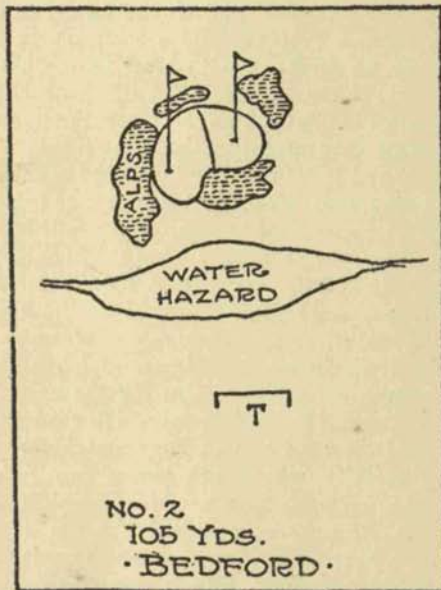


Two Interesting Holes

THE two holes sketched are a little out of the ordinary and are good examples of modern golf architecture.

The first is a very short hole which was made at Bedford. The shot which it calls for is a delicate pitch—the wrist shot.

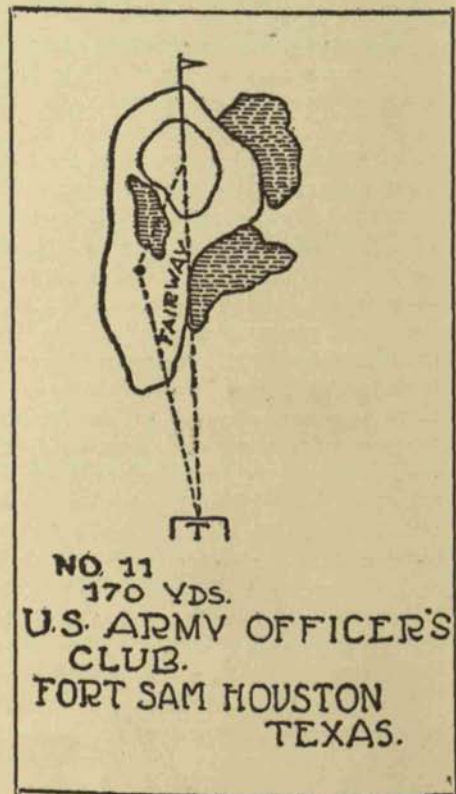


The two flags may appear confusing, but, of course, only one of them is to be found on any occasion. But the bean-shaped green is in two sections, divided by a gentle undulation. That part on the left offers a comparatively easy problem, but when the hole is cut in the other section a most accurate and controlled pitch is necessary.

The more difficult side of the green is reserved for occasions when a field of experts are to find their strokes tested, and while unusual accuracy is demanded, it must be remembered that the distance is only a trifle more than one hundred yards.

The shape and size of any green should be regulated by the type and length of stroke which is to find it.

At Fort Sam Houston, Texas, the situation was most unusual to say the least. A remarkably attractive stretch of undulating, moor-like country was to be converted into a golf course, but owing to the fact that the artillery and cavalry invaded the section for drill purposes sand pits were not possible. Segregated fair-ways and a scheme of grass hollows and mound work were necessary. The sketch shows one of the short holes, with the teeing-ground facing the gentle slope of a hill. The twisted fairway and rough grass hollows are illustrated.



Ordinarily it would be out of the question to conceive of a course which was not provided with substantial sand pits, but in this instance Nature had been bountiful, and she must have had golf in her mind when she created this section of the Fort Sam Houston drill ground.