

fertilizers or top-dressing which would stimulate the plants to produce new leaves would result in hiding the killed leaves and give a more healthy-looking turf. This method will no doubt be found entirely satisfactory, for the disease does not ordinarily kill many plants and therefore produces only a temporary unhealthy appearance of the fairways.

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### Some U. S. Golf Association Decisions on the Rules of Golf

**QUESTION.**—An entrant qualifies and defaults his first match. Is he eligible to play in the defeated eights? This question was brought up through a peculiar circumstance connected with the Florida State Amateur Golf Tournament. A qualified in the 6th sixteen; he defaulted the original match, and then he was put in to the defeated eight in that flight. Then he drew a bye that was scheduled to play B for the third round honors. Then B defaulted and A moved in the semi-finals. C and D simultaneously defaulted their third round match. A then was alone in the semi-finals, with only defaults ahead of him, consequently winning the defeated 8th trophy without swinging a club. Can you imagine that such a condition would ever occur?

**ANSWER.**—The Rules Committee of the United States Golf Association has always taken the stand that a player who has withdrawn from match play is not entitled to compete further in the tournament. This would disqualify the player you mention from playing in the defeated eight. As a matter of information, the United States Golf Association recommends that a man winning the medal prize in a qualifying round for subsequent match play and then withdrawing his score from the match play, is not entitled to the medal play prize, as the Association considers this part of the match play tournament.

**QUESTION.**—In the Metropolitan Open at Lido, two of the best professionals topped their tee shots in the water at (I think) the 4th hole. Both re-teed balls and continued playing.

**ANSWER.**—Cases like this are always treated under the specific water-hazard rule, Rule 27, and players therefore would not be allowed to re-tee unless there were a local rule covering the same.

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