



This window of Tripler's golf museum exhibited ancient weapons and curios.

Weeklies with hair-raising golfing stories, one Frank Merriwell's Brassie Shot and the other Frank Merriwell's Cadie, in which the Yale student athlete and daredevil visits St. Andrews.

In the collection are the first magazine article in this country on golf, posters from golf's early days, one of which depicts golfers being arrested on the links for breaking the Sabbath laws by playing on a Sunday, and Kay's Edinburgh Portraits in which there is a chapter devoted to the Cock o' the Green, the most rabid golfer of his day, who even played by candlelight. Once his wife trekked to his course carrying his supper and tried to shame him into leading a normal life, but in vain, the golfingest bug of his day kept right on pelting and chasing his feathery. The early American golfing posters were

mostly of the feminine variety.

According to golf book and curio collector Level of Elmhurst, New York his library has some 3000 volumes devoted to the game and hardly a day goes by but what he makes some new discovery which some day will be of immense value to the golfing historians. The first history and the first bibliography of golf remain to be compiled and the real origin of the game and its early days are still lost in the mists of antiquity.

Also shown is a collection of original creations in putters. Each is of some special design to overcome some real or imaginary fault which has kept the owners from hitting the cup. These rare and interesting golf relics were assembled from the collection of the late Tom McNamara, second in the National Open Championships of 1909, 1912, 1925.

Les Cooke Dies

★ Leslie L. Cooke, 66, member of USGA executive committee, chmn, Implements and Ball committee, and former pres., Western GA, died June 4 in Evanston (Ill.) hospital following an illness of several weeks. He is survived by his widow, a daughter and 3 sons. He had retired from active business as head of several trade schools some years ago. He was one of the finest gentlemen sportsmen and his passing is a deeply felt loss to the hundreds in golf who enjoyed the delight of his friendship.

Morley, Greens Vet, Dies

★ John Morley, a founder and for first 6 years president of the National Assn. of Greenkeepers, died recently in a Youngs-

town, O., hospital. He was 79 at time of his death. He came to the U. S. from his native England when he was 11. He was in the steel business and insurance prior to entering club management. He made his appearance in the club business in 1897 as mgr. of the Basslake club, Geauga county, O. In 1915 he went with the Youngstown (O.) CC as supt. of the course, which position he held until his death. He was active in civic and political affairs in Ohio. As an official of the greenkeepers' organization he visited more than 200 courses and was exceedingly helpful with practical advice. Col. Morley was a widely known and beloved leader in greenkeeping. He was vigorous and valuable in golf as a campaigner for high standards of golf course maintenance and due recognition of the qualities and achievements of his brother greenkeepers.