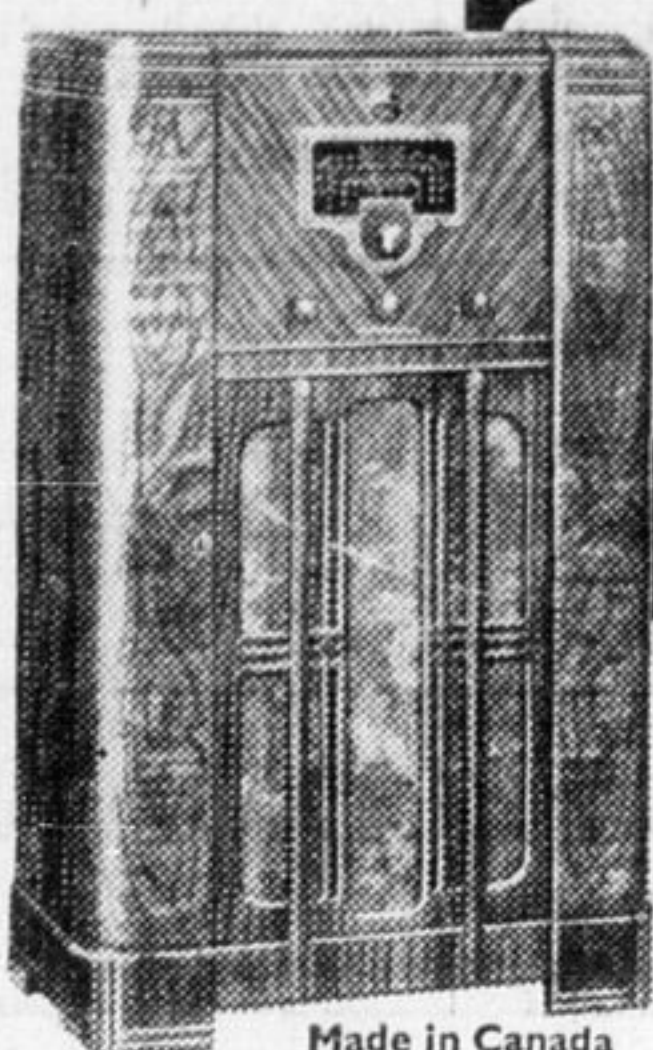


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How Curling Goes in
British ColumbiaCurler Gives Graphic but
Grumpy Description of
the Disease.

Here is a description of curling as it happens and prevails in British Columbia. It is altogether different here. Here it is a fascinating game, where everybody has heaps of fun and where games are only won on luck because both rinks are so good. The following, however, gives a side-light, or a whole row of sidelights on curling in the dim and distant West. Some curling windows may take satisfaction in reading it. It was printed last week in The Blairmore Enterprise and apparently was written by an enthusiastic B.C. curler on the Fernie newspaper:

"Now that the Fernie bonspiel is over, the games lost and won and the alibis, considered for what they are worth, it may not be out of place to ask why people who are supposed to be in their right mind will risk death from pneumonia contracted as a result of the cold, strain every muscle in their body attempting to sweep a rock where it will not go, swept or unswept; less their tempers, upset their digestions and stagger home after midnight, exhausted, disgruntled and disappointed all because a Scotch joke called curling was foisted on an unsuspecting and gullible world. As for the game itself there is not a single thing to recommend it; and its disadvantages are patently evident to all. It must be played in the coldest weather when one can't keep warm beside a stove, the ice on which it is played must be so slippery that one risks a broken neck

with every step, and so crooked that the skip can miss every shot without blame (although every member of the rink must place his rocks exactly where the skip wants them or be accused of losing the game) and last and worst of all, the ice must be so dirty that every rock must be swept from hogline to house lest a straw deflect its course; the skip's rocks being swept twice as much as any of the others. In addition, the game is not one of skill; every one who loses completely outplays his opposition only to find himself defeated by ill-luck in the very last end. Even then the game would have been won had the lead put his rocks where the skip wanted them. Following the game everyone smiles hypocritically and shakes hands with everyone else and hastens to some ready retreat, there to recount the lack of skill on the part of the opposition and the lack of brains on the part of the members of the rink upon which the narrator has the ill-luck to be playing, and the heroic efforts put forth by the said narrator by which the game was won—if it was won, or the foolish and utterly silly way in which his partners threw the game after he—noble fellow—had put it in the bag. If the said narrator be a fast and loud talker he may finish this part of the story before the assembly starts a free-for-all prevaricatory contest relating to the individual exploits of those present after the same fashion and concerning the same game, which story would make that notable twister of the truth, Munchausen, blush for very shame. But if the first hero be a man of slow speech and a very soft voice he finds by the time he has explained the position of the rocks as he done the mantle of Hercules, the rest of the company have already commenced a recital in which it is played must be so slippery that one risks a broken neck

energy and time expended in the so-called game; 'tis no for gain, for honour, for prizes, for fellowship, or even for the exercise that men curl, not at all; it is—sad truth—to provide the material for the recounting of exploits. For this, and this alone, do men endure cold, pain, chills and the unfair criticism of the skip (the wretch)!"

Sports Ahoy!

from here, there, and
everywhere
by
Al Ryckman

Toronto, Ont.—The Leafs were flying high last Saturday evening when they trimmed Tommy Gorman's Maroons down at the Carlton Street ice plant. It was rather a rough affair in spots. The Conacher brothers especially were hoisting each other around the penalty box. In fact the brotherly love mix-up went so far that the little men in blue (the cops as they are called) stepped into the box in order to iron out said Conachers. Harvey Jackson pushed two quick goals past Mister Beveridge in the Montreal net while Finnigan of the up and at 'em Finnigans, sailed right through the defence to score his first counter of the season without aid of an umbrella.

The Maple Leafs have real team spirit and the old maestra believes that this factor alone will carry them to the Stanley Cup. There's plenty of kidding among the players in the local camp and everybody is in on the fun, which to us is a very good sign of team work. Even when Conny Smythe appeared recently in Boston wearing top hat, white tie and tails and the scribes that he tagged him hockey's Fred Astaire, he shared the joke with members of his outfit.

Lately this department has been wondering why Dick Irvin's puck chasers were so anxious to make second place in the international section, when the third spot would catch the play-offs just as well. Suddenly it dawned upon us that the second place lads get a larger slice of the proceeds. Thus the boys of the Maple Leafs are winging right along seeking that extra cash to buy food for the summer kitchen.

We Got A Note

C. W. sent us a little note which we thought we would pass along to the lads and lassies who read our column.

"There are a great many persons who classify the sportsman as some sort of a killer and they imagine him slaughtering the poor animals and lugging the dead creatures home. What a sportsman really brings home, more than just a meal, is a strong body, toughened by exercise and renewed youth. He is also a better man physically after such an expedition. He has recaptured, literally speaking, the strength of his boyhood. Many claim hiking will do the same for one. Personally hiking is all right in its place but when one goes forth into the woods (as a sportsman) he had many things to conquer before winning the prize. He has to overcome his inclination to give up, his own weakness of will, disappointment over near-chances and a run of bad luck. Briefly a sportsman's opponents are the game being played, and himself."

Notes of Melody

Maybe spring's in the air or something, because Sophie the Debutante waltzed into our office this a.m. with the following dash of poetry:—
We know hat spring at last is here,
For baseball talk is high,
And on the highways far and near,
The trailers rumble by.

Believe it or not these are just a few lines to let the guys and gals way up North know that we are still very much with your favourite edition. In fact we hope you won't stay awake nights from now on wondering what happened to the Old Maestro.

Polo Said to Have Started
on Plains in Central Asia

(From "Fortune")

There is no record of the first polo game ever played, but historians are pretty willing to accept the theory of Berthold Laufer, curator of Chicago's Field Museum of Natural History, that the game got started at least 1900 years ago on the plains of Central Asia when a tribe of Iranians discovered that knocking a stone or wooden ball around while sitting on a horse was not only fun but excellent training for war. From them the idea spread to China, Tibet, and Persia, flourished for a few centuries, then slowly died out, until only the natives buried away in the hills of southern Asia knew what polo was.

About 1854 some English planters in northern India picked it up from some natives and passed it on to English officers in Calcutta. Polo reached England in 1869, and in 1876 that notorious American sportsman and journalist, James Gordon Bennett, saw the game, bought a few mallets and balls, and returned to New York where, with fourteen of his well-to-do friends, he began playing polo.

Took Aeroplane Trip to
'See Kirkland Hockey

Timmins hockey fans were anxious enough to see Lake Shore and Tekimas play at Kirkland Lake on Tuesday night that they hired an aeroplane to get there. Jack White, Walter Grant, Jack Porter, Lee Charles and Larry Bellevue made up the party. They returned the following day.

Outstanding Woman Flier



MISS JEAN BATTEN, pretty British flier, was voted the outstanding woman flier of 1936 by the International League of Aviators in Paris. She was awarded the Harmon Trophy.

Begin P. T. Training
Classes at T.P.A.A.A.Public Asked to Donate All
Kinds of Athletic Equip-
ment.

Physical training classes to train key men for activities on a much larger scale are being held now at T.P.A.A.A. headquarters under the direction of Alex (Sandy) Branton, former instructor in the Royal Air Force. When training classes have been completed, all members of the association, junior and senior, will be able to join P.T. work-outs.

The association still needs sport equipment of all kinds. The sort of thing that pleases the men at headquarters at the rear of 4 Balsam street south, happened yesterday when Ed Gedin walked in with a new set of 16-ounce boxing gloves. They're in use now. Anything—from mattresses to sneakers—is welcomed. If it's too heavy to carry to headquarters, telephone 698 and the T.P.A.A.A. will have a truck call for it.

Lake Shore, Tekimas
Play Third Tie Game

Score 2-2 as Kirkland Teams
Finish 370 Minutes of Ex-
citing Hockey Before Ca-
pacity Crowds.

Kirkland Lake, March 4th.—(Special to The Advance)—The third of what was to have been a two-game series to decide whether Lake Shore or Tekimas were to represent the Gold Belt in senior hockey playdowns against the Nickel Belt, ended in a two-all tie at Kirkland Lake on Monday night. A fourth game, of which a full account appears in this issue of The Advance, was necessary.

Two three-all ties and Monday night's third no-decision game brought the total hockey played to 370 minutes, an all-time record for the Gold Belt. The tired Lake Shore team, victors by virtue of their 4-0 win on Tuesday night, meet Frood mine at Kirkland Lake to-night in the first of a best-out-of-three-game series for the Northern Ontario championship.

Another Capacity Crowd

Monday's game attracted another capacity crowd to the Lake Shore arena.

For the first period it looked as though the game was going to the 'Shore, for Armstrong and Oliver got a goal each. Late in the second Campbell scored for Tekimas and the early part of the third saw Swayze tie the score. Three overtime periods went by with no score and only one penalty.

Tekimas: goal, Freeman; defence, Colquhoun, Matte; centre, D. Fritz; wings, Swayze, Campbell; alternates, Coulter, Ronald, Duffield, R. Fritz, Hill. Lake Shore: goal, Durnan; defence, Milton, Crawford; centre, Oliver; wings, Grivel, Mitchell; alternates, Wright, Lamoureux, Cook, Chipman, Armstrong.

Referees: Sam Rothchild and Alex McKinnon, both of Sudbury.

Summary:
First Period
L. Shore: Armstrong, 5.
L. Shore: Oliver, (Grivel), 13.

Second Period
Tekimas: Campbell, 14.
Penalties: Campbell, Mitchell, Mil-
ton, D. Fritz.

Third Period
Tekimas: Swayze, (Ronald), 3.25.
Penalties: Milton, Grivel, Armstrong, Crawford.

First Overtime
No score, no penalties.

Second Overtime
Penalty: Grivel.

Third Overtime
No score, no penalties.
Paid attendance: 1,330.

All Members of Ansonville
Cubs Within the Age Limit

The Advance has received a letter from F. E. Miller, manager of the Ansonville Cubs, protesting against some stories peddled around to the effect that several of the Cubs are over the age limit. It hardly seems worth while to bother with these silly stories inspired by a hysterical combination of ignorance and malice. However, as a matter of fact, Mr. Miller has the birth certificates of all the Cubs and the boys are all well within the age limit. As Mr. Miller points out, if the Cubs are the winners in the finals here there will be no question of their eligibility to represent Northern Juvenile hockey in the South or anywhere else.

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Local Rinks Well on
to Bonspiel FinalsEcclestone and Marshall-
Ecclestone Cup Events
Nearing Completion.

Results of games played at the Tim-
mins curling club in the local bonspiel,
including last night's games are:—

Ecclestone Cup
Harkness won from Lake in a first
round game. Second round, complete:

White won from Brough.
Caldick won from Harkness.
Drew won from Proust.
Carson won from Dr. Honey.
Walker won from Black.
Solomon won from Arscott.
Leaman won from Father O'Gorman.
Two rinks are now in the finals, Car-
son winning a third round game from
Drew and Walker winning from Solo-
mon.

Marshall-Ecclestone Cup
In the first round of the vice-skips
event:

Platus won from Chateaufort.
Dougherty won from Taylor.
McDermott won from King.
Abrams won from Nord.
Dodge won from Herman.
Scarh won from Doyle (default).
McDowell won from Sky.
Clutchev won from Powell.
Brady won from Dr. Hudson.
Cassels won from Gurnell.
Booth won from Urquhart.
Fulton won from Whitney.
Stenhouse won from Pare.
Wynne won from Burke.
Second round results so far:
Dougherty won from Platus.
McDermott won from Abrams.
Dodge won from Scarh.
Brady won from Cassels.
Fulton won from Booth.
McDonald won from Skelly (these
had byes in the first round).

In the McIntyre Cup event, still un-
finished, two rinks remain, Lake hav-
ing won from White on the winners'
side of the draw. Pickering and Lake
play the final this week-end.

Halifax Herald: A scottish professor
is quoted as demanding that the new
King be crowned in Edinburgh as well
as in London. What next? A Scot is
Governor-General of Canada; another
holds the same post in South Africa,
and a third is the Viceroy of India. And
with Scots holding most of the "plums"
in the British financial and political
world, they have, to cap it all, a man
of their race as head of the Established
Church of England, the Archbishop,
who actually will crown the new mon-
arch!

Twelve Rinks to go
to South Porcupine

Timmins to be Well Repre-
sented at Second Annual
Porcupine Bonspiel Next
Week.

The second annual Porcupine bon-
spiel, to be held next week at South
Porcupine will have ten or twelve rinks
from Timmins, it is expected.

Three cups are offered, with four
prizes in each event. All games will be
eight ends each, finals 10 ends, it is
announced.

Entries close on Saturday this week
at noon and may be left with G. R.
White at Marshall-Ecclestone's or the
curling club up to that time. Play be-
gins Monday night at South Porcupine.

New York Herald-Tribune: On New
Year's Eve a Negro in Harlem added a
new word to the language. He stood
on a street corner and shouted: "Halla-
louyear!" Before morning, revellers all
over the city were shouting "Halla-lou-
year!"

Elks Magazine: Television is going to
come suddenly. Almost overnight we'll
be watching horse races, baseball games,
parades, dramatic performances—pos-
sibly even great tenement fires or other
spectacular news events, in our own
homes.

Sudbury Star: A New York man,
drawing \$32 per month relief money,
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