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Toronto Hockey League Will Fight for the Rinks

The Toronto Hockey League, the largest outdoor organization in the world, held an important meeting last night, when every member of the executive was present, also delegates from over 100 clubs. The meeting was the most important in the league's career, as the league decided unanimously on legal advice, that the Toronto Amateur Hockey Association could not control the city outdoor rinks, and decided to fight same for the citizens' rights. The following resolution was adopted:

not to recognize such an organization, for at least this year, and that any action taken in connection with the affiliation would have to come before the annual meeting of the league, which will not be held for another 12 months. Further resolved that all members of clubs being composed of taxpayers and sons of taxpayers have an equal right to use the municipal hockey cushions. And further that it is contrary to law and ultra vires of the representatives of the city to delegate their powers to any body whatsoever to keep players off the rinks supported by the funds of the taxpayers, and that the best interests of hockey are served by all boys and small clubs not affiliated with any league having the privilege of using the city hockey cushions.

VARITY AND DENTS.

Tonight Varsity and Dents meet in the senior S. P. A. series. The Dents, as holders of the cup, have already been seen in real action. Varsity, an challenger, are regarded as one of the strong teams on the O. H. A. list. Next Wednesday Argonauts have a try at the trophy, and tomorrow week Kitchener.

GREENLEAF BILLIARD CHAMPION.

Philadelphia, Dec. 12.—E. Ralph Greenleaf of Wilmington, Del., won the pocket billiard championship of the United States tonight by defeating Edward J. Ralph, Nighthawk, N. J., 125 to 83 in the national American pocket billiard tournament. Greenleaf has one game to play, but even though he should lose this match he would still win the title. He has won eight straight.

GUELPH UNIONS ARE READY FOR SEASON

Guelph, Ont., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—The annual meeting of the Guelph Union Curling Club was held this evening at Victoria Rink. There was a fair attendance, and the following officers were elected: President, J. A. Lillie; vice-president, L. Watts; secretary-treasurer, W. W. Stuart; executive committee, W. B. Taylor, F. R. Johnston, T. Sanders, J. Smith and T. Spalding. Plans were discussed for the season's curling, and an effort will be made for a series of games with the Royal City Club.

SUSPENDED PLAYERS HAVE SOME SUCCESS

Of the suspended players the cases of the Ontario Branch, A.A.U. Smith and Farr must stay out a year, while McCaffery will get his certificate. Newmarket was reinstated. The senior clubs were grouped as follows:

- Group No. 1—Games to be arranged by O.H.A. executive. Clubs—Hamilton, Dentals, Aura, Lee, Varsity, Balm Beach.
- Group No. 2—Games to be arranged by the O.H.A. executive. Clubs—Kitchener, Granites, Argonauts, Parkdale, Don Ewing Club.

Parkdale ice skating rink, Dundas street at Dufferin, is fast getting into shape and will be ready for skating shortly.

O. H. A. GROUPS IN THREE SERIES

Seniors, Intermediates and Juniors Listed by Executive Committee.

The Ontario Hockey Association executive committee met last night and discussed business that lasted well on till this morning. They grouped the three series and then heard those disqualified seniors who asked to have their cases presented.

Intermediate Series.
Group No. 1—Convener—J. P. Fleming, 235 Earl street, Kingston. Meet at Kingston.
Section A—Clubs—Kingston, Royal Military College, Queen's University.
Section B—Belleville, Trenton, Picton.
Convener—J. S. Walden, Cobourg. Meet at Oshawa.
Clubs—Cobourg, Port Hope, Oshawa, Bowmanville, Whitby.
Group No. 2—Convener—Frank R. Gordon, Peterboro. Meet at Peterboro.
Clubs—Peterboro, Lindsay, Cannington.
Group No. 3—Convener—A. O. Murray, Aurora. Meet at Aurora.
Clubs—Aurora, Newmarket, Schomberg.
Group No. 4—Convener—H. Snyder, Brampton. Meet at Brampton.
Clubs—Brampton, Weston, Bolton.
Group No. 5—Convener—Paul A. Fisher, Burlington. Meet at Burlington.
Clubs—Milton, Burlington, Hamilton II.
Group No. 6—Convener—T. A. Lanning, Port Colborne. Meet at Welland.
Clubs—Niagara Falls, Port Colborne, Welland.
Group No. 7—Convener—E. Brophy, Woodstock. Meet at Woodstock.
Clubs—Woodstock, Ingersoll, Paris, Simcoe, Tillsonburg.
Group No. 8—Convener—Ross V. McGuire, Thamesville. Meet at Thamesville.
Clubs—Dutton, Blenheim, Glencoe, Thamesville.
Group No. 9—Convener—H. H. Ferguson, London. Meet at London.
Clubs—London, Watford, Sarnia, Strathroy.
Group No. 10—Convener—Wm. Eason, Stratford. Meet at Stratford.
Clubs—Stratford, Seaford, Mitchell, St. Mary's, Milverton, Stratford.
Group No. 11—Convener—Roy Killax, Gravenhurst. Meet at Gravenhurst.
Clubs—Huntsville, Bracebridge, Gravenhurst, Parry Sound, Depot Harbor.
Convener—H. H. Lucas, Markdale. Meet at Markdale.
Clubs—Wawan, Owen Sound, Markdale, Dundalk.
Group No. 12—Northern Ontario Hockey Association. Toronto Hockey League.
Group No. 13—Toronto Playgrounds' Association. Junior Series.
Group No. 14—Convener—J. P. Fleming, 235 Earl street, Kingston.
Clubs—Kingston, Queen's, Royal Military College, Belleville.
Group No. 15—Convener—E. Gorman, Peterboro. Meet at Peterboro.
Clubs—Trenton, Picton, Lindsay, Peterboro.
Group No. 16—Convener—J. S. Walden, Cobourg. Meet at Oshawa.
Clubs—Whitby, Oshawa, Bowmanville.
Group No. 17—Convener—F. J. Mulqueen, Upper Canada College.
Clubs—University of Toronto Schools, St. Andrew's, Upper Canada College, St. Michael's College, De la Salle C.I.
Group No. 18—Schedule arranged by O.H.A. executive.
Clubs—University of Toronto, Aura Lee, Parkdale C.C., Toronto C.C.
Group No. 19—Convener—A. G. Fry, Dunnville. Meet at Dunnville.
Clubs—Welland, Dunnville.
Group No. 20—Convener—M. J. Brophy, Woodstock. Meet at Woodstock.
Clubs—Woodstock, Paris, London, Orientals, Tillsonburg, St. Thomas.
Group No. 21—Convener—Wm. Eason, Stratford. Meet at Stratford.
Clubs—Section A—Stratford, Seaford, St. Mary's, Section B—Galt, Preston, Kitchener, Elora.
Group No. 22—Convener—A. Gibb, Collingswood. Meet at Collingswood.
Clubs—Collingswood, Stayner, Meaford.
Group No. 23—Convener—A. B. Copeland, Midland. Meet at Barrie.
Clubs—Midland, Orillia, Bracebridge, Barrie, Bradford.
Group No. 24—Convener—H. H. Lucas, Markdale. Meet at Markdale.
Clubs—Owen Sound, Markdale, Shelburne.
Group No. 25—Northern Ontario Hockey Association.

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HOCKEY GOSSIP

At an enthusiastic meeting held recently the Dominion Bank organized its hockey club for the coming season, and has entered a strong team in the Bank Hockey League. This bank has always had a notable hockey record, and during the past twenty-five years or more has had many outstanding players on its teams. At present it holds both the senior and intermediate cups, emblematic of the championship of the Bank Hockey League.

The following are the officers elected for the ensuing season: Honorary president, Mr. Clarence A. Bogert; hon. vice-presidents, Messrs. Arthur Pepler, Evan A. Essey, King Pearce, Wm. C. MacAsky; hon. patrons, city branch managers; president, Mr. J. W. B. Walsh; vice-president, Mr. Dudley Dawson; hon. secretary-treasurer, Mr. Baptist L. Johnston; manager, Mr. Frank R. Cochrane. A captain will later on be elected by the team.

St. Francis seniors and juniors will practice at Little Vic this afternoon from 3 to 4. A full turnout of both teams is requested, and players are asked to be ready to go on the ice at 3 o'clock.

The game between St. Michael's College and Yale University on Jan. 3 will be the most important of the year for the Clover Hill Collegians to company higher than junior. The gradual growth of the college has made it possible to return to higher ranks and for the present season a team has been entered in the intermediate intercollegiate. The game, which will be held on the 13th, will be a stellar hockey game, because it will largely be an old boys' game. The college has turned out many stellar hockey players, some of these will wear the light and dark blue colors once again when the college meets Yale, Frank Moore, formerly of the Barrie Colts, and this year with T.C.C., will be the guardian of group championship to St. Mike's in the interscholastic series.

A Seattle despatch says: "Cully" Wilson, the star of the Seattle team, will wear the colors of Toronto in the eastern Canada league this year. Wilson signed with the eastern club yesterday and left this morning for his next berth. There is a possibility of Roy Riskey, the big defence man, going east with Wipley Riskey, the property of Seattle, but he has not come to terms with Seattle as yet, and yesterday he received an offer to play with the same team that signed Wilson.

Newsy Lalonde, the veteran hockey player, turned in his contract to the Canadian team in the N. H. L. for the tenth successive year. Lalonde will again be captain of the team. So far the following men have signed Canadian contracts: Lalonde, Donald Smith, H. McNamara, Berinquette and Verzina.

Granite and Parkdale seniors held a combination workout at the Arena last night and staged a fast thirty-minute practice game. Parkdale were without Nelson Stewart and Etherington and each club scored one goal.

Toronto Canoe Club juniors had a fast practice. Coach Carroll is teaching the boys to combine, and the following look good: defence, Conacher, Workers, Moore; forwards, Burch, McCurry and Tex White, with Shaw and Barnes as the subs.

De la Salle worked out again yesterday. Scotty Cawkell is showing improvement with each practice. At the present time the team looks like the following: Goal, not chosen; defence, Griffin and Cawkell; forwards, Malone, Stedman, Donohue, and Harrington and Turner the spares.

Kitchener play an exhibition game in Port Colborne tonight.

Frank Knight was out with Argonauts yesterday, and has not decided just where he will play this season. He may land with Dentals. Moffat, the western player, joined the double bus last evening and the squad was divided into two

BASKETBALL

Last night, on Baracas floor, Christ Church defeated St. Stephens, last year's Inter-Church league city champions, in a league basketball game, 23-14. The game was featured by close checking and the dazzling speed and combination of Christ Church, offset the advantage of their heavier opponents, who, although defeated, seemed to come from the first, fought to the last minute. Christ Church were without the services of their star defence man, Pete Barton, who was previously injured. The lineup was as follows:

Christ Church (23): Forwards, G. Thompson, D. Hooper; centre, N. Fotts; defence, M. Howard, E. Thompson, and D. North.

St. Stephens (14): Forwards, W. West, J. Moore; centre, Penstone; defence, Young and Duffie.

Inter-Church League basketball, midweek series, last night: Bathurst Street Methodist 43, College Street Presbyterian 24.

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Lawn Bowlers' Fivepin League Elect Officers

The Toronto Lawn Bowlers' Fivepin League held its third annual meeting last night, when the following officers were elected:

Hon. president, T. H. Lister; president, Norman Brown; secretary-treasurer, H. C. Howatson; executive committee, J. T. McKinlay, Dr. J. T. Phair, F. L. Barcard, H. W. McCurdy.

The league is a very strong one, the lawn bowling clubs of both the east and west parts of the city being represented. The Kew Beach Club won the first championship, and their sister club, Balm Beach, was declared the victors last year, but the men of the west say that the web-footed swamp dwellers from the Don will be "also rans" this season. Three schedules will be played. The first is in September. It is the feeling that the Rusholmes pretty nearly giving them their heads in the last game. The second schedule started last Monday night, and a cup will be competed for, which in the future will be emblematic of the Toronto Lawn Bowling Fivepin League championship.

RINK OF BOWLERS READY FOR THE OLYMPIC GAMES

It has not been yet announced that a lawn bowling competition is to be an Olympic program, but if so Dr. Gallanough, the champion skip, winner of the Water trophy, will likely send a rink to Switzerland, where he is sure to find keen opposition from British teams that would be sure to take the trip.

O. R. F. U. ANNUAL TODAY.

The annual meeting of the Ontario Rugby Football Union is to be held this afternoon at the Central Y. M. C. College street. President DeGruchy will call the delegates to order at 2.30. The majority of the officers will be filled by acclamation. The most important item on the program is the amendment to change the date of the annual meeting to early in September. It is the feeling that the holding of the annual after the season, as at present, is wrong, as all interest in rugby is forgotten and the delegates do not attend as they should. With the annual meeting in September, the report of the secretary will show the past season a good one in the matter of club competing and games played, while there is a balance on the right side of the ledger to start next season.

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SATURDAY'S OLD COUNTRY SOCCER

The old country soccer games today are:

English League, Division 1.
Bolton v. Bradford City.
Bradford v. Preston N. E.
Burnley v. Oldham.
Chelsea v. Arsenal.
Derby v. Blackburn R.
Liverpool v. Middlesbrough.
Manchester U. v. Aston Villa.
Newcastle v. Sheffield U.
Nottingham v. Everton.
Sheffield Wed. v. Sunderland.
West Bromwich v. Manchester C.
English League, Division 2.
Birmingham v. Stoke.
Blackpool v. Huddersfield.
Clapton O. v. Notts Forest.
Grimsby v. Bristol City.
Bristol v. Bury.
Lincoln v. Hull.
Rotherham v. Leicester.
South Shields v. Barnsley.
Stockport v. Wolverhampton.
Tottenham v. Fulham.
West Ham v. Coventry.
Yeovil v. Exeter.
Bristol R. v. Southampton.
Brentford v. Swansea.
Crystal Pal. v. Rangers.
Merry Town v. Gillingham.
Northampton v. Swindon.
Norwich v. Exeter.
Newport v. Northampton.
Plymouth v. Luton.
Portsmouth v. Millwall.
Southend v. Cardiff.
Walford v. Reading.

Scottish League.
Airdrieonians v. Celtic.
Ayr United v. Morton.
Clyde v. Queen's Park.
Clydebank v. Rangers.
Dunfermline v. Raith Rovers.
Falkirk v. Hearts.
Hamilton v. Albion Rovers.
Hibernians v. Kilmarnock.
Partick T. v. Motherwell.
St. Mirren v. Dumbarton.
Third Lanark v. Aberdeen.

SOCCER NOTES.

The Crescent F.C. meet Linfield Rovers at Frankland School today for the juvenile championship of the T. & D. League. These teams met last Saturday at Lappin avenue with the Crescents coming out winners by 3-2. They are expected to run thru Linfield, providing it's a good day, and are expecting their star full-backs, J. Gray and H. Frost, to hold the Linfield forwards at bay. The lineup for today will be: A. Gray, Frost, J. Gray, Martin, Cook, Addis, McGregor, Stokes, Berry, Simpson, Jackson, Rees, Harvey, Holden, Coulter.

Linfield Rovers and Crescents will play their final game today at Frankland School grounds, kick-off at 2.15. Linfield Rovers will line-up as follows: Barry, Brodie, Davis, Bullock, Heintzman, Williamson, Helegh, Graham, Waywood, Woolcott, Tiley, Prescott, Traillman, Clarke, B. Waygood and Harrisman, Referee, A. Kerr.

The first game meet of the Toronto Swimming Club will be held Monday evening at 8 o'clock in Harrison Baths, Queen and McCaul streets.