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The Saskatchewan Provincial Golf Tournament was finished on Labour Day. This is a Picture of the Wascana Country Club, on Whose Links the Tournament was Played.

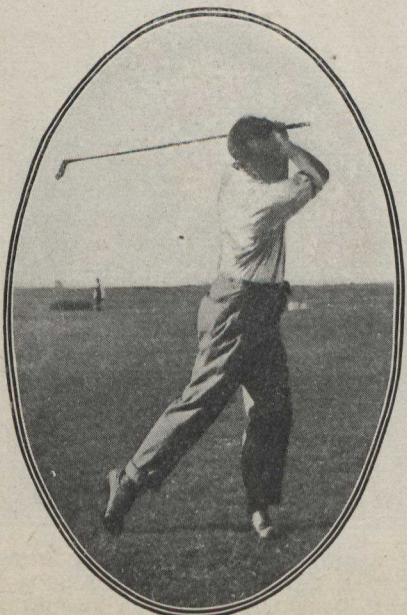
Saskatchewan Goes Golfing

Just to Show that All the Exponents of Good Prairie Golf don't Live in Winnipeg, the Players of the Wheat Province put on a Tournament Right in the Middle of Harvest

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James Balfour, President Saskatchewan Golf Association, and Donor of the Tournament Cup.



W. S. Gray, Golf Champion for Saskatchewan.

A BROMIDIC joke on Regina is to the effect that ten years ago half the city's population was in Scotland. Small wonder in the face of such a statement that golf flourishes in the capital city and in the province generally. The Provincial Tournament, which was concluded on Labour Day, on the Wascana Country Club's eighteen-hole course at Regina, brought five players from Saskatoon, two from Moose Jaw, one from Swift Current, two from Prince Albert, nineteen from the Regina Golf Club, and nineteen from the Wascana Country Club. Among these players were men who have been playing golf since they were babies and who are familiar with the famous St. Andrew's links.

Golf in Saskatchewan has everything in its favour. The preponderance of Scotchmen is not the chief cause. The splendid rolling character of the country is a great factor. The climate suits the game. Besides, Saskatchewan has the tournament proclivity down to a science. Years ago, before golf was more than dreamed of on the prairies, Englishmen toured the country from town to town playing return matches of cricket. The competition idea has got hold of the country. People on the plains do not believe in one city or town hogging all the attractions and the activities of sport—neither of art, let us say. Look at the annual music festival of Saskatchewan, attracting singers and players from all over the province; not held exclusively in Regina or Saskatoon, but handed round to each of the big towns in turn. There is the friendliest possible rivalry in these tournaments, just as there was in the golf tournament. In

fact, there is a great deal more in a golf tournament than golf. There is camaraderie, health, intercommunication between town and town, and a general *esprit de corps* that is hugely worth while.

The 1912 champion, who defended his honours nobly, was G. S. Donaldson, a Scotchman and a member of the Regina Golf Club—which has been in existence since 1889. Mr. Donaldson, however, went down to defeat at the hands of Dr. Young, of Saskatoon, and the champion for 1913 is W. S. Gray, a Canadian, a member of the Wascana Country Club, the Saskatchewan champion for 1908, a keen golfer and a true sportsman, whose victory afforded his friends the greatest satisfaction. Mr. Gray is a banker.

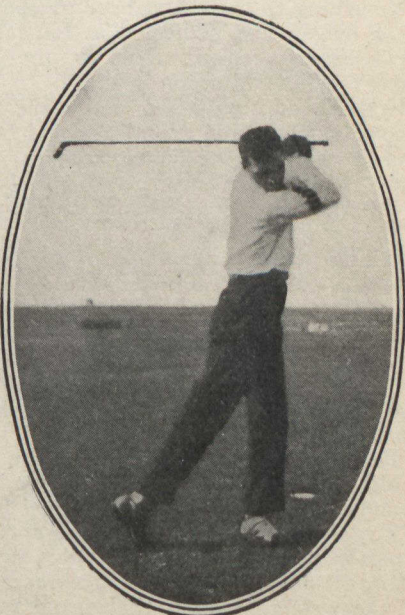
The qualifying round divided the players into three flights, sixteen to each flight. The visiting clubs made good records, Woodward, of Prince Albert, winning the third flight, while Byers, of Saskatoon, and Laidlaw, of Prince Albert, left the final struggle for supremacy in the second flight until they would meet on either one or the other of their home courses.

A handicap competition, played in addition to the open championship matches, gave the first prize to H. S. Anderson, of the Regina Golf Club, his score being 89-10 or 79. Laidlaw, of Saskatoon, and Woodward, of Prince Albert, tied for second prize in this competition, the Prince Albert man having the advantage as to handicap, while Laidlaw drew the third prize for his gross score of 88.

On the last evening of the meet, the first Provincial Golf Association of Saskatchewan was formed, with Chief Justice Haultain as honorary



W. Laidlaw, of Saskatoon, won the Trophy for Lowest Gross Score in the Handicap.



Donaldson, the Defeated Champion, Wascana C. C. and Regina Golf Club.