

SHALL WE SWEEP?

with removing foreign from in front of the stone and they re-
decide the idea that it creates a
partial vacuum. But they do main-
tain that sweeping causes friction
and this warms up the ice sur-
face and the nearer the ice the
surface is to the melting point,
the more effect sweeping will
have on the stone.

Concluding the subject Matt
Baldwin, skip of the champion
Edmonton rink, says this: "Show
me the stone that will go five
feet over the hog-line and I'll
take it well into the house with
sweeping".

On that note the defense rests.

My Regrets

The Scotchman's love for his
ancient game of curling is given
added proof in the story of an
old Scot whose wife took sick in
the middle of the curling season.
The enthusiast expressed his ear-
nest hope that his wife "wadne
dece till there come a thaw for
otherwise I wadna be able to at-
tend her burial."

TV STUDENTS BETTER
NEW YORK (AP) — Some
scholars studying via televi-
sion a bit smarter than their
classroom pupils in this city's
first test of TV college instru-
tion. New York University in-
spected Wednesday that 96 per
cent of those who took the test
exam after a 16-week course in
comparative literature and pass-
ing grades. The instructions were
telecast at 6:30 a.m. Ten per cent
of the 142 men and women en-
rolled got A or excellent rat-
ing, and 50 per cent a B grade.



SWITZERLAND 1950

"Dick" Recalls

Gordon Hughes, one of Char-
lottetown's better known curlers
on being asked what curling event
brought back the most memories
answer that the most memora-
ble moments of his curling car-
eer were when he crossed the
Atlantic in 1950 with a group of
some 64 curlers representing ev-
ery province in Canada to com-
pete with Scottish teams and
some of the best rinks in Swit-
zerland. He was the sole mem-
ber representing the Island on
this tour.

The most memorable games he
ever participated in were one in
Scotland and one in Switzerland.
In Glasgow as mate of a team
skipped by A.R. Sterling, of Wolf-
ville, N.S. they defeated a Scot-
tish rink who were the Holders
of the R.C.C. Club Championship
for Scotland in the men's com-
petitions and also the Scottish
Open Curling Championships.
Both these events had been won
in 1949. The skip of the Scottish
rink was John Smith and the
quartet represented the Glendo-
ck Curling Club.

In the first game the Canadian
team played to a draw thus forc-
ing an extra game. In the after-
noon session the Canadian quar-
tet defeated the Glasgow rink in

the final end. The other two mem-
bers of the Canadian team were
Wallace W. Smith of Lunenburg,
N.S. 2nd, stone and W.B. Spen-
cer of Halifax, lead.

On this tour the teams played
in different cities in Switzerland.
The same team played the
Swiss champions in an open air
rink 6,000 feet above sea level.
There was about 3 degrees of
frost and the players could skis-
ter in their shirt sleeves, but some
of the members participating got
an awful sunburn.

The Canadian team scored an
eight-ender in this game and won
an impressive victory over the
Swiss team. They also won the
Bonspiel.

On returning to Halifax, the
Maritime foursome were met at
the Ship by the Premier who
was Angus MacDonald at the
time, and other dignitaries of
Nova Scotia and Scotland with
crests of the Nova Scotia flag
and also a crest of the event.
They were also made members
of the Order of Good Time, an
organization that was formed in
1906, with the first grand mas-
ter being Samuel de Champlain.
The Grand Master then was His
Excellency Viscount Alexander.

Commandments
(Finley's Scrapbook)

- Charlie Gerrard, for many years
now the guiding spirit behind the
famous Duddingston Curling Club,
contributed these Commandments
which originated on the fa side
of the Atlantic.
1. Thou shalt have no other
game before me, for I am the
roaring game which was in the
beginning (even in the stone age)
is now and ever shall be.
 2. Come not upon the ice with
the oldhouse broom.
 3. Thou shalt learn thy turns,
both the out and the in, for the
skip will not hold him guiltless
that throweth the wrong turn.
 4. Play not a running shot when
thou art asked for a guard, lest
thou raise thine own shot, so
sending thy skip in the air; such
play getteth his goat queereth
his game, causeth him to swallow
his cud, and to revile thee openly.
 5. Thou shalt hearken dilig-
ently to the defeated skip when
his voice is lifted up in lamentation
against the punk ice, and thou
shalt not turn thy face from him
when he blameth his third man.
Even so shalt thou secure a lis-
tner against the day of thine
own defeat.
 6. Thou shalt not strew straws
from thy broom in the path of
thine own or thine adversary's
rock: neither shalt thou spit in
front of them for a hog is an
abomination in the sight of the
skip.
 7. Thou shalt have no discourse
with thine adversary while his
foot is in the hack and his hand
is on the rock, but if thou wilt
thou canst pray for him.
 8. Thou shalt not push or kick
a rock into the house from be-
hind stealthily, for the opposite
skip will be kindled against thee
and he will rise up in righteous
indignation over the edge of the
broom handle and thrust thee
hence from the sight of curlers
and the days of the curling will
be ended, for this is an unpardon-
able sin.
 9. Thou shalt not cover thy op-
position's rock nor his lead play-
er, neither shalt thou filch from
him his third man who is his
mainstay and a wall of defence
in the day of battle.
 10. Thou shalt honor thy op-
posing skip by substituting only
players of the same ability as
those absent, causing him to
praise thy name for thy fair-
ness and sportsmanship, for many
there are who destroy their good
names by such conduct, causing
their opposing team much bitter-
ness of spirit.

P. E. I. Curling
(By Finley)

The Prince Edward Island
Curling Association
The Provincial Association was
organized in 1934, in affiliation
with the Dominion Curling As-
sociation and, through it with
the Royal Caledonia Curling Club
of Scotland. In 1936 and each suc-
cessive year with the exception
of a couple years during the re-
cent World War when Dominion
Play-Offs were suspended, the
Provincial Association was repre-
sented by a provincial rink in
the Dominion Playdowns. In each
of these years the Charlottetown
Curling Club with the exception
of 1936 when the province was
represented by a Montague Rink,
and in 1948 when a Summerside
Rink skipped by T.D. Morrison
won the Provincial Champion-
ships. With the present availabil-
ity of artificial ice in all curling
clubs in the province it is con-
fidently hoped that stronger teams
will be developed and that Island
curlers will soon be in a position
to put up stronger opposition in
the Dominion Play-Downs for the
MacDonald's Brier Tankard.

**The Alberton
Curling Rink**
Curling was first introduced in
Alberton through the effort of the
late W.P. Keenan, formerly a
resident of Fredericton, N.B. Dur-
ing the fall of 1936 Mr. Keenan
interested some seven or eight
men to the extent that eight sets
of stones were purchased, and
during the winter of 1936-37 these
men played in the skating rink
during the afternoons.

The Club progressed slowly un-
til the winter of 1946-47 when the
membership grew to 40 members
in a one sheet ice rink. In 1956
a new building was constructed
with two sheets of ice, observa-
tion room and club room facili-
ties.

**The R.C.A.F. Curling
Club, St. Eleanors**
During the fall of 1955 a new
Curling Club was organized at
the R.C.A.F. Station St. Eleanors
and accepted as a member club
in the Provincial Association. For
the first year this club arranged
for curling space for its mem-
bers with the Summerside Curl-
ing Club and interest was at such
a high level that a Club Build-
ing with two sheets of Artificial
ice was constructed the follow-
ing year. The R.C.A.F. Curling
Club is a going concern today and
entry rinks to provincial curling
contests are of a high rating.

AKITA, Japan (AP)—A Japa-
nese team Wednesday launched a
plastic rocket, believed to be the
world's first. The inventor said it
cost about one-fifth less than a
metal rocket and should give
more accurate observations of
electrical phenomena. The dis-
shaped rocket was nine feet long,
5 1/2 inches in diameter, weighed 78
pounds and carried a radio trans-
mitter.

At hardy perennial of curling
to sweep or not to sweep—still
looms large as a question in the
minds of spectators. It is odd that
the controversy usually begins
with non curlers. They can abide
the 'stane' but doubt the 'besom'.
The curlers sweep by choice.

And yet with all the thousands
of words that have been written
and spoken on the subject little
real effort has ever been made
to determine scientifically just
what effect sweeping has on car-
rying the stone into or through
the house.

In trying to decide this one of
the problems would be obtaining
a mechanism which would propel
the stone at exactly the same
speed each time. Then it would
also involve having the stone curl,
or revolve, at the same rate each
time it was propelled. Another
factor would be whether or not
first stones tossed should be swept
or not. In any event two lanes
would have to be used with the
order of the swept and unswept
stones reversed.

"An analysis of the Art of Curl-
ing" published by H.E. We-
man gives results of some sweeping
tests made in Switzerland in 1924.
Mr. Weyman's own comments are
more than interesting. He
states, "sweeping is an essential
part of curling and fully recog-
nized by all curlers west of Que-
bec Province and the art of
sweeping has been highly devel-
oped in Western Canada, where
it has become graceful and
attractive to spectators. It
is amusing, but also pitiful, to
watch Easterners sweep beside
the Western sweepers".

The test in Switzerland was
made on outdoor ice at St. Moritz
with the use of a sloping trestle
with one end three feet above
the level of the ice and so grad-
ed as to permit the rock to take
the level ice smoothly.

The same stone, weighing 36
pounds, was used through the
tests and the undersurface care-
fully cleaned before each run. It
was held in position at a fixed
point and released without im-
petus to slide by its own weight
down the slope.

In six trial runs down the same
track the average distance trav-
elled unswept was 27.7 metres.
(A metre is slightly more than
39 inches). Two stones swept all
the way averaged 39.01 metres or
12 metres more than the unswept
stones. Then two more stones
were sent over this same swept
track, but were not themselves
swept. They averaged 39.14 met-
res. Then another stone was sent
down the same track and swept
all the way. It travelled 45.26
metres.

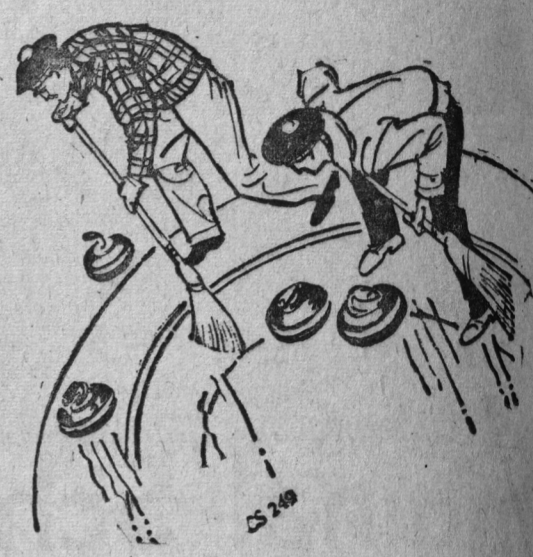
Two days later another series
of tests was made on very keen
ice. Six stones not swept trav-
elled 25.63 metres while two stones
swept all the way averaged 30.28
metres.

Last year a group of curlers in
Quebec City also did some re-
search work on the subject. While
they reached no definite conclu-
sions they did reveal the differ-
ence in distance travelled
caused by very slight differ-
ences in the velocity of the stones.
Photo electric cells were used
to determine the speed of the
various stones. The sweeping in-
volved was only between the sec-
ond hog-line into the house.

Such results as they announ-
ced showed a stone moving at
4.6 feet per second went 26 feet
past the hog-line. Another stone
travelling 4.5 feet per second
went 29 feet past the hog-line
while a third stone moving at a
rate of 4.7 feet per second went
31 feet.

Their view of the matter is
that sweeping has nothing to do

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The Island Entry

The Island Schoolboy Curling
Championship was won this year
by a rink composed of four stud-
ents from Prince of Wales Col-
lege in Charlottetown. They pro-
ved themselves to be a very strong
team and came through the play-
downs without a loss. The mem-
bers of the team are Lead (1st
stone) Alan Smith, 2nd stone,
Douglas Bell, mate, Allison Saun-
ders, and skip Arthur Burke.

Alan Smith, 1st stone, is 17
years of age and a first year
student at Prince of Wales Col-
lege. He curled in competition
against P.W.C. last year while at-
tending Queen Charlotte High
School. This is his first year of
curling at Prince of Wales and
he will be eligible to play for two
more seasons in the Schoolboy
competitions.

Second Stone Douglas Bell, is
also a first year student at P.
W.C. and will be eligible for two
more seasons. He attended Queen
Square School before Prince of
Wales College and learned curl-
ing like some hockey greats leared
hockey, here, there and where-
ever there were ice and stones
available.

The mate of the team, Allison
Saunders, or "Joe" as he is com-
monly called is a second year
student at P.W.C. and this is also
his second year on the P.W.C.
team. He went to Winnipeg in
1957 as a member of the Island
Championship team but pulled a
muscle and was out for a day.

He is in fine shape for forthcom-
ing competitions. This is his last
year in Schoolboy curling as he
will not be eligible next season
due to age.

The skip, Arthur Burke, is a
Grade Twelve student at Prince
of Wales and it is also his sec-
ond year as skip of P.W.C. He
will be lost to Prince of Wales
in 1958-59 due to age also. From
Queen Square School Art picked
up his curling finesse from the
catch-as-catch-can system, throw-
ing stones whenever possible,
watching games on every occa-
sion, picking up pointers from
"post mortems" in the locker
room and from the armchair
"skips" in the observation room.
He is cool under pressure and is
able to match wits with many an
older strategist.

The type of play used by the
P.W.C. squad is a combination of
draw and take-out and their crisp
take-out technique is worth at-
tention.

All members of the team are
residents of Charlottetown and
their coach is Professor "Bob"
Leclair of Prince of Wales Col-
lege.

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sion of the 1958 Dominion Schoolboys'
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May your stay in our Province, and in
the City of Charlottetown, home of
Confederation, be among your most
pleasant and memorable experiences.

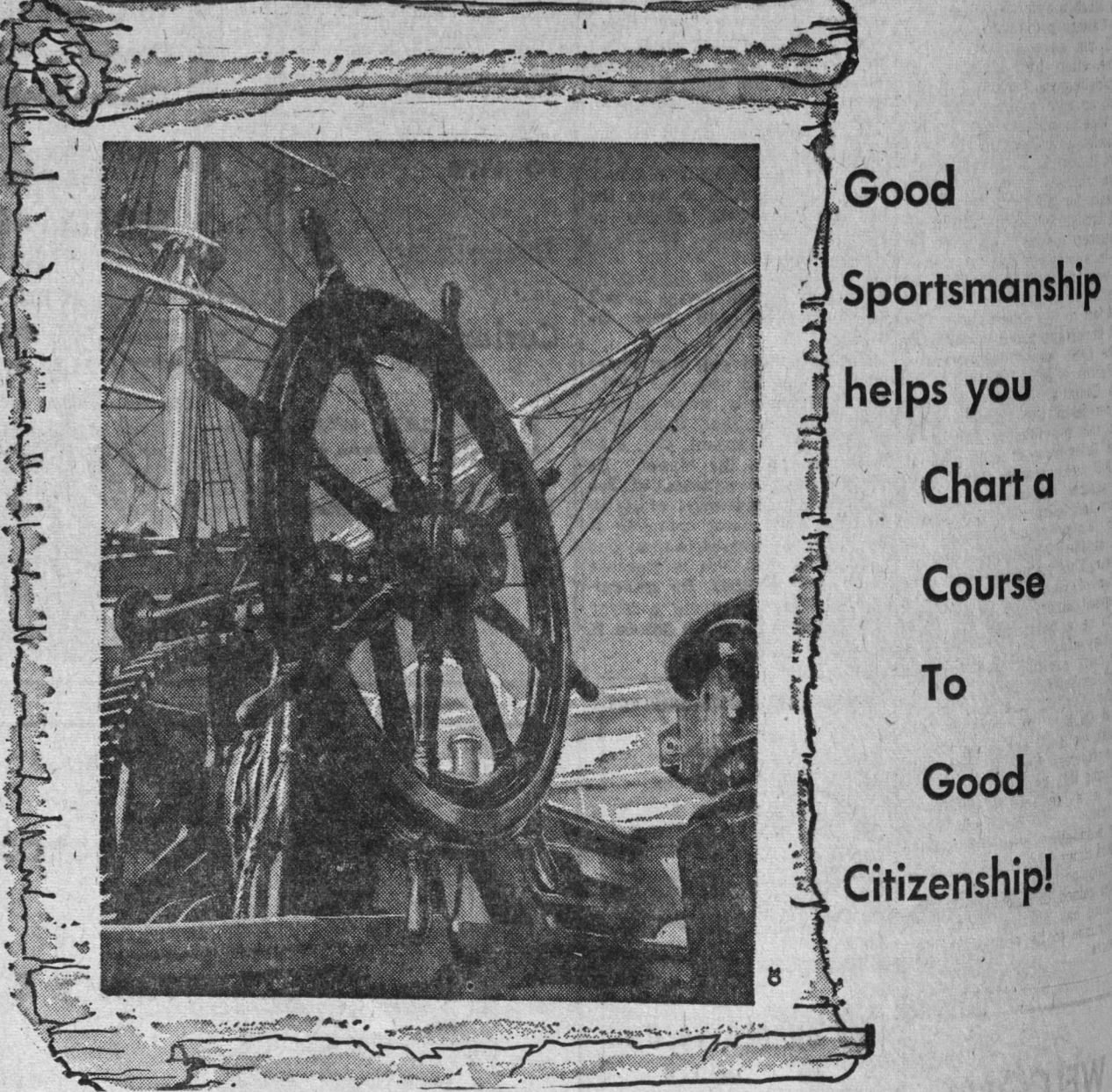
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enjoy your stay in Prince Edward Island - - - and may your curling be
good - - - and your memories of this Island such that as the years
go by you will continue to look upon this Island visit as one of your
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