

R. C. Y. C. Officers

R.C.Y.C. BOWLERS HELP THE SOLDIERS

Officers Elected at Annual Meeting—Last Season's Prize Winners.

Secretary Bob McLean had a most hearty welcome when he appeared on behalf of the returned soldiers before the members in the King Edward Hotel at the annual meeting of the Royal Canadian Yacht Club bowlers club. The club voted fifteen pairs of bowls, and uncollected subscribers \$100 to the fund to build greens for the veterans. The R.C.Y.C. officers for the year were elected as follows:

Honorary president, C. McD. Hay; president, H. J. Douglas; vice-president, P. Vale; secretary, N. W. Tovey; committee, Messrs. F. J. Flinders, Dewitt, Munro, Mark, Brown and Holden. The reports showed a successful year, with Dr. Galloway winning the International singles at Buffalo, B. Boulter's rink the consolation at the Granite and the R.C.Y.C. also won the Patterson Cup the first time they competed for it. The club discussed spending an extra \$250 for lighting, but abandoned the project.

Soldiers' Bowling Club Committees Appointed

The special committee of bowlers appointed last week to promote the game for returned soldiers met yesterday and appointed the following sub-committees:

Finance—Sir John Willison, Ald. F. M. Johnston.

Greens—C. E. Boyd, J. W. Evans.

Bowls—M. Jelliffe, H. G. McLean.

Kitchener Bowling Club Elects Officers

Kitchener, April 8.—The Kitchener Lawn Bowling Club held its 16th annual meeting tonight, 24 members being present. Secretary-Treasurer J. A. Weir read the financial statement, showing a credit balance of \$102.58, which was highly gratifying.

Mr. J. A. Weir, who has held the secretaryship, and Mr. Martin Schiedel, who has constituted the ground committee since the inception of the club, were unanimously elected honorary members for life.

The meeting, upon motion, agreed to bestow the freedom of the club upon all returned soldiers. The privilege also is extended to veterans resident at the Front Street Military Hospital.

The officers elected were: Honorary president, D. S. Bowley; president, J. F. Scully; vice-president, G. S. Kerr; secretary-treasurer, J. A. Weir; auditor, H. J. Pearce; grounds committee, Martin Schiedel; games committee, E. Stuebing, W. C. W. Burns, A. W. Voelker; reception committee, H. J. Sims, W. H. Leeson, H. H. Gray. The presentation of club trophies won during the season brought the meeting to a close.

BOWLS FOR THE SOLDIERS.

SPORTING EDITOR WORLD: To show the interest that is quickly being taken in the movement to provide bowling for the returned soldiers, I would say that last evening I received by telephone a donation of two pairs of bowls and a kit from Mr. E. W. Denny, 371 Geoffrey street. Perhaps the publication of this spontaneous donation will be productive of offerings of many more bowls, "cross-eyed" or otherwise, that are now in disuse, but will be gladly received by the committee who are handling the movement, and of which I have the honor to be a member, and duly put to good use by the returned men. Offerings of bowls, etc., should be sent to Mr. R. T. McLean, 24 Lombard street, telephone Main 627.

Morgan Jelliffe, President Victoria Bowling Club.

THE TRIAL OF FRED TONEY.

Nashville, Tenn., April 8.—Conflicting testimony was given today at the trial of Fred Toney, pitcher of the Cincinnati National League Baseball club, who is charged with violation of the Selective Service Act by making false statements in his questionnaire. Witnesses for the state testified that Toney had contributed little to the support of his family, while those for the defence said his family was entirely dependent upon him for support. The defence is expected to complete its testimony tomorrow.

DAN HOWLEY STILL MERELY A VISITOR

Dan Howley was still a visitor at the McCaffery hotel last night, but the caput was not prepared to state that the Montreal catcher had been signed up to pilot the new Maple Leafs. Also, the president had no word concerning his cases before the National Commission. Our prospective manager is slated to spend this week-end with Sammy Lichtenhein in Montreal.

CLEVELAND MUST PAY US FOR PITCHER GOULD

But Transfer of Player to Salt Lake City is Upheld by Commission.

Cincinnati, April 8.—The Cleveland National League Baseball Club today was upheld in its action in transferring Player Gould of the Toronto International League Club to the Salt Lake City Club of the Pacific Coast League, but at the same time the National Baseball Commission ruled that the Cleveland Club is required to once reimburse the Toronto Club for the consideration paid by the latter for the player's release. The Cleveland Club had requested the ruling, owing to the unsettled conditions that have existed in the International League since the close of last season. The Cleveland Club two months ago made an unsuccessful overture to the Toronto Club to transfer the player to the Salt Lake City Club, subject to the Cleveland Club's option.

On April 1, 1918, the commission promulgated a bulletin holding that thru the neglect of the International League, the Cleveland Club had the right to protect its investment in Player Gould by placing him with another club. It is the ruling of the commission that because of the chaotic state of affairs which existed in the International League, the Cleveland Club has the right to protect its investment in Player Gould by placing him with another club. The commission, therefore, directs the player to forthwith report to the Salt Lake Club and directs that club and the Cleveland Club to forthwith file an optional agreement covering his transfer to the Salt Lake Club.

Best Boxing Material for Annual Tournament

Fifty-Six Rounds Next Monday Night in Massey Hall.

The Sportsman's Patriotic Association have gathered together the best boxing material available to contest for flistic supremacy in their annual tournament, which will be held in Massey Hall, Monday, April 15. In all fifty-six rounds of boxing of a high order will be provided, including four bouts at ten rounds, two at six rounds and one at four rounds. In view of the fact that the military authorities are working hand-in-hand with the S. P. A. executive and both organizations are making every effort to provide keen, strongly-contested bouts, an excellent tournament is assured.

In Jake Schiffer, the clever Buffalo youth, who is known to followers of the flistic arena as the "Indian Kid," Frankie Fleming, the Canadian titleholder, will find a worthy opponent. Schiffer, who has stopped many a promising lightweight, has an excellent record. For some time he has been anxious to meet Fleming, and it is certain that he will exercise every atom of strength and strategy that he possesses in order to score a victory.

"Bing" Freeman and "Bilby" McKenize are two well-matched boys, and Frankie Bill and Bob Phyllis can also be counted upon to provide a real, earnest battle. The proceeds of the affair will go to the soldiers, and the fact that in being provided with excellent entertainment and also aiding a most worthy cause should be a double attraction, which would serve to fill the house to capacity.

Vincent Campbell, formerly outfielder of the Newark Federal League club, has been awarded a verdict for \$3875 against while those for the defence said his family was entirely dependent upon him for support. The defence is expected to complete its testimony tomorrow.

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WOULD OPEN TRACKS TO AID RED CROSS

President of Western R. A. Has Plan to Also Encourage Breeding Interests.

Montreal, April 8.—Thomas J. Dugan, president of the Western Racing Association, and secretary of the Back River Jockey Club, who operate Mount Royal and Devonshire Park race tracks, denied the story sent out that betless meetings will be held at those tracks during this summer.

"If we, as well as other racing associations, could make an arrangement with the government to hold racing this season, and follow out the lines of the Kentucky Racing Commission by turning over all net profits to the Canadian Red Cross or Patriotic Funds, we would hold a meeting at each track," said President Dugan.

"While the order-in-council prohibiting organized betting on race tracks stands, we will do nothing in opposition to it. If we were given permission to hold meetings in the interest of breeding and for patriotic purposes, we would be glad to do so, and would invite the government to appoint me to take charge of all money handled by the clubs that I am connected with, and I feel sure other associations would be glad to do the same thing," continued Mr. Dugan.

He also pointed out that brief meetings would go toward encouraging breeding of thoroughbreds in Canada, and that there was a scarcity of such horses at the present time.

Famous English Sculler Interned at the Hague

Among the British civilian prisoners recently released from Germany to The Hague for internment, was a sculler, who lost to Eddie Duran in a three-mile race over the island course, and who was head coach in Germany for the Olympic games when the war began. He was interned on February 15, 1915, with his son.

Played Lacrosse in England Last Month

Corwall, April 8.—In a letter to a friend from Seaford, England, on March 17, Pte. George LeLave, formerly manager of the French Flyer Hockey Club, East Cornwall, who recently left for overseas, says lacrosse is not dead in England, for as soon as the Canadians landed it was lacrosse for them. He says: "We had a good game yesterday with the Engineers and we won out by 8 to 6. Rene Leroux and Lloyd Hart."

Jack Smith, outfielder, has signed a contract for the 1918 season with the St. Louis Nationals, according to President Branch Rickey. Smith was a holdout.

No doubt from the viewpoint of the promoter looking for financial results the celebrated pitchers' looms as the better drawing card because of the fact that he has been before the public longer and is better known.

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However, based on the pugilistic merits of Fulton and Dempsey the Utah boy should shade the advantage of the Minnesotan. Dempsey, decisively defeated Carl Morris, something that Fulton signally failed to accomplish.

In addition, Dempsey stopped Bill Brennan, and Fulton has never beaten so good a man as the Chicago knockout.

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These two contenders should have met in the ring and thus decided which was entitled to meet Willard, and the failure of both Fulton and Willard to insist on such procedure is evidence that neither the champion nor his chief challenger has any fervid desire for a meeting with the newcomer. Willard no doubt regarded Fulton as the less dangerous.

OLD JOD JEANNETTE TO TRY COME-BACK
New York, April 8.—With boxing legalized in New Jersey, a large crop of native sons who have at one time or another been prominent in the country's flistic affairs, are preparing for an active season in the roped arena. Charles Weiner, the Newark Adonis, who skidded last season after being stopped by Fred Fulton, has assembled his training crew and hid himself off to the orange mountains, there to condition himself for an attempt to come back in New Jersey ring.

Another veteran boxer who is ready to take a deft to all heavyweights of the state, Jeannette, who in his prime was one of the greatest negro boxers, has laid claim to the heavyweight championship of New Jersey and is seeking matches with Weiner, Bartley, Madden or any of the other big maulers of the commonwealth.

Pitcher Scott Perry is back in the big show again. It seems that immediately after signing with Atlanta he was transferred to Connie Mack, who will give him a trial at Jacksonville.

T. & D. SENIORS TO PLAY IN TWO GROUPS

Schedules to Be Drawn Up This Week, With First Game Late This Month.

A special meeting of the delegates of the T. & D. F.A. was held in Sons of England Hall last night to decide on the disposition of the senior league for the coming season. There being fifteen senior teams, it was found impossible to complete the schedule, if played in one league and allow for cup competition within the prescribed season, as set by the Ontario Football Association. The matter was thoroughly discussed, and it was finally decided to divide the teams into two groups, the winners of each group to play off for the league championship. The formation of the groups is as follows:

Group 1 (8):
Dunlop Rubber, Royal Can. Drag, Ulster United, Sons of England, Toronto St. Ry., Base Hospital, British Imperial, R.F.C. Repair Park, Barcap, Can. Army Gym, Wilby Overland, R.F.C. Stores Dept., 48th Highlanders, Old Country, R.F.C. School of M.A.

The junior league is composed of the following teams: Linfield (last season's champions), Linfield Rovers, Anglo-Scotts, St. David's, St. Cyrans, Parkdale Rangers and Davisville.

The schedule will be drawn up this week, and the first league games will be played on April 27. Steve Walker, who had been under suspension for last season, applied for reinstatement, which was granted.

Ulster United Football Club want a game for Saturday next. Phone College 624, or write R. Leitch, 151 Denison avenue.

United States Soccer Finals

New York, April 8.—At a special meeting of the national challenge cup committee of the United States Football Association, the principal business was the selection of the ground for playing off the final for the national challenge cup. President Thomas Bagwell presided. Other members present were Thomas W. Cahill, secretary; Andrew M. Brown, Bayonne, N. J., and Joe Booth, Bridgeport, Conn. After considering the bid for less expenses from the West Hudsons for Clark's Athletic Field, Newark, N. J., the committee decided to accept the bid for the final at Clark's Athletic Field, Newark, N. J., the game to be played on April 12, the game to be played at 2.30 p.m. The game will be for the benefit of the large crowd who will see what promises to be the most brilliant contest in the history of the game. A protest lodged by the Lynn Hibernians, who lost to the fourth round U. S. F. A. cup last Saturday against Fall River Rovers by 5 to 0 on the grounds of the Lynn Hibernians, was not considered.

The scheduled game for the West Hudsons was postponed for 45 minutes after the scheduled time for the kick-off was thrown out by the committee, who found that the rules had been compiled with and that the late start was caused by the fact that the Lynn Hibernians had no control.

In the event of the Fall River Rovers being successful in their semi-final against the West Hudsons the final tie will be played in the New England district on April 27, but if the West Hudsons emerge winners the final will be staged in this district on April 28.

PROVINCIAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

The Provincial Football League met last night and decided to play the Quebec team at Varsity Stadium on May 25. The C.N.W. League was admitted to membership. The league have taken possession of the Appleton avenue grounds.

Dope Makes Dempsey Better Than Fulton

New York, April 8.—While Col. Miller was making a strong effort to create the belief that Fred Fulton was more deserving than Jack Dempsey of the title.

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Poethlyn Wins Grand National

New York, April 8.—The Grand National, the famous English steeplechase classic, was run off on March 23 on the Gatwick course and won by Mrs. H. Peet's Poethlyn, ridden by Pigott. F. Hunt's Captain Dreyfus, Reardon, was second, and Sir George Sulough's Ballymacod, who won last year, with Anthony in the saddle, third. Ally Sloper, the winner in 1915, unimpaired his rider at the second obstacle, and Waverley came down at the fence before the first open ditch. Vermont won the first open ditch. The betting was Poethlyn, 5 to 1; Captain Dreyfus, 20 to 1, and Ballymacod, 17 to 1. Escoff trained the winner.

DECIDES TO HOLD BOXING TOURNEY

Ontario Branch Will Also Give Special Attention to Amateur Baseball.

The many amateur boxers, military and civil, who have been in training in anticipation of the Ontario championships, not to be disappointed, as it has been decided to carry out the tournament, unless the Amateur Athletic Union suspends the Ontario championships, about the end of this month, the Arena being the venue for the bouts. At the city fairs, who promote the sport many boxers are working out, and a lot of new talent is being developed. The Ontario branch will have a better opportunity now than ever before, and the approaching tournament is another matter engaging the attention of this point of view. It was felt at last night's meeting of the registration committee of the Ontario Branch of the Union that it was imperative for the encouragement of boxing that the season should be marked by the holding of the proposed tourney.

The outlook for the baseball season was another matter engaging the attention of last night's meeting, and all reports were of the most encouraging character. The remarkable success attending the operations of the Toronto and Hamilton Amateur Baseball Associations has been a great factor in stimulating interest in other parts of the country, and similar organizations are in contemplation in various baseball centres, where the sport needs only the support of like bodies to achieve like progress. The activities of the Ontario Union will be largely extended in this direction during the next few weeks, and the game placed on the most substantial foundation for its permanency as an organized branch of amateur sport.

The Ontario Branch will give the services of its organization to assist the sporting gathering for the entertainment of the "Original Fire," early next month.

FIGHTS LAST NIGHT

At Minneapolis—Billy Miske of St. Paul won a technical knockout over Tom Cowler, English heavyweight, in the seventh round of a scheduled ten-round, no-decision contest. After the English boxer had been knocked down twice for the count of nine, the referee stopped the fight to save Cowler from further punishment.

At Chelsea, Mass.—Phil Bloom of Brooklyn, N.Y., was disqualified in the seventh round by a technical knockout with Patsy Cline of New York for holding Cline with one hand and hitting with the other. In the third round, Cline was knocked down by heavy swings to the jaw.

At Philadelphia—Benny Leonard, the lightweight champion, completely outclassed Young Joe Borro of this city in a scheduled six-round bout here. The local man was given a bad beating.

At Chicago—Eddie McGorty of Oshkosh, Wis., making his first appearance in the ring since his return from Australia, knocked out Frankie Brennan of Detroit in the second round of a scheduled ten-round bout. Brennan was knocked down twice in the first round. The men are middleweights.

Charley Hollocher, shortstop candidate with the Chicago Cubs, seems to have won his berth, in spite of fears that too much boasting would hurt his chances.

S.O.E. CARPETBALL

Standing of the eastern district Sons of England Carpetball League to date: Team. W. L. T. Pts.

Manchester 11 3 0 22
St. George 10 3 0 20
Shrewsbury 9 3 0 18
Waverley 8 4 0 16
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