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PRICE FIVE CENTS

JOHN E. PORTER WINNER

Captures Final Round of Spring Tourney from B. P. Merriman.

Entry of One Hundred and Seventy-three Contestants Breaks All Golf Records.

THE FIFTH annual Spring golf tournament drew together one of the fastest first divisions ever assembled here and representative of a wide range of territory, no less than six state champions and ten club champions being represented, and during the entire progress of the tournament the fate of the favorites was as uncertain as the direction of a weathervane in a squall. The entry list of one hundred and seventy-three contestants breaks all existing records and is unquestionably the largest in the history of American golf, a significant prophecy as Mr. Lard states in an interview printed elsewhere a significant indication not only of the popularity of the game here but the place it is to occupy for all time as a factor in American sports.

The culmination of interest came with Saturday's thirty-six hole final rounds which prevailed in all divisions, the attention of the gallery fixed on the battle for the President's or first division trophy, between John E. Porter of the Alleghany Country club, runner-up in last year's United North and South Amateur Championship, and B. P. Merriman, of the Waterbury Golf club, Connecticut Champion, four up and two to play in a match which was much more interesting than the score indicates.

The Alleghany player started the afternoon round six up, adding an extra tally to the score on the nineteenth, but from that point it was stroke for stroke to the thirtieth green from which point the Waterbury golfer made a brilliant rally, taking the next three holes in par golf, but losing the match on the thirty-fourth green. In the semi-final Mr. Porter won a close match from Walter Fairbanks of the Denver Country Club, the Colorado champion and former South Florida champion, two up and one to play; his first round with C. S. Smith of the Midlothian Golf Club, the Michigan champion, which resulted three up and two to play.

Mr. Merriman's journey down to the finals was by no means strewn with roses, his semi-final round with C. L.

Becker of the Woodland Golf club, local Club champion and winner of the recent St. Valentine's tournament, which was won on the home green by two up. At the turn the Massachusetts player was one up, but the Connecticut man squared the match shortly after and the chances were even to the sixteenth tee from which Mr. Becker drove in the pond and lost the hole. The seventeenth was a halve, a fast three for Mr. Merriman on the eighteenth—a drive an approach and

North and South Champion, which was decided on the last hole, and the match between Dr. W. S. Harban of the Columbia Golf club and J. D. Foot, the Apawamis veteran, which was decided on the nineteenth green.

E. S. Parmelee of the New Haven Country club, was the winner of the consolation, defeating W. C. Fownes of the Oakmont Golf club, in the final round, three up and one to play.

Other division winners were J. D.

PISTOL SCORES RUN HIGH

State and Club Championship Events Are Features of Week.

E. E. Partridge, Dr. C. Kingsley Field and Mrs. H. V. Wurdeman Divide Honors.

THE WEEK has been a notable one for pistol shooters combining as it has the annual United States Revolver Association State Championship and the annual Club Championship tournament held in connection with a special handicap event for a trophy contributed by Mr. Tyler L. Redfield of New York. While the field was, necessarily, limited to the experts the competition was none the less keen and the scores indicate very clearly the rapid growth in popularity the sport is making here, work in the State Championship event being of a character which will class high up with the best records made throughout the country.

U. S. R. A. CHAMPIONSHIP.

E. E. Partridge of Mingo Springs, Maine, long recognized as one of the countries fastest amateurs, was the winner of the State Championship event with a total of four hundred and thirty-nine. Dr. C. Kingsley Field of London, England, was second with four hundred and three, L. C. Hopkins of Brooklyn, third in three hundred and seventy-three, and Mrs. H. V. Wurdeman of Milwaukee, fourth in three hundred and fifty-nine. The trophies were association medals for first, second and third. The scores:

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| MR. PARTRIDGE. | | | | | | | | | | |
| 43 | 42 | 42 | 49 | 45 | 42 | 45 | 48 | 45 | 47 | 439 |
| DR. FIELD. | | | | | | | | | | |
| 38 | 39 | 41 | 38 | 42 | 35 | 41 | 37 | 43 | 49 | 403 |
| MR. HOPKINS. | | | | | | | | | | |
| 37 | 35 | 39 | 30 | 41 | 35 | 37 | 39 | 43 | 37 | 373 |
| MRS. WURDEMAN. | | | | | | | | | | |
| 38 | 41 | 33 | 42 | 34 | 36 | 33 | 30 | 34 | 38 | 359 |

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP.

Dr. Field was the winner of the Club Championship with a score of four hundred and twelve, Mr. Hopkins finishing second in three hundred and eighty-six. Mrs. Wurdeman led the women with a fast three hundred and eighty-three, Mrs. Stucki of Buffalo, the title holder, second in three hundred and thirty-four. The scores:

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| DR. FIELD | | | | | | | | | | |
| 36 | 46 | 44 | 45 | 40 | 39 | 43 | 39 | 37 | 43 | 412 |
| MR. HOPKINS. | | | | | | | | | | |
| 37 | 38 | 34 | 39 | 39 | 36 | 40 | 46 | 45 | 32 | 386 |
| MRS. WURDEMAN. | | | | | | | | | | |
| 39 | 43 | 38 | 37 | 34 | 41 | 35 | 39 | 42 | 35 | 388 |
| MRS. STUCKI. | | | | | | | | | | |
| 24 | 36 | 27 | 35 | 36 | 35 | 29 | 37 | 33 | 42 | 334 |



MR. JOHN E. PORTER.

a putt—to a five for his opponent, deciding the contest. In the second round Mr. Merriman defeated Dr. W. S. Harban, one of the Columbia Golf club's best men, three up and two to play, and in the first round E. S. Parmelee of the New Haven Country club, runner-up in the recent St. Valentine's tournament was the victim by three and two.

Other close contests in this division included Mr. Becker's defeat of Allan Lard of the Chevy Chase Golf club, United

Standish, Jr., of the Detroit Golf club, who defeated H. E. Armstrong of the Fox Hill's Golf club, four and three in the second division; Col. J. E. Smith of the Wilmington Country club, who defeated F. L. Hinckley of the Oxford Country club, six and five, in the third; L. D. Pierce of the Woodland Golf club, who defeated R. S. Emmett of the Mohawk Golf club, five and four, in the fourth; Harold Wyatt of the Fairview Golf club,

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