

She was a very determined person and once she decided to do something, she became very dedicated. Everything she did was well thought out. She was a driving force, but she never liked to take the credit.

John Holmes Jr.



Winnie Holmes was in style in late '20s

WINIFRED ROGERS HOLMES
"WINNIE"
1896-1985

1927
FOUNDER, FLORIDA WOMEN'S STATE GOLF ASSN.
FIRST PRESIDENT
FIRST FLORIDA WOMEN'S AMATEUR CHAMPION



Winnie Holmes remained active in FWSGA activities into the 1980s

Winifred Rogers Holmes, better known as "Winnie", began playing golf at Timiquana in Jacksonville in 1917. She and her husband, John, spent many hours playing golf. But like the pioneers throughout history, Winnie wanted more - for herself, for women and for golf.

In 1927 she founded the Florida Women's State Golf Association, an organization that has grown and prospered tremendously in the past 75 years. *"She got together with one or two other people and organized the Florida Women's State Golf Association. Her brother, also a good golfer, drew up the by-laws."*

In March of 1927, Winnie was the driving force behind the staging of the first FWSGA State Championship at Mount Plymouth CC near Orlando. It seemed only fitting that Winnie become the first FWSGA champion. She defeated Mrs. Harry C. Dodge in the 1927 inaugural event.

Winnie continued to lend her support and organizational skills to the FWSGA throughout the years. Her memory, her pioneer efforts, and the years of dedication for women's golf in Florida, will not soon be forgotten.