Ladies' Softball League In Town This Year

At a largely attended meeting of the ladies of the town, at the home of Miss Mary Paton, on Friday evening last it was decided to organize a town league with three teams, the captains of which are Misses Elsie Ferris, Agnes Henderson, and Mrs. McCallum. Practices will be held every Tuesday and Friday evening, to commence on Friday of this week. In order to run the league efficiently, a fee of 25 cents for each member is to be charged in order to run the afairs in the best manner possible.

The officers elected at the meeting are; — President—Miss M. Paton Vice-Pres. — Miss D. Thurston; Sec. Treas., Miss M. Henderson; Baseball Com.,; Mrs. Murray, Aleda Mitchell and Mrs. McCallum; Social Com., Mrs. Findlay, Mrs. Miller and A. Henderson; Rep. of tennis com. of town, President and Vice-Pres. Rev. Clements was chosen manager and coach, while T. W. Findlay will try to give satisfaction in calling balls and strikes.

If there are any ladies in town who would like to enter these contests, and have not been approached it will give the management great pleasure in welcoming them to participate in the sport. As last year, Mr. T. W. Findlay has appointed judges who will award a prize given by him to the lady who shows the best sportsmanship while playing ball.

Notes on C. G. League

Dundalk is in a position to put a strong team in the Centre Grey League this year, but will be weakened by the loss of Geo. Armstrong, who has left to take a position at Milton. Lockhart should get an opportunity to show his worth, as well as Stafford, and Mel Thompson.

Kimberley is in a position to be the "dark horses" of the Centre Grey this year, and should prove to be real opposition to all comers. The power house has been fortunate in having several good players on the roster, and these with Hyslop and Bowes, should make the Kimberley outfit about "set," when the village players are tossed into the bat bag.

"Buck" Noble, of Durham says "We wouldn't mind taking a real crack at it." With the aid of the redoubtable Frank Irwin, they are in a position to organize a fast young team.

Nothing has ben heard of Markdale to date, but if a recovery from the malady of "deadness," in sporting circles could be found possible, the material for a strong team is at hand.

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Preference for Quality.

If the quality of our live stock is maintained and improved it has great possibilities of expansion. With a growing population there will be an increasing demand for meat and meat products. With the British embargo lifted the export outlet will consume greater proportions than formerly and relieve the congestion on our markets of the surplus. With these possibilities confronting us, it necessitates the building up of a suitable marketing system that will function efficiently and economically. Efficient functioning means that the preference for quality of consumers of meat products are correctly reflected back to the producer, in the form of enhanced prices for that quality for which the consumer pays his highest price and correspondingly lower prices for those inferior products which consumers only buy at reduced prices. This demands a central meeting place (a market) where volume of product, convenient facilities, skill in grading and sorting, experience in buying and selling, uniformity and honesty in business practice can all be economically assembled. Thus the establishment of our stock yards where the live stock is assembled and an organized company accepts, on arrival of stock, full responsibility until such times as relieved of this obligation by the owner, and supplies the necessary physical facilities where the vendors bring their live stock and buyers congregate—packers to buy animals to slaughter and process to fill the demands made upon them for dressed meats and its products—a growing number of farmers buying stocker cattle to put on their pastures or feeders to turn their grain and rough feed into meat—drovers and owners who assemble the live stock at country points and deliver it at the central markets—commission men who are expert salesmen and make returns to the consignee, speculators always ready to gamble and take a chance—officials looking after the public interest represented by the Live Stock Branch, Markets Branch, Health of Animals Branch of the Federal Government, and the Humane Society.

Over a Million a Year.

The greater part of Ontario's live stock marketed through public markets goes to the Union Stock Yards at Toronto. In 1924 there passed through these yards 376,733 cattle, 98,006 calves, 493,683 hogs, 185,413 sheep and 2,455 horses which represents a large portion of the Ontario live stock marketed through regular channels.

The Union Stock Yards of Toronto, situated at the northwest part of the city, was opened for business in 1903. Due to the establishment of abattoirs adjacent to the property and to ever-increasing use made of stock yards by shippers it has had a steady and fairly rapid growth. At present the yards cover some thirty acres, of which about two-thirds is roofed. There are sixteen alleys for cattle with a thousand pens (800 equipped for feeding and watering) having a capacity of 9,000 head. A separate house for sheep and calves with a capacity of 6,000 head, and a hog building of 7,500 head capacity complete the accommodation for live stock. There is a railroad siding on either side with 60 unloading chutes and a number of scales placed at convenient points about the yards. At Exchange Building houses the Stock Yards offices of the various commission firms, banks and Government officials operating on the yards. Alleys are allotted to the various commission firms in proportion to their volume of business.

The tendency in Toronto, as in most Canadian markets, is developing into a one day market, Monday being the prominent market day. Whether this is a benefit to the industry is open to question, as it means carrying a staff for the rest of the week capable of handling efficiently the maximum day's receipts, which undoubtedly is an added expense. If this business were spread more evenly over the week it might mean economy in the handling of the market. Two factors have contributed largely to the large Monday market. The small abattoirs and packing plants buy their supplies and kill early in the week, leaving their staffs free for their heavy meat distribution business at the end of the week Again there are some advantages in moving stock over railways on Sunday, especially through the freight terminals, where the greatest delays naturally occur.—A. Leitch, Dept. of Econofimcs, O. A. College, Guelph.

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