

Jacques emphasized as one of the strongest points in the game. He made sharply obvious the line between pros and amateurs and declared for fair but strict dealing with matters concerning the amateur status.

Report of the executive committee showed the association's assets had slumped from the previous year's report \$29,828.94. Tournament expense was increased \$6,141 from the 1931 item of \$13,706.31, the Walker cup matches accounting for \$2,982.87 and the Women's International team matches for \$6,239.95. Administration, general and committee expenses were reduced \$5,076.61 from the previous year's figure, \$28,411.02. Green Section expense was cut from \$47,032.82 to \$37,499.36. Dues from member clubs fell about \$5,000. Championship admissions income slumped approximately \$5,000 to \$15,967.75; the amateur championship share being \$6,647.75 and the Open's U. S. G. A. piece being \$9,320.

Membership of the U. S. G. A. now is at 1,138 clubs, a loss from last year so slight that it is an indication of clubs' appreciation of the U. S. G. A. functioning.

The amateur status committee reported 8 players reinstated, 34 applications not ready for action and decision on 74 miscellaneous cases. Nothing outside of the usual matters concerning legality of newly invented clubs came before the implements and ball committee during the year.

The U. S. G. A. in conjunction with the R. & A. continues to work on clarification and simplification of the rules and reported progress as result of a meeting in London in March, 1932.

A record figure of 213 players at the Louisville Public Links section championship was reported. The 1933 championship was awarded to the Eastmoreland Municipal course, Portland, Ore., as recognition of the interest the Pacific Coast has taken in the public links championships.

In summarizing the energetic and valuable work of the Green Section during 1932, Chairman Ganson Depew brought out that nearly 1,000 attended the 13 sectional meetings conducted by the Green Section in association with sectional groups. Considering the limits of budget and personnel, the Green Section work during the past year was a magnificent achievement for times of financial stringency and turf troubles in abundance.

Locker Room Alley Rivalry Builds Club Spirit

AS A MEANS of increasing member interest, Olympia Fields C. C. (Chicago dist.) encourages the various alleys in its locker room to form clubs-within-the-club and hold inter-alley tournaments. Such names as Gasoline Alley, Tin Pan Alley, Eye-Dropper Alley and Sin Alley are used, and each of these groups has an appropriate coat-of-arms attached to the wall at the far end of its aisle.

Good natured raillery and insults are hurled back and forth between the groups, a good example being the following announcement recently posted by Gasoline Alley:

GASOLINE ALLEY ASSOCIATION

Olympia Fields Country Club

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

The names of the prominent golfers inscribed on this letterhead impart to you the personnel of the GASOLINE ALLEY ASSOCIATION.

The GASOLINE ALLEY ASSOCIATION was the initial alley association to be formed in our locker rooms, and having been undefeated in the many hard fought matches that have been played in the past still retains the Alley Association's championship cup.

A challenge from any alley (if there be one) not suffering with too great of an inferiority complex, will be welcomed and considered in the order received.

Six other alley associations immediately accepted Gasoline Alley's challenge and dates were set for the playoffs.

From the standpoint of the club, such organization within the locker room is valuable in more ways than the primary one of increasing member interest. Attendance on challenge days is large, since no inmate of a given aisle wants to default his match to a golfer from a rival alley. This boosts departmental business considerably, especially since victors and losers must respectively celebrate and alibi the results of the meetings. At least once a year, each alley at Olympia holds its annual championship and banquet, much to the profit of the dining room.

CLAUDE JONES, Memphis driving range pro, is a smart gent in getting publicity. Other fellows ought to take a tip from him. He broadcasts golf lessons daily at 4:45 p. m. and writes weekly golf instruction articles for the Memphis *Press-Scimitar*.