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ALEX SMITH,
 Noted Professional Golf Star, Who
 Died in Baltimore.

ALEX SMITH DEAD; NOTED PRO GOLFER

**Veteran Succumbs in Baltimore
 at Age of 58—Services to
 Be Held Here Tomorrow.**

CAPTURED U. S. OPEN TWICE

**Gained National Honors in 1906
 and 1910—Developed Travers
 and Miss Collett.**

Special to The New York Times.

BALTIMORE, Md., April 21.—Alexander (Alex) Smith, 58, one of the best of the old-time golfers, died last night at a private hospital here. He had been undergoing treatment for more than a month. In later years Smith had been connected with the Westchester Country Club at Rye, N. Y., as professional.

He was national open champion in 1906 and 1910 and was runner-up to Freddie Herb in 1898 and to Willie Anderson in 1901 and 1905.

One of the many accomplishments of the veteran pro was that of teaching Miss Glenna Collett some of the golf which won her many championships.

Was Picturesque Figure.

In the death of Alex Smith, American golf has lost one of its most picturesque figures. One of the country's pioneer professionals, a great player himself and a maker of champions, possessed of abundant ready wit, Alex was known from coast to coast and his death marks the passing of a man whose life is an interesting chapter in the history of American golf.

Born in Carnoustie, Scotland—a town famous for the great golfers it has produced—Alex served his apprenticeship in the shop of Bob Simpson. When still a young man he heard and heeded the call that came from America, then in its infancy as a golfing centre. It was in 1897, three years after the first open championship was played here, that he came to this country to become the professional at the Washington Park Golf Club in Chicago.

His next move was to come to the Nassau Country Club at Glen Cove and it was here that he came into contact with Jerry Travers. Under Smith's instruction Travers became one of the greatest players in America, four-time winner of the amateur crown.

Next Post at Wykagyl.

From Nassau Alex went to Wykagyl, thence to the Shenecossett Club in New London and later, when the Westchester Biltmore Country Club was organized by John McEntee Bowman at Rye, he served as professional at both places. It was while professional at New London, Belleair, Fla., and Rye that he taught Miss Glenna Collett, the present women's champion and generally regarded as America's outstanding player.

Smith was one of five brothers, all of whom are renowned in the realm of golf. One of his brothers, Jim, died out on the Pacific Coast a year or so ago. Another, Willie, died in Mexico, where he served for many years as professional at the Mexico City Country Club. Two brothers survive—Macdonald, now professional at the Lakeville Club, and George.

The body arrived in New York last night and the funeral will be held from Campbell's Funeral Parlors at noon tomorrow. He will be buried in St. Mary's Cemetery in Glen Cove, L. I. Besides his two brothers, he is survived by two daughters, Mrs. A. Claxton Cary of Rye, N. Y., and Mrs. C. F. Berg of Bethel, Conn.