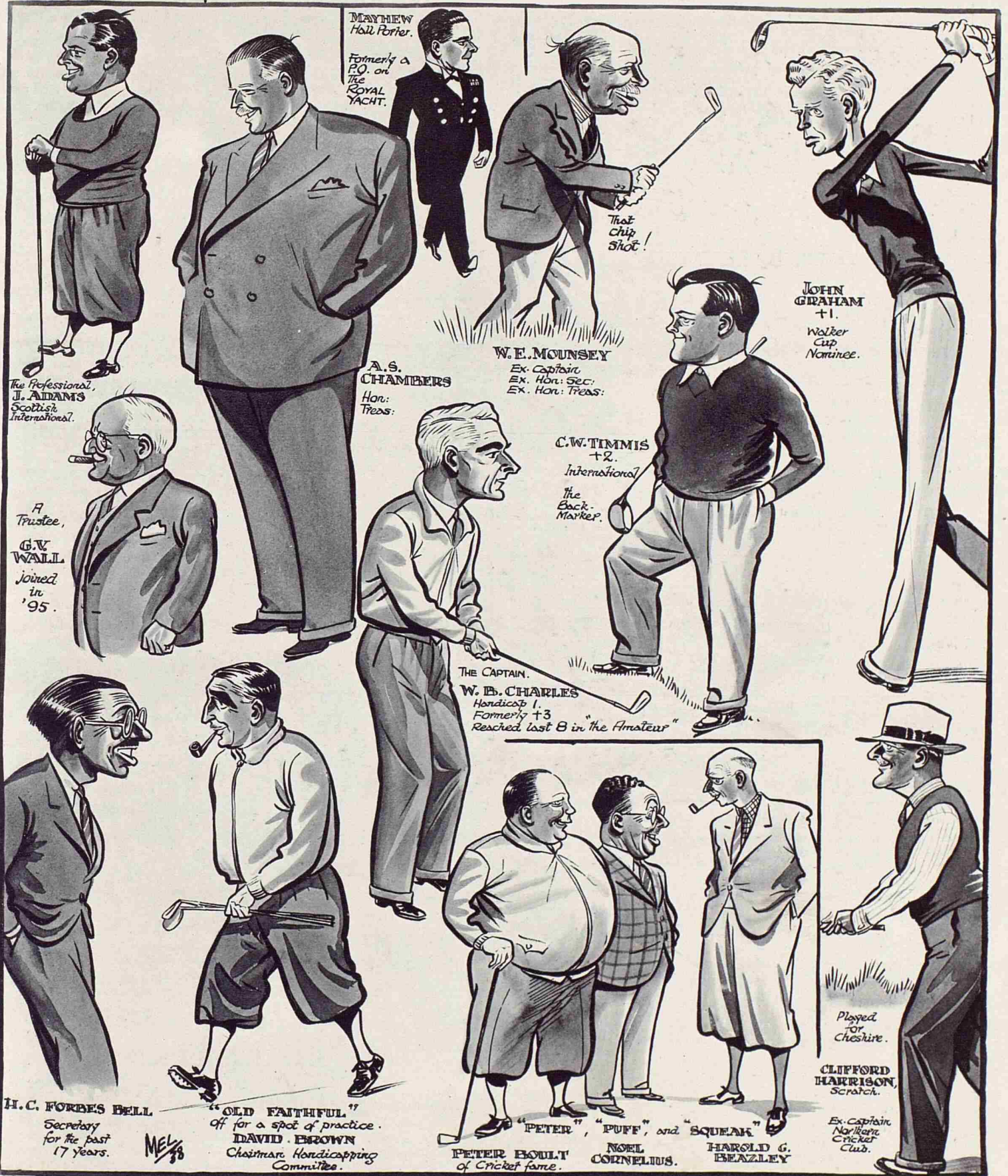


GOLF CLUBS AND GOLFERS



THE ROYAL LIVERPOOL GOLF CLUB: BY "MEL"

In the year 1869 the Royal Liverpool Golf Club was laid out on the rabbit-warren at Hoylake. On this site was a race-course, where the Liverpool Hunt Club held race meetings as far back as 1849, and the last race run there was on April 8th, 1876, or seven years after the golf-course had been made. The Open Championship first came to Hoylake in 1897, when the winner was Mr. H. H. Hilton. The Amateur Championship was started on this famous course when Mr. A. F. Macfie won in 1885. It is also interesting to note that the first English Close Championship was played at Hoylake in 1925, and was won by Mr. T. F. Ellison. The Royal Liverpool Golf Club is, of course, world-famous, can boast of a distinguished membership and was the home of such giants of the game as Jack Graham, Harold Hilton and John Ball. The course lies some ten miles from Liverpool, in Cheshire, and is one of the finest in the world