

**THE GREAT MID-WINTER  
HANDICAP SHOOT IS ON**

AS WE GO to press the sound of gunfire comes from the Gun Club. There is no pause for Pinehurst. No sooner do the Advertisers abandon their assault on the golf links than the Trap Shooters begin their attack on the Gun Club. And so it goes, all through the season, right up to the first of May.

A number of the trapshooters who came early took part in the weekly 100-target handicap event last Wednesday, January 14th. The first prize went to F. A. Siebert, of the New York Athletic Club, who finished with a score of 95, 7-100.

Frank S. Wright, the Buffalo expert, did the best shooting of the day and registered 98 actual breaks. He shot from scratch against the field.

Others who broke 90 or better were Dr. A. H. Aber, of Draverburg, Pa., 93, 4-97; A. F. Healey, of Windsor, Ont., 90, 6-96, and F. G. Vance, of Tillsonbury, Ont., 90, 4-94.

Next week we hope to give a full summary of the entire Midwinter Handicap.

only see the dreaded bunkers from aloft, they'd lose all their terror for you, making you laugh at that hectic language used when last you tried twice—thrice perhaps—to get out of some especially deep one. For those bunkers are nothing but funny little burned-out moon craters from up yonder, and not at all—from that viewpoint—worth the rage and sorrow they cause you on the links.

“Up there one realizes fully how comparative is one's viewpoint after all.

“Around and 'round we sailed looking down, for the first time, on all mankind, who were mere specks moving about, with an occasional beetle-like auto crawling along the roads of the town. And speaking of autos, it's positively discouraging to see how slightly “John Henry” differs from a wonderful Pierce-Arrow limousine from up there.

I experienced no sensation of discomfort, no fear of dropping. In place of all that, there was a feeling of security and wonderful balance, with absolute confidence in the able pilot of the craft to bring me safely to mother-earth no matter what happened.

“After fifteen minutes, or so, that seemed like only five, we circled over the big field and glided gently to earth, taxied to our corner by the Dairy and our wonderful trip was ended.

“But truly, friends, you've not seen Pinehurst until as a gem set in these Sand Hills, it sparkles at you from below. It was a rare treat, a soul-satisfying experience that one could repeat many times, each time seeing something new and worth while, and withal, making automobiles seem positively dangerous by comparison. It isn't scary. Not a bit. Take the word of a staid and nervous woman and try it. You'll wonder then why you hesitated.”

**AT ANNIE OAKLEY'S SHOOTING  
SCHOOL. MRS. BARR MAKES  
A RECORD.**

WHEN Mrs. Lawrence Barr, of Pittsburgh, Pa., made a score of 147 out of a possible 150 she not only carried off the prize for the week at the LADIES' SHOOTING CONTEST at THE GUN CLUB, but she established a high record for this season. A wise man, or woman, will give heed to these figures and do nothing to incur the wrath of such a crack shot, for if she gets behind her rifle and once gets a “beed” on you, you're a “gone gosling.”

The contests at the GUN CLUB seem to be matches between England and America. There are two English experts in our midst who are mighty handy on the trigger. They are Dr. Dorothy C. Smiley, of the Red Cross Women's Motor Corps, and Mrs. E. C. Carter. This week Dr. Smiley tied for second place with our own Mrs. L. F. Warner, and Mrs. Carter ran third with a score of 135. Last week the victor's laurels were placed on the brow of Mrs. Carter, and it was England's day.

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