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## Convention Time in Pinehurst

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**A**LTHOUGH the migratory golfing birds who winter at Pinehurst have followed the song birds to their northern homes and nests, the fairways are by no means deserted. Following each other in well regulated order came the bankers, electricians, the legionnaires, the underwriters, the Shriners, and so on, keeping this great resort alive and the links peopled with lovers of the game, even though the nation's champions, some of them, may be in the British strike zone.

As this is written many of the hundred or more delegates attending the Southeastern Underwriters Association are joining the itinerant divot diggers in their daily rounds of the links.

Following the Underwriters will come the Oasis Temple of the Shriners to the very shrine of golf with an expected attendance of two thousand strong and with big doings characteristic of this great national body, not the least of which will be club swinging, out on the fairways where no password is needed or asked only the flying divot and missed putt.

Arthur (Ducky) Yates, the big Rochester boy, whose name is closely linked with Pinehurst tournament golf, found the sudden change to grass greens and northern springtime fairways in general a bit disconcerting to his game in his appearance at the Engineers' spring tournament a few days ago. Yates squeezed into the first 16 with an ample card of 86 shots, but he was put out of the running by the former national public links champion, Richard Walsh, of New York, who learned his golf at Van Cortlandt Park, that public rendezvous for the Metropolitan unattached golfer. Yates in full practice was looked upon as the probable winner of the tournament, inasmuch as the good golfers of the Metropolitan district who were entered were without much spring practice. But "Ducky" disappointed even as he did at Pinehurst in the North and South Amateur matches.

The Greensboro, N. C. Country Club pulled off a good golfing stunt a few days ago when the regular golfing members of the club put on a Scotch foursome tournament, each member being partnered by an outside friend who had never played golf. The so-called Scotch foursome requires that partners on each side play alternate shots with the same ball, but in this case it looked as though the tournament was conceived for the purpose of inoculating the innocent and unsuspecting citizens of Greensboro with the deadly golf bug.

Perhaps this Country Club can accommodate a few more desirable members who might help in the general welfare. In any event it was a rather unique tourney.

### WOMEN HAVE GOOD CARD

The Woman's Southern Golf Association's annual championship tournament moves up to the Charlotte Country Club, Charlotte, N. C., for the week of May 25th. In addition to determining the year's champion, the association has arranged a most attractive list of events which will keep the entrants busy. No less than thirty prizes are offered, and the events are so classified that there is sure to be sustained interest. For instance those qualifying the first 32 are eligible to compete in a driving contest arranged for their flight, but not in a similar event arranged for the second 32, and so on in the putting and approaching events.

It seems that the property custodians for both the men and women at Pinehurst have burnished the "Tin Whistles" and "Silver Foils," and like Little Boy Blue have put them away at the club house for the summer. At any rate it is very quiet at the headquarters of these two widely celebrated golfing organizations.

Stick a thumb tack in these dates set for international competition which will stir the blood of partisans and patriots on both sides of the big water hazard:

May 10-16—British Ladies' Championship at Harlech.

Glenna Collett entered.

May 24-30—British Amateur Championship at Muirfield.

Entered: Bobby Jones, Francis Ouimet, Jesse Guilford, Jess Sweetser, George Von Elm, Bob Gardner, Watts Gunn, Ronald MacKenzie, Max Marston, Bill Fownes, and several others.

June 2-3—Walker Cup Team Match engaging the first eight men mentioned above. At old St. Andrews.

June 21-23—British Open Championship at Lytham and St. Anne's.

Entered: Walter Hagen, Mac Smith, Bobby Cruickshank, Jim Barnes, Gene Sarazen, Leo Diegel, Fred McLeod, Tommy Armour, Bill Mehlhorn.

Can the British home guard withstand this array of invading golfers? Perhaps, but we think not.

### THE WOMEN OF HARLECH

Gentle reader, when this reaches you the decision doubtless will have been rendered in Britain as to who will be

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