

AROUND PHILADELPHIA

By "HAZARD"

The White Marsh Country Club is the latest addition to the Quaker fold. S. Y. Heebner is one of its most enthusiastic supporters. Together with your correspondent he was a very critical observer of the play at the 12th hole during the Amateur Championship at Garden City, and I now learn that the general idea of the green is to be reproduced at White Marsh, although the length of the hole is to be somewhat modified. After a casual observation of the new course, I am of the opinion that it possesses great possibilities and it is to be hoped that the Green Committee makes the most of them.

The Philadelphia Golf Association has corresponded with the Pittsburgh Association, inviting their views on

the formation of a Pennsylvania organization. I think that in expressing my opinion of this contemplated State golfing society, I but express the sentiment of the vast majority of the golfers of Philadelphia. It is undoubtedly a move in the right direction and would greatly stimulate the game throughout the State. Then, too, it would enable Pennsylvania to face the Massachusetts and Metropolitan Associations with a powerful team in the Lesley Cup competitions,—but aside from all this, a Pennsylvania Association would be but a natural, logical conclusion. The claim that Pittsburgh is "of the West" is really too absurd to be debatable.

It is with particular gratification that Philadelphians note the rapid development of some of her younger golfers. During the season the performances of Messrs. Hanson, Pfeil, Stull and Buxton have been exceedingly good. Then, too, West is combining steadiness with his undisputed brilliancy and his old error of "underclubbing" is less noticeable. Alcorn is rapidly acquiring a finish to a well-rounded game and is at all times a very dangerous opponent. His form is excellent, but an inclination to worry over his putts rather handicaps him at times.

Those of the "Old Guard" who still figure in the game have had to keep pace with a faster field than in the past, and with few exceptions they are all playing sounder golf to-day than ever before.

