



Associated Press Wirephoto

Mrs. Ruth Torgerson of Garden City playing a wood shot from fairway of Binghamton Country Club yesterday.

LINKS MEDAL GOES TO MRS. TORGERSON

Five-Time Champion Cards 77 in State Tourney for Edge of Stroke on Miss Smith

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., July 14 (AP)—Mrs. Ruth Torgerson, five-time State champion from Garden City, L. I., took the medal today with a 1-over-par 77 in qualifying play for New York State Women's amateur golf tournament.

Mrs. Torgerson led Shirley Smith of the host Binghamton Club by a stroke.

The defending champion, Barbara Bruning of Armonk, qualified automatically.

All of the eighty-one competitors who shot 93 or better qualified for tomorrow's match play in the championship flight of thirty-two. There was a play-off for last place among those who carded 94's

Mrs. Torgerson finished strong on the 6,220-yard course. She closed with two birdies. Miss Smith, who was out in 37, low score for the front nine, bogied four of the final five holes.

Mrs. Torgerson sank a 25-foot putt on the fifteenth to spark her rally on the closing holes.

"That gave me the confidence I had lacked all day," she said.

Diana Bourne of Bronxville, Dot Lowenstein of Scarsdale and Mrs. Florence Keating of Corning tied at 79 to round out the group of competitors who broke 80.

The play-off for last place was won by Mrs. Cash Garvey of Utica. Her par on the second extra hole was enough to eliminate Mrs. Ann

Levene of Binghamton. Dot Hill of Binghamton, who also shot a 94, withdrew.

Miss Bruning, who has been bothered by a bad arm, complained of the injury again today. She was 4 over par when she dropped out after playing fifteen holes.

Mrs. Keating, wife of Charley Keating, Corning County Club pro, turned in the best score on the back nine—a 3-under par 36. Three successive 6's on the way out boosted her first nine score to 43.

THE QUALIFIERS

Mrs. Ruth Torgerson, Garden City	38	39-77
Shirley Smith, Binghamton	37	41-78
Diana Bourne, Bronxville	41	38-79
Mrs. Florence Keating, Corning	43	36-79
Dorothy Lowenstein, Scarsdale	41	38-79
Mrs. Frances Sherman, Utica	39	42-81
Louis Mallen, Watertown	39	43-82
Jean Davis, Cortland	38	44-82
Naomi Venable, Poughkeepsie	42	41-83
Gerry Moran, Binghamton	42	41-83
Mrs. Virginia Allen, Syracuse	44	39-83
Mrs. Peggy Stockhausen, Locust Valley	42	44-86
Mrs. Janet Noerling, Albany	42	45-87
Mrs. Peggy Flaherty, Syracuse	43	45-88
Mrs. Annamary Newton, Binghamton	42	46-88
Mrs. Betty Blattner, Albany	45	43-88
Mrs. Dot Niles, Binghamton	44	44-88
Mrs. Dot Hankin, Binghamton	44	44-88
Mrs. Lucy Leen, Binghamton	44	44-88
Rhea White, Utica	45	43-88
Mrs. Lee Alexander, Syracuse	45	43-88
Virginia Henningson, Seneca Falls	44	46-90
Reanne Sorci, Oneida	47	44-91
Mrs. Margaret Bunn, Oneonta	42	49-91
Mrs. Sylvia Salinett, Syracuse	45	47-92
Mrs. Lois Isabelle Speno, Ithaca	49	43-92
Mrs. Floey Rowe, Ithaca	45	47-92
Mrs. Mary Anderson, Geneva	45	47-92
Lois Murray, Ithaca	48	45-93
Mrs. Eloise Scudder, Oneonta	44	49-93
Mrs. Cash Garvey, Utica	44	50-94