Famous Golf Professionals to Meet Local Stars in Exhibition Matches Saturday and Sunday

Golf Stars To Vie With Local Pair

By George Bertz

WALTER HAGEN, British open champion and holder of other golf titles, and Joseph Kirkwood, Australian professional, versus H. Chandler Egan, former national, Western and Northwest title winner, and Dr. O. F. Willing, one of the greatest medal players of the Northwest.

This will be the golfing treat that the Waverley Country club will offer to the enthusiasts of Portland next Saturday. Not since the appearance of Ted Ray and Harry Vardon, famous English professionals, will such a great quartet of golfers step up to the first tee.

ARE NATIONALLY KNOWN

Hagen, Kirkwood and Egan are nationally known as golfing stars, while Willing is working his way to the front in sensational style. In the last two Pacific Northwest tourneys and in the 1921 and 1922 state tournaments Willing has won the medalist's honors. At Victoria, last June, he topped the greatest field of golfers ever assembled in the Northwest by a wide margin.

Hagen and Kirkwood, on their Eastern tour, played more than 50 matches and appeared before more than 30,000 golfers and 5000 caddies. Their scheduled appearance on the Waverley links Saturday has started considerable comment among the golfers and indications are that a huge gallery will follow the match, which will start at 9 o'clock in the morning. The afternoon round is scheduled to begin at 1 o'clock. Following the completion of the afternoon round, Kirkwood, who is the greatest trick shot golfer in the world, will give an exhibition. Kirkwood is a wizard when it comes to making trick shots. He handles his clubs perfectly.

WON MANY TITLES

Hagen has the reputation of being the greatest "fighting golfer" in the game. He has demonstrated his claim to this classification more than once. His victory in the British open championship last summer was the result of his "will to win." He was the first American-born golfer to win the British open title, and in addition he has held the following championships: French open, in 1920; American open, in 1914 and 1919; Metropolitan open, in 1916, 1919 and 1920, and Western open, in 1916 and 1921. Numerous other minor title tourneys have also been won by Hagen.

In securing Egan's consent to be paired with Dr. Willing against the professionals, President Davis of the Waverley club made a strike. Egan is a wonderful drawing card in Portland and hundreds of people take keen delight in watching him play. He is a clean-cut golfer, careful but deliberate in making his shots and is possessed with uncanny ability to recover from bad lies. Egan will come to Portland a couple of days before the match in order to get in a little practice.

MADE REMARKABLE RECORD

The Waverley Country club officials have decided to charge a nominal admission fee. In view of the proposed legislation of the United States Golf association, this will likely be the last match which the Portland golfers will have an opportunity to witness.

Hagen made one of the most remarkable golf records ever recorded during the past season. In 150 competitive matches he averaged 71⅓ strokes to the round.

The club officials are making preparations to handle a huge crowd. All the gallery is expected to do is to be on their guard in regard to walking over the putting greens, which at this time of the year are soft as the result of the rains. Plans are being made to give the entire gallery opportunity to witness the playing of all shots.

Following their match at Waverley, Hagen and Kirkwood will appear in an 18 hole match over the Eastmoreland municipal course against Rudolph Wilhelm and Howard Beall, professional of the Eastmoreland course. An admission fee also will be charged at Eastmoreland. Hagen and Kirkwood will receive a percentage of the money and the balance will be turned over to the west side golf committee.

Kirkwood will also give his trick shot exhibition at Eastmoreland. It is planned to start the Eastmoreland match at noon, Sunday. In order not to have the playing of the exhibition delayed, the courses will be opened to the public from 11:30 until after the match has been started.

Hagen and Kirkwood are playing in Seattle today over the municipal course. Wednesday they will play in Victoria, B. C., and following their match there will come directly to Portland. From Portland they will invade California and participate in the California open title play as well as in a number of exhibition matches.

Spokane Will Add 9 Holes to Course

Plans for the addition of nine holes to the Spokane, Wash., municipal golf course have been approved by the park board of that city. All the present nine hole course will be utilized in the new scheme of improvement. The course will have a total yardage of 6000 yards.

The receipts of the Spokane course for the past year were $9215.50. The attendance was 40,006 as compared with 21,485 in 1921.

Each season ticket purchased contributed $10, which was turned over to the fund to purchase the additional ground for the enlargement of the course.

HARVARD PICKS CREW COACH

Cambridge, Mass., Nov. 18.—(U. P.)—After a trial of six weeks, Frank T. Muller, Philadelphia, trainer of Jack Kelly, the world's champion sculler, has been named rowing coach at Harvard for 1923.

GOLF STARS TO PLAY EXHIBITION MATCH NEXT SUNDAY

Four golfing stars who will participate in exhibition match next Saturday on the Waverley Country club course. Reading from the left, they are: Above—H. Chandler Egan of the Waverley Country club; Walter Hagen, British open champion, and Dr. O. F. Willing, state champion. Below—Joe Kirkwood, Australian champion and expert trick shot maker.

High Purses For Pro Golf Stars Passe

NEW YORK, Nov. 18.—The day of high golf purses for open championships and professional exhibitions appears to be passing. For some years leading American golf clubs have been a money mart for golfers from all around the world, who have come here, attracted by the high purses given for exhibition matches.

Now, however, the United States Golf association has voted a recommendation to member clubs, it is officially announced, to eliminate what is regarded as a growing evil in the game. Judging from the fate of past recommendations of the national recommendations, there is little doubt that the member clubs will concur in the recommendations of the national board.

MOVEMENT IS TIMED

The impression is general that the complaints of minority members of certain clubs that recently have held fixtures with surprisingly large prize lists have had much to do with the action just taken. And the movement has been carefully timed between seasons, early enough to give Southern resorts opportunity to revise their lists before announcement, and at the same time so late as not to upset plans laid for the Northern season.

It is declared that the executive committee of the national association, disgusted over the constant clashes between private dates, public championships and club tournaments, would have acted in September, but for the fact that a declaration of new policy would have caused even worse confusion.

The vote of the executive committee is interpreted as meaning that no foreign professionals will tour the United States for a long time to come, reaping such a golden harvest as, in three instances, at least, reached $30,000 for tours of less than four months.

DANGER OF HARM

The national association makes it clear that it will not hamper professionals in competing within ordinary limits, but insists at the same time that unless more moderate prizes are adopted there is great danger of harm being done the game through creating a class of players who will devote their entire time and attention to high prize events.

Among the high prize tournaments which have come under observation of the national association during the last two seasons the most conspicuous were held to be those in St. Joseph, Mo., Syracuse, N. Y., and Atlanta, Ga. The latter, however, did not repeat its 1921 fixture last winter.

Trophy Players in Portland Play Named

Winners of the trophies in the best score tourney for women players of handicap of 25 strokes or over at the Portland Golf club were announced Saturday by Mrs. Pat Allen, women's captain.

Mrs. T. T. Ashton made the best score on the first nine, Mrs. W. H. Cullers on the second nine and Mrs. Ralph Meyers on the 18 holes. This tourney was played during the months of August, September and October.

P.N.G.A. President Honored By Western Golf Association

RECOGNITION has been given Pacific Northwest golf circles by the nominating committee of the Western Golf association.

A. S. Kerry, former Portlander, who has taken up residence in Seattle and president of the Pacific Northwest Golf association, has been nominated as a director for the next year.

This is the first time that the Pacific Northwest has been recognized by one of the parent bodies of golf in the United States.

An entire change in officers of the Western Golf association is in prospect next year for the first time in many seasons, according to the report of the nominating committee, made public by Secretary W. W. Harless.

The officers placed in nomination and expected to be certified next January at the annual meeting of the organization are nearly all new men for the places and largely newcomers in the roster of helmsmen for the Western Golf association.

President Albert R. Gates and Secretary Harless are leaving after two years of tenure and J. K. Wadley of Texarkana is the only director seeking reelection.

Charles O. Pfell of Memphis, is named for president, Melvin A. Traylor of Chicago is nominee for vice president, Joseph W. Busch, Chicago, for secretary, and A. C. Allen, Chicago, for treasurer.

For directors, Robert M. Modisette of Pasadena, Cal.; W. J. Foye of Omaha, W. E. Biggers of Detroit and A. S. Kerry of Seattle are named to replace James E. Nugent of Kansas City, A. D. S. Johnson of Los Angeles, Sam Reynolds of Omaha and Fred S. Borton of Cleveland.

Honeyman Indoor Golf School to Open

The Honeyman Hardware company's indoor golf school will reopen Monday afternoon under the supervision of Howard Beall, professional of the Eastmoreland Golf club.

Beall will be at Honeyman's three days during the week and his assistant, Frank Johnson, who hails from Spokane, will instruct on the other three days. By this arrangement municipal golfers will be able to secure indoor and outdoor practice throughout the winter.

First Caddie Was Merely Errand Boy

Golf, observes the London Morning Post, has reserved for itself what was meant for mankind. The "cadie" was originally a young fellow (a cadet of frugal Scots families?) who gained a livelihood by going errands and it is worth noting that Jamison, who so defines the race, does not cite the "gowff-cadie" in illustration. He quotes Robert Fergusson's

"The useft' cadie plies in the street
To bide the profits o' his feet."

Macan Is Laying Out New Links in Tacoma

Laying out of the new 18-hole course of the Fircrest Golf club of Tacoma was started last Monday by A. V. Macan, Victoria, B. C., golf architect. As soon as the designing of the course is completed the construction work on the first nine will be started.

Macan plans to design distinctive greens for this course and it is in this line of work that the British Columbia golfer is proficient.

Public Golf Players May Be Homeless

WHAT is going to happen to the municipal golfers of Portland in the event of the failure of the city to purchase the Eastmoreland course, or, at least, one half of it?

A proposition to purchase one half of the Eastmoreland course has been placed before the city commission by C. P. Keyser, superintendent of the Park bureau, but in case it is turned down, the Rose City and Hoyt Park (West Hills) courses are going to be so badly congested that there will be no pleasure in the game.

The Rose City course will be formally opened under the city's supervision about the first of May, while a month later play likely will be permitted over temporary greens on the Hoyt Park links. These two courses are inadequate to take care of the great number of municipal golfers in Portland.

EXHIBITION MATCH

About the only solution of the problem of taking care of the golfers in the event of the failure of the purchase plan at Eastmoreland is for the golfers of Portland to contribute to the fund for the completion of the nine-hole course and to raise additional money for the construction of the second nine holes.

Next Sunday the golfing public will have an opportunity to witness Walter Hagen and Joe Kirkwood, two great professionals, play an 18-hole exhibition match against Rudolph Wilhelm and Howard Beall, and at the same time contribute to the fund of the West Side course. Over a certain sum all money taken in at the Eastmoreland course will be turned over to the west side golf committee to aid in the payment of bills contracted in the installation of the first nine holes. Tickets for this match can be secured at Spaldings, Meier & Frank's, Lipman & Wolfe's, Honeyman, Multnomah club and Portland Golf club.

MORE COURSES NEEDED

Tickets will be sold for $1 each, and the committee in charge of the match is hopeful of selling nearly 1000 tickets.

What Portland needs to take care of the number of municipal golfers next summer is two full 18-hole courses in addition to the Rose City links. Even with the 18-hole course at Eastmoreland upward of 150 players playing at Rose City the congestion at Eastmoreland was such that waits of half an hour were frequent.

The west side golf committee is still after coin to rush the completion of the course. The seeding of all greens is under way, and the sooner the funds are provided the quicker the course will be ready for play.

All municipal golfers are urged to get behind the exhibition match and also to help finance the construction of the west side links.

NEVILLE WINS GOLF TITLE

Jack Neville, former California champion, won the San Francisco city honors last week by defeating Francis Murphy, 6 up and 5 in a 36-hole contest. This was the first time in five years that Neville was able to overcome his jinx on the Lincoln Park course.

California Planning Big Golf Season

CALIFORNIA golfing enthusiasts are preparing for the greatest winter season in the history of the game in the Golden State.

The California state open championship, to be staged over the course of the San Francisco Golf and Country club course January 5 and 6, promises to be the biggest event from the entry standpoint that any open title event ever held. The Southern California open title tourney, to be staged January 14, 15 and 16, at Flintridge or Midwick promises to outdo any previous sectional tournament.

Entries for the California open championship will include Gene Sarazen, United States open champion; Walter Hagen, British title holder; Jock Hutchison and Joe Kirkwood. It is also likely that Jim Barnes and Eddie Loos, who won the California title in 1920, winner of the Illinois and Missouri open titles, will be among the entrants.

In addition to these stars all the crack California professionals and a number of Northern pros will likely participate in the events.

John Black, runner-up in the National open at Skokie, will not be able to participate in next year's California title event, despite the fact that he has started to play again. It is believed that the strain of playing 72 holes of medal play would be too much for Black.

The Northern Caalifornia open championship will not be held next year, since the two associations agreed that the northern and southern open titles should be contested on alternate years. This championship is now held by Jock Hutchison, who won it last January at the San Francisco Golf and Country club, with Eddie Traub, runner-up.

The courtesy of the council of the San Francisco Golf and Country club in again extending the privileges of the course for an open championship is duly appreciated by the officers of the California Golf association and should earn a vote of thanks from all golfers.

Second Round of Multnomah Golf On Tap This Week

SECOND round matches of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic club golf championship tournament are scheduled to be completed this week. Despite the bad weather of the past week, all but four matches scheduled in the first round of the championship and first flight were played.

The results in the first flight of the championship were: Steve Juhasz beat Ted Alonen, 3 and 2; George Gammie beat Lloyd Lawson, 3 and 1; Walter Nash beat Leland James, 5 and 4; William Steudler won from Bob Remer, default; Ira Doud beat George Dewey, 3 and 1; Clayton Sharp won from Rex Baldwin, default; A. Hosefeldt beat A. Figgans, 3 and 1, and George Janes beat George Henselman, 2 and 1.

In the second round the pairings are: Juhasz vs. Gammie, Nash vs. Steudler, Doud vs. Sharp, Hosfeldt vs. James. The pairings in the beaten eight flights are: Alonen vs. Lawson, James vs. Bremer, Dewey vs. Baldwin and Figgans vs. Henselman.

The results of the first round of the first flight follow: P. B. Meyers, defaulted to G. A. Duthey, R. Dickey, defaulted to R. Hochull, E. F. Davidson beat Joe Riesch, 3 and 2, and Ted Holmes beat R. A. Level, 2 and 1. In the semi-finals Duthey plays Hochull and Davidson plays Holmes.

Preacher-Golfer Has Four Sermons on Royal Game

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MAPLEWOOD, N. J., Nov. 13.—The Rev. Francis H. Richey is pastor of a church here which is entirely surrounded by golf.

Hemmed in everywhere by the boundaries of 15 golf courses, and isolated from his people by his ignorance of the game, Doctor Richey compromised with the vice of the pastures and has now turned it to the use of religion.

The first golf sermon ever delivered in America will be spoken with a burr from Doctor Richey's pulpit in St. George's Protestant Episcopal church Sunday. It will be called "The Follow Through." The next will be "Choose the Right Club." The next, "What Does Your Card Say?" and "Which Shall It Be?—God or Golf?"

PLAYS IN AFTERNOON

These are the sermons he has prepared in advance.

Dr. Richey wasn't at home in the afternoon.

"He is golfing over at the Baltusrol club," said Mrs. Richey.

"He's out on the course now," said the steward at Baltusrol.

"Went out about 2:30, back about 5." At 5 o'clock the minister arrived at the home green, sank his putt for a nine, counted a score of 110, and said he'd be dogged if he thought he'd ever make a golfer. He wouldn't wait, thanks, for a bite to eat, because the little woman was waiting dinner at home for him, and the golf widow has his sympathy.

So the story of how golf got religion was told at the rectory.

"Well now, I'll tell you," said the golf-preacher. "This country around here is just full of golf clubs. There's Baltusrol and Hackamaxon, Montclair, South Orange—oh, 15 of them, anyway. People talk golf all day and all night. They go out on week days whenever they can and they golf on Sundays.

"Well, I had seen ministers trying to stop Sunday golf before, and I knew it couldn't be done. Anyway I didn't think it ought to be stopped, because I knew some fine men and women who golfed. It seemed to me that golf must have something pretty good in it to appeal to such people. So I took up golf.

"Oh, I don't get much time for it. I never play on Sundays—don't get a chance with all my work to do. I'm one of those one-a-week dubs, getting around in 115 or something like that and resisting temptation like all the rest of us when it comes to marking my score.

"And just the other day as I was plowing divots over there, and counting 10 before I'd speak out loud at the traps, it struck me that golf is a lot like life in general. I found myself recalling scripture for every situation I got into in 18 holes. One place I took my eye off the ball and topped my drive. 'If thine eye be single,' I quoted myself, 'thy body shall be full of light.' In other words the Bible says:

"'Keep your eye on the ball.'

"I found that I could talk to people if I talked golf. I could even talk religion if I talked it in terms of golf.

"Thank God for golf and the health he gives us to enjoy it."

Local Golf Stars Best Seattleites

ON THEIR home course members of Waverly Golf club defeated the Seattle visitors in the finals of the home-and-home series by a score of 28 to 9 in the play Saturday.

This is the second of the series, the first being played at the Seattle Golf club. Waverley club was defeated then by a score of 29 to 3.

The play Saturday was in two sets, the morning being the twosomes while the afternoon play was in foursomes. The Nassua system of scoring was used.

The score in the morning play is given below. In the twosomes the first player of the pair is the Seattle visitor.

Bob Stein 1, Dr. O. F. Willing 0; H. A. Fleager 0, Rudolph Wilhelm 1; J. H. Ballinger 1, Russell Smith 0; S. L. Russell 0, Jack Straight 1; M. M. McElwaine 1, Richard Wilder 0; A. S. Kerry 0, Ellis Bragg 1; Josiah Collins 0, Sam Slocum 1; J. S. Clingan 0, Frank Dickson 1; F. E. Fey 0, C. E. H. McGeorge 0, H. G. Thompson 1; P. E. Sands 0, W. R. Pearson 1; T. S. Lippy 1, Dr. Joseph McCool 0; R. T. Stafford 0, J. H. MacKenzie 1; R. H. Evans 0, H. F. Corbett 1; Louis Walder 1, D. W. L. McGreagor 0; S. Thompkins 1, Otto Kettenbach 0; W. H. Payne 0, Holt Cookingham 1; Al Schofield 1, L. L. DuBois 0.

This gave the Waverley club a score of 12 against the Seattle score of 7.

In the afternoon play the score of the foursomes was as follows:

Stein and Fleager 0, Willing and Wilhelm 2; Ballinger and Russell 0, Smith and Straight 2; McElwaine and Kerry 2, Wilder and Bragg 0; Collins and Clingan 0, Slocum and Dickson 2; Fey and McGeorge 0, Nelson and Thompson 0; Sands and Lippy 0, Pearson and McCool 2; Stafford and Evans 0, McKenzie and Corbett 2; Walder and Thompkins 0; McGreagor and Kettenback 2; Payne and Schofield 0, Cookingham and DuBoise 2; Henry 0, Lyman 2.

The afternoon play resulted in Waverley scoring 16 and Seattle 2, making the total 28 to 9.

Pro. Golfers Plan To Organize Union

Professional golfers throughout the United States have banded together to do practically the same thing that the baseball players are contemplating. The men who teach the royal and ancient game are now in revolt and they are in the process of organizing to fight the big sporting goods houses which have been in control of them for several years. There will be a meeting shortly at which the question of whether the "pros" will go their own way or will be under the influence of the sporting goods houses. The Professional Golfers' association, of which George Sargent, former open champion, is the president, is determined that it will control the game in this country and that the men who are making controlled by any particular group of sporting goods houses.

Oklahoma horse enthusiasts are perfecting plans for building at Tulsa what may be the largest horse show arena and stables in this country, with annual exhibitions there beginning October 23, 1923. The Tulsa Horse Show association has been formed with W. L. Lewis at its head. Plans show a pavilion to seat 10,000 persons around a show ring 220 feet long and 120 feet wide with stalls for 200 horses.

Golfers Attention

Mr. Howard Beall, golf professional at the Eastmoreland Municipal Golf Links, and his assistant, Mr. Frank Johnston, have been granted the use of our golf school for the purpose of giving instructions to golfers who prefer to take lessons indoors during the winter months.

Mr. Beall has established himself as an instructor of the highest order during the time he has been in Portland. His assistant, Mr. Johnston, has also had considerable experience as a teacher and besides is a skilled maker of golf clubs.

In this way golfers will have the advantage of being able to alternate their lessons between our school and the Municipal Golf course.

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