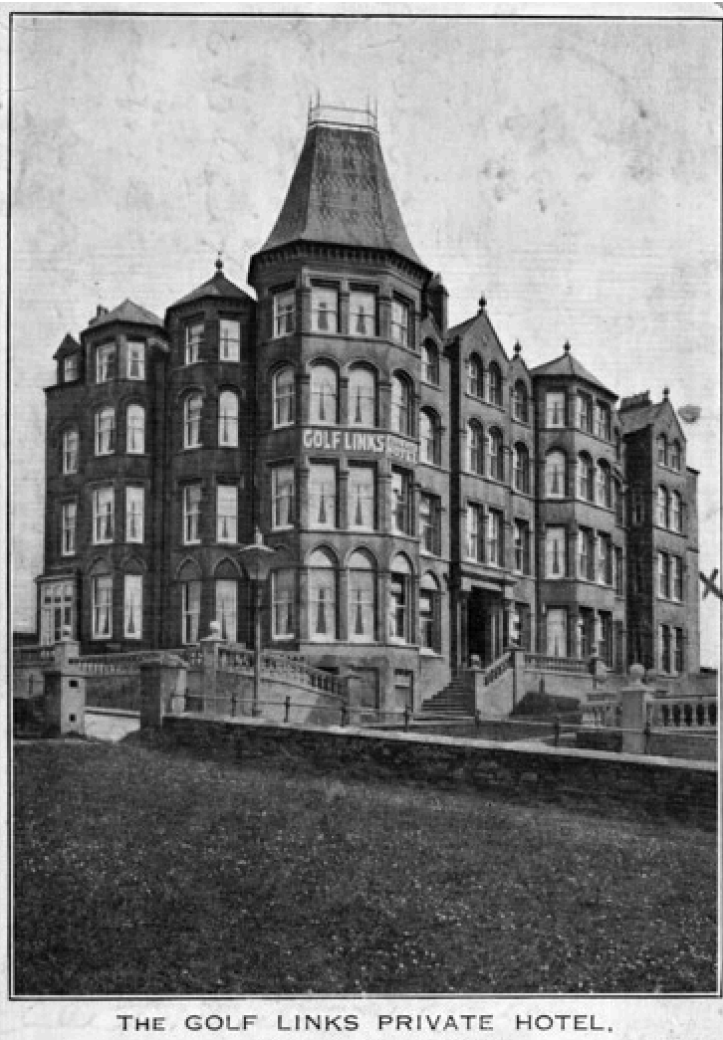


## THE GOLF LINKS HOTEL - Port Erin



The Golf Links Hotel on the Promenade at Port Erin was a luxury hotel catering for up to 130 guests.

In 1940, like most of the other hotels and boarding houses, it became a billet for the women internees and their children.

During the time that the internees were living there, the Golf Links Hotel became the 'home' of the Golf Links Choir, which was started by internee Ira Rischowski. When doing the washing up after meals she liked to sing, and other internees joined her.

She found it difficult to obtain music and mentioned this one day to the newsagent in Port Erin. He lent her a copy of *The News Chronicle Song Book* and the choir was 'born'.

Music was important to the internees and the Golf Links Choir took part in many of the entertainments that were organised.