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GOLF ENTRIES ARE NUMEROUS

WESTERN GOLF ASSOCIATION TOURNAMENT AT CLEVELAND.

Popular Game Causes Representatives to Enter from Many Localities.

CHICAGO, Aug. 8.—Entries for the open championship of the Western Golf Association, to be held at the Oakwood club, Cleveland, on Aug. 24, 25 and 26, thus far received by Secretary W. W. Harless indicate that the usual large field of expert golfers will contend for the title held by Jack Hutchinson, now British open champion. Apparently the contestants will be the same as those who lost the title to James Barnes at Washington last month.

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While the Oakwood club is among the newer courses in Cleveland, it is a severe test of golf and has turf that will reward good shots and hazards that will punish bad strokes. Hutchinson, who has not been at the top of his game since winning the British title with a fine score, is improving, and will do his best to retain the honor, which he won at Olympia Fields, Chicago, for the first time last year with 296 strokes, only one stroke ahead of Barnes, Harry Hampton and Clarence Hackney.

The play this year will be arranged to cover only three days, the qualifying efforts of the first two days at 18 holes each comprising half of the 72-hole score for the championship. The entire field will play 18 holes on Wednesday, Aug. 24, and repeat the performance the next day. Then the 64 low scorers and ties for 64th place will continue in the contest on Friday, playing 36 holes to complete the scores for the title.

While this precludes the chance to become familiar with the course in elimination rounds before the championship play starts, the course will be open to entrants for a week previous to the tournament for practice. Entries will close August 19.

The title, which has been contested since 1899, has been won but once by an amateur, although the national open title has gone outside of the professional ranks several times. Chick Evans, who has won the national amateur championship twice, the national open once and the western amateur crown six times, won the western open in 1919 at the Beverly Club, Chicago. His victory, which was on a match play from George Simpson, first brought Evans into national prominence, as he was then only 20 years old and had subdued an illustrious array of the country's best professionals at a time when the amateurs were not the peers of the teachers of golf.

The record score for the event is 283 strokes, made by Barnes at Westmoreland club, Chicago, in 1917 and duplicated by him in 1919 in winning at Mayfield club, Cleveland, while the record score for the national open is 286, made by Evans at Minkakaha club, Minneapolis, in 1916.

The winners of the title by years follow:

1899, Willie Smith, Chicago; 1900, not held; 1901, Lawrence Auchterlone, Chicago; 1902, Willie Anderson, Pittsfield, Mass.; 1903, Alec Smith, New York; 1904, Willie Anderson; 1905, Arthur Smith, Columbus, O.; 1906, Alec Smith; 1907, Robert Simpson, Omaha; 1908, Willie Anderson; 1909, Willie Anderson; 1910, Chick Evans; 1911, Robert Simpson; 1912, MacDonald Smith, Del Monte, Calif.; 1913, John McDermott, Atlantic City; 1914, James Barnes, New York; 1915, Tom McNamara, New York; 1916, Walter Hagen, New York; 1917, Jas. Barnes; 1918, not held, war; 1919, Jas. Barnes; 1920, Jack Hutchinson, Chicago.

In addition to the title's going to eastern players 10 times out of the 20 meets, nine eastern professionals have been runner-up, so that the contest has been about evenly divided nationally.

Boy Pleads With Congress



Jimmie Bradley can make the proud boast that he's the youngest person ever to appear before a congressional committee to argue Uncle Sam into spending money. Jimmie, armed with endorsements from President Harding and the American Forestry Association, made a plea to the House Committee of the District of Columbia on behalf of 60,000 Washington school children for an appropriation for the study of tach and trees. He is shown with Chairman Focht (seated) and Representative Underhill.

Cement Products Factory Is Doing Large Business

Manufacture of numerous kinds of cement pipes and blocks for building purposes goes on at Island City on an extensive scale, yet neither the present magnitude nor the future possibilities of this plant are generally recognized. In browsing about for further material in an attempt to acquaint the public with the many lines of useful articles made right in and around La Grande, the Observer man hunted out Mr. D. N. Stiles, manager of the La Grande Cement Pipe company. His concern is doing a splendid business, makes and handles a useful commodity and is adding both variety and volume to the manufacturing payroll of Union county.

The company has erected its plant on ground leased from the O. W. R. & N. company at Island City. Switching facilities are provided and ample room afforded. The main structure houses the plant and the curing rooms. Products of the plant go out to Baker, Union, Walla Walla and parts of Umatilla counties, and though the firm is still young in the field, its business has grown rapidly.

Manufacture of cement pipe and blocks is an interesting process. First of all the gravel and sand are procured from the Grande Ronde river, close by, where material is well suited for the purpose. The sand and gravel is elevated into the company's crusher for treatment to the required fineness.

There are two broad classifications in the making of pipes and blocks. One is the dry mixture method, and the other is called the wet. In the dry method, cement and sand are mixed in a much lighter liquid state than in the latter. For the dry mixture, automatic machinery is used exclusively, while with the wet, the work is more or less handcraft. For instance a 24-inch sewer pipe is made automatically, while culverts and pipes 30 inches and up requiring wire reinforcement are made by hand. In the former case the semi-liquid cement is tamped into the form automatically—in the latter it is tamped by hand.

There are three kinds of joints that are generally used in pipes. One is technically known as the bell and spigot, when pressure is not excessive. Another, the tongue and groove, is required to withstand heavy pressure and in the case of drain tile the pieces are laid end to end and loosely for scientific reasons. When the larger pipes, such as culverts, are made, a collapsible core is used.

While the initial process in all types of work are somewhat similar, the second is even more so. Once "poured," tamped and core removed, the pipe is run into a curing room where it is steamed for three days and then sprinkled with water at regular and frequent intervals for a like period. The sprinkling may be done either within or without the building.

Thus, the underlying principle of cement pipe and block construction are: Properly crushed gravel, proper richness of blend with cement and other ingredients, correct shaping of the moulds and pouring, and careful curing. After these processes are fulfilled, the pipe, or blocks, are ready for use.

Silo blocks, building blocks and the many varieties of pipe construction constitute the general scope of endeavor. The silos built of cement blocks have no iron bands and there is an air space. These blocks are somewhat different from the first cement silos used, as the solid block was used then, but later was found to be inferior to the hollow type, it is said.

Then there are the building blocks, which come in 8x16, are hollow and designed either in smooth or rock facing. Their use is wide spread, but principally for foundation building under frame structures, factories, houses and garages.

Under the pipe branch output come a wide range of possibilities. Reinforced conduit, power, water and irrigation pipes, irrigation gates and valves, culverts—all these articles and more are manufactured at the Island City plant.

That the firm is a distinctly recognized concern, is seen in its sales. Baker has a big stretch of water mains of cement built by this company. In Umatilla county it has a considerable piece of piping, and the road construction of the state is calling continually for culverts and drain pipe. Local plumbers are using the cement sewer pipes. When the Observer representative visited the plant, a carload of various sizes was being loaded for Lexington, Oregon, and another carload of sewer pipe was loading out for Baker.

The La Grande Cement company is a sister institution to the Walla Walla company, of which L. K. Kilne is manager.

"Cement pipe construction has been extensively carried on in the Northwest for 11 years, and during that time we have had to do some pioneering. Improvement in our methods, and educate the people to the virtues of cement," explained Mr. Stiles in speaking of the industry in general. "People are now beginning to see the advisability of permanency in what they do with pipes. The public has found out that our new silo blocks are practical—in fact we have had a lot to do in the past in exciting a market. Now that has largely been accomplished."

The payroll is almost entirely of the skilled sort and varies in numbers from 2 to 20, six being employed at the present. Tom Blackman is the foreman, and has been with the company for several years. He is a close student of "cementology."

FORMER LA GRANDE BACK.

Deputy United States Marshal Sam Pace just "blew in" from Portland yesterday to look around, so he said. But Sam usually blows in when he is after a moonshiner or a bootlegger. He said he would stick around awhile and then go over to his old Wallawa county home for a fishing trip. In speaking of a probable change in the administration in his department he said for some time they had not been able to find Republicans who wanted any jobs and, for that reason, himself and Fred Currey were still whacking away at their work and drawing pay from Uncle Sam every day.

MINERS READY TO FIGHT THEIR CASE

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 9.—Expiration of wage agreements of both anthracite and bituminous miners at the same time, March 31, 1922, given added weight to wage demands to be made at the biennial convention of the United Mine Workers of America which opens here Sept. 20. Ellis Searles, editor of the union's official journal, said here today.

This simultaneous conclusion of agreements puts the organized miners in the best position in years to support each other in their demands. Mr. Searles said. The miners will not permit any wage reduction, according to John L. Lewis, international president.

It has been the custom of the anthracite miners to frame their wage demands and have them adopted by a tri-district convention, comprising the three anthracite districts, after which they were reported to the union's national convention for approval. This year, however, the procedure is reversed. Anthracite delegates to the national convention will prepare their demands for approval by the National body and the tri-district convention for ratification will be held afterwards.

In this manner, it is pointed out, any general policy with reference to wages that may be adopted by the national convention will govern the miners in their negotiations in the anthracite region as well as in the bituminous coal fields of the country.

Nationalization of miners and adoption of the six-hour day and five day week also will be before the convention. These matters were favorably reported on at the union's convention in Cleveland two years ago.

The decrease is due to depression in coal industry and desire on part of locals to cut expenses. Mr. Searles added. Local union chose delegates on a paid-up per capita basis but two or more locals if they desire, may unite and send one representative, thereby saving the expense of additional delegates. Mr. Searles said this is being done in a number of instances.

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