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Senior members of the Lindsay Golf and Country Club have been expressing their interest in this "Landmark Company" as they have noticed the work of demolition of the old golf club house and have heard of future plans. In this regard it is recalled that the present golf course was once a farm owned by the late J. B. Begg in the year 1923 and that some of the pioneers of the game included: G. A. Little, who was brought to Lindsay many years ago from Kingston because of his ability as a baseball player and particularly as a third baseman. George Little was an all-round athlete and adept at golf, baseball and curling. His name appears on Ontario Tankard Banners in the Peel Street clubhouse; Mat. H. Sisson, who came to Lindsay from Bethany in Manvers Township, was also a baseball player and a curler; G. H. Hopkins was prominent as a lawyer, later a judge and he, too, was also active in other sports; James B. Begg was the owner of Lindsay's first Lindsay Soda Water Works, located on Peel Street and he was active in the municipality, having served as a member of the Council and also as Mayor. This gentleman was also active in federal politics and at one time ran as the Liberal candidate and was unsuccessful. He was also known to many as : Past-Master of Faithful Brethren Lodge A.F. and A.M. as well as the Founder and Master of Gothic Masonic Lodge Three present day citizen who were active in the early days of golf in Lindsay in

clude: Dr. Cliff Laidley, C. E. Williams and Miss Nora Edwards. It is interesting to note that the success of the local club in pioneer days was to some extent due to the interest taken in the club by enthusiastic members of the Orillia Club who, at the time, recommended the proper type of loam and grass.