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As in the U.S., quite a few courses have become casualties in recent years because their owners couldn’t resist the lavish offers of home builders. But this has been somewhat offset by the fact that municipalities are waking up to the fact that providing courses is an important part of their recreational responsibilities. Don Valley, which cost the city of Toronto $500,000 in 1956, had 42,000 rounds last year and expects 45,000 in 1961. Toronto golfers play through October, and like their U.S. brethren, line up at dawn on weekends from June through August in order to play.

Ontario is the leading golf province. It has 251 clubs and an estimated 154,000 persons playing golf. Runnerup is Quebec with nearly 100,000 persons playing at 121 clubs. Other provinces in which a great deal of golf is played are British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba and Nova Scotia. The Canadian Ladies Golf Union has a membership of more than 30,000.

There are six major manufacturers of clubs and balls in Canada. Factory value of the equipment they sold in 1960 amounted to about $3 million, two-thirds of which was accounted for by club sales. Imports of clubs and balls in the first nine months of 1960 ran to almost $1.5 million.

USGA Outlines Conditions for Entry in Junior Amateur

Fifty-three qualifying sections have been established for the USGA's 14th Junior Amateur championship. The tournament will be played Aug. 2-5 at the Cornell U. course in Ithaca, N. Y.

Eighteen-hole qualifying play is scheduled for the sections on July 14, 17 and 18. From these tests, 128 players will emerge to play in the finals, which will be conducted entirely at match play.

Entries are open to boys who reach their 12th but not their 18th birthdays by midnight of Aug. 5.

No club affiliation is required. An entrant may accept contributions to his expenses from recognized golf assns. and clubs or individual members of assns. or clubs without forfeiting amateur status. The winner of the Junior Amateur will be invited to compete in the National Amateur at Pebble Beach (Calif.) CC, Sept. 11-16, and will be exempt from sectional qualifying.

Last year there was a record entry of 1,445. The 1960 champion, William L. Tindall of Seattle, is too old to take part in this year's competition.

Entries must reach the USGA office, 40 E. 38th st., New York 16, by 5 p.m. of June 28. A fee of $2 must be included.