

Member's Corner

Oh, Mr. Bell!

Hello!... Operator, will you please dial that number once more? I'm getting pretty tired.... Thank you... Hello!... Hello!... My number? What's that got to do with it? It's Isegoim U2U2... O. K. I'll hold the line.... Great heavens! How long is this going to last?.... Hello!... Is that the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Colonialite?.... Say, I've been trying to get your place for over an hour.... How am I to know that you were taking a bath?... Just a second will you please?... Say operator, if you are listening in will you please chase the squirrels off the wires so as I can make myself

heard?... Thanks, very much.... Okay to go ahead now?... Golly, that's fast squirrel chasing... Hello!... Are you there?... No, I didn't think you had gone up to take another bath... By the way, what are you doing New Year's Eve?... I know it is none of my business... I'm not trying to make a date, you know... What have I got in mind?... You've heard of the Circolo Colombo, haven't you?... Uh, huh, that's it. The club on St. Patrick Street.... What of it?... Well, every year they feature a New Year's Frolic that is the talk of the town.... What do I want you to do about it?... Plenty! Start telling your friends about it and if you have to go out on New Year's Eve come to the Circolo.... You'll think it over?... That's fine.... Okay, I'll let you know more about it next week.... G'bye....

Social Highlights

Bridge and Scopas well organized

The efforts of the Circolo Colombo card committee are commencing to bear fruit of the most luscious and satisfying taste. Ere I proceed further, listen to my humble words of praise. Commendation is due the many card social supporters in our community. For example, I might mention Mrs. Mastrangelo, founder of that powerful bowling aggregation, the Seven Sisters. Then, too, we have Mrs. Passavanti—always ready and willing. Suffice it to say that these two are representative of the countless other card fans worthy of sincere thanks.

The third card party held under the auspices of the Circolo Colombo once again came through with honor marks on Monday last. A goodly assembly of colonialites were there to display their prowess at playing cards. One might comment that this affair was very similar to the ones staged in the past. No siree, my friend; I have just cause to dispute such an erroneous assertion.

Firstly, the general conduct of each player was saintly. That is to say, players did not gad about the hall discussing other people's plays or card holdings. In the past, the theme song has been, "Over Somebody Else's Shoulder". That is passe. One has never before witnessed such a large number of quiet, unassuming card enthusiasts. Players were most orderly in the changing of tables. By the use of Clarabelle Cow's pealing necklace, players were made to move simultaneously. Unnecessary confusion was carefully avoided. Who will deny the fact that such an improvement did not profit each individual score, did not help each player to play better? Secondly, the prizes distributed were more generous than the preceding ones awarded.

Mrs. C. Ponessi, first in ladies' bridge and winner of a beautiful, expensive 26 piece tea-set, offered 2643 as the high score for the evening. Mr. V. Piccininni, secretary of the Circolo, accepted a pair of handsomely finished military brushes for his score of 2513 in the men's bridge. Another tea-set was won by Mrs. Barreca by virtue of her high score of 89 in scopas. Don Romanelli clinched first prize in men's scopas with the highest score to date—92. Military brushes went his way also.

Eddie Pelletier clicked again; this time his prize came out of a hat. Eddie walked off with the men's draw prize. The Romanellis did well on Monday night. Too well, in fact. Charming Eva Romanelli, whose health stocks suffered a severe decline not so long ago, sufficiently shook Dame Fortune's hand to be awarded the ladies' draw. Eva is another of our supporters worthy of any praise this writer might bestow.

The standing to date in bridge and scopas are as follows:

- Bridge
1. T. Battaglia 5833
2. Ed. Pelletier 5327
3. Mrs. G. Grossi 5245
Scopas
1. Mrs. J. Lobraico 245
2. M. Yanuziello 234
3. John De Rose 232

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Privileges Abused

Freedom of the press is one privilege offered by a civilized nation to any law-abiding citizen. However, this so-called privilege was recently abused by one of our contemporary publications of lesser fame. We shall see how this breach was effected in a later paragraph.

No article was more timely than that which appeared in last week's issue of "il Bollettino" entitled, "That Filthy Hush". In it, the author rallied to the defence of the late Nicholas Selvaggio. Literally speaking, the paper did everything but slap the face of the deceased! A sad state of affairs, my friends. If you can recall, this publication asked the ridiculous question, "Was the deceased a victim of some Fascist intrigue? — or words to that effect. It is a direct insult to the honor of Toronto's Italian citizenry.

Two of Toronto's better-known daily newspapers did not have the boldness to spread such an unfortunate incident over their front pages as this certain weekly publication did. They believed it to be just a common every-day occurrence. Why, then, must this "black sheep" of journalism resort to such copy? True enough, a certain amount of sensationalism is required in journalism but this is sensationalism of the very lowest order.

If that is the kind of copy the reading public craves, then I fear that Toronto's standard of intelligence is being greatly demoralized!

Attention, Mr. Draper

This parking dilemma! What cursed restrictions befall each motor vehicle operator wheresoever he or she chooses to roam! Is there no end to many of the more severe prohibitions? The man behind the steering apparatus has been sapped of his last ounce of patience! What now, Mr. Draper?

Humorously enough, such a condition has prompted me to place before you a rather amusing and enlightening parody entitled, "To Park Or Not To Park". If you have, at one time or another, been very Shakespearianly inclined, you will readily notice that such a writing was wholly influenced by that immortal Hamlet soliloquy, "To be or not to be".

To Park Or Not To Park

To park or not to park, that is the question; Whether 'tis better to drive on further

And hope at least to find a one hour parking limit,

Or slip into the space there, near the fire plug,

And by parking, risk a warrant.—

To park right here, 'tis true

Would save much time forsooth and end my fruitless driving

Around the block—But darn it all—

There's that

Cursed hydrant—To stop—to park—to court,

Perchance to jail, ay, there's the rub,

For in that traffic court, what fines may come,

When I have shuffled up before the judge,

He might even say, "Thirty Days".

I'll risk it not.

Mr. Draper, we prey upon your kind, sympathetic, generous nature. Is there no relief in sight? We implore you to relieve us of this nemes-



BOLLETTINO DEL CIRCOLO COLOMBO



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Vice-Pres. Art. Fattori
Secretary Vincent Piccininni
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Editor for this page SAM MASELLO

Special Meeting Sunday

A very important special general meeting will be held in the club rooms on Sunday, December 2nd. at 3.00 p. m. The chief purpose of this meeting is to hear the executive outline to the assembly the plans for beautifying the premises. The Executive has made a comprehensive study of the Club's needs and, if recommendations are approved, the work will be proceeded with at once. Let each member show his interest in the progress being made and turn out to voice his opinion—favorable or otherwise. Members are recommended to carefully consider each project and to vote according to their honest belief.

Bravo! Bravo!

Last Sunday night, the cafeteria was honored by the presence of that master cooker, Joe Piccininni. Who can dispute Joe's prowess wheresoever culinary technique is involved? It seems that Joe has finally succumbed to the insistent demands of the boys for a real honest-to-goodness spaghetti dinner. Incidentally, Joe is initiating his son Dodo into this most delicate of arts. We were very pleased to see that Joe is back at his most coveted post. And did you know that Joe is officially signed up with the Dizzy Johns bowling squad?

Random Shots

With a few more ardent followers of the ancient and honorable pastimes of billiards and bowling, such as R. Albertello, J. Paul, D. Romanelli and N. Altilia, the club would be assured of nary a dull moment for its members.... A warning for John Longo. A villain in the person of Don Romanelli is attempting to usurp your official position as ladies' bowling coach.... Attention, members! Any member of the house committee is authorized to receive any complaints or suggestions that are forthcoming from the members. The object of this move is to eliminate grievances and also to act in an official capacity, as well as judicial, whenever questions arise that are due to cause discord amongst the club members. For example, the other evening a dispute arose in connection with the time allotted for snooker playing. Closing time was not so very distant. The caretaker, unfortunately, attempted to stop any further snooker-playing without the customary notice to the players. This, of course, immediately aroused the ire of the members concerned and heated discussion arose. If this matter had been referred to any of the house committee members present at the time, the affair would have died a sudden death. For your information, the members of the house committee are as follows: John Grieco, Joe Garbarino, Sam Masiello, John Ponesse, Fred Catena, John Maroni, Jimmy Simone and Bob Polito... Leo Romanelli was so anxious to lend his support to the good old Circolo last Monday evening that he turned up in full evening dress so as to partake of a few games of bridge and bowling ere he hustled off to his duties at the King Eddie. This type of good will is highly commendable and is typical of the actions displayed by many of our other conscientious members.... A word of praise to Gid De Spirt. Perhaps it is unknown to many but Gid is the organizer of the Ladies' Bowling league for this year. The amount of people patronizing his efforts show that his success is assured.

Odds and Ends

Mrs. A. Ruffran, formerly of Toronto and now of Niagara Falls, N. Y., enacted the role of hostess to a group of Torontonians last Saturday night. The guests left just enough of Toronto behind to make their hostess somewhat homesick. Incidentally, Mr. and Mrs. Ruffran are contemplating a visit to Toronto in the near future.... Mr. and Mrs. P. Distasi, recent newlyweds, last Sunday entertained their bridal attendants at dinner at their Henderson Ave. residence.... Mr. P. Palange has been ailing with a serious cold.... Ab Pelletier is the lamb but we would like to know who Mary is in this case!... I am going to let the bell ring until I get an answer!

When are we going to hear from the D. O. S. S.?... The U. of T. Fratellanza staged that pre-Xmas affair of theirs on Wednesday night at the College and Bay Streets tea-room. I understand the lads and lassies had a swell time.... Boy, am I the news hound?... I'll bite, am I?... Why bore you any longer.... S'long.

Flash! Flash!!

A great, big hurrah for the Circolo boys in the form of the Jockey Club bowling team, sturdy bowlers of the Knights of Columbus house league.

Last Tuesday the lads walked off with top honors in the first leg of the season's series by a single point! Quite an achievement, eh what? They are now in line for the major prize awarded at the season's end. Great work, boys!

Let us not overlook the sterling struggle which the Italian Retail Merchants' Association is waging. As you know, quite a number of fruit merchants on Danforth Ave. have been criticized for their so-called unsanitary display of merchandise on the sidewalks. However, the association contends that such a display is not unsanitary and that they have practised this form of merchandising for many years. We wish the Italian Retailers every success in their fight.

LOCAL FASCIO ENTERTAINS

Last night at Columbus Hall, the local Fascio Femminele tendered a dance to raise funds for the Befana Fascista which each Christmas cheers the homes of the needy in our colony. The affair was well dotted with social satellites and other prominent colonial celebrities. Gaiety ran high. Nothing was spared to ensure the guests a swell evening well-spent.

More Fascio news, my friends. This prominent organization is planning a bridge and scopas social for the evening of December 11. It is an annual affair promoted by this society which always seems to attract the social interest of the colony. As a winner at one of their former card parties, I believe I can speak from experience. I will say that should the same standard of quality be maintained in the distribution of prizes for this year's affair, their success is guaranteed! We wish this organization every social success!

Calendario Coloniale

- 11 Dicembre—Scopa e Bridge Party delle Giovani Italiane al Circolo Colombo.
18 Dicembre—Teatro Italiano alla St. Patrick Hall.
20 Dicembre—Ballo della Societa Friulana al Circolo Colombo.
1 Gennaio—Ballo di Capodanno al Circolo Colombo.
16 Gennaio—Ballo annuale della Fratellanza a Columbus Hall.
11 Febbraio—Ballo del Fascio.

BOWLING NEWS

Table with 4 columns: Day, Score, Team, Opponent. Includes Pelletiers vs Spows, Eatons vs Standards, Columbus Coal vs Angelo's H, Dizzy Johns vs Tip-Tops.

The first lap of the Circolo Colombo bowling league was brought to a close this week. From all indications there will be a lively scramble for the five coveted positions and at this time there are no favorites. The Columbus Coal who finished first last season with an average better than three points per week, are again leading this year but with only a 2.4 average.

The cause of this is due to the fact that a weak team will usually smite down one or the other of the leaders with regularity.

On Monday night there was a renewal of the feud between Jockey Club and Columbus Coal which has been raging since last season and again the Jockey Club boys slipped one over. They took three points but they had to bowl well nigh to 3500 to do it. Longo again proved to be the thorn in the side of the opposition with a single game of 332. Pio was right there with 317 and 261 followed by Nick who rolled 256. Rossi had the highest single game for the losers with 309 and DeZorzi was the best in three games with 736.

On Tuesday the Pelletiers obtained three points by a slim margin, winning the last game by one pin. Even a slight varying of the breaks would have meant four points to the other team. Jack Hanna was again the best on either team with 731 but this would have been much higher if it wasn't for a very painful knock that he received on his ankle. E. Pelletier had a single game of 293. Ponesse and Giuffre were the best for the losers with 642 and 632 respectively.

On Wednesday evening Angelo's Hotel took four points from the lowly Standards who sorely missed their captain, Angelo Teolis. Bernardo and Gismondi were the best bowlers for the winning team with 725 and 703 respectively. Cardella was the best for the losers with 679 but he was far ahead of his lowly teammates.

QUESTION MARKS

Sharply at eight o'clock the Ques-

tion Marks trooped into the Club and our three Lotharios stood up, brushed off the cobwebs, stretched a bit, yawned, and then leaped into action. None other than Jimmy Simone, Sammy Masiello and Johnny Ponesse.

The girls, however, stick strictly to bowling and as a result turned in some nice games. R. Pelletier was best with a 321 total and Babe Palange had a nice single game of 165. We notice the names of two newcomers to this group, namely E. Rapson and V. Sannella, and trust that they will honor us with their presence every week. The former bowled two nice games for a beginner and was the cynosure of many eyes.

The usual repast was consumed after the game but the girls still continue to bring their own food. Apparently, they place a high value on their digestive systems.

Wildcats Bowling News

The bridge team, which has now changed their name to the Pluggers, again took a couple more raps on the chin in the Wildcat Bowling League. The victors this time were the Seven Sisters who give the lie to that proverb that says beauty and beauty don't go together.

They had the highest single game for the sisters with 155 and Chrissy was highest with 272 for the two games. On the Pluggers team Val had the high single with 167 and high two with 262. The downfall of this team seems to lie in the fact that they often bowl games that are near their age than their weight.

In the second encounter of the evening Our Pals took three points from the Buzzers by bowling two magnificent games. Rose Cairo with a single game of 203 and a total of 373 was the star of her team. Her teammates were right with her, however, and nearly all hit over 300 for totals. The Buzzers also bowled consistently well and Ida Fattori knocked off the highest single of all girls for the evening with 218 which certainly is a score to be proud of. We notice that the Buzzers have induced Ann McCabe to continue her bowling and are glad to number her amongst our patrons. Best wishes for a good bowling year.

Standing

- Seven Sisters 10
Our Pals 8
Buzzers 6
Pluggers 0

Schedule for Fri. Dec. 7th

- 8.00 Buzzers vs. Pluggers
9.30 Our Pals vs. Seven Sisters

Standing:

- Columbus Coal 17—Angelo's Hotel 16
Tip Tops 16 — Jockey Club 15
Pelletiers 14 — Dizzy Johns 13
Eatons 11 — Standards 10

High Single Game

- Costabile 37

High Three Games

- H. Fattori 0

High Single Team Score

- Columbus Coal 1411

High Three Team Score

- Columbus Coal 3526

Three Games, 700 or over:

- De Zorzi 736; Rossi 727; Elia 805; Longo 749; Gismondi 703; G. Bernardo 725.

Single game, 250 or over

- Garbarino 252; De Zorzi 279; Rossi 309; Elia 317, 261; Longo 332; Perugini 256; E. Pelletieri 293; Hannah 254; Cardella 274; Gismondi 270; G. Bernardo 260, 285; V. Bernardo 286; Waterfall 262; N. Maiola 278; Dray 270.

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