

HOW TO LOSE FRIENDS AND INFLUENCE GOLFERS

In the June, 1971 issue of Chevrolet, the house organ of the Flint Metal Fabricating Division, we read a piece we thought might amuse Line readers who are golfers. It was titled "To Save Needless Conversation on No. 1 Tee, Hand This to Your Opponent." Here, slightly condensed, is the message:

"My handicap is _____. I'm not interested in hearing that you aren't playing to your handicap, and until I've seen you play a few holes I'm not interested in playing more than a dollar nassau.

"Don't embarrass by asking that I concede any of your putts. I will volunteer to do so if, in my judgment, it is deserved.

"I admit it's a nice day for golf, that the weather has been either hot or cold and that the green keeper is doing an excellent job.

"Kindly refrain from telling me of your past performances on the golf course. The only round that interests me is the one we are about to play.

"I would appreciate it if you would refrain from such remarks as: That would have been a beauty—if it hadn't caught the trap...You got a bad bounce or it wouldn't have gone out of bounds, etc.! I can manage my own sympathizing.

"The following imperfections in my swing are well known to me:

- Looking up
- Too fast a backswing
- Standing too far behind the ball or too far ahead of it
- No follow through

Bending left arm

Stance too open or too closed

Teeing ball too high or too low

Too much right hand or not enough right hand

Faulty grip, etc.

"The above mentioned faults have been pointed out to me by many of my friends—including a few former friends.

"Concerning the 19th hole...I don't mind a friendly drink, it helps me become reconciled to my golf imperfections.

"If I win your money, I will buy you a drink. If you win, I will expect you to do the same.

"Thank you for your forthcoming demonstration of courtesy and consideration."

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Wedding bells have been ringing at the home of **Bob and Bobbie Williams** in Lake Forest, Ill., due to the marriage of their son **Bruce to Roxane Kenton** on June 3rd, 1978. Congratulations and nothing but the best.

There is good news in Aurora, Ill. **Carl Hoppman**, Supt. at Aurora C.C. is recovering very nicely from a serious operation a few weeks ago. **Carl** is up and around and he says he will soon be back in the harness. This proves you cannot keep a good man down.

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