## EVANS MAIN HOPE OF WESTERN FANS IN NATIONAL GOLF

Amateur Champion in Fine Fettle for U. S. G. A. Tourney at Ekwanok.

## PLAY STARTS TOMORROW

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To Chicagoans the absorbing topic in golf cricles this week will be. "Can Charles Evans Jr. win the national amateur golf championship?"

The western amateur champion left isst week for the Ekwanok club of Manchester. Vt., where tomorrow the stars of the American golfing world, with a few from outside points, will start in the twentieth annual championship of the l'nited States Golf association.

Since the 1908 tournament Evans has reached the semi-final round every year, but so far never has been able to gain the coveted title. In 1909 he was defeated by H. C. Egan, 1 up, at the Chicago Golf club, while the following year he was defeated by W. C. Fownes Jr. of Pittsburgh by a similar margin. Next year at Apawamis he was defeated by Fred Herreshoff, 3 and 2, while in 1912 he went to the final round for the first time, losing to Jerome Travers in their memorable match at the Chicago Golf club. Last year at Garden City "Chick" was eliminated in the semi-final round by J. G. Anderson of Hoston.