



THROUGH THE GREEN

High Placed Golfers

Heads of State or Heads of Government—a lot of them are golfers. The list includes President Eisenhower, Prime Minister Macmillan, King Baudouin of the Belgians and Prime Minister Kishi of Japan.

And to prove again that old Scotland is a golf attraction almost without equal, three of them were knocking around Scotland at almost the same time earlier this Autumn—President Eisenhower at Turnberry, Mr. Macmillan on two or three different courses and King Baudouin at Gleneagles.

Pros and the Ladies

Questions that make you wonder???

In the mail comes a request for information on "the duties of the professional in relation to the ladies?" Does he call the ladies by their first names? What about starting the ladies on Ladies Day play?

The answers, of course, vary with clubs and it is the duty of club governing boards to outline their desires.

1961 Competitions

The 1961 Walker Cup Match will be held on the Pacific Coast for the first time. The scene will be the Seattle Golf Club, in Seattle, Wash., which also entertained the 1952 Amateur Championship. The British can take one of the new jet flights over the North Pole and reach the Pacific Coast just as easily as they

could fly the Atlantic. The dates will be Friday and Saturday, September 1 and 2.

Following the Match, both Teams will go down the coast to the famous Pebble Beach Links, in Pebble Beach, Cal., for the Amateur Championship, September 11 through 16. The Amateur was held previously at Pebble Beach in 1929 and 1947.

The 1961 Amateur Public Links Championship will be held at the Rackham Golf Course, Detroit, Mich., in July. Rackham previously entertained the event in 1940.

Golf and Daylight

Colorado was on standard time, and therefore daylight fell early during the Amateur Championship at the Broadmoor Golf Club, in Colorado Springs, Colo. In an attempt to insure that all players would be able to finish their first matches, the USGA moved the first starting time up to 7:30 a.m. and issued the following plea to players:

"How would you like being prevented by darkness from finishing a match the day you start it?

"This could happen at Broadmoor in the National Amateur Championship.

"The last scheduled starting time Monday is 2:36 p.m. The deadline for fair playing conditions is about 6:10 p.m.—about 3 hours 34 minutes after the last time. This does not allow for extra-hole matches and perhaps other unavoidable delays.

"The late starters can, and will, finish

if those ahead will do their part. Here are some simple ways to do it:

1. Early starters—Set a good pace.
2. All following players—Keep up with players immediately ahead, without lag.
3. All players—Play the course within three hours. It is reasonable to expect mature golfers in the National Amateur Championship to do this. There is quite enough time for 144 players to get around the course in the first round.

"Whether those at the end of the field finish their matches is largely up to those preceding. What happens at 7:30 a.m. has a decided bearing on what happens at 6 p.m.

"This is a real opportunity for you to show the whole country how the game should be played, without dawdle or dally. The professionals showed it in the last round of this year's Open in another serious situation involving daylight.

"Now you, the best amateurs in the country, can help further in reversing the slow pace of play which has blighted championship golf for many years."

The results were reasonably satisfying. Only two matches were cut off by darkness, and they were within a hole or two of the end so that it was relatively easy for them to finish out the next morning.

Boatwright and Slappey Join USGA Staff

P. J. Boatwright, Jr., and Sterling G. Slappey have been appointed Assistant Directors of the USGA on the New York staff.

John P. English has resigned as Assistant Executive Director to do alumni work at Williams College, Williamstown, Mass. Mr. English had been a member of the staff for more than ten years and had helped inaugurate the USGA JOURNAL. He had performed outstanding service, and the Association wishes to commend him heartily. Present and former members of the Executive Committee presented him with a silver platter, suitably inscribed and engraved with 21 signatures, upon his retirement.

Mr. Boatwright moves to New York from Pinehurst, N. C., where he has been



P. J. Boatwright, Jr. Sterling G. Slappey

Executive Secretary of the Carolinas Golf Association since November, 1955. He is an amateur golfer of skill, is the present Carolina Open Champion, and has competed in both the National Amateur and the National Open. He is a native of Augusta, Ga.

Mr. Slappey was for seven years a foreign correspondent with the Associated Press with headquarters in London and Moscow. He was European Sports Editor for several years and covered golf extensively throughout the British Isles. He is a native of Fort Valley, Ga., and was a resident of Atlanta before going abroad.

The USGA executive staff now comprises:

Executive Director—Joseph C. Dey, Jr.

Assistant Directors—P. J. Boatwright, Jr., and Sterling G. Slappey.

Administrative Assistants—C. Edmund Miller and Paul R. MacDonald.

Tournament Relations Manager—Robert C. Renner.

Office Manager—Anthony A. Kesaris.

Britons Visit Golf House

British Ryder Cup team members visited Golf House and toured the library and museum. The players were just off the Queen Elizabeth and on their way to a series of transcontinental matches to be topped off with the Ryder Cup matches at Eldorado Country Club in Palm Desert, Calif.

British golf writers paying their first call to "Golf House" were Frank Pennink, London Daily Mail, and Leonard Crawley, former Walker Cup player and golf writer for the London Daily Telegraph.

Timely Ace

J. A. H. Torrey—68 years old, 12 years a golfer and an 18-handicap player—was winner of the third PGA National Hole-in-one contest. Mr. Torrey hit the perfect shot on the 190-yard, 11th at Burning Tree Club, Bethesda, Md. He used a No. 4 wood. Nearly 115,000 golfers throughout the nation competed.

Tables Turned on Treadwell

They turned the tables on George Treadwell, Sr., at the USGA Players' Dinner preceding the Senior Amateur Championship at the Memphis Country Club.

Mr. Treadwell, as the Club's General Chairman for the Championship, was all set to pay honor to the guests. So he did, and he was right in character, for he has been a warm and gracious host on countless golfing occasions.

But before the evening was through Mr. Treadwell was the recipient of a rare honor. He was presented a silver box bearing the seals of the Southern, the Tennessee and the Memphis Golf Associations with an appropriate inscription by those organizations. It was a fitting tribute to a gentleman who has been unusually generous in his contributions to the welfare of golf. Roy Moore and Earl Briggs made the presentation.



George Treadwell, Sr.



SPORTSMAN'S CORNER

Richard Crawford, 20, Southern Amateur and National Collegiate Champion who lost 4 and 3 to 50-year old David (Spec) Goldman of Dallas in the third round of the Amateur Championship, is a candidate for any sportsmanship trophy.

The young collegian from the University of Houston and El Dorado, Ark., had squared the Goldman match on the fourth. On the next hole Goldman hit his approach 12 feet short. Crawford, who had been short with his approach, chipped five feet shy, his ball stopping in Goldman's line.

Goldman asked the youngster to mark his ball and Crawford complied. Goldman bent over his putt, his back to Crawford, but before he could stroke the ball Crawford interrupted him:

"Pick up your ball, Mr. Goldman," Crawford said. "I have lost the hole."

The surprised Goldman stepped back from his putt, and Crawford continued: "I cleaned my ball."

Goldman scolded, "I don't play golf that hard. You leave that marker of yours right where it is."

But before he could bend over his putt again, Crawford had picked up Goldman's ball, too, and was headed toward the sixth tee.

1960 Green Section Educational Program

The proper use of water on the golf course raises questions with many sided answers. At the USGA Green Section Educational Program, to be held January 29 at the Biltmore Hotel, in New York, N. Y. panels of specialists will discuss the controversial subject before opening the morning and afternoon sessions to question and answer periods.

The morning session will be devoted to The Mechanics of Applying Water. Water Requirements of the Golf Course will be discussed during the afternoon. Among the subject-matter will be: sources of water supplies and the merits of each source; distribution systems and the relative merits of cast iron, steel, plastic, and asbestos cement pipes; cost and efficiency of various sprinkler systems; the agronomic point of view of how fast water should be applied, and frequency of application; the golfer's point of view on how soft putting greens should be kept, and the effect of moisture on the roll of the ball. The highlights of the program will be discussions on the relative needs of golfers and plants, and can differences in requirements be reconciled.

The fourth annual Educational Program, like the preceding, will be presented for the benefit of club green committee chairmen and golf course superintendents. Full details are to be released at a later date.

Necrology

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

Vincent Richards, famed tennis star of the 1920's and later an executive with Dunlop's sports division. He was largely concerned with golf ball manufacture. He was 56 and died of a heart ailment.

Dennis Smalldon, 33 year old golf professional from Cardiff, Wales, died of injuries suffered in an automobile accident.

Books Received

FUNGAL DISEASES OF TURF GRASSES by J. Drew Smith (The Sports Turf Research Institute of Bingley, Yorkshire, England) deals with the principles of disease control and the effects of environment and management as well as with individual diseases common to Britain. Many of these diseases will be familiar to American readers. The principles discussed by Mr. Smith are universally applicable.

USGA COMPETITIONS FOR 1961

<u>Championship or Team Match</u>	<u>Entries Close</u>	<u>Qualifying Rounds</u>	<u>Dates of Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
Open	May 3	Local: May 22 Sect'l.: June 6**	June 15-16-17	Oakland Hills C.C., Liverningham, Mich.
Women's Open	June 14	None	June 29-30, July 1	Baltusrol Golf Club, Springfield, N.J.
Amateur Public Links	*June 1	†June 18-25	July 10-15	Rackham Golf Course, Detroit, Mich.
Junior Amateur	June 28	July 18	Aug. 2-5	Cornell University Golf Course, Ithaca, N.Y.
Girls' Junior	July 28	None	Aug. 14-18	Broadmoor Golf Club, Seattle, Wash.
Women's Amateur	Aug. 2	None	Aug. 21-26	Tacoma Country & G.C., Tacoma, Wash.
(1) Walker Cup Match	—	—	Sept. 1-2	Seattle Golf Club, Seattle, Wash.
Amateur	Aug. 9	Aug. 29	Sept. 11-16	Pebble Beach Course, Del Monte G. & C.C., Pebble Beach, Cal.
Senior Amateur	Aug. 30	Sept. 19	Oct. 2-7	Southern Hills C.C., Tulsa, Okla.

**Re Open Championship: Sectional Qualifying Championships date may be changed to Monday, June 5 if local authority in charge deems advisable.

Re Amateur Public Links Championship:

* Entries close with each Sectional Qualifying Chairman.

† Exact date in each Section to be fixed by Sectional Chairman.

(1) Walker Cup Match: Men's amateur teams—Great Britain vs. United States.