

Attractive clubhouse at the Mary Calder GC of the Union Bag and Paper Corp. is the center of many company social functions during the year as well as a complete recreational facility for management and employees.

Union Bag's Calder Course An Asset for Employees

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WHEN quitting time came at 4:00 P.M. the machinist put up his wrenches, showered and changed clothes, and punched out. Fifteen minutes later he was driving down Number One fairway, a good hour and a half of golf ahead of him before supper time.

There's nothing unusual about that picture at the Mary Calder GC, company-sponsored adjunct of Union Bag & Paper Corp.'s plant in Savannah, Ga. As a matter of fact, it's pretty much the routine. Union Bag is the world's largest manufacturer and converter of kraft paper. At the Union plant any employee, from the apprentice boys right on up through management, is quite apt to count his golf score in the low 80's.

With dues running only \$1.50 a month and locker fees pegged at 25 cents, everybody in the plant can play golf. On a good day with the crowds out, a stranger might think that every Union Bag employee is playing.

Built by the company in 1936 and maintained as part of a recreational facility for Union Bag's employees, the Mary Calder course has turned out to be of inestimable value from an employee-management standpoint, as has the large and attractive clubhouse which is the center of many social functions during the year.

A 9-hole course with two sets of tees, it

has the effect of an 18-hole course. While the layout seems rather flat and looks simple, it is actually one of the tougher courses in the coastal Georgia area.

It is not an unduly long course. It measures 6368 yards, and has a 72 par for 18 holes. Its small and tightly trapped greens call for some pretty accurate shot-making. On several of the longer holes, the twisting and turning of the fairways demand almost perfect shots in order to approach par.



Company president Alexander Calder (R) shakes hands with William G. Perry of Union's Mill Engineering Dept. prior to match at the Mary Calder course.

The most picturesque hole on the course is the No. 2. It is 150 yds. on the men's card and 125 yds. from the ladies' tee. This hole has a tight fairway completely abutted by pine trees. A huge trap lies astride the narrow green.

The No. 8, 510 yds., is another rugged hole. The length of the hole, coupled with the fact that an accurate tee shot is required to stay on the narrow fairway, plus the presence of six traps, makes it testing.

The difficulty of the course is indicated by the fact that during the past four holdings of the annual Mary Calder open, with pros and top amateurs participating, no player has yet broken par in these 54-hole tournaments.

The golf club sponsors a minimum of four Scotch foursomes a year in which wives of the members participate. The annual Mary Calder Club tournament, open to pros and amateurs, usually attracts some 125 players. About every two years the club sponsors an exhibition match featuring an outstanding professional and top amateur golfers.

There are, at present, 205 members of the club—and their wives and other members of their families under 18 years of age are privileged to use the course. Because of the interest on the part of active members—mainly plant employees, the as-



More than 100 professionals and amateurs play in the annual club tournament each year. This four-some try their putting skill on the practice green. (L to R) Alexander Calder, Jr., Leo Beckman, club professional, "Chick" Harbert and Hobart Manley, Jr.

sociate membership category has been closed.

The modest dues provide members with the same facilities afforded by some of the considerably more expensive country clubs in the area.

The affairs of the golf club are administered by officers and a board of directors, elected by the membership. Current officers are H. Y. Charbonnier, president; and Phil W. Beckwith, secy. and treas. The pro is Leo G. Beckmann, current president of the Southeastern PGA, and formerly pro at Peachtree GC in Atlanta.

PGA Seniors and Ladies Name Officers

At the largest meetings the two organizations have held, the PGA Seniors and the Ladies' Auxiliary of the organization, held annual elections during the Senior Week at Dunedin.

Marty Cromb of Toledo was elected PGA Seniors' president. With Harry Moffitt as PGA president, Toledo can proudly point to providing chiefs of the PGA's top two outfits.

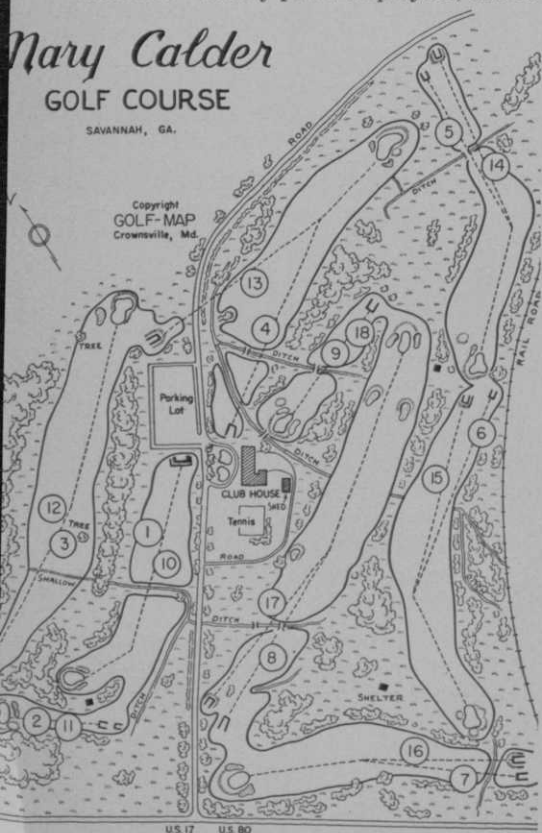
Hugh Bancroft was elected Honorary President; Carroll MacMaster was elected 1st vp; John Watson, 2nd vp; and Willie Whalen, sec.-treas.

Mrs. Ralph Beach was elected president of the Ladies' Auxiliary. With her were elected: Mrs. Fred Moore, sec.; Mrs. Marty Cromb, treas.; Mrs. Carroll MacMaster, corresponding sec.; Mrs. William Entwhistle, 1st vp; and Mrs. R. M. Hubert, 2nd vp.

Mary Calder GOLF COURSE

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