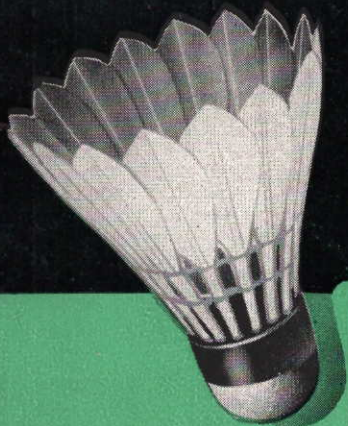


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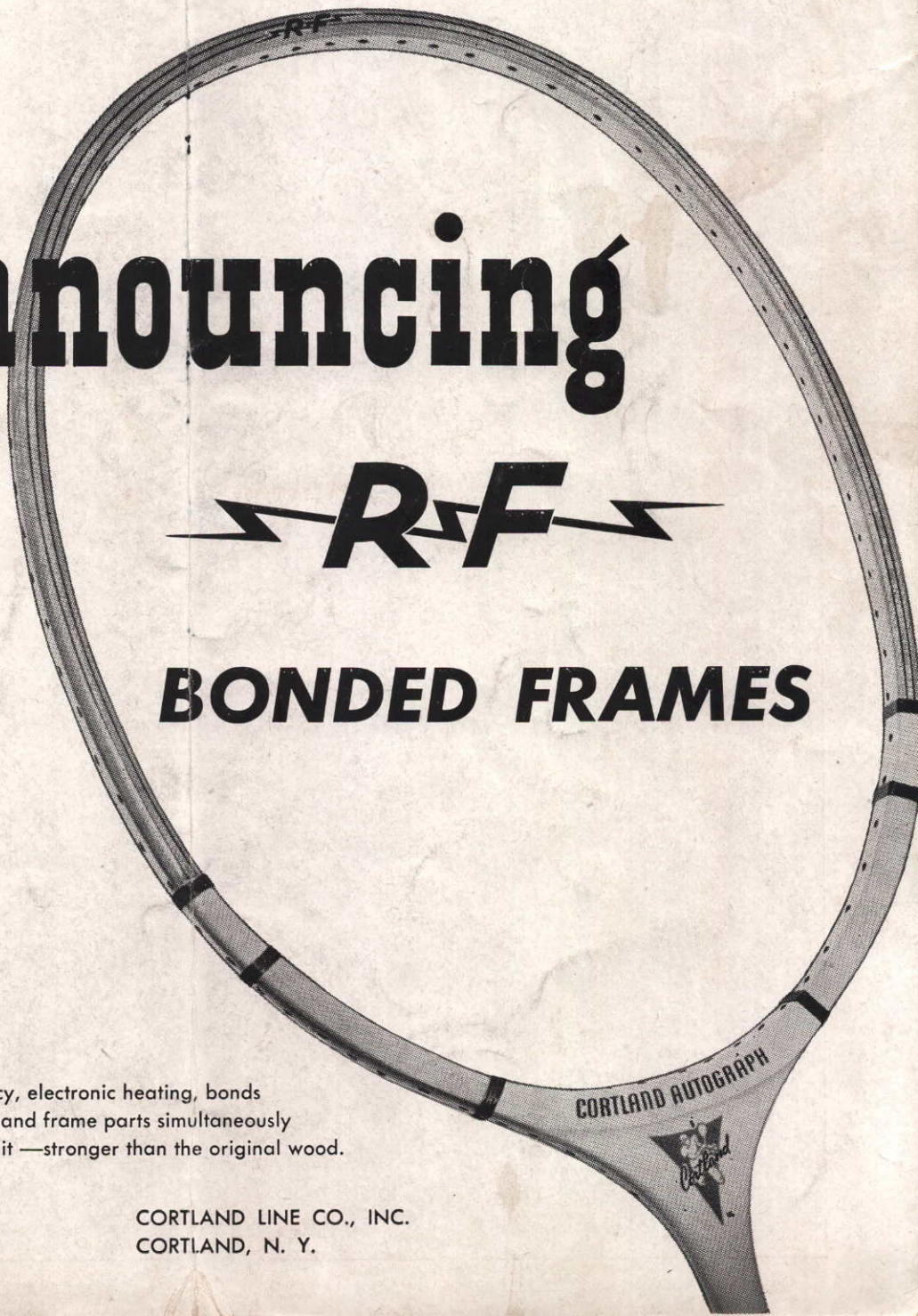
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AT SEASON'S END

It seems but a week ago rather than last November that incoming president "Tim" Royce confidently proclaimed 1948-49 as the most important season in the history of the American Badminton Association.

How true his words ring now as the last of the tremendous news made these past months is being recorded.

Last Fall we stood as a young untried badminton nation. Now the entire world looks to us as a leader. Even a close defeat by Malaya in the Thomas Cup event cannot mar the respect that American badminton now commands.

No one person, no group of persons, no region can lay claim to causing this triumphant year of growth. It has taken a combined effort that reached into every club and which culminated years of concerted work on the part of the ABA. The newly founded American Badminton Patrons Association contributed a great deal financially and leading badminton players provided the talent.

But every one of us had a part. We have all put our shoulders to the ABA wheel and thereby added our weight to make it move. If our contribution has been as a committee member, a referee, a tournament spectator or any one of the hundreds of tasks making up the complex badminton organization, we have helped. The movement of the wheel caused by one person cannot ever be measured. It is only through the effort of thousands strong that progress is made.

It is no wonder then that we are proud of the strides taken in this our greatest year.

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U. S. CHAMPIONSHIPS

OVER 250 contestants gave the 9th Annual Badminton Championships held April 14, 15, 16 at the University of Illinois gymnasium on Navy Pier in Chicago, the largest entry since the beginning of the event in 1937.

The sparkling win of petite Ethel Marshall, 24-year-old southpaw from Buffalo, in ladies singles for her third straight national badminton title—an unprecedented feat in the history of the meet—and the crowning of Marten Mendez, 33-year-old San Diego aircraft engineer, as the new men's singles winner were the features of the big meet. Mendez took over the singles tiara vacated by Dr. David Freeman. After winning 6 straight titles, Freeman was unable to play in the Chicago event due to the fact that he is studying neurosurgery in England.

Ladies' Singles

Tiny Miss Marshall was never in trouble in her singles event, winning five straight matches without the loss of a set and surrendering only a meager 40 points to her opponents.

In the finals against Marianna Gott, Los Angeles, the Buffalo girl ran nine straight

points after being tied at 1-1. Miss Gott's own errors cost her the first game 11-2. She traded smash for smash with Ethel and played well at the net.

In the second contest the Californian led briefly at 1-0 when Miss Marshall sliced a shot out of bounds. After a 1-1 deadlock Miss Gott went ahead 3-1 on Miss Marshall's continued inaccuracy but the Buffalo resident, resorting to little dabs which just cleared the net, pulled up even at 3-3 and once in the lead never relinquished it, winning 11-8.

To reach the finals Marianna upset third ranked Patsey Stephens, Baltimore, 3-11, 11-4, 11-6, and second seeded Thelma Scovil, Los Angeles, 11-4, 9-11, 11-8.

Men's Singles

Marten Mendez fulfilled pre-tournament predictions by taking the men's singles title from Joe Alston, San Diego State College student, after a tough three-game battle.

Mendez, a master of court strategy, seemingly was in better condition than his younger opponent, and outlasted him, weathering a string of withering overheads that threatened to blast him off the court in the second game.

Mendez took the first game by a 7 point spurt after it was tied at eight-all, but in the second game trailed his hard-driving opponent 1 to 8, tied it at eight-all and went ahead, 10-8. The game was tied again at 11 and 12.

Twenty-two year old Alston scored another point and after a long rally smashed off balance and Mendez dropped it cross-court over the side line to give Joe a lead of 14-12. Following a brisk exchange of shots featured by a beautiful forehand drive by the youngster and a nice retrieve by Mendez cross court, Alston, sensing a chance to win this second game, streaked toward the front backhand corner of the net and played a perfect drop shot to win 15-12.

In the third set Alston took the first point by pulling Marten to the net and then with a quick wrist flick pushed the bird over his head. He won the second point by a long

rally and perfect net shot. A smash by Joe ran the score to 3-0.

Alston saw his early lead blown away by Marten's clever placement and Mendez won 15-5 by running nine straight points and then another six.

Ladies' Doubles

In the finals the defending champions, Thelma Scovil and Janet Wright, San Francisco, got off to a slow start with Patsey Stephens and Zoe Yeager, New Rochelle, backing each other up well on smashes. Long rallies and good playing on both sides brought the score to 12-6 in favor of the Easterners.

After a 30-odd rally the tall San Franciscan finished with a beautiful overhead smash, raising the score to 12-7. Smart playing by the California team brought the score to 12-9. Janet made a beautiful reverse drop to gain a point for 12-10. Patsey cut off a shot at the net, running the score to 13-10.



National Mixed Titleholders,
Wynn Rogers, Mrs. Hulet Smith

Two errors on the part of the Westerners gave Stephens and Yeager the first game, 15-10.

In the second game the Pacific Coast team slowed up the smashing attack of the Easterners and ran up a score of 6-0. Their attack was stopped by Patsey with a good smash. The East Coast duo ran the score to 6-4 and then the drop shots of Scovil and the overhead smashes of Janet proved too much for Stephens and Yeager and the game ended in favor of the California girls 15-4.

The third game started with several



Ethel Marshall



Marten Mendez



Barney McCay



Patsey Stephens



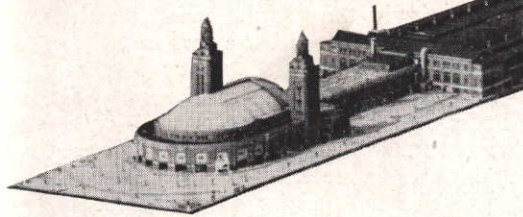
Joe Alston



Marianna Gott



Chicago, scene of the 9th Annual United States Championships held April 14, 15, 16.



changes of serve and several long rallies which gained a 3-0 lead for the defending champions. Patsey and Zoe finally broke through to lead at 8-3. Janet and Thelma rallied to 8-all. And then the steady play of the Californians pulled out the game at 15-9 to give them their fourth national ladies' doubles title.

Men's Doubles

In the first game the Northern California team of Irl Madden, San Francisco, and Norman Blanchet, Oakland, surpassed Wynn Rogers and Barney McCay, Pasadena, with Madden's smashing and good control being the feature that brought them a 15-12 victory.

Rogers' fierce drives and McCay's tower-

ing serves cooled off the attack of the Bay area team and won the second game for the Southern California boys 15-5.

With the score tied 7-all in the 3rd game the Southern Californians took the lead at 8-7. They ran the score to 13-8 after finding a weakness in Blanchet's defense. Following several exchanges of service Rogers and McCay won the final two points with the San Francisco players hitting the deciding point past the back line. The game ended 15-10.

Mixed Doubles

Attractive Patsey and Clint Stephens, the National mixed title holders, set out in impressive fashion, giving Wynn Rogers and Loma Smith, Pasadena, little chance despite good stroking by the Southern Californians. The Baltimore team copped the first game 15-4 and looked like they were going to be able to successfully defend their crown.

The tall Californians tightened their defenses in the second match to win 15-8.

In the third match the challengers ran up a score of 3-0 before the Eastern team started their attack. The score of 3-all held for several rallies then both sides edged up to 6-all. The Baltimore squad broke the ice to reach 9-6. Mrs. Stephens made the 10th point by a short drop shot. Another shot by Patsey made it 11-6. Lean Wynn Rogers smashed two down the line to make 8. The Stephens combination ran the margin to 13-8.

With a run of good shots the Pasadenans tied it up at 13-all and the Stephens chose to set the game at 5 points.

After several rallies and excellent net work by Loma Smith the West Coast team won the mixed doubles championship 18-14.

Veterans Doubles

Messrs. Wayne Schell and Robert Wright, a couple of agile over-40's from Boston, won the veterans doubles.

They simply had too much bounce and power as they disposed of the Manhattan Beach, Cal., duo of "Moon" Mullins and Eugene Elms, 15-8, 15-7.

Tournament Facts

Two hundred and sixty players from 33 states and the District of Columbia were entered to make 448 entries. There were 40 entries in ladies' singles; 56 in men's singles; 70 in ladies' doubles; 104 in men's doubles; 126 in mixed doubles and 52 in veterans' doubles.



Thelma Scovil



Janet Wright



Zoe Yeager



Clint Stephens



100,000 Geese!

THE STORY OF THE CHICAGO BADMINTON CLUB

"It sure was hot that night," said the Old Timer. The rubber plant in the window box dried up while I was watching it and vulcanized before I could find the sprinkling can. Just the kind of a night you'd expect something to happen. We were just sitting and simmering when my wife shouted, 'Waldo, something's wrong over at Jacksons.' I looked out the window and sure enough there were a lot of flood lights on in the yard and some people were chasing something around and swinging at it with clubs. 'They're giving that bird a bad time,' I said. 'Whatever it is, it sure can take it,' says my wife. Just then one of the other neighbors came up with his shotgun and shot the weathervane off the garage. I went over to lend a hand and durned if they weren't playing a new-fangled game called *badminton*. Yes sir, that's how the Chicago Badminton Club started."

"That's quite a yarn," I said. "How long ago was that?"

"August of 1929 that was," said the Old Timer. "Remember it well; that was when the village well dried up."

"How did the Jacksons happen to start playing the game?" I asked.

"Well, Helen Jackson was from To-

ronto. The Jacksons went up there that summer and learned the game. Played on a board court Warren said. They brought the bats and birds and net home and set up a court in the back yard. The Jacksons, the Harold Cartwrights, and the Dupre Agnews were trying it out that hot night all the commotion started."

"How did it develop from that eventful start, Old Timer?"

"Well, in 1930 the Agnews built an outdoor court and that winter persuaded the Presbyterian Church to lay out two courts. Those Scotchmen always know a good thing. The club kept on growing just like Topsy, and in 1933 they started taking over the Knights of Columbus Ballroom on West Madison Street one night a week. Room for five courts but no lines, so they marked them out in chalk each time they played! Held the first annual Chicago District Tournament that same year and the second Annual Tournament the next year."

"In 1935 they moved into the Maywood Armory, four courts, two nights a week. Membership grew to sixty. Then another club started in the town. Competition. But they solved it. In 1936 they consolidated and incorporated. Jess Willard, the outstanding pro of those days came to Chicago to become club pro. They started having monthly parties and sending Valentines and that kind of stuff. Sonny, just remember, your club isn't in business until the members start sending each other Valentines."

"I see what you mean Old Timer. I suppose there were other clubs in the suburbs around Chicago at that time."

"Right, and they were beginning to grow; so seeing a need, Warren Jack-

son, Norval Trimborn, Justin Canfield, Stan Flitcraft and Hal Cartwright got together with some of the others and started the Midwest Association. Harold Cartwright was the first president and the club's had a couple of members on the board ever since. That same year, 1936, they held the first Midwest Badminton Tournament on tanbark courts at the Chicago Arena."

"Did I understand you to say that the formal organization and the committees are the same as were laid out at the first meeting?"

"Amazing, isn't it? Those lads were smart. I remember them saying at the time that any organization to last must have a strong constitution and by-laws. That layout they planned has hardly been amended in twenty years and it's one of the liveliest clubs in the country."

"Yes sir, it sure helps to have a strong constitution if you want to play badminton!"

"I suppose social activities are mighty important in a group like that," I said.

"Basic is the word. Most of the members don't aim for a ranking, they aim for a good time. They sort of carry the club except in the red hot badminton set where the better players have to take over the load. Socials are held once a month. And there are some real live parties on special occasions—like the annual costume dance called the 'Whooperdoo.'

"How do you keep everyone interested and up to date?"

"Keepin' people interested in a club like that isn't hard. The secret is publicity and lots of it. The club publication, 'Bird Cage,' is good reading. Incidentally the same Justin Canfield of Midwest Association fame, who later, became an officer of the



WARREN JACKSON,
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ABA and sired the National Magazine 'Bird Chatter,' had a hand in this publication too."

"Are there any other secrets of success, Old Timer?"

"Lots of tournament activity for one. They have had the Chicago District 6 times and the Midwest 3 times. Just last year they started a new tournament, the Golden Bird Tournament for 'B' players. Another trick is having a good pro around. After Jess Willard, the club has had Ken Shedd, Basil Jones and George Geever. Sure helps those creaky swings to consult one of those boys."

"Where do they play now?"

"Warren Jackson persuaded Dr. Schmidt of Concordia College in River Forest to put in six courts in the gym. Now they play there three times a week, Tuesday and Thursday nights and Sunday afternoon."

"I suppose they have the play pretty well organized too."

"Right, Sonny. Darndest thing I ever did see. Got a bulletin board, humidifier, 'bird roost,' and court reservation rack."

"That sure sounds complete but I didn't know you could smoke while you played."

"That humidifier isn't for cigars, Sonny. It's for the birds. Keeps 'em so they'll bounce back when you treat 'em badly. No one ever heard of an automatic all-electric one so these boys up and invented it and built it."

"How do the rest of the gadgets work?"

"Like clockwork. Before the fun starts, the 'roost' is set up with a rack for the playable birds and one for the warm-up birds. To solve a lot of the usual 'bird' problems, they worked up a share-the-bird plan. Each member puts 50 cents in the bird fee box attached to the 'roost' when he registers and is entitled to playable birds for the session. Aren't all new but they all fly true. They are all returned to the 'keeper of the birds' who sorts them and salvages all the usable ones. The

Court Registration Rack controls play on the courts and it isn't polite to bring an extra racket for use in the rack."

"How do they run that part of the organization on \$10 annual dues?"

"Easy, Sonny. The members skip play once or twice a year and take turns opening up for play. The big shot for the evening is 'Warden' and 'Keeper of the Birds.' He gets a key and a complete set of instructions in the mail before his turn comes. Even when a member has been too creaky to play all season he'll show up for his turn, sore back and all. He opens up the gym, sets up the birds in the roost for play, takes care of registration and the Bird Fee Box, acts as Keeper of the Birds and Warden and will heckle your opponent for a small fee. Doesn't cost the Club a cent."

"It sounds to me as though the members of the Club must all know more about birds than Mr. Audubon."

"That's right, Sonny. You know during the war when all the boys were leaving, they made them honorary members and kept the Club going. They really had a bird problem then. Couldn't get 'em. So they set up a bird repair committee and turned out 2000 rebuilt birds during a two-year period."

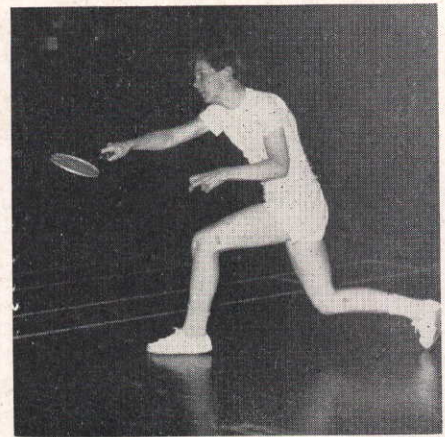
"That sounds like a terrific job."

"Yes sir, Sonny, and speaking of birds, 100,000 geese is a lot of honkers."

"It seems like almost too many. What have geese to do with the CBC anyway?"

"I kinda thought you'd ask. You see it's these honkers that grow the feathers for our badminton birds. I was just countin' up last night. The Club has used 50,000 shuttlecocks which is 750,000 feathers which is 100,000 geese. If all those geese were laid end to end there sure would be a refrigeration problem."

"Well, goodnight Sonny. Drop around at the next session of the Club and you'll see what I mean by 'lots of activity'."



TED DONALDSON

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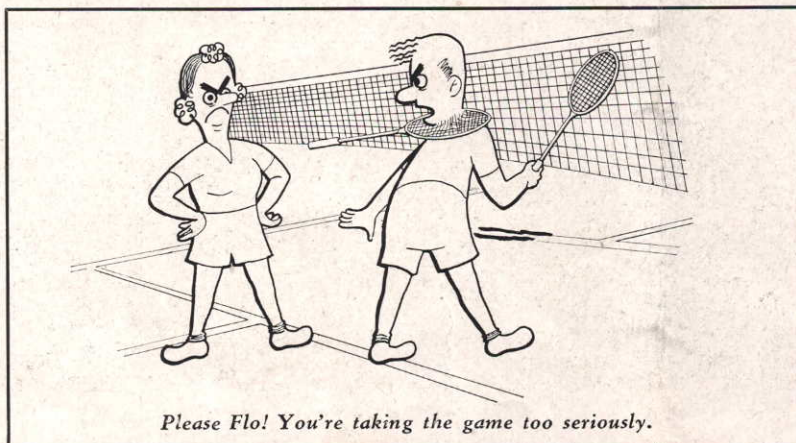
Ted Donaldson, red haired, 15-year-old Warner Brothers' star, may not be a champion at badminton yet, but he intends to keep trying until he can make the grade. Three years ago a friend took Ted to the Hollywood Sport Center for his first try at batting the birdie around. He liked the game and continued playing. Later, he began taking lessons from Hollywood pro, Earl Taylor. He's still taking the lessons and is improving steadily. In the Hollywood Junior Tourney last December he won the "B" doubles with Jimmy Bishop. Ted gives Connie Horner a vote of thanks for helping him with his game during practice sessions at their club, Hollywood Badminton Club.

Ted was born in New York City, and began his acting career there. He was doing radio work in soap operas. Such shows as "Portia Faces Life," "Our Gal Sunday," and "Lorenzo Jones" are on his past list. New York stage plays held his interest for some time until he was discovered for the unusual role in "Once Upon a Time" in 1944, the movie in which he costarred with Cary Grant and Janet Blair. He's made a total of 17 pictures and seems to enjoy his work. His latest release is "Decision of Christopher Blake." If Ted is as successful with his badminton as he has been with his acting career, watch out!

★ SWEDEN VERSUS DENMARK

The ninth national match between Sweden and Denmark was launched on April 3 in Gothenburg, Sweden, and for the ninth time Sweden was beaten, 6 to 1.

Only men's singles number one went to Sweden. Poul Holm, who has just won the Danish championship in men's singles, lost his match to Nils Johnson 14-17, 13-15.



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Junior National Championships

... at Baltimore

SIXTY-SEVEN boys and girls representing ten states and the District of Columbia showed an extremely high calibre of play to mark the Third United States Junior Nationals held March 25, 26, 27 in Baltimore at the Gilman School gym.

Popular 15-year-old Ronnie Ryan, Berkeley star, while he walked off with three titles, was extended in both the semis and finals of his boys singles event. In Boys' doubles, Ryan teamed with Jim Bishop, Hollywood, his foe in the finals of the singles. Ryan's sound all-round play combined well with Bishop's aggressive game and quick shots near the net. However, in the singles, it was Ryan's deception from the back of the court, variety of serves, and an ability to slow up the game to Jimmy's disadvantage, to give Ronnie his second National singles win.

The boys' singles produced close play. Ryan took a 12-5 advantage but Bishop caught up at 13 to 13 in the opening game. After Ryan chose to play for five points, he fell behind, 17 to 14, but rallied to win, 18-17.

The titlist did not put up much of a battle in the second game and Bishop, working on his fellow Californian's weaker backhand, went ahead 10 to 2. Ryan's three service faults in a row did not help him. Bishop then took a

14 to 4 lead but had to concede his opponent four more points before taking the game 15-8.

Ryan led in the early part of the third game, and, after being tied at 11 to 11, went on to win, 15 to 12.

Redheaded, 13-year-old Judy Devlin provided the finals upset when she took a three-game victory over her sister, Sue, who was celebrating her eighteenth birthday the day of the finals.

Judy rose to great heights retrieving shots that Sue appeared to have put away and playing easily and unhurriedly through the last few dramatic points of the match to score her first win over her more experienced foe in tournament play.

In the first game, Judy moved into the lead early and held a 4 to 0 and 9 to 3 advantage. After Sue lost her serve at the latter point, Judy came through with two straight points and the first game.

The second was closely waged with Sue finally pulling ahead at 4 to 3. Judy slowed Sue's advance, but finally succumbed at 11-7.

In the deciding game, the two traded point for point until 5-all, where Judy

took three straight points. She went on to win 11-8.

Judy teamed with Ryan to cop the mixed title and thereby chalk up her third win of the day.

Playing together in the girls' doubles, the Devlin sisters topped the Marsh sisters, Eleanor and Jane, of Wilmington, in the finals.

Observers stated that although she suffered a tough loss in singles play, that Sue Devlin played extremely well in this her last Junior tournament.

The tournament committee headed by Mrs. J. Frank Devlin was very successful in preparing the Junior event as they had only five weeks' notice.

The semi-finals were played on Sat-



SUE and JUDY DEVLIN



Gilman School Gymnasium — site of the Third National Junior Championships

urday afternoon allowing the players to enjoy three hours of fun that evening at Mrs. R. Wentworth Norris' home.

The generosity of the Baltimore senior players and excellent work by the hospitality and transportation committees made it possible for all contestants to be placed in private homes.

1950 Juniors

A bid for the 1950 Fourth Annual United States Junior Championships has been received from the Massachusetts Badminton Association and accepted by the ABA.

The tournament will be held at the Boston University Club.

RESULTS

BOYS' SINGLES, Semi-Finals: Ronnie Ryan def. John Haldi, 15-5, 15-17, 15-11; James Bishop def. Dick Bonesteel, 15-9, 15-2.

Finals: Ryan def. Bishop 18-17, 8-15, 15-12.

GIRLS' SINGLES, Semi-Finals: Judy Devlin def. Deedy McCormick, 11-4, 11-2; Sue Devlin def. Eleanor Marsh, 11-8, 11-5.

Finals: Judy Devlin def. Sue Devlin, 11-3, 7-11, 11-8.

BOYS' DOUBLES, Semi-Finals: Howard Herbst-Michael Roche def. Robt. and Don Carpenter, 15-7, 15-9; Ryan-Bishop def. Peter Sherwood-James Woods, 15-2, 15-6.

Finals: Ryan-Bishop def. Herbst-Roche, 15-0, 15-0.

GIRLS' DOUBLES, Semi-Finals: Sue and Judy Devlin def. Sidney Peard-Sandra Costello, 15-2, 15-4; Eleanor and Jane Marsh def. Sally Price-Beulah Downing, 15-6, 15-11.

Finals: Devlin-Devlin def. Marsh-Marsh, 15-6, 15-11.

MIXED DOUBLES, Semi-Finals: Joyce Leach-Bishop def. Sue Devlin-Win. Cobb, 15-7, 15-5; Judy Devlin-Ryan def. Nancy Pool-Herbst, 15-12, 15-1.

Finals: Devlin-Ryan def. Leach-Bishop, 7-15, 18-16, 15-8.

Consolations

BOYS' SINGLES, Finals: Peter Sherwood def. Roche, 15-2, 15-12.

GIRLS' SINGLES, Finals: Sandra Dailey def. Virginia Ball, 2-11, 12-9, 11-8.



NEW JERSEY STATE CLOSED TOURNEY

Tony Delatri of the Paterson Badminton Club defeated Jack Bateman of Montclair 15-5, 15-8 to win the singles crown in the New Jersey State Closed Championships held at the Montclair A. C., March 19, 20. Tony's agility on the court plus a fine defense enabled him to win in two games.

RESULTS:

MEN'S SINGLES, Anthony Delatri def. Jack Bateman 15-5, 15-8; **LADIES' SINGLES,** Jean Corvino def. Mrs. Eda Daume 11-5, 11-5; **MEN'S DOUBLES,** Alex. "Sandy" Hammell-Bob Waterhouse def. Herb Swinarton-Bill Reiner 17-14, 15-1; **LADIES' DOUBLES,** Corvino-Daume def. Mrs. Irene Bredenberg-Miss Kay Sytterly, 15-0, 15-6; **MIXED DOUBLES,** Gil-Hazel Carpenter def. Corvino-Swinarton 15-7, 15-9.

Harold C. Daume, Correspondent



Photo by Theo Kann

Berkeley's Ronnie Ryan

With two more seasons Junior play left, young 15-year-old Ronnie Ryan of Berkeley, California, looks to be a good bet to set a junior record of national singles wins that might never be equalled.

The stocky dark lad, who looks older than his age, is modest about his badminton feats. This year in the 3rd Junior Nationals he made a "grand slam" win, taking the singles crown and sharing in the boy's and mixed doubles win. At last season's meet he took the singles event and combined with Marilyn Banks of Burbank, Calif., for the mixed tiara. Ronnie also played on the Northern California squad which met the India Thomas Cup team earlier this year.

Ryan's association with the game was accidental. Three years ago, his family moved from Oakland, Calif., to Berkeley where their house was next to the Claremont Badminton Club.

Young Ryan then began to spend a lot of his time at the courts, not only playing but also getting a part-time job working there.

The 5 ft. 10 in. Westerner has never had any professional instruction but has received considerable help and encouragement from Norman Blanchet and Bruce McCurdy, his men's doubles partner. Through the efforts of these two Northern California stars, the dark-haired, brown-eyed youth was introduced to tournament competition and joined the Athens Athletic Club,

of Oakland, which he now represents. He won the California high-school and Pacific Southwest crowns and has given a good account of himself in senior play on the West Coast.

To reach the Baltimore Nationals the deceptive Californian traveled 2,500 miles from his home to Mobile, Alabama, with his mother, Mrs. Louise Ting, and his stepfather, and completed 800 more miles by bus alone. Ryan made the 3,000-mile return trip to Berkeley alone by bus. In the New Britain, Conn., event last season, the personable young man made his first trip to the East Coast by plane.

Muscular 170-pound Ronnie relies upon tremendous speed and a delicate touch to defeat his opponents. J. Frank Devlin, referee for the Baltimore matches considers Ryan's success the result of "his power of concentration during the game, his deceptive style, and his absolute naturalness as an athlete.

"He is also position wise, and returns immediately to base, preparing for his opponent's next shot," says Devlin. Ryan believes his wins were due to accuracy of his drop shot and smash and his ability to clear well.

In addition to the shuttle game, the West Coast star has been active in football and baseball at Berkeley Hi. A good student, the youngster hasn't picked a profession yet for the future, but has found his mechanical ability of considerable assistance in keeping his old Ford running.

By KEN DAVIDSON

The ALL ENGLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

COINCIDING with the 50th Jubilee of the Badminton Association of England, the 1949 All-England Championships held March 2, 3, 4 and 5 at Harringay Arena in London, was generally conceded to be the greatest test of badminton skill ever held.

The United States six-man Thomas Cup team members and Patsey Stephens pitted against the great players of Malaya, Denmark, England, India, Sweden, South Africa and many other countries. Whoever waded through the strength and depth of this opposition deserved to be crowned "world champions."

The tournament, set off with a bang in the very first round with Wynn Rogers playing Teoh Seng Khoon, Malaya, who has won the Perak Singles championship since 1939. Wynn scored the first U. S. A. victory in two close games, but ran up against David Freeman.

Marten Mendez, a seeded player, beat Yeoh Teck Chye, a Malayan who holds the Selangor Singles title, in two well fought games in the first round and was then upset by Lim Kee Fong. Lim, runner-up in the Malayan Singles Championship last season, did not earn a place on the Malayan Thomas Cup team against us or Denmark, but is an exceptionally fine retriever and fought back courageously after being 1-10 down in the first game to win 15-11, 17-15.

Carl Loveday, Montclair, unseeded in the toughest quarter of the draw fought his way through to the semi-finals. In the second round he beat Noel Radford (England) and then he beat Jorn Skaarup, Denmark's leading player and defending champion of this tournament. Skaarup is a fine player with a vast repertoire of shots, including a deceptive change-of-pace back-hand which keeps his opponent in doubt. Carl matched the Danish champion shot for shot, and in addition, outsmarted the Copenhagen 22-year-old around the net. Carl, having won the

first game at 15-9 and leading at 14-10 seemed to have the measure of his opponent but, producing an incredible stream of "impossible" returns, the Dane came back strongly to even the score at 14 all and to win the second game at 17-15. In the third game, Skaarup suddenly failed to find the energy to keep running throughout the long rallies. Even though he occasionally pulled off a rally-finishing shot he could not stave off the efforts of the American who, sensing victory, kept up the pressure to win 15-7.

Carl, after a gruelling three-game match in the 4th round against Law Teik Hock was a very tired boy and, after a quick spurt at the opening of the first game of his semi-final match against Ooi Teik Tock, the Malayan champion, he could not stand the pressure of the constant returns from the racket of the Penang ace.

Bob Williams had gone down to Davinder Mohan Lal, India's No. 1, after winning the first game 18-14 and suffering a knee injury half way through the third game with the scores almost even. It was later diagnosed as being a badly torn cartilage, necessitating an operation to remove it, which was successful.

Dave Freeman had wended his way to the semi-finals with victories over Henry Ferreira, India, and Olle Wahlberg, Sweden, with the loss of no more than three points in any one game.

Some 4,000 gathered to watch the semi-final match between Freeman and Wong Peng Soon, Malay's idol for years. Although the blond Pasadena boy won 15-2, 15-4, it is impossible to give a true picture of the deep concentration, the physical effort, the consistent accuracy and the unbelievable amount of patience it took to win points and to stop the Singapore champion from going on a scoring spree. On successive rallies the shuttlecock passed over the net 43 times and then 36 times—with no point being scored

by either player! The match lasted over 35 minutes and throughout that time the American star never lost control of the rallies and only gave ground when a perfectly executed drop-shot rolled off the top of the tape or was so close that the angle of return on the clear provided Wong with a chance to smash down the side-lines. Wong's exceptionally strong back-hand flick clear is an amazing stroke and near the close of the second game, knowing he was beaten, he put on an audacious display of wrist power as he walked from the net, and with the shuttle some two feet nearer the back line than his body and with his back still



KIRSTEN THORND AHL, Denmark,
Finalist in Ladies' Doubles

towards the net, he smilingly flicked Dave's clear back again over Dave's head to the American's deep back-court and then calmly walked back to the center of the court to await Dave's next shot.

Although Ooi Teik Hock could consider himself fortunate to beat George Lewis, India, in the 4th Round (Lewis was the victim of a linesman's inattention when leading 14-5 in the third game), Freeman knew that here was a finalist who was wise in court-craft and a cool, calculating player with a never-say-die spirit.

An audience of nearly 7,000 saw the American champion test both sides of the court for any drifting of the shuttle before serving high and deep to the Malayan champion. The London crowd was treated to near-perfection badminton when Dave piled up a 9-0 lead in his first hand. Any slight error by the Malayan was seized upon by the alert, but relaxed, U.S.A. representative who had "talked himself" into being prepared for the final match in the toughest of tournaments ever held. Continuing a steady pressure to the deep court of the Penang champion, Freeman patiently waited his opportunity to use his "around the head"

smash or a straight down the line drop-shot which hugged the net-cord as it dropped steeply for point after point. Only one of these drop-shots failed to go over the net which gave Ooi his only point. Dave won the first game at 15-1 with a back-hand smash from the fore-court.

The second game developed into a dour battle of patience as Ooi Teik Hock began to clear and drop with his expected accuracy. The shuttle rarely reached the floor before thirty to forty shots had been played and only then because some slight flaw in the accuracy of a drop-shot, usually from

and completed a full ten-year span without a solitary defeat in any Singles match.

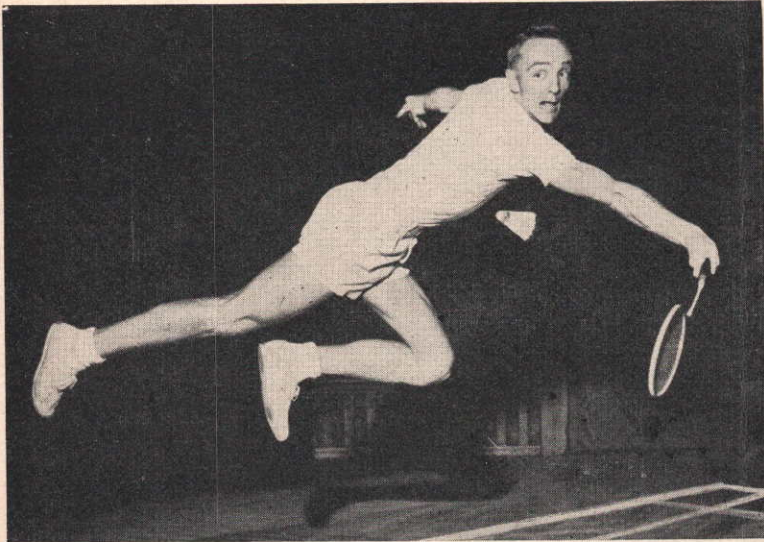
In the Ladies Singles Patsey Stephens met the 1948 winner from Denmark, Frk. Kirsten Thorndahl, in the first round and lost 11-8, 11-4 to the left-handed Copenhagen beauty. This event was dominated by the Danes, the winner, Frk. Aase Jacobsen, beating Thorndahl in the semi-finals and Frk. A. Svendsen, another Danish 19-year-old blonde, in a strongly played final.

In the Ladies' Doubles, Patsey played with Mrs. G. F. Saunders, England, and did well to general her team into

the finals to give the huge crowd a chance to applaud vigorously a home victory.

Wynn Rogers and Dave Freeman made their way to the finals by beating, in turn, a Malayan team, then a Danish-English pair, then an Indian couple and, in the semi-finals, the pre-tournament favorites, Yeoh Teck Chye and Chan Kon Leong of Malaya. The Malayan pair had been so dominant in their matches against the U.S.A. and Denmark in the Thomas Cup ties that few looked for them to be beaten. Wynn and Dave changed their style somewhat and paced their attack perfectly rather than attempting to blast through the strong and unusual defense of the Malaysians. Serving well and patiently awaiting the right moment to hit, the California pair backed up each other's attack so well that Yeoh and Chan had the unusual experience of losing control of the rallies to the opposition. After winning at 15-5 in the first game the Pasadena pair were drawn in to net duels with Yeoh who makes a specialty of making opponents look "amateurish" in the fore-court and the second game was almost the reverse of the first. The early stages of the third game provided an interesting study in tactics as the American duo strived to go back to their successful first game tactics and the Malayan pair constantly baiting the trap inviting the Californians to be drawn once more into a net game. Wynn's long reach and whip-like use of his wrist enabled him to reach out and snap off some of these drop-shots. On several occasions the shuttle flew over the net so rapidly that it was almost too fast for the human eyes of the on-

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CHAMPION DAVE FREEMAN

the back-court, caused the shuttle to hit the net-cord. Those who had seen Ooi Teik Hock wear down Dave in the second game of their Thomas Cup battle in Glasgow spent several anguished moments watching the American struggle to get his second breath of wind and hold off the persistent Malayan who was running Dave back and forth. Dave seemed to sense the danger of being drawn into these interminable long rallies, and quickened his foot-work and speeded up his shots and hurried the score to 14-5. The Malayan scored one more point on a beautifully executed delayed drop-shot. The next two rallies Dave played "safe" and waited to put away the shuttle—the final shot being made 35 minutes after the opening serve as Dave smashed behind Teik Hock to become recognized as the world's best Singles player.

Once again the low number of points scored by Ooi in the final (15-1, 15-6) proved how difficult it is even for the best players in the world to score against Dave Freeman.

The U.S.A. thus took top honors in the Men's Singles and Dave Freeman achieved his greatest personal triumph

the semi-final only to lose to the holders, Fru T. Ahm and Frk. K. Thorndahl, who, in turn, lost to a surprisingly active veteran British pair, Mrs. H. S. Uber and Miss Q. M. Allen, in



I'd like you to meet Ted, our sensational badminton player.



the Maryland youngster grew to the long-limbed sun-bronzed queen of badminton that she is today. At 5 ft. 8 in. and 124 pounds, tall slender Pat makes a good model and a formidable badminton foe.

In the meantime, Clint was facing more serious work than "bird-chasing." Entering the Army as a private, he spent one-half year in Europe and two and one-half years with the 24th Infantry Division in the Pacific Theatre. He participated in three campaigns and two assault landings and was discharged with the rank of major.

Soon after the war when the "Major" made a trip to Baltimore to see Mr. Roberts, Patsey met him at the train.

"Clint walked right past me and I had to call to him," remarks the tall

Cup squad and thereby also, gave the Stephens a shot at the "World's Mixed Crown."

While badminton is Clint's major hobby, he is also a fine chess player and shoots in the seventies in golf.

Patsey came by badminton naturally. She started the game at the age of eleven. Her father, the owner of a large retail firm in Baltimore, was the holder of many Maryland State badminton titles. With professionals Maurice Schwartzman and J. Frank Devlin, Mr. Roberts moulded his young daughter into an aggressive badminton champion. She plays singles, ladies' and mixed doubles equally as well. In 1948 she was ranked 3 in singles, 2 in ladies' doubles and 1 in mixed doubles for the U. S. A.

Mr. and Mrs. Badminton...

OVER 8,000 fans crowded London's chilly Harringay Arena to cheer two slim United States badminton champions to the mythical "World's Mixed Title," in the All-England international tournament held last March.

Attractive, blonde Patsey Stephens and her good-looking mate, Clint thereby disproved a badminton adage that husband and wife do not make champions.

But their hard-fought English victory was only the badminton climax to the "Stephens Story."

Their marriage in September 1946 culminated a love affair that had lasted for nine years—at least for Patsey.

For Patsey was only eleven when her handsome hero, then twenty, arrived from his home in New York to participate in a Baltimore meet. Her father, Frank G. Roberts, also a badminton champion, usually had some of the visitors at his home during these affairs and Clint was one of them.

Patsey, a promising serious young "bird" player was pleased when the visitor helped her with her game. Clint didn't know that she had also picked him for her future spouse—and Pat didn't tell him either.

Each season Clint made the trip to Baltimore for the tournaments, although one weekend he made his future bride very miserable by bringing his girl friend along.

"That nearly finished me," Patsey says now of that incident, "I was never so unhappy."

Then the war came and Clint enlisted. In the five years he was away,

badminton beauty of their first post-war meeting. "Then he came over and said: 'Are YOU PATSEY?' I had grown up."

Cupid's arrow hit hard that day and when Patsey was seventeen, they made it Mr. and Mrs. Badminton.

Six-foot Clint Stephens was born in Rockville Center, New York, on October 13, 1919 and was graduated from the City College of New York. Well traveled, he visited Europe nearly every summer of his childhood as well as attending the Berlitz School of Languages in Nice, France for one year.

He is a deep student of the game and with his wife, a great favorite wherever they play. A conscientious and consistent player, he assures the team on which he plays, a steady defense and the best in strategy.

Mr. Badminton first started to play the game in 1937 at the Rutgers Presbyterian church in New York. He played under A. Bassford and Billy Markham at the Old 69th Badminton club. He won his first cup in 1937 by capturing the Eastern Junior Championships singles event and teaming for the doubles laurels. By 1938 he was ranked sixth nationally in men's singles.

After coming out of the Army, Clint really gathered steam and has run up an amazing number of tournament victories in the mixed and men's doubles events. With Bob Williams, Niagara Falls, New York, he makes up the number two men's doubles team for the United States. The Easterners were runners-up in the Nationals held at Los Angeles and Waco in 1947 and 1948. Their tremendous drive and skill qualified them for the U. S. Thomas

Patsey loves to play bridge and is adept at tennis and swimming. She makes all her own clothes and does her own hair. The only hat that she owns is the one that she wore on her honeymoon to Bermuda.

Clint and Patsey went to Scotland in February when Clint was named to play on the Thomas Cup badminton team for the United States, which is the Davis Cup team of the bird and feather game. The United States went down to defeat in their Scottish venture against a tough Malayan team but the Oriole City duo took an extra junket to London to capture the All England mixed tiara.

Because of the quality of the entry in the tournament—Malayans, Danes, Americans, English, Swedes, Scots, Irish and Indians were entered—most badminton authorities have placed the mythical "World's Champion" stamp on the winners of the meet. Mr. and Mrs. Stephens defeated Wynn Rogers, Arcadia, California, and Miss Queenie Allen, of England, 15-5, 2-15, 15-13 in the finals of that big event.

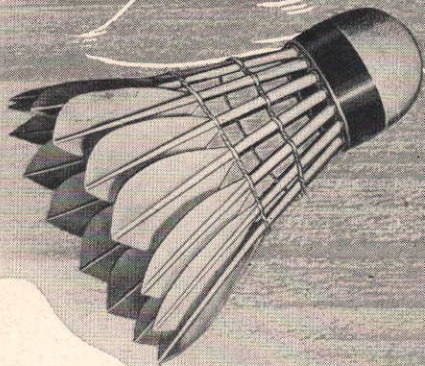
After this win and their win in the Nationals in Waco, the Stephens found themselves without badminton worlds to conquer.

Even a close Mixed finals loss at the Chicago Nationals to Mrs. Hulet Smith and Wynn Rogers does not tarnish the fine record made by the Stephens between the Waco Nationals and the oldest of badminton tournaments, the All England's Championships.

There are tough badminton matches awaiting the Stephens and certainly some future defeats. But smiling and friendly Mr. and Mrs. Badminton, as usual, aren't worried.

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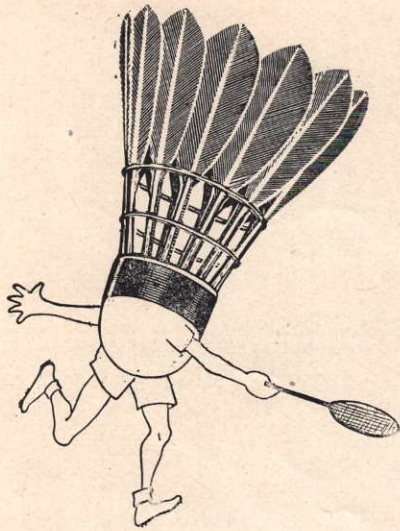


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OUR FEATHERED FRIENDS

By JACOB LIPMAN

Assistant Editor Bird Chatter

BADMINTON players can obtain the maximum service out of their shuttlecocks. Shuttlecocks should never be permitted to become dry or damp. If they are dry the feathers become brittle and snap off quickly; if they are damp they become soggy, curtailing their accuracy.

Goose feathers, because of their high oil content, are usually used in the making of good badminton shuttlecocks. Once this oil becomes dried out it is practically impossible to bring the shuttlecocks back to their normal condition no matter how hard you try.

The greatest enemy of the shuttlecock is dry atmosphere and low humidity. Therefore, do not leave unused birds in the open for any length of time. Do not pour water on them nor place them in the refrigerator, for they will become unfit for use.

Flipping the bird with the racket across the floor to the server and slinging it along the surface of the court to your partner are both injurious to the bird and the racket. Pick up the bird with your fingers and throw it or hit it over the net to your opponent. Do not hit the bird on the bounce.

When serving, especially after a particularly rough or hard volley, make it a habit of straightening the feathers with your fingers, then blow your breath into the hollow of the bird, between the feathers. This not only preserves the bird and helps keep the feathers from drying out, but also makes it fly truer. Beginners should make every attempt to hit the bird accurately and squarely with the face of the racket, especially on smash shots. Wood shots do more harm to the bird than anything else.

Because of the methods used in raising and feeding of geese in Central Europe, most of the top grade shuttle-

cocks are made from these imported goose feathers. They are rich in oil content which is so necessary for suppleness and durability. The feathers having straight, strong quills, are uniform in size and weight, and pure white in color and are the most desirable from the standpoint of serviceability.

When shuttlecocks are purchased at your dealers, they should be first placed in a humidior or any container, with a wet sponge or cloth placed in the lid. Do not permit anything wet or damp to touch the feathers. They should always be kept at a temperature of 65 degrees with a relative humidity of 75 per cent.

Birds can be kept this way on the concrete floor in the cellar or garage. Shuttlecocks can be purchased in tubes of twelve, each tube containing its own humidifier, which is known as a "Humidrole." These tubes are lined with wax which maintains the shuttlecocks at the desired relative humidity. Such birds can be used immediately after purchase without fear. If your birds have been stored properly and are in good shape and are accidentally hit with the wood of the frame, the feathers will not break off so easily. They will crease or bend but will not crack off and can usually be straightened out with the fingers.

A new type humidior is now on the market which is entirely different in principal from the sponge, blotter or absorbent stone type. It is called a "Humistat." It is made entirely of transparent plastic in two sizes, one for six shuttlecocks and one for twelve. This container needs no attention other than filling the water reservoir once a month or when empty. The humistat control unit acts as a valve which releases vapor moisture only when needed by the dry shuttlecock.

ALL ENGLAND'S

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lookers to follow. Slowly but surely the tide began to turn in favor of the U.S.A. and Dave and Wynn kept the pressure to earn a hard fought and brilliant victory.

It was expected that Dave and Wynn would beat Ooi Teik Hock and Teoh Seng Khoo, Mayala, in the finals. But Wynn and Dave never got their teamwork going. With Khoo showing the best and hardest smashing of the whole tournament and Ooi ever active in the fore-court, it was not long before Malaya won their share of the honors.

The Mixed Doubles finalists were three-fourths American: Clint and Patsey Stephens from Baltimore, with Wynn Rogers of Pasadena partnering Miss Queenie Allen of England. Wynn and his partner fought through four rounds and the semi-finals without losing a game with their most outstanding performance probably being the beating of Chan Kon Leong (Malaya's top Mixed Doubles player) and Mrs. Helen Leong (no relation) in two straight games. In the semi-finals of the lower half the Stephens met strong opposition from Poul Holm and Fru. Tony Ahm (Denmark) and pulled through 15-11 in the third game.

In the finals, Wynn seemed to have lost confidence after his poor showing in the Men's Doubles and the Baltimore couple hurriedly took the first game at 15-5. For some unfathomable reason Clint and Patsey hit a bad patch and before they realized it the second game was over in favor of the English-U. S. A. team, 15-2. By this time, Wynn was beginning to stroke the shuttle in his usual crisp and relaxed manner and the rallies became longer and more interesting with Queenie Allen sharply hitting away any loose shuttles at the net. However, the team work of the American champions began to tell and



they kept the shuttle flat and away from Wynn's steep smash. The score stayed 14-12 for a full round of serves before Patsey finished off one of the longest rallies of the match by smartly intercepting one of Wynn's drives to win the third game 15-12 and bring a second title back to the United States.

Freeman has Danish Scare

By KNUD LUNOE, Copenhagen
Assistant Editor Bird Chatter

DAVE FREEMAN, who is now recognized as the world's top badminton player, received a scare in his close win in the Danish Badminton Association Open-International Championships held in Copenhagen, April 18, beating Ooi Teck Hock, Malaya, 15-11, 14-18, 17-15 in the finals.



Dave Freeman

The newspapers here in Copenhagen call Dave, "Badminton-Tilden," and mention the Wong Peng Soon-Freeman match in the semi-finals as the best match ever staged in Denmark or perhaps the whole Continent up to now.

In the first round Dave beat Erik Nielsen, Denmark, 15-3, 15-4, then

Poul Christensen, Denmark, 15-3, 15-8, then Teoh Seng Khoon, Malaya, 15-4, 15-5, before defeating Wong, 18-17, 17-14 in the semis.

In the first game of the semi-finals, the Malayan had a lead of 7-2 and 9-4 before 13-all, and in the second game he had a lead of 11-3, 12-6, 13-10, 14-12. Wong had four game shuttles before Dave succeeded in winning the game and the match. Technically, the Malayan was quite as good as Dave, and Wong's backhand is no doubt one of the best in the world. But the American was without nerves and it was as if Dave was friends with the court for he placed his shuttles two millimeters inside the lines. After the match the Californian declared that Wong was the best player he had met up to that time.

In the finals against Ooi, the Malayan champ, Dave had a lead in the first game, 6-0, 10-6, 12-8 and then 14-11. In the second game he was ahead 8-2, 12-3 but Ooi fought back, 11-12, 11-13 to Freeman. After 13-all

the Malayan was ahead 16-13, 16-14, 17-14 and then 18-14.

In the third game Freeman took 6 shuttles at once, but then it was 6-5, 8-5, 10-7, 13-9, and 14-9 with the American champion ahead, Freeman had two match shuttles but Ooi smashed twice and finally reached 14-all. However Dave had the air and the concentration and got the game and the match, 17-15.

Very popular with the Danes, Mr. and Mrs. Freeman also entered mixed as a team and lost in the first round, 15-10, 15-10 to John Nygaard-Annelise Thorndahl, Kirsten's sister.

In an exhibition match between Dave and Tage Madsen, Freeman won 15-5, 15-5.

OTHER RESULTS:

LADIES' SINGLES, Tonny Ahm def. Kirsten Thorndahl, 11-4, 11-3; **MEN'S DOUBLES**, Ooi Teik Hock-Teoh Seng Khoon def. Chan Kon Leong-Yeoh Teck Chye, 15-7, 18-16; **MIXED DOUBLES**, Chan Kon Leong-Tonny Ahm def. Tage Madsen-Kirsten Thorndahl, 9-15, 15-12, 15-2.

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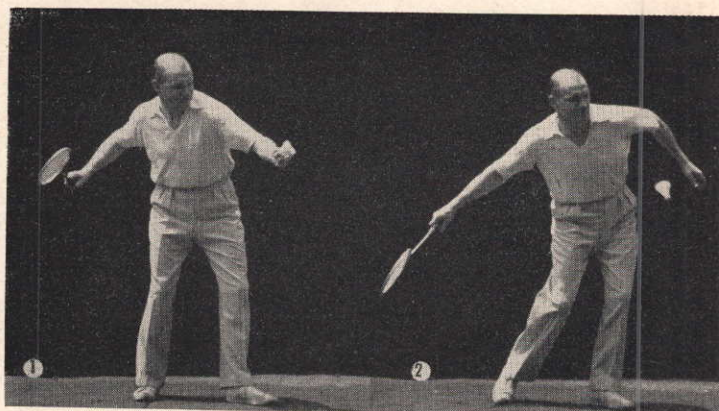
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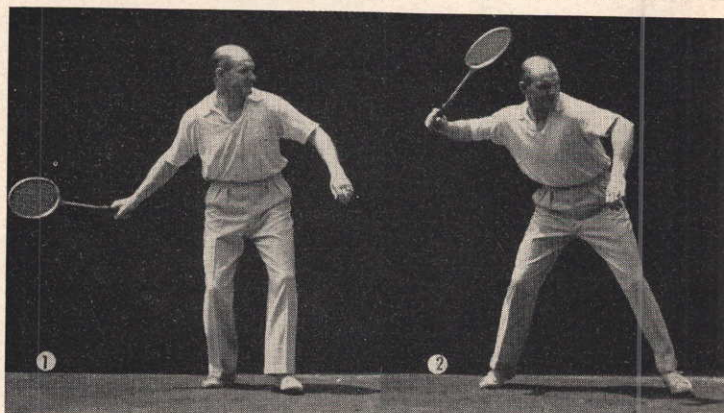
Holding shuttle between thumb and finger, arm extended (1), Forgie cocks racket in rear a bit from side. Shuttle is *tossed* slightly forward and to right (2), insuring full arm stroke. Racket is thrown forward with wrist leading (3), passing a foot from hip and meeting shuttle below waist (4). Arm, wrist and racket form straight line as shuttle is driven high and deep over the net. Weight shifts from right to left foot (5) and racket follows through over left shoulder (6).



FOREHAND DRIVE



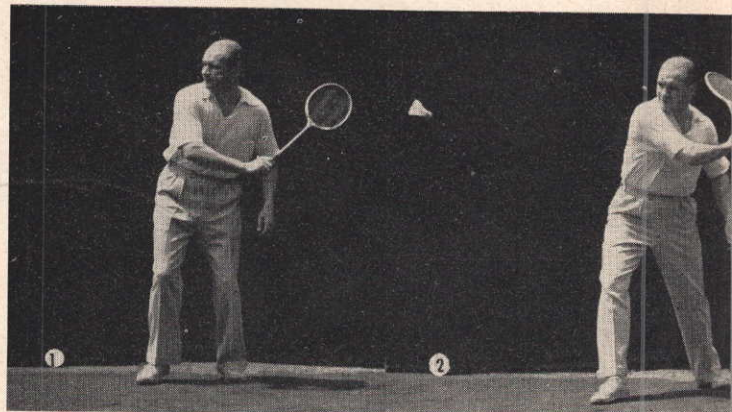
Pivoting left side to net (1), Forgie steps across with left foot and cocks racket behind body, keeping knees relaxed and right elbow slightly bent (2). Racket is released with throwing action (3), describing longest possible but most comfortable arc from shoulder. Wrist leads and right shoulder is dropped slightly. At contact, arms straightens out (5) and wrist whips powerfully into shuttle. Weight flows from the right to left, and wrist turns over in follow through (6). *Note:* Action practically identical to that of right-handed batter in baseball.



BACKHAND DRIVE



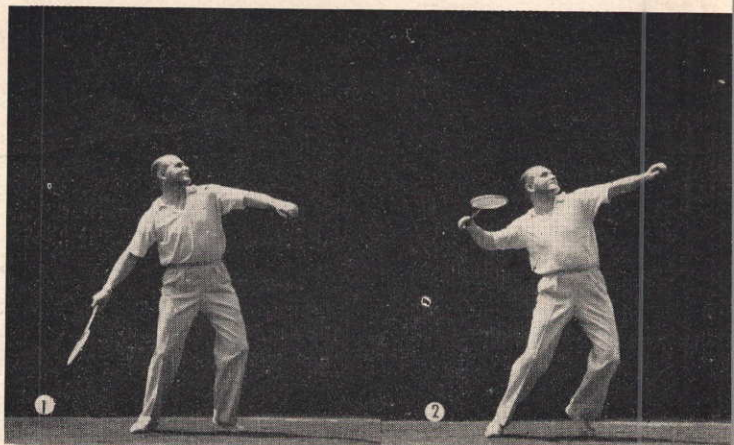
Backswing is begun by pivoting right side to net (1) and stepping across with right foot and backhand grip is taken (2). Wrist is cocked off left shoulder, elbow on line with shuttle. Racket head is thrown at shuttle (3), establishing contact at full arm's reach in front of body (4), with wrist imparting a vigorous last-moment snap. Weight, moving behind racket, is transferred from left to right foot (5). In following through, wrist turns over, carrying racket forward and to the right (6). *Note:* similarity to swing of left-handed baseball batter.



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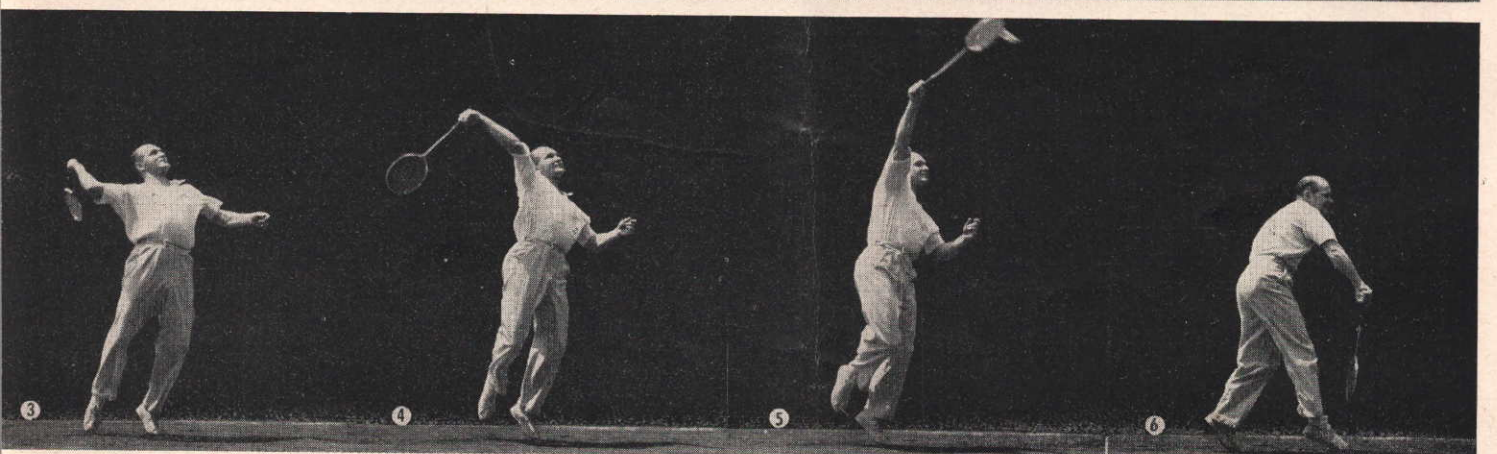
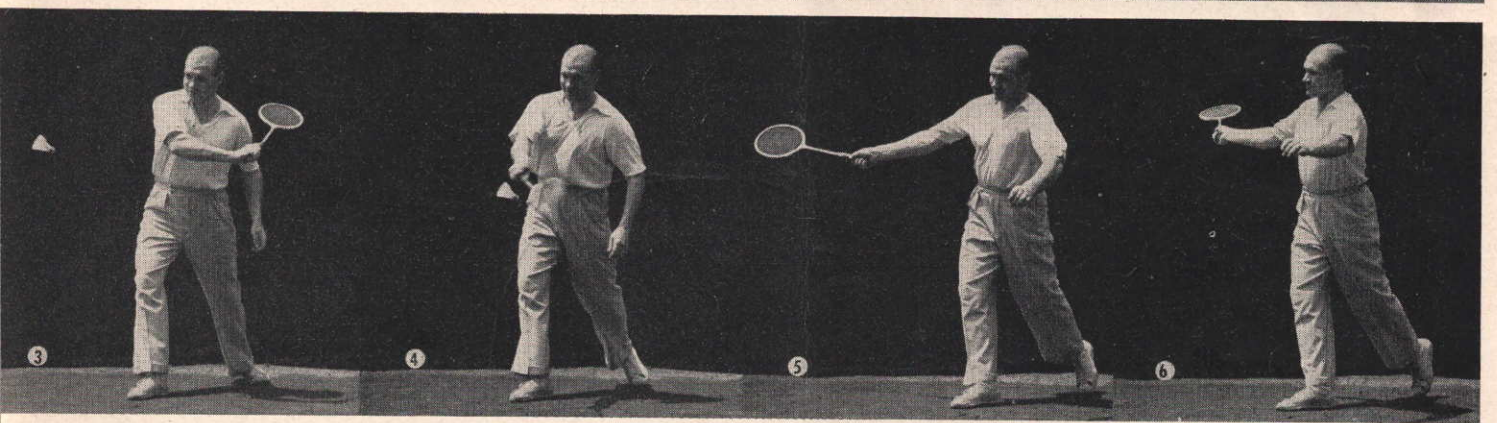
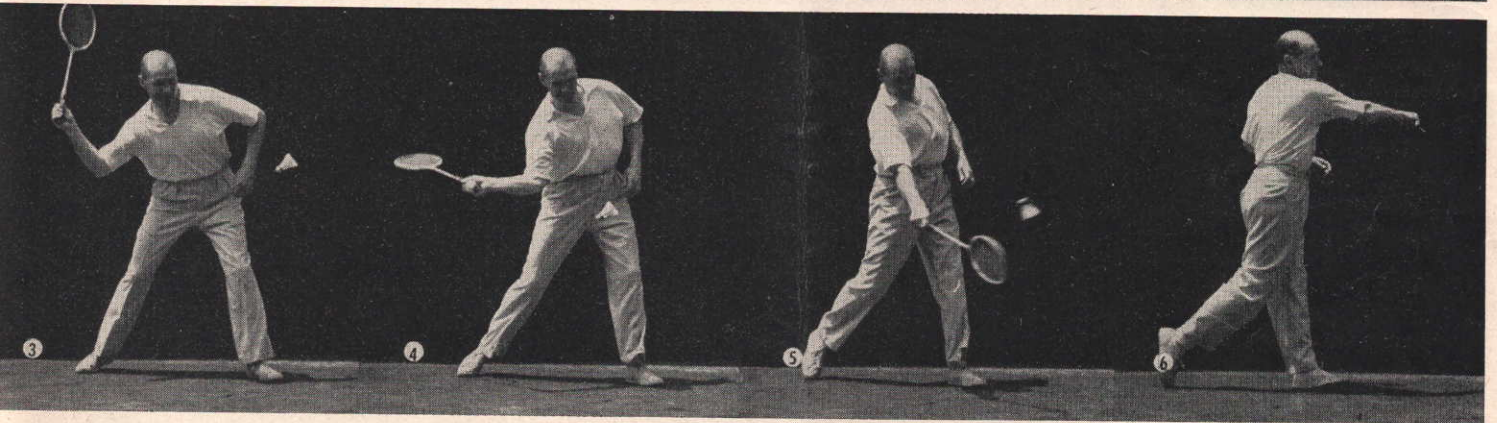
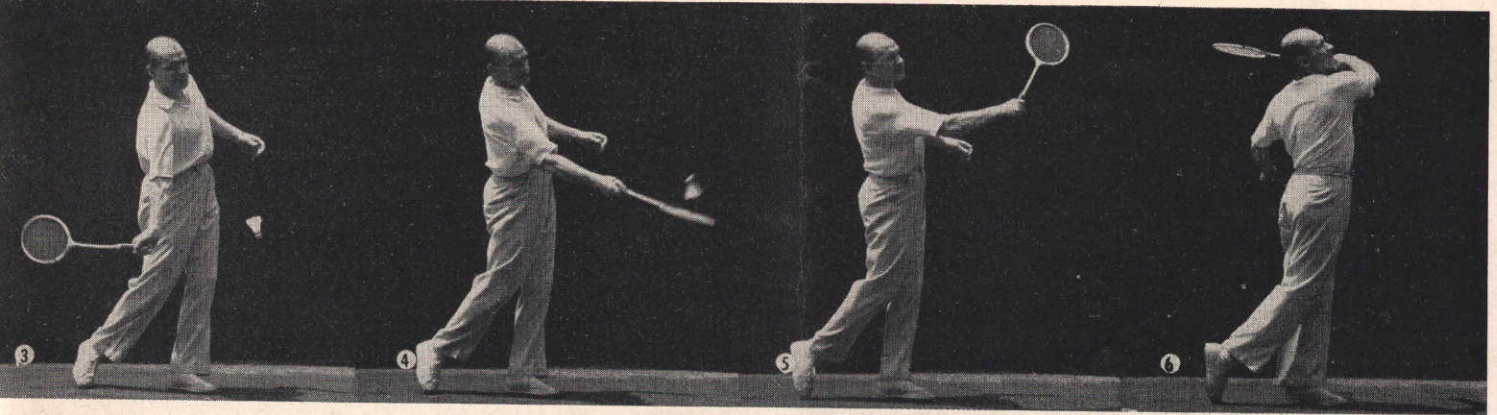


Weight and racket are shifted back simultaneously as eyes gauge flight (1), with left arm up for balance (2). Much in the manner of an overhand baseball throw, racket head is dropped back (3), then thrown at shuttle with wrist leading, weight following (4). Contact is established in front of right shoulder at highest comfortable point of reach (5). Weight travels behind the racket and is on left foot at impact. The wrist snaps downward, and racket and leg follow straight through (6). *Note:* Just as a baseball pitcher throws fast or slow balls with the same preliminary action and follow through, the badminton player plays his clear, smash or drop with same basic motions.



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motions (4) and (5).

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NEW ENGLAND TOURNAMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Stephens, of Baltimore, won the New England mixed doubles badminton title although forced to extra points in one set by Wayne Schell, of Boston, and Helen Gibson, of Westport, Connecticut, in Boston March 27.

RESULTS:

MEN'S SINGLES, Carl Loveday def. Stephens, 15-6, 15-14; **LADIES' SINGLES**, Stephens def. Ruth Jett, 12-11, 11-4; **MEN'S DOUBLES**, Loveday-Dick Yeager def. Bud Porter-Jack Muir, 11-15, 15-7, 15-1; **LADIES' DOUBLES**, Mrs. Zoe Yeager - Mrs. Eleanor Raymond def. Stephens - Jett, 15-10, 15-9; **MIXED DOUBLES**, Stephens-Stephens def. Schell - Gibson, 18-14, 15-9; **VETERANS' DOUBLES**, C. Rayner Hutchinson-Fred Fullin def. Robert Wright-Robert Schugrue, 8-15, 15-12, 15-13.

TEXAS A A FEDERATION

The Texas Amateur Athletic Federation tournament was held in Dallas, Texas, Dec. 4, 5.

RESULTS:

MEN'S SINGLES, Jasper Garland def. Eugene Tenney, 17-14, 15-7; **LADIES' SINGLES**, Margaret Varner def. Abbie Rutledge, 12-11, 11-3; **MEN'S DOUBLES**, Hap Horn-Nick Roberts def. Garland-Tenney, 15-11, 18-13; **LADIES' DOUBLES**, Varner-Rutledge def. Dorothy Lander-Kay Mitchell, 15-12, 7-15, 15-8; **MIXED DOUBLES**, Lander-Roberts def. Thelma Harrison-Roy Harrison, 15-5, 15-8.

SOUTHWESTERN A.A.U. OPEN

The Southwestern A.A.U. Open was held at the eight-court Fair Park, Automobile and Recreation Building in Dallas, Texas, February 11 and 12.

RESULTS:

MEN'S SINGLES, George Harman def. Ernesto Villareal, 18-17, 15-12; **LADIES' SINGLES**, Margaret Varner def. Abbie Rutledge, 11-1, 11-2; **MEN'S DOUBLES**, Hap Horn-Nick Roberts def. Bob Madden-EuGene Tenney, 15-7, 15-6; **LADIES' DOUBLES**, Varner-Rutledge def. Dorothy Lander-Kay Mitchell, 12-15, 15-12, 15-8; **MIXED DOUBLES**, Lander-Roberts def. Varner-Horn, 3-15, 15-10, 15-4.

OREGON STATE OPEN

Jim Paull-Maxine Cruikshank, Seattle, won the permanent possession of the mixed doubles cup by winning it for the third time in the Oregon State Open badminton tournament held in Portland March 12 and 13.

RESULTS:

MEN'S SINGLES, Bruce Benham def. Russ Hill, 12-15, 15-11, 15-9; **LADIES' SINGLES**, Mrs. Virginia Suggs def. Lois Reid, 11-0, 12-11; **MEN'S DOUBLES**, Benham - Randy

Phillips def. Paull-Rupe Topp, 15-2, 9-15, 18-16; **LADIES' DOUBLES**, Suggs - Marge Geldseth def. Reid-Mary Allen, 15-4, 15-6; **MIXED DOUBLES**, Cruikshank-Paull def. Virginia Anderson-Bob Deacon, 15-11, 15-6; **BOYS' SINGLES**, Dick Bonesteel def. Dave McTaggart, 15-12, 4-15, 15-13; **GIRLS' SINGLES**, Donna Mallory def. Patsy Heard, 11-3, 11-6; **BOYS' DOUBLES**, McTaggart-T. O. Trethewey def. Bonesteel-Jon Rose, 15-2, 15-1; **GIRLS' DOUBLES**, Mallory-Marg McGinnis def. Heard-Sue Iverson, 15-8, 12-15, 15-12; **VETERANS' DOUBLES**, Howard Crow-Joe Johnson def. Walter Miller-Fred Colwill, 15-10, 18-15.

ROCHESTER VALLEY

With all Rochester contenders eliminated early, the ninth annual invitation badminton tournament of the Genesee Valley Club ended April 10 with five titles going to visiting stars.

National champs Clint and Patsey Stephens suffered a defeat in the mixed finals.

RESULTS:

MEN'S SINGLES, Clint Stephens, Baltimore, def. Ken Quigley, Cleveland, 15-4, 15-9; **LADIES' SINGLES**, Ethel Marshall, Buffalo, def. Patsey Stephens, Baltimore, 11-8, 11-2; **MEN'S DOUBLES**, Quigley - Stephens def. Grant Henry, Toronto, -Robert Hardison, Niagara Falls, 15-4, 15-11; **LADIES' DOUBLES**, Marshall-Bea Massman, Buffalo, def. Zoe Yeager, New Rochelle, -Stephens, 15-1, 15-9; **MIXED DOUBLES**, Marshall - Henry def. Stephens-Stephens, 15-8, 15-7.

George Armstrong, Correspondent

WISCONSIN STATE

It was almost a clean sweep for West Allis players in the Wisconsin State Recreational Tournament held at the Washington Jr. High March 26, 27.

RESULTS:

MEN'S SINGLES, Bob Gerzine def. Vic Soukup, 15-12, 15-7; **LADIES' SINGLES**, Edna Dobron def. Ellen Wehrle, 11-9, 11-7; **MEN'S DOUBLES**, Gerzine-Dean Foote def. Jim Wanek - LeRoy Molitor, 17-16, 15-13; **LADIES' DOUBLES**, Dobron-Helen Schuller def. Min Aschenbrenner-Doris Rather, 15-18, 15-10, 15-11; **MIXED DOUBLES**, Dobron-Gerzine def. Dorothy Sommerfield-Ed Stirlie, 15-8, 15-12; **MEN'S VETERANS' DOUBLES**, Henry Bredael-Mulford Baker def. Bob Francis-Carl Sanger, 15-10, 15-11; **VETERANS' MEN'S SINGLES**, Francis def. Baker, 15-9, 10-15, 15-7; **VETERANS' MIXED DOUBLES**, Lawrence DeCoster - Aschenbrenner def. Francis-Clara Reick, 2-15, 18-16, 15-10.

OKLAHOMA STATE

Powerful overhead drives and a determined retrieving game gave young Teddy Moehlmann, St. Louis, the men's singles championship of the Oklahoma State Badminton championships held

at the Continental Oil gym at Ponca City.

Margaret Varner, a student of Texas College for Women, repeated as women's singles titlist with a victory over her TCW instructor, Abbie Rutledge. It was the sixth straight time this year that Miss Varner has defeated Miss Rutledge in tournament finals. On receiving her runner-up cup, Miss Rutledge commented, "This is getting old."

RESULTS:

MEN'S SINGLES, Ted Moehlmann def. George Harman, 15-12, 9-15, 15-12; **LADIES' SINGLES**, Margaret Varner def. Abbie Rutledge, 12-11, 11-3; **MEN'S DOUBLES**, Ken Aderholt-H. H. Perkins, Jr. def. Nick Roberts-Hap Horn, 15-8, 18-15; **LADIES' DOUBLES**, Rutledge - Varner def. Jerrie Krey - Ethel Horne, 15-0, 15-5; **MIXED DOUBLES**, Dorothy Lander-Roberts def. Patsy Harman-Harman, 15-9, 15-7; **VETERANS' DOUBLES**, Ed Overholser-Billy Mayfield def. Nelson Clabaugh-Roy Harrison, 14-18, 15-5, 15-13; **LADIES' VETERANS' DOUBLES**, Jo Reger - Jerrie Krey def. Margaret Morley - Elaine Archer, 15-3, 17-15.

WESTPORT NEWS

Taking a stride forward in the promotion of junior play the Westport Badminton Club sponsored two junior invitation tournaments, one for girls and one for boys during March. The tournaments were patterned after the famous Westport Men's Doubles Invitation Tournament, and sterling silver bowls were presented the winners.

Judy Seitz of Westport teamed with Diane Vogt of Stamford to take the girls' division, defeating the number one seeded team of Joan Carpenter and Diana Finnegan of Baltimore.

Peter Sherwood and Jimmy Woods, both of Westport, teamed to take the boys' division, defeating Don and Bob Carpenter of Mountain Lakes, N. J., in a thrilling final round.

Don Hersam, Correspondent.

EIGHTH ANNUAL SOUTHERN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Allan Hardin of Atlanta, April 2 won the men's singles championships in the eight annual tournament of the Southern Badminton Association.

He defeated John Haldi, of Atlanta, 15-6, 15-7, in the finals at the University of North Carolina.

Mrs. Martha Bass, of Chattanooga, Tenn., the defending champion, won the women's singles with an 11-7, 11-8 triumph over Miss Julia Pickens, of Charlotte.

There were seven divisions of play and defending champions won in all divisions in which they participated.

Mrs. Bass teamed with Miss Nancy McLarty, New Orleans, to win Ladies' Doubles.



OHIO STATE OPEN: (1) Stanley Sangdahl, Ed DeLeone; (2) Bea Massman, Ethel Marshall; (3) Tom Aikenhead, Grant Henry. FLINT INVITATIONAL: (4) Eleanor Coombs and William Lafayette; (5) Eleanor Coombs; (6) Thelma Burdick. WASHINGTON STATE JUNIOR: (7) Diana Cox; (8) Jackie Compton; (9) Dave MacTaggart, Kay Barragar. SOUTHERN CHAMPIONSHIPS: (10) Mrs. Margaret Bass, Chattanooga, winner of Ladies' Singles. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAMPIONSHIPS: (11) Wynn Rogers, Mrs. Hulet Smith, Lois Smedley, Joe Alston; (12) Mrs. Hulet Smith, Helen Tibbetts, Dottie Hann, Marianna Gott; (13) Lois O'Connell, Elsie Van Hiel, Sylvia Solomon, Louise DuVall; (14) Jack Crissman, Jean Gibbs, Ruth Young, Ronnie Palmer; (15) Dick Mitchell, Marten Mendez. MISSOURI OPEN: (16) Back row, left to right, Al. Galbreath, George Horne, Gene Clark, Robert Warner, James Tancill, Thelma Burdick, Irl Madden, Roy Jordan, Herp. Perkins, Harry Conlan. Front row, left to right, Ted. Moehlmann, Norman Blanchet, Wm. Lafayette, Millie French, Eleanor Coombs, Gene French, Janet Wright, Thelma Scovil, Ken Aderholt.



WASHINGTON STATE CLOSED

Seattle badminton players virtually swept the second annual Washington State Closed Badminton Tournament March 19, 20, 21, as shuttlers from the Queen City captured 10 of the 13 championships held in Tacoma.

RESULTS:

BOYS' SINGLES, Dick Bonesteel, Seattle, def. Jon Rose, Seattle, 15-3, 9-15, 15-9. **GIRLS' SINGLES**, Donna Mallory, Seattle, def. Jackie Compton, Spokane, 12-9, 9-11, 12-9; **BOYS' DOUBLES**, Bonesteel and Rose def. Bob Stenning-Ron Fernandes, 15-8, 18-15; **GIRLS' DOUBLES**, June Meigs-Norma Abbott, Spokane, def. Shirley Brede-Jackie Compton, 17-14, 15-10; **MEN'S SINGLES**, Rupe Topp, Seattle, def. Jim Paull, Seattle, 15-14, 18-15; **LADIES' SINGLES**, Virginia Suggs, Seattle, def. Marge Geldseth, Seattle, 11-6, 11-8; **LADIES' DOUBLES**, Suggs-Geldseth def. Gladys Mallory - Mary Jean Bushell, Seattle, 15-11, 15-10; **MEN'S DOUBLES**, Bob and Bill Deacon def. Topp-Paull, 17-15, 15-8; **MIXED DOUBLES**, Maxine Cruikshank - Jim Paull def. Bill Deacon-Suggs, 15-7, 17-14; **VETERANS' DOUBLES**, Howard Crow - Joe Johnson, Seattle, def. Hugh Mitchell, Bremerton, - Dick Hayden, Seattle, 12-15, 15-1 15-12; **LADIES' DOUBLES HANDICAP**, Fern Sarich, Bellingham, - Dorothy Curry, Tacoma, def. Wilma Gallagher - B. Aiken, Bellingham, 15-14, 7-15, 15-12; **MEN'S DOUBLES HANDICAP**, Johnson-Glen Groth def. John Sarich-John Carl, Bellingham, 15-14, 0-15, 15-9; **MIXED DOUBLES HANDICAP**, Mitchell - L. Netwig, Bremerton, def. Aiken-Carl, 15-13, 15-6.



MISSOURI B TOURNAMENTS

The Annual Class "B" Indoor Tournament was held on March 4 and 5 at the University City High School six-court gymnasium in St. Louis.

RESULTS:

MEN'S SINGLES, Howard Bland def. Harold Thomas 15-5, 11-15, 15-7; **LADIES' SINGLES**, Beverly Bullen def. Mrs. Odelia Lundvall 11-4, 9-11, 11-5; **MEN'S DOUBLES**, Joe Pohrer-John Felker def. George Statten-Francis Wielandy, default; **LADIES' DOUBLES**, Elsie Lee Beck-Mrs. Ruth Wermeyer def. Bullen-Grace Lammers 15-6, 15-4; **MIXED DOUBLES**, Thomas-Martha Brueckmann def. Lou Krey-Mrs. Mabel Opfer 17-15, 15-5; **PARENT AND CHILD**, A. B. Rowland-Don Rowland def. Herpel Perkins, Jr.-Herpel Perkins III 15-11, 18-16.

CONSOLATION ROUND WINNERS

MEN'S SINGLES, Lawrence Martineau; **LADIES' SINGLES**, Audrey Mathis; **MEN'S DOUBLES**, Harold Thomas-Jack Taylor; **LADIES' DOUBLES**, Audrey Mathis-Natalie Moehlmann; **MIXED DOUBLES**, Jack Taylor-Odelia Lundvall; **PARENT AND CHILD**, James Tancill-Mike Tancill.

Peg Goessling, Correspondent

MISSOURI OPEN

St. Louis' Ted Moehlmann Jr. won the singles title of the first Missouri Open badminton tournament held at the St. Louis University six-court gymnasium, April 9, 10. Sharing top honors with him were Norman Blanchet, Oakland, Cal.; Thelma Scovil, Manhattan Beach, Cal.; and Janet Wright, San Francisco, each being on two winners.

The tournament was the most outstanding one ever held in St. Louis. There were entries from California, Washington, Illinois, Texas, New York and Massachusetts.

RESULTS:

MEN'S SINGLES, Ted Moehlmann, St. Louis, def. Norm Blanchet, Calif., 15-11, 15-9; **LADIES' SINGLES**, Thelma Scovil, Calif., def. Janet Wright, Calif., 11-2, 6-11, 12-11; **MEN'S DOUBLES**, Blanchet-Irl Madden, Calif., def. Herpel Perkins-Ken Aderholt, St. Louis 15-11, 15-5; **LADIES'**

DOUBLES, Scovil-Wright def. Eleanor Coombs-Thelma Burdick, Chicago, 15-6, 15-9; **MIXED DOUBLES**, Blanchet-Wright def. Bill Lafayette-Coombs 15-10, 15-9; **VETERANS' DOUBLES**, Harry Conlan, Chicago-Ken Aderholt, St. Louis def. James Tancill-Bob Warner, St. Louis 15-1, 15-7.

Peg Goessling, Correspondent

WASHINGTON STATE JUNIOR OPEN TOURNAMENT

Bird-batters from Vancouver, B. C., walked off with four titles in the Washington State Junior Open Badminton Tournament held at Hiawatha Fieldhouse in Seattle April 22, 23, 24.

Ray Daughters, famous athletic director and swimming coach of the Washington Athletic Club, which sponsored the event, presented the trophies to the winners. Mr. Daughters was the coach of the 1948 Olympic Women's swimming team and has trained many national and Olympic winners from Seattle.

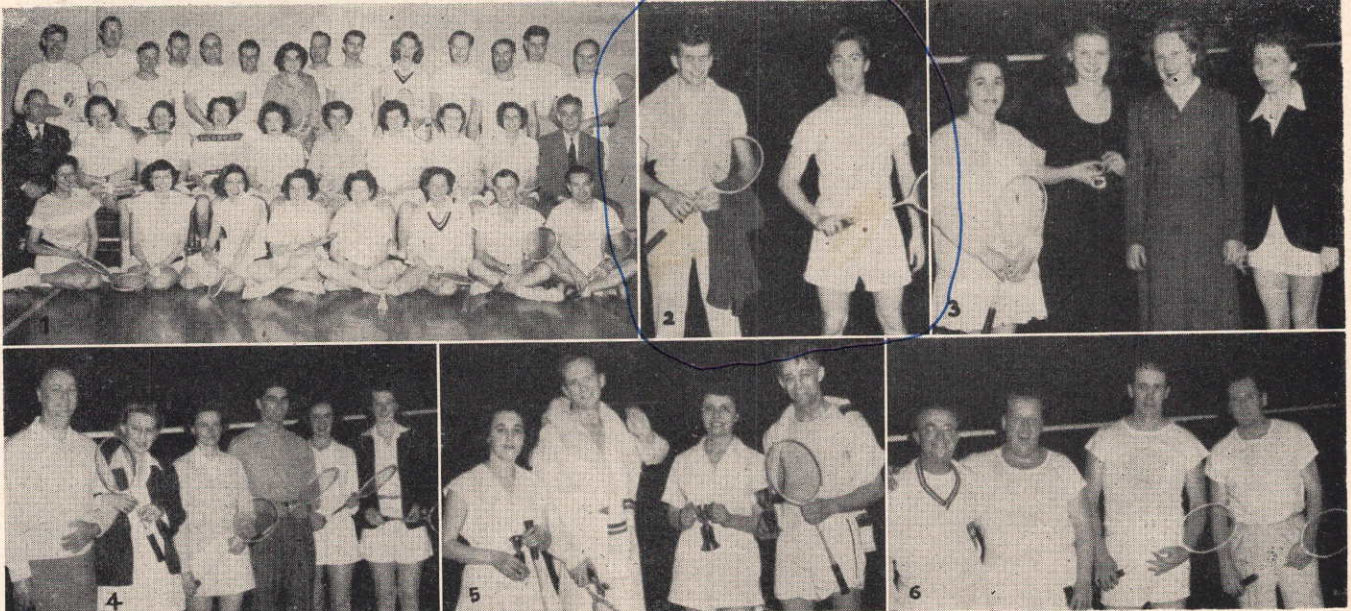
RESULTS:

BOYS' SINGLES, Dave MacTaggart, Vancouver, B. C., def. Dick Bonesteel, Seattle, 15-3, 15-2; **GIRLS' SINGLES**, Diana Cox, Vancouver, def. Jackie Compton, Spokane, 8-11, 11-5, 11-6; **BOYS' DOUBLES**, MacTaggart - J. O. Trethewey, Vancouver, def. Doug Whitworth-Nelson Fong, British Columbia, 15-6, 15-10; **GIRLS' DOUBLES**, Diana and Wendy Cox, Vancouver, def. Donna Mallory, Seattle, -Compton, 15-12, 8-15, 15-12; **MIXED DOUBLES**, Bonesteel-Compton def. MacTaggart-Kay Barragar, Seattle, 15-0, 15-6.



ROCKY MOUNTAIN INVITATION

The Rocky Mountain Invitation tournament will be held at the Denver Athletic Club courts May 20 and 21.



THE GREEN BAY FEATHER BUSTERS BADMINTON CLUB (1). MISSOURI DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT: (2) Ted Moehlmann, Art Fiebig; (3) Mrs. Virginia Smith, Elsie Lee Beck, Mrs. Ethel Horne, Mrs. Jerry Krey; (4) Warren Cowdery, Mrs. Odelia Lundvall, Beverly Bullen, Harold Thomas, Janice Elbring, Bernice Barbour; (5) Mrs. Virginia Smith, Russell Smith, Mrs. Elizabeth Perkins, Herpel Perkins; (6) Edward Ott, George Horne, Ken Aderholt, George Slaten.

CALIFORNIA STATE

In a thrilling three-game upset, Wynn Rogers defeated No. 2 U.S. player, Marten Mendez, 15-8, 14-15, 15-13, in the finals of the California State Badminton Tournament held at Kezar Pavilion in San Francisco April 1, 2, 3.

RESULTS:

MEN'S SINGLES, Wynn Rogers def. Marten Mendez, 15-8, 14-15, 15-13; **LADIES' SINGLES**, Janet Wright def. Thelma Scovil, 11-8, 11-7; **MEN'S DOUBLES**, Barney McCay-Rogers def. Irl Madden-Norm Blanchet, 15-4, 18-14; **LADIES' DOUBLES**, Scovil-Wright def. Marianna Gott-D. Hann, 13-15, 15-6, 15-3; **MIXED DOUBLES**, Virginia Smith-Rogers def. Wright-Blanchet, 15-12, 17-14; **VETERANS' DOUBLES**, G. Elms-M. Mullins def. L. Rulison-H. Smith, 15-7, 16-17, 15-5.

CONSOLATION FINALS:

MEN'S SINGLES, Walt McPherson def. Chuck Cleveland, 15-6, 17-16; **LADIES' SINGLES**, Mary Piliard def. Octavia Pratt, 11-7, 11-8; **LADIES' DOUBLES**, Coffey-Wemmer def. Wincote-Copenhagen, 15-8, 15-13; **MEN'S DOUBLES**, T. Ough-R. Bobbitt def. Brandt-Ott, 10-15, 15-11, 15-13; **MIXED DOUBLES**, Copenhagen-Copenhagen def. Wenger-Avalos, 15-10, 15-1; **VETERANS' DOUBLES**, Carr-Jarrett def. L. Gowen-Horn, 15-5, 8-15, 15-12.

Lloyd Gowen, Correspondent

WESTERN N. Y. JUNIORS

April 23 the Western New York Junior and Juvenile Badminton Championships were held in the Bennett High School gym.

RESULTS:

JUNIOR BOYS' SINGLES, Randy Rice def. James Hamilton 15-11, 15-6; **JUNIOR BOYS' DOUBLES**, Rice-Hamilton def. James Hodan-Albert Lewis 15-6, 18-16; **JUNIOR GIRLS' SINGLES**, Jo Ferraracio def. Arlene Jasinska 11-6, 9-11, 11-7; **JUNIOR GIRLS' DOUBLES**, Ferraracio-Dolores Zintek def. Jasinska-Irene Tomizza, default; **JUVENILE BOYS' SINGLES**, Bobby Rice def. Larry Daly 15-8, 15-5; **JUVENILE BOYS' DOUBLES**, Rice-Dick Harvey def. Henry O'Hara-Daly 15-10, 17-18, 15-7; **JUVENILE GIRLS' SINGLES**, Anne Harvey def. Janet Mack 12-11, 11-12, 11-8; **JUVENILE GIRLS' DOUBLES**, Harvey-Pat Buell def. Mack-Sue Belden 15-11, 13-15, 15-8.

Jack Bowling, Correspondent

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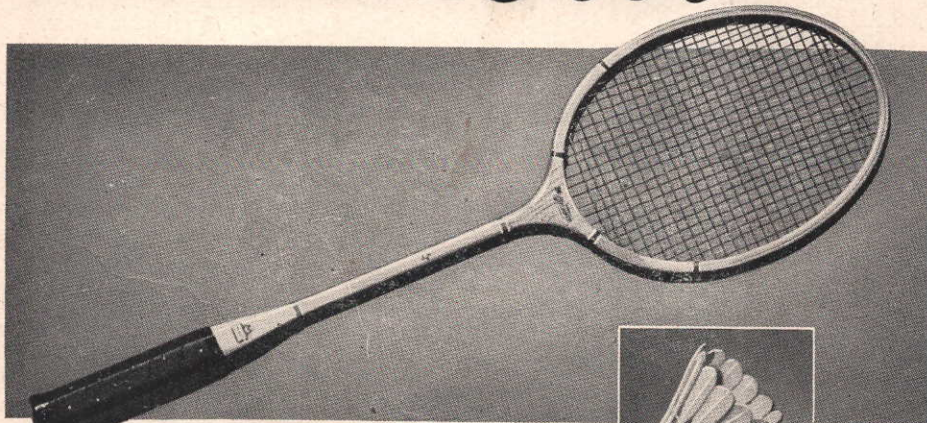
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Official A B A News

By HAMILTON B. LAW
Secretary of the American Badminton
Association

Each year while players from all over the country are basking in the spotlight of The National Tournament, the officers and directors meet to discuss the affairs of the ABA and to formulate policies for the coming season. The meetings are long and often tiresome for there is so much to be done and the time for discussion is so short. But when the directors have finished there is always a feeling that progress has been made and that the ABA will be of greater service to more players and clubs in years to come.

One of the major duties of the directors is to review the reports of the committees and act upon the committees' recommendations. A brief report of committee activities follows:

Membership

Mr. Nick Roberts, chairman, reported that ABA membership was not up to last year's figure. It was his opinion that some of the decrease was attributable to the increase in dues. It was his request that each director and committee member as well as officers of class "A" associations assume the task of bringing new clubs into the ABA and of explaining to former member clubs the necessity of the increased dues.

Ranking

Roy Jordan, chairman, stated that his report would necessarily be brief because most of the committee's work awaits the conclusion of the National Tournament. He said, however, that his committee, for the first time, was of assistance to the tournament committee in supplying results of tournaments in various areas and in the seeding of the players in the National Tournament. Rankings for this season will be completed as soon after the tournament as possible.

Rules

Chairman, Philip Richardson, was unable to be present but his report was most interesting. His committee recommended (1) That the ABA recommend to the IBF that Rule 14 (h) concerning woodshots be changed according to the Canadian suggestion of last year. (2) Action on a uniform set of calls for umpires be delayed pending further study and (3) That plans for an umpires' association be formulated by the committee. The directors approved all recommendations and authorized the committee to formulate initial plans for the umpires' association.

Amateur Status

Chairman, J. G. White, reported a better understanding of the rules and a more sympathetic attitude toward the



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whole philosophy of amateur status because of last year's extensive and significant report and code for interpretation of the rules of amateur status.

Tournament

Chairman, Dwight Hollowell, reported in great detail concerning the use of the word "Championships" in the title of a tournament, ways and means of avoiding conflicts with emphasis on confining closed tournaments to certain stipulated periods and sanction fees for various classes of tournaments. A total of 50 tournaments was sanctioned. There were no major conflicts. The directors approved the recommendation that use of the word "Championships" be limited to such tournament which is closed to residents of the territory embraced within the scope of the title of the tournament.

Junior

Miss Helen Gibson reported increased Junior activity throughout the country. Many Junior tournaments were played and were climaxed by the National Junior Tournament held in Baltimore. Emphasis was placed on the need to lend a helping hand to young people learning the game and the need for exhibitions and matches at schools. It was recommended that each class "A" association appoint a member to serve on the Junior Committee, thus permitting more direct contact with each association.

Shuttlecock

Chairman Harry Vaughan was unable to be present. Shuttle approval and adoption procedure were the same as last year. Fewer shuttles were tested. Attempts will be made to test and approve earlier next season. Extensive recommendations were made and are being studied by the directors.

Thomas Cup

Mr. Warren Wheary, chairman, reported the activities of the Thomas Cup Team and the efforts expended to raise the money to send the team to England. Our team was well received and was a credit to the United States. The committee recommended (1) That the Thomas Cup committee be a standing committee, (2) That the ABA choose a Thomas Cup squad each year and that some recognition be given those chosen, (3) That our

Thomas Cup Team play Canada each year and (4) That the ABA encourage team matches between class "A" associations based on Thomas Cup style.

Bird Chatter

This report was presented by Mrs. Mallory, business manager. During the first year under the leadership of Robert Kildall, editor, subscriptions were up and it is anticipated that there will be no deficit for this year's operation.

Several committees made recommendations of sufficient scope to demand further study by the directors and executive board and the action of the directors will be reported by this magazine when available. Rule books will be printed when sufficient orders are received to warrant printing. The guide remains under consideration. A bid for the 1950 National Junior Tournament was presented by the Massachusetts Association, to be held at Boston University club and the bid was accepted.

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The ABA Board of Directors has requested Bird Chatter to publish the following letters: Mr. Kenneth Davidson, La Canada, Calif.

Dear Ken:

This is one letter I am most happy to write. It is my pleasant duty to advise you that the board of directors of the ABA, at their last meeting in Chicago, unanimously adopted the following resolution:

"Resolved, that the appreciation of this board be extended to Ken Davidson for the untiring work and unparalleled skill and devotion he displayed in his capacity as coach of the American Thomas Cup team; for his assistance to the ABA in making the trip to Scotland possible; for the manner in which he represented the ABA in Scotland and England.

Be it further resolved that Ken Davidson be awarded the official ABA blazer in recognition of these services."

Mere words are inadequate, Ken, but I am sure that through your associations and friendships in years to come you will realize more fully the appreciation of Badminton players for your contribution to this wonderful game of ours.

Most sincerely,

Ham Law, Secretary of the ABA.

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Mr. Robert Kildall, Editor, Bird Chatter
Seattle, Washington

Dear Bob:

At the conclusion of Mrs. Mallory's Bird Chatter Report to the directors at their recent meeting in Chicago, the directors unanimously voted to you and your staff their congratulations for a job well done. In extending you their congratulations, they wish you to know they are speaking not only for themselves but also for the players throughout the country.

It is with great personal pride that I find myself the medium for conveying these thoughts to you and I am pleased to add my own congratulations to you and your staff on your success in your first year of Bird Chatter.

With best wishes for continued success

I am sincerely yours,

Ham Law, Secretary of the ABA.



**T. M. ROYCE, RE-ELECTED
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Seattle Attorney and President of the American Badminton Association, he was co-holder of the national senior doubles title with George McCook of Pasadena, California. They won the U. S. title at the national tourney in Seattle in 1940. Royce is the last national titleholder in Seattle for this sport.

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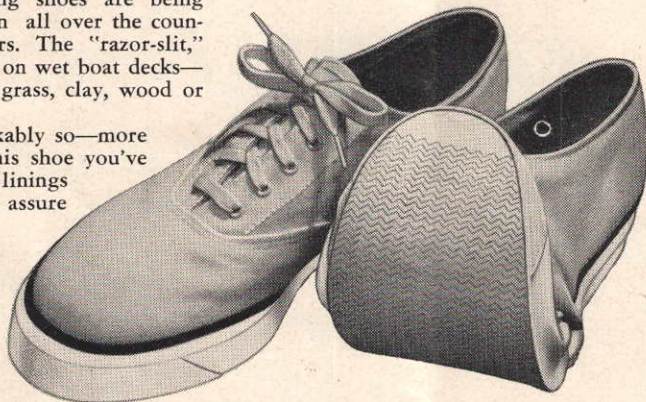
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17TH ANNUAL SO. CALIF. CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 17th annual Southern California championships were held in the University of California at Los Angeles gyms over the weekend of the 18th through 20th of March. Everyone was pleased to see a large number of juniors entered this time even though there were no junior events. The "B" flight finals were predominantly made up of the younger players.



Helen Tibbetts

RESULTS:

"A" FLIGHT—MEN'S SINGLES, Marten Mendez def. Dick Mitchell 17-18, 15-10, 15-11; LADIES' SINGLES, Marianna Gott def. Helen Tibbetts 11-1, 12-9; MEN'S DOUBLES, Wynn Rogers-Barney McCay def. Joe Alston-John Murphy 15-10, 15-4; LADIES' DOUBLES, Marianna Gott-Dottie Hann def. Mrs. Hulet Smith-Tibbetts 15-5, 12-15, 15-11; MIXED DOUBLES, Wynn Rogers-Loma Smith def. Joe Alston-Lois Smedley 15-12, 15-8; VETS' DOUBLES, Gene Elms-Moon Mullins def. Louis Rulison-Hulet Smith 15-7, 14-17, 17-16.

"B" FLIGHT—MEN'S SINGLES, Ronnie Palmer def. Jack Crissman 15-8, 15-8; LADIES' SINGLES, Sylvia Solomon def. Ruth Young 11-5, 11-7; MEN'S DOUBLES,

Ronnie Carr-Fred Serafin def. Manuel Armendariz-Palmer 7-15, 15-10, 15-9; LADIES' DOUBLES, Lois O'Connell-Elsie Van Hiel def. Louise Duval-Solomon 15-13, 15-8; MIXED DOUBLES, Palmer-Ruth Young def. Crissman-Jean Gibbs 18-16, 14-17, 18-16; VETS' DOUBLES, Bud Adams, Al Kirby def. Sam Buskirk-Bob McLeod 15-2, 15-9.

Helen Tibbetts, Correspondent

SIXTH ANNUAL FLINT INTERNATIONAL BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIPS

A tremendous entry featured a well run 6th Annual Flint Invitational Badminton Championships held in the big five-court I.M.A. Auditorium, March 26, 27.

It took 146 matches to complete the draw. The finals included players from Cincinnati, Chicago, Detroit, Grand Rapids, Warren, Ohio; Windsor, Ontario and Kitchener, Ontario.

RESULTS:

MEN'S SINGLES, Don McLean, Windsor def. Edward DiLeone, Cleveland 15-9, 15-4; LADIES' SINGLES, Eleanor Coombs, Hamilton def. Marg. Wright, Cleveland 11-8, 6-11, 12-11; MEN'S DOUBLES, McLean-S. Warren def. J. Koehler-J. Pequegnat 15-7, 15-6; LADIES' DOUBLES, T. Burdick-E. Coombs def. M. J. Stille-M. Wright 14-17, 15-10, 15-5; MIXED DOUBLES, Lafayette-E. Coombs def. J. Tiberi-T. Burdick 9-15, 15-11, 15-7; VETERANS' DOUBLES, R. Heaney-R. Gregory def. A. Mowery-B. Streng, 15-8, 15-8.

Charles A. Mobley, Correspondent

ANNUAL DISTRICT TOURNEY

The Annual District Championship Tournament was held on April 1 and 2 at C.B.C. High School gymnasium, St. Louis.

RESULTS:

MEN'S SINGLES, Ted Moehlmann def. Art Fiebig, 15-11, 15-12; LADIES' SINGLES, Mrs. Virginia Smith def. Mrs. Elizabeth Perkins, 11-4, 11-2; MEN'S DOUBLES, Hoppel Perkins-Ken Aderholt def. Moehlmann-Fiebig 15-8, 15-1; LADIES' DOUBLES, Smith-Elsie Lee Beck def. Mrs. Ethel Horne-Mrs. Jerry Krey 9-15, 15-10, 15-7; MIXED DOUBLES, Perkins-Mrs. Perkins def. Russell Smith-Mrs. Smith 15-18, 15-12, 17-15; VETERANS' DOUBLES, Aderholt-George Staten def. Horne-Edward Ott, 15-5, 18-14.

CONSOLATION ROUND WINNERS

MEN'S SINGLES, Herb Koberman; LADIES' SINGLES, Bernice Barbour; MEN'S DOUBLES, Gerald Heinle-Harold Thomas; LADIES' DOUBLES, Janice Elbring-Bernice Barbour; MIXED DOUBLES, Harold Thomas-Mrs. Odelia Lundvall; VETERANS' DOUBLES, William Mautner-Warren Cowdery.

Peg Goessling, Correspondent

WHATCOM-SKAGIT COUNTY TOURNAMENT

The Whatcom-Skagit County Badminton Tournament was held in Bellingham, Washington, April 8th and 9th.

Officers of the Bellingham Badminton Club for the year are: Fern Sarich, president; Carolyn Yurovchak, vice president; Bob Sherwood, secretary; Delores Jackson, treasurer.

RESULTS:

MEN'S SINGLES, John Carl def. Bob Sherwood, 15-12, 15-7; LADIES' SINGLES, Fern Sarich def. Wilma Gallagher 9-11, 11-9, 11-7; MEN'S DOUBLES, Sherwood-Al Grasher def. Carl Klein-Bud Klein 10-15, 15-11, 15-4; LADIES' DOUBLES, Sarich-Carolyn Yurovchak def. Gallagher-Margaret Aitken 15-11, 18-17; MIXED DOUBLES, John Sarich-Sarich def. Carl-Aitken 15-9, 15-11.

CONSOLATION ROUND WINNERS

MEN'S DOUBLES, Ray Cizek-Jack Ross def. Sam Paul-Walt Collins 15-4, 15-7; LADIES' DOUBLES, Lily Paul-Anita Grasher def. Delores Jackson-Florence Chandler 18-13, 15-7; MIXED DOUBLES, Glen Hegdahl-Nelda Petersen default.

John Sarich, Correspondent

MASS. MEN'S DOUBLES

The Watertown Badminton Club held a Men's Doubles Tournament on its home courts in the Hood Rubber Company gymnasium on February 17, 18, 19. As arranged, players of A or B State classifications had to play with a Class D partner, while two C's could play together. A field of 26 teams entered.

RESULTS:

FINALS: Harold Seavey-Henry Der def. Clifford Sawyer-Don O'Callaghan, 15-8, 15-12. Consolation Round: FINALS: Edward Moran-Al Warner def. Wm. Duby-Al Dockray, 15-10, 15-11.

OHIO STATE OPEN

Ed DiLeone, Cleveland, took a hard fought singles victory over Gordon Byram, Chicago, in the finals of the Ohio State Open Tournament held at Shaker Heights to become the only winner from Ohio.

RESULTS:

MEN'S SINGLES, Ed DiLeone def. Gordon Byram, 4-15, 15-5, 15-1; **LADIES' SINGLES**, Ethel Marshall def. Marguerite Wright, 11-0, 11-6; **MEN'S DOUBLES**, Grant Henry-Tom Aikenhead def. Bill LaFayette-Dave Ponitch, 15-7, 15-12; **LADIES' DOUBLES**, Marshall-Bea Massman def. Thelma Burdick-Eleanor Coombs, 15-13, 15-2; **MIXED DOUBLES**, Marshall-Henry def. Alice Brown-Jack Bowling, 15-4, 10-15, 15-10; **VETERANS' DOUBLES**, Harry Conlan-Robert Heaney def. Del Altenburg-Jack O'Bannon, 15-5, 15-10.

CHICAGO CITY AND DISTRICT TOURNAMENT

Hamilton Badminton Club, Chicago, was again host to the 13th annual Chicago District Badminton championships on March 5 and 6, 1949.

RESULTS:

MEN'S SINGLES, Dave Ponitch def. John Prest 15-4, 15-8; **LADIES' SINGLES**, Eleanor Coombs def. Thelma Burdick 11-7, 11-1; **MEN'S DOUBLES**, Prest-Lee Robinson def. Gordon Byram-Dr. Wm. Gibbs 15-12, 15-6; **LADIES' DOUBLES**, Coombs-Burdick def. Wilma Shortz-Olga Grant 15-2, 15-4; **VETERANS' DOUBLES**, Lyle A.

Shortz-Harry Fraser def. Herbert Burdick-John Howanic 15-8, 15-11.

Wilma W. Shortz, Correspondent

NIAGARA FALLS COUNTRY CLUB INVITATION

Ethel Marshall was a three title winner in the Niagara Falls Country Club Invitation meet held at Lewiston Heights, N. Y., February 18, 19, 20.

The meet was featured by a large Toronto entry.

RESULTS:

MEN'S SINGLES, Beverly Westcott def. Donald Smythe 17-14, 7-15, 18-17; **LADIES' SINGLES**, Ethel Marshall def. Marjorie Mapp 11-4, 11-4; **MEN'S DOUBLES**, Grant Henry-Rupert Mee def. Harry Keating-Donald Bechtol 15-12, 15-8; **LADIES' DOUBLES**, Marshall-Bea Massman def. Alice Brown-Lorraine Kittinger 15-6, 15-6; **MIXED DOUBLES**, Marshall-Henry def. Massman-Ted Moehlmann, Jr., 15-7, 15-9.

FLORIDA STATE TOURNEY

The Fifth Annual Florida State Badminton championships were held at Miami Beach, Florida, sponsored jointly by the Miami Beach City Recreation Department and the Greater Miami Badminton Association April 21 to 23. According to the records of the Southern Association, Florida has now held more state championships tournaments than any other state.

Prominent women players, Clair Smith and Jane Smith (no relation), did not enter this year which left the women's divisions wide open. Bill Rhett, state singles title holder for 1947 and 1948, who is also a pilot, found himself stranded for two days in New Orleans as the tournament opened and was unable to defend his title. This left the way open for a new champion there, also, and Victor T. Surrows took the honors. Surrows not only earned the singles title for 1949 but the mixed doubles as well.

Only title holders left were Stanley Tinter and Howard Taylor, men's doubles champions. They again won after a tough finals over Surrows and William Graham, well known in Pennsylvania and Atlanta, Georgia badminton clubs.

The Greater Miami Association is looking for other Florida teams to play and would like to hear from individuals or clubs. Easter H. Smith, 2612 S.W. 16 Terrace, Miami, is president. Mrs. Marion Wood Huey, P.O. Box 157, Miami Beach, is tournament director. Recreation badminton groups meet every Monday night at the Miami Beach High School gym while the Association members play every Wednesday night.

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Malaya Defeats Denmark



Sir George Thomas, president of the International Badminton Federation and donor of the Cup, handed the Thomas Cup to Lim Chuan Geok, captain of the winning team, and thus Malaya became the first Champion Nation last February.

After a 6-3 win over the United States in Glasgow, Malaya had moved

February 25-26 to Queen's Hall in Preston, England, to meet the victors of the European Zone, Denmark, and to win 8-1. Malaya led 4-0 after the first day's play.

Wong Peng Soon was not able to play because of an arm injury and was replaced by Ong Poh Lim.

Jorn Skaarup, Europe's leading singles player, dropped the first match to Law Teik Hock, gaining only a total of five points and setting the pace of the first evening's play as Denmark failed to win even a single game.

Morgens Felsby upheld Danish honor with a 15-11, 15-1 victory over Law Teik Hock to open the second evening's play and to hearten the Danish squad.

Jorn Skaarup tackled Ooi Teik Hock in the second match. The Malayan hit his stride and ran the score to 7-2. Jorn came slowly up to 7-9, then 10-9. After running the score to 12-9, Skaarup dropped four straight points to the Malayan but tied the score at 13-13. Ooi set five points and gained the first match on a single hand to win 18-14.

In the second and third game, the Dane put up terrific fights but Ooi was not to be denied and won 15-13, 15-10 to cinch the cup for the Malaysians at 8:52 p.m. Greenwich Time on February 26.

RESULTS:

SINGLES: Law Teik Hock, M., def. Jorn Skaarup, D, 15-5, 15-0; Ooi Teik Hock, M, def. Morgens Felsby, D, 15-9, 15-2; M. Felsby, D, def. Law Teik Hock, 15-11, 15-1; Ooi Teik Hock, M, def. Jorn Skaarup, D, 14-18, 15-13, 15-9; Ong Poh Lim, M, def. Poul Holm, D, 17-14, 15-8.

DOUBLES: Yeoh Teck Chye-Chan Kon Leong, M, def. P. Holm-I. Olesen, D, 15-4, 15-6; Teoh Seng Khoon-Ooi Teik Hock, M, def. J. Skaarup-P. Dabelsteen, D, 15-11, 15-10; Yeoh Teck Chye-Chan Kon Leong, M, def. J. Skaarup-P. Dabelsteen, 15-2, 15-4; Teoh Seng Khoon-Ooi Teik Hock, M, def. P. Holm-I. Olesen, D, 15-6, 15-7.

★ FREEMAN ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT

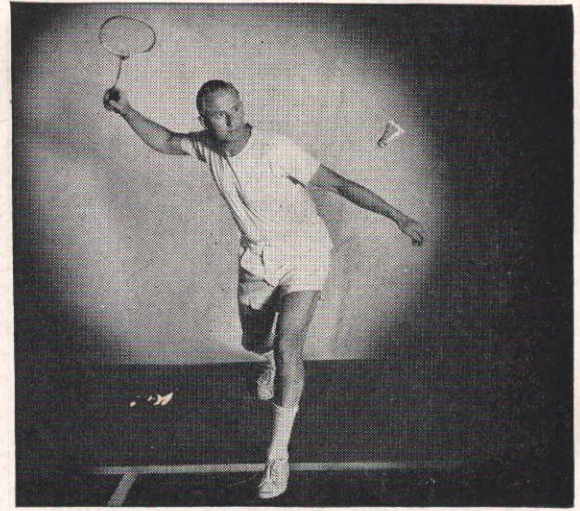
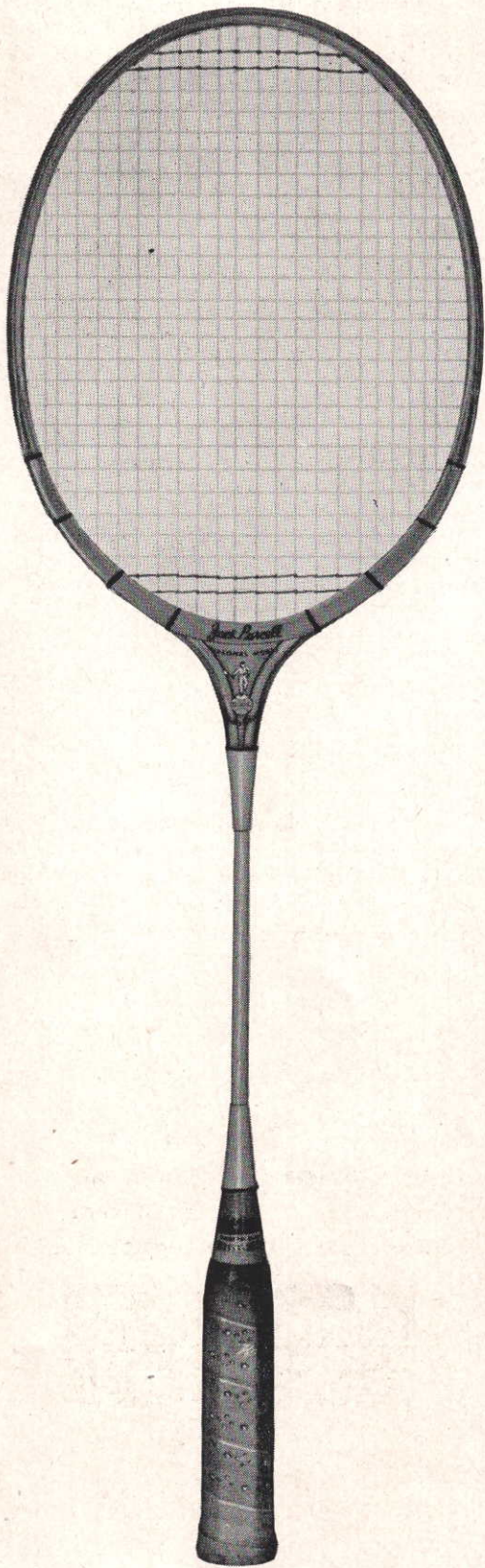
Dave Freeman, acknowledged to be the greatest badminton player in the world today after his decisive European victories in the past month, has announced his intention to retire from active tournament play.

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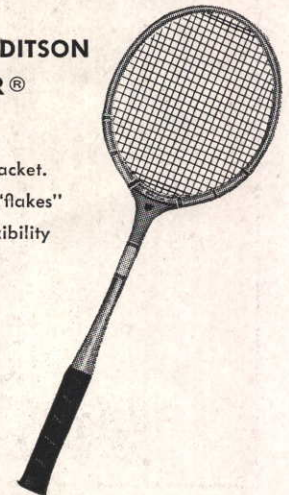
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Top row left to right: Lyman Mitchell, Parkley Insley, Harry Conlan, William Schroeder, Reed Longfellow. Bottom row left to right: Joseph Grant, Olga Grant, Roger Baird.

Men's Singles

QUARTER-FINALS: Marten Mendez, San Diego, def. Ted Moehlmann, St. Louis, 15-5, 15-4; Dick Mitchell, San Diego, def. Barney McCay, Pasadena, 15-4, 15-12; Wynn Rogers, Arcadia, Calif., def. J. Prest, Chicago, 15-7, 15-8; Joe Alston, San Diego, def. Carl Loveday, Montclair, N. J., 15-1, 15-10.
SEMI-FINALS: Mendez def. Mitchell 15-4, 15-6; Alston def. Rogers 13-15, 15-6, 15-5.
FINALS: Mendez def. Alston 15-7, 12-15, 15-5.

Ladies' Singles

QUARTER-FINALS: Ethel Marshall, Buf-

falo, def. Elizabeth Anselm, Los Angeles, 11-5, 11-6; Janet Wright, San Francisco, def. Margaret Varner, El Paso, 11-3, 11-5; Marianna Gott, Los Angeles, def. Patsey Stephens, Baltimore, 3-11, 11-4, 11-6; Thelma Scovil, Los Angeles, def. Eleanor Coombs, Chicago, 11-6, 11-8.

SEMI-FINALS: Marshall def. Wright 11-5, 11-8; Gott def. Scovil 11-4, 9-11, 11-8.
FINALS: Marshall def. Gott 11-2, 11-8.

Men's Doubles

QUARTER-FINALS: Clint Stephens, Baltimore, Ken Quigley, Cleveland, def. Marten Mendez, San Diego, Gene Elms, Los Angeles,

15-9, 15-12; Wynn Rogers, Arcadia, Calif.-Barney McCay, Pasadena, def. Bill Busby, Los Angeles, Roy Cole, Los Angeles, 15-6, 15-2; Joe Alston, San Diego, Dick Mitchell, San Diego, def. Carl Loveday, Montclair, N. J., Dick Yeager, New Rochelle, 15-9, 18-14; Norm Blanchet, Oakland, Irl Madden, San Francisco, def. H. Perkins, St. Louis, K. Aderholt, St. Louis, 12-15, 15-3, 15-9.

SEMI-FINALS: Blanchet-Madden def. Alston-Mitchell, 15-9, 8-15, 15-8; Rogers-McCay def. Stephens-Quigley, 15-9, 15-12.

FINALS: Rogers-McCay def. Blanchet-Madden, 12-15, 15-5, 15-10.

Ladies' Doubles

QUARTER-FINALS: Thelma Scovil, Los Angeles, Janet Wright, San Francisco, def. H. Gibson, Westport, W. Bergman, Westport, 15-5, 15-8; Ethel Marshall, Buffalo, B. Massman, Buffalo, def. L. Smith, Los Angeles, E. Anselm, Los Angeles, 15-3, 7-15, 15-9; M. Gott, Los Angeles, Dottie Hann, Los Angeles, def. T. Burdick, Chicago, E. Coombs, Chicago, 15-11, 15-12; Patsey Stephens, Baltimore, Zoe Yeager, New Rochelle, def. Virginia Suggs, Seattle, Marge Geldseth, Seattle, 15-9, 14-17, 15-6.

SEMI-FINALS: Scovil-Wright def. Marshall-Massman, 15-12, 18-16; Stephens-Yeager def. Gott-Hann, 17-15, 15-11.

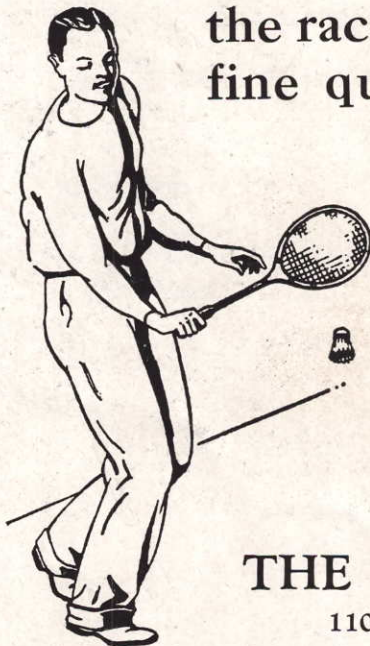
FINALS: Scovil-Wright def. Stephens-Yeager, 10-15, 15-4, 15-9.

Mixed Doubles

QUARTER-FINALS: Clint and Patsey Stephens, Baltimore, def. Dorothy Lander, Dallas, N. Roberts, Dallas, 5-15, 15-7, 15-8; Janet Wright, San Francisco, Norm Blanchet, Oak-

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BIRMINGHAM CLUB BACKS BIRD CHATTER

By GLADYS MALLORY, *Subscription Manager*

The story of Bird Chatter's subscription program carried in the March-April issue caused considerable comment and action which has brought the subscription total well past any previous record.

Mr. M. Lewis, of Clayton, Missouri, wants Bird Chatter to know that his club, Wydown Badminton Club, also should be included among the 100% groups as well as those listed. It is expected that there are many more such groups as yet unreported.

George W. Davis, bombshell prexy of the Birmingham (Michigan) Bad-

minton Club sent the following letter to include his club among the 100% group:

Dear Sirs:

"Attached is a check for \$62.00 from Patsy McDonald, treasurer of our Birmingham Badminton Club.

"This pays for 'Bird Chatter' subscriptions for all of our Junior and Senior resident members.

"We do not regard this as an expense. It's an investment.

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"These subscriptions will make our members more enthusiastic, and will add to their enjoyment of the game.

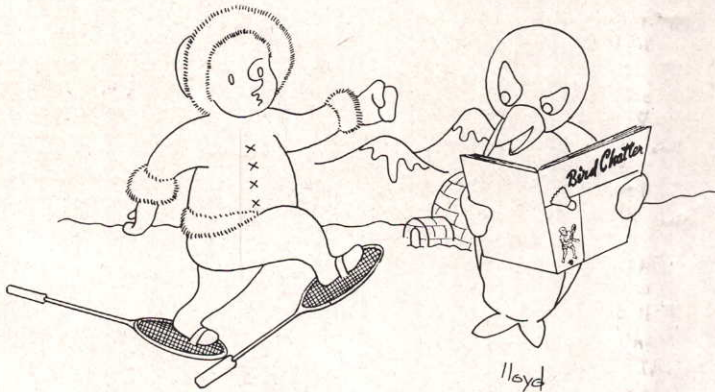
"When other clubs hear about this, they may think our Birmingham Club is made of money.

"'Taint so, McGee. We set a high value on a nickel.' We have all the problems other clubs face. But we do operate efficiently to avoid senseless waste, and conserve our money for good uses.

"To any club that says, 'we couldn't afford to subscribe for our members,' I say 'Nonsense—it isn't the money at all, it's a state of mind.'

"The only thing wrong with 'Bird Chatter' is that it isn't published often enough. However, we fill the gaps between issues with our own news publication, 'The Birmingham Bombirdier'."

The overwhelming action of the Birmingham Club meant that Region 4, Midwest, passed Region 6, Pacific, in the race for subscriptions.



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Letters to Editors

Dear Sir:

Would suggest you publish a tournament schedule in Bird Chatter, so that we may know in advance about tournaments in other areas. Usually we don't hear about tournaments outside of our area until we read the results in Bird Chatter.

B. Coughlin
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Sir:

We Danish players had, of course, looked forward to seeing the American champion, and our expectations were not disappointed. He proved to be a wonder on a badminton court. I have to use Carl Loveday's favorite words: "Very good, very good" to express what I think of his qualities as a player.

His attack and defense strong and accurate, not to forget his lovely foot work as any first rate pugilist would envy him. With his backhand, which he seemed to have taken over from his tennis, he covered the entire court, and he never gave his opponents one moment's rest, always on his toes ready to explode.

Also off the court he was a very fine sportsman, always with a smile and a funny remark on his lips. But I must not forget all the other wonderful chaps from America, and last but not least the two beautiful exponents of female badminton in the United States, Mrs. Freeman and Patsey Stephens. All of them were players of whom we could learn a lot and did, be sure of that when the next Thomas Cup tournament begins.

I still remember all the fun we had when play stopped: Carl Loveday talking about his cheese and butter, Clint Stephens puffing his curious pipe, Bobby Williams and Wynn Rogers chewing in competition on the eternal chewing gum, Patsey opening canned food for a late lunch together with Marten Mendez, the American "glamour boy number 1," Ken Davidson making all his jokes. By the way I want to bring to Ken the very best thanks from the Danish team for all good advices we got from him during our stay in England. I am sure that we could have done a great deal better against the Malaysians, if Davidson could have trained with us just a couple of days before the match at Preston. We need a man like Ken as a coach, and should like to borrow him for the next Thomas Cup tournament, but I guess he is not for sale.

Well, thank you again America for good badminton and fellowship. Your guys must have got rather a bad im-

pression of Danish badminton, but honestly we are really a little better than it seemed in Preston and London. We hope, however, that we shall meet again soon and till then "The best of luck to all of you."

Preben Dabelsteen,
Copenhagen, Denmark

Dear Sir: The proposed name of NATIONAL SHUTTLECOCK (see November "Letters") sounds too much like the official organ of some business man's convention, whereas the name BIRD CHATTER is clever and sounds like fun which is why most of us play the game. If it offends anyone to call the shuttle a "bird" and a change is really necessary, I might suggest the substitute "Shuttlecock Cackle," which in itself should be more than sufficient to convince anyone that it would be well to let the matter drop and stick with BIRD CHATTER.

Ted McMurray
Glendale, California

RACHEL VAUGHAN

Deepest sympathies from all badminton players go to Donald Vaughan, Jr., on the sudden death of his beloved wife, Rachel, March 11th.

Rachel, while she never was able to hit a shuttle, traveled 25,000 miles with Don in his badminton promotion trips from Maine to Florida, through the South and as far West as Denver.

She was extremely active in Don's programs at the many clubs he visited and was well liked by the thousands of badminton players she met.

Rachel was born in Dubuque, Iowa, and graduated from Wellesley College in 1936.

NATIONAL CHAMP RESULTS

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land, def. B. Marignan, Manhattan Beach, B. Martin, Arcadia, 15-13, 15-7; M. Jude, Alameda, Irl Madden, San Francisco, def. Dick and Zoe Yeager, New Rochelle, 15-4, 15-6; Loma Smith, Los Angeles, Wynn Rogers, Arcadia, Calif., def. Thelma Scovill, Los Angeles, Barney McCay, Pasadena, 15-9, 15-6.
SEMI-FINALS: Stephens-Stephens def. Wright-Blanchet, 4-15, 18-16, 15-8; Smith-Rogers def. Jude-Madden, 17-16, 15-6.
FINALS: Smith-Rogers def. Stephens-Stephens, 4-15, 15-8, 18-14.

Veterans' Doubles

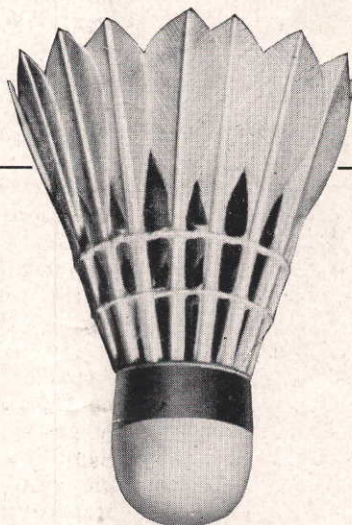
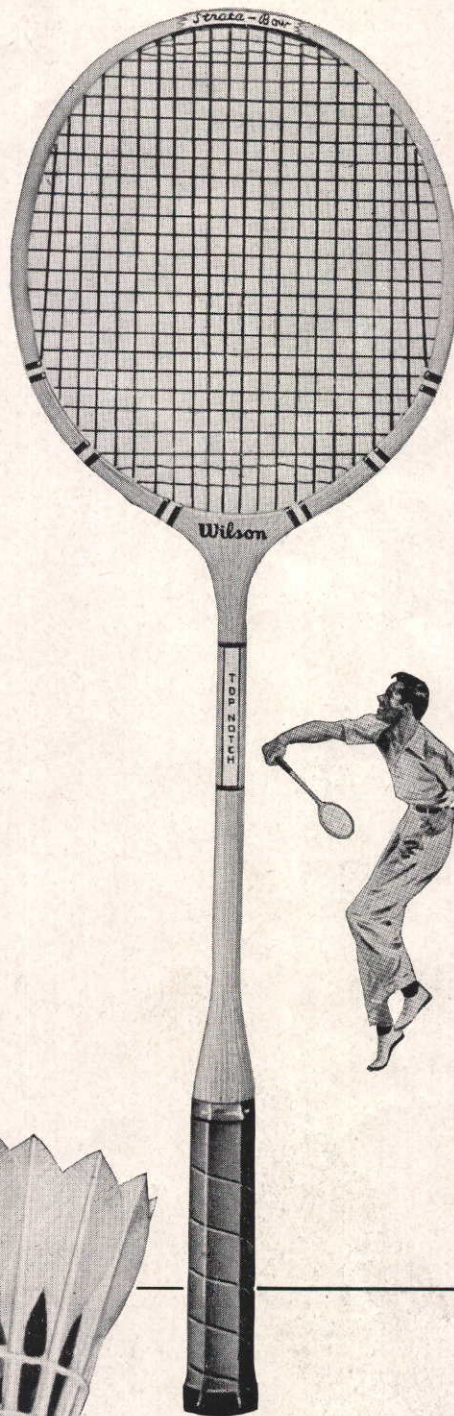
QUARTER-FINALS: M. Mullins, Los Angeles, Gene Elms, Los Angeles, def. T. Jarrett, New York, A. Taylor, Calif., 15-3, 15-4; K. Aderholt, St. Louis, Harry Conlan, Chicago, def. F. Roberts, Baltimore, A. Carpenter, Westport, 15-9, 15-9; Wayne Schell, Boston, Bob Wright, Boston, def. H. Fraser, Chicago, Lyle Shortz, Chicago, 15-13, 15-8; H. Anderson, St. Paul, F. Kelley, St. Paul, def. A. Mowrey, Detroit, E. Gesaman, Detroit, 15-10, 17-14.
SEMI-FINALS: Mullins-Elms def. Aderholt-Conlan, 9-15, 15-6, 15-5; Schell-Wright def. Anderson-Kelley, 18-15, 15-10.
FINALS: Schell-Wright def. Mullins-Elms, 15-8, 15-7.

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