

FAMOUS YORKSHIRE CLUBS.

YOUTHFUL DEBUT OF A COUNTY PLAYER.

No. 5—LEEDS.

By "LINESMAN."

THE history of the Leeds Lawn Tennis Club is bound up with that of the Leeds Cricket, Football and Athletic Company, Ltd., of which the Tennis Club is a section. The Club was formed in 1890. In that year the Leeds St. John Football Club was transferred from its famous ground in Cardigan Fields to new quarters at Headingley, under the name of the Leeds Rugby Football Club, and at the same time the Leeds Clarendon Cricket Club became the new Cricket section. The Clarendon had a small Tennis section connected with it, the few members who played there forming the nucleus of the Leeds Tennis Club.

The first printed rules of the Tennis Section (1892) state that the Club shall be called the "Leeds Athletic Lawn Tennis Club." The first subscribers had to be full members of the parent club, paying one guinea and an extra five shillings for Tennis—surely one of the least expensive Tennis Clubs one can call to mind.

In those early days the club had several good players—E. T. Hirst, who played cricket for Oxford University and for Yorkshire, a beautiful stylist both at cricket and tennis; C. F. Palmer, K.C., who played tennis for Yorkshire; Dr. R. H. Hall and Dr. Mayo. J. H. Potter, the renowned Rugby half-back, was also a member and a first-rate player.

Notable Members.

Members of the Club who have represented Yorkshire are:—E. and S. Watson, L. A. Lowe, W. G.

Ledgard, C. E. Fox, and C. W. Banks. Lowe and Ledgard were a particularly strong couple, probably the best pair that ever played for Leeds, and could hold their own with any other pair in the County. In their time the Leeds Club took a leading place in Yorkshire Lawn Tennis.

In the early days, too, the club was honoured by having the Inter-County Championships played on its courts. Among those taking part were the brothers Renshaw, the brothers Riseley, S. H. Smith (of the famous forehand drive) and Mahony. The brothers Watson represented Yorkshire on this occasion. An Open Tournament was also held at this time which attracted a capital entry, but not meeting with financial success, it was discontinued.

In this connection the following account of a match between Leeds and Chapel Allerton, in 1907, may be of interest to tennis players, both past and present.

It is taken from Mr. Clement Pflaum's wonderful collection of historical tennis documents, and shows that in those days, even the redoubtable Chapel Allerton team had no terrors for Leeds, who were at that time feared throughout the County. Match played on June 28th, 1907. Leeds were victorious by 7 matches to 2. 14 sets to 5, and 108 games to 81. The details are as follows:—

Singles.—E. Middleton (C.A.) beat W. G. Ledgard (L.) 7-5, 7-5; G. R. T. Taylor (C.A.) lost to L. A. Lowe (L.) 4-6, 6-3, 4-6; H. Bower (C.A.) beat C. E. Fox (L.) 6-4, 6-1; C. H. Close (C.A.) lost to S. R. Rush (L.) 2-6, 6-8; C. H. Baillie (C.A.) lost to J. Craven (L.) 7-9, 3-6; J. R. Bower (C.A.) lost to F. J. Turner (L.) 2-6, 0-6.

Doubles.—Middleton and Taylor (C.A.) lost to Ledgard and Lowe (L.) 5-7, 3-6; H. Bower and Close (C.A.) lost to Fox and Craven (L.) 4-6, 4-6; Baillie and J. R. Bower (C.A.) lost to Turner and Rush (L.) 1-6, 4-6.

A Club Tournament.

An annual Tournament is held and there is still keen competition for the three trophies which have been presented to the Club at various times. These trophies

are:—(1) The "Bray" Cup, presented by George Bray, Esq., for Gentlemen's Handicap Singles; (2) The "Kitchen" Cup, presented by Mrs. John Kitchen for Gents' Open Singles; (3) The "Two Vets" Trophy, presented by C. F. Tetley, Esq., and Sir Arthur Copson-Peake, for Ladies' Singles.

The following names, amongst others, appear on the "Bray" Cup:—

1894 .. G. R. Johnson.	1902 .. E. G. Hudson.
1895 .. J. Craven.	1903 .. L. A. Lowe
1896 .. W. G. Ledgard	(also 1906, 1909).
(also 1900, 1901).	1907 .. S. R. Rush.
1897 .. E. Watson.	1908 .. W. Lowson
1898 .. Leslie T. Watson.	(also 1911, 1913)
1899 .. C. E. Fox	1910 .. C. W. Banks.
(also 1912).	1914 .. C. Fowler.
	1924 .. R. Robinson

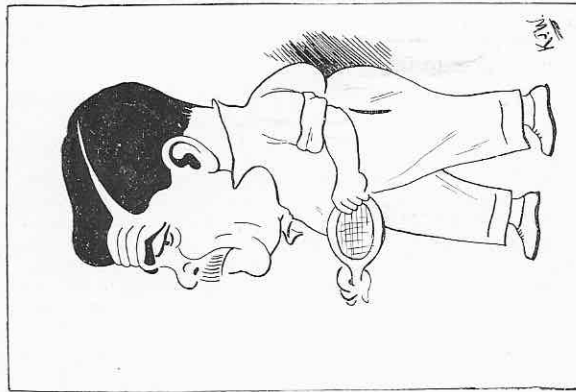
Most of these players were "back-markers" in the Handicap, Lowe and Ledgard each winning it from owe .40, and E. Watson from owe 30.1. Many of the same names appear on the "Kitchen" Cup. W. G. Ledgard won it nine times, L. A. Lowe three times, and at the Open Tournament in 1896 and '97 it was won by A. H. Mellowes and E. Fletcher, and in 1899 by E. Watson.

A "Knickerbocker" Incident.

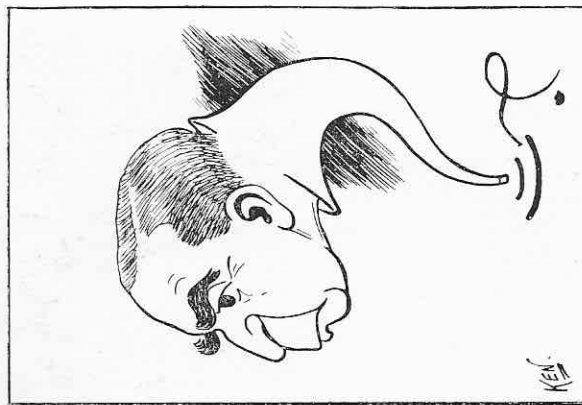
Mr. C. E. Fox vouches for the truth of the following anecdote:—Some years ago, when Fox was probably the best player in the Club, he was waiting in the pavilion for a friend whom he had arranged to play. He was approached by a youth in knickerbockers carrying an old racquet and four old tennis balls in an onion net. "Please Sir, do you mind giving me a game?" said the youth, but was refused in a kind but firm manner.

This incident was recounted in the Clubhouse at Scarborough, and caused much amusement when it was known that the erstwhile "youth in knickerbockers" was C. W. Banks, now the well-known County player.

Bank's version is that the incident is grossly exaggerated. Much as he regrets to report the facts of the case as they so seriously affect the veracity of one of



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our revered Vice-Presidents, he cannot let the above report pass into print, without making a firm stand in the interests of truth.

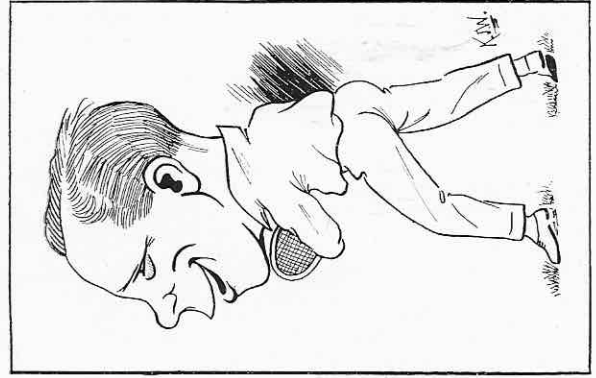
He states that the chronicle of the incident was as follows: As a young and keen player at the age of seventeen, complete in long trousers, a good racquet and certainly no "onion bag" or black tennis balls, he found himself a new member of the Leeds Club. He, with great diffidence, approached Mr. Fox, who was waiting about without any game arranged, and asked if he would be good enough to give him a game. Mr. Fox, blushing under the strain of an obvious prevarication, much regretted that owing to having fixed up another match he would be unable to take advantage of the offer. Banks, having a slight knowledge of the methods adopted by the best players in clubs for the extermination of the "bunnies," again regrets to report the fact that our worthy Vice-President's mythical opponent never turned up. Mr. Banks adds: "It is to be hoped that the Moral of this story will be taken to heart and that the older generation will always do their utmost in helping to give the younger players the full benefit of their experience and practice."

Valued Presidents.

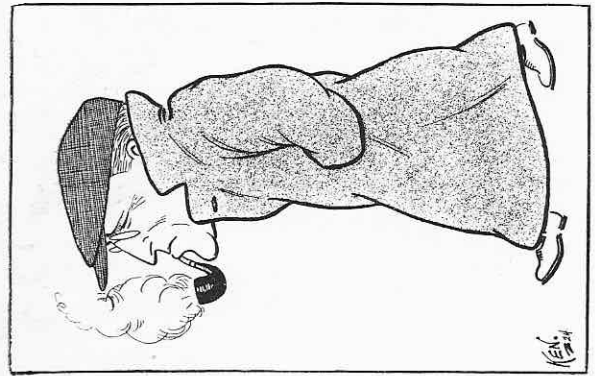
At first the Club courts were all grass ones. Fourteen grass courts were laid down, but in 1924 the plot "over the bridge" was converted into hard courts, since such courts had become a necessity to all clubs playing matches and holding tournaments. The Club has thus ten grass and four hard courts. Play is carried on during the winter when the weather is sufficiently open.

The Pavilion was considerably enlarged during the Spring of 1925, and now contains dressing-rooms, kitchen, tea-rooms and an office. In summer-time teas are provided daily at the Club.

Recent Presidents of the Club include such well-known names as Mr. T. K. Wilson and Mr. P. Rawlinson. Mr. Wilson gave many years of his life to Yorkshire Lawn Tennis, acting as Hon. Sec. to the County, Hon. Referee to various Tournaments, and he represented Yorkshire L.T.A. on the Council in London for several



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years after the war. "T.K.'s" removal to London for business reasons was a great loss to Yorkshire Lawn Tennis. Mr. Rawlinson will nearly always be found helping at the various Yorkshire Tournaments, and for the last three years has officiated as umpire at the Wimbledon Championships.

Visitors to the Club are always interested in the excellent series of caricatures of well-known members which adorn the walls of the Pavilion. These are the work of the present Hon. Sec., Mr. Kenneth J. Whitehead, by whose kind permission a few are reproduced here. Most tennis players will probably recognise some of them. One of the caricatures produced is that of "Vic" Wake, one of the club's stalwarts, whose tragic death on the courts two years ago robbed the club of one of its most popular members. "Vic" was a keen player and a hard worker at the various local tournaments, especially at Ilkley and Scarborough. His help, particularly with the Junior events, will always be remembered with gratitude.

The Parent Body.

The connection of the Tennis Club as a section of the Leeds C.F.A. Club has continued from the commencement to the present day. As the schoolboy says in his essay, "it has its advantages and its disadvantages." The chief advantage is the freeing of the Tennis Committee from all financial worry, the finances of the Club being undertaken by the parent body.

The Tennis members follow the fortunes of the Rugby League Club very anxiously and are extremely pleased when the team is doing well, and having bumper gates, for obvious reasons! The proximity of the hard courts to the football stands is one of the disadvantages during the time when the Football and Tennis seasons overlap. The Tennis Committee also often feel handicapped by not having full control of the management of the grounds, the groundsman, the providing of equipment, the loan of the courts for matches, the catering, etc.

Generally speaking, however, the association of the clubs has been advantageous to the Tennis Section, and in the present Chairman of the Company, Sir Edwin Airey, the Tennis Section has a lover of the game, and one who has the welfare of Tennis at heart, as well as that of Football. It is hoped, therefore, that the Leeds Tennis Club will continue to flourish as at present constituted.



At the Chapel Allerton Tournament.—Miss M. E. Rudd (left), winner of the ladies' singles with Miss C. M. Burrows (umpire) and her final's opponent, Miss N. Hellewell.

A CLARION CALL TO YOUTH.

BUILDING UP JUNIOR PLAY ON
SOUND LINES.

HOW PARENTS MAY HELP.

By Capt. R. Pickersgill.

THE extension of the Yorkshire Junior Championships to be held at Scarborough this year, from August 15th to 18th, and to include boys and girls' doubles and mixed doubles, in addition to the two singles events of previous years, is a progressive move which should help to encourage the junior talent in the county at a time when the future is looking rather obscure.

The tournament offers an opportunity to youth to acquire match experience; to bring to the notice of the Yorkshire executive the hidden talent there must be scattered about our large county; it affords the great privilege for the winners of being accepted at Wimbledon for the Junior Championships of Great Britain, where any special aptitude shown will ensure to the juniors concerned every encouragement and opportunity being offered for further improvement.



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For only in the competitive game can a player learn by experience the adaptability, self-reliance and many other qualities which go to make up the finished player and which cannot be taught. One looks to see a very substantial entry for these Scarborough Junior Championships this year to show that the supposed demand for such events is in fact a real one.

Skill in Other Sports.

Though, as has been stated, many more opportunities that were denied their parents are available to young players to-day, it is not suggested that much more cannot and will not be done in the near future.

Boys' schools are taking up the game in increasing numbers and at some girls' schools the fetish of cricket seems to be weakening in favour of lawn tennis. But one has only to compare the degrees of skill acquired at the schools by the players in the recognised and traditional sports, to realise how far lawn tennis has yet to go.

It is becoming quite a usual thing for a boys' school side at hockey to play against representative county sides and beat them. The same thing can be said of girls' lacrosse teams in opposition to counties of no small repute. A team of public school "rigger" players in Yorkshire has recently opposed and easily beaten a side of senior club players in yet another of our national games. And those of us who have seen some of these performances have been not a little surprised at the proficiency which the junior sides have displayed.

Weakness in Lawn Tennis.

But what sort of a show would a school lawn tennis side—either boys or girls—put up against a club team of any standing, let alone a county side? Judging by the occasional opportunities of seeing school players, either singly or in pairs, at the junior events of some of our tournaments, they could not put up any kind of opposition worth the name.

But if they can do better things at hockey, lacrosse and Rugby football, because these games have been included in the sports curriculum for many years and are considered part of the recognised school training, it only requires lawn tennis to be placed on an equal

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- 7b. Gentlemen's Doubles Handicap, 2nd Class.
- 8a. Ladies' Singles Handicap, 1st Class.
- 8b. Ladies' Singles Handicap, 2nd Class.
- 9a. Ladies' Doubles Handicap, 1st Class.
- 9b. Ladies' Doubles Handicap, 2nd Class.
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footing for the junior play to reach a standard comparable with these other sports. What a splendid day it will be for international, county and club lawn tennis when a regular flow of young players, leaving school with some real ability, become available!

This backwardness of lawn tennis youth is, of course, no new discovery, but the comparison with other school sports as has been lately demonstrated in Yorkshire, has served to emphasize it and at a time when officials in the county, taking a long view, are beginning to wonder where the next generation of county players is coming from, if the present standard is to be maintained or perhaps improved upon.

Envy of Old Players.

Experienced players who had not many opportunities, other than those created by themselves, of avoiding unfortunate methods in their general style, and have since had only too frequent cause to lament the fact, will appreciate and envy the chances offered to young players to-day.

But how to impress on them the truth, that diligent application to the acquirement of a true and natural style at the impressionable ages of say 13 to 18 years will repay them enormously in later years? At 15 a boy or girl may appear very young and comparatively hopeless at the game, and yet at 21, they will probably have determined for the rest of their lives their general technique for lawn tennis, and be fully developed players, excepting for what they can always go on learning of actual match play. And how quickly those five years pass.

How to Watch Intelligently.

It is my hope that parents of boys and girls with some inclination towards the game and who themselves are ambitious for their success, will take the opportunity of entering them at Scarborough for the Yorkshire Junior Championship events arranged for them by the executive of the Y.L.T.A.

Their actual achievements may appear to be very small or even negative. But in fact they will have acquired an experience of match and tournament play which can only be obtained in competitions. They will

have the chance of seeing their more successful junior rivals play and win their matches and if naturally observant, learn quite a great deal from them.

They will have also the opportunity of watching the senior Yorkshire players engaged in their Championship events at the same time, and if they can be advised by their elders how to watch the players' movements intelligently without paying too much regard to the flight of the ball, many invaluable lessons connected with the production of strokes will be unconsciously absorbed.

Building up their Game.

A programme on the following lines is probably about an ideal one for the normal boy or girl. At the age of 12 or 13 equip them with a light but full-sized racket. For two years encourage them to play, but more with the idea of stroke production than of winning points, and with as much supervision as possible.

At the age of say 15, enter them for all junior competitions available, but at the end of this first competitive year carefully check the stroke methods again, as a precaution against faults of style acquired in the natural desire to win points anyhow. Repeat this process at the age of 16. When 17, and whilst still under 18, the tournament games could be extended to include senior handicaps as well as junior events, but still retain the checking up process at the end of each season.

When no longer eligible for junior competitions, the player should then, at the age of 18, be quite ready to participate in the opens as well as the handicaps of the senior competitions, and be showing a standard of skill in keeping with the aptitude for playing the game. Youthful prodigies would, of course, qualify for the senior events a year, or even two, earlier.

This is suggested as a suitable evolution of a young lawn tennis player; starting by the cultivation of a natural free swing on approved lines; followed by the introduction of junior competitive games and gradually into senior matches, and all under the watchful eye of some expert adviser. In this way the repining of later years and perhaps futile efforts to alter fixed habits will be avoided and one's lawn tennis life be a much happier and more satisfying one.

QUALIFYING FOR WIMBLEDON.

ONE YORKSHIRE SUCCESS.

By "Centre Court."

THE Northern Qualifying Competition for places in the Championships was again held on the courts of the Northern Club at West Didsbury, Manchester, with Mr. Clement Pflaum in charge.

Yorkshire sent over a fair contingent, but only had one success, G. L. France qualifying for one of the Singles places, after a strenuous five-set match with H. Altwegg (late of Switzerland and now resident in Liverpool). Of the other nine places for Wimbledon, Lancashire and Cheshire each secured four and Staffordshire one.

At Wimbledon.

Our "accepted" players at Wimbledon were Dr. J. C. Gregory and H. S. Burrows in the men's singles, Miss W. M. C. Bower and Miss M. E. Rudd in the ladies' singles, and Dr. J. C. Gregory in the men's doubles and mixed.

So far as results went, our players did not advance far. Henry Burrows had the misfortune (probably he would call it good luck) to be drawn against Henri Cochet, a past champion, on the Centre Court. He shaped well against the Frenchman, but the latter's fine touch, and penchant for hitting the lines, only allowed him five games in the three sets. France also passed out in the first round in three straight sets to that budding player, C. R. D. Tuckey, scoring only eight games.

Colin Gregory had a big task in disposing of the Sussex player, the Hon. C. N. O. Ritchie, who extended the doctor to the full five sets before he was worn down by the greater stamina of his opponent. In the second round, R. Menzel, the Czech, was a trifle too good for Colin, although all three sets were tenaciously fought before the burly Yorkshireman passed out.

A Quick Exit.

Our two ladies soon made a quick exit, for after each had drawn a bye in the first round, they were both beaten in the next. Miss Rudd, however, ran the Scotch player, Miss W. A. Mason, to 7-5 8-6, whilst Miss Bower secured three games only against Miss L. Payot, the Swiss girl, who went on to reach the last eight.

Dr. Gregory partnered F. H. D. Wilde in the men's doubles, as Great Britain's No. 2 "official" pair. They did not, however, get beyond the second round, as after beating the Japanese, Itoh and Miki, in the first, they fell to the Australians, Crawford and McGrath, after putting up a great resistance for four sets.

With Miss M. A. Thomas, Gregory reached the third round of the mixed doubles, being beaten by V. G. Kirby and Miss J. Sigart.

Both Burrows and France stayed to have a knock in the Consolation event, the All-England Plate. Beating I. H. Wheateroff in advantage games in the third set, in the first round, the Batley player retired in the second to Asmussen, the Dane, while France, by means of a bye and a walk-over, reached the third round to be beaten by the old international, J. B. Gilbert, although he claimed the first set.

OFFICIAL RANKING LIST.

Dr. J. C. GREGORY REAPPEARS.

THE Fifth Official Ranking List, issued by the Lawn Tennis Association, shows two new names for the first time, R. K. Tinkler in the men's list, and Miss E. M. Dearman in the women's.

Dr. J. C. Gregory reappears again after an absence of two years, and follows immediately our four Davis Cup players. He was ranked third in 1930 and equal first with Austin in 1929. Colin has that rare quality of always playing up to his best in spite of infrequent appearances.

In the women's list, the Yorkshire-born Miss M. C. Scriven, has advanced from the twelfth place to the second. She had some capital wins to her credit, the most notable, of course, being her victory in the French Singles Championship.

The Official List is as follows:—

MEN.	WOMEN.
1. F. J. PERRY	1. Miss D. E. ROUND
2. H. W. AUSTIN	2. Miss M. C. SCRIVEN
3. H. G. N. LEE	3. Miss B. NUTHALL
4. G. P. HUGHES	4. Miss K. E. STAMMERS
5. Dr. J. C. GREGORY	5. Mrs. M. R. KING
6. F. H. D. WILDE	6. Mrs. E. F. WHITTING-
7. E. R. AVORY	STALL
8. H. K. LESTER	7. Miss M. HEELEY
9. C. R. D. TUCKEY	8. Miss J. C. RIDLEY
10. J. S. OLLIFF	9. Miss N. M. LYLE
11. E. C. PETERS	10. Miss E. M. DEARMAN
12. R. K. TINKLER	11. Mrs. J. B. PITTMAN
	12. Miss F. JAMES

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A FAMOUS REFEREE'S RANKING LIST.

THREE YORKSHIREMEN IN THE FIRST TWENTY.

ONCE again Mr. F. R. Burrow, the famous referee, and one of the best judges of the game in the country, published in "The Observer" his personal opinion of the relative placing of the best lawn tennis players in the country.

Mr. Burrow points out that his list differs in some places from the L.T.A.'s list; but the reason for that is the two-fold one that it is computed on the much wider basis of reckoning of the play of the whole year, and that, as is generally the case, estimates of merit seldom agree perfectly. Giving his reasons for including 20 players in his list, Mr. Burrow says that he believes the younger players, who are not yet good enough to be included in the first dozen, gain an incentive to get there, from being included in a larger list.

For the first time, Yorkshire has the proud distinction of having three of its players in the list. Dr. J. C. Gregory appears again and as Mr. Burrows says, "he has shown that his form is not far short of his best," and "Jacky" Chamberlain has further climbed up the ladder, whilst Henry Burrows, in view of several excellent performances, has found recognition.

The full list is as follows:—

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|----|---------------------|-----|------------------------|
| 1. | F. J. PERRY (1) | | J. L. CHAMBERLAIN (18) |
| 2. | H. W. AUSTIN (2) | | H. K. LESTER (12) |
| 3. | H. G. N. LEE (3) | 10. | N. SHARPE (9) |
| 4. | J. C. GREGORY (6) | | R. K. TINKLER (18) |
| | G. P. HUGHES (4) | | C. R. D. TUCKEY (12) |
| | F. H. D. WILDE (16) | | |
| 7. | E. R. AVORY (6) | | A. BROWN (19) |
| | J. S. OLLIFF (6) | 15. | H. S. BURROWS (—) |
| | E. C. PETERS (12) | | C. M. JONES, JUNR. (—) |
| | | | J. F. G. LYSAGHT (—) |
| | | | J. R. REDDALL (—) |
| | | | HON. C. N. RITCHIE (—) |
| | | | R. J. RITCHIE (12) |
| | | | I. H. WHEATCROFT (—) |

(The numbers in brackets correspond to the positions allotted in the 1932 list).

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LESSONS TO BE LEARNED FROM GOLF.

LOOKING AHEAD.

By R. A. Sparling

(“ Looker-on ”—*Sheffield Telegraph*.)

IS golf outstriding lawn tennis? “ Certainly not ! ” will be the reply of many of those in positions of authority in the net game and in some respects they would seem to be fully justified in their opinion, for in this country and probably throughout the world, golf clubs and golfers are far outnumbered by tennis organisations and tennis players.

Each year sees the tremendous army of lawn tennis players increased and, on the surface, all would appear well with the game. But the question I raise needs serious consideration in more ways than one. My opinion is that lawn tennis to-day is not drawing to it the class of player it did years ago and is not, to the old extent, maintaining its hold on the players over, say, 30 years of age.

I have been struck during the last two or three years by the many players who have deserted lawn tennis for the sister game of golf, players of quite useful ability and well-known in the cities and towns in which they live. They have been replaced, more than replaced numerically in the bulk; nevertheless, it is a fact that the private clubs of standing to-day have more anxiety about membership and the quality of the playing strength than used to be the case.

Help for the Poorer Player.

The personnel of the lawn tennis army is changing; it is more democratic. I would not say that lawn tennis is any the worse for that; rather is it to the good

to see so many little clubs springing up in connection with the big works, social institutions, churches and chapels and the like. It is good to see the workers taking up the game enthusiastically.

But it is not so good to see the growing tendency of the middle-classes and the people of leisure turning more and more towards golf. Some effort should be made to discover the real causes of this, because in time the national standard of play in this country will be lowered as a result of it.

That is no flight of imagination. We all know that it costs money for a man or woman to pursue lawn tennis to the lengths necessary to reach the heights—coaching, the round of tournament play and so on. Among the workers, the artisans, there are bound to be those of exceptional promise, players, who with tuition and experience, could become of the “ first-flight,” but they will never be “ stars ” because they cannot afford the cost.

They will get so far and no farther and their standard of play will be limited as they will never be able to afford to get into the circle wherein they would meet players superior to themselves in lawn tennis skill; also the expense of coaching is too heavy for them to pay.

A Pointer from Golf.

I sometimes think that the governing body does not study the requirements of the worker-players to the extent desirable for the future well-being of the game. It is not easy to say what should be done, but I do suggest that golf points out the way.

And that way is controlled professionalism. I make bold to say that the standard of play of the average golfer is, in comparison, much higher than the standard of play of the average player of lawn tennis and the reason is to be found in the facilities golf affords for a man or woman to learn how to play correctly.

Nearly all golf clubs engage a professional, who augments his salary not just by the selling of golf clubs, balls, and requisites, but by giving lessons to amateurs. For half-a-crown or 3/6 a person can secure a lesson on golf. But it is very exceptional indeed if a lawn tennis player can secure a lesson so cheaply.

The standard charge of most lawn tennis professionals is much heavier. I do not blame the "professionals." There are so few of them they can fix their own price, and it must be remembered that with many of them coaching is their sole means of livelihood.

A Call to the L.T.A.

It is my personal belief that the L.T.A. would confer a boon on players throughout the country if they encouraged the growth of professionalism, took that aspect of tennis under control, and developed it on the right lines. I do not see how any evil could befall lawn tennis if it were done. Golf has not suffered any harm on account of its professionals, nor has cricket.

I do not propose that the L.T.A. should spend a heap of money on professionalism. Not at all. I advocate the sanction of open championship tournaments, national championships and county title events. Such open competitions would enable men without means to follow the game seriously in a clean, open way and make lawn tennis their calling. They would also stimulate public interest in the game, and eventually lead to matches in different parts of the country receiving support as good correspondingly as the Championships at Wimbledon.

An Open National Championship meeting and Open County Championships and professional tournaments would soon strengthen the numbers of professionals and might eventually enable each town and city to have one or more professionals available to coach local amateurs. Nearly all districts now have their own associations which would be able to organise the demand that the services of the professional or professionals would be put to the best advantage.

I think it would be to the best interests of the paid players if they were under a central authority like the L.T.A., but details could be gone into thoroughly if it were decided to take the scheme up.

Commercialism Not Wanted.

Professional tennis as directed by Tilden appears to have been a profitable business in America. Henri Cochet and Plaa, the Frenchmen, who joined Tilden's

"circus" delayed their return to Europe from the United States owing to the success of their tours. Some of their matches have been attended by crowds of 15,000 and 16,000 people. Tilden has been giving lectures on lawn tennis almost everywhere and lectures in this country would be welcomed.

However, we do not want any "circus" in England, no exploitation of lawn tennis for sheer commercialism on the lines pursued by Tilden, but controlled professionalism for the benefit of the game as a whole.

It must be remembered that times have changed and the L.T.A. should keep abreast with them. Increase the supply of professionals and thereby give the masses the tutors needed, the facilities for learning how to play the game properly and derive the greatest enjoyment from it.

That done, I am convinced this country would be well able to maintain the supremacy in International tennis so admirably won last year. The rich and those not so rich would have the opportunity to advance and improve their skill.

[NOTE.—The views expressed by the writer of this article are not necessarily those of the officials of the Yorkshire L.T.A.—Editor.]

NORTHERN AMATEURS TROUNCED.

PROFESSIONALS EASY WIN.

FOR the first time since the fixture was inaugurated Yorkshire had not a representative in the Northern Amateurs match against the Professionals, at Southport, owing to the date clashing with the Ilkley tournament.

The Professionals had a strong side out, including Maskell, Poulson, Jeffrey and Read, and they secured an easy 8-1 win over a six composed of the three Lancashire men, A. T. England, S. N. Grossmith, H. Aldred, J. H. Booth and A. M. Wedd, of Cheshire, and H. J. Sargeant, of Northumberland.

The Amateurs did not secure a single set in the singles, their only win in the whole match being that of Aldred and Sargeant in the doubles, in a strenuously contested five set match over Gresham and Read, after they had lost the first two sets.

Results to Date.

1930	Professionals won 7-2.
1931	Professionals won 7-2.
1932	Amateurs won 5-4.
1933	Professionals won 8-1.

WINTER HARD COURT EVENTS.

The Hull and East Riding district (Y.P.I. Club) men's team beat Harrogate district 6-0 6-2 in the final of the Yorkshire Winter Inter-Club Hard Court competition at Leeds. They beat Sheffield district 6-3 6-1 in the first round and Leeds district 6-4 6-2 in the semi-final.

The Hull and district women's team (Hull and E.R. club) were beaten in the final by Sheffield district 9-7 7-5, after beating Huddersfield and district 6-3 6-2 in the first round and North-East Riding district (Scarborough Club) 6-3 3-6 6-3 in the semi-final.

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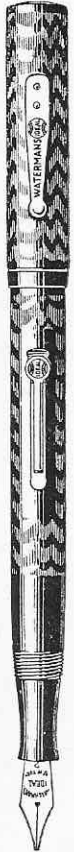
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Three of the four titles in the level events changed hands. Perhaps the biggest surprise was the defeat of E. P. K. Hansom, holder of the singles for the past three years. He survived an anxious match against F. M. Reynolds (6-3 4-6 8-6) in the semi-final and was beaten by E. T. Oldfield by 6-3 3-6 6-2.

Miss M. M. Mountford retained the women's singles after two three-set matches. She was carried to 3-6 6-4 6-0 by Mrs. E. Whiteley, and in the final staved off the match-point against Miss M. J. Jonas before winning at 3-6 11-9 6-3. E. T. Oldfield and K. F. Watt-Smith formed a good pair in the men's doubles and won the event with conspicuous ease, beating E. J. Thorpe and A. J. Collier in the final 6-1 6-1. Mrs. Whiteley and Mrs. Fowkes (of Fulwood) beat Miss Haywood and Miss Jonas (Hallamshire) in the women's doubles final 6-2 7-5.

Death of Mrs. Rueben Reynolds.

Yorkshire lawn tennis players, particularly those who competed in tournaments, were all distressed to hear of the untimely death of Mrs. Rueben Reynolds. Better known as Miss Kitty Anningson, she was a member of the Lincolnshire Ladies' side for many years, but upon her marriage came to live at Wakefield, and doubtless would in time have qualified for Yorkshire. Her cheery presence at many Yorkshire tournaments, for which she had a fondness, will be much missed.

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In publishing this Ranking List, the Association realise that it possibly may be incomplete. The names given are those of regular players, at the various Yorkshire Tournaments. No doubt, there may be many players who should be included, and it is now up to Club Secretaries to bring to the notice of the Executive Council the names of such players, through the medium of their district representatives.

THE DAVIS CUP 1934.

EUROPEAN GROUP

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2. Bye	New Zealand			
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5. India		}	}	}
6. France				
7. Austria		}	}	}
8. Bye	Germany			
9. Bye	Australia	}	}	}
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AMERICAN GROUP.

NORTH AMERICAN SECTION.

1. U.S.A.	}	}
2. Canada		
3. Bye	Mexico	}

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2.	Peru	

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 The Inter-zone Final is to be played on July 21st, 23rd & 24th.
 The Challenge Round is to be played on July 28th, 30th & 31st.

DAVIS CUP WINNERS.

1900 .. America.	1917 .. No competition.
*1901 .. America.	1918 .. No competition.
1902 .. America.	1919 .. Australasia.
1903 .. British Isles.	1920 .. America.
1904 .. British Isles.	1921 .. America.
1905 .. British Isles.	1922 .. America.
1906 .. British Isles.	1923 .. America.
1907 .. Australasia.	1924 .. America.
1908 .. Australasia.	1925 .. America.
1909 .. Australasia.	1926 .. America.
*1910 .. Australasia.	1927 .. France.
1911 .. Australasia.	1928 .. France.
1912 .. British Isles.	1929 .. France.
1913 .. America.	1930 .. France.
1914 .. Australasia.	1931 .. France.
1915 .. No competition.	1932 .. France.
1916 .. No competition.	1933 .. Great Britain.

*The holder was unchallenged.

THE WIGHTMAN CUP.

1923	America won at Forest Hills, 7/0.
1924	England won at Wimbledon, 6/1.
1925	England won at Forest Hills, 4/3.
1926	America won at Wimbledon, 4/3.
1927	America won at Forest Hills, 5/2.
1928	England won at Wimbledon, 4/3.
1929	America won at Forest Hills, 4/3.
1930	England won at Wimbledon, 4/3.
1931	America won at Forest Hills, 5/2.
1932	America won at Wimbledon, 4/3.
1933	America won at Forest Hills, 4/3.

1933 Scores :—

Singles—Miss H. Jacobs (America) beat Miss D. Round (Great Britain) 6-4, 6-2; beat Miss M. C. Scriven (Great Britain) 5-7, 6-2, 7-5.

Miss S. Palfrey (America) lost to Miss Round, 4-6, 8-10; beat Miss Scriven 6-3, 6-1.

Miss C. Babcock (America) lost to Miss B. Nuthall (Great Britain) 6-1, 1-6, 3-6.

Doubles—Miss Jacobs and Miss Palfrey (America) beat Miss M. Heeley and Miss Round (Great Britain) 6-4, 6-2.

Miss A. Marble and Mrs. J. G. van Ryn (America) lost to Miss Nuthall and Miss F. James (Great Britain) 5-7, 2-6.

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If not these, one gets a court that requires no attention, but is frightfully hot and hard to the feet and match play becomes not only unpleasant but real torture to many. So we go on *ad lib.* despairing almost of obtaining the perfect court. This in fact is a myth at present and in the selection of new courts one has to carefully study the particular requirements and pick a court with as few drawbacks as possible for its particular purpose.

The essentials would appear to be a resilient surface, having a matt appearance, the shade of colour is not important so long as visibility is maintained and it is restful to the eye; a surface which remains accurate and not dusty; which has a slight fine grit which grips the feet and the balls, and can be played on throughout the year.

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By A. Morrison Smith.

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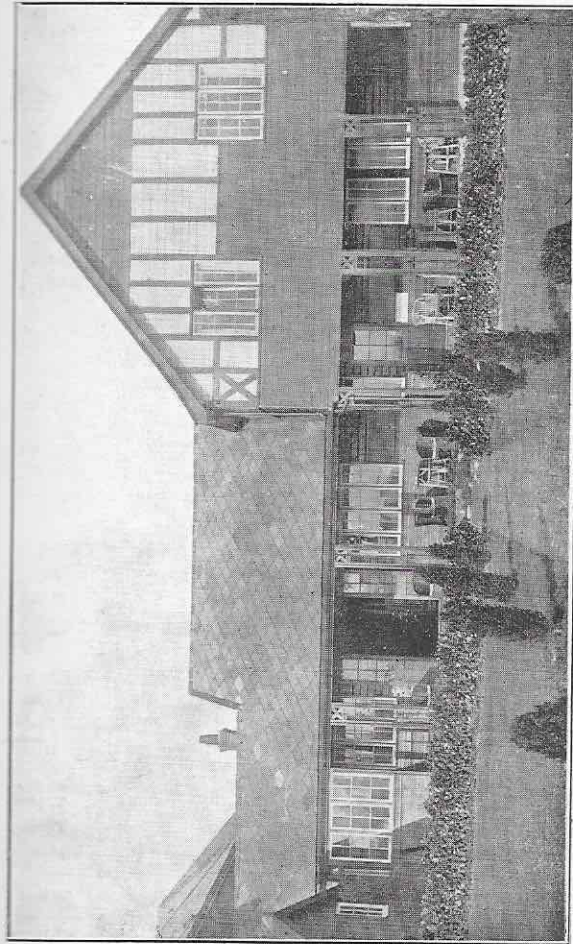
Harrogate in taxi cabs at the time of the railway strike.

A Popular Meeting.

The Harrogate tournament is one of the most attractive in the North of England, and was one of the earliest meetings at which Fred Perry, the Australian and American champion, competed at, at the beginning of his successful career.

These courts were used in the Davis Cup against Poland in 1926, and Denmark in the following year. Stanley Rhodes umpired these, and his powerful and distinct calling of the score was a great asset.

Mr. H. A. Sabelli, the Secretary of the L.T.A., was in Paris recently and tells me that he met the Polish delegate and told him the story of how he took the Polish team to



HARROGATE SPORTS CLUB.

Three cups have already been won outright, by Miss Alexander, Mrs. R. E. Haylock and W. H. Powell. These, with the present trophies, have been generously provided by Sir Ernest Bain (2), Sir Thomas Fleming (2) and Mr. W. E. Greenwood.

The winners for the past few years have been:—

Men's Singles.	Ladies' Singles.
1926 .. H. W. Smith.	Miss Alexander.
1927 .. A. J. Smith.	Miss Alexander.
1928 .. W. H. Powell.	Mrs. R. E. Haylock.
1929 .. W. H. Powell.	Mrs. R. E. Haylock.
1930 .. F. J. Perry.	Mrs. R. E. Haylock.
1931 .. W. H. Powell.	Miss V. Montgomery.
1932 .. F. J. Perry.	Miss F. Scott.
1933 .. H. S. Burrows.	Miss W. M. C. Bower.

Encouraging Juniors.

The Courts in the Valley Gardens are interesting to visitors, especially when they find past and present Yorkshire County stalwarts showing how the game should be played.

Alderman R. T. Kidson, Chairman in the earlier years, took a real interest in the development of the courts, and went to considerable trouble in advising and helping. The present Chairman, Councillor S. Barber, comes from a sporting family and is ably carrying on the work.

The girls' schools attend in force and they have their own championship cup, the holder for the last two years being Miss P. Mitchell, Harrogate College, who should develop into a first-class player. The holders of the doubles, Miss B. Maxwell and Miss N. Lombard, Convent School, combine well, having a good knowledge of the game and are equally promising.

Whilst on the subject of schools, I should like other institutions to follow the lead given by the two just named, and become affiliated to the Yorkshire L.T.A. The Association officials are extremely keen in watching

the interests of the young players and realise that this contact between the schools and the body governing lawn tennis in Yorkshire, should have a beneficial influence on the future of the game. Schools can become affiliated for the modest fee of £1 1s. 0d., and can then apply for the services of the County coach, compete in the Junior Championships at Scarborough, and secure other benefits.



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The Value of League Play.

The Harrogate and District Lawn Tennis League, recently formed, with a hundred members, recognises the value of competitive play. Chiefly using the Royal Hall Courts, and playing their matches in the evenings, these are keenly looked forward to. The members are young and enthusiastic and should become quite a powerful body.

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Robinson's tennis career received a check during the war, as he served with the South African Expeditionary

Force from 1914 to 1918 and he never handled a racket during those years.

He has always been keen on helping young players and quite recently decided to take up coaching professionally.

His most interesting protege is Miss Barbara Stampe, who figured in the Semi-finals of the Junior Championships at Wimbledon in 1932.

MISS RUDD IN AN ENGLISH TEAM.

EASY SINGLES WINS.

MISS M. E. RUDD, our County Champion, was honoured by the L.T.A. in being selected for an England team, in the annual two-day match against Wales, at Llanelli.

The English side consisted of Miss A. M. Yorke (capt.), Miss J. Ingram, Miss M. E. Rudd and Miss R. M. Hardwick, and they had a somewhat easy win by 9 rubbers to 3, 20 sets to 9, 153 games to 111.

Miss Rudd won both her singles, beating Miss J. McAlpine 6-1 6-2, and Miss I. Dimmock 6-2 6-4. Partnering Miss Hardwick in the doubles, the pair beat Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Seel 6-2 6-2, but lost to Miss Case and Miss McAlpine 0-6 3-6.

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS.

CHAMBERLAIN AND MISS RUDD WIN CHIEF EVENTS.

By "EBOR."

DELIGHTFUL weather favoured the Yorkshire Championships, again played at Scarborough. Notable absentees in the men's singles were Dr. J. C. Gregory, C. W. Banks and A. J. Smith, whilst Mrs. E. E. Walker did not defend her ladies' singles title. Otherwise most of Yorkshire's leading players were competing in the tournament, which has pride of place in the county.

H. S. Burrows made a hurried rush back from Belgium to defend his title, and showed convincing form to reach the final, giving a particularly fine display against J. S. Harrison in the semi-final. J. L. Chamberlain had reached that stage by defeating "Jerry" France in the semi-final, though E. P. K. Hansom, the left-hander, had put up a spirited fight against him in the third round.

Chamberlain Triumphs.

Chamberlain had beaten Burrows at the Chapel Allerton meeting in June, but the holder had improved so much with a round of tournament play that many expected him to retain his championship.

But Chamberlain was equal to withstanding the attacking methods of his team-mate, and won a fine match by three sets to one. Chamberlain's volleying and overhead work at which he has no equal in the county, won him the first set at 6-4 against an erratic opponent. Burrows found more control in the second set to square the match.

The challenger gained the invaluable two sets to one lead by some conclusive volleying, and warded off a strong challenge in winning the match at 9-7 in the fourth set. Both men were at their best whilst the

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score mounted to 4-all. Chamberlain reached 6-5 from 4-5, and again led 7-6 when he held a match-point. He was pulled back to 7-all, but broke through the service and won at 9-7 to confirm his position as the Yorkshire county first string.

Miss Rudd—Treble Champion.

For the first time in the history of the Yorkshire championships a lady player won all three events in one year. Miss M. E. Rudd had retained the Yorkshire mixed doubles championship—a peripatetic event—with H. S. Burrows in June, when the event was allocated to the Chapel Allerton tournament. She also succeeded Mrs. Walker as County Singles Champion, and retained the women's doubles with Miss N. Hellewell as partner.

Miss Rudd was the favourite for the county title, and reached the final without difficulty, beating Miss D. Robinson 6-1 6-3 and Miss Maingay 6-4 6-1. Miss N. Hellewell had sufficiently recovered from her injury sustained at the Ilkley tournament to enter the singles as well as doubles, but found her damaged muscle too much of a handicap to overcome Mrs. G. N. Wrightson.

Miss C. M. Burrows, the Ilkley winner, maintained her improving form in reaching the final, beating Mrs. Wrightson 6-1 6-2 and Yorkshire's 1932 junior champion, Miss B. M. Stampe 6-4 6-3. This semi-final was an excellent match between the county's two most promising juniors. Miss Stampe had proved her worth in the morning in beating Mrs. J. G. Stephens, an experienced player, by 7-5 6-4 with a run of five games in the second set. Miss Burrows indicated that she has the more matured game at present in overcoming Miss Stampe. The latter held the lead in both sets, at 4-2 in the first and 3-0 in the second. On each occasion Miss Burrows retaliated with sequences of four and six games.

Miss Burrows put up a splendid fight against Miss Rudd in the final, and making a more confident start won the first set at 6-2. Miss Rudd then settled down, and though extended to deuce in several games squared the match at 6-1. The Yorkshire number one held the upper hand throughout the third set in spite of a plucky

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effort from Miss Burrows and from 3-0 and 4-2 won the championship at 6-3. At her present rate of progress Miss Burrows is destined for high honours in Yorkshire tennis.

Doubles Titles Held.

Chamberlain and Harrison emphasised their position as the county's first pair in no uncertain fashion in winning the doubles championship for the fifth time in six years. Henry Burrows could not arrive from the Continent in time to partner his brother David in this event, and the latter paired with E. P. K. Hanson. They reached the final by beating G. C. Knight and R. Garnett. There Chamberlain and Harrison led them 4-2 in the first set and from this point recorded 14 games in succession to retain their championship.

Miss Rudd and Miss Hellewell were not threatened in defending the women's doubles championship. They lost four games to Miss Burrows and Miss Whitaker and one to Mrs. Middleton and Mrs. Stephens in the final.

Miss J. D. Stampe succeeded her sister as the junior county champion: her closest match was against Miss R. Turnbull in the third round. The new boy champion W. R. Swallow comes from Huddersfield.

As usual, Mr. W. F. Dawson, the county Hon. Sec., who acted as Hon. Referee, and his hard-working Committee, pleased everyone with the smooth running of the events.

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