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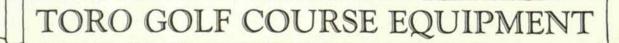
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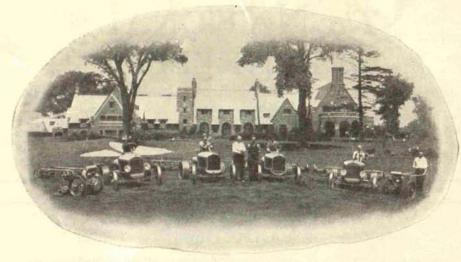
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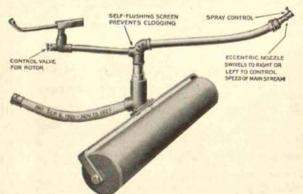
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Pebble Beach

A well-groomed golf course BY ROBERT E. POWER Editor, The National Greenkeeper

"NE of the best groomed golf courses I have ever seen," said Bobby Jones after he had seen and played Pebble Beach. And Bobby said this after and not before he was beaten in the first match round by Johnnie Goodman of Omaha. If anyone knows a good golf course Bobby Jones does. He has played the best in America and Great Britain and is particularly well qualified to praise or criticize and can be trusted to do so with true honesty of purpose.

Through the courtesy of the Program committee of the National Amateur Championship, we are permitted to reproduce here the detailed drawings of all of the holes of this now famous course on the Monterey Peninsula at Del Monte, California. Last year when the United States Golf Association chose Pebble Beach for its Amateur Championship the club called in H. Chandler Egan, former national amateur champion and a close student of golf course architecture, and he with Joe Mayo the greenkeeper started in to make Pebble Beach a tough, but fair test of golf. I think the results testify to their ability and I think further that Joe Mayo should be given great credit for having the course in such wonderful condition.



THE SIXTH GREEN AT PEBBLE BEACH

In the distance is the storm-tossed Pacific Ocean, said to be the largest water hazard in the world

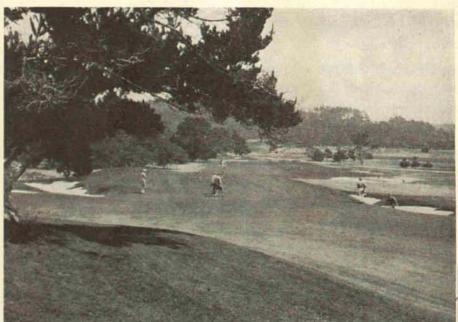
One thing in favor of Pebble Beach is the fact that they have an extensive watering system, which includes fairways, tees, and greens and this of course makes for fine turf when coupled with intelligent care and supervision. There were no bad fairway lies and no excuse for poor putting on the closely cropped cocoos bent greens. But there was plenty of excuse for being in

trouble because Pebble Beach probably has more artificial and natural hazards than any course in America, excepting perhaps

Pine Valley.

On many holes the Pacific Ocean almost laps the fairways and greens, offering a real menace to the player who slices or hooks. Then again the wind hazard is tremendous and proved the downfall of many on the second day of the qualifying round. Another unique feature is the location and the contour of the bunkers which are different from those on eastern courses, being fairly shallow but biting close into the putting surface of the greens. They require a delicate shot to get out successfully.

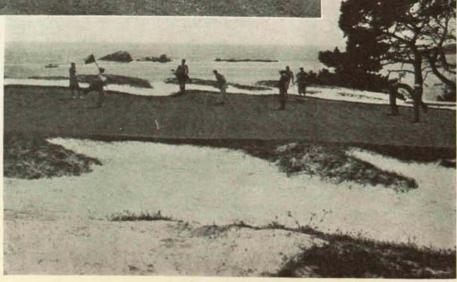
So we leave the study of Pebble Beach to our readers trusting they may profit thereby when they have construction work to do at home.

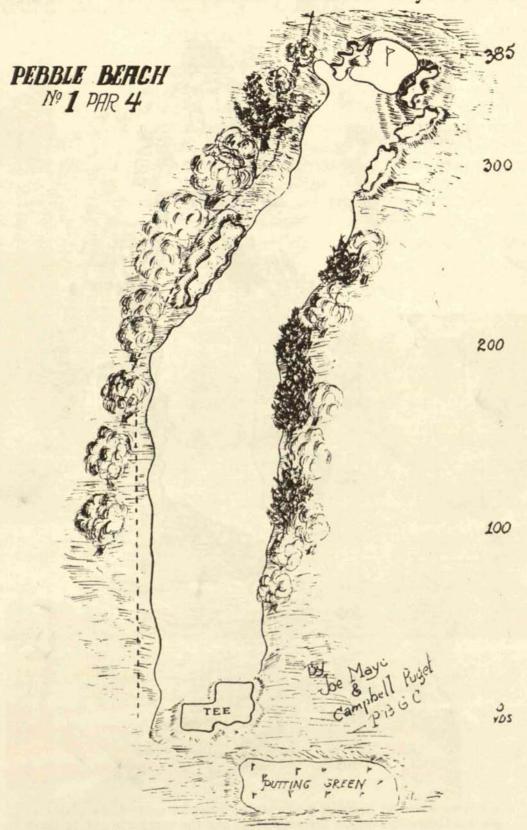


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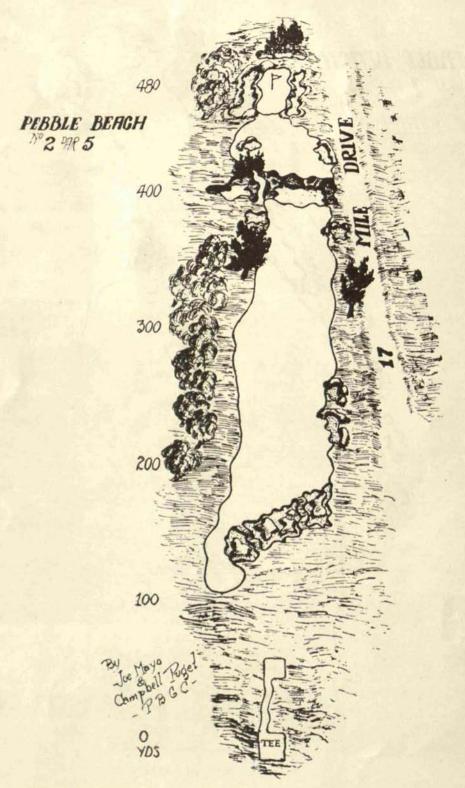
Pebble Beach greenkeeper

ABOVE IS A VIEW OF THE FIRST GREEN AT PEBBLE BEACH. BELOW IS THE FOURTH GREEN A 325 YARD DRIVE AND PITCH HOLE

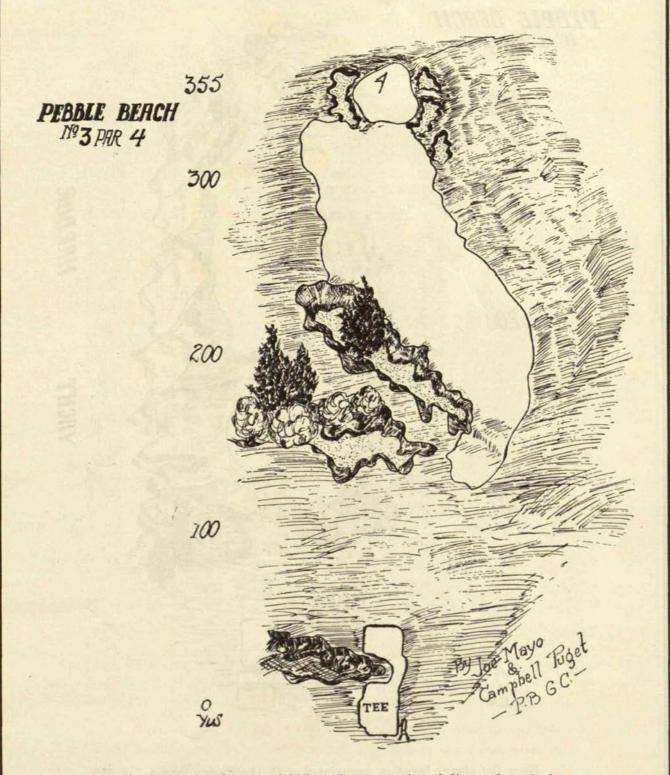




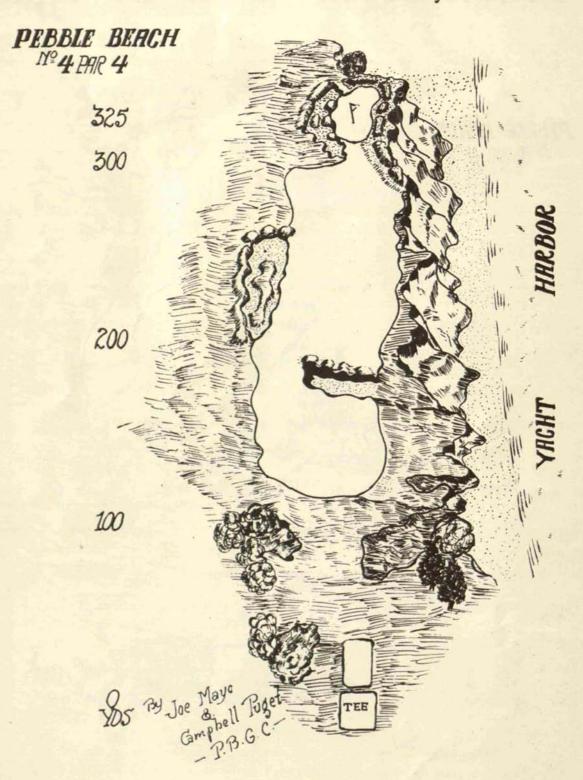
Exacting tee shot. If considerable length is desired it almost calls for a fade to pass point of dog's leg on right and avoid out of bounds and trap on left. A long tee shot properly placed leaves a good mashie shot or more to a closely guarded green. Trapping is severe and green hard to hit. Hole plays considerably longer than its yardage, due to a gradual rise from tee to green.



Two powerful shots properly placed must be made for a player to get his theoretical four. Diagonal traps for the carry are apt to catch one's tee shot unless it has a long and high carry. The second shot must also be of the same type and unusually straight if the green is to be gained. Traps and trees on the left, with an abundance of natural hazards provide plenty of trouble.



A great natural carry of 235 yards over series of diagonal sandy barrancas. The more to the right one plays, the more difficult becomes the second shot, as the trapping to right of green is dangerous. A perfectly played tee shot here leaves a comparatively easy second shot to the green.



Here the player becomes acquainted with the Pacific Ocean. A 200 yard carry over barrancas, with an alternate route to the left. Second shot is only a short pitch but to a proportionately small green. Here it is easy to push a tee shot over cliffs to the beach on the right, or if a player hooks to bad lands on left his second shot becomes a most dangerous one.