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**SHORT LESSONS IN LAWN TENNIS**

by Captain R. Innes-Taylor (Copyrighted 1925)

(Continued from last week)

The game of doubles must be considered as an entirely different game from singles in that a new factor is introduced, i.e., combination. When you are playing with a partner you become merely one factor in carrying out a scheme of attack or defense as previously decided upon. The individuality of your own tactics must be merged into this scheme in order that your partner will understand what you are attempting to do.  
The court is a little larger for doubles than for singles. The length is the same, but the width one-third greater. Naturally, as there are two players covering this court even greater accuracy and pace in attacking is necessary than in a singles game. Select receiving court according to your stroke strength, the man with the best forehand taking the right court. If there is nothing to choose between them, let the best player take the left court, as he does most of the centre court volleying, and has many critical return services to make after deuce has been called.

**34. Correct Position in Doubles.**  
In doubles even more than in singles, you should avoid standing between the base line and the service line, known as the danger zone, for any return of good strength will light at your feet, a very difficult place to make a return from. The famous twin Baddley brothers contended that a double team should be behind the base line or right up to the net and I agree with their view. The formation of one player at the net and one at the base line has only once been successfully put into practice, namely, by the Smith and Risely team, twice world champions. The former was a wonderful base line driver, with the hardest hit forehand drive of any player, and the latter perhaps as fine a volleyer as the game has ever seen. This formation is unorthodox and in my opinion valueless. Smith and Risely were the exception

that proves the rule. If you and your partner are at the net and your opponents lob over your partner's head and he runs back for it, do not stay at the net, but run back and keep in line with him. So long as you keep in line there will be no holes for your opponents to score through.

**35. Service in Doubles.**  
Just as in singles the service is in doubles the most important stroke, and properly used is easily a point advantage to the serving side. Indeed so important is this considered that in first-class matches when a team loses on its service the general impression is that the set is lost. The strength of service in doubles lies in the fact that the service side assumes the offensive right at the start and the player who is actually serving runs up to the net and takes the best scoring spot on the court alongside his partner.

In doubles perhaps even more than in singles consistency of service is vitally important. A good length service lessens the chance of the striker returning the ball with such force as to be unplayable, and it also gives your partner at the net more time to intercept the return. I cannot over-emphasize the value of getting the first service over because the striker must stand far back for this one, as he cannot take a chance by standing too close in case a swift ball comes over. It is also useful to vary your first service. If your first service is missing fire, and you are putting in a weak second, your opponents will soon get used to it, so concentrate on getting the first in. A first service consistently delivered saves you the trouble of an extra jump for the net, and also gives your partner more confidence in you.

**36. The Smash.**  
The smash, or in other words, the overhead volley must ultimately be perfected, as it is one of the main point winners in doubles. Theoretically, an overhead smash appears to be the same stroke as the overhead service. But it is not so. In the overhead volley you have to judge the flight of the ball whilst in the air and get in the proper position to play it. In the service you throw the ball up, putting yourself in the correct position at the same time.

Do not attempt to smash with your body facing the net. Always have your body nearly in line with the flight of the ball. Do not be over anxious in smashing, because it will make you hit the ball too soon, a very common error. I am not much of an advocate of the half volley, although several players have been successful with it, and it is an extremely useful stroke to know how to make. In most instances a quick step forward will convert it into a volley or a step backward into a ground stroke.

**37. Australian Formation.**  
In recent years the Australian double teams have made such a deep impression on most players that I am afraid quite a few readers will disagree with me when I say I do not favor the Australian formation for receiving. In the Australian formation for receiving of service, the receiver stands in the proper positions to receive, and his partner about two or three yards back from the net on the other side of the court. This possibly is all right provided the receiver is able to send his return of service back so swiftly and well that neither the opponent at the net or the server running up can make an ace of it.

The famous Doherty brothers tried this formation on several occasions, and I believe practically every defeat they suffered was experienced under these conditions. The proper place for you to stand when your partner is receiving is behind the base line of your own side of the court, the whole scheme of doubles being for you and your partner to be in line, no matter in what portion of the court.

**38. Footwork.**  
The principle of foot work in tennis is the same as in dancing. To have the required fleetness of foot you should be able to move about the court in the same graceful way a dancer moves on her feet.

One of the most noticeable things about a lady player is the fact that most of them do not move as swiftly on the court as the men do. This is curious, because girls are good dancers, better as a rule than men. But in tennis for some reason, they are inclined to stand flat-footed instead of on the ball of the foot. You must be prepared before the stroke starts. With your heels on the ground you are lost, for there is a second's pause before you can propel yourself. I cannot sufficiently impress on girls who want to improve their game the vital necessity of good foot work, it is the foundation of an all round game. When waiting to receive stand almost as you do when you start to dance.

(To be Continued)

Petrolia town council has asked the attorney-general's department to investigate the case of James Burns, the Detroit youth, who was sentenced to three months in the reformatory on a charge arising out of the killing of a 9-year-old boy on Main st. The aldermen want to know why Burns was accused and a plea of guilty accepted on a lesser charge than that suggested by the coroner's jury. Burns was charged with having by the "wanton, furious driving" of his automobile done "bodily harm" to the dead lad. On this charge he pleaded guilty and was sentenced to a definite term of three months in the reformatory, with an additional indeterminate term up to six months depending on his behavior.



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