

# The PINEHURST OUTLOOK



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## SENIORS' TOURNAMENT

### L. A. Hamilton Wins Chief Honors

The first Seniors' Tournament played at Pinehurst on March 3 and 4 brought out a field of 98 contestants ranging in age from mere lads of fifty-five to middle-aged gentlemen in the upper seventies. The tournament consisted of two days' play, 18 holes each day, and prizes were awarded for the best gross, best net each day, and best selected holes scores.

L. A. Hamilton of Garden City, turned in gross scores of 82-76—158, and led the field by a 12-point margin from Dr. J. S. Brown, at 89-81—170. Hamilton also led in the selected holes contest with a round of 72-3—69 for his best 18 holes, and as he elected to annex the trophy that went with that particular achievement the prize for the best gross score for the 36 holes was awarded to Dr. Brown. George T. Dunlap of Plainfield, took third honors, at 90-84—174, and was followed by H. W. Croft of Greenwich, and W. E. Wells of Oakmont, who tied at 175.

Dunlap finished with a score of 78-7—71 in the selected holes contest and tied for second honors with D. S. Brassil of Scarsdale, whose best 18 were played in 85-14—71. Dr. Brown and W. E. Wells followed, at 74.

George W. Statzell of Aronimink, won the Frank Presbrey prize for the best net round the first day with a score of 84-14—70. Colonel H. W. Ormsbee of Massapequa, was second best in this division at 98-27—71, and S. M. Morgan of Altoona, Andrew Baxter of Wykagyl, and T. S. Wheeler of Augusta, tied at 72 for third honors in this division.

In the second day's play, D. S. Brassil of Scarsdale, won the best net score prize at 94-27—67, and was followed by George T. Dunlap, and Commodore J. T. Newton of Brooklyn, at 97-27—70.

One of the most interesting features of the tournament was the close race between the oldest two contestants, John Carley of Sharon, Pa., aged 78, and Dr. Carlos F. MacDonald of New York, who only recently celebrated his seventy-fifth anniversary. Carley, the dean of the tournament, finally won out with a gross total of 221 for the two rounds as against 224 for Dr. MacDonald, and also triumphed in the net score race at 169 to 170 for the doctor, despite of one stroke handicap advantage in the latter's favor.

The following is an alphabetical list of scores of those who turned in cards.

A. B. Alley	(20)	83-89—172
C. H. Ash	(25)	80-93—153
S. K. Ames	(24)	82-89—169
N. L. Bates	(18)	83-85—164
D. S. Brassil	(27)	76-67—133
J. S. Brown	(11)	78-70—148
J. E. Brodhead	(30)	76-83—159
A. Baxter	(22)	72-76—148
W. B. Briggs	(16)	84-84—168
M. Burke	(16)	81-82—163
Jas. Barber	(23)	79-87—166
G. H. Converse	(16)	88-93—181

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## THE PINEHURST CHAPEL SUNDAY SERVICES

Holy Communion,	9:15 A. M.
Children's Service,	10:00 A. M.
Morning Services and Sermon,	11:00 A. M.

## ROMAN CATHOLIC SERVICES

Early Mass.....	6:15 A. M.
Second Mass.....	8:00 A. M.
When visiting Priest is at Pinehurst.	

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## THEORY VS. FACT IN GOLF

BY JACK HOAG

How many clubs do you carry that you seldom if ever use? If you have no confidence in a club or in your ability to play it the club should have no place in your bag, it is dead timber and the sooner it is disposed of the sooner will the temptation to experiment with it be removed and the faster your game will improve. How often do you hear a defeated golfer say, "I wasn't hitting them well so I changed my stroke or tried out a club which I seldom use."

If you were seriously ill with pneumonia and your doctor said "I don't seem to be helping him much, he's a sick man, guess I'll give him a dose of arsenic and see how it works on a man in his condition" you'd call him several varieties of fool and fire him at once, and yet, you are just as foolish when you experiment in the face of a desperate situation during a golf match.

A good golf game is made up of a series of strokes which you know that you can rely upon, and when playing a match you should never attempt a shot which you are not confident that you can pull off successfully. Golf is a game of getting the ball from the tee to the hole in the fewest number of strokes, and a man should use the club which he has confidence in regardless of the opinion of others or how much he violates the theories of the game. Golfers learn by practice but a close match is no time or place to experiment in, and the man who wins is the fellow who knows his own limitations and does not attempt the impossible.

To return for a moment to your bag of clubs. The writer examines hundreds of sets a year and times without number we've had a golfer say in answer to a query, "Oh, yes, I carry that club but I seldom use it. I hit a good ball with it one day and bought it, but now I can't seem to do anything with it." And yet he kept it in his bag and made some poor caddy tote it day after day. A close examination of the offending club usually showed that it did not correspond with the player's other clubs, and often it was the lie of the club that was at fault.

The real difference between the clubs of an amateur and a pro lies in the uniformity of their lies. A pro realizes the importance of having the lie of his clubs fit himself while the amateur buys his clubs on a hit-or-miss plan, and it is seldom that we find a well-matched and well-graded set. Another important differ-

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