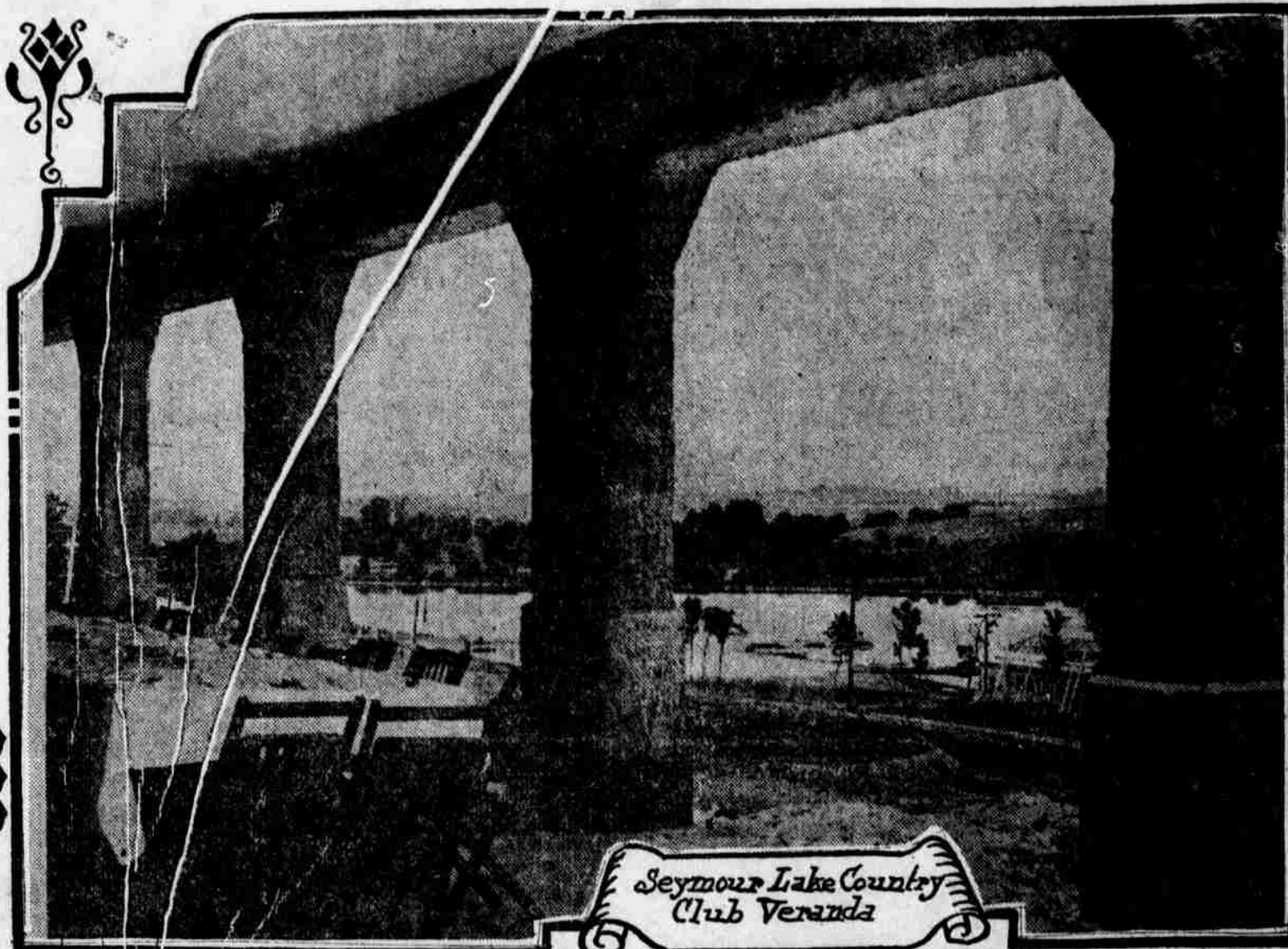


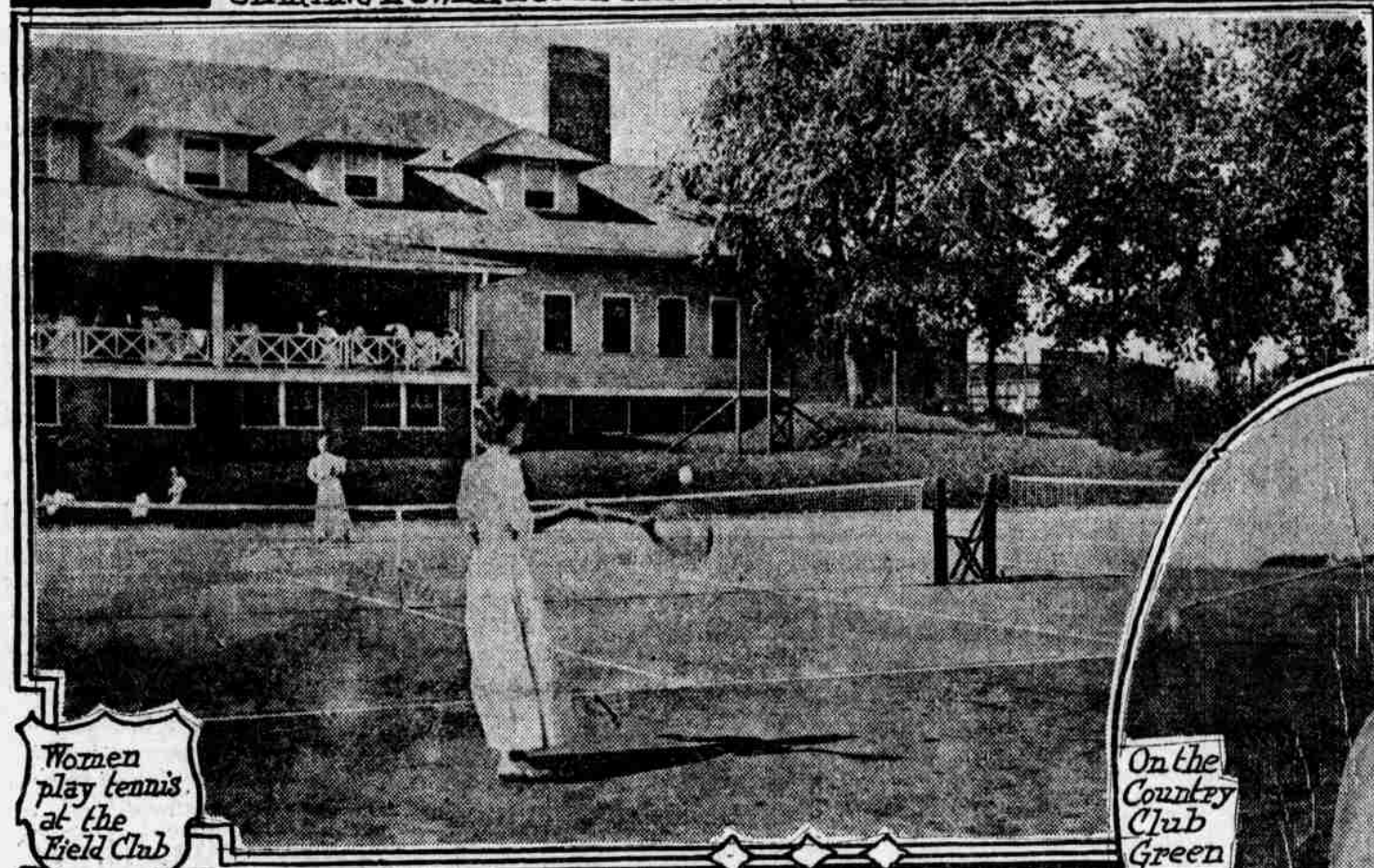
Summer Clubs of Omaha Attractive Feature of City Life



STARTING A SWATEST AT MILLER PARK



Seymour Lake Country Club Veranda



Women play tennis at the Field Club



On the Country Club Green



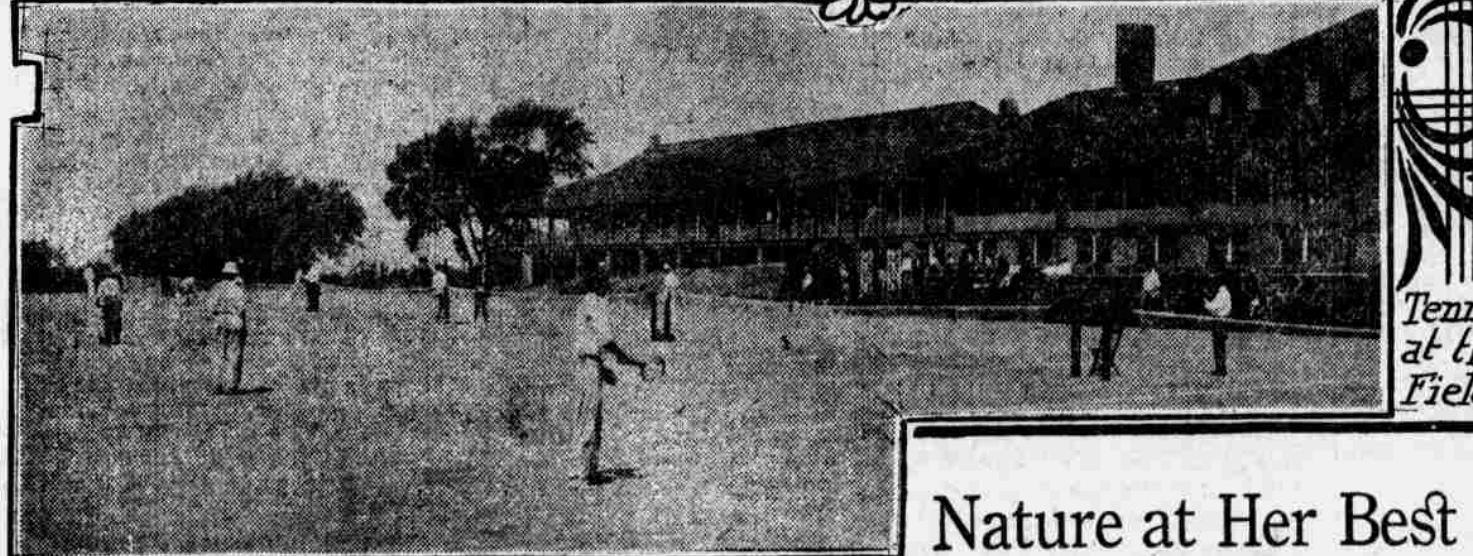
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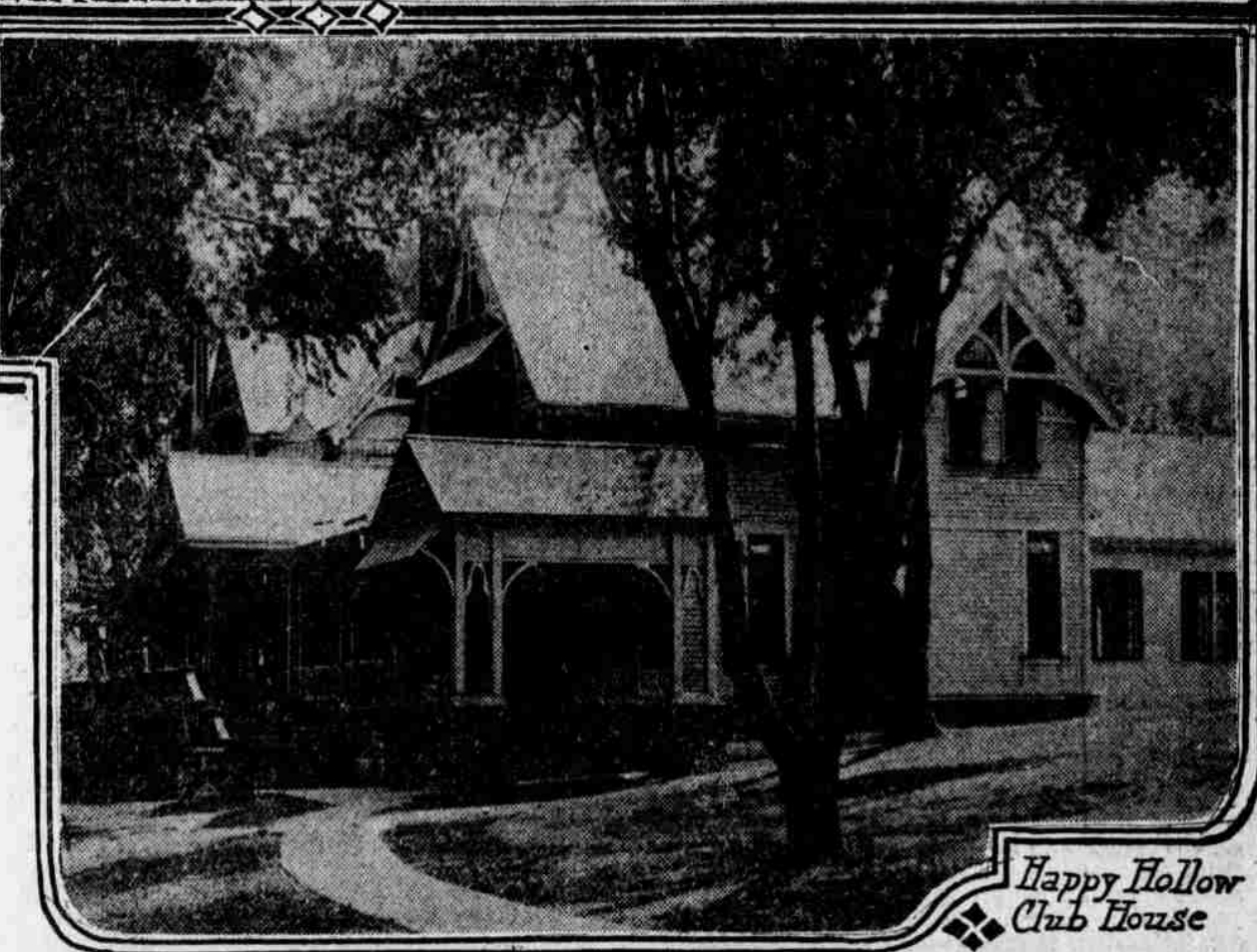
COUNTRY CLUB HOUSE



CLUB HOUSE AT MILLER PARK



Tennis Courts at the Field Club



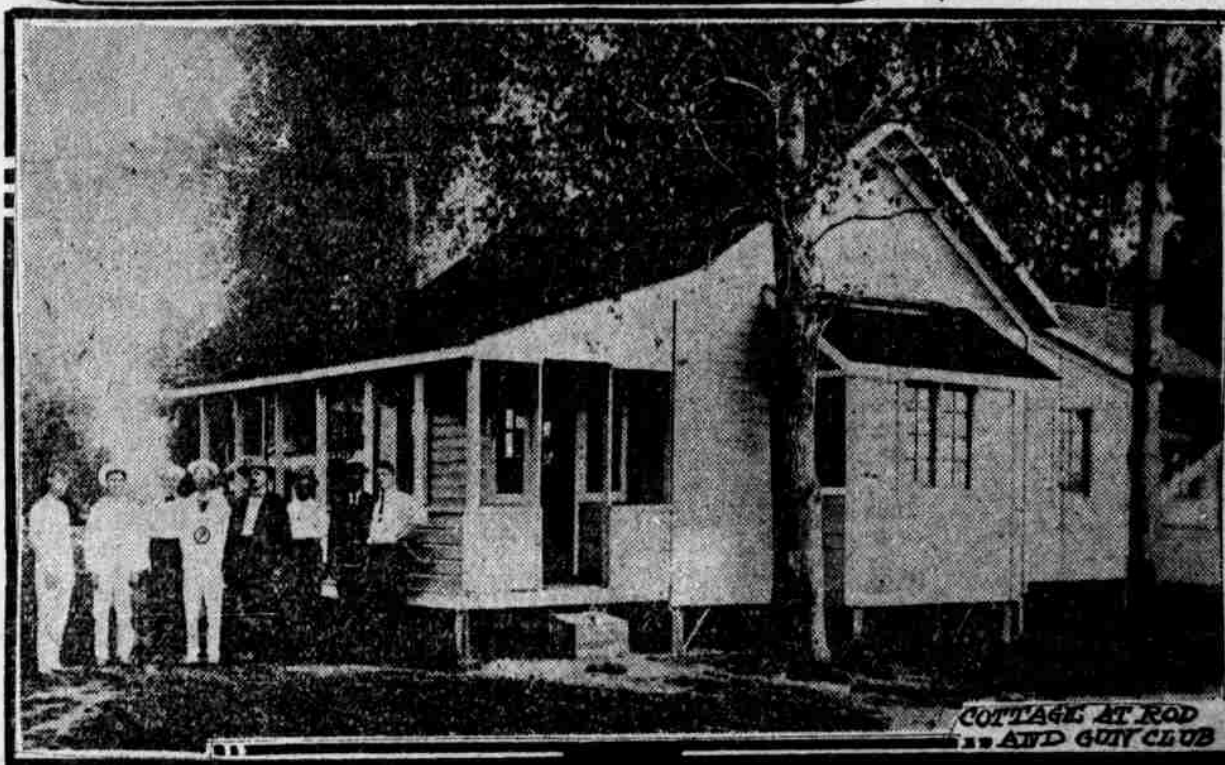
Happy Hollow Club House



ON THE GREEN AT HAPPY HOLLOW



TENT LIFE AT THE ROD AND GUN CLUB



COTTAGE AT ROD AND GUN CLUB

Nature at Her Best Attracts City Folks to Out-of-Doors

WHEN the Transmississippi and International exposition was drawing to its close in 1898 some Omaha men conceived the idea of purchasing the cosy and altogether attractive bungalow erected by Minnesota for its state headquarters on the grounds and removing it to a site on the hilltop to the northwest of the city. This was the germ of the country club movement in Omaha. The Omaha Country club was formed, the bungalow bought and the club began its life the next season. Some golf had been tentatively practiced for a few seasons at Happy Hollow, on the Patrick links, and as early as 1896 an enthusiastic youth, writing sports for one of the Omaha papers, predicted that golf was to become the great American game, supplanting base ball. This did not quite come to pass, but the impetus given to the Country club's links set the game far ahead, in popular estimation, and in 1900 the Field club was organized. Others of these clubs have come to lively existence in the years that have followed, and seem to prosper, in spite of the increasing cost of living.

Omaha's outdoor clubs now are the Country, the Field, Happy Hollow, Seymour Lake, Dietz, Rod and Gun and Miller Park, each well equipped with club houses and other arrangements for the comforts and conveniences of life in the open. Every sort of outdoor sport is fostered by these organizations. In golf Omaha players are respected, for their prowess has been shown in many important tournaments. In tennis the Field club has achieved a reputation that is potent wherever tennis is known. The Rod and Gun club gives more attention to aquatic and its allied sports than the others, but does not neglect any. The hospitality of these organizations is as ample as the acres of fair rolling meadow and the unbounded blue of the glorious sky that smiles above. Their growth is the best possible evidence of the interest taken in them, and their prosperity is due entirely to the fact that they are really needed by the busy city men and their families. They have made Omaha a true summer home for its people.