

## The Curtis Cup Teams

The Curtis Cup Match this year will be a new experience for more than half the contestants. Of the seven players for the British Isles, two have been on previous teams. Four of the United States' eight players are newcomers.

The sixth Match in the series is to be played September 4 and 5 at the Country Club of Buffalo, Williamsville, N. Y. The USGA holds the trophy by virtue of victory in 1948, 6½ to 2½, at Birkdale, England.

The Match will consist of three four-somes on Labor Day and six singles the next day, all at 36 holes for the first time.

Among the spectators doubtless will



**Mrs. Porter**

be several prospective members of future American teams, for the USGA's second Girls' Junior Championship is to be played August 28-September 1 at the Wanakah Country Club near Buffalo.

The British Isles team is scheduled to arrive in New York August 22 on the SS Caronia. There will be several days of practice at the Maidstone Club, East Hampton, L. I., N. Y., and the Team will go to Buffalo August 27.

Following the Match, the British players except their Captain, Mrs. A. C. Critchley, will participate in the USGA Women's Amateur Championship at the East Lake Course of the Atlanta Athletic Club, September 11-16.

The visitors then travel to Toronto for a match with Canada on September 20. They sail for home September 23 on the SS Mauretania.

The American Team this year has a non-playing Captain, Mrs. Edwin H. Vare, Jr., six times USGA Champion.

Following is information about the playing members of the Teams:

### BRITISH ISLES

**Mrs. A. C. Critchley**, the Captain, is the former Diana Fishwick, who won the British Championship in 1930 by defeating Mrs. Vare in the final.

Mrs. Critchley was a member of the Team in 1932 and 1934 and was selected again two years ago but did not play because of illness. She lives in Chertsey, England, and is a frequent winter visitor to this country.

**Miss Jeanne Bisgood** lives in Bournemouth, England, and is a barrister who golfs as an avocation.

She interrupted her schooling at Oxford to join the WRNS in 1942 and first achieved recognition in golf last year when she took part in the international matches and defeated Miss Grace Lenczyk in the British Championship. She was a quarter-finalist this spring.

**Miss Jean Donald** is a manufacturer's representative and lives in North Berwick, Scotland.

She was a member of the Team in 1948, won her foursome and defeated Miss Dorothy Kirby in singles. She was runner-up in the British Championship that year.

**Miss Philomena Garvey** is the lone representative of Eire and has won the Championship of that country four times since the war.

She was runner-up in the 1946 British Championship and was a member of the Team in 1948, halving with Miss Louise Suggs in the No. 1 singles. She lives in Dublin and is the youngest of the British players.

**Miss Elizabeth Price** is a diabetic who has brought her ailment under control and hopes that other sufferers may take heart from her example.

She lives in Farnham, England, and reached the semi-final round in the British Championship this spring after defeating Miss Lenczyk, Miss Frances Stephens and Mrs. Andrew M. Holm, a former Champion.

She is a farmer.

**Miss Frances Stephens** won the British and French Championships last year and was defeated in the second round of the USGA Championship. In 1948 she won the English Championship.

She lives in Liverpool, England, and is a caterer.

**Miss. George Valentine** is a housewife and has one child, 2½ years old.

She won the British Championship, as Miss Jessie Anderson, in 1937, was runner-up this year and was a semi-finalist on three other occasions. She was a member of the Team in 1936 and 1938 and has won twice in foursomes and once in singles.

Her home is in Perthshire, Scotland.

### UNITED STATES

**Miss Beverly Hanson** divides her time between writing and golf, and reached the semi-final round of the 1948 Women's Amateur Championship. Her home is in Fargo, N. D., and she attended the University of North Dakota.

However, she is also identified with California since she attended Mills College, too, and has spent winters there. She now holds both the California and Southern California championships. She won the Texas Open last year. She engages in civic orchestra work and is a bassoon player.

**Miss Dorothy Kielty** is proprietress of a dress shop in Los Angeles and, having been a WASP pilot during the war, she also gives flight instruction.

She was runner-up in the 1949 USGA Women's Amateur Championship and this spring went to the quarter-final round of the British championship. In the Match at Birkdale, England, two years ago, she won in both foursomes and singles, and later went to the semi-finals of the British championship. She has held the Western Amateur and California titles.

**Miss Dorothy Kirby** devotes most of her time to the sales department of an Atlanta radio station. She has twice been runner-up and last year was a semi-finalist in the USGA Women's Amateur Championship. She has won the Southern and was runner-up again this year.

She played with the Team in 1948, winning in the foursomes but losing to Miss Donald in singles, and later was a quarter-finalist in the British championship.

She has been President of the Women's Southern Golf Association and is a director of the Women's Western Golf Association and a member of the USGA Women's Committee.

**Miss Peggy Kirk** has compiled an impressive record in tournaments throughout the Midwest and the South. She makes a home for her father in Findlay, Ohio, and, during winters, in Florida.

Recently she won the Eastern Championship and was runner-up in the Western Open. Last year she won the North and South and Titleholders' tournaments and was runner-up in the Western Amateur. She was a quarter-finalist in the USGA Women's Amateur Championship in 1948 and has been the Ohio champion for three years.

She attended both the Sargent School and Rollins College.

**Miss Grace Lenczyk** is a senior at Stetson University in Florida and the youngest member of the Team, yet she is a veteran of the 1948 Match, in which she won in singles. Later that year she won the USGA Women's Amateur Championship.

She had held the United States Collegiate and the Canadian championships and this year reached the third round of the British and the final of the Collegiate championships. Her home is in Hartford, Conn. She paints in both oil and water color.

**Mrs. Mark A. Porter**, the former Dorothy Germain, is a housewife and mother of two children, a girl nearly 2 years and a boy 2 months. Her game was developed on such a sound base that, when the USGA Women's Amateur Championship was held in Philadelphia last summer, she was able to step out of her home and win it.

In 1943 and 1944 she won the Western Amateur and in 1944 and 1945 was runner-up in the Western Open. Since her graduation from Beaver College and her marriage she has confined her playing to the Philadelphia area, where she has won several local championships.

**Miss Polly Riley** is the fourth veteran of the 1948 Match, and she held her place by compiling a fine record in southern and western competitions. She won the Southern Championship this year for the second time and she also has won the Trans-Mississippi championship twice and the Texas Open. She has been a quarter-finalist in each of the last three USGA Women's Amateur Championships.

In the last Match, she competed in singles and won her point. She lives in Fort Worth, Texas, and is bookkeeper for a law firm and a director of the Women's Southern Golf Association.

**Miss Helen Sigel**, who operates a restaurant in Philadelphia, has twice been runner-up and once a semi-finalist in the USGA Women's Amateur Championship. She now holds the Western Amateur title.

Last year she achieved her biggest thrill in golf by defeating Mrs. Porter for the Pennsylvania championship after being 6 down, and she has won many other tournaments in that area.

### PERFECT GOLF

I once read a story about a golfer who, for one enchanted afternoon, had the magic power of playing perfect golf. Trouble was—the game was so easy that it wasn't any fun! That's the difference between fiction and golf. In real life, no matter how well you are playing, golf never loses its quality of challenge. Even our perfect golfer, our impossible ideal, will have his troubles—you can be sure of that. Golf is a humbling game!

—Gene Sarazen in Pageant, August, 1950.