

# CAPE HOLE AT THE NATIONAL GOLF LINKS

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THE fourteenth hole at the National Golf Links is called the Cape Hole, because the green extends out into the sea with which it is surrounded upon three sides. It is today one of the most individual holes in existence and there is probably not another like it anywhere. In a straight

to penalize a slice can have no conception of the effect which this limitless expanse of water has; and especially so because it stands mercilessly guarding the shortest line to the hole. The ordinary echelon bunker asks no more than to be carried, but here, not only a good carry is demanded, but the most precise direc-

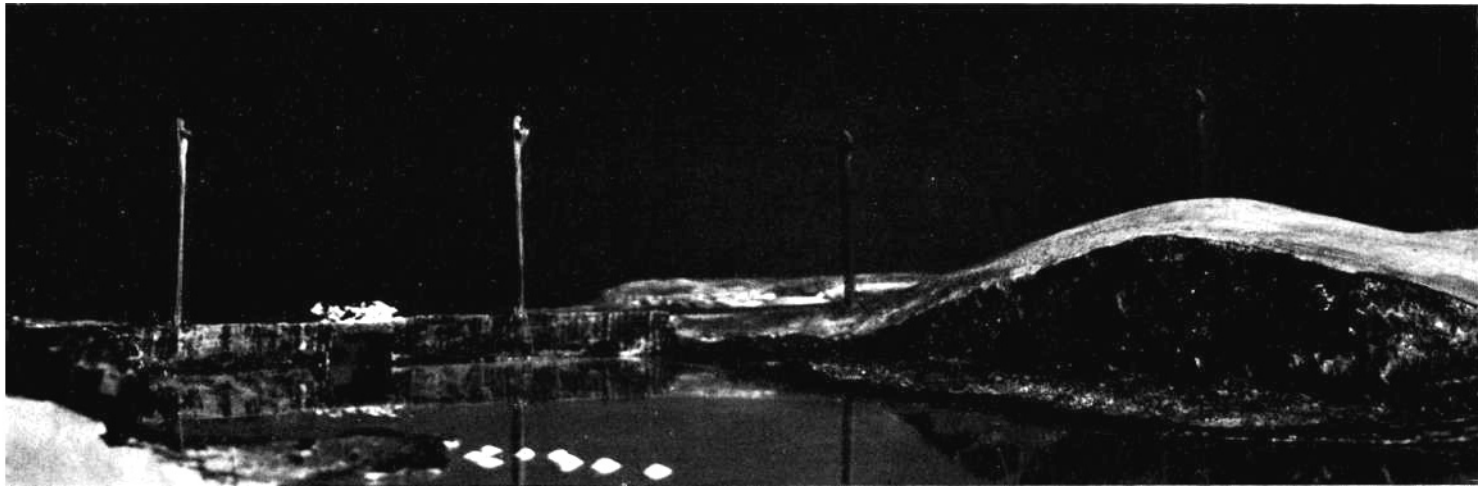


THE GREEN OF THE CAPE HOLE  
Showing how it extends out into the sea

line to the green over the water the distance is 296 yards. The direction of play however is to the left, over a neck of the sea and then over a sharp face of rising ground. The shortest way over the water, a carry of 120 yards, is the longest way to the hole, whereas the shortest way to the hole is to the right, a carry of 150 yards. This carry, may not in yards appear very formidable, but the sea hugging closely to the right side of the fairgreen, extends such a compelling invitation to a slice, that as a moral hazard it has proven very disastrous to the golfer. One who has been accustomed to the ordinary hazard placed

tion. The temptation to risk it is very great, for the line to the middle of the fairgreen at a distance of 210 yards, is but a shade to the left of this longest carry, and as at this point the fairgreen is but forty-seven yards in width, with a series of four large sand traps to catch a pull, the risk is mandatory upon the long driver. If the shot is successful, the player is left with a niblick pitch over a pebbly beach onto a flat green which from his position is one hundred feet in width. An over approach is disastrous, consequently a far four to this hole, which by land is but a little over 300 yards, is very satisfying.

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Tee behind bushes

120 yards

160 yards

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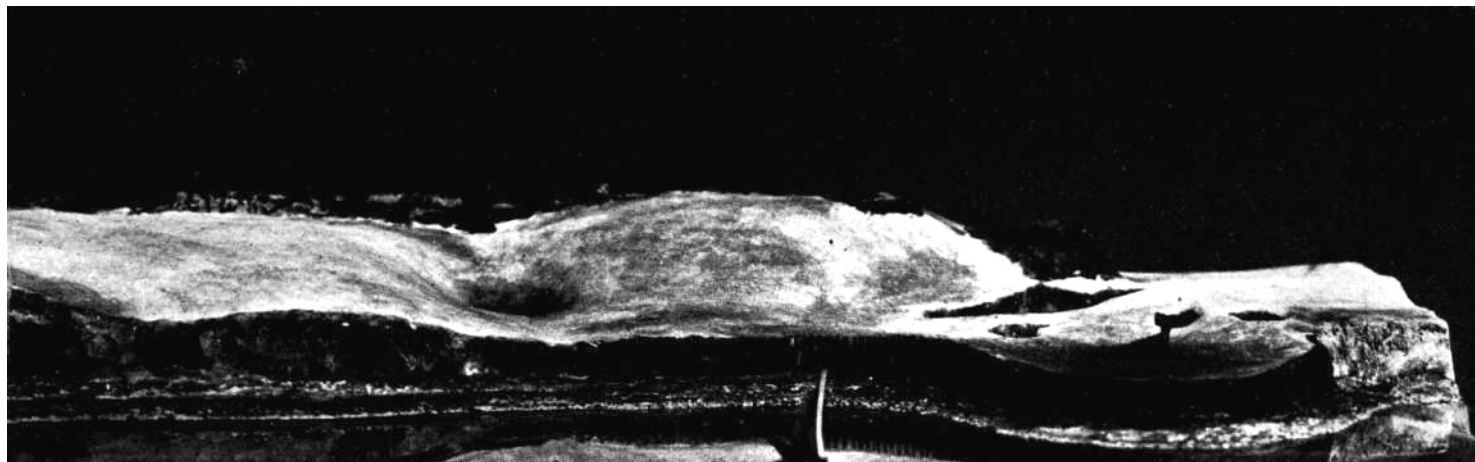
The tee

120 yards

150 yards

THE CAPE HOLE, THE FOURTEENTH, 310 YARDS, AT  
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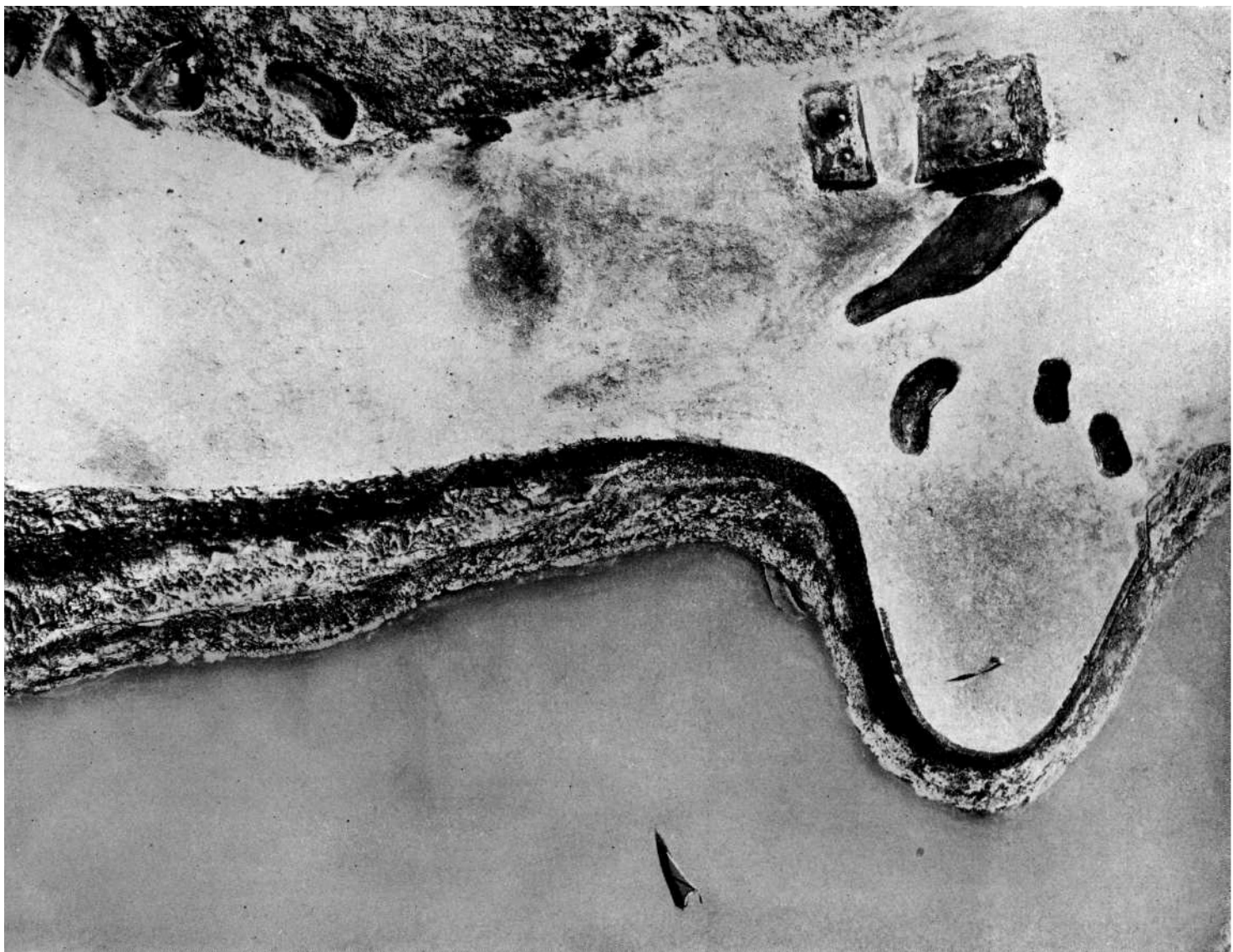
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230 yards

Green, 310 yards

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