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Commerce fad sweeps the nation

The Commerce faculty at the University of Alberta may be responsible for bringing in a new fad that is sweeping the country. The fad? Attache case curl-

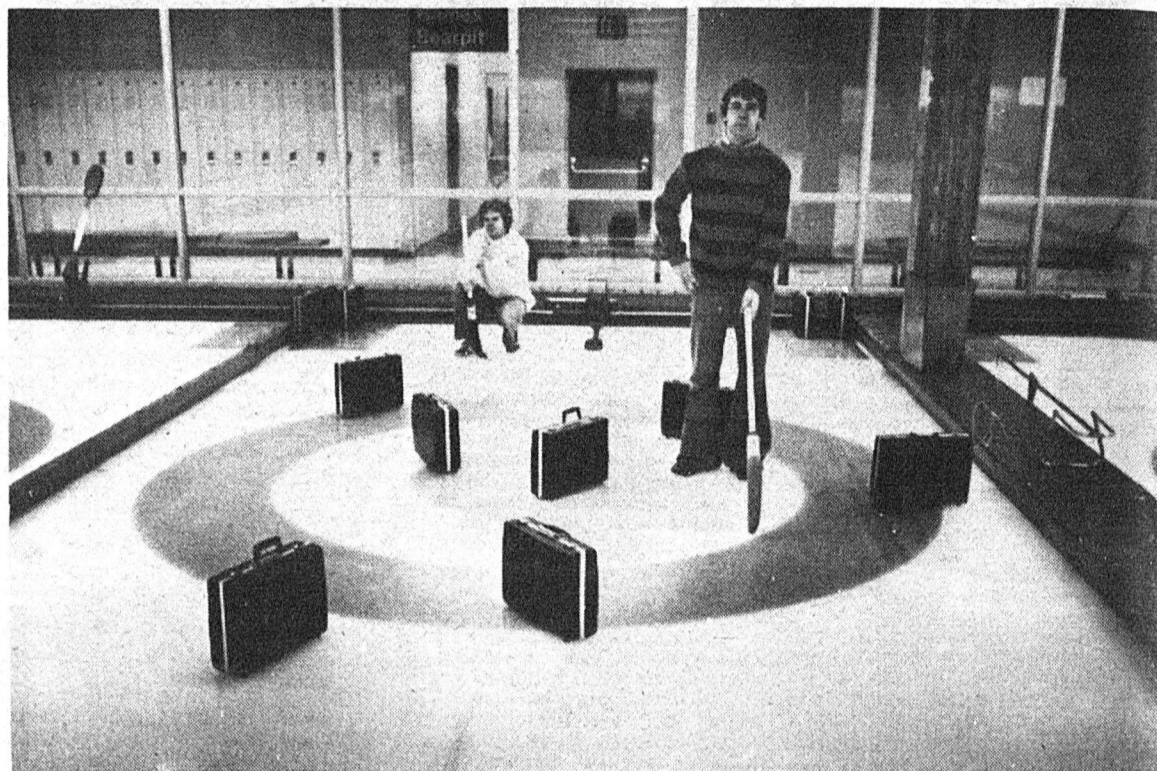
ing. The Commerce students had all the ingredients to start the sport which takes up where the traditional game of curling leaves off.

Of the 2300 Commerce students at the U of A, approximately 90 per cent carry briefcases wherever they go and of that 90 per cent more than 1/4 of them participate in curling.

Chuck Dickens, who is the president of the Attache Curling Club, was one of the original innovators of the game. "A bunch of us were walking down the street last winter with our briefcases of course, and mine slipped out of my hands and went sliding down the sidewalk. The wheel was probably invented in much the same manner. It's a wonder no one had thought of it before this."

Dickens already has plans in the works for a national tournament in 1978 sponsored by Samsonite, and from now till then he expects the sport to take off in Canada and other traditional curling nations.

Already curlers have given up the granite and switched to the leather and cowhide. Don Duguid, former silver broom champion has stated his preference for the innovative



Dickens indicating the ice for a shot by his third

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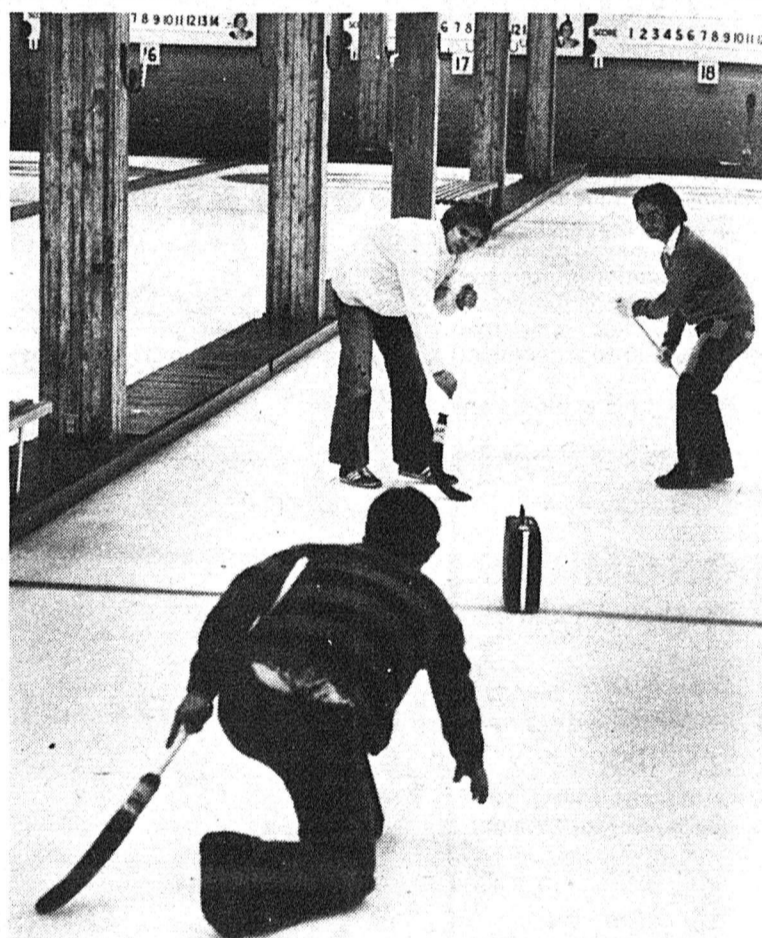
Skip Tom Burke makes sure his case is clean

sport. "Before when I was curling I'd come home and my arms would ache for hours after lifting those rocks (weighing 40 pounds) but now I can curl for hours, and so can my family."

The rules are basically the same for attache curling as they are in the traditional game of curling. Each of the teams are made up of four players: lead, second, third, and skip. Each player throws 2 cases and the scoring is the same as in the old game of curling.

Players in attache curling are allowed to "weight" their cases by putting in text books, the texts however, must be approved by the Commerce faculty.

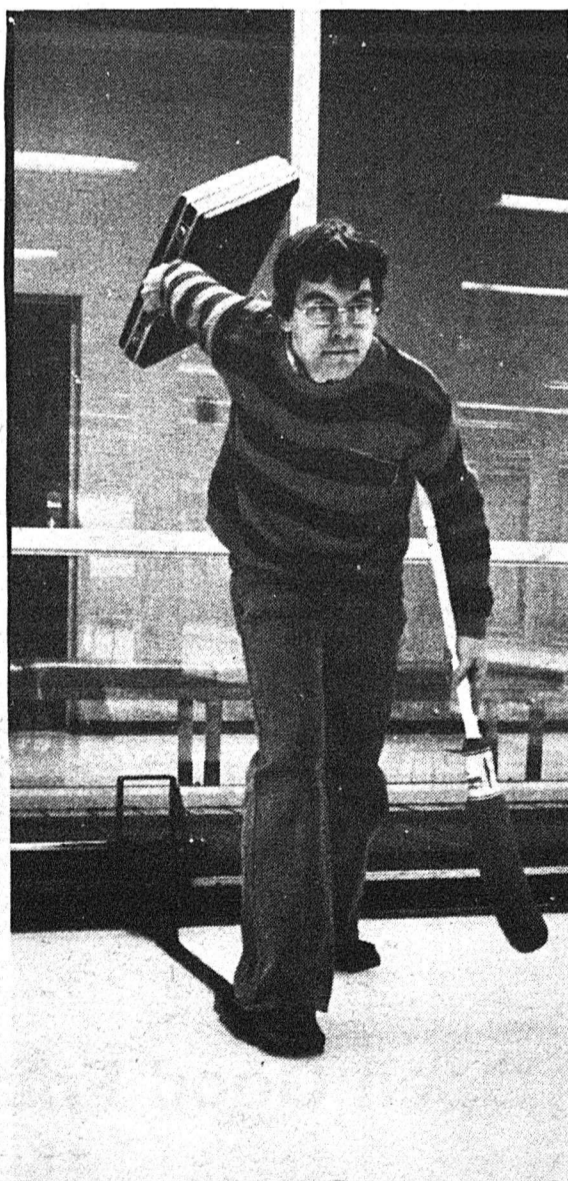
Newcomers to the sport can join the Attache Curling Club, or come down to the SUB curling rink, Wednesday nights to take in a game. Dickens' booklet, on the new game, entitled "Attache case curling - the ins and outs" is available through the Gateway for the price of \$1.00. Send your check or money order, care of the sports editor to Room 282, SUB.



Sweepers await a shot by skip Dickens.



Dickens looks in disbelief as Burke scores "8 ender."



Dickens delivering...

Sport fashions now on display

MONTREAL(CAP) — Sporting history was made here today as the first Sport fashion show was held today in the prestigious Westmount district of Montreal. Many of the big names in the Canadian sporting scene took time out to attend and saw some daring and creative new looks.

Nelson Skalbania, owner of the Edmonton Oilers, was especially interested in the daring new split leg look in hockey pants. Regarded as too formal by some, Skalbania liked the zip-up back which did away with the traditional suspenders.

"God knows, I've tried everything else. I'm tired of the 'old look'. Maybe we should try a new look image," said Nelson as he viewed a pair of pink tassled skates.

Customized helmets, both football and hockey, will be the next 'in' thing, according to designer Lance Queasey. "Well sweetie, the outside decoration will depend entirely on the

player. A lot of football players like those cute little propellers. All the helmets will be lined with satin, though. These boys have soft heads you know."

Toronto Argonaut owner John Bassett took a long look at the new tank top football jerseys. "They keep the player cooler and they're harder for the opposition to hold," explained Bassett. John left in a huff, though, when someone suggested he should get a new team before he got new uniforms.

Basketball was not left out as the new open-toed runner was modelled. "I don't like them," said Brent Patterson of the U of A Bears. "They're too formal and besides, I'll have to wear clean socks."

The show as a whole came off well and was followed by a formal cocktail party at which several people, all of them sportswriters, made complete asses of themselves.