

FROM THE SOUTH

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THE GOLFING BUG which has attacked Atlanta citizenry so vigorously during the past summer does not confine itself to the male population. The ladies are also taking up the game in large numbers and with great enthusiasm. During this fall large numbers of female golfers could be seen playing over the different courses in Atlanta almost any day. Many of them are making rapid progress.

This year Atlanta women have shown exceedingly well in a number of tournaments in various parts of the country and next season promises to see even a larger number of them participating in these intersectional events.

The tournament for the J. P. Allen trophy, which was played over the course of the Capital City Club at Brookhaven during the first part of last month, was won by Mrs. Edwin Johnson, who defeated Mrs. T. B. Paine in the final after a hard match.

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The City Championship of Atlanta was won by Mr. George W. Adair, who defeated Mr. W. F. Spalding in the 36 holes final by 3 up and 2 to play.

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the semi-final on the seventeenth green.

In this tournament Mr. A. Davidson had two peculiar things happen to him on two holes after he stood two up and three to play. On the sixteenth green when he had about a two foot putt for a win he placed his putter in front of the ball to get the line to the hole and in lifting it back into place he struck his ball and knocked it about two feet farther from the hole. This left him with a four foot putt for a half, which he missed thus losing a hole which looked like a certain win. On the very next hole he did the same thing and then lost the eighteenth hole and the match, when it looked at both the sixteenth and seventeenth holes that he had the match easily won.

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Mr. J. P. Edrington won the City Championship of Memphis when he defeated Mr. J. A. Evans, Jr., 3 up and 2 to play. Mr. Evans, who like Mr. Edrington is a member of the Memphis Country Club, is one of the best young golfers in the South and the close match he played with Mr. Edrington, who is a former Southern champion, shows that he is coming at a rapid rate.

Mr. A. E. Jennings was elected president of the Colonial Country Club of Memphis for the coming year. The other officers, who were elected were Mr. George Brodnax, First Vice President; Mr. C. O. Schroder, Second Vice President, Mr. J. D. Mc-

Dowell, Secretary, and Mr. G. O. Waring, Treasurer.

At this meeting it was announced that the club house would be rushed to completion as soon as possible and it is expected to have it finished by the first part of next spring.

The course of the Colonial Country Club was opened for play last September and is slightly less than six thousand yards in length but contains some very attractive and sporty holes.

A large force of workmen will be kept busy during the winter putting in the traps and bunkers, which have not yet been placed, and getting the course in good condition for play next spring.

This is the fourth course which has been built in Memphis, which fact shows how the game is growing in popularity.

No professional has yet been retained by the club and it is very probable that this will not be done until the opening of the golf season next spring.

Mr. Chas. J. (Chick) Evans went to see the Freddie Welsh-Charley White fight and according to his statement he scored each round the same as if it had been a hole in match play golf. In his estimate Welsh won 6 up and 4 to go, but we wonder how he would have kept to his golf method of scoring if White had scored a knock-out after the sixth round.

The Druid Hills Golf Club has announced an Invitation Tournament for Atlanta women, the qualifying round of which is to take place on Monday and Tuesday, November 23rd and 24th. The qualifying round as well as all of the matches will be played over the first nine holes as the last nine holes are rather too strenuous for a women's tournament.

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Mr. George W. Adair and Stewart Maiden will take a trip to Nashville early in December for the purpose of going over the new course of the Nashville Golf and Country Club and advising with the Green Committee as to the proper trapping of this course.

Mr. Adair has given more time and study to the matter of traps and bunkers than any golfer in the South and it was due to his efforts that the re-arrangement of the course of the At-

lanta Athletic Club at East Lake was undertaken.

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We understand that Johnny Evers of the Boston Braves has taken up golf. If this is so, we would like to hear him express himself when he misses a twelve inch putt.

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Mrs. Frank G. Jones won the first Women's Championship of the Memphis Country Club by defeating Mrs. K. G. Duffield 6 up and 4 to play in the final.



LITTLE "JIM" MERCER, the two-year-old son of ANDY MERCER, professional of the Roanoke (Va.) Country Club.

Mrs. Duffield had the low score in the qualifying round, while Mrs. Jones was just two strokes behind.

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In playing the eighteenth hole at the Atlanta Athletic Club the other afternoon, Mr. Thos. B. Paine had a most peculiar shot. This hole is across the arm of a lake and the other three players in the foursome had gone into the lake on their tee shots. Mr. Paine played his shot across the lake alright but his ball had a slight slice to it and it hit in the uppermost limbs of a tree and in falling lodged in an old bird's nest. Mr. Paine decided that he did not want to climb the tree so he left the ball and it is in the nest now unless some enterprising caddy has not robbed the nest.

Mr. Paine says that he is glad this shot took place as he had rather have the story than have won the hole.

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President Horace F. Smith recently made a visit to Atlanta for the purpose of playing over the revised East Lake course upon which the Southern Championship will be held next June.

After his round he expressed himself as being greatly pleased with the condition of the course and gave it as his opinion that the first nine holes were the most interesting which he had ever played over and that the course was superior in every respect to any course in the South.

"From the amateur champion of the west to the future amateur champion of the south" was the card which accompanied a complete set of clubs sent by Mr. "Chick" Evans to Dick Jamison, Jr., the two year old son of Mr. Dick Jamison. When "Chick" came to Atlanta some four years ago to get in shape for his first trip to England he and the older Jamison played many rounds together.

The next annual tournament, which is the fourteenth, of the Trans-Mississippi Golf Association will be held over the course of the Memphis Country Club next June.

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Mr. Chas. G. Middleton is the club champion of the Louisville Country Club. He beat Mr. Chas. L. Nelson, the City champion, by 8 up and 7 to play in the 36 holes final.

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Dr. Philip F. Barbour won the club championship of the Cherokee Golf Club, of Louisville, beating the 1913 champion, Mr. Brown Cullen, in the 18 holes final, by 2 and 1.

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James B. Simpson will succeed Bobby McWatt as professional at the Beaumont (Tex.) Country Club this winter. McWatt resigned several months ago and returned to Scotland.

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The nine holes course which was laid out a little less than a year ago at Huntsville, Ala., is shaping very well and the membership is increasing rapidly. The course is on the short side (2650 yards), but when the present scheme of bunkering is completed it will prove very interesting. The professional record, 33, is held by the local pro., Earl Harer. The amateur record, 36, stands to the credit of Mr. M. W. Wellman.

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Chas. S. Hymers, the professional of the Havana (Cuba) Country Club, recently lowered the record of the course to 35, 37—72. The former professional record was held jointly by Hymers and M. J. Brady, of Wollaston, at 76. The amateur record is held by Mr. Oswald Kirkby (Englewood), at 75.