



"BIRD CHATTER"

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

TO ALL BADMINTON PLAYERS:

In the past week, we have all been sobered by the rapid turn of events in our National Life. We have changed overnight from a land of peace to a land at war.

Let us not be mistaken, we are confronted with an herculean task. We are all expected to do our part in an "all out" effort to defeat the common enemy.


While our hours for recreation will, no doubt, become shorter, we must all bear in mind that it is of utmost importance to our country and ourselves that we keep physically fit.

After the first shock has subsided and the early confusion has been replaced by calm, clear vision, we feel sure that our national leaders will call upon us to assist in a vigorous campaign to promote the health and physical welfare of our people.

We, of the Badminton world, can do much to assist this program. Our sport is particularly well fitted to supply the recreational needs of both young and old at a very modest cost.

Let's all talk Badminton, play Badminton, and help do our bit for national defense.

May I pause, in these troubled hours, to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year?

 President

AMERICAN BADMINTON ASSOCIATION

THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Have you ever visited North Carolina in the spring? If you have, no feeble words of ours could replace the memory. If you haven't, we will try with our limited vocabulary to picture it for you.

Imagine a combination of:

A sunrise over Lake Louise-
Cherry blossoms ringing the
tidal basin-

Boks Singing Tower at Lake
Wales-

The majesty of the Matterhorn-

The beauty of the Taj Mahal-

The smell of new mown hay
in a midwestern field-and

The stately beauty of the
Royal Palms in Miami.

The song writer who wrote:

"Nothing could be finer than
to be in Carolina in the
morning," wasn't sitting in
Tin-Pan-Alley when he wrote
that.

We haven't found anyone yet who has said they are not going to Durham on April 2nd, 3rd and 4th --they either say "I wouldn't miss it" or "If I can possibly arrange it, I'll be there."

We wish you could all see the hearty co-operation we are receiving from the entire state in planning this event for you. The Durham Chamber of Commerce, the North Carolina State Chamber of Commerce, Duke University, and countless others are working hard with our National Tournament Chairman to make this event a memorable one in your life and mine. There is no selfish motive on their part, as most of the facilities are being donated at no charge.

Our National Chairman has suggested that we ask you all to drop a line to Wallace Wade at Duke University, telling him how much we appreciate what he

is doing for us, and that you are planning to attend-- or to Frank Pierson, Durham Chamber of Commerce, stating that you have been anxious to visit the Carolinas and surely won't miss this opportunity.

An expression of thanks and appreciation is always gratefully received.

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Region # 1- New England

March 27, 28 and 29

New England Championships.

Region # 2- Middle Atlantic

February 12

Middle Atlantic Invitation Doubles.

February 21-23

Eastern Championships.

March 2-8

Metropolitan Championships.

Region # 3- Southern

No schedule reported

Region # 4- Midwest

December 13, 14

Indianapolis Invitational, Indianapolis Athletic Club.

December 12, 13

Fifth Annual All-Evanston.

January 29, 30 and 31

Third annual Missouri A. C. Invitational.

January 27

North Shore Class "B"

February 7, 8

North Shore Class "A"

February 12, 13 and 14

Chicago District, Concordia College River Forest.

February 21 and 22

Ohio State Open.

March 13, 14 and 15

Mid West Championships, Evanston Township High School.

Region # 5- Southwest and West

January 15, 16 and 17

Baylor-Waco, Baylor University.

Region # 6- Pacific

No schedule reported.

There must be dozens more!!!-?
Let's have a complete list for the January issue. Mail us a copy of your local schedule at once.

NEW MEMBERS

ATLANTIC CITY

Wes Frazier helped a group in Atlantic City organize. They were taken into the Philadelphia Association this year. Wes says he thinks they will be able to form a number of clubs next year and organize a South Jersey Association. Nice work!!

LIBERTY, NEW YORK

We welcome Liberty, New York, into our midst. This is a new Class "C" Club, organized in the Liberty M.E. Church by Rev. Earl S. Scott. Who knows- maybe this is the nucleus of a Central New York Association? "Big oaks from little acorns grow."

INDIANA

Commander R.H.G. Mathews, U.S.N. (Ralph, to his friends) is one of Uncle Sam's busiest nephews these days. He was Inspector of Naval Material in the Indianapolis area, but is now in charge of recruiting.

You can imagine that a fellow with those responsibilities would be pretty busy, but Ralph found time to do the first real job of organization in the Hoosier state. With five Indianapolis clubs as a nucleus, he guided the organization of the "Central and Southern Indiana Badminton Association." They have properly affiliated with the Midwest Association, and are now regular members of the A.B.A. in good standing.

The officers of the associations and the member clubs are as follows:

President

Commander R.H.G. Mathews
U.S. Navy Recruiting Office
Federal Building
Indianapolis, Indiana

1st Vice President

A. H. Fisk
Eli Lilly Company
Indianapolis, Indiana

2nd Vice President

Wayne Hutson
R.C.A. Company
Indianapolis, Indiana

Secretary

Mrs. A. Wayne Murphy
3115 Guilford Avenue
Indianapolis, Indiana

Clubs

Indianapolis Athletic Club
Mr. A. H. Fisk, Chairman
350 N. Meridian St.

Athenaeum Turners Badminton Club
Mr. Robert Schwalbe, Pres.
401 E. Michigan St.

R.C.A. Company
Wayne Hutson, Athletic Director
501 N. LaSalle St.

Y.M.C.A. Badminton Club
Clarence Huetten
301 N. Illinois St.

Park School Badminton Club
Wm. W. Garstang
Electronic Laboratories, Inc.
122 W. New York St.

Congratulations, Commander, and Bon Voyage to your new association!!

RULE BOOKS

We thought we would be swamped with requests for copies of the new rule book, but up to the present writing, have only received request from two Class "A" Associations. When we asked you to keep quantities to the "Absolute minimum", we didn't mean "absolute zero"!! Let's get those rule books out to member clubs as quickly as possible, so that everyone will be up to date.

FROM NEW ENGLAND

Badminton in Massachusetts is off to an early start. The season was ushered in by the University Club Mixed Doubles Tournament November 1st. When the smoke cleared after 5 torrid rounds, the Championship Flight Winners were Bob Wright (University Club) and Mrs. Wayne Schell (Poona Club) over Harold Vose and Mrs. C. Goodhue (Tedesco Country Club). Consolation: Larry Roberts and Miss Barbara Hill (Belmont B.C.) over Mr. & Mrs. Porter Atherton (Tedesco). A dinner party and dance at the Club were the finishing touches in more ways than one.

Organization for the year started with an Executive Committee Meeting and has been followed up by a Joint Committee Meeting (an annual affair which other Class "A" Associations might consider).

Program: Members of all committees gathered for a brief outline of general policy and specific projects for the year by prexy Cal. Bartlett. Followed by individual meetings by each committee where plans were made and specific responsibilities assigned. The groups then reconvened for a short general suggestion and discussion period before adjournment. Results: A unified general policy; a definite start on individual committee programs; and a general feeling of something to be done and a swell group to do it (according to all 56 committee members).

The Massachusetts Association Tournament Schedule is almost ready for the

printers. Copies will be sent to all member clubs by courtesy of the Association and provides data on twenty tournaments including the regular four (A.B.C.D.) Mass. Championships and 8 Club Tournaments (invitation) as well as important intersectional tournaments which may interest members either as contestants or spectators. Of special interest is a Conn. vs Mass. team match started last year and so much fun it is now an annual by popular acclaim. Eight ladies and eight men from each state competing in four men's doubles, four ladies' doubles and 8 mixed doubles matches for the bigger share of 16 match points.

The New Englands are scheduled for March 27, 28 and 29 (the week end before the Nationals). Rumor has it that in addition to the usual "tops" from the East and Canada there is every possibility of a real contingent from the West Coast (on their way to the Nationals). The feathers ought to fly! Johnnie Garrod is tournament chairman- address- 47 Colburn Rd. Wellesley Hills, Mass.

Activity for the younger players is due to take a spurt with the Badminton and Tennis Club sponsoring an Inter Collegiate Tournament and the State Junior Development Committee planning at least two Junior Tournaments. No dates yet.

FROM THE MID-WEST

CHICAGO

The first annual Chicago Womens Invitational Tournament was a success from every standpoint. This event was held Saturday and Sunday, November 22 and 23, under the supervision of the Ogden Badminton Club. Entries were by invitation only, and a very representative group was brought together. There were 30 singles entries and 17 doubles teams. These included players from Detroit, Akron, Warren (Ohio), Buffalo, St. Louis, West Allis (Wis.) Racine, etc.

The out of town competition dominated the singles event. None of the Chicago players reached the semi-finals. However, the finals in the doubles event saw one full Chicago team, Eleanor Coombs and Wilma Shortz pitted against Patsy Donovan of Buffalo and her team-mate, Olga Grant of Chicago. The latter team won 15-6, 15-8.

Patsy Donovan overpowered midget Shirley Frye in the singles, 12-9, 11-4. Even in defeat, Shirley looked like a champion, and it was a beautiful match to watch.

Crowned heads were sent flying right and left. The No. 1 ranking Mid-West team of Florence Howard and Pearl Peterson of Detroit were eliminated in the quarter finals by Shirley Frye and Marguerite Wright 4-15, 15-8, 15-13, who were in turn eliminated in the semi-finals by the ultimate winners.

Wilma Shortz, Mid-West # 1 ranking singles player, was not up to her usual form, as she was eliminat-

ed in the second round by Marie Bytnar of St. Louis, 11-8, 11-4. Marie is one of those cool methodical players, who will bear watching as the season progresses. By the time the Mid-West championships roll around, she will, no doubt, give quite a few "old regulars" some anxious moments.

This entire affair was well handled and received a fine public response. The boys from Ogden are to be congratulated upon the success of their "maiden effort".

INDIANA

As a "Curtain-raiser" for the new Central and Southern Indiana Badminton Association, described in detail elsewhere in this issue, the first annual Indianapolis Invitational Tournament is being held on Saturday and Sunday, December 13 and 14. It is being held at the Indianapolis Athletic Club, where accommodations for all out-of-town players have been arranged. Players from all surrounding states have been invited, and from advance indications, there will be a huge entry list on hand to help Commander Mathews "launch" his new association.

A contingent of 40 or more are entered from Chicago alone.

The tournament will feature all events for men and women as well as mixed.

FROM THE MID-WEST- (Continued)

OHIO

The Ohio State Championships were held at Akron, Saturday and Sunday, December 6 and 7. While the entry list was a little smaller than usual, the play was spirited and every match was a hard-fought one.

Ken Quigley defeated Russell Grant, former Pittsburgh champion, to retain his singles crown. Ken teamed up with Pearl Nicholls to win the mixed doubles. He failed to make a grand slam, however, as he and his partner, Whitney Warner, Jr. were defeated by Russell Grant and partner in a close, hard-fought match.

The womens singles event was most interesting as the finalists, after several torrid rounds, turned out to be two junior lassies Shirley Frye (age 14) of Akron (our candidate for National Champion in 1944) defeated Margarita Fuller (age 15) of Cincinnati. Shirley teamed with Marguerite Wright of Warren to annex the doubles title.

The Ohio Association held its annual meeting Sunday and re-elected Whitney Warner, Jr. as President and C. L. Nichols as Executive Secretary and Treasurer.

Cleveland and Cincinnati both report a tremendous increase in badminton this season, although many outstanding players are now in the service of Uncle Sam.

ST. LOUIS

The boys and girls from St. Louis really support their local association enthusiastically and whole-heartedly. We know of no other district where there is greater progress being made than there, in the "Gateway to the West." The Mid-West Association is proud to list this district as one of its most progressive members. St. Louis bids fair to become a leading center for badminton in the west.

As a warm-up for the early season, the Clayton Badminton Club held a St. Louis tournament on November 24 to 29 inclusive. There were 207 entries received. The results were as follows:

Men's Championship Singles
Karl Johansson (Clayton Club)

Women's Championship Singles
Miss Marie Bytnar (Olympic Club)

Men's Class B. Singles
Dick Casey (Old Orchard Club)

Women's Class B. Singles
Miss Mary Grady (University City Club)

Men's Doubles
Dr. Carl W. Lange, Jr.
(Mo. Athletic Club) and
Abe Schumitzky (Webster Club)

Women's Doubles
Miss Marie Bytnar (Olympic Club) and
Miss Virginia Summa (Webster Club)

Mixed Doubles
Miss Marilyn Rowland and
Joe Zambruski (Navy Club)

Esquire Doubles
Dr. C. E. Eimer and
G. Harig Ruenzi (Mo. Athletic Club)

Father & Son Doubles
Warren and Marvin Cowdery (Navy Club)

Junior Boys' Singles
Joseph Helfrick, Jr. (Clayton Club)

Junior Girls' Singles
Miss Mary Grady
(University City Club)

FROM THE MIDWEST- (Continued)

ST. LOUIS - (Cont'd)

It is interesting to note that Marie Bytnar (about whose play in the Chicago Invitational, we have already commented) has won five straight tournament singles titles and five out of seven tournaments held in the St. Louis district. These mid-western girls are going to give the Californians a good battle next spring at Durham.

For the past two years, the St. Louis Association has sponsored inter-club play whereby the clubs play each other, but there are no awards made. It is merely to stir up interest and help develop players. They have found it very successful in bringing new players into competition. (A good idea for every town or city with five or more clubs)

Standings at present are as follows:

1. Navy Club- 22 points
2. Clayton Club- 16 points
3. Mo. Athletic Club- 13½ points
4. University City Club- 10 points
5. Webster Club- 8 points
6. Olympic Club - 7½ points
7. Old Orchard Club- 5 points
8. Y.W.C.A.- 3 points

(5 points for 1st
3 points for 2nd)

THIRD ANNUAL INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT
OF THE MISSOURI ATHLETIC CLUB

This popular event will be held in St. Louis on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, January 29, 30 and 31, 1942. It has always attracted the top ranking players from the middle west.

Entries have already been received from the following:

Jerry Burns, Detroit Badminton Club
Midwest 1941 Singles and Doubles
Champion.

Harry Conlan, Ogden Badminton Club,
Chicago. Will play doubles with
Burns.

Dr. William J. Gibbs, Chicago Bad-
minton Club, Semi-Finalist in the
Midwest 1941 and defending Doubles
Champion with John C. Prest, at
the 1941 M.A.C. Invitational.

John C. Prest, Chicago Badminton
Club, Finalist in Singles at the
M.A.C. Invitational, and Doubles
Champion with Gibbs at same event
last year.

Anyone desiring to play in this
tournament, is urged to communicate
with Mr. Walter Schlueter, Missouri
Athletic Club, St. Louis, Mo.

All are welcome-- the more, the
merrier!!

There will be five open events
and one closed: Mens Singles, Mens
Doubles, Boys Singles (16 years and
under) Esquire Doubles (36 years and
over) Father and Son Doubles (no age
limit) and M.A.C. Closed Singles.

Accommodations for out-of-town
players have been arranged at the
club. Address Carl O. Bauer,
Director of Athletics, for reserva-
tions.

We are very much interested in the
Father and Son event; also the
Junior Singles. The future of the
game depends upon young folks, and
anything that is done to encourage
them is definite progress.

FROM PITTSBURGH:

Our president, Ward Starrett, has been especially invited to attend the annual Sports Dinner at the Pittsburgh Athletic Club, December 10, 1941. In attendance will be many notable sports celebrities from all over the country.

Bill Corum, famous newspaper correspondent, is to be the Master of Ceremonies.

Among the guests will be Jack Purcell.

The day following the Sports Dinner, Jack Purcell will put on an exhibition with several of the leading players of this area at the Pittsburgh Athletic Club. Mr. Starrett will be one of the doubles team opposing him in the exhibition.

Some of the outstanding players will be: Dane Critchfield, Wes Snyder, A. D. Cleland, Geo. Bailey and others.

A decided effort is being made by all local clubs, particularly the Pittsburgh Athletic Club, to see that badminton takes its proper place in this area, as it has in so many others throughout the country.

FROM TEXAS:

Baylor not only turns out good football teams (Texas "U" agrees with us) but is right up there on the top when it comes to badminton.

Lowell N. Douglas of the Department of Physical Education at Baylor "U" is also president of the Baylor-Waco Badminton Club. They are planning a tournament on January 15-17, 1942. Douglas says they expect entries from Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma and California.

EVENTS: Mens Singles
 Mens Doubles

Womens Singles
Womens Doubles

Mixed Doubles

Veterans Singles
Veterans Doubles

Mr. Douglas is also undertaking to arrange an exhibition match between Dave Freeman and Guy Reed.

We are particularly pleased to note the increased activity in Oklahoma, and hope to be able to announce some A.B.A. members from that state soon.

FROM SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

The Manhattan Beach Badminton Club celebrated the opening of its newly built club house, with a "Doubles" tournament on November 22nd.

The event was high-lighted by a final match between LeRoy Erickson and Raeford Haney of Pasadena vs. Chester Goss and Joe Alston of San Diego. Alston substituted for Dave Freeman, who was ill. He is only fourteen years old, is quite small, but is an amazing player. Goss and Alston won in a three-game match, which can only be described in one word, "sensational."

We are like the football coach who dreams up "all time-all something-or-other" teams. If what they say about Joe Alston is true, boy, oh boy! what a mixed doubles team Shirley Frye (also age 14) and he would make. Whew!!!

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| <p>DO YOUR BIT!! HELP THE BOYS IN SERVICE</p> |
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A Home and Recreation Center is being established outside the capitol city of Jamaica for men of the U.S. forces who are on leave locally. The official name will be "American Canteen of Jamaica."

This splendid work is proceeding under the direction of Mrs. Hugh Watson, wife of the U.S. Consul General in Jamaica.

We are informed that there is urgent need of the following equipment and games for amusement purposes:-

Badminton Racquets
Badminton Nets
Badminton Birds
Sneakers- any size would be most welcome
Playing Cards- slightly used, need not be new
Dominoes
Checkers
Chess
Jig Saws

Anything in a serviceable condition would be most appreciated, and welcome, and it is not necessary for it to be new.

To avoid complications with the British Import Restrictions and Regulations in Jamaica, all parcels should be addressed direct as follows:

In care of Postmaster,
New York City
for attention of
Lieut. L. M. West
Marine Detachment
Portland Bight
Jamaica, B.W.I.

All parcels received with the above instructions will be delivered free of any duty.

As an alternative, parcels may be addressed to

Charles E. Hare
c/o Wilson Sporting Goods Co.
2037 North Campbell Ave.
Chicago, Illinois

Anything you do will be greatly appreciated.

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| <p>THIS IS REAL CO-OPERATION!! ALL CLASS "A" ASSOCIATIONS, PLEASE NOTE:</p> |
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Dr. Earl Pound, prexy of Southern California, writes:

"We have two new committees just starting to function: one is Publicity; the other is developing a complete library of player information and pictures. These committees will be a great help to you in the near future."

Thanks a lot, Doc! You will hear from Millard Dorntge or "ye Editor" in the future when we want some pictures of those sensational champions from California. This sort of information will be most welcome as national tournament time draws near. (Take note, Adon)

"HELP WANTED!!!"

ROGER MORSE writes:

"It would be most helpful if member clubs would stimulate reading of the rules for amateur standing and discussion thereon. Invariably, discussion develops points not clearly understood. It is urged that such points be submitted to their Class "A" Associations for clarification. The association headquarters will confer with the nearest Amateur Status Committee member in making their reply."

"Your A.B.A. Amateur Status Committee is now working on a list of interpretations as well as a routine procedure designed to make more uniform the application of our rules. These items will be ready for general distribution in the near future."

"Suggestions or questions are welcomed."

AMATEUR STATUS COMMITTEE
R. E. Morse, Chairman
66 Norfolk Avenue
Boston, Massachusetts

JIM CRAFTS asks that all members, particularly heads of Class "A" Associations, send him any recommendations they may have for changes in our constitution and by-laws.

This should be done promptly, so that all ideas may be incorporated in the proposals which will be sent out for consideration at an early date.

Address: James F. Crafts
10 Post Office Square
Boston, Massachusetts

ADON SMITH reports that very little comment has been received on the veterans' age limit question. We thought this question would really open a "Flood Gate" of comment. Do you think the limit should be left at 45 or reduced to 40?

Because Adon has his hands full with tournament plans, President Starrett has asked Phil Richardson to assist in this question through his Rules Committee.

So if you were mad at Adon and didn't want to write him a letter, send one to Phil, giving him your views on the subject. Address:
Philip Richardson
20 Oak Terrace
Newton Highlands, Mass.

There must be several hundred, yes, maybe a thousand, advertising men who are A.B.A. members. HENRY HEFFERNAN, Chairman of the Membership Committee, is looking for some snappy ideas, ideas with a punch, to be used in the pamphlet his committee is preparing. This pamphlet will outline the advantages of membership in the A.B.A. and will contain instructions for making application.

Come on boys, "give out" with a few ideas and help us get started.
Address:

Henry Heffernan
Marion Building
Augusta, Georgia

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| IN OUR BEST "WINCHELL" MANNER |
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We have it on good authority that Durward T. Heath, Prexy of New Hampshire, is "on the verge." North Carolina would make a wonderful honeymoon spot, Durward, especially Durham, along about April 2nd, 3rd, and 4th.

There has been no announcement, but we notice that Dr. "Bill" Gibbs' girl friend is wearing a diamond on the third finger left. Bill is Chicago District singles champion.

Maybe we can have a special mixed doubles event for honeymooners at the Nationals next spring. Any more entries?

Bill Graham, one of Chicago's top ranking players, has been released from military service with the "over 28 class." He is working hard on his game, and will, no doubt, cut a wide path in the Chicago District and Midwest this season.

We don't think we are getting "out on a limb" when we say that the future women's champion will hail from Akron, Ohio. We thought we had seen everything until we saw Shirley Frye (age 14) play in the Chicago Women's Invitational November 22 and 23rd. The "little woman" had to remind us several times during Shirley's matches, to close our mouth and sit back on our chair before we fell off.

The Chicago Badminton Club held its annual banquet and election of officers, Thursday, November 6. Chet Rieck (of Baked Bean Fame) was elected president, succeeding Stan Flitcraft. Stan was awarded the official C.B.C. Past Presidents' Blazer for an exceptionally fine job last year.

While browsing in the library of a local sporting goods house, we came across a book entitled "Better Badminton" by Jackson and Swan. Price \$1.00. Published in 1939 by A.S. Barnes & Co., 67 West 44th Street, New York.

Some of you may be familiar with it, but to those who are not, we recommend it highly. It is profusely illustrated with both photos and diagrams. We think it is the finest book on the subject that we have seen.

Ken Quigley (ranked # 3 nationally) is now a private in the U.S. Army Air Corps and is stationed at Albuquerque, New Mexico. He took his Christmas furlough early and was able to compete in the Ohio Open December 6 and 7.

Upon returning home Sunday evening, he was handed a wire directing him to return to Albuquerque at once. He returns to Camp, still Ohio Champion, in both singles and mixed doubles.

TOURNAMENT SANCTIONS

By now, you have received copies of the official "Application for Sanction" form, from the National Tournament Chairman Adon N. Smith II.

Complete instructions for their use accompanied them.

We wish to again call your attention to Section 2, Paragraph I of the "Rules for Amateur Standing" which reads as follows, "a player may forfeit his (or her) amateur standing by participating in an exhibition or tournament that has not been truly authorized or sanctioned."

To make it easier for you, sub or regional chairmen have been appointed in each region to sanction tournaments. These chairmen were listed in the preceding issue of "Bird Chatter", but for your convenience, we repeat them, here-with:

REGION # 1

John E. Garrod, 47 Colburn Rd.
Wellesley Hills, Massachusetts

REGION # 2

William Edgar, 165 Broadway
New York City, N. Y.

REGION # 3

Edgar Forio, P.O. Box 1734
Atlanta, Georgia

REGION # 4

W. R. Abbott, Jr.
400 N. Michigan Ave. Chicago, Ill.

REGION # 5

Winchester Kelso, Milam Bldg.
San Antonio, Texas

REGION # 6

L. Winchester Jones
351 California Terrace
Pasadena, California

EXHIBITION MATCHES

Do you know that you are jeopardizing your amateur standing by participating in exhibitions that have not been properly authorized???

We direct your attention to pages 10, 11 and 12 of the new rule book. Briefly, the rules are as follows:

1) Exhibition Matches-No Admission Charge

Authority required from your Class "A" Association only, subject, of course, to national rules with regard to travelling or living expenses.

2) Exhibition Matches-Admission Charge

Authority must be obtained from both your Class "A" Association and the A.B.A. Amateur Status Committee or its Regional sub-committee. The application must not only give full particulars about the proposed exhibition match, but must list the players by individual name for whom permission to participate is requested.

It is suggested that requests be made in Triplicate, 2 copies to Class "A" Association and 1 copy to Regional Tournament Committee Chairman. If satisfactory, the Class "A" Association may approve one copy and forward to the Sub Committee Chairman for his record. Upon receipt of this approval, the Sub Committee will, if found in order, issue official permit or sanction.

Inasmuch as it will require approximately 10 days to complete this procedure, you are cautioned to apply in ample time.

Review pages 10, 11 and 12 carefully with all your members, as the rules will be rigidly enforced.

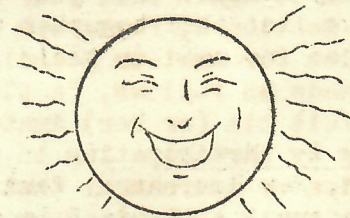
OF WHICH CLUB ARE YOU A MEMBER ?

"THE MINUS CLUB"



| | Last Year | This Year |
|-------------|-----------|-----------|
| CONNECTICUT | 22 | 18 |
| MIDWEST | 54 | 50 |

"THE PLUS CLUB"



| | Last Year | This Year |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|
| OHIO | 26 | 29 |
| MARYLAND | 10 | 14 |
| OREGON | 10 | 11 |
| WESTERN NEW YORK | 27 | 29 |

This picture will, no doubt, change for the better when current season returns are completed. Most associations referred us to their last year's list when we made inquiry, as they had not as yet completed their check-up for this season.

HERE'S HOPING !!!

REGIONAL BOUNDARIES

Our constitution has defined six Regions for the purpose of distributing representation on the Board of Directors. These divisions also define the spheres of activity of the various sub-committee chairmen.

We will frequently refer to these regions by number. For your convenience, we list them together with the states included in their jurisdiction:

REGION # 1- New England

Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut

REGION # 2- Middle Atlantic

New York, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia, West Virginia

REGION # 3- Southern

Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana

REGION # 4- Midwestern

Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Arkansas

REGION # 5- Western

Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, South Dakota, North Dakota, New Mexico, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, Montana

REGION # 6- Pacific

California, Nevada, Oregon, Idaho, Washington, Arizona

OUR NEXT ISSUE WILL GO
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"BRICK-BATS AND BOUQUETS"

"Congratulations---"

C. L. Nichols

"'Bird Chatter' is great!

Here's to a long life and a merry one."

John E. Garrod

"Congratulations---"

James F. Crafts

"Many, many, many hearty
congratulations---"

Adon N. Smith II

"Congratulations---"

Orville H. Mills

"A swell idea---"

Whitney Warner, Jr.

"Congratulations---"

P. V. Hayden

"We shall do everything we can
to co-operate---"

Clinton Eastman

"We will be looking forward to the
next issue---"

John D. Smart

Thanks, boys!! We're glad you
liked our first effort.

We are reminded of the chap who went in on the carpet to ask the boss for a raise. He was warmly welcomed with a lengthy heart-warming speech containing all the old chromos, such as, "most valuable employee"--"been here for many years without proper recognition"---"Don't know what we would do without you"--"have great plans for your future"---"indispensable"--etc. etc. "however, we can't give you a raise now, but we will make you an assistant vice-president and put your name on the door."

We appreciate the "bouquets," boys, but how about some news items. That's what makes the wheels go around.

J.H.C.