Hockey Toronto 8 Ottawa 2 — Curling Today for Tankard — Soccer Officers Elected

BLUE SHIRTS ROMP HOME WITH VICTORY

Defeat Ottawa, Eight to Two, in Pro Game at Arena.

Charlie Querrie's blue shirts just walked away from the Ottawa Senators last night. The final count was 8 to 2 and just about indicates the margin in the play. Both Noble and Cameron were in the fray and Noble has seldom played better hockey. He was all over the ice, checking like a hornet, and his work in passing the Ottawa defence was smooth.

Sprague Cleghorn failed to arrive in time for the game and the same squad did the battling for the locals. Ottawa only took a brace in the latter half of the second round and put in their best licks here. The blue shirts checked well, showed a strong defence and had system to their attack. The comedy was supplied by Goaler Benedict of the Ottawas when he went up the ice with the rubber, and the fans thought he was going all the way to score. He stopped at mid-ice.

Cyril Dennenay arrived with a grouch and nearly got himself into trouble trying to carve Mummery and Randall. Nothing serious happened. Frank Nighbor stepped into the fray for the visitors and played a fair sort of a game. The smallest crowd of the pro. season viewed the fixture.

Ottawa opened like a lot of stale race horses and lagged for the first period. The locals had speed, checked nicely and went in close. Their work got four goals and the visitors went scoreless. Torontos got a goal during the first half of the second period and then the Senators opened out and attacked in force. They got two goals before the period was over, leaving it 5 to 2.

The Ottawa brace was only a flash in the pan and they eased back to their scoreless brand in the last session. The blue shirts were satisfied with three goals, and the final count stood 8 to 2.

The teams:

Ottawa (2)	Position.	Toronto (8)
Benedict	Goal	Holmes
Shore	Defence	Mummery
Ritchie	Defence	Cameron
Gerrard	Centre	Randall
Darragh	Right	Skinner
Cy. Dennenay	Left	Noble

Referee—Lou Marsh.

Judge of play—Steve Vair.

Substitutes—Ottawa, Boucher, Nighbor; Toronto, Meeking, Cor. Dennenay, Marks.

The summary:

—First Period.—

1. Toronto	Noble	5.00
2. Toronto	Dennenay	3.00
3. Toronto	Mummery	3.00
4. Toronto	Noble	2.00

—Second Period.—

5. Toronto	Randall	7.00
6. Ottawa	Dennenay	7.00
7. Ottawa	Darragh	3.00

—Third Period.—

8. Toronto	Cameron	2.00
9. Toronto	Skinner	3.00
10. Toronto	Noble	14.00

GOOD-BYE TO CHARLIE.

The hockey managers and newspapermen tendered a complimentary dinner to Charles E. Huston at the St. Charles Hotel. Mr. Huston, who has been the manager of the Arena for two years, left last night for Ottawa to join the food controller's staff. Mr. Huston made many friends while manager of the big ice rink and the dinner was given as a small token of the esteem in which he is held. A Masonic ring was presented to the guest of honor and the many speeches told of the sorrow at his leaving.

THE DECIDING GAME.

De La Salle and Aura Lee will stage their fourth meeting at the Arena on Friday night. Aura Lee won on Saturday night and will have to turn in another victory on Friday to tie up the group.

KINGSTON WINS GROUP.

Belleville, Feb. 4.—In a junior O. H. A. game here tonight between Kingston and Belleville the locals were defeated by a score of 11 to 3. Kingston won the group by 11 goals on the round.

Belleville.		Kingston.
Beech	Goal	Connell
Weir	L. Defence	McKilrey
P. Smith	R. Defence	McLaughlin
Canning	Centre	Shorell
Holloway	L. Wing	Elmer
Coon	R. Wing	Gratton
Smith	Sub	Brown

Referee—Bob Hewitson, Toronto.

JACK CROOKS PASSES.

St. Louis, Feb. 4.—Jack (King) Crooks, veteran second-baseman of the old St. Louis Nationals, died here today. Crooks played with Chris von der Ahe's team in 1889 and 1890.

HOCKEY MENU TODAY'S GAMES

O.H.A.
—Senior.—
Crescents at Dentals, 8.30 p.m.
—Intermediate.—
Oshawa at Whitby.
Port Colborne at Dunnville.
Beaches League.
—Junior.—
Grand Trunks at Victorias.
Century Rovers at N. Toronto.
—Juvenile.—
Arpacs at Century Rovers.
Riversides at Beaches.
—Midget.—
Century Rovers at Crescents.

HOCKEY SCORES

N. H. L.
Toronto.....8 Ottawa.....2
O. H. A.
—Senior.—
Kitchener.....22 London.....3
—Junior.—
U.T.S.....7 St. Andrews.....2
Kingston.....11 Belleville.....3
Northern League.
—Junior.—
Palmerston.....5 Mount Forest.....2
Playgrounds League.
—Senior.—
Riverdale.....5 Carlton Park.....0
McCormick.....4 Moss Park.....2
—Senior Business Boys.—
E. Riverdale.....4 Leslie Grove.....0
—Juvenile.—
McCormick.....6 Elizabeth.....3
Wilson League.
—Junior.—
Dufferins.....9 Adanacs.....3
Beaches League.
—Intermediate.—
St. Francis.....1 Western A.C.....0
—Juvenile.—
Emanuel A.C.....18 River, Beavers.....3
Capitals.....8 Tecumsehs.....0
—Junior.—
Excelsiors.....2 St. Francis.....1
Exhibition.
N.Y. Wanderers..4 Sons of Ireland..0

KITCHENER SWAMP LONDON MILITARY

Winners Show Marvelous Speed and Combination in Western Senior Games.

Kitchener, Feb. 4.—The champions of group No. 2 showed their class here tonight when the Kitchener seniors defeated the strengthened London military sextet by a score of 22 to 3. The one-sided score is no indication of the game, as both teams played the fastest kind of hockey, but the locals showed superior combination and speed. The local forward division shot with deadly effect and Shuter, the London goalkeeper, was the busiest man on the ice. Ruppel scored two of the visitors' goals on single-handed rushes, and White got the third. Each of the Kitchener team figured in the scoring, with the exception of Hainsworth.

The locals started the scoring in the first period, when Hiller notched two in four minutes. Ruppel scored for London a minute later. Solomon followed with three and Parkes with one before the gong sounded. In the second period the visitors kept the scoring machine out of the nets for 12 minutes and both teams appeared to be evenly matched. Parkes broke the spell by a single-handed rush and followed with another two minutes later. Hiller and Solomon also scored, after which Ruppel rushed thru the local team and also beat Hainsworth with a tally for London.

It was all Kitchener in the final period and twelve goals were tallied, while White of the soldiers got the third goal for his team. The game was clean, only four penalties being meted out, Ruppel getting two and Klaehn and Hiller one each. The line-up:

London (3)		Kitchener (22)
Shuter	Goal	Hainsworth
White and Sandercock	Centre	Ruppel
Rose	Right wing	Klaehn
Crouchman	Left wing	Solomon
Parkes	Sub.	Leroux

Referee—Lew Brown, Toronto.

TOURISTS BEATEN.

New York, Feb. 4.—The Wanderers' hockey team of New York defeated the Sons of Ireland seven of Montreal here tonight by four goals to none.

VARSITY SCHOOLS DOWN ST. ANDREWS

Have Easy Time in Prep College Group Fixture —The Details.

University Schools will have to show improvement if they intend to win the honors of the prep. college group. While U.T.S. downed St. Andrews, 7 to 2, in their fixture yesterday, the work of the Varsity School was far from finished. They were sadly lacking in clean-cut work around the net, and a smart checking team would have kept them out.

Yesterday's result leaves the title fight up to Friday's game between U.T.S. and Upper Canada. If U.T.S. can win, it will leave a three-cornered tie, but a victory for U.C.C. will give them the honors. This is always providing that St. Michaels run true to form and down St. Andrews on Wednesday. A win for the Scotchmen would put the Saints out of it, and a Friday win for U.T.S. would leave the latter tied with U.C.C.

Frank Sullivan was the bright light for the winners. He checked like a real fellow, and he had the St. Andrews defence dizzy trying to keep him out. U.T.S. were much the better, but can brush up on their passing and the carrying of the rubber when at close quarters. Only two goals were scored in the first period, and both of these went to the winners.

St. Andrews got the only goal of the second round, and it was due to Cameron's good work in the net that U.T.S. were held scoreless. Cameron stopped shot after shot when the U.T.S. forwards had the defence beaten.

U.T.S. simply ran away from the Scotchmen in the last period and scored five goals while S.A.C. were getting one. The teams:

U.T.S.—(7)—Goal, J. Sullivan; defence, Munro and Rowell; centre, Aggett; right, Gunn; left, F. Sullivan; sub., Boulter.

St. Andrews (2)—Goal, Cameron; defence, Beath and Syer; centre, Patton; right, Gordon; left, McMullen; sub., Heap.

Referee—Steve Vair.

The Summary.

—First Period.—

1. U.T.S.	Sullivan	12.00
2. U.T.S.	Sullivan	6.00

—Second Period.—

3. St. Andrews	Patton	15.00

—Third Period.—

4. U.T.S.	Munro	4.00
5. U.T.S.	Gunn	1.00
6. U.T.S.	Munro	2.00
7. St. Andrews	Patton	7.00
8. U.T.S.	Sullivan	4.00
9. U.T.S.	Sullivan	1.00

CRESCENTS MUST WIN TO STAY IN FIGHT

Dentals and Crescents stage their second meeting of the season tonight at the Arena, and after the great contest they staged two weeks ago it is expected that another large crowd will turn out to watch the champions and contenders battle for the group honors. It will be remembered that it was only a great rush on the part of Dents in the latter stages of the game that gave them victory in the first contest. The Crescent supporters point out that their team has improved enough since that time to hand the Allan Cup holders a trouncing, and they expect to pull up on even terms with the champions with a win tonight. Dents are unbeaten as yet, while Crescents have dropped only one game. It is do or die with Crescents, for they will still have two more games to play with the tooth-drillers. Indications point to a great crowd, the advance seat sale being exceptionally large.

The Fenelon Falls junior hockey team won a game at Bobcaygeon by a score of 12 to 7.

Coast Baseball League Tough Place for Managers

Of the six managers who handled Coast League teams at the start of last season only one will be on the job when the gong rings April 2 to usher in the 1918 season.

Frank Chance of the Angels, Harry Wolverton of the Seals, George Stovall of the Tigers, and Bill Bernhard of the Bees, have passed out of the league. Walter Henry McCredie, then with Portland, has joined the Bees. This leaves only Del Howard of the Oaks, a manager who will be with a team he was with in 1917.

Wade Killifer took Chance's place. Jerry Downs replaced Wolverton, Essick replaced Stovall, McCredie replaced Bernhard, besides losing his ball team. Who will be who at Sacramento is unsettled.

HONOR ROLL
ONTARIO SILVER TANKARD

Winning Club.	Year.	Last Competing Club.
Hamilton Thistle	1875	Hamilton Mechanics.
Toronto	1876	Orillia.
Toronto	1877	No other competitor.
Hamilton Thistle	1878	Port Hope.
Bowmanville	1879	Galt.
Port Hope	1880	Bowmanville.
Hamilton Thistle	1881	Port Hope.
Toronto Caledonian	1882	Bowmanville.
Brampton	1883	Barrie.
St. Mary's	1884	Orillia.
Orillia	1885	Hamilton Thistle.
Toronto Granite	1886	Guelph.
Paris	1887	St. Mary's.
Thamesville	1888	Galt.
Galt	1889	Toronto Granite.
Walkerton	1890	Toronto Granite.
Hamilton Thistle	1891	Toronto Prospect Pk.
Toronto Granite	1892	Peterboro.
Bobcaygeon	1893	Oshawa.
Toronto Granite	1894	Dundas.
Hamilton Thistle	1895	Lindsay.
Toronto Granite	1896	St. Mary's.
Lindsay	1897	Hamilton Victoria.
Lindsay	1898	Dundas.
Fergus	1899	St. Mary's.
Toronto Granite	1900	Forest City.
Paris	1901	Hamilton Thistle.
Lindsay	1902	Toronto Caledonian.
Dundas	1903	Lindsay.
Galt	1904	Toronto Caledonian.
Lindsay	1905	St. Mary's.
Galt	1906	Toronto Granite.
Barrie	1907	Preston.
Lindsay	1908	Toronto Caledonian.
Toronto Granite	1909	Ingersoll.
Toronto Granite	1910	Grand Rapids, Mich.
Toronto Granite	1911	Lindsay.
Meaford	1912	Lindsay.
Collingwood	1913	Paris.
Toronto Granite	1914	Owen Sound.
Toronto	1915	Brampton.
Toronto Granite	1916	Toronto Queen City.
Owen Sound (Grey)	1917	Peterboro.

Union Jacks Winners In Cornwall District

Cornwall, Feb. 3.—There will be no play-off to decide the tie existing in the Cornwall district of the O.H.A. to settle the three-to-three match played between the French Flyers and the Union Jacks as ordered to be played on Monday. The Flyers claim and seemingly with good cause, that the reason the draw was not decided in the early hours of the morning was not the fact that the lights went out, but that some one pulled out a plug at the rink in order that a decision would not be reached, the declaring off of bets being the evident desire. The French Flyers sent an ultimatum to the governing board of the league, making certain demands that the league could not accede to and which the Flyers had no right to demand in view of the conditions under which all teams entered the league. The Flyers stipulated that unless their demands were met they would absolutely refuse to play off the draw on Monday night. Had the league met the demand of the Flyers the teams would not have been in good standing in the O.H.A., and flatly refused to meet the conditions stipulated. The board replied to the Flyers, giving them until 12 o'clock Saturday to decide whether they would play or not, and on being informed that their ultimatum was final, the board declared the Union Jacks winners, and they will meet the winners of the Belleville-Kingston series here on Feb. 7, and in either Kingston or Belleville on Feb. 11. It is a most unsatisfactory ending to what has been a successful series of matches.

CREEKSIDE GUN CLUB.

The Creekside Gun Club held their weekly shoot on Saturday afternoon. The monthly handicap is creating a lively interest, twenty members attending. E. S. Brown was high gun in the handicap. Herb Cooey showed the best average on the day's shoot, and President E. S. Brown tied in the weekly spoon event, which was later shot off and won by the president. The score:

Name.	Shot at.	Broke.
G. Anstee	75	47
R. Baird	45	21
H. Briggs	45	25
Ed Brown	25	20
E. S. Brown	45	32
H. Brown	25	5
Dr. Canning	106	60
A. J. Colbourne	75	40
H. Cooey	92	72
Col. Curran	47	32
Casey Jones	50	29
J. Dunbar	67	44
Ell Elliott	55	29
J. Harrison	25	20
E. Mason	45	23
H. Peterman	45	29
A. Spiller	25	14
J. Summerhayes	70	49
H. White	25	6

MORE BRITISH SPORTSMEN IN THE CASUALTY LIST

London, Feb. 4.—Many well-known names are included in the latest casualty list issued of British sportsmen who have fallen in action on the western front. Lt. W. W. Odell, the famous Leicestershire County cricketer, is reported killed. He was serving with the Sherwood Foresters and had been in the list before as missing, believed killed. Lt. Odell was a slow, medium bowler, and did much valuable service for his county, taking over 100 wickets in 1903-4-5 and 1907. Capt. H. J. Davidson, reported missing, is the well-known Edinburgh Academical footballer. Lt. George Hare, who has fallen, was very popular in Dublin football circles. A clever and resourceful half-back, he did good service for the Wanderers, and also represented Leinster in interprovincial matches. Sergt. Norman Thomas, the well-known member of the Llandilo Rugby Club, is reported missing. He is a brother of Alf Thomas, the Swansea Rugby player, and has been at the front for more than two years and has been awarded the Military Medal for gallant conduct. Frederick Reed, the famous steeplechase jockey, who was formerly attached to Wilson's stable, has died from wounds in Italy. Corp. Victor Drake, well-known cricketer and footballer, has died from wounds received in Mesopotamia. W. McCreadie, the former Leeds City and Bradford City soccer player, is reported to be a prisoner of war. Phil D. Waller, the famous Rugby Union international player, has also made the big sacrifice. In his day Waller was one of the finest forwards who ever donned the jersey for Wales. In 1909 he got his first Welsh cap when only 21, and played in all five international games, against England, Scotland, Ireland, Australia and France. Harry Watts, the famous lightweight jockey, and son of the late Jack Watts, the late King Edward's jockey, has been killed by a shell whilst engaged in taking up ammunition on the western front. His brother, J. E., was at the outbreak of the war trainer to the Imperial German Stud.

Military Indoor Baseball League

Three fine games of indoor baseball were played at the transportation building gymnasium, Exhibition Camp, last night, in the Military Indoor Baseball League, and some surprises were sprung on the leading teams.

The first was an exciting game, with the Machine Gun Corps coming out on top by 9 to 1. Their opponents, the 2nd Depot Bn., 1st C.O.R., made their first appearance of the season, and, judging from the game they put up last night, will be hard to beat when they get going. They have a very fair pitcher in Bell. Harry Freeman of the Stanley Park League is also with this team. The Machine Gunners played their usual steady game, and Mountain piled up 13 strikeouts in the seven innings.

The second game was close, and the 71st Battery sprang a surprise on the 1st Bn., 1st C.O.R., defeating them by 13 to 12. They got away with a jump, scoring three in the first and six in the second. The C.O.R. team kept trying, and scored five in the fifth and four in the seventh, evening the score. In the last of the seventh the Battery put over the winning run. The Battery team have been strengthening right along, and now have "Frosty" Nichols of the Don Valley League with them. Depew pitched a very good game for them.

In the last game the Headquarters team staged a sensational batting rally in the last innings, when, with the score 3 to 0 against them, they scored four runs—enough to win. Seyler was the hero, getting a home-run drive with two on. Sloan of the Special Service team pitched a steady game and was given good support. Andrews also pitched well for the Headquarters team.

The semi-finals of the Royal Flying Corps teams have been postponed from Thursday, the 7th, until Thursday, the 14th.

The Military Hockey League is now in the semi-finals, and these will be played at the Arena on Thursday night. Three games will be played, and the public will have their first chance to see the soldiers in action. All teams are strong, and, as most of the men are former O.H.A. or northern men, good games will be assured.

COMMERCIAL FIVEPIN LEAGUE.

Con. Optical—	1	2	3	T'l.
Bernard	158	194	138	490
Malcolm	90	87	175	352
Husband	175	165	158	498
Kyle	158	170	156	484
Spiers	217	227	183	627
Totals	798	843	810	2451
Rogers' Coal—	1	2	3	T'l.
Thorne	222	195	174	591
Lavelle	157	137	142	436
Jackes	170	171	142	482
Stone	160	138	158	456
Mayor	178	183	162	523
Totals	887	824	778	2489

TEDDY MOURNS DEATH OF J. L.

Oyster Bay, N.Y., Feb. 4.—Col. Theo. Roosevelt announced tonight that he would not be able to attend the funeral of John L. Sullivan in Boston Wednesday. "I had a genuine regard for my old friend, John L. Sullivan," the colonel said. "He was an old and valued friend, and I mourn his death."

ONLY TWO TANKARD TEAMS DEFAULTED

London Thistles and Harriston Are Not Included in Curling Draw for Today.

The final curling competition for the Ontario Silver Tankard starts this morning at the city rinks according to the draw given below. Fourteen of the sixteen group winners had representatives at the meeting last night at the Victoria Club. Thus only two clubs defaulted, a very good showing. Harriston, that won No. 12 by default, and the London Thistles could not come, and also Ingersoll, the runner-up to London in No. 15, that was entitled to representation, did not appear. Thus two byes were necessary in the preliminary, Oshawa and Barrie Thistles being the lucky clubs.

Morning play is ordered to start at 9 o'clock and afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The umpires are: At Granite, C. Bulley; at Queen City, R. B. Rice; at Lakeview, A. McCurdy, and at High Park, H. J. Bastedo.

The following is the draw:

Preliminary—Morning.

—At Queen City—
Barrie v. Lakeview; ice 1 and 2.
Detroit v. Kingston; ice 3 and 4.
—At Granite—
Guelph Royal City v. Claremont; ice 2 and 3.
Galt v. Chatsworth; ice 4 and 5.
—At Lakeview—
Lindsay v. Glanford; ice 1 and 2.
Granites v. Bright; ice 3 and 4.
—Byes—
Barrie Thistles and Oshawa.

First Round—Afternoon.

At Queen City—Winner A. v. winner B.
At Granite—Winner C. v. winner D.
At Lakeview—Winner E. v. winner F.
At High Park—Barrie Thistles v. Oshawa.

The losers in the morning play off in the afternoon for the governor-general's prize at the rink they played in the morning.

The semi-final for the Tankard will be played Wednesday morning at the Victoria, the draw to be made later, with the final in the afternoon on the same ice.

ANNUAL TOURNEY OPENS AT OXFORD

Woodstock, Ont., Feb. 4.—The annual Oxford bonspiel opened this afternoon with an entry of sixteen rinks, all the clubs of the county having representatives present, with the exception of Plattsville, whose rinks were detained at Paris and compelled to return home. At the close of the day's play five rinks were left in the McIntosh Trophy, emblematic of the county championship, as follows: Henderson and Rae, Ingersoll; Whitehead, Longstreet and Ure, Woodstock. The scores:

Woodstock—		Ingersoll—	
A. Siple		G. C. Ellis	
W. Bond		Thos. Taylor	
W. C. Duffus		B. Beattie	
C. W. Davidson, skip	14	C. H. Sumner, skip	13
Embro—		Woodstock—	
W. Campbell		J. S. McCurdy	
W. Dawes		F. A. Linton	
E. Day		H. McIntosh	
W. Anderson		F. J. Ure	15
First Round.			
Woodstock—		Woodstock—	
J. S. McCurdy		A. Siple	
F. A. Linton		W. Bond	
H. McIntosh		W. C. Duffus	
F. J. Ure	15	C. W. Davidson	10
Ingersoll—		Woodstock—	
B. McDougal		F. Harrington	
W. H. Yorke		J. R. Wainwright	
W. R. Veale		W. L. McWhinnie	
Geo. Wood	9	A. E. Longstreet	10
Tillsonburg—		Ingersoll—	
Pow		G. McKay	
McDonald		R. S. Ramsay	
Stokes		W. Peters	
Geo. Creighton	7	R. Rea	14
Woodstock—		Ingersoll—	
L. Millman		J. K. Brocks	
W. H. Partlo		W. E. Cragg	
A. H. Wilson		W. J. Elliott	
A. E. Watson	12	F. G. Walley	14
Woodstock—		Embro—	
R. Stone		A. Geddes	
H. Lownsborough		Dr. Atkinson	
R. Pascoe		R. Geddes	
A. Stone	11	W. E. Saunders	20
Milne (Plattsville)		defaulted to Whitehead (Woodstock).	
Woodstock—		Ingersoll—	
D. Smith		J. Colquhoun	
F. A. Smith		J. Fairbairn	
Geo. Adams		A. E. Wilson	
F. Holmes	4	J. A. Henderson	13
Ingersoll—		Drumbo—	
A. T. Lowe		Geo. Clark	
T. C. Hammett		Jas. Whitterk	
E. Lee		Wm. Harmer	
H. Avery	8	K. C. MacLaren	14
Second Round.			
Ingersoll—		Drumbo—	
Henderson	15	MacLaren	6
Woodstock—		Embro—	
Whitehead	16	Saunders	8
Ingersoll—		Ingersoll—	
Walley	11	Rae	14
Consolation—First Round.			
Embro—		Ingersoll—	
Dawes	4	Sumner	14
Woodstock—		Woodstock—	
Watson	13	Stone	13
Ingersoll—		Tillsonburg—	
Wood	11	Creighton	10
Milne (Plattsville)		defaulted to Holmes.	

BASKETBALL

Central Y. M. C. A. junior O. B. A. basketball team put themselves in a strong position to win their section on Saturday night when they defeated the West End "Y." team on the latter's floor by 64 to 25. This gives Central three straight wins, two away and one at home, having yet to meet defeat. The game started off fast and even, both teams missing several shots, Walker getting the first point for West End on a foul shot. Jobson and Wells scored shortly afterwards for Central, and after that Central's combination and team play were too much for West End, and by half-time Central had a 39 to 7 point lead. West End lacked team play, too much individual play being shown.

The second half proved more even when Williams went to centre and Walker on the defence for West End. The combination of Smith, Jobson and Wells proved too much for West End's defence, while Graham and Wilson held the forwards of West End to a couple of baskets.

Jobson and Wells, of Central, proved high point getters, shooting in great form, and getting 26 and 21 points respectively for Central. Walker, of West End, was high with 12. Teams:

Central "Y" (64)—Smith and Jobson, forwards; Wells, centre; Graham and Wilson, defence.

West End "Y" (25)—Armstrong and Baker, forwards; Walker and Williams, centre; Taylor and Dickson, defence.

Central "Y" meet the Playgrounds five next Wednesday evening at 9 o'clock in a league match at home on the Central floor, and with these teams leading the section a close game is looked for.

APPOINT FUEL CONTROLLER.

Special to The Toronto World.

Kingston, Feb. 4.—The city council will appoint ex-Ald. Hugh Nickle as fuel commissioner, as the coal situation has become most acute. The police are now inspecting all the coal bins to prevent any hoarding of coal.

T. & D. ELECT THEIR OFFICERS FOR YEAR

Three New Members on the Board of Directors—Many Overseas.

The annual meeting of the Toronto and District Football Association was held last night and was attended by a large and enthusiastic crowd of soccer supporters. Mr. Mitchell, in an eloquent speech, paid a great tribute to those members of the association who had made the supreme sacrifice in the war. The members paid tribute by standing for one minute in silence. The election for the board of directors was particularly keen, no less than five ballots being taken, so close was the voting. The results were as follows:

President, Fred Mitchener (acclamation); secretary, Ed. Spencer (acclamation); treasurer, James McGowan (acclamation); directors, J. McPherson, P. Mitchell, T. Warburton, G. Imlach, H. S. Collins, J. Farquhar.

After the meeting trophies and medals won during the past season were presented and refreshments were served, and one of the most successful meetings the association has held was adjourned to Feb. 18.

PROVINCIAL LEAGUE READY FOR SEASON

The adjourned general meeting of the Provincial Football League took place at the New Windsor Hotel last night, and was well attended, six clubs being represented. The charter, bylaws and playing rules were gone over and passed upon.

Tom Watson was elected vice-president, and W. Hilton and W. Fenton were added to the hon. vice-president list.

The ground difficulty was reported to be overcome, and everything looks exceedingly bright for the coming season. Several referees also sent in their names signifying their willingness to referee the games.

Thrilling Rescue of The Lady of the Lake

The annual reception for parents at the Central Y. M. C. A. on Saturday night was a splendid success, to judge only from the number of people who crowded into the swimming pool gallery to witness the aquatic exhibition in connection with the entertainment. An attractive program of events had been arranged, the first item being a 200-yard relay race, four teams of eight, each swimming against each other. Piggle-back wrestling and candle racing came next, followed by an exhibition of fancy and ornamental diving by J. Oldright, Les Uren, G. Salt and Cliff Booth. The feature of the evening was a demonstration of canoe-handling by Gordon Spink, the canoe for the occasion being generously loaned by Mr. C. W. Spink. Assisting Spink were Chesley Oake and George Salt, and the spectators were treated to plenty of fun, as the boys battled against each other in canoe-tilting, crab-style racing, etc. Gordon Spink gave a particularly fine exhibition of canoe-handling, and demonstrated his ability in no uncertain way. At the close of the performance an invitation was extended to any young lady to take a cruise around the lake, and considerable interest was manifested when one young lady stepped forward. After going around twice Sprink lost his paddle, and in attempting to recover it upset the canoe and the young lady. After a thrilling rescue had been effected it turned out that the young lady was George Hanna, one of the senior employed boys. Hanna made an admirable lady and completely deceived the spectators. The exhibition was brought to a close by a game of water basketball, in which G. Spink's team won from W. Williams' team by the score of 4 to 0. W. W. Winterburn was in charge of the entertainment, assisted by P. Wharin and H. Peake.

CAMPBELLFORD S. P. ASSOCIATION.

Campbellford, Feb. 4.—The shell plant here has organized an association, with the following officers:

Hon. president, F. C. Jewett; president, H. Thomas; vice-presidents, G. F. Roberts and F. S. Robertson; secretary, F. Menzies; treasurer, W. Hewson; manager, R. Guthrie; sporting committee, A. H. McKeel, L. L. Dobson, A. Pearson, P. J. Anderson and C. Carson.

The munitions hockey team met the Havelock team in a friendly game, the score standing 14 to 4 in favor of the shell boys at the end of the game.

Once Batsman Called For High or Low Ball

Forty-eight years ago a number of men interested din professional baseball held a meeting in New York to consider rules to govern the game. The diamond pastime as a business proposition was then in its infancy.

In 1869 the Cincinnati Red Stockings were the only all-professional club in the field, altho the Philadelphia Athletics and a few other clubs had some paid men.

These maintained their "amateur" standing by being ostensibly employed as butchers, bakers or candlestick makers, altho they were never found working at their trades.

In 1870 there were a score or more clubs which paid players regular salaries, or permitted them to share in gate receipts.

Among the rules adopted at the New York meeting for governing the professional game was one which gave the batter the privilege of calling for a high or a low ball. This was nothing new, for from the dim beginning of the game the batsmen had enjoyed that advantage.

The amateur players of the '60s could direct the pitcher to deliver the pelle: knee, waist or shoulder high, as suited his fancy, and the twirler was bound to do his best to follow instructions.

WOODSTOCK V. INGERSOLL TONIGHT

Woodstock, Feb. 3.—Much interest is being manifetsed here in the O.H.A. junior game between Woodstock and Ingersoll in the latter place tomorrow night. In the event of Woodstock winning it will mean a tie-up with Paris for district honors. The O.H.A. has decided that in the event Woodstock wins out, home-and-home games, goals to count, will be played to decide the group honors. The first game will be at Paris Friday night and the return here on the Monday following.

POOL ROOMS TO CLOSE EARLY.

Special to The Toronto World.

Chatham Feb. 4.—To aid in the conservation of heat and power, the billiard room proprietors of the city, at a meeting called by Mayor Clements this afternoon, decided that they would close their places of business at 9.30 each evening during the present shortage.

PENNY ANTE — The Winner and the Loser Meet — BY GENE KNOTT