



INSTRUCTING ISN'T ALWAYS HARD WORK
John Duncan Dunn showing Leatrice Joy the first movement in golf at Hollywood; "Get the fingers together like mine," says he

Golf on the Coast

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With the reconstruction work at Pebble Beach already showing such results that even the duffer can visualize the championship layout it is soon to be, thoughts among the western golfers turn frequently to next year's National Amateur.

The Westerner says: "We have a high standard of competition here on the Pacific Coast; we soon will have a golf course worthy of the event for which it is being prepared; we have the marvellous Peninsula playground for the entertainment of our visitors; now the question is, how many will come and enjoy all this?"

He expects that not only all those who pretty regularly attend the National when held in the eastern states will be here, but many others besides. He hopes that those he expects are already planning on it even this far ahead so there will be the minimum number of disappointments.

To those who have never before visited the Pacific Coast, what a splendid opportunity will present itself at that time. The Westerner not only wants to show off his scenic land but more particularly to demonstrate to his Eastern friends that golf on the Pacific Coast is of just as high a standard as can be found anywhere in the country. He hopes that as many of the visitors as possible will allow themselves sufficient time to play more than the four courses of the Monterey Peninsula. He is anxious that the half dozen championship layouts around San Francisco Bay and the more than half dozen in Southern California, will be included in this western tour for a large number of eastern players. We say four Monterey Peninsula courses, and that is how many there will be a year from this time. There is the old original Del Monte Hotel course, the Pebble Beach links, the Monterey Peninsula Club's links and the new Cypress Point layout now ready to be seeded.

How many of our eastern friends think of us as still being in the Spanish Grant era or the cowboy and gold miner period? Is it generally known that there are about two hundred and thirty golf courses in California? There are three major organizations in California, the State Golf Association, the Northern California and the Southern California Associations. The annual State

championship at Del Monte in September attracts what is said to be the largest entry list of any tournament held in the United States. Last year three courses were taxed to their utmost during the week of the tournament. When Cypress Point is ready for play, it will be none too soon to take care of the fast growing army of California mashie wielders.

So much for the setting of golf that our visitors will see a year from this fall. Now a word about the "local talent" that will be arrayed against the invading hordes. George Von Elm, Chandler Egan, Dr. O. F. Willing, Frank Dolp, the Moe brothers, Fay Coleman, Allen Moser, Jack Neville, Harold Thompson, Heinie Schmidt are some of the names which have appeared in National championship entry lists in recent years. Bon Stein, Rudie Wilhelm, "Chuck" Hunter, Dr. Paul Hunter are names that have won the respect and admiration of the best golfers in the Middle West. Then there are others like John J. McHugh, present California champion, and George Ritchie, who have as yet to exhibit their prowess east of the Rocky Mountains. These players would be stars in any community and can be counted upon to make an excellent showing in the Amateur.

Golf and motor cars form a natural combination and it is no surprise that a lot of interest and a large entry list marked the annual motor car dealers' tournament at Del Monte the other day. There were flights enough for everybody and a pretty stiff brand of golf played in the championship set. Joe Hegeman of Los Angeles proved to be the victor as was generally expected—his second win.

The southern dealers won the team match from their northern pals in a day of foursomes. Bill Kendall was the North's shining light. He succeeded in reaching the finals and gave Hegeman a fair tussle.

Golf and aviation are getting closer together on the West Coast. Several clubs have made plans to install landing fields and airplane salesmen consider boards of governors of several organizations as live prospects for their merchandise. The Castlewood Country Club recently had under consideration the purchase of a six-passenger plane to fly between San Francisco, Oakland and the club property.