

# Many Outdoor Skating Rinks Ready Here This Week

## First T.P.A.A. Membership Tickets to be Sold To-Day

Police Athletic Association Meeting on Tuesday Afternoon Outlines Programme of Preliminary Work for the Several Committees Appointed.

Membership tickets in the Timmins Police Amateur Athletic Association go on sale to-day, it was decided at an executive meeting of the association on Tuesday afternoon. Those in town who wish to become members, contributing to the funds of the organization may obtain cards from any constable or at the police station.

The committee appointed to see the business men and corporations of the town is Chief of Police Ralph Paul and Detective Sergeant Leo Gagnon.

Searching Timmins for a place big enough to use as a gymnasium for boxing, wrestling and apparatus work is the job given to a committee composed of Sergeant Arthur Olson, Sergeant Harold Walker and Detective Sergeant Leo Gagnon.

### Red, White and Black Chosen

Red, white and black have been chosen as the association colours, it is recorded in the minutes of Tuesday's meeting. These will be used not only for police teams but for juvenile teams sponsored by the police in hockey, softball and other sports.

Principals of Timmins schools and those in charge of boys' work in the Kiwanis will be interviewed so that the work to be done by the police among the youngsters will not overlap in any way. The police association's idea is to give boys otherwise unprovided for a chance to become members of well coached and well uniformed teams.

Correspondence between the Timmins association and those already organized in Toronto, Ottawa and Windsor is expected to yield some suggestions on the operation of the association.

Money raised immediately through the sale of membership tickets will go toward hockey equipment for police and police-sponsored teams to be organized this winter; if there is sufficient money and if a suitable place can be found, a gymnasium will be set up.

The association will also interview Councillor L. H. Cousins, chairman of the public works department, with a view to having a second open air skating rink created at the ball park. It is felt that this would not lead to any great expense on the part of the town since water and caretakers are already available at the park. The proposed new rink would be under the supervision of the police association.

Who said there were no head pins last Friday? Ask Ero, he only got six out of ten in the second game, and there were plenty of others; in fact there were so many that Jack got tired of marking them. The headpin specialist of the printers was the only one to miss it until the end of the game and then he had to pick out a couple.

The electricians had a very bad off-night last Friday. Head pins were their specialty and goose eggs were also prominent.

There is some bad news for the Fourth avenue crew and good news for the railroaders. The news is: it is understood The Advance is to lose Alfie every second Friday.

The printers wish to thank the gentleman at Luxton's that made it possible for Alfie to be with them each Friday.

Since writing the above there is been a ray of sunshine and hope for the printers, as they are not likely to lose Alfie on alternate Fridays, the printers will be pleased if this is true, for its hard to lose the best man on the team.

The Fruiterers got a good start last Friday by taking the first point. Booth's bit shook them up in the second game and they never recovered.

The railroaders got back the lead, thanks to the curve ball that seldom misses, but they don't want to depend on him all the time, for he may have a bad night.

What's gone wrong, Army, this year? He is even dropping out for low man now.

If Saint does much more jumping, the bowling alley will have a new resting place via the ceiling to the ground floor.

Knock! Knock! Who's there? Saint! Saint who? Saint Peter is knocking at my door.

Knock! Knock! Who's there? Booth? Booth who? Booth out, and in the ball rolls.

### North Bay's New Hockey and Skating Rink Open Soon

(From North Bay Nugget) The North Bay arena stands complete today, ready to open its doors to hockey and skating as soon as ice can be made.

Only a small amount of work in connection with wiring and plumbing remains to be completed. The Nugget was informed. The rink will be put into use as soon as possible.

It is expected that the special tunnel arrangement for quick freezing, a feature to which not much publicity has been given will be entirely suitable. Cold air from outside flows through several small tunnels opening along the walls surrounding the ice surface, and is spilled out just above the flooded area. Specially constructed doors open and close the tunnels. When closed, the doors are flush with the walls surrounding the ice surface, leaving no projection. The doors will only be open during freezing operations.

Contrary to expectation, seats in the rink will not be painted this year. Lack of finances will not permit this improvement.

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## Dean Kester's Election in N.O.H.A. Was Quite in Order

Noranda is Not in the Same Constitutional Group as Timmins. Secretary-Treasurer W. A. Thompson Explained to N. O. H. A. Annual Meeting.

There was nothing unconstitutional about Dean Kester's election to the vice-presidency of the Northern Ontario Hockey Association; no by-law of that body was "waived" in order that he might take the position.

"If there had been any technicality in the way or if it had been an infringement of any kind of any rule of the N. O. H. A., I would not have allowed my name to go before the meeting," Mr. Kester told The Advance in an interview yesterday when asked about reports published locally that his election was really unconstitutional.

There is an article in the constitution that says no two officers of the N. O. H. A. may come from the same group and since Lorne Miller of Noranda was elected president, it was believed by some that Mr. Kester could not be vice-president. But here's the catch—Noranda is not in the same constitutional group as Timmins.

### Secretary Made it Clear

Secretary-treasurer W. A. Thompson, of North Bay (the same man who has filled that position for the past 10 years) explained to the meeting of the N. O. H. A. on Saturday, on behalf of the executive, that Noranda was actually in the Central Group, with Haliburton, Cobalt and New Liskeard, while Timmins is in the Northern group which at one time as well as including South Porcupine, had Iroquois Falls and Kapuskasing. Noranda and Kirkland Lake were simply allowed to play in the Northern group for convenience. So far as annual meeting, election of officers and other business of the N. O. H. A. is concerned, both those clubs are members of the Central group.

"I would not even have thought of accepting the vice-presidency of the association had there been anything technically not in order about it," Mr. Kester said.

## SPORT-ORE From All Levels

Looks as if most of the open air skating rinks in town will be in operation before the arena has a layer of ice down. The two town rinks in the ball park will be ready Saturday; the first few floods have been laid on two rinks at the Central public school grounds, and doubtless the same thing is happening in other parts of the town.

It's nice for the youngsters to have skating in mid-November, but it's sort of tough on the senior hockey club having to wait until December for ice.

### Hockey Later This Year?

"If Bill Brydgie can put a bug in the ear of the schedule-makers there'll be no N.O.H.A. engagements in this group just before, on, or just after Christmas this season," says Jack Maunder in the current issue of the Northern News.

That goes for Timmins too, but not for the reason that Bill gives (he's anxious to spend Christmas at Port Arthur). The Timmins club wants to postpone the opening of the N.O.H.A. season here because they expect to be having some pre-season engagements including the Kenning Cup series between Timmins and South Porcupine, and perhaps a series between a few teams chosen from those who are trying to make the Timmins senior team.

### Just a Little Sudden

But there's a more dangerous note (dangerous for this year at least) sounded in the same issue of the Northern News and also brought back here by Dean Kester, vice-president of the N.O.H.A.

The idea to be considered at an executive meeting of the Kirkland Lake Mines League and a representative from Noranda is that a league should be operated in Kirkland Lake with Lake Shore, Wright Hargreaves, To-burn, Teek Hughes, and Noranda. This would be just like the Nickel Belt league and would send a single team in to the N.O.H.A. playoffs.

Now there's nothing to prevent the Kirkland Lake mines from doing such a thing, for the entry is in under the Kirkland Lake Hockey Club and not Lake Shore, though Lake Shore's representative did the entering and he no doubt used Lake Shore money.

Advantage according to The News, of such a set-up, is: "There would be no expense-eating trips to Timmins and South Porcupine."

Now the Mines League teams in Kirkland Lake have made no definite announcement that players would be picked for the team that would go out under the name of Kirkland Lake. But

then neither did Sudbury make any such a manoeuvre.

There is only one possible objection from the Porcupine's point of view: the proposal is untimely, to say the least. The hockey season is about to open. Timmins and South Porcupine have gone ahead forming teams on the assumption that they would be in the same group again with Kirkland Lake and Noranda—a four-team affair that gives good competition. Now if that were suddenly reduced to two teams by the withdrawal of Kirkland Lake and Noranda into an affair like the Nickel Belt League, where would it leave Timmins and Porcupine? High and dry in a two-team affair that would breed nothing but bitter feeling. "It isn't cricket."

"Because of their withdrawal in 1934-35 and coach trouble last year, Timmins was counted a doubtful factor in any senior grouping carried on in the manner of other years with single teams from here and the other Gold Belt League centres," continues The News report of the meeting at which this sudden desire for a senior league there was made known. Kirkland Lake people who are as interested in hockey as the men who sat around the table the other night there know very well that Timmins has a stronger aggregation in hand this year than it has had for some time. Last year, at the beginning of the season at least, the local lads made Lake Shore seem to be outclassed. They did have trouble, it's true, toward the end of the season, but they finished the schedule and were a real threat all the way through. And Lake Shore thought enough of the forward line of Lamoureux, Wilkes and Fasano to offer them jobs down there on a team that's supposed to be a lot stronger than last year's edition there.

So, not for the sake of hockey in Kirkland Lake and Noranda, but for the sake of the game in Timmins and South Porcupine, both of whom struggle along with a lot less financial or other assistance from the mines than the Kirkland Lake teams get, it's to be hoped that the Kirkland-Noranda self-contained league will be dropped for this year.

With a little more warning—say a word or so about the beginning of September at the latest—the Porcupine can claim no harm from such an arrangement, for then the people here would have a chance to arrange at least three district teams.

### Arch Kirkland in Again

Arch Kirkland, the hefty lad from Queen's who spends his summers in the Porcupine mining and playing softball, will be back at middle wing for Queen's when that team meets Var-

## Hockey Club Needs Support of Public

Draw Tickets Being Sold Here to Meet Pre-Season Expenses of the Timmins Hockey Club.

The Timmins Hockey Club is all set for the 1936-37 season in everything except one vital necessity—money. The club has a good team, a good coach, and fine prospects for the season but its flattened bank account has to be fixed up a little before uniforms can be provided and the various pre-season expenses attended to.

This year's drive for funds takes the form of a draw in which prizes of \$125, \$75, \$50, \$25, \$15 and \$10 are offered. Tickets now on sale throughout Timmins cost just two bits but every one sold means that the club is so much the farther on the way to financial security. It's a small enough sum so that no one is hurt and if the response of the public is strong enough, the ticket sale should carry the club until games are begun. Any who want books should see Fred Quesnel, manager of the club, at the Marshall Ecclestone hardware.

### Really a Town Team

The team is really a Timmins team, since it receives no financial support other than from the general public of the town. This is true of few other clubs in the N.O.H.A. And since the men who make up the executive of the club have given a great deal of time and energy toward putting the organization this year on a proper basis, they feel that the public should make it easy to secure the necessary pre-season funds.

The draw for prizes is to be made at the opening game of the season at the Timmins skating rink.

Direct donations of any in Timmins and Schumacher who wish to support the club may be sent to Eugene Menard, Box 1352, Timmins.

## Chief and Deputy-Chief Battle for the Honours

The two chief officers of the Timmins fire department, Chief Alex Borland and Deputy Chief William Stanley had a battle the other day; but it was a friendly battle over one of the tables in the fire hall. The conclusion of the cribbage tournament begun just a few weeks ago brought the two officers out to the finals without a defeat.

The Deputy Chief won the last series, leaving the Chief with second prize. J. Russell and Frank Wallingford played off for third place, Mr. Russell winning.

### MEETING OF ST. MATTHEW'S BOWLING LEAGUE TO-NIGHT

This evening (Thursday), Nov. 19th, there will be a meeting of the St. Matthew's Bowling League. All members are urged to attend, as there are important matters to be dealt with. The meeting will be held in the basement of St. Matthew's Anglican church.

## Instalment Buying Made as Clear as Mud, Maybe

(Bowmanville Statesman)

We commented a week ago on the terrific tolls exacted by the Dan sharks. Since that editorial appeared a citizen has brought us a very good illustration. This citizen had a dealing with a credit concern to Toronto and wrote them for an explanation of the manner in which they arrived at their interest rate. There's the explanation. If you can figure it out, you should be holding down a professorship in mathematics or something at a university. The explanation reads: "On an 18 months transaction we have 18 instalments employed in the first month, 17 in the second, 16 in the third and so until the 18th month when he have only one instalment employed. The total employed for one month, therefore, is the sum of 18, 17, 16, etc., or 171 instalments. At the end of the first month we have employed 18/171 of the cash we employ during the life of the contract. We have therefore earned 18/171 of the charge. At the end of the second month we have employed 18/171 plus 17/171 of the total cash employed, or, therefore, earned 35/171 of the charge." "Clear as mud, and of course, so ignorant of us not to understand.

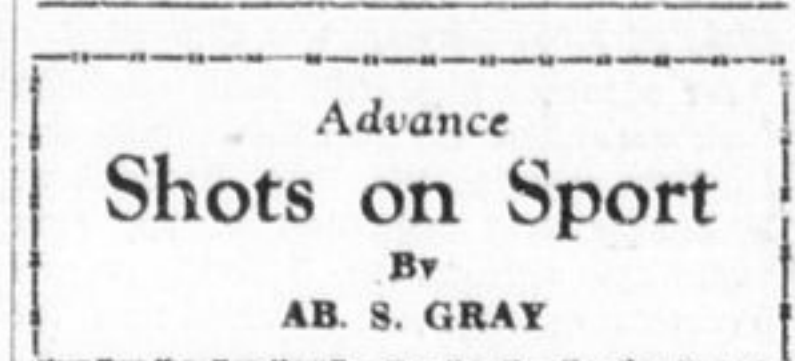
sity on Saturday for the playoff. Kirkland was out with a strained ligament and couldn't go to McGill last Saturday.

### A.A.U. of C. Troubles

The Amateur Athletic Union of Canada faces a stormy session to-day at Regina. The "four point" proposals of the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association will bring the crisis. Here they are: "professionals in one branch of sport to be allowed to compete with amateurs in others; athletes to be permitted to capitalize on their sports ability to obtain legitimate employment; athletes to be permitted to accept payment from clubs or employers for time lost while competing; and amateur and professional teams to be allowed to play exhibition games within the discretion of the national sports body concerned." The Canadian Amateur Basketball Association and the Canadian Amateur Lacrosse Association both approve the changes. President W. A. Fry of the A.A.U. of C. definitely does not. He "warns that the adoption of the amateur-professional proposals would mean Canada's withdrawal from all governed international competition, including the Olympic games." The Eastern branches of the A.A.U. oppose the changes; the West supports them. So there you are.

## Town Outdoor Skating Rink to be Ready Soon

Boards Erected and Preliminary Floods Put on This Week for Municipal Rink. Kiwanis Boys' League to Operate As Usual.



In attempting to call the winners of the all-important rugby games to be played this Saturday, we find ourselves on the hoary horns of the equally ancient dilemma. Every time we weigh a reason for naming any one club, we always recall some little factor which tends to throw the balance in favour of their opponents. And so, with the confession that our eyes are closed when we make these shots, we name Sarnia, Ottawa and Queen's.

Balmly Beach, who are more or less the homeless waifs of the rugby teams, deserve a better fate than we predict for them, but we do believe that the company-endowed Imperials pack a little too much power for the Beaches.

To call Ottawa to oust Argos from further competition this year would certainly be stepping off the deep end, but we do think that they will pound out a narrow win at home, especially with Sprague back under his helmet which now seems likely.

The law of averages may operate against Queen's this Saturday, but we see them, dimly of course, making it three straight play-off victories over Varsity because of the spirit which Coach Reeve always seems to be able to instil in them when the championship is at stake.

The utter exclusion of any of the three Toronto teams from our call of winners suggests that perhaps the word "hog-town" is not unknown to our vocabulary, and that Hamilton may have once heard our infantile wail. Such is not the case, unless Hamilton was a unique town when our favourite pastime was trying to get our big toe into our mouth. (Note: "Unique" derived from the Latin words "unus," meaning "one," and "equus," meaning "a horse")

One of the mathematically inclined boys of the local school who will probably some day get the position of official shots-on-goal counter at professional hockey games, amazed us the other day with the statistics on the travelling of the teams that was necessary for the eight games of rugby in which the local school engaged. He has it all figured out that the player-miles covered by the different teams and their coaches amounts to the staggering sum of almost 55,000. When we reminded him that that was the equivalent of a couple of jaunts around the world, he produced the figures which support his contention. While we realized that the towns of our North are farther apart than a cowboy's kneecaps, it never occurred to us that such a mileage would be rolled up. We offer it as a record for all the school leagues of the Dominion.

The basketballers of the district swing into action this Saturday night when the Juniors of the local knowledge-works play in Cochrane. This game is to be in the nature of a return engagement of the one played here last spring which Timmins won by a narrow margin. We do not know the personnel of the youngster cage team, but we are told that it will feature a forward line of Greenburg and Mallin pivotted by Arnold Black.

And so the senior hoop-artists of the town are again to be without a floor

There'll be skating on Timmins' municipal outdoor rink before the arena is opened for the winter, it now seems probable. Employees of the department of public works have already erected the boards for the outdoor rink at the ball grounds and have put the preliminary floods on the earth.

Given a couple of weeks of steadily cool weather now, there should be no difficulty in having the rink ready much earlier than last year. A new connection is being made to the Second avenue water main to assure a constant supply of water at good pressure.

The same crew of town employees who looked after the rink last winter will be in charge again this season. Powerful lights will give ample illumination for night hockey and skating.

The Kiwanis boys' league will operate again as usual.

## Municipal Rinks to Open This Saturday

Councillor Cousins has Good News for Boys and Girls of Timmins.

Two municipal hockey rinks will be opened on Saturday, Councillor L. H. Cousins chairman of the Timmins public works committee announced yesterday.

This is good news not only to the boys and girls of the town but also to the members of the senior hockey team who may now be able to "borrow" one of the kids' rinks for workouts, since the ice will not be made in the arena for another week or so yet.

One of the rinks is to be set aside for skating and the other for hockey, Councillor Cousins said. He'll have no lack of customers for either.

## Timmins Lad Plays Pivot on R.M.C. Team

Harold Gauthier Holds Quarterback Position on R.M.C. Rugby Team.

Harold Gauthier of Timmins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon H. Gauthier, now a student at the Royal Military College, Kingston, is making a name for himself in the football annals of that proud school.

Although this is just Harold's second year at R.C.M., he was made quarterback and captain of the school's second team early this fall. Last Saturday, however, he was chosen quarterback of the first team for the game against Ottawa University. According to reports he made good on his first chance at the pivot position in a major game. He'll be heard from again.

Toronto Globe:—A news item says Russian radio stations broadcast in 53 languages. Must be hard to tell which is a broadcast and which is static.

on which to indulge their favourite pastime. While we are naturally disappointed at this turn of affairs, we can appreciate the stand of the local school board in declining the use of the gymnasium. To let in one group of the many in town which could use such accommodation would be like handing out a big basket of juicy apples to the first caller of the annual Halloween hand-out. The only solution of this nasty problem which pops up so frequently appears to be in the making into a reality of the oft-mooted community house and gymnasium. May the coming of that day be hastened.

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