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DIXIE FLEAGER CAPTURES GOLF TITLE

Frank Troeh Leads in First Block Over Heer by Three Birds

Scatter Gun Experts From All Over Country Gather Here for Northwest Championships



SEATTLE CRACK WINS ON THIRTY-FIFTH HOLE

George Turnbull Captures Professional, Mrs. Gelletly the Women's Honors, at Seattle Golf Club—Great Gallery Watches Climax of Tourney.

HARRY A. FLEAGER, sometimes referred to as "Dixie," is hereafter to be referred to as amateur golf champion of the Pacific Northwest. There were quite a number of young men who tried to deny him the honor, but none worked harder than his own clubmate, and week-end opponent, Jack Ballinger. His regular rival carried him to the thirty-fifth hole of the final match before they shook hands yesterday over a 2-and-1 result.

Now, under ordinary conditions, Fleager will give Ballinger two strokes and beat him pretty regularly—everybody realizing that Fleager's handicap of two is high, but it can't be changed—but for anyone to suggest that "Jack will probably beat Dixie today," with the two men playing without any handicap difference, would be taken out back of the clubhouse and have his head carefully gone over.

It has not been in the cards except upon rare occasions. To think that Ballinger should almost do it on a day when his old golfing pal had set his heart to be the "big noise" was just about something that sounded like sacrilege. Yet, he almost did it.

The day was the finest of all six days that blessed the eighteenth annual championships of the Pacific Northwest Golf Association. An annual meeting of the golfers of the North Pacific Coast designated this year as a war relief tournament, because all the money netted on the meeting is to be apportioned among the various clubs in the association, they apply it to war relief—the Red Cross, of course, will practically get all of it.

Incidentally, although many golfers were unable to attend on account of pressing business, there was a general support even from those who were not actually taking part in the competitions. All of this will be turned into the fund for disbursement, to an amount approximating several thousand dollars.

Turnbull Collects.
Besides the Fleager win of the amateur championship which the concluding day of the tournament brought, George Turnbull, the Del Monte, Cal., professional, defeated Bob Johnstone, the Seattle professional, in the second play-off of a tie for the title of open champion. Johnstone simply had to quit after the eleventh hole. His left wrist, which he had injured in play on Wednesday, and which he gamely played through with on Friday, simply refused to respond any more yesterday. His shots were scattering all over the course and he saw the absurdity of trying to finish. There was nothing ahead but trouble for the injured wrist, which had swelled up like a cushion. If he persisted, he conceded the competition to Turnbull after holding out at the eleventh hole.

Mrs. Robert Gelletly of Vancouver, B. C., was the other champion of the week's meeting. She won the women's title when she defeated Miss Thors of the Edgewater Golf Club, Chicago, by 2 to 1 in an eighteen-hole match.

Vancouver made a sweep of the board practically, winning everything in which they started, among the flight events taking the women's championship and losing only the amateur title. Besides Mrs. Gelletly's win, H. Gow won the first flight by defeating Dr. O. F. Willing of Portland, 32 and 2. Then, C. S. Battle won the second flight from Schenck of Seattle, by 1 up. The concluding honor was that of J. MacInnes, who defeated H.

W. Johns of Tacoma in the third flight.

There was no Vancouverite placed in the fourth men's flight; or, had there been, Vancouver would probably have won that one, too. That went to T. R. Wilson of the Cranbrook Country Club of Fernie, Canada. He defeated J. F. Pinucane of Spokane.

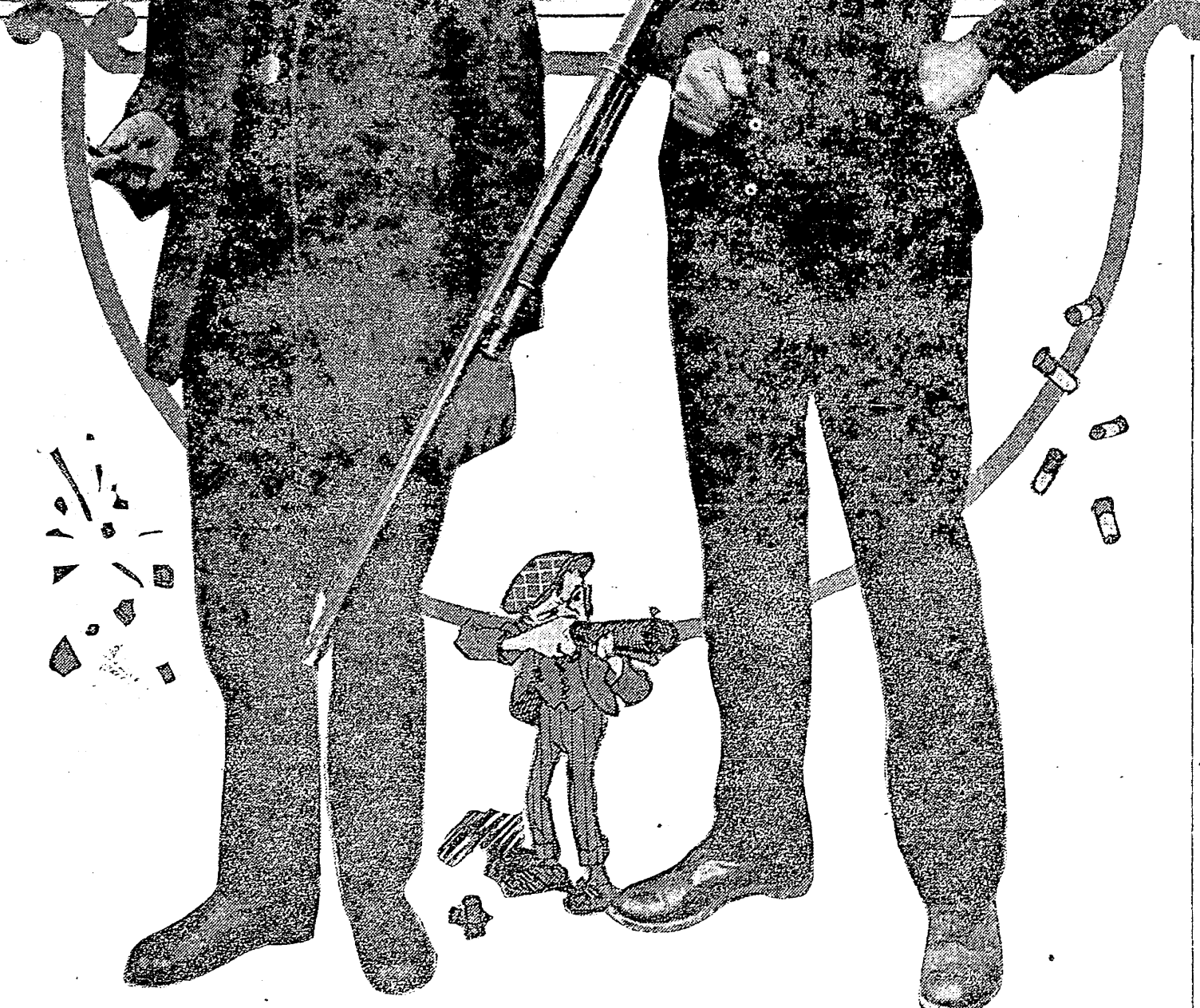
In the women's flight, Mrs. Daniel Kollerer won the first flight through her defeat of Mrs. Harry Pratt of Portland, by 6 and 5. The concluding flight was taken by Mrs. Wheeler of Tacoma by default from Mrs. Fey of Portland.

The other winners of the week in the various events staged as side issues for those who had not survived their flights and also for those who had not taken part in the amateur qualifying rounds, or those qualifying who wanted to take part in it, brought the following:

Match play against bogey, Fleager won in a play-off of a tie with Ballinger by registering 5 up against the Colonel. The pair of them had been up in the original play, but in the play-off Ballinger was only even.

The sixteen-hole ceclectic competition for men was won by C. W. Goodale of Butte. In this play one was allowed to scratch the worst two holes. This suited the Butte man to a "T." In the mixed foursomes, Miss Gena Peters and H. W. Treat, both of Seattle, won the best net and Miss Tidmarsh of Seattle, and J. R. Ingersoll of Spokane, won the second best after a tie with Miss Whitehead of Seattle, and Dr. J. H. Tuttle of Portland. The men's best aggregate on handicap was taken by Al Schofield and H. B. Perine, both Seattle players. The women's ceclectic was won by Mrs. Mathewson of Everett. She had a net of sixty-two.

The big North vs. South professional match, a nice purse, was hung up by President W. J. Patterson of the golf association, was won by



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Grounds of Green Lake Gun Club and the two crack shots who meet in match shoot, Frank Troeh, Vancouver, Wash., the state champion of this state (left) and W. H. Heer, state champion of Oklahoma, and a resident of Texarkana. Troeh was the national amateur champion in 1916, while Heer maintained the high average for amateurs last season, .9711.

Barnes and Hagen Trim Travers and Evans in Benefit

MOUNT VERNON, N. Y., Saturday, June 22.—Jim Barnes and Walter Hagen Sunday defeated Jerome Travers and Charles Evans, Jr., at the twenty-third green in their eighteen-hole golf match on the links of the Swaney Country Club near here. More than \$4,000 was raised for the Red Cross.

In a London bird school parrots are taught to talk with phonographs.

Honolulu Breaks Two World Marks in Alameda Meet

ALAMEDA, Saturday, June 22.—H. Krueger of Honolulu broke two world's swimming records in one race at a bathing beach here Sunday when, using the back stroke, he swam 400 meters in 6:27.2 and 440 yards in 6:00 flat. The 400 meters mark previously was held by Otto Kuellmer of Germany, who made the distance in 1912 in 6:50.2. The next best time for the 440-yard event was held by Unwin of England, whose time was 5:47.5.

Dempsey Must Go To Court and Let Attorneys Quiz Him

Jack Dempsey must appear in Milwaukee June 22 for an examination by an attorney on behalf of John Reiser (John the Barber) of New York. Reiser claims that Dempsey is under contract to him, but at present Dempsey has an injunction in effect, issued in Wisconsin, which prevents Reiser or his attorneys from interfering with his actions.

Four Harvard Stars Become Ensigns in Recent Graduation

Four former football stars at Harvard University—Edward L. Casey, Thomas H. Dwight, Harrie H. Dadmun and William J. Murray—were among the 120 new ensigns added to the United States Navy when the First Naval District Cadet School at Harvard held its graduation exercises.

This is the third class which has passed through the school since it was established in the spring of 1917.

WEST BETTER THAN EAST IN FIRST MEETING

Vancouver, Wash., Man Shows Splendidly, Losing but One Set of 25's.

GREAT CROWD WATCHES GREAT SHOOTERS VIE

Northwest Championships to Be Best Contested in Many Years, Believe Experts.

WESTERN shooters had their chance to crow yesterday.

Frank Troeh, bearing the hopes of the West in the match shoot with Billy Heer, the entrant from the East, spanned his opponent by three targets in the first 100 shot at the Green Lake Gun Club yesterday.

In that victory of Troeh's is a superstition that may carry the great marksman of this section through to victory.

It is an old red sweater. When Frank Troeh first won the national amateur title in St. Louis two years ago he wore that sweater. He has worn it whenever he shot since that day and he has yet to lose a big match.

So out to the traps of the Green Lake club journeyed the hope of the West yesterday. He is being backed by his brothers to the extent of \$4,000 in Liberty Loan Bonds to say nothing of a host of smaller bets believed to total close to \$5,000 more.

And wearing that old red sweater, Frank Troeh came through the first heat, smiling and with flying colors. And his backers are all the more confident as a result.

Troeh was as cool as a cucumber, the proverbial vegetable around which that now famous saying had its inception. He offered at no bad targets. On

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