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WEEKLY PUTTING CONTEST TO MRS. R. C. BLANCKE

The weekly putting contest for women held on the clock greens at the Country Club on Saturday last resulted in a tie, at 24, between Mrs. R. C. Blancke and Mrs. Harriet Waters. Mrs. Blancke won on the play-off. Mrs. C. S. Waterhouse and Mrs. B. V. Covert also tied, at 25, for third place. Nineteen contestants took part.

The scores:

- Mrs. R. C. Blancke 24
- Mrs. Harriet Waters 24
- Mrs. C. S. Waterhouse 25
- Mrs. B. V. Covert 25
- Mrs. A. S. Higgins 26
- Mrs. J. L. Bauer 27
- Mrs. H. P. Hotchkiss 27
- Mrs. G. M. Howard 28
- Mrs. Hart 28
- Mrs. R. C. Blackinton 28
- Mrs. Lasher 28
- Mrs. Power 28
- Mrs. Patterson 28
- Mrs. Anderson 29
- Mrs. H. G. Waring 29
- Mrs. G. W. Statzell 32
- Mrs. Hosley 32
- Mrs. Wheeler 33
- Mrs. H. H. Rackham No card

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whose diplomacy and education always render him welcome, have made it a point to attend the big amateur meetings, and while they have never been asked publicly to voice their views as to courses, many delegates have anxiously hung upon their notions privately expressed, and have taken them for law and gospel.

In the case of last year's amateur championship, the event was due by rotation and promise on the north shore of Long Island, so it was easy to swing it over from Nassau, hard by, when that course had consented to the change, especially when the North Shore club had offered to co-operate, just as Piping Rock had agreed to with Nassau. After the United States Association had voted in favor of the Engineers, which had much in the way of advanced trend to recommend it, a number of pros admitted that, having been stung themselves by its peculiarities, they rather wanted to see what amateurs could do with it. It was not unlike the man who has bit on a joke and is keen to watch someone else impaled on the same hook. It should not be inferred, however, that most of the pros did not speak frankly in the matter. They pointed out the spots most open to criticism and believed a year's work could eliminate the unfair features. However, not as many changes was outlined.

It is not too much to state in the same connection that the Women's National would never have been underlined next October at the Hollywood, N. J., club, but for the contest of Barnes and Hagen against Vardon and Ray there on August 1st, last. Only a handful of amateurs

had played the course, although many of them had read in the newspapers of its system of triple tees and other admirably planned details. As soon as that match was over it began to be bruited about that no better field in the east could be selected for the national open. The Hollywooders, naturally flattered, felt that award was almost within their grasp, when it was discovered that the Columbia Club of Washington, long hovering in the offing for the amateur or open events had finally determined to go after the latter rather than wait for the first named, due west this year. At the same time Siwanoy of the Westchester County, (New York) district bobbed up with determination, involving a contest. Meantime, the women, always ready as golfers to rush in where angels would fear to tread, attracted entirely by the endorsements of the professionals, decided they would like to tackle Hollywood. That club has no fair players of consequence and no wires had been pulled by that management. Indeed, the Jersey folk at first were not inclined to favor entertaining the women, but as the award involved no contest, they concluded it was best to accept the tender.

The case was much the same in 1919, when the Women's National went to Shawnee, with its exceptionally long carries. Jim Barnes' opinion and performance there as at the Engineers and Hollywood seemed to hypnotize those empowered to decide.

While the Detroit Country club through being the leading organization of that important section would have sooner or later received the amateur championship, that event would never have gone there as early as 1915 but for Harry Vardon. On his second tour here he was importuned as to what he considered the best American courses. Shortly before he sailed he placed the Detroit Country at the top of the list with Mayfield of Cleveland second. So many Bostonians, at least, had expected him to put Merion second or third, if not first, he felt as if he must specify it, but he located no more definitely than somewhere in the first half dozen. The three named were the only ones he specifically grouped, merely enumerating several others as of high quality. Had not certain national association officials previously committed themselves to Ekwanok, Detroit would have been chosen the next year. Contrary to general impression, Ekwanok — the most out and out resort course ever chosen (since it has only one hotel), literally had the contest pushed upon it, not unlike the horse on a ferryboat that finds he has drawn preferred position behind a load of hay.

After the Intercollegiate and National Amateur had gone to Ekwanok, the women had serious designs upon the Green Mountains for their national, just as they did upon Garden City. Heaven only knows how the National at Southampton and Lidor have escaped their sweep of the golfing firmament. Their motto seems to be: "No course can come too hard, too strong; to stiff, too long."

One resident in every sixteen in Manitoba owns an automobile, or a total of 36,455 cars for the whole of the province, an increase of 25 per cent over 1919.