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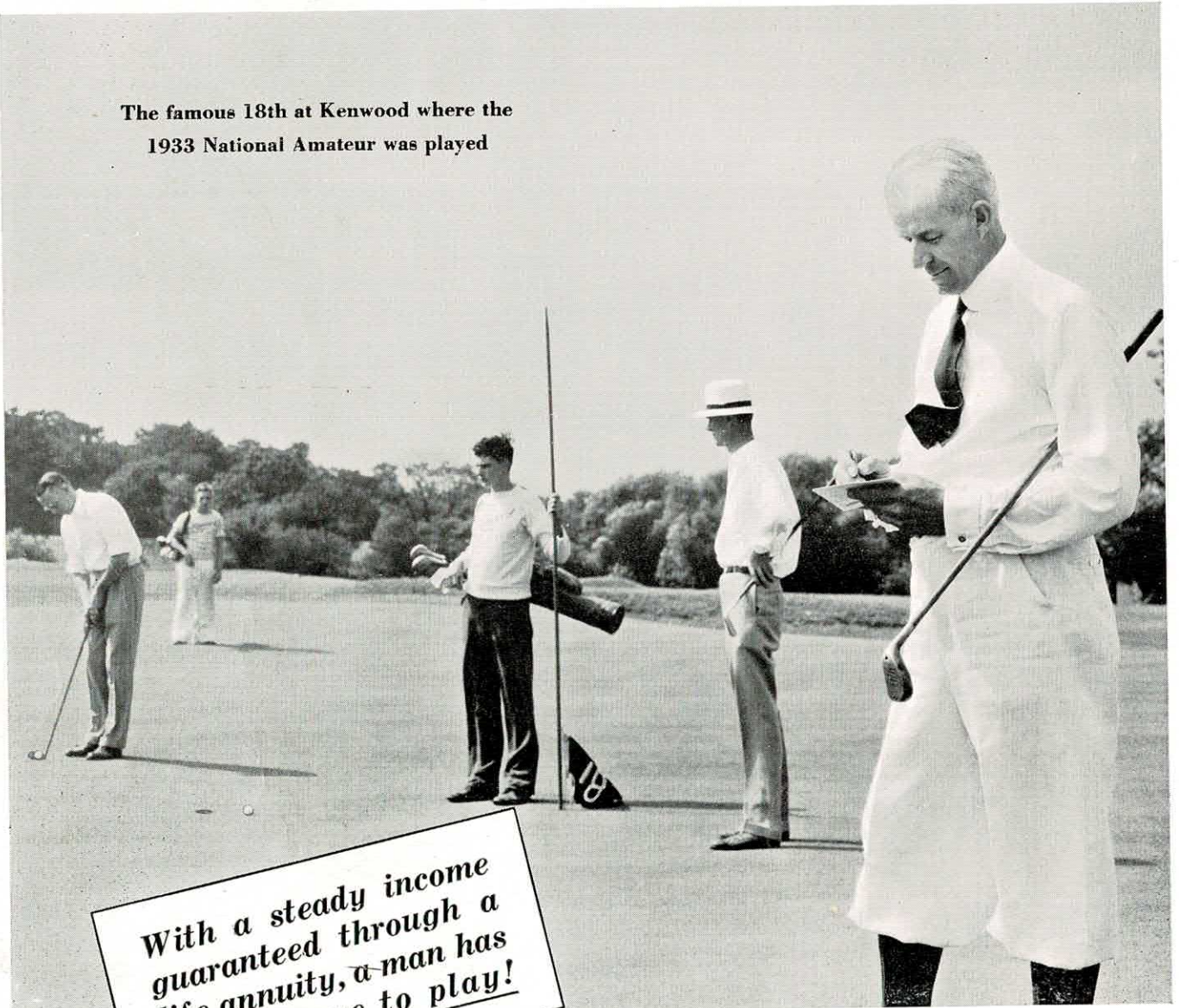
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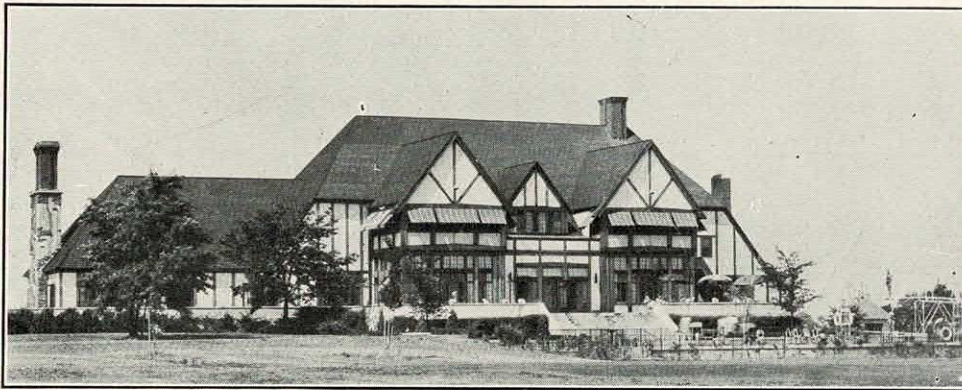
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## Cincinnati District Witnesses Its First Major Golf Classic



Kenwood's Club House, With Swimming Pool in Foreground

**F**OR the first time in its almost forty years of history the United States Golf Association selected Cincinnati as the scene for the National Amateur Championships when it awarded the 1933 competition to the Kenwood Country Club. In fact, this marks the only time that the Ohio city has been honored with a major tournament of national importance.

Credit for bringing the National Amateur to Kenwood should be given to officials of the Cincinnati Golfers' League, of which Harold W. Nichols is president. Their untiring efforts to have the U. S. G. A. officially recognize the Queen City is being rewarded on September 11th to 16th.

Last season representatives of the parent golfing body, at the solicitation of the Golfers' League, made a special visit to Cincinnati for the purpose of inspecting the Kenwood layout. They immediately expressed their approval, terming Kenwood a real championship course, and one that would be an excellent site for the national event. Returning East with this report, the award soon followed.

Kenwood is the only 36-hole championship layout in this section of the country. With its rolling and lengthy fairways, natural hazards, large greens and deep, treacherous traps, it offers a real test to the nation's leading amateurs who are vying for honors in the 1933 classic.

The layout is divided into two championship courses, No. 1 and No. 2, both of equal scenic beauty. The National Amateur will be contested over No. 1 course.

One of the newest golf courses in the Greater Cincinnati district, being opened in 1930, nevertheless Kenwood's brief history is filled with romanticism. It was organized by a group of members of the Cincinnati Club, but operates as a separate organization, although it is affiliated with the Cincinnati Club. The project involved an investment of nearly \$1,000,000.

The nation is sending its foremost amateur linksmen to Kenwood. Holding the center of the spotlight is C. Ross Somerville, present titleholder, who comes all the way from Canada to defend those honors he won at the Baltimore Country Club in 1932.

Let's take a look at the competition that faces the Canadian siege-gun. There is Johnny Goodman, of Omaha, Nebraska, who went to the finals with Somerville at Baltimore last year. Johnny has traveled a long way in the world of golf since that meeting. In June, at North Shore, he vanquished the best that the country had to offer at that time, and came away from the Illinois course with the coveted national open crown resting securely on his brow.

In addition to Somerville, at least five other entrants have succeeded in lifting the amateur championship at various times. Way back in 1904, and again in 1905, H. Chandler Egan, then representing Exmoor, led the amateur field. Now he has traveled from Del Monte, California, with the colors of the Cypress Point Club, intent on taking the laurels back with him to the West Coast.

Charles Evans, Jr., better known as "Chick," another two time winner, will be at Kenwood to revive the glories of the days of 1916, when he captured both the amateur and the open, and also the days of 1920, when he had to be content with the amateur honors.

Philadelphia is sending Max R. Marston, titlist in 1923, and from New York arrives Jess W. Sweetser, who took home the trophy the year previous. The other former champion to visit Kenwood is the well known Jess Guilford, who carried the crown to Auburndale, Mass., just a dozen years ago.

Kenwood's representation comprises Nelson J. Ruddy, the club champion; Neil Ransick and Arthur L. Thexton.

Other luminaries are Johnny Fischer, Cincinnati's own son and last year's medalist; Charles H. Seaver, of Los Angeles, who was one of three tied for medalist honors in 1931; Eugene V. Homans, of Englewood, N. J., medalist in 1929 and runner-up to Bobby Jones at Merion in 1930; George J. Voigt, of Mamaroneck, N. Y., the 1928 medalist; George T. Dunlap, from Flushing, N. Y., and Maurice McCarthy, from Cleveland.

In addition there is a host of youngsters. They have won golfing laurels in their home districts during the season and are making their bow to national prominence at Cincinnati.

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# Hole by Hole Description of No. 1 Championship Course at Kenwood

## Hole No. 1—440 Yards—Par 4

A straight ball, close to the left side of the fairway, will put one in excellent position to pitch for the green. From this point one has the entire green to pitch onto. However, a hook should be avoided, as the extreme left side of the fairway is fringed with trees, which would interfere with the shot to the green. The second shot, under ordinary conditions, is a good seven iron shot. If one should drive to the right side of the fairway, it is possible that he will be in one of a series of traps which are about 225 yards from the tee; however, if he should avoid them, he will undoubtedly have a downhill lie that will make the next shot very difficult, because he will be shooting over a very deep trap and onto the narrow part of the green.

On this hole a premium is placed on an accurate pitch shot, as the green is heavily trapped in the front—right and rear—while on the left side, approximately ten feet from the edge of the green, is a fringe of trees and very heavy rough.

## Hole No. 2—176 Yards—Par 3

A well-played iron shot should put one in perfect position for a par. The tee and the green are on about the same level, with a very deep gully between. It is absolutely necessary to play all the way to the green because of a deep bank and traps in front of it. The left is well trapped, combined with a few trees and very heavy rough. The same condition prevails on the right, namely, traps, trees and heavy rough; while in the back there is a small bank and rough, which makes the come-back shot a difficult one, because the player is shooting onto a green which slopes considerably to the front. The green is terraced so it is well to play the shot from the tee with the idea of getting on the proper terrace. If one should be on the lower level, with the pin on the back edge of the green, it is possible that he will have a putt of approximately sixty feet. This hole requires a well-controlled iron shot, which, if accomplished, permits a par with the usual two putts.

## Hole No. 3—562 Yards—Par 5

A high premium is placed on an accurate tee shot, as the fairway on this hole is well fortified with traps on both the right and left sides. The hole is a dog-leg to the left, for which reason many of the longer hitters may try to carry their tee shot over the traps guarding the left side of the fairway. This is a dangerous shot, as these traps are 235 yards from the tee. A tee shot straight down the fairway places the player in an advantageous position for a par, as a well-directed brassie or spoon shot puts him in excellent position for a short pitch shot to the green. However, he must be careful to avoid the traps to the left, midway between his first shot and the green. If the ball, on the second shot, is slightly faded, trouble might result, as the ball would probably find rough on the right of the fairway due to the slope of the



17th Fairway at Kenwood, With Green in the Distance

ground in that direction. The green is a large one, well trapped on both sides, with heavy rough in the rear. Extreme accuracy on the first two shots is required to play this hole in par.

## Hole No. 4—438 Yards—Par 4

Abutting property, which is out of bounds, juts into the right side of this fairway about 240 yards from the tee and is completely guarded by several deep traps, which necessitates an extremely accurate tee shot, if one is to be successful in securing par on this hole. In addition to this hazard the fairway is extremely narrow, as on the left side one finds a series of traps and a deep rough. The shot must not only be straight, but long, or the ball may be found in a low point of the fairway, which precludes the possibility of seeing the green for the second shot. If the tee shot is successfully executed, the second shot should be played, without much danger, as the green is sufficiently large to hold a shot. An overshot will find the ball in a trap or deep rough in the rear and the green is also guarded by traps and trees on both the left and right sides. A well-directed tee shot is absolutely necessary on this hole, if the player is to secure a regulation par.

## Hole No. 5—134 Yards—Par 3

This hole is a seven iron shot, as the green is only 134 yards from the tee. This, however, should not make the golfer overly optimistic, as a par is by no means easy. The test lies in the ability to place a perfect pitch shot with plenty of backspin. The green is very wide, but facing the tee it is very shallow and in addition the contour is sloping and rolling, conse-

quently a shot not well placed might result in a 20 or 25 foot putt over a very tricky putting surface. If the tee shot fails to land on the green, the result will be most hazardous as the entire green is surrounded by deep traps and stubby rough. This short hole should be played with extreme caution as carelessness may result disastrously for the player.

## Hole No. 6—594 Yards—Par 5

This hole should prove a joy to the player who is long with his woods. This, however, does not mean that it can be played with reckless abandon. The fairway is well guarded on the left by a series of traps 230 yards from the tee. The perfect tee shot will be to shoot over these traps, but danger lurks for the player not capable of carrying this distance as a ball in these severe traps almost precludes the possibility of a par. The desirable tee shot must be straight, if not, a slight slice is preferable to a hook, as the fairway to the right is wide. A long hook may evade the first series of traps, but the ball may be found at rest in a second group 35 yards farther on. The second shot must be played with equal care and accuracy as the ground slopes sharply to the right, which endangers a sliced shot, as there are traps and high rough. A hooked ball is equally dangerous as the entrance to the green is guarded to the left by a series of traps approximately 75 yards from the green in addition to trees and deep rough. It is also guarded both to the right and rear by traps and high grass. Two well executed shots will permit a par, as the green is sufficiently large to hold a pitch. To play

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the hole in par, two good wood shots are desirable.

## Hole No. 7—369 Yards—Par 4

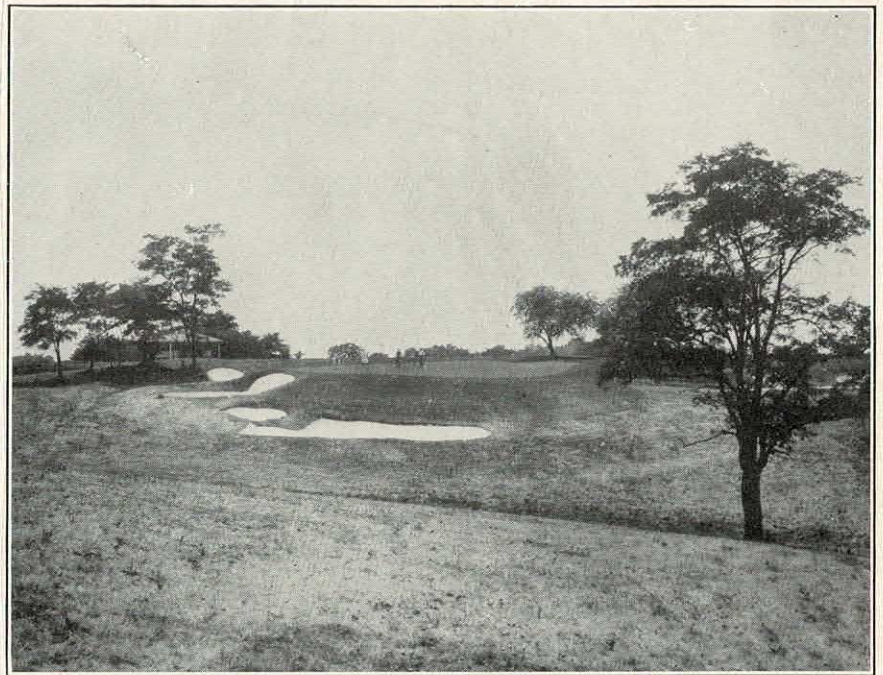
A well-directed tee shot to the right of a rather wide fairway will put one in good position to pitch for the green, which, from this position, is a slight dog-leg to the left. Care must be exercised with this pitch shot as the green is wide and shallow and is completely surrounded by traps. The necessary tee shot on this hole is a straight one, because, should the ball be hooked it will be found in either the deep traps or an orchard which fringes the left side of the fairway. This should prove the easiest hole on the course.

## Hole No. 8—395 Yards—Par 4

This is a rather wide fairway with traps cutting across it at 150 yards from the tee to catch a missed shot. Once the shot passes these traps, little trouble can result if the drive is straight. The fairway, however, is well guarded on both sides, which will place a penalty either on a hook or slice. To the left of the fairway one finds an orchard which extends about 260 yards from the tee; this same hazard is to be found on the right in addition to a series of traps about 240 yards from the tee. The pitch shot to the green must be skillfully executed, as the entire green is surrounded by very severe traps, and, in addition, there is a trap cutting across the fairway about 40 yards from the green to catch a topped ball. The traps to the right and left, cut well into the green, which makes the demand for an almost perfect shot greater, due to the decreased playing area. Perfectly played shots will insure a par on this hole.

## Hole No. 9—445 Yards—Par 4

To reach the green in two appears very simple to the player, as the green is plainly visible from the tee. This is a delusion, as this hole is only a couple of yards short of a par five. Shots must be made with precision as the fairway is rather narrow and well guarded. On the right is found not only a creek, but deep rough and a probable out-of-bounds shot. A slice will result disastrously, as the fairway slopes sharply to the right. The left side is equally dangerous, as one finds deep rough and a series of traps about 225 yards from the tee. Either a slice or a hook will make for a difficult second shot, as one will be obliged to shoot over a growth of trees to be found on both sides of the fairway about 300 yards from the tee. In addition to this natural hazard, is a nest of traps on the left of the fairway about sixty yards from the green. Once the tee shot is successfully executed, the second shot need not be difficult, as the green is large although well trapped on the right, and has deep rough at the left and rear. The length of the tee shot will determine whether or not the second shot is to be made with a number two or three iron. This is a splendid hole calling for good golf to get a par.



Fairway and Green As Seen From No. 2 Tee

## Hole No. 10—370 Yards—Par 4

The placing of the tee shot on this hole is of paramount importance because the favorable landing area is very small. The ideal shot would be well to the right side of the fairway, which is sufficiently level to hold the ball. This point is especially stressed, as the major portion of the fairway slopes well to the left; therefore, a shot not perfectly made will be found in a hollow and deep rough, which would almost preclude the possibility of reaching the green on the second shot, as the hole is blind from this position and also the shot would have to be made over very severe traps which guard the left entrance to the green. A ball played too far to the right will reach a nest of traps about 215 yards from the tee. The shot should not be too long, as a deep hollow crosses the fairway about 250 yards from the tee, from which the pitch to the green must be played blindly. The pitch, if played from the selective spot in the fairway, is a seven iron shot to an undulating tightly trapped green.

## Hole No. 11—315 Yards—Par 4

The natural hazards surrounding this hole from tee to green offset the lack of yardage. The tee is situated deep in a grove of trees which lines the left side of the fairway for about 175 yards. Approximately 20 yards beyond the trees is found a nest of traps. On the right of the fairway is deep rough and a probable "out-of-bounds" shot. A long shot straight down the fairway may find rough and an unfavorable lie for the second shot because the green slopes decidedly to the left and is guarded on the right by deep traps, one of which cuts well into the playing surface, thus two ways of playing this hole are appar-

ent. The golfer, anxious to birdie the hole and thus save a stroke, may be tricked into playing a hook beyond the trees. Don't be misled. If the shot fails it is "just too bad." If successful—fine—as the ball will be in an excellent position just short of the green. The other—and safe way—is to play the tee shot straight out just beyond and to the right of the traps. This will assure a good position to the opening of the green for the second shot, which should be a high niblick with plenty of back-spin, as to the left of the green is tough rough and to the rear are deep traps. Accuracy on both shots is the prime requisite for a par on this hole. Don't be fooled—this hole played carelessly may prove a Waterloo to the expectant par shooter.

## Hole No. 12—166 Yards—Par 3

Don't allow the entrancing beauty of this hole to arouse your aesthetic sense to the point of forgetting your purpose on the tee. You are still to play golf and not to be concerned with nature, except in passing. This hole requires maximum skill or your score will suffer as this can be a five as well as an easy three. Midway between the tee and the green is a creek at the bottom of a deep ravine. In front of the green is a nest of severe traps; to the right are many trees; to the rear are more traps, and to the left is deep rough. Take your choice—summon all your skill—send the ball straight between the trees, which fringe both sides of the fairway as far as the creek, to the green. This accomplishment is only half of the requirements, as the green is rolling and slopes decidedly to the front. This hole has twin fairways, but the

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description answers for both except that one is a six iron shot, while the other is a good stiff four iron.

## Hole No. 13—444 Yards—Par 4

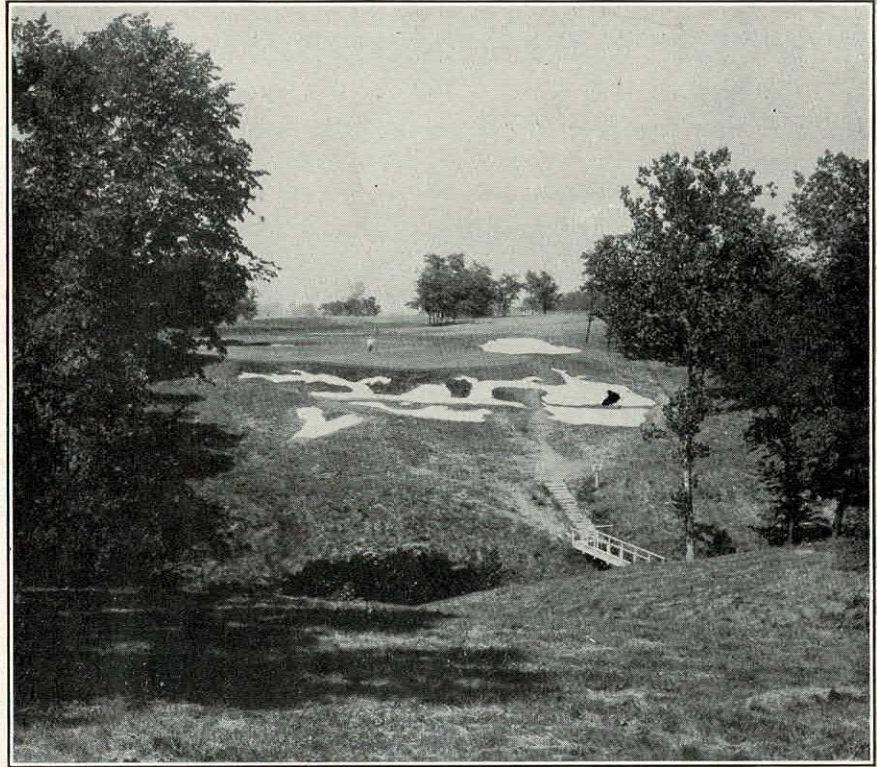
The formidable looking gully immediately in front of the tee and extending about 150 yards into the fairway may give you the "jitters." Quiet your fears, keep your courage, as there is plenty of landing area once the gully is crossed. Don't be too long or too far to the left off the tee as you may end in traps or penalizing rough. There is little possibility of reaching the green with any club in the bag from these hazards. The hole can be safely played by a 220 yard shot straight out from the tee which would necessitate a long two iron or spoon to the green. The player with control of his woods will undoubtedly play a long slice which will mean a four iron to the green. Don't attempt this shot unless your driver is behaving nicely for you as a miss would put you in the gully from which a recovery shot is impossible. The gully flanks the fairway on the right for about 400 yards for which reason it is a constant menace. The second shot should be well played as trees line both sides of the fairway in addition to traps on the left about 50 yards from the green. Although the green is large the shot must be accurately judged as the distance is deceptive due to a slight depression in the fairway immediately in front of the green. There are traps to the right and rough to the left and to the rear of the green which will catch an overshot. A par on this hole should be satisfactory as the player is confronted with abundant hazards.

## Hole No. 14—373 Yards—Par 4

A creek crosses the fairway about 100 yards from the tee. The preferred landing area is on the crown of a hill. Between the landing area and the green is a deep but playable ravine. Guarding the fairway on the right is a dense grove of trees and severe rough. On the left are traps and discouraging rough. Like sentinels guarding the green are deep traps to the right front, and more traps to the left. Beyond the green is a deep rough. This description should cause any golfer to stop and ponder. The shots must be made with meticulous care. Par on this hole can only result from two perfect shots. Disregard abandon and substitute extreme caution. In order to avoid trouble or a hanging lie, play the 220 yard tee shot to the crown of the hill slightly to the left. This can be accomplished by a well directed spoon shot. From this position, a perfect pitch shot must be made with a seven iron before par is assured. This is the one hole on the course where all possible yardage from the tee is undesirable. Inability on this hole will prove costly to the expectant par shooter.

## Hole No. 15—407 Yards—Par 4

Not a difficult hole if two shots are well executed. The tee shot must be straight ahead to a narrow fairway,



No. 12 at Kenwood, Known as The Twin Tee Hole

bordered on the right by a number of trees about 200 yards from the tee and on the left by a creek approximately 260 yards from the tee and a second series of traps about 60 yards beyond. A hooked ball should be avoided as it will result in a positive hazard as the fairway slopes slightly to the left. A good seven iron shot should find the green which is adequate in size but trapped to the right and rear.

## Hole No. 16—244 Yards—Par 3

Par aspirations may be blasted on this hole. To the left from the tee is a thickly wooded grove of trees extending 160 yards; crossing the fairway 210 yards from the tee, directly in line with the green, is a series of severe traps; 25 yards beyond, to the right, is another nest of annoying traps. The green is very large thus it is apparent that the hole may be played two ways. One may elect to send the ball straight for the green, which, to carry the traps in front of the green, is a real "he-man's" shot; or the player may choose to play to the right and hook the ball to the green through the narrow entrance at that point. Too much stress cannot be laid on the tee shot as all the danger will be incurred between the tee and the green because of the well designed traps to catch a missed shot. The green is without traps although it is surrounded by very heavy rough.

## Hole No. 17—574 Yards—Par 5

Playing of this hole must be carefully planned as the fairway is wide

and undulating with traps on the right 225 to 260 yards from the tee and on the left from tee to green is out of bounds. The tee shot must be of such calibre as to make possible the second shot carrying three deep traps which cross the fairway on the high edge of a grassy ravine about 460 yards from the tee. Emphasis is laid on the second shot as failure to carry these traps will spell doom to hopes for a par. Shoot boldly and accurately as it is from this position only that one has a reasonable chance to reach the green the right front of which is heavily trapped thus making a very narrow entrance from the left. Traps are well located on the left from 45 to 60 yards from the green which is flanked by trees on the left and rear. A super shot only to the green with a seven iron will make come true one's hope of par.

## Hole No. 18—371 Yards—Par 4

This hole is a slight dog-leg to the right. The wide fairway is fringed on the right by trees which extend 225 yards from the tee; the left is out-of-bounds and should a hooked ball not go out-of-bounds, it will find extremely heavy rough. Once the tee shot has been successfully executed a very fine six iron shot is necessary to reach the green which is well guarded by traps so skillfully placed that a shot the least bit off line will find trouble. These traps are to be found to the left, right and rear. While this is not a long hole par can not result unless both shots are well executed which makes for a fine finishing hole.