left Southport, England, to drive to Renfrew, some 250 miles away in Scotland, because he wished to play in a 36 hole medal competition the following day. This he did scoring 78 and 74.

You will hear more about this 26-year-old Scot, a sales representative for a wine firm. He has not yet gained international honors but will surely do so soon.

NEW MEMBERS OF THE USGA

Regular

American Legion Country Club	Iowa
Atlantic Golf & Country Club	Iowa
Beacon Hill Country Club	N. J.
Bellefontaine Country Club	Ohio
Branch River Country Club	Wis.
Coffeyville Country Club	Kans.
Crooked Lake Golf Club	Ind.
Delaware Golf Club	N. Y.
Duck Lake Golf Club	Mich.
Egensburg Golf Club	Pa.
Emporium Country Club	Pa.
Grafton Country Club	W. Va.
Holston Hills Country Club	Va.
Intervale Country Club	N. H.
Meadow Hills Country Club	Colo.
Old Orchard Country Club	N. J.
Oxon Run Golf Team	D. C.
Pickaway Country Club	Ohio
Plattsburgh Golf & Country Club	N. Y.
Ponkapoag Golf Club	Mass.
Rapides Golf & Country Club	La.
Richmond County Country Club	N. C.
Skaneateles Country Club	N. Y.
Thendara Golf Club	N. Y.
Towanda Country Club	Pa.
Valleywood Golf Club	Ohio
Wausau Golf Club	Wis.

Associate

Asbury Park Golf & Country Club	N. J.
Chardon Lakes Golf Course	Ohio
Dorado Beach Golf Course	P. R.
Gearhart Golf Course	Ore.
Harbor Hills Country Club	N. Y.
Hoberg's Forest Lake Golf Course	Cal.
Stonington Manor Golf Club	Conn.
Wilker Park Memorial Golf Course	Ind.
Windsor Golf Club	N. Y.

As nearly as we can determine from the longevity records, this is the high mark for a junior, and it will be fun to see how he handles his final challenge. Win or lose at Manor, however, it is of course a cinch that Jack will win more than his share of tournaments in the years to come.

Miss Jeanne Bisgood In USGA Championship

Miss Jeanne Bisgood, former British Curtis Cup golfer and twice holder of the English Ladies' Championship, has entered for the Women's Amateur Championship to be held next month at the Del Paso Country Club, Sacramento, Cal.

She competed in the 1950 event at the

Atlanta Athletic Club, Atlanta, Ga., when she reached the third round, and again in 1954 at the Allegheny Country Club, Sewickley, Pa., when she lost at the 19th to Mrs. J. Douglas Streit (Miss Marlene Stewart) in the fourth round.

A barrister by profession, Miss Bisgood devotes much of her time to serving on the Council of the Borough and County of the Town of Poole in Dorset, England.

A Worthy Manual

The Chicago District Golf Association furnishes its member clubs each year with a Directory of Information, a statistical manual covering every detail of golf club administration.

The 1957 volume, which has incorporated suggestions submitted since the previous issue, lists comparative charges for all services to members of individual member clubs, besides giving other operative details of the clubs.

A great deal of thought and care has been given to the breakdown of such items as Dining Room Operations, Bar Operations, Electric Carts, Caddie Report, Golf Professional Report, etc. which will be of infinite value to the recipients in analyzing their own club operations.

Evans Scholars House Dedicated

The Daniel B. Ryan House of Evans Scholars Foundation, accommodating 38 Evans Scholars at Marquette University in Milwaukee, was formally dedicated on May 22. The House is one of six involved in the caddie-scholarship program of the Western Golf Association, which currently is sending 304 deserving young men to college.

Friends of Daniel B. Ryan, president of the Cook County Board of Commissioners, recently raised funds to purchase the house.

Officials from the Western Golf Association, the Wisconsin State Golf Association, the Milwaukee Golf Association, the Milwaukee Senior's Golf Association and clubs in the Milwaukee area were present for the dedication, along with the Marquette Evans Scholars. Carleton Blunt, president of WGA, presided.

James L. O'Keefe, former president of the Western Golf Association, spearheaded the drive.