

# GOLF 2,000,000 Americans are Playing It

## The American Legion

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### REGARD FOR HEROES' WISHES

Judge Netter of Seattle Holds Request of Soldier Killed in War Demands First Consideration

In the last wish of a soldier dying on the field of battle is to be respected that legal forms docketed out with sealing wax? The American Legion thinks it is. Recent cases before the courts have brought the question to the front. According to Federal Judge Netter of Seattle, the wish of a soldier killed in battle is higher law than any departmental regulation, according to this decision Agnes Clary, sixteen-year old niece of Clarence Swank, is awarded the residue of Swank's estate amounting to \$20,000. Swank was killed in France. Department red tape cluttered up the case on account of the donor of Swank's mother, the original beneficiary. After handing down his decision Judge Netter cited precedents extending back to the days of Caesar and the legionnaires of ancient Rome.

The latest case is that of Miss Elenore R. Knapp of New York, whose claim to the estate of her son, Erastus Mason of the One Hundred and Sixth United States Infantry has been contested by Mason's uncle. In a muddy district court a general advance against the Germans, Mason told his buddies, Oscar Westgate, the story of his engagement, and added that he now felt that in the advance he was slated to "go West." "If I don't come through this," he said, "if they started over the top," "I will want to have all my estate."

Mason, among others, was cut off and captured by the Germans. They were taken to the same prison camp. Four days a month later, Mason lay ill on the ground with influenza. Then he was taken away in an ambulance and his death reported. Eventually a death certificate was issued by the United States government. But the attorneys for Mason's uncle contested the case to the extent of arguing that the "proof of death" was unsatisfactory.

The justice of the soldier's last wish has been upheld in startling fashion by the highest courts of England recently. An English major of infantry died alone in his lodgings in London directly after the armistice. He left no legal will. Across the front of a photograph of his fiancée he had hastily scrawled: "All to her." The case was brought before the highest tribunal of England and the "will" stood.

### TABULET GRACES LEGION SHIP

Bronze Piece in Main Dining Saloon Engraved With Dedication by National Commander.

The steamship "American Legion" of the Munson line, sailing between New York and Buenos Aires with an American Legion crew, now bears in its main dining saloon a bronze tablet which has been dedicated to the national commander.

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From muffins durling to doughnuts in the trenches is a long step. From government hospitals to Broadway vaudeville is a step fully as long. David Gardner of the One Hundred and Fifteenth Infantry achieved them both.

A veteran of Chateau Thierry, Verdun, St. Mihiel and the Argonne, Gardner was wounded and gassed in service. He has been in hospital for a year.

On the morning of his release he signed for a membership in the American Legion and for a theatrical engagement in New York.

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### READY FOR THE CAKE-EATERS

Alton Roberts, Chairman of Legion Committee for Reception of Guests, Lands Choice Recipe.

"The man who made a 'cake-eater' of Marshal Foch during the marshal's tour of America has fallen for the habit himself. Alton T. Roberts of Marquette, Mich., chairman of the American Legion committee for the reception of distinguished guests had the pastry cooks of North and South Throthina shakedown for two months to get the recipe for a certain angel food cake that was handed around the Foch train.



Since Mr. Roberts finished with the recent trip of Marshal Foch across the continent the recipe has been found. Mr. Roberts is now ready for the eminent guests of the Legion at the New Orleans convention held October.

### TO THE RESCUE OF THE FLAG

Disgraced Hotel Owner Makes Apology to Legion for Flying Emblem Upside-down.

Before 2,000 people in the public square a hotel man of St. Augustine, Fla., hoisted the American flag saluted it and made a public apology to the local post of the American Legion for flying the flag upside-down, as a protest against the pitching of a carnival company tent near his hotel.

In Littleton, Colo., two steeple jacks from the local Legion post climbed the dome of the court house and rescued



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## FROCKS OF DARK TAFFETA; VARIETY IN HAT STYLES

ALTHOUGH the extensive and long-lived family of creases still shows a disposition to crowd in the roster of summer frocks a few irrefragable favorites hold their own. Taffeta, organie ghiam, and foulard are among those present in every representative collection. The first three, having textures entirely different from crepe weaves, provide for variety in the

who create its millinery into many novel myths, and fashion for the particular summer has brought a wealth of inspiration to designers. The philosopher brooves of misanthropers are not more indifferent than the genius of these same designers who undertake to reflect the glories of the season in hats that are laden with its blossoms and fruits and gay with its colors. An appreciative public gives them encouragement and lightheartedly



PRETTY DARK TAFFETAS FOR AFTERNOON

staples, while foulard is a rival for crepe in suppleness and at the same time a wonderful medium for color combinations, in a season that is bent on making the most of color. Along with crepe it plays its part in simple chemise dresses and dropped effects and we might even have too much of a good thing in these lovely straight-line frocks if it were not for the organie ghiam and ghiam make-differ-ent but equally fascinating models that rescue us from monotony in the mode.

In the colorful company of slim, summer frocks along come pretty black taffetas after noon, like those shown here, neither colorful nor slim, but entirely confident of their change to black, especially, and in navy or

proceed to translate even down and nois and nights into festoons.

Naturality variety in hats is ascending - there are hardly two alike - many of them have wide brims, and varieties of the poke bonnet appear among late arrivals. Materials are girly, colors beautiful, and very generally received, nevertheless the big black hat that belongs to misanthropers is not without a following. A fine example of the all-black hat appears at the top of the group illustrated. It is made of half-brim, its brim curves upward, and is witness to a border of chiffon. Narrow silk braids form a simple scalloped design on the forehead and a flat row of feathers encircled with a jet cabochon



ENDING VARIETY IN HATS

puts an end to the matter of decorations. Another black hat has its wide brim upturned at the front. It is a skirted shape, fittingly trimmed with a flare of fancy feathers that spring from a cluster of flat roses.

At the right of the group a tephora has flared its usual place in the summer's ain, with huge dahlias set flat against its crown. The hat of straw braid at the bottom of the group barely hints at the poke bonnet in its shape. Its indented brim is bound with silk and about its crown are grapes with roses and other flowers.



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FRISK AND HARDY

They grow, they grow! The bugger and the brown. The sun a great in-birk and 'stat. Ye make them better a' gowf. Ye've turned the hearts o' a' gowf. Ye've turned the hearts o' a' gowf. The club and ball with us a'. We're a' daft on you. JOHN KERR

JOHN DICKINSON SHERMAN

GOLF—2,000,000 Americans at the lowest estimate, are playing it. And the number of devotees of "eye reaper and outland game" are increasing beyond all counting. It was only a few years ago that a few hundred Americans were unmercifully ridiculed for their "rusty paws." The golf clubs of the country could be counted in less than two figures. It was called a rich man's game and an old man's game.

Now, Chicago—using it as an example of the change—has 33 large golf clubs, each with a long waiting list. It has many small clubs. It has eleven municipal courses, with four more in immediate prospect and pressing need for double the number—on the public links in Lincoln park last year 145,000 people took off. It has successful "commercial" courses. Many commercial and industrial bushes are forming their own clubs. For instance the other day representatives of the printing industry and allied trades formed the Printing Trades Golf association with 66 charter members. It will hold three tournaments this season. Even the high schools have their annual tournaments for boys and girls.

Cities vary greatly in their attitude toward golf. Detroit, for example, goes in for expensive golf in exclusive clubs. Membership probably costs \$1,000 a year in a least twenty-six of its clubs. It has not a single municipal golf course.

Seattle, by way of contrast, is building a second municipal course from the profits of the one established in 1912. So many people are playing golf that the American Forestry association is getting anxious. Thus far the advocates of forest conservation have been generous enough not to look with extreme disfavor on the use of wood for golf clubs. But if golf continues to win adherents at the rate of the past few years, and the factories are forced to double their output of shafts for golf clubs, one hesitates to say what will happen. Since no one but golfers are said to be hauling golf sticks and since these people are said to own from ten to sixteen million dollars, the amount of wood used for their production is no small quantity.

In fact the steel-shaft club has already made its appearance in the United States Golf association, which has barred its use; the Western Golf association, at this writing, has made no ruling on the subject.

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reach such a pass that a movement is started to restrict the unlimited manufacture of wooden clubs they have but to introduce the conservation leaders to the nearest links, let them play their first nine holes and the trick will be turned. These golfers, always a golfer. The verliet duit will yield whatever conservation principles he may have in unqualified allegiance to the sport that is at once his glory and his despair.

JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER

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### Sun Still a Mystery

Weekly. People realize in their subconscious minds that the sun is closely related to the mystery of life, which one reason they are forever talking about the weather. It is the sun that regulates the temperature of a house in winter, that the big day star is as hot as much of a mystery to us as it was to the ancients.

### PRIDE AND VANITY

I would know rather high pride than vanity, because pride has a stand-up way of fighting. You know where it is. It throws its black shadow on you, and you are not at a loss where to strike. But vanity is that delusive, that insouciant, that multiplied feeling, and men that fight vanity are like men that fight whiffs and butterflies. It is easier to chase them than to hit them.—Henry Ward Beecher.

### Sure Was Hazy

A Richmond banker was approached by a negro banker whose father had served his family in slave days. The old man was a little more progressive than the ordinary negro pastor of the South and interested himself not only in the spiritual welfare of his flock, but in their worldly welfare as well. It was his custom, therefore, to lecture weekly on current events, and his next talk was to deal with the

### Send Diseased Poultry to France.

The Germans are inoculating with cholera the fowls they have sent to the French under the reparations agreements, according to French biologists. It was noticed that the poultry shipped in from Germany, soon died. Prompt inquiries on the dead fowls disclosed the cholera germ. The Paris Health Service, calling for a government investigation.

### Period of Prohibition.

The completion of the air will yet be completed, but man is still on sufferance there.—Toronto Globe.

### Penning.

"Well, want to marry my daughter, I suppose?" snapped the grouchy old millionaire as he gloved at the timid youth. Adjusting his glasses he added: "Do you say, aren't you one of my father's former suitors?" "No-o-o sir," faltered the cheerless one. "But I expect I soon will be!"—American Legion Weekly.

### Legion and Auxiliary Flows.

The white American daisy has been adopted by the American Legion as its official flower after objections were raised to the Flanders poppy as a foreign flower and a possible pest in gardens in France. The poppy has been adopted as its memorial flower by the Auxiliary, which has no official flower. It will suggest to the country, but artificial poppies made by the ex-soldiers in hospitals were on sale on Memorial day all over the country for the benefit of the sick and wounded who made them.

Julie Bottomley

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