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THE UNITED CHAMPIONSHIP

Harold J. Topping Wins Pinehurst's Classic in Brilliant 37-Hole Final

Fast Play and Uncertainty of Outcome Holds Silent Gallery Tense in Eagerness Throughout



HAROLD J. Topping is the name to be cast in bronze for the Country Club tablet which perpetuates the winners of the classic United North and South Amateur Golf Championship. History also ranks his final victory in the thirteenth annual high among the contests which have given this event International prominence. Sharing honors with the Greenwich Country Club player in the deciding round was Hamilton K. Kerr of Ekwanok, a battle royal one of many sensational thrills. ¶ Brilliant throughout, the superb long game of the pair was the most fascinating feature of play with uncertainty to add the spice of excitement which makes for the silent gallery, tense with eagerness, ever speculating on the outcome.

Halving the first hole on the morning round in 5, Kerr captured the second and third in 4's, but lost the fourth and fifth in the same figures and the lead, 3-4, on the sixth, to tie on the seventh, 5-6, win the eighth in 3 for the lead and halve the ninth in 4. ¶ Topping squared matters on the tenth with a win in 4, and he gained the lead on the eleventh in the same figure, halved the twelfth in 5, lost the thirteenth and fourteenth to 5 and 4, Kerr maintained the lead thus gained with halves on the fifteenth and sixteenth in 4 and 5, becoming 2 up with a 4 on the seventeenth and halving the eighteenth in 4. ¶ This lead he maintained on the first five holes of the afternoon round, increasing it to three up on the twenty-fourth (the short sixth) where he recorded a 3. Halving the twenty-fifth in 5, Kerr lost the twenty-sixth and twenty-seventh to 3's, making the second turn 1 up. ¶ Halving the twenty-eighth in 5, Kerr was 2 up again on the twenty-ninth, laying his approach dead for a 3. A trap cost Kerr the thirtieth which Topping won in 3, and the thirty-first was halved in 5 (both players trapped) and likewise the thirty-second in the same figure, the crisis coming on the thirty-third where Topping recorded a par 3, Kerr's sliced drive costing him

two strokes. Maintaining the advantage gained, Topping halved the thirty-fourth in par 4 and gained the lead on the thirty-fifth with a perfect 3; a tee shot to the trap guarding the green at the right costing Kerr a stroke.

Straight down the course Topping sent his drive on the thirty-sixth, and his second was hole high at the left of and at the very edge of the green. Kerr pulled his drive far off into the rough at

Kerr, with his last hope at stake, sent the ball down for the hole and a tie. ¶ Kerr with the honor on the extra hole, was some ten yards short of Topping's drive, a mighty good one, and his second was short of the green, while Topping made the sand. Kerr's third went past the cup and across the green to the farther edge, while Topping pushed his ball snug up to the pin. Kerr's long putt was short and Topping went down in 4.



HAMILTON K. KERR

HAROLD J. TOPPING

the left and his second was still farther away on the fair green of the first hole of No. 1 course, but his third was a magnificent recovery which laid the ball dangerously close to the cup. Surely it was enough to fatigue any player, and it may have been responsible for the approach putt which Topping made on his third and which was some nine or ten feet short. Away, he missed a 4 and

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U.S.R.A. STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Novelties in Program Offered by National Body for Revolver Shots

Four Events in All for Much Prized Association Medals—April 19-27 Inclusive, the Dates



THE ANNUAL State Championship United States Revolver Association tournament is scheduled for April 19-27 inclusive, and Pinehurst, as usual, has been selected for the North Carolina contest.

¶ Four events are announced: A, any revolver; B, any pistol; F, pocket revolver; G, novice re-entry match. ¶ There are two novelties on the program which should appeal here; the pocket revolver match and the novice re-entry event. ¶ The prizes are Association medals, and full details concerning the shoot will be found in the schedule of conditions outlined by the executive committee of the National Association. ¶ In this connection it is well to note that membership in the Association reduces the entrance fee \$2.00 in each event. Applications for membership may be sent with entries, thereby entitling the entrant to this reduction. ¶ The contest will be in charge of Secretary Herbert L. Jilson of the Pinehurst Country Club, to whom inquiries may be addressed or entries sent. ¶ The conditions:

MATCH A—ANY REVOLVER

Entrance fee \$3.00, covering both national and state championships, to members of the U. S. R. A. not in arrears for dues. To all other persons \$5.00.

Score: Fifty shots in ten strings of five shots each, fired within one hour from the time of the first shot. Only five shots may be fired at a target.

Weapon: Any revolver.

Maximum length of barrel, including cylinder: Ten inches.

Minimum trigger-pull: Two and one-half pounds applied three-eighths of an inch from the end of the trigger.

Sights: Open, in front of the hammer, and not more than ten inches apart.

Ammunition: Any.

Loading: The weapon may not be used as a single-loader, but must be charged with five rounds.

Cleaning: Weapons may be cleaned in this match, but no time allowance may be given for it.

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