

GOLF.

CHESHIRE UNION FORMED.

The scheme to form a Union of Cheshire Golf Clubs was successfully carried through yesterday at a meeting held in Manchester. It was announced that 36 clubs had given notice of willingness to join such a union, and as they include the Royal Liverpool, Wallacey, Leasowe, and Bromborough, of the Wirral organisations, and most of those at the eastern end of the county, the new combination starts with an advantage over the Lancashire Union, from which some of the clubs on the coast have so far held aloof.

There was a large attendance of delegates, and an excellent start was made by electing Mr. Harold Janion, secretary of the Royal Liverpool, as the first president, with Mr. D. V. Mylrea (Sale) as honorary secretary, and Mr. G. Tweedale (Wilmslow) as honorary treasurer. A draft of the suggested rules was submitted, and it was decided to submit these to the various clubs for their consideration. The lowest annual subscription will probably be one guinea, and the contribution will be fixed on a sliding scale based on the membership of each club. The general business of the union will be conducted by a council consisting of delegates appointed by the clubs, and there will be an executive committee of twelve elected annually by the delegates. Yesterday a committee was appointed of representatives from Romiley, Sale, Stockport, Bowdon, Wallacey, Leasowe, Royal Liverpool, Bramhall, Delamere, Hale, Wilmslow, and Timperley.

It is intended to run a county championship competition next summer, and while the Hoylake course was mentioned as the proper one on which to hold the first of these competitions, it was felt that as the Royal Liverpool Club is to be responsible for the amateur championship next year it was too much to ask for the famous course at present. The Stockport and Delamere links were suggested, and the final decision was left over until the wishes of the Delamere Club had been ascertained.

CLUB COMPETITION SCORES.

BLAOKLEY.—In the third round of the winter competition the following qualified for the final: R. R. Davies, 5 down; G. J. Irvine, 4 down; F. W. Dickinson, 5 down; H. C. Butterworth and C. W. Smith, 5 down; play off for fourth place: R. Mills and C. Tegg, 5 down, previously qualified.

BROOKDALE.—A large competition for prizes given by Mr. J. Davson was won by C. E. Saunders, 60, and W. Ridd, 60. Leading scores—C. E. Saunders, 60; W. Ridd, 60.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

ENGLAND'S TEAM TO MEET THE NORTH.

It was announced yesterday that the following players have been chosen to represent England against the North at Bradford on December 4, the first and final match of the season:—

- E. Knapman (Derbyshire);
- C. N. Lowe (Blackburn);
- J. Hammett (Newcastle);
- A. M. Smallwood (Leicester);
- E. Hassinger (Leicester);
- three substitutes;
- W. E. A. Davies (United Services);
- C. A. Kershaw (United Services);
- half-backs: W. W. Wakefield (Harrow), A. T. Joyce (Gloucester), T. Woods (Devon);
- F. Taylor (Leicester);
- I. S. Tucker (Bristol);
- R. Edwards (Newport);
- F. W. Mellish (Blackheath);
- A. E. Backston (Northampton);
- forwards.

All these men with the exception of Knapman, Hassinger, Tucker, and Edwards played for England last year in one or more of the international matches, and Lowe, Kershaw, Mellish, and Wakefield played in all four. Of the newcomers Tucker since early in the season has been regarded as a strong candidate, and there is a frequent scorer for Leicester and works excellently with Smallwood, while Edwards has already been chosen to play in a Welsh trial. Edwards is now in the same position as Hammett was twelve months ago, and has to decide which country has the stronger claim.

LIVERPOOL LOSE TO DUBLIN UNIVERSITY.

Opening a short tour, which includes matches on Wednesday against Cambridge University and on Saturday against London Hospitals, Dublin University at Aigburth yesterday beat Liverpool by one converted goal, one penalty goal, and one try (11 points) to one dropped goal and one try (7 points). Except that two of their best forwards, R. J. Crichton and O. Van Druten, stood down, the Irish side was the strongest available, while Liverpool had the assistance of Morris, Williamson, and Floyd, of Birkenhead Park. It was quite an interesting game, open for the most part, and if Liverpool were a trifle unlucky to be beaten their pool was as creditable to the best of the season as was that of the other teams.

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