## Traylor for Pres. Dept.

MELVIN TRAYLOR, Kentucky farm boy who made good in big town, is being mentioned as a prospective Democratic presidential nominee. Consideration of Traylor is gratifying to the nation's golfers. Although our hero never played golf until he was 36, he advanced rapidly in the game. He was president of the United States Golf association in 1928. In 1923 and 1924 he was vice-president of the Western Golf association. For a number of years he has been an active and valuable member of U. S. G. A. committees.

In 1921 and 1922 Traylor was president of Midlothian C. C. (Chicago district) and during his regime the club was practically rebuilt. As a result, the problems of international and domestic finance now laid before him become simple problems in the light of his experience as a golf club president.

The only thing that the Democratic Warwicks have been able to drag out to divert talk of Traylor being selected as the party's standard bearer is that he is a banker. He is, and a most admirable one. He adds 2 and 2 and doesn't make it come out 19% for the bank and one for the party of the second part. Consequently, when there are bank jams at home or abroad, the Traylor gentleman is called in as a trustworthy genius.

Politically, Traylor is a citizen of triple talent on anybody's All-American team. When Chicago organized to perform the miracle of restoring civic virtue, Melvin A. Traylor was called in on a citizen's committee as one the entire community knew to be capable, frank and tough. He is an organizer, a worker and a producer in his own business and in civic affairs.

Accordingly, this book declares for Mel. They'd better give our boy a break, and all sport writers who have covered golf will ride with us on this sentiment.

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