

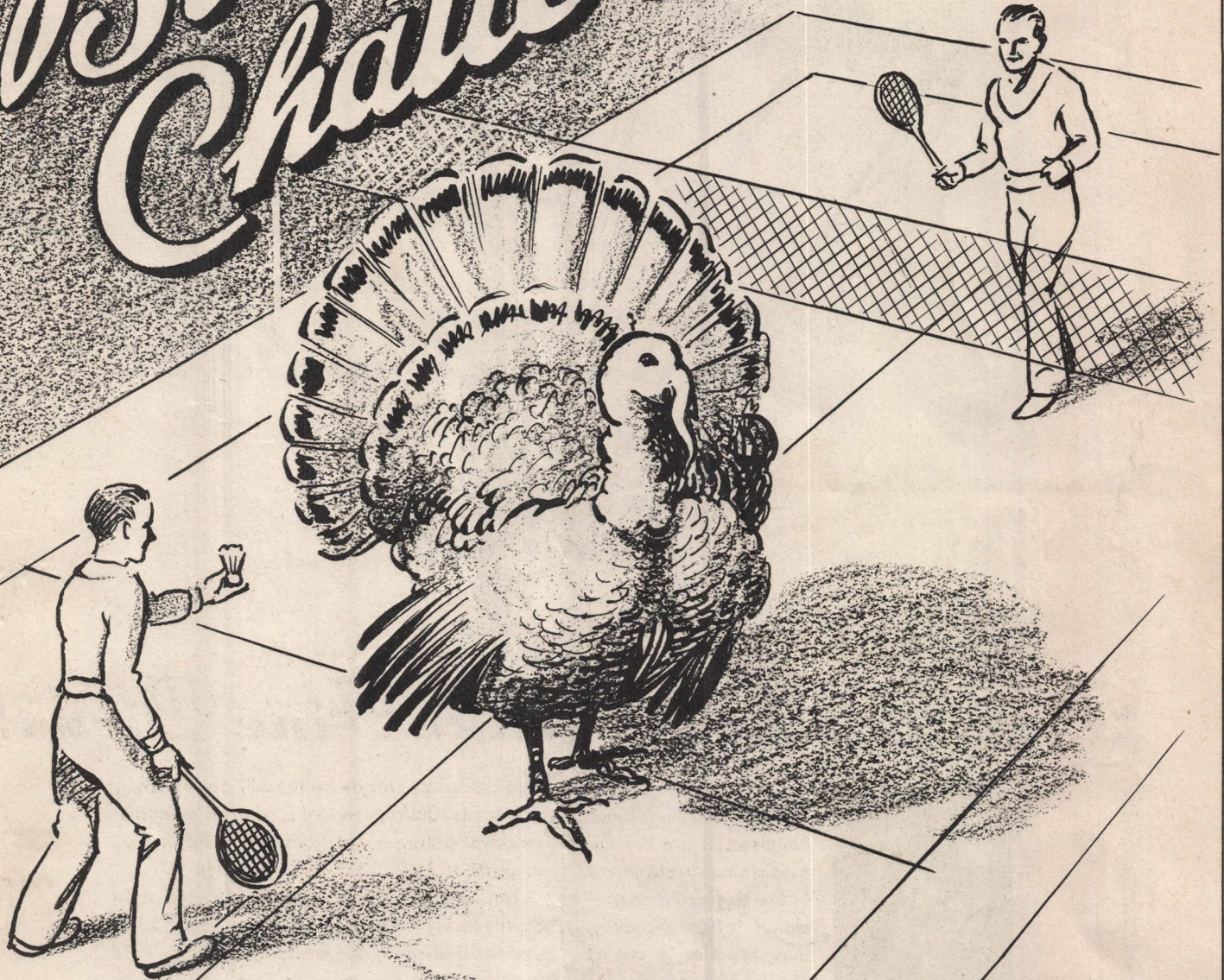
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## A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

In the light of the changing times, the question of "What is to happen to sports?" is continually before us. It seems quite opportune, therefore, that I briefly outline in our first issue of "Bird Chatter," the wartime policy that your association has adopted.

No one seems to question that sports of all kinds, not interfering with war activities, are highly desirable. Play should continue in every locality as extensively as is possible. This is a step toward physical fitness, which is the coveted goal of everyone, particularly in these times.

Tournament play must be restricted to avoid transgressing the transportation regulations of the country. The National Tournament will not be held this year. On the other hand, many centers which have been accustomed to holding local tournaments may find it possible to conduct them as usual. This should be done.

Everyone in the vicinity of Service Camps and Centers should be alert to the possibility of introducing badminton to the boys in service. Assist in the recreational activities of the boys and do all you can to help, when help is wanted.

Manufacturers report that supplies, at least for this season, present no serious problem and that we may expect to have normal needs taken care of without difficulty.

We must all keep the "Big Job" uppermost in our minds, but with the thought of "Keep fit to do your bit," let's make the most of our precious hours of leisure.

Sincerely yours,

  
President  
AMERICAN BADMINTON ASSOCIATION

## "JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT"

By Lea Gustavson

The healthy growth of any competitive sport can best be measured by the extent to which younger players are encouraged, assisted and developed. Without a well organized, popularly supported program for youthful beginners, a sport will wither and die. Youth is life, and from the ranks of youth, we must recruit the future leaders of our nation and of our sport.

Organized badminton has shamefully procrastinated, year after year, on this important problem. What better time could we choose than right now--this season--to make a start?

90% of our top flight players are in the armed services. Tournaments will be few and far between. As a consequence, we will have more time to devote to "just playing"; so why not give a part of it to the kids?

I have approached the problem several times with a minimum of success. Three or four years ago, time was allotted for juniors at our club, but when the time and space were provided, nobody used it. After several months, there was a complete reversal--we were over-run with children. It started because some few found it a very friendly meeting place for boys and girls. When once started, all ages came and the courts were taxed to capacity for about two seasons.

Then we had a falling off of interest, largely due, I thought, to senior indifference. Nobody played with them or helped very much. We tried a bit of coaching, but found to our annoyance, that the kids did not want teaching--that was too much like school. They just wanted to play and have fun. Kids are competitive. An incentive is vitally important. They want it and need it; and if they get it, their interest is tremendous. We learned from experience that if you want to teach them, it must be done indirectly, except perhaps for the very few individuals who have championship aspirations. We must not look

upon the juniors only as a source of coming champions, but as a means to keep badminton alive for the fun that is in it for everyone.

This year, as head of the Connecticut State Association, I have inaugurated a junior program throughout the state. Miss Helen Gibson, who is well known as a former National Doubles Champion, is Chairman of the Junior Committee, and with her very willing and able assistance, we have put into operation a plan which should succeed.

We have asked each senior club to organize and subsidize, if necessary, a junior club as an affiliate. The junior club pays \$3.00 a year dues to the State organization, for which they receive a planned schedule of team matches, just as is done for the senior club. A junior state championship will be held at the end of the season. A division of age groups, such as 12-15 and 15-18 will be made only if found necessary. The minimum age for a junior is 18, as of June 1.

A big step toward a successful junior organization is the very friendly co-operation of a large sporting goods manufacturer and dealer who has agreed to supply junior needs at a price which the juniors can pay.

Of course, there are districts in the country where junior play is very active, but there are not nearly enough. If every state association and club will give this problem some thought, I am sure they will see the logic in my appeal.

The movement must be started by individual clubs or associations, and developed from the "grass roots" up. It will never succeed if you wait for someone to start a national movement.

We can assist one another by exchanging ideas and experience through the pages of "Bird Chatter." Let's hear from you! Write to me or to Justin Canfield at A.B.A. headquarters.

## THE RULES - KNOW THEM!

By Phil Richardson

Although there will be a natural curtailment of badminton this season due to the war, your committee earnestly suggests that there be no relaxing of the rules of play. Tournaments and general play should conform to the present regulations. This should be stressed particularly among the juniors and beginners.

There has been considerable comment over the country for some definite ruling on the drawing and seeding of a tournament. We are now working on this problem as we realize each tournament committee has generally followed its own leads. We want and need your comments on this, especially on the questions below and any others that apply to this subject. The most important questions appear to be:

1. How to seed
  - a. Shall winner of last year's tournament always be seeded No. 1?
  - b. Shall last year's ranking or current play be the only factor?
  - c. Shall current play combined with ranking determine position? If so, which is more important?
  - d. Shall national ranking supersede local ranking in local or inter-sectional tournaments?
2. How to draw
  - a. Shall all players be drawn by lot?
  - b. What, if any, places shall be placed? - How?
  - c. How do you draw on a seed of 4? Of 8?
  - d. Should there be any seeding over 8?

Please give this matter your serious consideration as it affects each one of us. Comments should be sent to Philip Richardson, 77 Whittier Rd., Wellesley Hills, Mass.

## UNCLE SAM BUYING BIRDS

As proof of the fact that Uncle Sam looks with favor upon the game of badminton, we were recently informed that the Quartermaster Corps has asked for bids on 30,000 doz. shuttlecocks. The feathers will really be flying soon.

## BADMINTON IN NEW GUINEA

Papers in many parts of the country recently printed a news photo of four U.S. Pursuit pilots playing badminton in New Guinea.

The captain identifies them as Lieut. C.L. Jones, Columbus, S.C.; Maj. Jack Berry, Albany, Oregon; Lieut. Geo. A. Parker, Riverside, Calif.; and Lieut. Ralph Martin, Detroit, Mich. Two of the men are playing in aviator's boots and two are playing in shoes. They are all without shirts. Three are in shorts and one is in slacks. The shadows indicate they must have been playing close to noon. In the background is a thatched house, and across the front of the house are two trees resembling large apple trees. The stances of at least three of the players would indicate that they are quite adept at the game.

## BADMINTON AT JAX AIR BASE

Lieut. Taylor Caffery, who was formerly stationed at the Naval Air Station at Jacksonville, Fla. sends us some very interesting news about activities there.

Badminton is becoming very popular with the aviators. They are compelled to take some form of exercise at regular intervals, and badminton is just what they have been looking for.

They are permitted to play in the plane hangars, which, with their unobstructed floor space and high ceiling, are ideally suited.

Squadrons are forming their own teams, and issuing challenges to one another. The whole station recently held a tournament, which, from all reports, was a huge success. As a result, play is no longer confined to the flyers, but the enlisted men, ground personnel, etc. are all starting to play.

The game was slow in starting, as most all of the athletic officers are ex-football players, and are only interested in the contact sports. Each has its place, however, and the growing popularity of badminton at the station seems to prove it.

Taylor says very few of those interested have any idea how the game is played. He is of the opinion that a few exhibitions between good players and leading professionals would provide the needed impetus.

Perhaps a tour of the air stations and camps could be arranged, with the leaders participating jointly.

## FROM WASHINGTON

We look forward each month to a very interesting letter from Tim Royce. We are never disappointed. Following is his latest:

"There is not much activity to write about in badminton circles in Seattle. The Pacific Coast is really a large size block-house and that is especially true of Seattle. Within the radius of nine miles from my office, there are 40,000 men building air planes. Within fifteen miles, there is one of the few navy yards in the world capable of repairing battleships and it has had a few to repair. There are shipyards right in the midst of the city. Fort Lewis is only about twenty miles away in a straight line. One of the largest air fields in the country is only fifteen miles to the North of the city.

"Barrage balloons are visible at all corners of the compass and large cannons are likewise visible to the casual passerby in all parts of the city and these are not intended for decorative purposes. These things and others, (I forgot the naval air base, for example) have intruded themselves upon the minds of even the most enthusiastic badminton players. The result is that even those who are left out of the service, find it inopportune to spend much time on the courts.

"Ham Law writes concerning his experiences in Alaska. The latter part of August, he was in Seattle, and went back to Ketchikan by plane. By some mischance, he was carried on to Anchorage. Imagine his amazement to find that a badminton tournament was going on there at that time and it had reached the finals. They insisted and finally prevailed upon him to give an exhibition.

"He writes that they play in the community hall two nights a week, and have four courts arranged in box shape with a 20-foot ceiling. He says the club has been organized about three years, and there is quite a bit of enthusiasm. They have about 150 players, although the membership is only 75. Jim Jacobsen, whom he described as "one of our boys,"--which I take to mean that he is a member of the Signal Corps--won the singles championship.

"He also writes that Fairbanks has a club of about 75 members. The game is also played at Valdez, Cordova, Nome and Juneau. He says that the first Monday in

October, they had their first session in Ketchikan. At that time, they were playing in the high school gym."

The Washington Athletic Club and the Queen Anne Badminton Club will conduct a Seattle invitational handicap tournament commencing Tuesday, December 8, at the Broadway Hall, corner of Madison and Broadway. Entries will be 75 cents per person, and shuttles and trophies will be supplied in the usual fashion. All of the events will be played, including singles. The Broadway Hall, where practically all of the experienced players in Seattle play, is in almost the geographical center of the city.

Invitations are being extended to players in Spokane, Port Angeles, Yakimo, Portland, and other surrounding localities. Entries are expected from at least a few of them.

### TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

In our next issue, we will begin a nation-wide tournament schedule. We want it to be a complete and accurate guide, so be sure to send us the names of your events and the dates.

Include a brief outline of anything of interest, such as names of outstanding players or service men who will participate, etc.

Be sure it reaches us before the next deadline date, Dec. 28.

### TOURNAMENT SANCTIONS

To safeguard the Amateur Status of your players, be sure that your tournaments are properly sanctioned.

Write for application blanks to your regional A.B.A. tournament chairman or to National Headquarters.

The Regional Chairmen are as follows:  
John E. Garrod - 77 Colburn Road,  
Wellesley Hills, Mass.

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

Edgar Forio - P. O. Box 1734, Atlanta, Ga.

Dr. Lowell N. Douglas - c/o Baylor University, Waco, Texas

Fred Russell - c/o Rollins, Burdick, Hunter Co., 231 S. LaSalle St., Chicago, Ill.

John Amos Fleming - 5658 Wilshire Blvd.  
Los Angeles, Calif.

### FROM OREGON

In spite of the dim out, gas rationing, and the fact that everyone is giving his utmost for the war effort, the badminton enthusiasts still find time for their favorite sport. The directors of the Oregon Association feel that it is very much worthwhile to promote and further interest in badminton at this time.

The clubs belonging to the Oregon Ass'n are all functioning, and at the present time are concerned in equipping their playing courts with the proper dim out material to conform with the requirements of the west coast dim out ordered by the Army. This, in some instances, has caused a delay in getting the badminton season off to an early start.

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On Oct. 21, the Multnomah Athletic Club opened the 1942-43 season with a "Badminton Mixer." One hundred and ten players turned out for this event, and kept all five courts very busy from 7:30 to 10:30 P.M., after which everyone enjoyed an excellent buffet supper and punch bowl. Everyone got acquainted with everyone else and the success of the event can be measured by the fact that the hard-worked committee was approached by many and asked - "Can't we do this every month? It has been such fun."

It was good to see that many players from one club all assembled at one time and place to play badminton and very gratifying to know that there is so much interest so early in the season.

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On Nov. 14, the Multnomah Athletic Club is sponsoring their semi-annual "Play Day" and it is expected that an even larger number of badminton players will turn out for this event.

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The question of tournaments was discussed at the last meeting of the Ass'n. No definite decision was made regarding the holding of state tournaments this season; but the tournament committee felt that, if at all possible, they would like to sponsor tournaments as in the past. This will depend upon the availability of centrally located playing courts.

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All of the clubs are missing the boys who have gone into service--we wish them

all the luck in the world and hope they like hearing from their own home towns through "Bird Chatter."

### FROM NEW YORK

Herman Oppenheim of New York was elected president of the Metropolitan B.A. Miss Margaret McAgdon of Jersey City was elected secretary. These replaced Harold Smith, ex-pres. who is in Washington D.C. for the duration; and Harold Wheaton, ex-secy. who is in the Army. We understand that many of the club officers from New York have left for the armed services. If someone will send us their names and addresses, we will be glad to put them on our mailing list.

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The M.B.A. held its first meeting on Monday, Nov. 9. A modified program was adopted for the season. As in previous years, there will be team matches in A.B. & C class, in both men's and women's events, beginning in December.

Due to the short playing season and fewer entries, there will be added a combination team-match league. Each team will consist of two women's doubles, two men's doubles, and four mixed doubles. The scoring will be based on the point system to avoid ties, if possible.

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The annual Mid-Atlantic Invitation Doubles tournament for both men and women will be held on Washington's birthday under the auspices of the Manhattan B.C.

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The Central B.C. will hold its annual mixed tournament on Saturday, Nov. 14. This event is held for the purpose of acquainting new players and beginners with the old ones. Teams are selected on the basis of one experienced player and one beginner. Two divisions are formed, as nearly equal in ability as possible.

A round-robin match is played in each division, each match consisting of two straight games, no set. The team with the most score in each division is declared winner. A dinner is served at 6:30 after which play is resumed. Because every team plays the same number of games, they all have a good time and stay until the end.

This is a "sure fire" way to get everyone acquainted, particularly if your club is a large one with many new members.

## FROM THE MIDWEST

### ST. LOUIS

This summer the Greater St. Louis Badminton Association held its Sixth Annual St. Louis District Outdoor Badminton Tournament. The tournament was held at Manhasset Village, Richmond Heights, Mo. on their four asphalt courts. These are some of the best outdoor courts in the Greater St. Louis area and each court is lighted with four, thousand watt flood lights. The meet was held August 18 through the 23rd. There were eleven events consisting of forty-three single and twenty-seven double entries. Play started at 7:00 P.M. and ended at 10:30 P.M. each night. Due to the shortage of metal, printed and hand painted placques were awarded instead of trophies.

Karl Johansson was the outstanding star of the tournament, winning the singles, mixed doubles, and men's doubles. He teamed with Mildred Norwine in the mixed and Joe Adler in the men's doubles.

Both players and spectators stated that this was one of the best outdoor tournaments ever held in this vicinity. No admission charge was made, but a substantial sum was collected through donations, which was turned over to the U.S.O.

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Virginia Summa (7th ranking women's singles in the Midwest) and W. Russell Smith (4th ranking mixed doubles team in the Midwest) have announced their engagement and will be married Thanksgiving Day.

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### MILWAUKEE

The Town Club is just getting its season underway. This year's schedule will be patterned after the last one, with one social night each week. This usually attracts upwards of fifty members. A buffet supper is served.

Team matches with Racine, West Allis and Evanston are scheduled for both men's and mixed doubles.

### CHICAGO BADMINTON CLUB

The Chicago Badminton Club held its annual meeting and dinner on Tuesday evening, Nov. 3, 1942. The following officers and directors were elected for the 1942-43 season:

President	Norval P. Trimborn
Vice-Pres.	Richard Headley
Treasurer	Fred Hindle
Secretary	Ardith Taylor
Directors	Lyda Binks-Stanley Flitcraft Raymond Ioas-Lawrence Protis Chet Rieck

The Chicago Badminton Club is the oldest in the Chicago area, and is now embarking upon its eleventh season, having grown from an original membership of twelve, in 1931, to its present membership of one hundred adults and fifteen juniors. In spite of gasoline rationing, this club has a waiting list, and its officers report a most enthusiastic and co-operative membership.

The club has been fortunate in securing the coaching services of Basil Jones, former British Champion, and more recently of the Badminton and Tennis Club of Boston.

The newly elected Board of Directors has outlined an ambitious program for the membership, both athletically and socially, and is looking forward to a most successful season.

### HAMILTON B. C.

The Ogden Badminton Club of Chicago has moved to more spacious accommodations in the auditorium of the Hamilton Park Fieldhouse, and as a respectful gesture to the director who made these excellent playing facilities available, has changed the name of the club to Hamilton Badminton Club.

Miss Ann Nestor, one of the ranking Midwest women players from Flint, Mich. is now a resident of Chicago and is playing with the Hamilton Badminton Club.

The Hamilton Badminton Club has been holding open house each Sunday afternoon. Many of the leading players of the metropolitan area have availed themselves of the opportunity of trying their skill against each other, early in the season.

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<b>FROM NEW ENGLAND</b>
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**CONNECTICUT**

The state delegates of the Conn. B. A. held their annual meeting in New Haven on Nov. 10. A very complete program was adopted for the season.

For the purpose of scheduling team matches, the state is divided into four areas. Each area has a chairman who has full authority to prepare a schedule as best suits the conditions and desires of that area. District, or area, winners must be established by Feb. 15, at which time they will meet for semi-final and final matches to establish a winner. Both men's and women's events are contested as well as all classes.

Mixed doubles league play will then start and continue until the end of March.

The state championships will be held on about the 20th of March. A state championship for Juniors is planned for March 6, the first to be held in Connecticut.

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It is reported that several of the industrial plants in and around Hartford are showing quite a marked interest in the organization. It is very possible that Connecticut will have an increase in membership this year.

This is a good tip for other industrial centers. With the increasing tempo of war work, there is more need for a few hours of recreation each week.

Help organize some more badminton clubs in your area.

The sixth annual Westport Men's Invitational Doubles will be held on Nov. 28 at the Westport "Y". We will miss many of the old regulars in this event. Endsley Fairman, Bill Warner, Chris Dole and many others are in the service. At last reports, Chris was stationed in New York, so maybe he can get away long enough to defend their title with his partner, Johnnie Garrod.

**MASSACHUSETTS**

Organized play is just starting in the Mass. B. A. so there is nothing of special interest to report. The first meeting of the Executive Committee was held on Nov. 10. An announcement of the season's program will be made shortly.

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The courts at the University Club are going at top speed every day. The Naval officers stationed in and around Boston have taken up the game in earnest, and are keeping Jack Brewer, the club pro, busy.

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Dave Freeman is studying at Harvard Medical School, and is playing at the University Club when time permits. A "little bird" told us that Dave will be married soon.???

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Although this season's program will be somewhat curtailed, the junior development will be stepped up. Because of their showing last season, fifteen boys and girls are receiving scholarships in the form of special lessons from Jack Brewer.

<b>FROM THE MIDWEST - Continued</b>
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**ILLINOIS OPEN**

The First Annual Illinois Open Championships are being held at Evanston High School on Nov. 28 and 29. Recognizing the transportation problems, the committee has set a starting time of 5:00 P.M. Saturday.

Invitations have been sent to all the surrounding area, and many top flight entries are expected.

Entries close on Nov. 25, with Earl Boston, Bureau of Recreation, 1601 Main St., Evanston, Ill.

**INDIANA**

Due to transportation difficulties, the Indiana Invitational will not be held this season. This was one of the most popular events in the Midwest last year, and we'll sure miss it.

Plans are going forward, however, for the State Closed tournament -- more details later.

### FROM MARYLAND

Pres. Joe Ogle will shortly call the annual meeting for the purpose of electing officers and adopting a policy and program for the current season. The outlook is for a small but enthusiastic membership. There will be plenty of active competition, and the season should be one of great interest to all members.

The number of active clubs has decreased. The Maryland Badminton Club has closed. Many of its members are now playing with Towson, Friends, St. Paul or Gilman. This should give these four clubs a full roster and lots of good competition among their members.

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The annual Baltimore City tournament will be held before the New Year, and it is hoped that the players will make up in interest and keen competition for what has been lost in numbers. Competition from John Leutkemeyer will be lacking. He is now a First Lieutenant in the Marine Corps. There will be inter-club matches for the men, but whether or not this will take the form of league play has not been decided.

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Our hats are off to the women. Under the active leadership of Mrs. Kenneth Marty, the Women's Badminton League will carry out an active schedule, with the same clubs participating as last year. The only change will be that Maryland has dropped out and Gilman and Elkridge have combined and will play under the name of The Rovers. Everyone will miss seeing Natalie Davis in action. She is now a Second Lieutenant in the Army Nursing Corps.

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This season, many will miss the cheery presence and able coaching of J. Frank Devlin. Frank has given up teaching badminton for a permanent position with Cross and Blackwell. We will miss him as a teacher, but hope to have many friendly games with him during the season.

### FROM SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

The war has taken its toll in every badminton section, but Southern California seems to be the hardest hit. The Manhattan Club is the only one in the Los Angeles area that hasn't lost its playing facilities to the Army.

In the next few weeks, before gas rationing, the members of the Associations who are still at home are going to have a "fling" at a tournament at the Manhattan Club. This will serve as a measure of the possibilities for the season.

There are just as many people interested in badminton in Southern California, but each individual has enlarged his program to the extent that none have the time available that was formerly devoted to badminton.

The "old regulars" are doing their best to keep the game alive for the duration, against tremendous odds. We hope they succeed.

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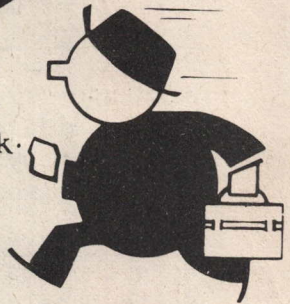
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BADMINTON EQUIPMENT

"WHO'S WHERE"

Capt. Bill Faversham, of Boston, finalist with Wayne Schell in the Nationals Men's Doubles Championship, is a Morale Officer in the Army Air Corps stationed in Ft. Worth, Texas.

Lieut. Don Richardson of Boston, one of the famous Richardson twins, runners-up in the National Veterans Men's Doubles at Duke, is attached to the Quartermaster's Branch at the Army Base, Boston.

Jack Campbell, our "star reporter" from Boston, has thrown himself into the teeth of danger by working at a T N T factory in the middle west - the exact whereabouts of Dynamite Jack's place of business must remain a military secret.

Harold Seavey of Boston, who was runner-up with Chet Goss in the New England Men's Doubles Championship in March, is attached to the 3rd Battalion, 181st Infantry, U.S. Army, and is stationed at Hingham, Mass.

Lt. Chris Dole, U.S. Navy is training with the A.V.S. in New York. He and Johnnie Garrod swept through the field last season until they met Schell and Faversham in the finals.

Ruell Ritz of the Framingham Civic League Badminton Association, Mass., is with the U.S. Army Air Corps in Mississippi.

Dave Dole of the Belmont Badminton Club, Mass. has been appointed to the Officers' Training School in Virginia.

From the Hyde Park YMCA Badminton Club, Mass. Earle Porter is an Army Drill Instructor at Miami, Fla.; Fred Hargraves is in the Medical Corps in Calif.; Stanley Taylor is a bombardier; Arthur Taylor is with the Field Artillery. The Men's team of Alex McWhiter and Dave Munroe which came within a stride of Mass. Men's Doubles "B" Championship, are both in the army, the former at Camp Lee, Va. and the latter at Scott Field, Ill. We are wondering whether any other Mass. Club can match Hyde Park's record of men in the service -- for in addition to the above, they have sent Capt. Emerson Pierce to the Parachute Div. in La. and James Beech to the Tank Destroyer Div. at Camp Shelby, Miss.

Weston Golf Club's (Mass.) highest ranking officer among its badminton enthusiasts is Lt. Henry W. Spencer, U.S. Navy.

Waban Neighborhood Club (Mass.) will sadly miss the deceptive shots of Lt. Comm. Raymond Ashley, U.S.N. during the season.

It is hoped that Robert Dewar of the Dedham Badminton Club (Mass.) will remain stationed in Boston so that he may lend his counsel to the Executive Committee of the M.B.A. to which he has been recently elected.

The University Club of Boston has lost many of its accomplished players such as Lt. Henry Brosseau, U.S.N., and Lt. George Cummings, Army Air Corps.

Lt. Col. Morton Smith, formerly of Watertown Badminton Club, B & T and University Club of Boston, is an instructor in military tactics at Harvard University.

Lieut. Bob Deacon of Seattle is stationed in Washington D.C.

Staff Sgt. Bob Young of Seattle is with the coast artillery in Santa Monica, Calif.

Bob Gaukroger of Seattle is driving an ambulance in Egypt.

Lieut. Gordon C. Young of Seattle is abroad with the artillery.

W. F. Search of Seattle is with the coast guard, operating out of San Francisco.

Lieut. R. C. Royce of Seattle is with the Ordnance Dept. at Ft. Lewis, Wash.

Roy Manning of Seattle is at the Philadelphia Navy yard.

Glen L. Smith of Seattle, Zoe Smith's brother, is in the parachute infantry at Ft. Bragg, N. C.

Al. Savage of Seattle is "somewhere" abroad.

Lieut. Orville H. Mills, former A.B.A. president, is in the Naval Reserve, and is stationed at the Naval Air Station at Quonset Pt. Rhode Island.

"WHO'S WHERE" - Continued

The Hamilton Club of Chicago reports the following members in the service: - Capt. Bill Graham, Lt. Ward Deaton, Sgt. Thomas Collen, A. S. James Graham, Lt. John Franczyk.

Dr. Carl Lange of St. Louis, 3rd ranking Midwest singles player, is attending Officers' Candidate School #3 at the University of Florida, Gainesville, Fla. Marian Gunther and Carl were married on October 2.

Lieut. Ted Jarrett, former V.P. of Metropolitan B.A. is doing radio work at Altoona, Pa.

Lieut. Bob Stafford of Chicago B.C. is with the Field Artillery at Camp Atterbury, Ind.

Dr. Earl Pound of Hollywood, Calif., former president of the Southern Calif. B.A. is entering the Navy very shortly.

Lieut. Taylor Caffery of New Orleans, former A.B.A. director, is stationed at the Naval Air Base at Lake City, Fla.

Capt. Henry Heffernan of Augusta, Ga., former A.B.A. director, is Post Intelligence Officer at Camp Butner, N.C.

Lieut. Ernest Eubank of Charlotte, N.C. is abroad with the Q.M. Corps.

Capt. Stan Pickens of Charlotte, N.C. is abroad with the Army.

Corp. Chas. Laws of Charlotte, N.C. is at Ft. Sill, Okla.

Maj. Endsley Fairman, former president of Philadelphia, B.A., is overseas with the Air Corps.

Maj. Warren L. Williams of Seattle, A.B.A. director, is stationed at Ft. George Wright, Wash. with the Army Air Force.

Carl Masky of Portland is in the Army Medical Corps at Camp Berkeley, Texas.

Corp. Stanley Walker of Seattle is in the Army Finance School at Wake Forest, N.C.

Lieut. Ralph I. Goodwin of Cincinnati is in the Naval Reserve and is stationed at Memphis, Tenn.

Lieut. Thomas Hesselbrock of Seattle is with the Army at Camp Adair, Oregon.

Preston O'Brien of Seattle is in the Navy.

Maj. Homer Hartzell of Seattle is stationed at the 50th Gen. Hospital, Camp Carson, Colo.

Oliver W. Cosby of Seattle is in the Army Signal Corps.

Dick Zimmerman of Portland, Oregon, is in the Army Medical Corps at Camp Berkeley, Texas.

Chester John Cardiff of Portland, Oregon, is a seaman, 2nd class, in the Navy.

Philip L. Gay of Portland, Ore., is in the Army at Lowry Field, Denver.

Chet Van Houten of Portland is with the 125th Infantry, "somewhere" out of San Francisco.

Lieut. Sam Lee of Portland is in the Signal Corps at Fort Monmouth, N.J.

Lieut. Francis H. Andrews of Portland is with the Air Base Squadron, Long Island, N.Y.

Corp. Perry Westcot of Portland is at Fort Riley, Kas.

Gould Ghaley, Jr. of Portland is with the 162nd Infantry "somewhere" out of San Francisco.

Corp. "Ham" Law of Seattle, for many years one of the top ranking national players, is with the U.S. Signal Corps at Ketchikan, Alaska.

Lieut. Dale Seeds of Seattle is with the Army Air Corps at Barksdale Field, La.

Lieut. Dick Yeager of Seattle is an officer on the U.S.S. Montpelier.

Wm. J. Mawhinny of Cincinnati and Chicago is at Officers' Training School at Ft. Benning, Ga.

Bill Carson of Chicago B.C. is in the army at Camp Lee, Va.

John Prest of Chicago B.C. present Midwest Singles Champion, is a petty officer at the Naval Base in Hutchinson, Kas.

**"WHO'S WHERE" - Continued**

Lew Morris of Chicago, B.C. set a new record. Two weeks after being inducted, he was enroute to Australia.

Bill Flewellyn of Norwalk, Conn. is with the Army at Buckley Field, Denver.

A. L. Smith of Norwalk, Conn. is at Jackson Barracks, New Orleans.

Sgt. Art Fitch of Norwalk, Conn. is at Camp Devens, Mass.

Don Brooks of Norwalk, Conn. is in the Q.M. School at Camp Lee, Va.

Sgt. Jim Paull of Seattle is with the 146th Field Artillery in Australia.

Al Canfield of Chicago B.C. is in training at the Marine Base in San Diego, specializing in radio work.

Lieut. Russell Coffin is in Officers' Training School at Miami Beach, Fla.

Al Engdahl of Chicago B.C. is with the weather section of #307 Fighter Squadron overseas. Wonder if Al forecasted the "Blitz" over Africa?

Walter Forbes of Chicago B.C. is in training with the Air Corps at Dayton, Ohio.

Harold E. Johnson of Chicago B.C. is with the Army Air Force "over there."

Comm. R.H.G. (Ralph) Mathews, formerly of Chicago Town & Tennis Club, now president of the Indiana B.A., is in charge of Naval Recruiting in Indiana, with headquarters at Indianapolis.

Bob Morganer is at Officers' Training School at the Edgewood Arsenal in Maryland.

Lieut. Harry Stimmel is with the Signal Corps at Davis Monthom Field, Tucson, Ariz.

Bill Tewksberry of Chicago B.C. is at the Lincoln Air Base, Lincoln, Neb.

Lieut. Margaret Bennett of Seattle is training with the WAAC's in Des Moines, Ia. She reports that a number of girls there are playing badminton.

Adon N. Smith II, popular A.B.A. Vice-President and Director, is in training at Ft. Oglethorpe, Ga. He is connected with the Office of Emergency Management. The job entails protection of all public and quasi-

public utilities, transportation, etc. At last reports, he was in line for a commission as a Major.

Lieut. Hulet P. Smith of Pasadena is stationed at the Army Air Base at Carlsbad, N. Mex.

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We are sure that there are many more of our players in the Service. We would like to list them all and add them to our mailing list. Please send us the names and addresses of those we've missed, and tell us what they're doing.

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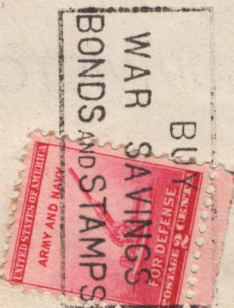
**DON'T.....**

- you think? You ought to if you want to play well.
- forget that, whether you favor long white shorts or short white longs, the term "white" should be truly applicable in either case.
- walk behind a court during a rally.
- think you are a good player until you can serve really well to first-class players.
- store shuttles in unsuitable places; they are delicate animals.
- sacrifice accuracy to speed.
- sit about in damp clothes; unless, of course, you want to commit suicide.
- stand on your heels: keep on your toes both mentally and physically.
- forget that one good return deserves another.
- forget that anticipation is the better part of positioning.
- grow old without growing artful; at badminton, of course.
- be caught off your balance at the finish of your shot.
- lose your temper; nobody wants to find it for you.
- pity the poor Club Treasurer: pay him.
- hesitate to enter a tournament because a few "stars" are there; they can't beat you without teaching you.
- forget that the difference between a good shot - particularly a "drop" - and a bad one, is usually only a matter of inches.
- be a bad loser: show 'em you can take it.
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