Curling Down to Cup Final — Single Rink Competition To Take Place — Hockey St. Patricks 6 T.R.&A.A. 5

ONE GOAL VICTORY FOR THE IRISHMEN

St. Patricks Come From Behind to Win Senior Fixture at Arena.

The St. Patricks are satisfied with the 1917 hockey season. The Saints have been waiting to down T.R. & A.A. and pulled the trick last night at the Arena to the tune of 6 to 5. This victory killed any chance the black and white squad had for the group honors. To make the Irish victory a real achievement they had to come from behind to get the verdict.

T.R. & A.A. got away with a jump and netted the first two goals. The Saints battled bravely and evened it up before they first rested. St. Patricks scored the first goal of the second period, but fell behind again when T.R. & A.A. ran in two. Again the Irish got up their fighting blood and it stood four all at the end of forty minutes of play. The last period was a hummer. T.R. scored first, and then the men from the green isle came along with two and the game.

It reverted to six-man hockey when Mace Humphrey got a nasty cut on the eye in the first few minutes of play. His eyelid was badly gashed, and it will take a long time to heal. Murphy was dropped to even. It was cut down to five-man hockey in the dying minutes of the game when Schumacker broke his skate, end Smith went off with him.

It was not the best hockey in the world, but the players made up for the lack of polish by their earnestness. They checked hard at all times, and T.R. & A.A. made desperate attacks in the last few minutes to tie the score.

Little Smith played sterling hockey for T. R. throuout, and was one of the best men on the ice. Stan Brown and Bill Adams did some grand rushing for the winners, and Sullivan checked and fitted into the team play in finished fashion. Schumacker was a hard worker thruout. Hicks, McLean and Ferguson also played good hockey.

The teams:

T.R. & A.A. (5): Goal, Crooks; defence, Ferguson, Humphrey; rover, Hill; centre, Smith; right, Hicks; left, McLean.

St. Patricks (6): Goal, Connors; defence, Adams, Brown; rover, Sullivan; centre, Schumacker; right, Quain; left, Murphy.

Referee: Steve Vair.

The summary:

—First Period.—
1. T.R. & A.A.....Smith 5.00
2. T.R. & A.A.....Ferguson 3.00
3. St. Patricks.....Sullivan 2.00
4. St. Patricks.....Adams 5.00
—Second Period.—
5. St. Patricks.....Brown 2.00
6. T.R. & A.A.....Hicks 6.00
7. T.R. & A.A.....Hicks 3.00
8. St. Patricks.....Schumacker... 6.00
—Third Period.—
9. T.R. & A.A.....Hicks 1.00
10. St. Patricks.....Sullivan 2.00
11. St. Patricks.....Quain 3.00

WHERE THEY PLAY.

The O.H.A. sub-committee has granted permission to Lance-Corporal Walker of the 122nd Battalion to finish the season with Preston seniors. Walker is on the recruiting staff of the 122nd in Preston.

Referees for tonight have been appointed as follows:

Senior—Sarnia at Preston, O. G. Bernhardt, Bradford.

Intermediate—Glencoe at 118th Batt. (London), Tom Munro, London.

Junior—Aura Lee at De La Salle, Robt. Hewitson, Toronto; London at Ingersoll, F. H. Sproule, Toronto.

The O.H.A. games for Thursday are as follows:

Senior—Aura Lee at Riversides.

Intermediate—Kitchener at Owen Sound.

HOCKEY SCORES

O. H. A.
—Senior.—
St. Patricks..... 6 T.R. & A.A..... 5
—Intermediate.—
Hamilton..... 8 176th Batt. 2
Beaches Leagque.
—Junior Semi-Final.—
Parkdale..... 5 Aura Lee 3
—Midget.—
Kew Beach..... 5 Riverdales 1

WILL MAKE CHANGES IN TONIGHT'S GAME

There will be no professional hockei at the Arena tonight, but Aura Lee and De La Salle should furnish just as good an attraction. Last year Aura Lee Juniors galloped through the O.H.A. to the championship, but they are meeting with stout opposition this season. De La Salle won the College Group after a hard series with University Schools, and last Saturday in the first game of the second round Aura Lee while they finished three goals behind, put up a stout argument and expect to not only overcome the lead tonight, but win out the round. They have made a couple of changes in their team, which should improve their scoring ability. Both clubs will be well supported with rooters, and with the winner having the privilege of playing Kingston in the semi-finals on Saturday evening, will try hard from bell to bell.

BARRIE V. HAMILTON REMAIN FOR FINAL

Victorias Won by Default From Sarnia and Then Beat Waterloo.

Barrie and the Hamilton Victorias are left to play the final this morning on Victoria ice for the district cup championship. Barrie stopped Owen Sound's record operations by two shots, and in the afternoon stowed away Kingston, that had retired our last city club, to wit, Little Lakeview.

Hamilton Victorias won their first game from Sarnia by default and then just beat Waterloo, the club that sent Peterboro into the discard. The ice was keen. Scores:

At Queen City.

Kingston—		Tor. Lakeview—	
Harry McCartney		A. Witchall	
A. H. Warwick		J. White	
R. N. McFarlane		P. Litster	
G. Hanson, sk.....	17	Ed. Allen, sk...	11
P. D. Lyman		R. Payne	
J. W. Kelly		Geo. White	
E. O. Sliter		D. Clark	
J. Elliott, sk.....	17	A. Holmes, sk...	10
Total.....	34	Total	27
Barrie—		Owen Sound—	
E. L. Higgs		R. G. McKay	
C. H. Bebley		D. A. Christie	
P. Love		W. H. Smith	
H. Hook, sk.....	18	W. R. Chester...	12
Fred Loth		D. W. Ramsay	
Geo. D. Hubbard		L. Guidi	
Fred Otton		E. N. Ramsay	
G. C. Cameron, sk..	14	M. D. Lemon, sk.	18
Total.....	32	Total	30
—Semi-Final.—			
Barrie—		Kingston—	
H. Hook.....	24	G. Hanson	18
G. C. Cameron....	18	J. Elliott	15
Total.....	42	Total	33
—At Toronto.—			
Peterboro—		Waterloo—	
R. L. Dobbin.		C. O. Hemphill.	
A. W. Archibald,		A. G. Hart,	
R. P. Best.		A. J. Hachnel,	
W. D. Campbell, s.	13	C. Snider, sk.....	18
Jas. H. Metheral,		C. Liphardt,	
F. D. Fitzgerald.		T. Dalgleish,	
E. G. Patterson.		F. Hughes.	
Alex. C. Kay, sk..	22	F. Halstead, sk..	21
Total.....	35	Total	39

Sarnia defaulted to Hamilton Victorias.

—Semi-Final.—			
Hamilton Vics—		Waterloo—	
W. M. Brandon,		C. O. Hemphill,	
Hugh O'Heir,		A. G. Hart,	
T. Cook,		A. J. Haehnel.	
J. Morris, sk.....	17	C. Snider, sk.....	12
Fred Thurston,		C. Liphardt,	
A. Kappele.		T. Dalgleish,	
J. E. Walker,		F. Hughes.	
Rev. J. D. Fitzpatrick, skip.....	15	F. Halstead, skip	19
Total.....	32	Total	31

Colborne Captures The Simmons Cup

Colborne, Feb. 12.—The annual competition for the Simmons Cup, presented by the late D. L. Simmons of this village, was held at the curling rink here. Port Hope held the cup for the first year, 1910, and Cobourg has held it the past two years. The remainder of the time it has been in the possession of Colborne, which club this year won it back again. There were some interesting matches played, as follows:

Colborne—		Port Hope—	
A. E. Donaghy.		A. Pethick,	
D. F. Griffis.		W. J. Colvill,	
H. J. Mayhew,		H. Rosevear,	
A. C. Hudspeth, s.	17	T. Morrow, sk...	17
Colborne—		Port Hope—	
H. S. Fowler,		Archie Slade,	
C. R. Cowle.		R. B. Thompson,	
J. A. Edwards,		J. H. Peacock,	
Fred Wilson, sk...	22	W. J. Oke, sk...	17
Total.....	39	Total	34
Colborne—		Cobourg—	
H. S. Fowler,		W. A. Staples,	
C. R. Cowle.		C. Allison,	
J. A. Edwards.		W. Titford,	
Fred Wilson, sk...	24	C. McCollum, s.	14
A. E. Donaghy.		A. J. Gould,	
W. F. Griffis.		M. Delaney.	
H. J. Mayhew.		W. Allen.	
A. C. Hudspeth, s.	17	J. Henderson, sk.	18
Total.....	41	Total	32

DUKE OF HONOLULU WANTED HAND OUT

Swimmer's Manager Refused Free Tickets and Now May Lose Meal Ticket.

Honolulu, Feb. 13.—Duke Kahanamoku, Hawaii's champion swimmer, one time world's champion at the sprinting distances and still tied with George Cunha of Honolulu for the national 220 yard record, is like Agamemnon, sulking in his tent—said tent being the $1000 house presented to him a couple of years ago by local admirers when he returned from his first conquering tour of the mainland. Duke announces, savagely and emphatically, that he will not take part in the carnival swimming meet of Thursday, Feb. 22, and Saturday, Feb. 24, which will include the National A.A.U. championships for 50 and 100 yards.

Duke has had a bitter row with his manager, W. T. Rawlins, who has twice chaperoned him about the United States on his swimming tours. The trouble between Duke and his manager, which had been simmering for some time came to a climax when Duke demanded two dozen free tickets to an athletic event in which Rawlins was interested and was turned down. Duke promptly and publicly told Rawlins he would have nothing more to do with him.

Since Duke has been defeated several times over the distances for which he was once world's champion, and is beginning to realize that his day is past, he is disgruntled over the fact that Rawlins prevented him from making what to Duke, who is virtually penniless, would have been a small fortune. Duke has the offer of a year's contract on the vaudeville stage, at a figure said to have been $500 a week, but Rawlins argued him out of accepting it and thereby losing his amateur standing.

Duke is beginning to realize now that his amateur standing is not worth much to him, since he has been repeatedly defeated. He has no trade, very little education, and his only means of livelihood lies in taking tourists out in a surf boat at Waikiki Beach.

It is probable that George Cunha also will not take part in the meet. Cunha is working at Sheffield Barracks, 25 miles from the water, and has no opportunity to train.

SINGLE RINK CURLING COMPETITION STARTS NEXT TUESDAY AT CITY CLUBS

A hurry up telephone call was sent out on Monday for a meeting of the eight city curling clubs to discuss the single rink competition that most thought was off for the year. However, as Toronto had gone empty-handed as regards the Tankard and District Cup, here was a chance where our rinks could not be beaten by mere outsiders. At all events six votes were strong for curling as usual, and Granites and Torontos then fell into line.

It was decided to start play next Tuesday with the entries closing on Saturday night at the Queen City Club, where the draw will be made. The following delegates attended the meeting last evening at the Queen City Club:

West Toronto—J. J. Paterson.
High Park—H. Dreany.
Lakeview—Alex. Keith.
Toronto—Dr. Clarke.
Queen City—R. B. Rice.
Aberdeen—W. J. O'Connor.
Granites—W. M. Raeburn.

R. B. Rice was in the chair with R. W. Louden acting as secretary. The winning club's name will be inscribed on the remaining plate on the Walker Cup and there will be four sets of prizes as usual for the rinks finishing first, second, third and fourth.

The Granite Club have already sufficient wins to their credit to ensure the cup being their property.

Work Started on New Race Track Close to Oriental Park, Havana

What License in Cuba Means—Mutuels Only System of Betting and Government Must Get Good Percentage—Horse Notes From Havana.

Havana, Cuba, Feb. 13.—So muchu has been printed in the States, and so many queries have been sent to Havana regarding the proposed "second track" here, that the writer a few days ago made a trip out to the place to see just what the project amounted to and just what work had been done. It was impossible to obtain any information on the subject by asking any of the local people, as so few had heard that there was even talk of another race course being constructed in Cuba. One could very readily understand this, however, as it was explained that all that was necessary to build a track here is to obtain a license or permission from the city council, comply with conditions laid down, and go ahead with the work. All this talk of thirty-year concessions in Cuba is simply bosh and misleading. True, a thirty-year concession can be obtained, but only by an act of congress, passed, of course, by a majority of the members, and signed by the president. Even the Oriental Park course has only a five-year license.

An investigation showed that the new track here had obtained permission for a license, as it were, to construct the plant and operate, by complying with certain restrictions of the laws of Cuba. One of the provisions, it is understood, is that the city and state get 6¾ per cent. of the revenue from the mutuels, which is to be the only system of speculation permitted. Providing ten per cent. is deducted from the play, that will leave a margin of only 3¾ per cent. left for the club. But this is neither here nor there, except to show the true condition of things down here in regard to what some people term concessions given race tracks.

The piece of ground selected by C. T. Henschell and his associates, Messrs. Arthur B. Clark, Henry D. Wills and F. G. Suarez, lies to the southwest of Oriental Park, and is reached by the car running to the Playa, via Marianne. To get this car it is necessary to go to the Estacion Central, down near the docks. The site lies just behind the hills, at the head of the home stretch of Oriental Park, and is only a short distance from the latter course. If the building of a race track is contemplated by the new club, there are no signs of it at present.

Few Men at Work.

There has been absolutely no work done in this respect, so far as the writer could discern. There were some few men at work on the ground? about twenty-five or thirty, constructing a framework for a grand stand, leveling off a piece of ground to be used as a baseball park. So far as building stables or laying out a race track is concerned, nothing has been attempted, which makes it look as if the new club intends to cater to baseball exclusively. There was some talk here of night racing being held after the meeting at Oriental Park was concluded, but if even this was contemplated it looks an impossible task to get a plant ready in so short a time. For the good of the sport in Cuba it is hoped that such a thing will never be attempted on the island, as experience of the few attempts of that sort which were operated in the remote past in the States showed that they did little more than place the game in bad reputeu. In the meantime, strong opposition to the new club in a baseball way has developed by the forming of the Cuban-American Baseball League? whose season opened up on Monday, Jan. 29, at Oriental Park. Every player of prominence on the island has already signed with the Oriental Red Sox and White Sox teams, the roster including, among others, the following players well known in the different leagues in the United States: Marsans, Calvo, Rodriguez, Torres, Luque, Pareda, Mike Gonzales, Padron, Acosta, Cueto, Aragon, Dihut, J. Acosta and Palmero.

William Dundas, the electrician in charge of the mutuel plants at Oriental Park and the Kentucky tracks, broke his maiden as an owner of thorobreds when the three-year-old immense won here on Wednesday. Immense as a two-year-old showed sensational trials. W. O. Scully told Dundas that he saw the filly work a quarter over the Lexington track one morning during a slight snowstorm in :23 3-5.

G. R. Bryson was notified by Thomas Cromwell of his appointment as chairman of the committee of the Havana branch of the Thorobred Horse Association. Bryson also acts as secretary and treasurer of the association here.

Quite a few Detroiters are here attending the races, among them Howard Pearson, sporting editor of The Detroit Journal; William Swart, former owner of the Cadillac Hotel; James Cummings, who is interested in the Detroit Baseball Club; Hugh Jennings, manager of the Tigers; Walter Brady, who is connected with the United States Tire Company, and Louis J. Hoffman, one of Detroit's big real estate operators.

Bedwell's Horses.

H. G. Bedwell pulled up stakes and left for Laurel, Maryland, on Monday last. He was accompanied by his family, but left his horses here in charge of F. J. Stevens. The latter was quite successful with Bedwell's second string on the half mile circuit in Canada last season. There were some matters at Bedwell's farm that required his attention. Several of his mares are due to foal and some of the horses he left there in winter quarters must be taken up. In the latter division are Sir Edgar, Manokin, Buchanan Brady and the imported Ethelbert colts that he purchased off August Belmont last fall. Before leaving, Bedwell said that his plans were to take a run down to New Orleans after he straightened out matters at his place at Laurel. He may come over to Havana from New Orleans. The sprinter, King Tuscan, in the Bedwel stable, has developed into one of the best horses here. Last summer the horse was a roarer and Bedwell tried his best to dispose of him. He offered the horse to several parties for $500 and finally sent him to Stevens at the half milers, with instructions to race him and take the first offer made King Tuscan began to improve under Stevens' handling and his wind kept getting better. He won a couple of races and Bedwell then decided to keep him. At the recent meeting at Oriental Park King Tuscan has won six races, been second twice and third once. Eddie T. is another useful horses that Bedwell has here and who has more than paid his way. This colt was purchased by Stevens at Bennings for $75 from Tom Strahan. He was one of a number of yearlings that Mr. H. T. Oxnard sent from his farm to Bennings to be shaped up for the sales ring at Saratoga. He was taken down with fever and was left over with instructions to sell him for anything, or to give him away. Stevens was over to Bennings looking for a couple of men to go to work at Bedwell's farm at Laurel. He was told of the colt and asked to make an offer. When he said $50, he was told that he owned a horse. The colt was sent to Laurel and when Bedwell looked him over he decided to give him a chance. Last season Eddie T. won ten races and during the recent meeting he has been first fou rtimes and second five times.

The climate down here certainly agrees with some horses, and it is a well-known fact that many horses take on flesh here, no matter how hard they may be raced. Liberator, Silver Bill, J. B. Harrell, Jerry, Louise Stone, Malabar, March Court, Mac, Refugee, Runway, Sir Wellons, Shotting Star and The Series are some that have done very well here. All of them have been frequent winners. The thirteen mentioned with King Tuscan and Eddie T. have won no less than fifty-nine races here this winter. When J. B. Goodman claimed Liberator from T. C. McDowell in Kentucky last season that gentleman remarked that he had not only no hard feeling toward Goodman, but would give him a bit of information about the horse. "Don't ever expect to win a race with this horse when he has more than 105 pounds in the saddle." Those who have seen Liberator perform at Oriental Park with as much as 126 pounds up, know that he is capable of doing great things with an impost of this character, in fact. Mr. McDowell has a surprise in store for him, and if Goodman can keep the son of Planudes in his present condition, there will be very few sprinters racing in Kentucky this spring that will be able to concede him weight.

McCafferty's Useful String.

John J. McCafferty is here again; this time with a small string of what looks like useful material. His stable includes, beside Reno and Ray o'Light, the three-year-old Oakwood Boy. He arrived from New Orleans a few days ago, and his horses shipped in good shape. McCafferty had an offer to go to the Argentine this spring to handle a big string but finally desided to stick it out in the States. He will make several additions to his stable, and in the event of his picking up something that looks promising, he will race on the New York tracks. If not, he will confine his efforts to the Canadian circuit.

The outlook for the horse show, which will be held at Oriental Park by the Cuban-American International Horse Show Association, February 24 to March 1, is particularly bright. A cablegrame from New York announced that up to Saturday, Feb. 27, four hundred entries had been received. General Manager Taylor voices the opinion that there will be at least one hundred more entries including army horses. Reservations have already been made at the local hotels for Miss Lida Fleitmann, who will bring several of her famous saddle horses, among them the champion Wathen, a thorobred of high order. Rooms have also been engaged for William A. Hazard, president of the Polo Association; Lindsey Loring, of Boston; Harry Demawby, of Plymouth, Mass; Ernest S. White, of Syracuse, brother of ex-Governor Horace E. White; John L. Bushnell, president of the Springfield, Ohio, Horse Show, and son of a former governor of that state; Charles E. Bunn, of Peoria, Ill.; and A. W. Atkinson, of Philadelphia. Walter Fletcher Smith has donated a collar made of Cuban gold coins value at $350. It is a handsome affair and will be offered for the best harness horse not under 15.1 or over 15.3, to be shown to a runabout and driven by a lady. Among the high jumpers to be shown here will be the famous horse Confidence. Dick Donnelly will come down to ride him.

Race for Woodlawn Vase In Spring at Pimlico

Baltimore, Feb. 13.—Time was when there was almost no end of interest in thorobred races in which the champions of the north and the south carried colors in order to bring more glory to their respective sections. That these tests served greatly to aid the breeding interests of the southland has been attested times aplenty to the end that at the present time Kentucky is admittedly the garden spot for the production of the flat racing type.

Intersectional races, with their accompanying trophies, have been a competitive bone of contention between the north and the south for nearly a hundred years, and are to be revived in so far as the running for a trophy of historic value is concerned by the Maryland Jockey Club, which announces that it has come into presession of the famous Woodlawn Vase, one of the oldest and most valuable of America's turf trophies, which is to be offered in connection with the $5000 of added money to the Preakness Stakes for three-year-olds, which is to be run at the spring meeting at Pimlico.

This beautiful trophy is historically, if not actually, the most valuable "cup" on the American turf. Designed and produced by Tiffany in 1860 for Colonel R. A. Alexander, it was presented by him to the Woodlawn Association of Kentucky.

RAISE SUSPENSION OF SOCCER PLAYER

At the meeting of the T. & D. F.A. directors last night the suspension of W. Mead of the Sunderland F.C. was raised. The attention of clubs is drawn to the fact that entries for the coming season close on Feb. 10. Arrangements were made for a concert and whist tournament, at which the medals and trophies won last season will be presented.

TIA JUANA RESULTS

Tia Juana, Feb. 13.—The races today resulted as follows:

FIRST RACE—1 mile and 70 yards:
1. Larkin, 112 (Harrington), 5 to 2, even, 1 to 3.
2. Acumen, 113 (W. Taylor) 8 to 1, 2 to 1, even.
3. Morada, 111 (W. McIntyre), 5 to 2, 4 to 5, 1 to 3.
Time 1.56 1-5. Gomul, Ruth Powers, Leo H. also ran.

SECOND RACE—6 furlongs:
1. Meegone, 105 (Nolan) 3 to 1, 6 to 5, 2 to 5.
2. Miss Knight, 105 (W. McIntyre), 5 to 1, 2 to 1, even.
3. Argento, 107 (Harrington) 4 to 1, 2 to 1, 4 to 5.
Time 1.21 2-5. Valli V., Ham Keene, Jim F., Lady Dunbar, Golden Dragon, Fannie also ran.

THIRD RACE—5½ furlongs:
1. Old Coin, 110 (Pickens), 9 to 5, 4 to 5, 2 to 5.
2. Rubicon II., 108 (T. Hunt), 12 to 1, 4 to 1, 3 to 2.
3. Prosperos Baby, 107 (G. Alexandra), 8 to 5, 3 to 5, 1 to 4.
Time 1.11 1-5. Vignola, Bob Lynch, Ethel Welles also ran.

FOURTH RACE—6 furlongs:
1. Palatable, 103 (Keisey), 12 to 1, 3 to 1, 7 to 5.
2. Cruces, 100 (E. Martin), 5 to 2, 4 to 5, 2 to 5.
3. Presumption, 115 (Burlingame), even, 3 to 5, 1 to 5.
Time 1.18. Silver Moon, J. C. Welch, Waremore also ran.

FIFTH RACE—5½ furlongs:
1. Auntie Curl, 115 (Troxler), 4 to 5, 2 to 5, 1 to 4.
2. Ida Lavinia, 115 (Pickens), 7 to 2, 7 to 5, 7 to 10.
3. Andy H., 117, (Kelsay), 10 to 1, 4 to 1, 8 to 5.
Time 1.11 2-5. Lady St. Patrick, Laughing Water, Classy Curl, Positano, Miss Polly, Treowen also ran

SIXTH RACE—1 mile and 1-16:
1. Inquieta, 108 (Harrington), 3 to 1, 3 to 5, 1 to 4.
2. Boxer, 102 (G. Alexander), even, 2 to 5, 1 to 6.
3. Capt. Druse, 110 (W. McIntyre), 12 to 1, 3 to 1, 6 to 5.
Time 1.55. Mark G., Weyanoke, Col. Matt also ran.

AT HAVANA.

Havana, Feb. 13.—Entries for Wednesday are as follows:

FIRST RACE—Three-year-olds and up, selling, purse $500, 5 furlongs:

Bulger.....	116	Shadrach	113
Tolson d'Or.....	113	Charlie McGee..	112
Mrs. Mc.....	111	Offertory	111
Claribel.....	111	Uncle Will	109
Southern Gold....	108	Penance	107
Southern Star....	102	Little Wonder ..	96

SECOND RACE—Three-year-olds and up, selling, purse $400, 6 furlongs:

Parlor Boy.....	116	Wizard	116
Unity.....	111	King Stalwart..	108
Royal Meteor.....	108	Frontier	108
Walter Lee.....	109	Old Man Crit.	92

THIRD RACE—Three-year-olds and up, selling, purse $400, 6 furlongs:

Malik.....	108	Page White ...	108
Peg.....	106	Castara	106
Bob Blossom.....	105	Devonshire D'y.	100
After Night.....	100	Abe Martin....	95

FOURTH RACE—Three-year-olds and up, selling, purse $400, 5½ furlongs:

Borax.....	110	Jesse Jr.	107
Darkey.....	107	Laura	106
Yorkville.....	106	Welga	104
Zall.....	102	Supreme	101
Rae B.....	101	Lord Byron	95

FIFTH RACE—Three-year-olds and up, selling, purse $400, six furlongs:

Lord Wells.....	108	Konje	106
Ruth Strickland...	108	Lucille B.	106
Fonctionnaire.....	105	Jas. Oakley	105
Arcene.....	103	Golden List ...	103
San Jon.....	101	Harold	101
Hattie Burton.....	98	Louise May ...	95

SIXTH RACE—Four-year-olds and up, selling, purse $400, one mile and twenty yards:

Kazan.....	113	Feather Duster.	111
World's Wonder...	111	Sunkist	108
Orperth.....	107	Centauri	104
Lochiel.....	101		

Nobody Downcast Over Dropping of Our Pros

Ottawa Journal: The dropping of Toronto Blues from the N.H.A. circuit may seem on the surface like drastic treatment, but there are few who will not admit that such action was to be seen in the offing for some time and now that it has come nobody will be surprised if the Queen City is out of pro hockey for some time to come, tho the dropping of Torontos is announced as being for this year only.

Last year, he (the Toronto manager) used the jumping players, Foyston and Holmes in straight defiance of league orders. If T. Emmett Quinn, president at the time, had been given his way, Livingstone would have been obliged to pay a fat fine or quit. As it was, the directors allowed the fine to remain suspended on future good behavior—and the latter has been lacking. First there was the fancie over the Denneny trade, and then the reported refusal of the management to put the team on the ice Wednesday night against the soldiers. It was the latter team's gate, and the receipts were seriously affected no doubt thru the uncertainty aroused by the Toronto management's threat.

Montreal Star says: Major Frank G. Robinson presided over a meeting of the N.H.A. executive, which compared to the one held about a week ago, was like a summer zephyr.

The principal thing done was the dropping of Toronto, which has been more or less troublesome during the entire season, and the Wanderers have benefited thereby exceedingly, obtaining three of Toronto's best players with which to strengthen their team.

Montreal Herald: The withdrawal of the khaki hockey team led the N.H.A. directors at a meeting here yesterday to lop off the Toronto end of the circuit altogether, suspending the Toronto franchise for the balance of the year and reducing the circuit to four clubs.

Thus did several first rate Toronto players find themselves bereft of a job, and thus did the ill-wind veer around in favor of the Wanderers. Three of the four clubs left were anxious to secure some of the jobless Toronto players.

The Wanderers, Canadiens and Ottawa were the clubs, and when a draw from a hat was decided on as a fair method of apportioning the hockey chattels, Quebec waived its right in favor of the Wanderers.

If the Wanderers had captured only Harry Cameron, they would have come off best in the draw, but in securing Randall and Skinner, too, the red hooped club made a ten strike, strengthening the team to a point where it is bound to be a big factor in the games under the new schedule. Cameron is one of the fastest skaters in the league, a clever player and a scorer. Skinner will be very useful to the weak forward line of the red bands. He is among the speediest skaters in the association, and will add some back-checking strength to the Wanderer line. Randall will be a useful substitute defence man for Wanderers.

CONVERTED INTO HOSPITAL.

Winnipeg, Feb. 13.—The old agricultural college building has been turned over in its entirety by the provincial government to the military hospitals commission, to be used for hospital and convalescent home purposes, it was announced today.

SOME HAVE SIGNED AND SOME HAVE NOT

Five National League Clubs in Good Shape, While Stars of Three Hold Out.

New York, Feb. 13.—President Ebbets of the Brooklyn Baseball Club said here this afternoon that he had thirteen players under contract.

"I am going thru with the National League club-owners," said Mr. Ebbets. "There will be no arbitration and no compromise. Last year the playing end of the Brooklyn Club cost $150,000, with the same pay-roll this year. I would have to have another flag-winner to be sure of at least breaking even."

Dave Robertson and Rube Benton are the only members of the Giants who are not signed, but Manager McGraw said today that he was confident that they would be in line when the time for the spring training trip comes around. President Weeghman of the Cubs says that all but three of the players are under contract. Twenty Reds are signed up, a dozen of the Pirates and fourteen Cardinals. Eleven Braves have signed, but most of the stars are holding out. President Haughton says that he will start an entire minor league team before he will give in to their demands.

The Phillies have twelve men signed, but Alexander, Burns, Niehoff, Stock, Whitted, Paskert and Byrne are on a strike.

The Brooklyn Club has thirteen men under contract, but most of them are youngsters.

Hamilton Hockey Club Beat Falls Soldiers

Hamilton, Ont., Feb. 14.—Hamilton Hockey Club defeated the 176th Battalion team of Niagara Falls by a score of 8 to 2 in the second game of the home-and-home O.H.A. intermediate series at the Arena last night. The game was a listless affair owing to the fact that neither team appeared to be in condition. For the winners, Coir and Parker were the stars, and for the soldiers Fraser was the best man. The line-up:

Hamilton (8)—Goal, Stone; left defence, Reese; right defence, Parker; rover, McEwan; centre, Coir; right wing, Boyd; left wing, Murray.

176th Battalion (2)—Goal, Williams; left defence, Fraser; right defence, Fisher; rover, Shea; centre, Crowe; right wing, Farrell; left wing, Gilchrist.

Referee—Harvey Sproule, Toronto.

BASKETBALL

Three games of basketball were played on West End floor Saturday night.

The preliminary game was played by two ladies' teams. Somers School succeeded in winning from Parkdale, by a score of 22 to 8.

The regular league games were continued, Nelsons playing Firestones, and winning with ease. The Firestones were shont of some of their best men.

Score:

Nelisons (57): Rooney (19), Aldred (10), Peer (14), Lawrence (14), Cook (0), McNab (0).

Firestones (12): Nelison (8), Coo (2), Stone (2), Ferrel (0), White (0).

Bellwoods and Livingstone and Scott fought it out in the second game. Fraser and McCausland had no difficulty in breaking away from their checks and piled up a safe lead for their team.

Score:

Bellwoods (52): Fraser (31), McCausland (16), McGowan (2), Smith (0), Garrett (4).

Livingstone & Scott (21): Yeomans (9), Patterson (0), Grau (10), Walker (0), Manser (2), Gerry (0).

League Standing.

	Won.	Lost.
Neilsons	3	1
Bellwoods	3	1
Livingstone & Scott	1	3
Firestones	1	3

CIVIC NURSERY FARM IS NOW FORESHADOWED

The parks committee yesterday referred to Finance Commissioner Bradshaw the parks commissioner's scheme to establish a civic nursery farm at Oakville. The commissioner quoted statistics to show that in the first four years an annual expenditure would be necessary of about $10,000. With the farm working, he estimated that after five years an annual net profit of 31.7 per cent. could be realized by the city.

With Commissioner Chambers' favorable report the committee unanimously declared themselves in favor of accepting the offer of the athletic association to turn over to the city the Rosedale lacrosse grounds, at a total cost of $42,000. In his report, Commissioner Chambers says that the 8 acres are worth more than three times this figure.

The committee declared itself as of the opinion that the car loads of fertilizer from civic institutions, which heretofore have been given away to outsiders, should be retained in the city. The parks, according to the commissioner, need the fertilizer badly, but owing to some regulations of the Health Act the department has been unable to arrange storage facilities.

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Far Western Cricketers Maintain The First Traditions of Sport

(A. G. L., in Vancouver World.)

Altho Port Coquitlam is chiefly famous as a centre for real estate speculation and football, the cricket team of that city has been utterly demoralized as a sport unit, for a majority of its playing members are tossing allied bombs into Hun trenches, and have left the pleasure of trundling the cricket ball and the attendant pink teas for the sterner and more patriotic duty of serving the empire.

Port Coquitlam stands in a unique position among the smaller centres of the province, and perhaps Canada, in respect to the number of able-bodied, gallant young men who have rallied to the clarion call of war, and the civic honor roll, now occupying a conspicuous place in the council chamber of the city hall, contains the names of nearly 300 of the flower of her population who have donned the uniform. This record is all the more remarkable when it is considered that the names inscribed are all of bona-fide residents within the limitations of the city proper. Those who enlisted from the sister municipality of Coquitlam are separate and distinct from the city's roll.

Sport is Taboo.

Sport is something absolutely unknown in the city since 1915, when the football team crumpled, altho prior to the outbreak of war the cricket club was an important factor in the Vancouver Mainland League, and several of its regulars were invariably selected as members of rep-teams which periodically engaged the Victoria League all-stars in inter-city, all-day matches.

The Cricket Club's honor roll is one to be proud of. Twenty-six names are included, the list containing several men who were prominent in the public and social life of the growing city during its halcyon days. Several of them have gained conspicuous honors, and of the five lieutenants mentioned, all of them secured their commissions for valor on the battlefield. Captain W. D. F. Godwin, a keen cricketer, is a former board of trade secretary, and held the rank of major in the 131st Battalion until that unit was disbanded in England, and all officers reduced to the rank of lieutenants.

Since the war began, sportsmen from all ranks of athletics have been doing more than their bit, bearing out the famous dictum of the Duke of Wellington when he said that the empire's battles were won on the playing fields of the country. Port Coquitlam citizens are immensely proud of their soldier athletes, and their doings in France are followed with the closest possible attention. A very warm welcome will await those fortunate enough to escape the worst aspects of modern wars and return, either crippled or whole, to the city of their adoption.

W. W. McLellan, cricketer and footballer, left Port Coquitlam in August, 1914, attached to the local company of the 31st B. C. Horse, then commanded by Lieut. Ernest Morgan, ex-alderman, and himself a keen sportsman. He soon attained the rank of sergeant, and later was granted a commission. He has to date been wounded three times, and recently was awarded the Military Cross for valor.

W. J. Hunter, another of the B. C. Horse, served more than two years in the trenches, attained the rank of sergeant, and was momentarily expecting word of a long leave of absence when he was killed in a sudden attack on a well-protected Hun trench. So far as can be definitely stated, he is the only member of the club to make the supreme sacrifice, altho a large number have been wounded once or more.

Angus G. Mercer left as corporal with the 29th Battalion, was wounded, and returned to France with the rank of lieutenant. He comes of an old military family, has several brothers in the firing lines, and his father occupied a high position in the British army for many years.

George Reid is one of the best-known cricketers on the coast. He was an unerring bowler and was a spectacular player in the field. Shortly after his arrival in England he took a special course in the difficult art of bomb throwing. Soon after his arrival in the firing lines he was severely wounded. He has now recovered, and with the rank of lieutenant is again directing attacks on the hated Hun. George's friends assert that if he displays the same accuracy heaving bombs as he did throwing the cricket ball, that his actions on the Flanders front are likely to prove highly disappointing from the point of view of the "strafing" German.

Harry Nelson, who hailed from the land of the Kangaroo originally, was perhaps the most intrepid wicket keeper in coast circles. Experts declare his performances to have bordered on the uncanny almost, in his anticipation of where the whirling sphere was about to come. He went overseas with the Engineers and nothing has been heard of him since. Those who remember Nelson on the playing pitch will remember his faculty for catching the ball almost off the bats as he crouched just behind the wickets.

Two Years in Hospital.

Fred Scott, who played cricket periodically, but who was always a strong club supporter, has been unfortunate since his enlistment. He was wounded in the first battle of Ypres and he has been confined in hospitals practically ever since. Latest advices are that he has lost a foot and that all danger of a further operation is not yet over.

Summarizing, the Port city cricketers are playing the grandest game in the world, and are displaying the same courageous gallantry in the bigger offensive that they did on the cricket pitches in their home town and in Vancouver.

Ye fawned on the younger nations
For the men who could shoot and ride;
Then you returned to your trinkets,
Then you contented your souls
With the flannelled fools at the wickets,
Or the muddled oafs at the goals.

When Rudyard Kipling penned those famous lines, certainly he could not have had in mind the cricket club of Port Coquitlam