

Mrs. Thorne Conquers Miss Pietsch by 6 and 5 To Capture Women's Metropolitan Golf Crown

Greenwich Player Successful in Her Initial Bid for District Links Crown.

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RYE, N. Y., May 25.—The famous golf cup emblematic of the women's metropolitan golf championship, won by some of the nation's greatest players today went to Mrs. Jonathan Thorne of Greenwich, Conn.

After a one-sided final at Apawamis, in which she triumphed over Miss Betty Pietsch of Mount Kisco by 6 and 5, Mrs. Thorne assumed a distinctive place among the tournament's winners by being the first to succeed on her initial bid for the crown.

Unknown in tournament competition until a year ago, the new champion was Polly Andrews until her marriage last month to a nephew of Brinck Thorne, the famous Yale football star of the Nineties.

Goes 4 Up in Morning.

Playing steadily and with assurance from the outset, Mrs. Thorne managed to accumulate a substantial margin on the second nine of the morning round and thus complete the first eighteen holes of the match with a lead of 4 up. After that it was only a question of the margin by which she would win.

Her long game was both powerful and accurate, and her consistently good tee shots were the highlight of her sound play. She must be classed among the "hitters" as she applies plenty of punch to her crisp shots.

Outdriving Miss Pietsch from twenty to thirty yards off the tee, Mrs. Thorne lost only one hole during the morning eighteen and strangely enough, that was the first one of the match. Miss Pietsch chipped up to within three feet of the pin there and sank a birdie 4 to get off a flying start.

Loser Was Medalist.

However, the Mount Kisco golfer, who was the medalist on Monday with an 84, never did seem to play up to her standard after that. Mrs. Thorne evened matters at the fourth and became 1 up at the sixth,

Cards in Title Final.

MORNING ROUND.

Out—
Women's par. 5 5 4 4 3 4 5 4 5-39
Mrs. Thorne. 5 5 5 4 3 3 5 5 6-41
Miss Pietsch. 4 5 5 5 3 .. 5 5 6-..
Mrs. Thorne, 1 up.

In—
Women's par. 5 4 4 4 5 5 4 5 4-40-79
Mrs. Thorne. 5 6 3 4 6 5 5 6 4-44-85
Miss Pietsch. 7 6 4 .. 6 5 5 6 4-..
Mrs. Thorne, 4 up.

AFTERNOON ROUND.

Out—
Mrs. Thorne. 4 5 4 7 5 5 6 4 6-46
Miss Pietsch. 5 7 5 6 5 7 6 4 7-52
Mrs. Thorne, 8 up.

In—
Mrs. Thorne. 7 6 4 5
Miss Pietsch. 6 5 4 5
Mrs. Thorne wins, 6 and 5.

which Miss Pietsch conceded after wasting a stroke in a bunker. In fact, her inability to recover from bunkers the rest of the day contributed largely to Miss Pietsch's defeat. Her chipping and putting, usually strong parts of her game, also were off.

After being out in 41 and 1 up, Mrs. Thorne added the tenth, where Miss Pietsch drove into the rough, and captured the par 3, 203-yard twelfth by driving the green and sinking a 3 for a birdie. She became 4 up as Miss Pietsch picked up and conceded the thirteenth after the Mount Kisco golfer reached the green with her fifth.

They halved the next five, although Miss Pietsch lost opportunities by missing short putts, especially at the seventeenth. Here Mrs. Thorne played a masterful recovery from the road and obtained a half as Miss Pietsch failed to sink a two-footer to win the hole.

Takes First Three Holes.

In the afternoon round, Mrs. Thorne ran up a huge advantage, taking the first three holes to become 7 up. She won the nineteenth with a birdie 4 after holding an eight-footer. Wasting a stroke in a bunker, Miss Pietsch lost the twentieth and Mrs. Thorne putted dead to the cup to add the twenty-first.

Mrs. Thorne attempted to negotiate a stymie at the twenty-second but failed to do so. This was the first hole Miss Pietsch had won since the first in the morning.

Miss Pietsch was visibly upset by the fact that she could not get control of her game and she flubbed an approach at the twenty-fourth, the ball going scarcely four feet. She lost that hole, too, and failed

Loser Is Outdriven by 20 to 30 Yards and Trails by 4 Holes After First Round.

to win the twenty-fifth by taking three from the edge of the green, after Mrs. Thorne had given her an opportunity by topping a tee shot. Mrs. Thorne captured the long ninth, the twenty-seventh of the match, and was 8 up after Miss Pietsch was bunkered.

The medalist succeeded in reducing this margin by getting the next two. Mrs. Thorne three-putted for a 7 at the twenty-eighth, but Miss Pietsch, after driving out of bounds, won the twenty-ninth. The local rule imposes a penalty of loss of distance only, and Miss Pietsch put a grand spoon shot on the green for her third to obtain a 5. Mrs. Thorne could not dislodge her ball from a bunker on the first attempt. But Miss Pietsch's rally ended there, for they halved the next two.

An Ex-Basketball Star.

Mrs. Thorne is a keen golf student and has been taking lessons continuously from Ira Miner, who has a school at Stamford. She practiced diligently throughout the Winter and then applied her theories at her home links, the Innis Arden Golf Club, at Old Greenwich.

She was formerly a basketball star on the Greenwich High School team, and in winning her first tournament of importance, replaces Mrs. Maureen Orcott Crews as metropolitan champion. Mrs. Crews, who won for the fifth time last year, did not defend the championship.

THE SUMMARIES.

Championship Division—Mrs. Jonathon Thorne, Greenwich, defeated Miss Betty Pietsch, Mount Kisco, 6 and 5. Beaten Sixteen—Mrs. J. J. Lawlor, Gedney Farm, defeated Mrs. L. Beard Jr., Pomonok, 4 and 3.

Second Flight—Mrs. D. H. Sulzberger, Century, defeated Mrs. C. P. Collins, Apawamis, 1 up. Beaten Eight—Miss A. Rutherford, Baltusrol, defeated Mrs. D. Willard, Grassy Sprain, 3 and 2.

Third Flight—Mrs. J. A. Sexauer, Winged Foot, defeated Mrs. Joseph Quirk, Apawamis, 2 up. Beaten Eight—Mrs. M. D. Patterson, Greenwich, defeated Mrs. S. Scott, Innis Arden, 1 up.

Fourth Flight—Mrs. J. Foreman, Quaker Ridge, defeated Mrs. Robert Crawford, Lakeville, 4 and 2.