

and Glasgow House teams, of the Commercial League, Regina, developed into one of the hottest battles seen thus far in the league. At half-time the score was tied at one to one. Two to two was the verdict when full time was declared to be up. It was decided to play two five-minute periods of over-time, the teams to change goals at the expiration of five minutes. It was in this period that the Mailmen seemed to lose their stamina, and they fell before the awful onslaught of the Storemen. Three goals were scored by the Williams' boys in that length of time, and by their victory the Glasgow seven pulled themselves into third place in the league standing. Martin, at centre, was the star of the Government team.

In this league is a team called Civil Service, being made up of members of the Provincial Service. This team leads the league.

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The Ottawa Ski Club are making great preparations for the championship meet on Feb. 28th. Neat little membership tickets have been issued, admitting member and lady. May the fates grant that the weather conditions be "right." Then there will be a crowd worthy of the Capital of Canada.

Some day Canada will produce competitors in this exhilarating sport, who will be able to hold their own with their Scandinavian brothers. One of the most promising youngsters in Ottawa is the lad Ketchum, who is a son of H. S. Ketchum, formerly one of the most noted lacrosse players of the Capital.

That fine old scientific pastime, fencing, is receiving an impetus in Eastern Canada of late. The recent visit of the team from the Montreal A. A. A. to the Capital did much to advance it.

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The extreme to which the hockey craze has reached, even with the very youngest, may be noted from the following dialogue, which was actually overheard in Ottawa recently. (The italics are ours):

Time: Saturday a.m.

Billie (aged 7) to Jimmie (aged 8, captain of team):

"What time's de match this morning, Jimmie?"

"11 o'clock."

"Got your *men* together?"

"All 'cept Claude."

(N.B.—Claude is aged 5 and goal-keeper—wealthy parents).

"What's de matter wit him? Too proud?"

"No. *His nurse won't let him out.*"

Ottawa C. S. Hockey League.

Interior and West Block clashed in the opening game of the season at Gladstone avenue on the evening of Jan. 15th, and they provided a splendid contest for the opener. Interior appeared with a strong line-up, including Jack Ryan, C. Slack and Silver Quilty, and they proved to be too strong for West Block, defeating them by the score of 3 to 0. This game was the cleanest played this season, and it is to be hoped the other clubs will endeavor to follow this example.

Interior and Customs met on the latter's ice at Parc Royal on Jan. 16th. This game proved to be a very hard fought affair, neither team having tallied at the end of the hour's play, the game ending 0 to 0. Guy Boyce joined Interior for this game, and a strong team took the ice to represent that department, but Customs held them off gamely, and the match ended with the above result.

Bureau and Post Office figured in a game on the opening date of the season, Jan. 15th, at Parc Royal, the result of which was a tie, 3 to 3. The contest was a close, hard-checking affair, with plenty of good play, and was watched with interest by a large crowd. Eight minutes' overtime were played, but still the tie remained unbroken, and it was decided to let it stand as that. This was a most interesting game.

On Jan. 20th Bureau and Customs met at Parc Royal in a game, which, unfortunately, resulted in a dispute. Things had progressed splendidly until on into the second half, when, with the score 5 to 1 for Customs, a dispute arose over a penalty, and the game was not finished. The league executive has ordered the teams to meet again and play the time remaining unplayed from the disputed game, the score, 5 to 1 for Customs, to stand.

The Customs and Post Office teams provided a good encounter in their match at Parc Royal on Jan. 26th. There was hard checking and clean play throughout, but Customs proved too strong for their opponents, the game ending 5 to 0 in their favor.

Interior and Bureau met at the Gladstone avenue rink on Jan. 29th.

An athletic association has been formed among the members of the Dominion Observatory staff. In view of the fact that many employees of that department participate in almost every line of sport, it was decided that this association be organized and the officers have signified their intention of placing teams in every league in which the other departments of the Government are represented. They have already a crack bowling team in the Civil Service Bowling League, and while it is now too late to enter the Civil Service Hockey League this year, they will do so