

Women's Met. Golf Body to Fine Players Failing to Post Cards

Miss Knapp Is Re-elected President; New Trophies Shown at Annual Meeting

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Contestants in tournaments of the Women's Metropolitan Golf Association will think twice before tearing up their cards next season. They will think in terms of dollars and cents. One "no card" for a quarter, four for a dollar. No reduction on quantities. While it will take four tournaments to run up a dollar it can be readily understood that if persisted in the habit likely is to become expensive.

Under the head of new business Miss Rosalie Knapp, re-elected president of the W. M. G. A., put the card tearers in line for fines by suggesting this as a remedy for what she and others seemed to regard as rather a bad situation in the one-day tournaments. There are too many no cards. It isn't fair to the handicappers. It isn't fair to those players who post a card, no matter how badly they are off form.

Let us suppose that a field of forty is competing, with scores running higher than usual for reasons perhaps of the weather or merely because the course is tough. Some one, let us say, posts an 86. No one breaks 90. A few beyond this figure hand in their cards. The others, who possibly have been tallying around the three-figure mark, make excuses and announce a "no card."

Putting Competition Asked

According to this a player with a 96 may find herself last in the printed list. She may be fifth from the top. But there it comes out in cold, black and white—last. Twenty, thirty or thirty-five players might have trailed her had all the scores been returned.

Feeling that a fine, no matter how small, would represent rather drastic action, one delegate to the annual meeting held yesterday at the Biltmore suggested that to keep the players interested all the way around the contestants should have a putting competition coincident with the medal round. That may be done, too. The main thing, however, is that the W. M. G. A. wishes all contestants to return cards. If they do hold out next season it will cost them 25 cents.

Two new trophies were on exhibition at the meeting. One, a bowl, has been presented as the prize for the mother-and-son championship, held this year for the first time. Edward S. Knapp, father of the association president, is the donor.

The second trophy was presented to Miss Josephine Windle, the re-elected vice-president. Before succeeding to her present office Miss Windle was secretary and tournament chairman. The latter position she still holds. The cup was presented to Miss Windle as a memorial to her father, who also did much for the association. Mr. Windle died recently. While the suggestion was

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Miss Rosalie Knapp

made that it be played for at medal play handicap, Miss Windle is at liberty to have it competed for as she thinks best.

Eighteen clubs have made application for consideration on the schedule of one-day tournaments. The next championship is to be staged in Long Island. So far Lido, North Shore, Wheatley Hills and Seawane have offered their courses.

Baltusrol Makes Bid

Baltusrol put in a bid for the mother-and-son tournament, which falls due next year in the New Jersey section. This is the tournament for which the E. S. Knapp Trophy has been presented. The first names on the bowl will be those of Mrs. John D. Chapman and Richard Chapman, of Greenwich. These two won the first tournament held during the season lately closed.

Because of lack of interest the girls' junior championship may be discontinued. This action will be taken by the committee in charge unless eight requests for its continuance are made in writing, these to be accompanied by as many entries.

Re-elected, in addition to the president and vice-president, were the secretary, Mrs. F. A. Neuberger, Hackensack, and the treasurer, Mrs. James M. Robbins, of Rockland. Executive committee members were elected as follows: Mrs. George C. Comstock jr., Nassau; Mrs. Thomas T. Rudel, Plandome; Mrs. Charles T. Russell, Ardsley; Mrs. L. C. Du Bois, Wee Burn; Mrs. F. S. Dickinson, Yountakab, and Mrs. Donald Baldwin, Essex County.