

Badminton No Game For Sissies, Club Head Says

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TORONTO, (CP)—Badminton is no game for sissies. It's not just a sport for the carriage trade and players range in age from six to 80.

Stuart Lawson, president of Toronto's Strathgowan Club, says it's recreation for the strong man and you don't need a bulging wallet in your gym shorts' pocket.

"The energy used in the overhead action of a badminton player in one game is greater than all the energy used by a baseball pitcher in a nine-inning game," he said Wednesday in an interview.

Lawson contends the game requires a good deal of endurance. "You don't see them playing 60-minute hockey any more, but a badminton player in tournament play is on the court for about an hour and a half at a time."

Lawson said the association, headed by president Ted Elliott of Saint John, N. B., now is in its most critical year in history. This is the third experimental year of the \$1-a-year membership plan and it must be decided before the year-end whether this plan can bring in enough money to meet expenses.

Strathgowan's annual invitation next week has all the earmarks of a badminton spectacle. Topping a list of stars from the United States and Canada are Eddie and David Choong of Malaya, considered world badminton champions. Following the tournament they will tour the rest of Canada.

North American Stars

Among the North American stars appearing will be Don Smythe and Marge Shedd of Toronto, Canadian men and women's singles champions and Clint Stephens of Baltimore, Md., and Bob Williams of Niagara Falls, N. Y., former Strathgowan invitational doubles champions. Ethel Marshall of Buffalo, retired this year from singles play after winning the U. S. ladies' singles title for seven consecutive years, will compete in the doubles.

Other ranking Canadians will be Bud Porter of Toronto, who will accompany Smythe to the Scottish invitation tournament in March, and Gordon Simpson of Montreal.

Highly Organized

Lawson, whose club is holding its 10th annual international invitation tournament Jan. 12-17, said the Canadian Badminton Association, of which he is a past-president, boasts a registration of approximately 6,000 players from coast to coast.

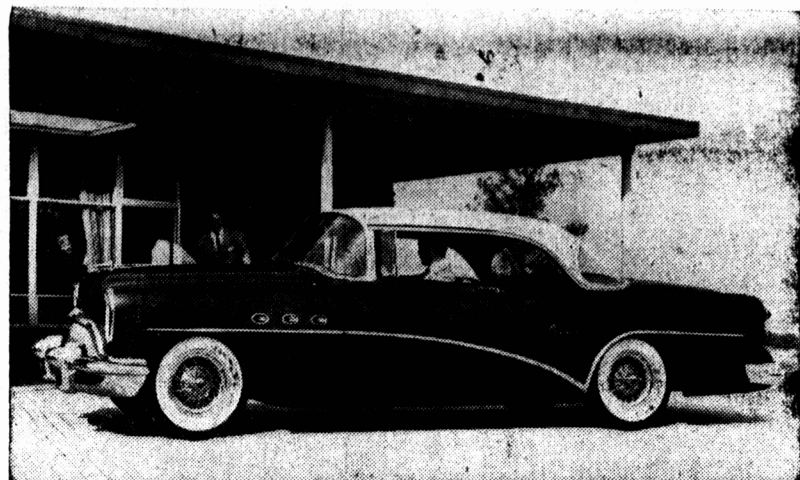
"It is probably the most highly organized sport in Canada," he said. The game is played in clubhouses, YMCAs, church basements and scout halls.

Quebec is a highly organized province and enthusiasm is high in the Maritimes at Saint John, N. B., Halifax and Campbellton. Badminton clubs are established in all the major prairie cities and in Victoria and Vancouver.

The association's greatest job is the promotion of junior clinics—two classes for children eight to 11 years old, beginning juniors from 11 to 14 and the juniors under 18.

PRICE OF CULTURE

TORONTO, (CP)—Alderman Roy Belyea accused police of "poor public relations" for putting parking violation tickets on cars left outside Toronto's newly-opened legitimate stage theatre, the Crest Wednesday night. It was the theatre's second night. "The police are apparently doing their best to drive culture out of the city," Mr. Belyea said.



The rakish sports car styling of Buick's two-door Super Riviera sedan makes it a sure-fire beauty winner for 1954. Modelled after Buick's famed Skylark sports car, it features the new panoramic windshield, a cut-down door belt line, full rear-wheel cut-out and a refined sweep-spear molding. The Super Riviera is mounted on a 127-inch wheel-base and is powered by a 182-horsepower V-8 engine when equipped with Twin-Turbine Dynaflow. Wire wheels are optional.



RAM JET HELICOPTER TESTED—A test pilot flies the new Hiller H-2, the Army's first operational ram jet helicopter, at Palo Alto, Calif. The small ram jet engines are located on the blade tips and the power plants have no moving parts. The engines may be changed in minutes with only a screwdriver. The Army, Navy and Marines will receive a small number of the helicopters in the spring of 1954.

Forest Laboratory Being Built At Eden Lake, N. S.

NEW GLASGOW, (CP)—A new federal forest laboratory is being built at Eden Lake, 20 miles south of here, to try to find out why yellow birch trees are dying in the Maritimes and what can be done about it.

Yellow birch is the area's most important hardwood tree. A disease known as birch die-back is killing them. Years of study and experiment by federal and provincial forest experts have failed so far to determine either the cause or a remedy.

The trees die gradually. First sign usually is the appearance of dead branches in the top of the tree. In a few years the whole tree may die.

Birch die-back first appeared in northwestern New Brunswick. In the last decade it has spread over most of the Maritimes.

Arrest Ont. Man In Shooting Of C.I.O. President

DETROIT, (AP)—Prosecutors Wednesday accused four men—one of them a Canadian—of conspiracy and assault with intent to murder CIO president Walter P. Reuther five years ago. The prosecutors withheld the names of four other persons sought in what they called a "solution" to the attempted assassination.

Wayne County Detroit prosecutor Gerald K. O'Brien disclosed names of three of the men arrested early Wednesday, and the name of a fourth, still being sought.

O'Brien, in saying "this is the solution," added, however: "There may be other involvements."

The Canadian, Clarence Jacobs, 48, of Tecumseh, Ont., was taken in custody at Windsor.

Duke Of Edinburgh To Visit B.C. In Aug.

VANCOUVER, (CP)—The Duke of Edinburgh will arrive in British Columbia from London Aug. 1 for an eight-day visit that will include at least four appearances at the British Empire games.

Details of the itinerary were announced Tuesday by Stan Smith, chairman of the games which open here July 31. The duke will begin the visit with a formal call on government officials at Victoria Aug. 1. He will inspect the naval base at Esquimalt the following day.

On Aug. 3 the duke will fly to the Aluminum Company of Canada project at Kitimat, B. C., 400 miles north of Vancouver, and arrive in Vancouver the same night.

Remainder of the itinerary: Aug. 4: Attend British Empire games

J. R. C. Director Fired In B. C.

VANCOUVER, (CP)—Beatrice C. Fernyhough, 45, appointed Tuesday as director of the 130,000-member Junior Red Cross in British Columbia, was fired Wednesday after officials learned she was a prominent member of the Labor-Progressive (Communist) party.

Col. Gordon P. Stiprett, president of the Canadian Red Cross Society, B.C., division, said: "We had no intimation of her political affiliations when we appointed her."

Local bowling tournament at New Westminster, B. C., and tour lower Fraser valley; Aug. 5: Civic reception in Vancouver; Aug. 6: Attend games; reception by games executive board; Aug. 7: Attend games; Aug. 8: Depart.

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The following Regulations are made this 5th day of January, 1954, by the Minister of Public Works and Highways, under sub section (c) of Section 56 of the Public Works and Highways Act, Revised Statutes Prince Edward Island, 1951, Chapter 135:

REGULATIONS

- In these Regulations—
 - "Heavy Traffic" means a motor vehicle having a gross weight, with load, in excess of 6,000 pounds.
 - "Light Pavement" means these roads in the Province which have been paved with light pavement, and includes the following roads:

Montague to Murray Harbour via Murray River	17.0 miles
Day's Corner to Wellington	2.8 miles
Cornwall to Churchill via Clyde River	5.0 miles
Mt. Edward Road from Experimental Farm Northwest	1.5 miles
Palmer's Lane	0.4 miles
Kensington Road to Mt. Edward Rd. via Belvedere Corner	1.3 miles
Charlottetown Airport on Brackley Pt. Road northwest	2.5 miles
St. Peter's Road to about 1 mile northwest of York Station	2.5 miles
Hillsboro Bridge to Mt. Herbert via Bunbury	3.2 miles
 - "Newspaper Publication" means publication in some newspaper published in the Province.
 - "Pavement" means roads in the Province which have been paved.
 - "Public Notice" means notice to the public given by or on behalf of the Minister, either by newspaper publication or by radio announcement to the effect that roads are closed to traffic as mentioned therein or that such restrictions have been removed.
 - "Radio Announcement" means announcement over a radio broadcasting station within the Province.
 - "Traffic" means motor vehicle traffic.
 - Roads, pavement and light pavement shall be closed to heavy traffic or to all traffic from midnight of the day when public notice of such closing is first given, and shall remain so closed until public notice has been given removing such restrictions.
 - Any such public notice may advertise or announce the closing to traffic, or to heavy traffic only, of light pavement only, or of all pavement, or of all roads in the Province.
 - A radio announcement may announce a public notice on Sunday or a holiday.
 - The members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and other Peace Officers in the Province shall enforce these Regulations.
 - In prosecutions for offences against these Regulations, the production of
 - A copy of a newspaper containing a public notice, or
 - An affidavit by the manager or person in charge of a radio broadcasting station that a public notice has been announced over such station, stating the date of the radio announcement, and the words used therein.
- shall be conclusive evidence of the contents of any public notice and of the date and fact of its newspaper publication or radio announcement.
- DOUGALD MacKINNON,
Minister of Public Works and Highways.

CAHA Meeting At Winnipeg This Week-end

MIDLAND, Ont., (CP)—Matters dealing with Canada's team to the world championship at Stockholm and setting dates for the Allan and Memorial Cup play-offs are on the agenda for the semi-annual meeting of the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association, at Winnipeg this week-end.

The meeting, to be held Saturday and Sunday, will bring officials from coast to coast.

George Dudley, secretary-manager of the CAHA, said today the association also will consider its agreement with the National Hockey League. Last summer the NHL served notice on the CAHA of termination of the pro-amateur agreement, effective June 30, 1955.

The pro claim they sponsor amateur teams at great cost and the CAHA takes the gravy from the amateur championship series. Negotiations for a new agreement are under way.

Canada will be represented by Toronto East York Lyndhursts, a senior B club in the world tournament Feb. 26-March 7.

Annual meeting of the CAHA is scheduled for Vancouver May 9-12.

95th Running Of Queen's Plate Set For June 12

TORONTO, (CP)—The 95th running of the Queen's Plate will be held Saturday, June 12, it was announced Wednesday by the Ontario Jockey Club. It is the latest date the 1 1/4-mile classic has been held in its colorful history.

The OJC announced also that two plate trials, in place of the customary one trial in effect since 1944, will be held this year. The first of six furlongs, is slated for Saturday, May 22, and the second, of one mile and 70 yards, will be held Wednesday, June 2.

"The late date for the plate was set because we felt it would give the horses a better chance to get ready," an OJC spokesman said. "It will enable us to have a fit field and owners will have no excuses."

VERSATILE PLACE
Trinchinopoly in India is noted for manufacture of jewelry, cutlery and cigars.

Mistake In Price of Watch Causes Headache

TORONTO, (CP)—A part-time Christmas clerk, a conscientious young husband and a diamond-studded, \$1,995 watch—these were the ingredients for one Toronto jeweller's mammoth headache.

Jeweller Frank Proctor said the young husband, wanting an inexpensive watch for his wife, selected one the clerk said was priced at \$19.95. Only after the customer had gone, did the jeweller discover a mistake had been made.

In a frenzy the storekeeper tried every means to locate the customer. But his name wasn't known and police couldn't help. Then, a few days after Christmas, the customer reappeared. Shamefacedly, he explained his wife thought the "rhinestones" on the watch were too showy. She wanted a less-preentious watch.

"It will enable us to have a fit field and owners will have no excuses."

MUST BE WARM
Coral reefs are confined to waters that do not get colder than about 68 degrees at any time of year.

OUR BOARDING HOUSE



Two Milwaukee Braves' Players Sign Contracts

MILWAUKEE, (AP)—Pitcher Joe Jay and infielder Mel Roach, Milwaukee Braves' two bonus babies of 1953, returned their signed 1954 contracts Wednesday.

Jay, giant 18-year-old right-hander from Rockfall, Conn., made his major league debut last fall with three-hit 3-0 shutout against Cincinnati. Jay appeared in three games last season, hurling 10 innings during which he gave up no runs, six hits, struck out four and registered one victory against no losses.

Roach, currently attending the University of Virginia, will not join the tribe until after the school year is completed. The 20-year-old infielder saw little service after signing last summer. He played in five games, made two appearances at the plate without a hit and scored one run.

A cow at three years of age should have three pairs of broad teeth, with corner permanent teeth just showing.



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