

have wintered in the Sand Hills will not leave to "go a'fishin'," and men who have wintered in Florida will stop over on their way north to try their luck with us. They are already beginning to do so. Bass weighing four pounds are taken from artificial lakes here under the control of the Club's management, and even larger fish are caught in the river. Busy men who live by the watch in the great centres of life and industry, and who could never be induced to take a week off, if they had to spend much of their run-away time in travel, will be attracted to this region, for the Lumbee and Little Pee Dee rivers are within easy reach and crossed and recrossed by trunk line railroads running north and south. ¶ This canoeing proposition is in every way a healthy one, physically and socially, and will prove so, financially, when fairly well capitalized and established. The corporation is free from debt, the equipment in boats and camping outfits, although small is servicable and good. The stock is selling at par. ¶ The Treasurer reports that the corporation nets \$4 from all sources for each person who has made a run of the river or hunted or fished under the auspices of the Club. He reports that \$350 of the Club's money, invested in boats, has earned the corporation \$97 net in the past three months or at the rate of 25 per cent a quarter.

One has only to become familiar with its situation as announced in this report, to realize that the Lumbee and Little Pee Dee rivers, representing the Midwinter Canoeing Club course (some 364 miles long) afford attractions which are bound to win the approval and support of men and women everywhere who love to boat, camp, hunt and fish on little rivers. ¶ The by-laws of the Club have been published in book form. Those who desire to join the Club, apply to us for a copy of the by-laws of the corporation, as do many who contemplate a river trip under the auspices of the Club.

PINEHURST GOLFERS' MECCA

Snappy Story by a Massachusetts Visitor in Republican

Pinehurst is the mecca for northern golfers in springtime. There are thousands of acres at Pinehurst, and a man with a gun and dog can bag almost any sort of feathered game he wants. If he prefers it he can start out at daybreak with the hounds and chase the elusive fox and know that he cannot begin to cover the country in his two weeks' stay, or if he chooses there are dozens of good riding paths. If he motors there are miles of splendid roads to traverse. If he is a tennis enthusiast he has the choice of a dozen well-kept courts. However, the golf crank has no time for anything else than golf. In the evening he may join one of the hundred or more auction bridge tables, but the rest of his time is spent on one of the four links. Of these three are 6000-yard long courses, while the fourth is a six-hole affair, where the beginner painfully but hopefully swats at the elusive rubber-cored ball.

We have all seen the baseball and fight bug in his element, but alongside a golf bug he is a child, and nowhere in the world will he find so many and such a

varied lot of golf fans as at Pinehurst. Here they flock from every section of the country. Time was when the man who thought of taking off a couple of weeks in midwinter to play golf was considered a fit subject for a sanatorium. Whether we like to admit it or not we are all progressives. Now we lock up the roll-top desks and, with a suit-case, steamer-trunk and our bag of golf-clubs, we strike out for the sunny South. All over the South you will find thousands of northern golfers at this time of the year, and while South Carolina and Florida get many of them the great bulk go to Pinehurst, and those who go once never think of going anywhere else. There is something in the air that wins one to that place, and no other place seems to be able to lure one away. Perhaps the most delightful part of it is that the golfer never gets tired playing there. With the exception of the new No. 3 course the other two have no steep hills to tire the golfer, and the turf has a spring to it that appears to take the tired feeling out of the bones.

Those who delight in putting will find it there at its best. In the first place, there are no tricky greens to bother the player. The greens are all flat and not built on an undulating pattern. They are all of sand and it takes skillful playing to hole out. Any one who thinks it easy to putt over a flat surface of sand should try the sand greens of Pinehurst and the South. In the first place, the center for a radius of four or five feet is wet and no one knows just when the man with the sprinkling can is going to make his visit. The result is that one is never quite certain just how to hit the ball on the greens. This is the only tricky feature about the putting.

The greens are swept with a rag carpet dragged around and around the green, the process starting from the center and the circle gradually widening until the whole green is a level stretch. The marks made by heel-prints are quickly eliminated, and there are enough men employed so that when the four-ball match has finished with the hole it is soon placed in readiness for the approaching players. You will not find much grass at this time of the year at

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"YOUTH AND OLD AGE PLAY GOLF AT PINEHURST"

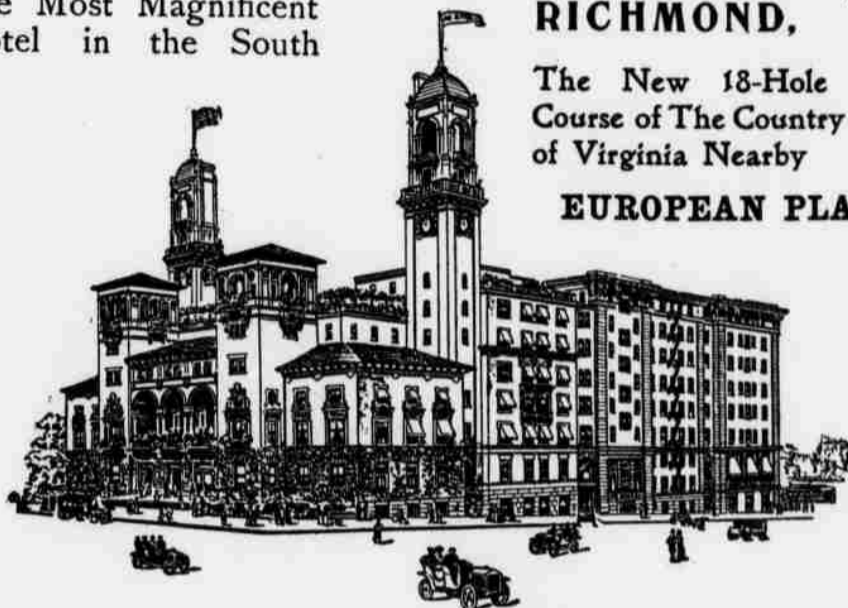
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