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Climax of Match Play Final, Repetition Of Week's Sensational Play

Young Robeson Divides Tournament Honors With Topping, Guilford Hunter and Sullivan



PINEHURST has seen many a day, but never a day to equal the first round of match play in the United Championship with the climax and anti-climax, sensations, thrills, and surprises. ¶ Advancing on an un-

expected win from Amateur Champion Onimet, Jesse Guilford went down before young Fillmore K. Robeson, the medallist, in a match which was carried to the twentieth green. ¶ Robert Hunter trimmed Walter J. Travis and T. W. Case, and J. H. Sullivan, Jr., disposed of R. S. Worthington, the title holder and "Phil" Carter, generally regarded as Ouimet's most dangerous rival; young Robeson's morning win from Hamilton K. Kerr on the nineteenth green. ¶ And semi-final and final rounds were much the same, young Robeson advancing with a brilliant two and one win over Hunter, for the premier test of the final with H. J. Topping, who won an equally fast match from Sullivan. \ So here goes for the story straight off the bat!

THE BATTLE ROYAL OF THE FINAL

Robeson's victory over Topping in the thirty-six hole final, unquestionably goes on record as the fastest match in the history of this classic annual; the score of four and two misleading, for there never 3 which Topping duplicated with a splen-

was a time during afternoon play, when I did putt. Robeson drove the green for a Topping was not a dangerous factor until he pulled his ball off the course into an impossible position for recovery on the thirty-fourth hole. The sensation of the day was Robeson's morning round, a conservative approximated seventy, and by many estimated at sixty-eight. ¶ Making the turn in thirty-four, two under par, he raced home in thirty-six, equalling par; Topping's forty-one out finding him four down at the turn, and his thirty-six in, holding the score at the same disadvantage. ¶ In afternoon play Robeson won five, lost five and halved six of the sixteen holes played, making the turn in forty-three to forty-one.

GAINS LEAD WITH RECORD BREAKING 70

The story of the morning round is mainly a record of Robeson's perfection. ¶ On the first, a long drive was followed by a dead approach and a winning 3 where Topping was in trouble and conceded 6. On the second hole the new champion made the edge of the green in 2 for a winning 4; Topping over on his third and missing a putt for a halve. Robeson's second made the trap on the third, but his brilliant recovery laid the ball dead for a 4, and Topping who drove to the rough, made an equally good recovery for a halve. Robeson missed a putt for a loosing 5 on the fourth which Topping won on a fine approach. The fifth was halved in one under par 4 and Robeson laid his approach dead for a 3 on the sixth where Topping, trapped on his drive, lost a stroke in recovering. On the seventh, Robeson made the green in three perfect shots, and was given an approximated 5, with Topping out of it with a drive to the rough, a lost shot in recovery, a topped third, a short fourth, and a fifth which failed to make the green. Robeson's drive was hole high on the eighth, and his second dead for a

3 on the short ninth, where Topping was beyond and required 4.

Robeson's second was hole high on the tenth and he missed a 3, halving in 4; with Topping short on both his second and third, but saving the hole with a long putt for a halve in 4. Robeson's pulled tee shot to the rough on the eleventh, was followed by a fine recovery and the third which made an easy 4 possible; Topping hole high on his second, and dead for a halve on his third. Robeson laid his second snug up to the pin on the twelfth and was given an approximated 4 where he might have made a 3; Topping's tee shot to the rough followed by a cross-course shot, and a short third. Robeson won the thirteenth in a perfect 4 where Topping was in trouble again, making the green on his fourth. On the fourteenth, Robeson missed his first tee shot, but he was well up on his second, his third rolled away from the cup and he missed a 4 for a halve; Topping laying his third dead. Once again on the fifteenth, Robeson's drive went astray but he made a fine second which availed nothing, as Topping holed a putt from off the green for 2. Both tee shots on the sixteenth were in trouble, but the recoveries were good and the hole was halved in a par 4. Topping was fortunate to halve the short seventeenth in 3 through a fine shot from one of the traps near the green, which he laid dead to the hole. The eighteenth was a halve in 5; Topping "topping" his drive and laying his third on the green, with Robeson's ball hanging in the grass on the edge of a pit near the green from which he made a fine third and missed a winning 4, retiring for luncheon four up. The eards:

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MISS FLORENCE CROFT WINS

Her Six Up Score Best in Silver Poils Bogy Handicap Tourney

Scores Run Close



MISS Florence Croft of Pittsburgh was the winner of the last of the Silver Foils Tournaments, a match play handicap against bogy, recording two duplicate rounds of 48 for a 96 gross and a 6 up win,

her handicap 9. Mrs. J. V. Hurd also of Pittsburgh, who made 45-42-87, was second 5 up, her handicap plus 5. Mrs. William West of Camden, 50-52-102, finished third, 2 up, her handicap 6.

Mrs. F. T. Ellison of Rochester (34. Mrs. John Tyler Newton of Brooklyn (34) Mrs. J. P. Williamsport of Williamsport (9) and Mrs. W. S. Morse of Rochester (23) were others who defeated the invincible Colonel, each one up.

Mrs. H. H. Van Cleef of Poughkeepsie (12) and Mrs. Guy Metcalf of Providence (7), were both 3 down, and Mrs. Irving S. Robeson of Rochester (14), Mrs. J. P. Gardner of Chicago (9) and Miss Blanche Farrington of West Newton (14), were all 6 down.

Mrs. J. P. Gardner of Chicago, was the winner of a medal play handicap with a card of 109-18-91, with Miss Sarah Evans of Tedesco second in 101-8-93.

Miss Croft also won Tuesday's putting competition, and Mrs. Hurd's 75 leads in the all season, selected score trophy. ¶ Several special events are planned.

