

THIS YEAR'S BRIER TEAM

Montague 1958

The Montague Curling Club was formed in January 1927 by a group of citizens with the late George B. Clarkson, then manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia, as its first president. There were 24 charter members of the club with provision made for an active membership of 36.

The first curling rink was a one-ice sheet addition built on the side of the Community Skating Rink and members played there for 16 years while producing many fine rinks for local and provincial competitions.

In the year 1936 the club won all the senior provincial titles and sent the first P.E.I. rink to compete in the 10th Macdonald Brier bonspiel at the Granite Club in Toronto. On the rink personnel were Atwood Younker, R.W. Beck, C.K. Wightman and James McIntyre.

One of the greatest supporters of the game was the late Fred McIntyre who was president of the Montague Club and later president of the P.E.I. Curling Association. It was under his direction the present curling club was constructed in 1943 by the Community Welfare League. The new building housed two sheets of ice and modest club rooms and interest in the sport increased producing an upward swing in membership to a total of 70 in 1953.

The Ladies Curling Club had been formed two years earlier with a membership of 30 and presence of the ladies and mixed curling did much to enhance the social atmosphere of the club.

At a combined general meeting and dinner in the spring of 1954 it was decided to investigate the possibility of installing an artificial ice plant. The result was installation in that year of the first automatic diesel-powered refrigeration unit in any rink in Canada with the first ice being made in late January 1955. The new rink was officially opened by Lieutenant Governor T.W.L. Prowse on February 8. Hold-



ing the broom for the Governor to throw the first rock was Joseph H. MacGregor one of the charter members from 1927 and today the oldest curler in the province.

Since 1955 interest has been very keen and the latest addition has been the Schoolboy curling Club with the local entry this year being the runner-up to the champion foursome from Prince of Wales College.

Last year Montague ladies rink won the Provincial Ladies curling Championship in Summerside with members A. Pettit, E. Clay, H. Inman and May Nicholson.



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To The Visiting Curlers!

"May Your Stay Here Be One Of Your Most Pleasant Memories"

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To the Visiting Schoolboy Curlers from every Province in Canada!

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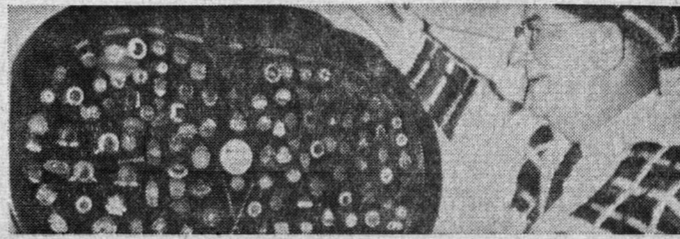
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These Montague merchants take pleasure in extending the hand of fellowship to the visiting schoolboy curlers from every Province in Canada.

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Take pleasure in welcoming the Schoolboy Curlers to P. E. I.

"May Your Stay Be Pleasant . . . and May The Best Team Win"

THE TOWN OF MONTAGUE

Congratulations to our own schoolboy curlers on their splendid showing . . . and a sincere welcome to the visiting schoolboy curlers!

Mayor Bruce H. Yeo and Town Councillors

Don't Memory Trail

Our Skip

For the first time in history his Province this year is sending to the Macdonald Brier Bonspiel a team skippered by a curler who was also the skip of the first rink we ever sent to the Schoolboy Curling Championships.

The Guardian asked the youthful skip a few questions regarding his brief but colorful career in the sport and the following are his answers:

How I happened to get interested in Curling—In the year 1947 a bonspiel was held at the local Forum in Charlottetown and in the company of several other fellows my age we went to watch this new game to see what it was all about. We were intrigued with what we saw and decided we would have a go at it. Now Schoolboy Curling at this date was relatively unheard of on the Island but we did manage to meet Dave "Tud" MacLeod who knew all about Schoolboy Curling activities in other provinces, especially in the Western provinces. Tud as we call him gave unceasingly of his time, effort and abilities at the time to advance the cause of Schoolboy Curling on Prince Edward Island. It is to this man that we originals give our devoted thanks for all that has been gained through Schoolboy Curling.

Remember tossing the first stone—in a way, I can remember I was 14 at the time and it was quite a struggle to fire it the 130 feet to the other end. Most important game—well I'll say the final game last Saturday, February 8th, 1953 for the British Consul's Trophy which gave our team the right to represent this province in the Macdonald Brier play-offs at Victoria, B.C. next month, the final game against the much respected skip and team of Jiggs MacDonald, this province's representative at the Macdonald Brier last year. This game fulfilled an ambition of George, Jim, Lock and myself since our schoolboy days to be a participant in the Brier play-offs.

The most exciting game—was against Saskatchewan in the Schoolboy Curling Championships held at Quebec City in 1950-51. Although we lost the game 7-5 we nevertheless had the chance by winning this game to put ourselves in a tie for first place that year.

The hospitality received and the good times had at these curling championships and acquaintances gained through the game of curling has always been and will continue to be enjoyable experiences.

Walk or stand on the centre of the ice during play. Stay on the sides.

Obstruct the view of a man playing the game. He is most interested.

Cross the ice between a player and his skip.

Interfere in any way with a player while he is delivering.

Be away from the hack when your turn to play comes. Be ready.

Enter the ring. Only skips or vice-skips may do this. Stay outside the hog line.

Move the stones at the end of the play until the winner has been decided.

Measure stones until after play for that end has been completed.

Stand watching the stones of your side go by; be with them ready to sweep when the word is given.

Sweep until you are told to.

Sweep lengthwise of the rink. Sweep in front of the stone, at right angles to its course.

Push stones with the blade or straws of the broom. It spoils the brooms.

Leave the hack until you have played your stones.

Sweep your opponent's stone in front of the Tee.

Go on the ice except in rubbers of rubber-soled shoes.

Cheer your opponent's miss. It is not good sportsmanship to say "Thank you" when he guards your shot.

Criticize the play of any member of your rink. Everyone is doing the best he can, and feels badly enough when he plays a poor stone.

Throw stones down the ice before the start of a game. All games should be played on virgin ice with no player having previous knowledge of the ice.

Neglect to sign the scorecard and turn it into the desk.

PIN COLLECTION

One of the greatest collections of curling pins in the province is owned by L.H. Poole, a charter member of the Montague Curling Club who has over 200 of them.

Mr. Poole acquired his large collection of pleasant memories on innumerable curling trips in all 10 of Canada's provinces and throughout many of the United States. He has them carefully mounted on plaques and they are among his most treasured souvenirs.

MANY TONGUES

More than 2,800 languages are spoken throughout the world.

In an interview with Clifford "Jiggs" MacDonald, on being asked what his most memorable game in his curling career was he replied that the game he remembers best was at the Brier last year at Kingston, Ontario. He was skip of the team representing the Island. This game was played against the Campbell Brothers, the so-called best curling team in the World. This was the first draw for "Jiggs" and that was tough competition for the first game for the Island team. They matched rock for rock in the first 7 ends and the local curlers were leading at the end of the 7th with score 5-3 and with last rock in the 8th it looked as if they had a safe two for a four point lead. "Jiggs" MacDonald's second stone accidentally fouled a rock and instead of the Island rink getting two the opposition got one.

The Island rink was trailing 7-6 on the 11th end. The skip tried to blank the end but got too much of the rock to tie it up 7-all. The teams were tied coming into the 12th and final end with the Campbell rink having advantage of last rock. The local team had shot on the four foot and partially guarded which

meant that Garnet Campbell had to make a perfect draw in which he succeeded and won the game 8-7 and then went on to be runner-up in the Dominion Championships, losing only one game to the Championship rink skippered by Matt Baldwin.

Last year in the "Brier" Competitions held in Kingston, Ontario, the Island Curling Championship rink skippered by "Jiggs" MacDonald was competing with a curling rink from Nova Scotia, and little did the Island skip, "Jiggs" know that at the conclusion of the game official scorers from Kingston Curling Club would announce that it was the first time in the history of the "Brier" that any skip had succeeded in making good his 24 shots to curl a perfect game. So the Island can boast of having a local curler to be the only one to have curled a perfect game.

CAUTIOUS GROUP

TROWELL, England (CP)—The Conservative party association at this Nottinghamshire Village applied to parish council to hire just half of the village hall for a meeting, because attendances have been dwindling. The application was refused.

GREETINGS

and a warm welcome to

the School Curlers

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The members of the R. C. A. F. Station, Summerside Curling Club . . . extend greetings and best wishes to all schoolboys participating in the Dominion Championships in Charlottetown . . . February 17th to 21st

R.C.A.F. CURLING CLUB

F-L. J. E. MARTIN,
President.

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