



Country Club Notes



All the golfers are looking ahead with much pleasure for the events to come, which will attract to Pinehurst practically all the leading professionals and many of the foremost amateurs.

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The next big tournament on the Country Club schedule is the eighteenth annual St. Valentines tournament, and will be played on January 30 to February 4. With the exception of the Spring tournament, this event usually attracts the largest entry list of the year.

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Everyone who has read the Donald J. Ross stymie plan appears to favor it and it is likely that it will be accepted by the United States Golf Association at its annual meeting in Chicago this week.

are enthusiastic concerning Johnson, for the St. Paul golfer beat Francis Ouimet on the 36th green in the amateur championship at St. Louis, and gave Jesse Guilford his closest match, carrying the Boston player to the home green to lose, 1 down.

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R. Murray Purves, winner of the medal in the qualifying round of the Advertisers' tournament, is one of the finest medal players in Massachusetts and has frequently returned the low card in open tournaments which included as starters many strong golfers.

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Owen Moore, the motion picture actor, has been making an extended visit here. Mr. Moore reports that California is a

Major Elliot Ranney has missed only four out of the last 800 clays he fired at. He should be a factor in the big shoot this week, although he is devoting most of his time to golf at present and scoring well.

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Tom Boyd, Carl Anderson, Johnny Golden and Cyril Walker are visiting professionals now in Pinehurst.

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W. W. Windle, member of the Tin Whistles, writes from his home in Millbury, Massachusetts, that the Worcester Country Club has put in a bid for the national open championship in 1923. Mr. Windle is chairman of the Greens' committee and fully capable of making a success of that end if the national goes to the fine Worcester course.

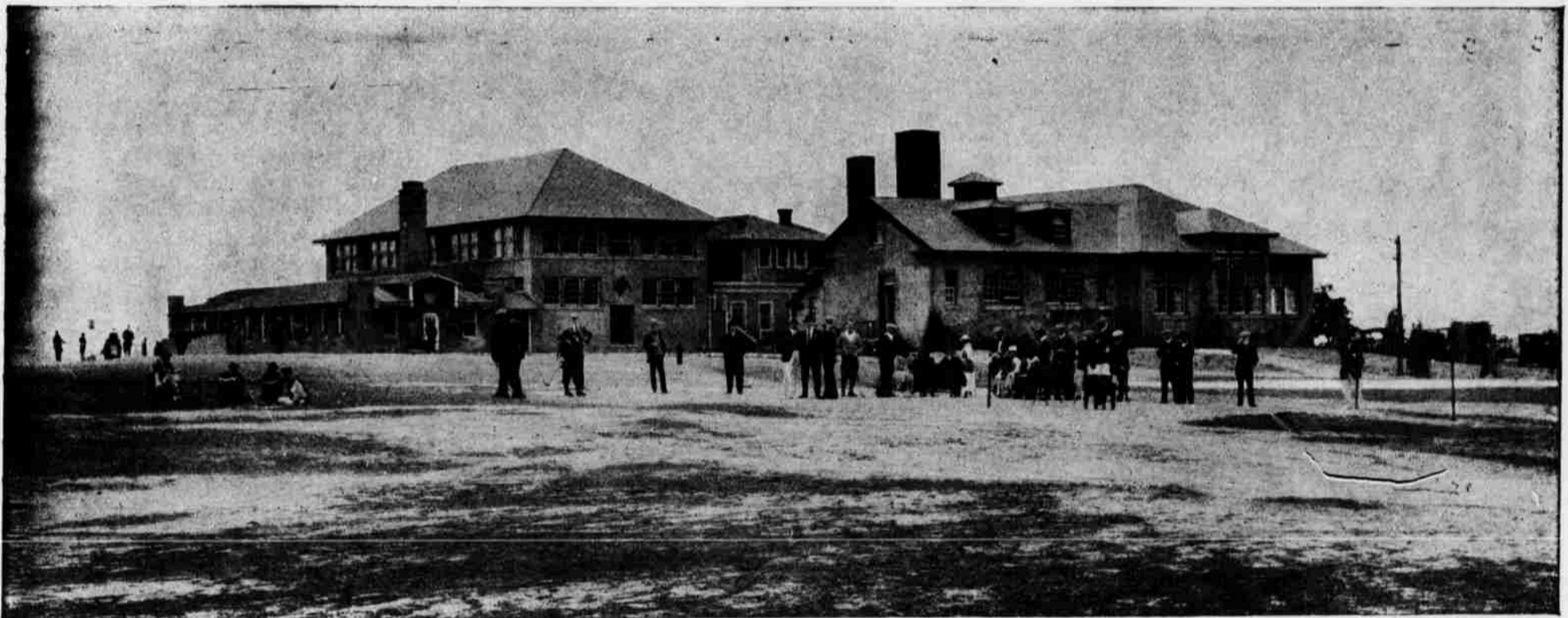
The time schedule allowing foursomes two hours and forty minutes to play the Number 2 course is now in effect, and Jack Williams, one of the starters, finds that practically all players are able to make the round inside the time limit.

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Mrs. John D. Chapman did the Number 1 course in 91 in the Silver Foils handicap 18 holes medal play tournament. This is the lowest round made by a woman golfer this season. Mrs. Chapman played the last nine holes in 42.

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Donald Parson and John D. Chapman will play in the qualifying round of the national amateur championship at Brookline this year.



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This plan rules that the near ball must be at least two feet from the cup and the stymied ball at least two feet from the near ball for the stymie to be in effect.

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R. Murray Purves obtained a two the first time he played the new sixteenth hole on the Number 3 course. He drove on the sand and sank a fifteen-foot putt.

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B. H. Sanborn, an all-season guest at the Pine Crest Inn, has invited Lesley Mereer of Rutland, Vermont, the 16-year-old amateur champion of Vermont, to be his guest during the North and South amateur championship. Mereer went down to the championship last year and tore through a field that included some of the "lions" from the famous Equinox club of Manchester.

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Pinehurst golfers would like to see Harrison R. Johnson of St. Paul here for the North and South. Westerners who have visited Pinehurst this winter

"golf mad" country and that at the end of one of the car lines where a municipal course is situated the motor-men and conductors play a few holes during their half hour layoff between trips.

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Johnny Farrell has returned to New York after making his first visit to Pinehurst. He will return for the North and South and come here as often as he can in the future.

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Richard Tufts is playing better golf than ever before and has finished well up in the last three Tin Whistle tournaments. A 1 on the seventeenth hole and a net score of 40 for the best 12 selected holes are two of his recent accomplishments.

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B. V. Covert returned to Pinehurst this week after a very successful duck shooting trip, the spoils of which were served on the dinner tables of many of Mr. Covert's friends.

A. S. Higgins seldom visits the water in front of the tenth tee. He had not driven a ball in it this season until the qualifying round of the Advertisers' tournament. Then he put his first and second in and took a nine to the hole.

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Jock Bowker won a prize in the preliminary tournament of the Advertisers' tournament but was unable to take it, as the board of directors found that Jock had not made application for membership in time to participate in the distribution of this year's prizes. He was unable to start in the championship proper.

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James Barber was fortunate enough to shoot the lowest round of his career on the Number 2 course while qualifying for the Advertisers' tournament and his gross of 90 minus his handicap of 23 gave him a net 67, the lowest of the field by three strokes.

Arthur Yates, of Rochester, former All-America linesman at Yale is here for the season and is surprising some of the cracks by his long drives. When he hits one it goes away from there, as some of the professionals have learned.

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Roy Blackington of North Attleboro, writes that he will soon be in Pinehurst and will stay at the Carolina. He says that up north he feels like the man in Brigg's cartoons, who is depicted as locked in a cell with his golf clubs while Old Man Winter, in the garb of a keeper, sits outside with the late keys.

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Pinehurst folks say that they will never become excited again over a rumor that President Harding is to visit here. They have been twice fooled and will now sit back and wait until the President actually arrives before becoming enthusiastic.