

OREGON GOLFERS MAY BE UNDER BAN

Second Ouimet Case Impends in Play of William Gotelli, of Portland Golf Club.

AMATEUR RULING IS BAR

Business Connections With Firm Selling Golfing Supplies May Keep Player From Tournaments This Season.

Although much less important, a second Ouimet case threatens to disturb the serenity of the Oregon golfing horizon between now and the date of the state golf championships, June 5-10.

Those involved are several golfers belonging to the Eugene and the Portland Golf Clubs, unfortunately hit by the provisions of the new United States Golf Association ruling on professional-amateur.

William Gotelli, the Italian lad who has been playing good golf for the Portland Club, is the "Ouimet" of the case.

Gotelli, like Ouimet, has been ostracized from amateurism because of his business connections with a firm which sells golfing supplies.

Sam B. Archer, chairman of the handicap and tournament committee at the Portland Club, is the chief objector.

"The Massachusetts Golf Association has gone on record as unalterably opposed to dropping Ouimet from the amateur list," Archer declared yesterday.

"This case is similar. It seems to me that the rule is too broad in scope. What difference in principle can fairly be established between a golf writer, a golf architect or a wholesale dealer who employs men to sell golfing goods, and the young man, skillful in golf, who serves the public in a business of his choice?"

"This rule is unworkable and unfair. Who is there can say Mr. Gotelli, for instance, is employed locally because of his skill in golf or because of his skill in business?"

"We would very much like to play Mr. Gotelli in tournaments but cannot do so under the rule as now enforced. We have one or two other players in the same category and the Eugene Country Club has Walter McCormack and one or two others who are suffering from this unfair ruling."

Of course, the Portland Club will not attempt to use Gotelli in tournament play until the Ouimet appeal has definitely been settled. In the meantime, C. H. Davis, Jr., the live wire chairman of the tournament committee at Waverley Club, can do nothing except sit back and await developments beyond the big hump.

With the 1916 Oregon championships only two weeks off, the experts are pitting on the finishing touches for the first big test of the year hereabouts.

The men's qualifying rounds, 36 holes, medal play, will commence on Monday morning, June 5, at 9 o'clock. Flights of 18 players will play the first round on Tuesday, the second round on Wednesday, the semi-finals on Thursday and the finals on Saturday.

The women's qualifying rounds will commence at 2:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, 18 holes, medal, the first round being scheduled for the following afternoon, the semi-finals on Thursday and the finals on Friday.

Numerous other events are scheduled for the big week, and all in all, with the Rose Festival down town as a rival attraction along about mid-week, a fairly busy time impends during the first few days of June.

Immediately following the state title events Chairman C. H. Davis, of Waverley, will concentrate himself and all hands on the big post-Western tourney, which will be held in Portland the last week in July.

This classic will follow on the heels of the Western championships at Del Monte, Cal., and with all these Eastern cracks coming North, swelled by the presence of probably 50 or 70 Californians and a similar number of players from various cities in the Pacific Northwest, the committee at Waverley will have its hands full.

Without doubt the post-Western tournament will be the most elaborate and important programmed in the Northwest in several years.

Chairman Davis has received only informal entries so far, but anticipates this list of prospects from California alone: Midway Country Club, Pasadena—K. S. Armstrong, L. T. Bradford, J. V. Elliott, Robert Hunter, Conde Jones, Los Angeles Club—E. H. Ragby, A. H. Brawley, Frank Edwards, William Fredrickson, Roger Lapham, Norman McBeth and Ed Taft. San Francisco Golf Club—T. C.

EXPERTS APPROVE PROPOSED REARRANGEMENT OF 18-HOLE COURSE AT PORTLAND GOLF CLUB NEAR RALEIGH STATION.



(1) Left to Right—Arthur Mills, H. L. Keats, President Portland Golf Club; S. B. Archer, J. Martin Watson, Professional at Waverley; Rudolph Wilhelm, State Golf Champion; C. H. Davis, Jr., Chairman of Handicap Committee at Waverley and Also a Member of Portland Club; Chandler Egan, Former National Champion; Dr. Millard Holbrook, Chairman Green's Committee Portland Golf Club. (2) View Showing Grubbers at Work Clearing Space for New Fairways Through Wooded Sections.

With the new 10,000 clubhouse well under way and several of the fairways of the proposed rearranged 18 holes already cleared through the woods, the Portland Golf Club is taking on a decidedly metropolitan atmosphere.

The decision of the membership to locate the new clubhouse at the north end of the property near Raleigh Station, on the Southern Pacific, necessitated a complete change in the holes. When the alterations are completed the links will show a big improvement.

Chandler Egan, J. Martin Watson, C. H. Davis, Jr., and several other golf experts were taken over the course one afternoon last week, and they were delighted at the prospects.

Until the completion of the clubhouse, the club will play over the present course.

Crocker, W. W. Crocker, W. F. Garby, Douglas Grant, Robin Hayne, E. C. La Montagne, George Nickel, C. R. Tobin, Chapin Tubbs, Arthur Vincent and Vincent Whitney.

Presidio Golf Club, San Francisco—James E. Eaves, H. M. Eyre, F. W. Von Schrader and E. D. Whyte. Anandale Country Club—A. A. French and E. N. Wright.

Burlingame Country Club—G. S. Garrett, John Lawson, W. P. Scott, P. W. Selby. Virginia Country Club—A. M. Goodall. Claremont Country Club—A. H. Griswold, F. A. Kales, J. F. Neville.

Rodlands Country Club—Raymond Hornby, F. B. Lindsey, M. S. Phillips. Victoria Country Club, Riverside—J. A. Lindsey, R. D. Osborne, H. D. Fattie.

Del Monte Golf Club—C. E. Maud. If one-half of this bunch attaches itself to the Middle Western contingent and comes North to tackle the Pacific Northwestern representatives a whopper of a tourney is assured.

Forest Grove Gets Big Order. FOREST GROVE, Or., May 20.—(Special.)—The local-milk condenser the past week received orders for 14,000 cases. It will require 18 freight cars to handle this order. The highest price recently paid to farmers for milk now prevails, the company paying \$1.55 a hundred.

RULES ARE GIVEN TO CORRECT SLICE

Causes for Faulty Golf Stroke Analyzed and Means of Overcoming It Shown.

MANY REASONS ASCRIBED

Hook and Pull Prescribed by Waverley Professional as Easiest Though Not Necessarily Best Way of Avoiding Error.

Chronic slicing is one of the most common faults in golf, and yet it may be cured by a few simple experiments, according to J. Martin Watson, professional at the Waverley Country Club.

The first is developed at the top of the swing by bringing the club too soon into the line of flight. The club comes across the ball, giving a spin to the right.

It should be a slight slice the ball will go straight for a distance of about 100 yards if the player should happen to be a hard hitter, then the ball will begin to curve. The ball has lost the greater part of its velocity, and thus allows the spin to take effect.

This particular kind of slice may come from two causes. First, the player may discover that he is beginning to heel the ball. To heel the ball is to hit it with the head of the club nearest to its neck. Sometimes the player is in such a bad shape that he even hits it with the neck of the club itself.

It is safe to say that 50 per cent of the bad shots come from heeling. As you discover that you are heeling you instinctively draw the club in toward you, perhaps thinking that is the only way to remedy the fault, while as a matter of fact you are drifting into a worse fault, which is slicing.

The true remedy for this particular kind of slicing is to keep your weight back on your heels. Relax your knees slightly. Address with the toe of the club and try to hit with it, thereby allowing for the centrifugal force that produced the heeling, and consequently the slicing.

The club should enter into the line of flight just a few inches before the impact with the ball. To enter this line too soon is also cause for this kind of slicing.

The second kind of slicing comes from the wrong grip. Most of the time the fault lies with the left hand. Hold the club with the face of the club upward at the point of the impact is bad.

To remedy this fault first lay the club down, flat, then hold it with the fingers of the left hand just behind the grip. The grip question, as explained in the first kind of slicing, may also be cause for this one, so it is wise to look into this point also.

An exaggerated open stance is cause for the third kind of slicing. There are cases where the purpose of an ordinary open stance will cause the same fault, because this is an unnatural stance. The square stance is a natural stance.

For the benefit of those who do not know, a natural stance is to place the feet equidistant from the head of the club, laying on the ground. The toes of the feet should be parallel with the line of flight.

The open stance calls for the right foot advanced. For better correction of this kind of slicing it is advisable to have the right foot back from the line of flight. This, of course, is a kind of overcorrection, but sometimes it is necessary to resort to extremes to obtain quick results.

Correction May Be Overdone. Even when remedy has produced its good effects you may keep playing in the same way, provided you are not beginning to pull, as the head in that position in a normal play causes an intentional pull. In this case you must go back to the square stance.

The fourth kind of slicing is caused by the hands coming down ahead of the club. The remedy for this is to hold the hands a little bit toward the right hip and turning in the nose of the club a trifle.

Take your club slowly up to your right shoulder with one thought in mind, that the head of the club will precede the hands. This will more than offset your chronic fault.

There is nothing in golf that produces better results than to play with natural movements. When you make this shot you should bear in mind one fixed idea, and that is to hook the ball. A hooked ball leaves the tee and curves inward, which is the opposite from slicing.

To cultivate hook and a pull so that you have perfect control over them is to make yourself immune from slicing. Many of the leading golfers play always for a slight pull, as this kind of stroke makes the ball roll over the ground more than any other kind of shot.

For a very bad form of chronic slicing, of years' standing, you must apply all the remedies indicated for the different kinds of slicing. Besides, place a handkerchief under your right arm and hold it there until you have hit the ball.

This compels you to keep your right arm in contact with your body, and it is better to go to a teacher as soon as you discover that you are a slicer. People who are taught that the left arm does most of the work become slicers, because it makes them pull the left hand down first, with the result that the head of the club is lying off.

While it is well to know that the right arm, being stronger, does most of the work, you do not want to think of that when you are hitting a shot, otherwise you are likely to hook the ball. Nature will attend to all these things for you, and the only time that you have to think of these things is when you have a fault to overcome, a fault depends, to a large extent, on the length of time you have had it. Hence it is better to go to a teacher as soon as you discover that you are a slicer.

Action photographs of leading players, such as Vardon, taken just before the impact with the ball show that undoubtedly the right hand does most of the work. Also that his right heel has left the ground and his right knee is bent.

People who stay on the right leg too long will slice, because it curtails the follow through.

Breezy Bits of Golf Gossip. PHILADELPHIA is the latest city to provide golf facilities for its people. The new Philadelphia course is located in a beautiful park and it cost \$30,000 to develop the course. It will do away with the big item of expense—cost of belonging to a private club. The maintenance of the course will be able to indulge.

The new Speedway golf course in Chicago will have the distinction of being the longest in the world. It will measure 6775 yards, being approximately 240 yards longer than that of the Chicago club. The yardage will be as follows:

Out... 432 398 375 355 335 320 315 320 In... 468 150 200 220 238 235 250 245

The Eugene Country Club has a special rule which permits dropping the ball for better lies anywhere on the fairways. This is rather a unique example of the "special" rules in effect in various cities. The purpose of the rule is to place a premium on shots straight down the fairway. The Eugene course is not heavily bunkered and little penalty attaches to a slice off the course.

As invariably the case in undeveloped golf country, several freaky shots were made on the Eugene course during the Eugene-Portland tournament last Sunday. Three different players holed out on the ninth green with mashies. Sam Holbrook led the pace, and then followed Dr. Thomas Wynn Watts and John Wilhelm.

Dr. Watts' fine playing was one of the features of the tourney. Some time in June, after the Oregon state championships, another interclub tourney is to be staged between picked teams of the Waverley Country Club and the Portland Golf Club. Last year Waverley defeated the younger organization both at Waverley and at the Raleigh links.

When Francis Ouimet was asked for some pointers on how to improve one's game he said: "Always remember that the selection of the club that will cover the distance with the least expenditure of effort and greatest control is the first step toward increased proficiency, and the second is to cultivate the pitch shot for the approach. Many courses, even under recent developments, do not require it, but the all-around game demands it."

There is no doubt that at this period of the year in particular a little forethought and consideration on the part of the players will prove of great help to the greenkeeper in saving unnecessary wear and tear on the greens. This applies more especially to courses on heavy land. Any one who takes the trouble to accompany the greenkeeper on his rounds on a Monday morning during the Spring months, more particularly following a busy week end, cannot fail to notice the mutilated condition of the tee and greens. Now, although it is not possible to avoid some damage to the turf when the conditions are soft, it is also a fact that club members can do their part toward lessening the evil.

FIRST 9 HOLES MAY BE READY BY FALL

Chairman of Committee That Is Raising Needed \$3000 Makes Estimate.

COURSE IS PICTURESQUE

Municipal Links Will Be Completed by Next May, Declares Victor Johnson; Sporty Course Will Be Laid Out.

Portland's new municipal golf links—that is, the first nine holes—will be ready for play about the middle of September or the fore part of October. This is the estimate made yesterday by Victor Johnson, chairman of the committee in charge of raising the \$3000 required to start the work.

All efforts will be concentrated on the first nine holes for the present, and after this is put in playable order work will be begun on the second nine holes. It is doubtful if the last nine can be put in condition before next May.

One thing certain, Portland will have one of the finest public courses in America when completed. Victor Johnson plotted a party of newspaper men over the place Friday afternoon, and all were delighted with the prospects of what can be done with a minimum of expense.

Whole Course to Be Sporty. Both nine holes will be sporty, naturally so, this applying particularly to the last nine, in which will be located the 12-acre Crystal Lake. Contrary to some reports, the land is not low or marshy, but the fairways. A beautiful playground and picnic center can be made another feature of the last nine holes.

Crystal Lake is a beautiful sheet of water, although artificial. It is fed by a large spring located on the grounds. Wild geese abound in the district, having been established in refuge by the State Game Commission.

The first nine holes of the course will be south of Bybee avenue in Eastmoreland and the last nine north of the south tract consists of 66 acres lying between the Southern Pacific tracks and the platted and paved district to the east.

Track Narrow at North End. At the north end the tract is not more than 800 yards wide, but it spreads out at the other end in the shape of a rubber boot, the toe consisting of a high bluff and the arch in the sole being formed by a beautiful creek that takes a dip into the Ladd property and then out again. The only short hole on the first nine will be a 100-yard mashie pitch over this creek onto the small patch of land formed by the bend.

Oddly enough this small patch does not belong to the Ladd tract, but the committee hopes to prevail upon the owner to place it in the general plot because of the benefits that will accrue to his other property from the links.

One hole will be located on the high bluff in the toe of the property, and one tee, the sixth, has been established on the very edge of a precipice about 100 yards high. Chandler Egan, the ex-National champion who laid out the links, is enthusiastic over this natural picturesqueness of the property.

The first nine lengths are as follows: First hole, 325 yards; second hole, 150 yards; third hole, 350 yards; fourth hole, 100 yards; fifth hole, 540 yards; sixth hole, 500 yards; seventh hole, 350 yards; eighth hole, 225 yards; ninth hole, 468 yards. Total length, 3144 yards.

It will require about \$3000 besides the city's share to put the links in shape. In order to raise this sum immediately, Victor Johnson, chairman of the citizens' committee, issued a complete statement of the situation, together with a list of the first batch of subscriptions.

Municipal Golf Subscriptions. Louis Rosenblatt \$250.00, W. L. Clark \$200.00, C. E. Berg \$100.00, J. B. Davidson \$100.00, R. B. Peterson \$100.00.

Gresham Class to Give Play. GRESHAM, Or., May 20.—(Special.)—The senior class of Union High School No. 2 will give their class play, "The Strenuous Life," in Regner's Opera-house Friday. The following will be in the cast: Merrill Cowdrey, Walter Metzger, Orville Zimmerman, Keith Lyman, Roy Gibbs, Glenn Risher, George Lane, Anna Brugger, Isaac Anderson, Frances Bliss, Marguerite Volbrecht, Lucy Peterson, Gladys Bliss and Florence Towle. Owing to the fact that the senior class was not large enough to fill the whole cast some of the parts are taken by sophomores and one by a freshman.

ENTRIES CLOSE JUNE 3

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP FOR GOLFERS OPENS JUNE 5

Women's Entries for Title Event Allowed Until June 5, and Qualifying Round to Be June 6.

Entries for the men's amateur golf championships of Oregon will close on June 3 at 1 P. M., according to the decision of Chairman C. H. Davis, Jr., of the Waverley Country Club tournament committee. The state championships are scheduled to open on Monday, June 5. Entries for the women's championship will close June 5 at 1 P. M., and the qualifying rounds will commence Tuesday, June 6, at 2:30 P. M.

Post entries will be allowed in all other events aside from the two main championships. Entrance fee for the amateur championships will be \$3; for other events \$1, and for clock golf, 25 cents.

The programme follows: Men's championship flight—June 5, Monday, 9 A. M., qualifying round, 36 holes, medal play. Flight of 16 players—June 6, Tuesday, 9 A. M., first round, 36 holes match play.

Women's championship—June 6, Tuesday, 2:30 P. M., first round, 18 holes, match play; June 7, Wednesday, 1:30 P. M., second round, 18 holes, match play; June 8, Thursday, 1:30 P. M., semi-finals, 18 holes, match play; June 10, Saturday, 10 A. M., finals, 18 holes, match play.

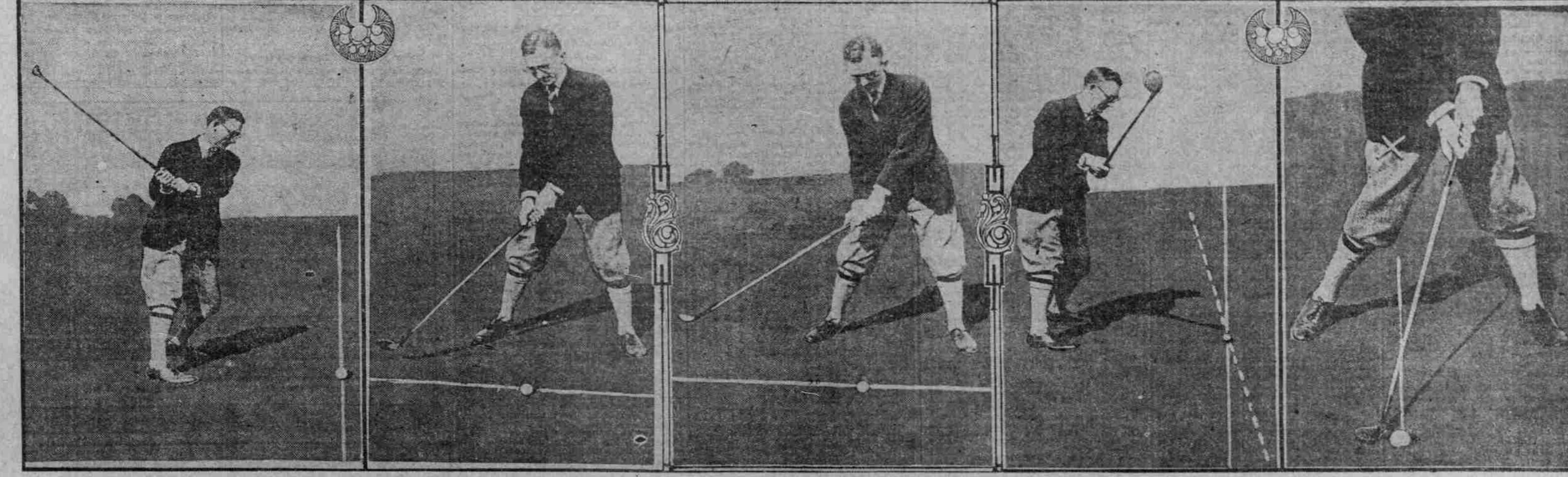
Eighty or eight players—June 7, Wednesday, 2:30 P. M., first round, 18 holes, match play; June 8, Thursday, 1:30 P. M., semi-finals, 18 holes, match play; June 9, Friday, 2:30 P. M., finals, 18 holes, match play.

Beaten eight in men's flight, handicapped—June 7, Wednesday, 1 P. M., first round, 18 holes, match play; June 8, Thursday, 1 P. M., second round, 18 holes, match play; June 9, Friday, 1 P. M., semi-finals, 18 holes, match play; June 10, Saturday, 1 P. M., finals, 18 holes, match play; June 10, Saturday, 10 A. M., mixed foursomes, handicapped, medal play; June 10, Saturday, 10 A. M., men's handicap, 18 holes, medal play.

Sunday events—Clock golf every day, 1 P. M. to 5 P. M.; driving contest Saturday, June 10, 8 P. M.; putting contest, Saturday, June 10, 5 P. M.

There are about 80 operations in the manufacture of a gold pen.

ILLUSTRATIONS SHOWING VARIOUS CAUSES OF "SLICING" ON THE GOLF LINKS.



A—Correct way to bring the club down to the ball. It comes down simultaneously with the "unwinding" of the body. The white line shows the line of flight of the ball. B—Correct way to roll the forearms, the head of the club being at the proper distance from the line of flight. C—Turning the forearms too soon, as the illustration shows, causes slicing. Notice the distance of the head of the club from the line of flight and compare it with illustration B, which is the correct way of rolling the forearms. D—This kind of slicing is produced by bringing the club across the ball and across the line of flight as the dotted lines show, thereby imparting a rotary motion to the right, causing a bad slice. E—Getting the hands ahead of the club's head, causing the head of the club to "lie off." Cross shows where the hands should be.