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Book Reviews

Golf Is My Game, by Robert Tyre (Bobby) Jones, Jr. (Pub date: Nov. 4, 1960) Doubleday & Co., Inc., New York.

For one man to dominate a sport for over 30 years is nearly impossible, but when the man in question has been out of competition for the same 30 years, it's incredible. And "incredible" is the word to describe the life and career of Robert Tyre Jones, Jr.

On Nov. 4, Doubleday will publish "Golf Is My Game," written by Bob Jones, the only man who could have authored it. A complete golf library in one volume, "Golf Is My Game" describes all of Jones' major tournaments, plus a stroke-by-stroke account of the events that led to the one and only Grand Slam. Also included is a section on improving one's game. In it, Jones maintains that golf is a sport that is learned rather than taught. He describes himself as "a fairly successful learner" and shows that the only way to play better is to go out and do it.

The final part of the book, devoted to events since he quit competition, describes Jones' decision to quit the tournament scene and give a penetrating analysis of golf then and now. "Golf Is My Game" is illustrated with photos of Jones during his career; with diagrams of the Augusta course, hole by hole; and with sequence photos of his unbeatable swing.

Senior Golf by Romeyn B. Scribner. Edited by Frank Matey. Published by Evans Scholars Foundation. Golf, III.

This interesting history of Senior golf assns. was sponsored by 42 prominent Senior golfers. The first edition of 1,000 copies was virtually exhausted when distributed at Chick Evans' 70th birthday dinner. That distinguished elder of the golfing congregation, Scribner, has told the story of the Senior organizations beginning with the initial tournament Oct. 12, 1905 at Apawamis and taken it through a multitude of organizations and personalities, male and female.

The Seniors' GA. organized in 1917, is the first of a long list which includes the Canadian Seniors (1918) U.S. Seniors (1920), N. J. Seniors (1922) Illinois Seniors (1923), British Senior Golf Society (1926), Southern Seniors, PGA Seniors, Western Seniors, American Seniors, Kenya Seniors, Bermuda Seniors and others.