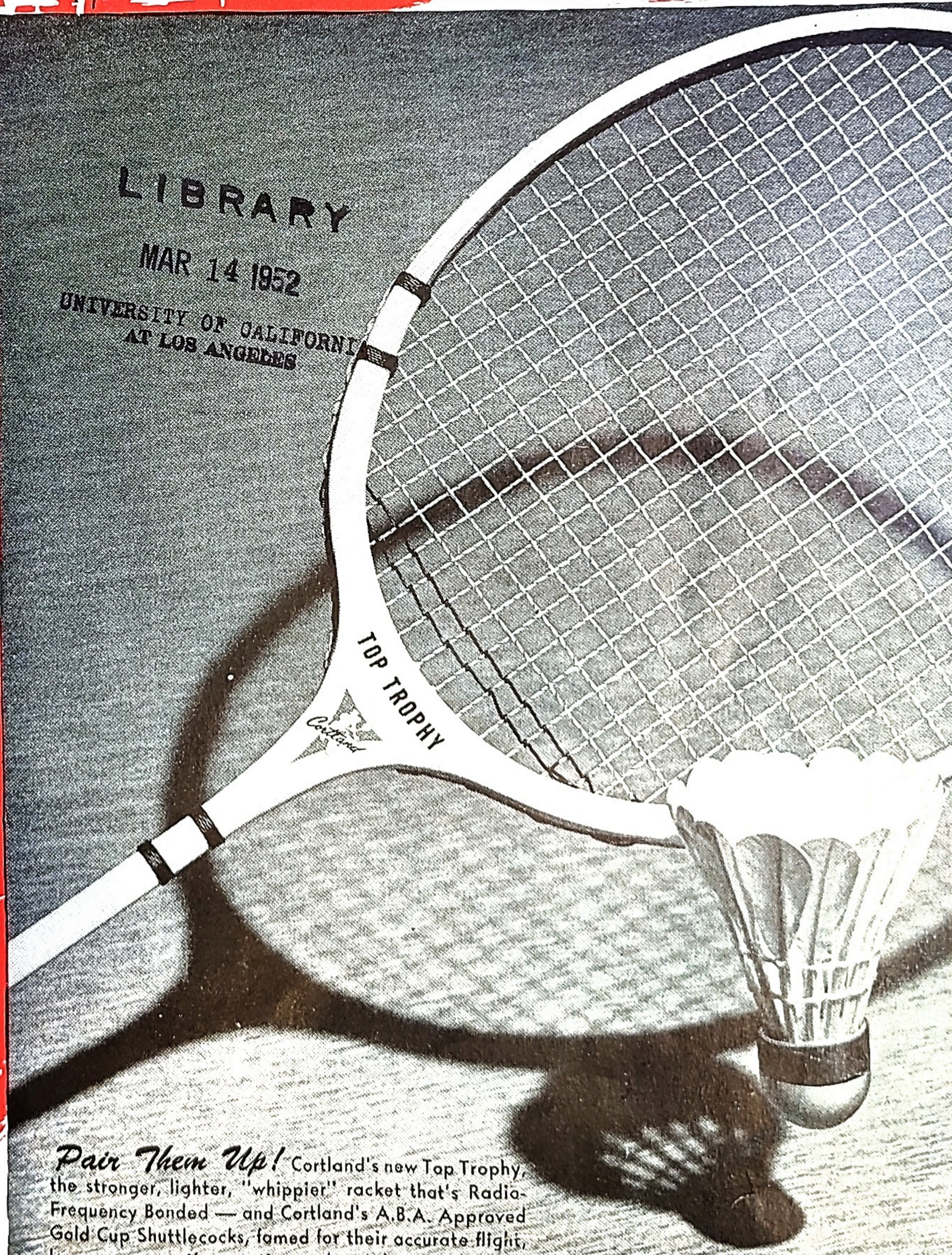


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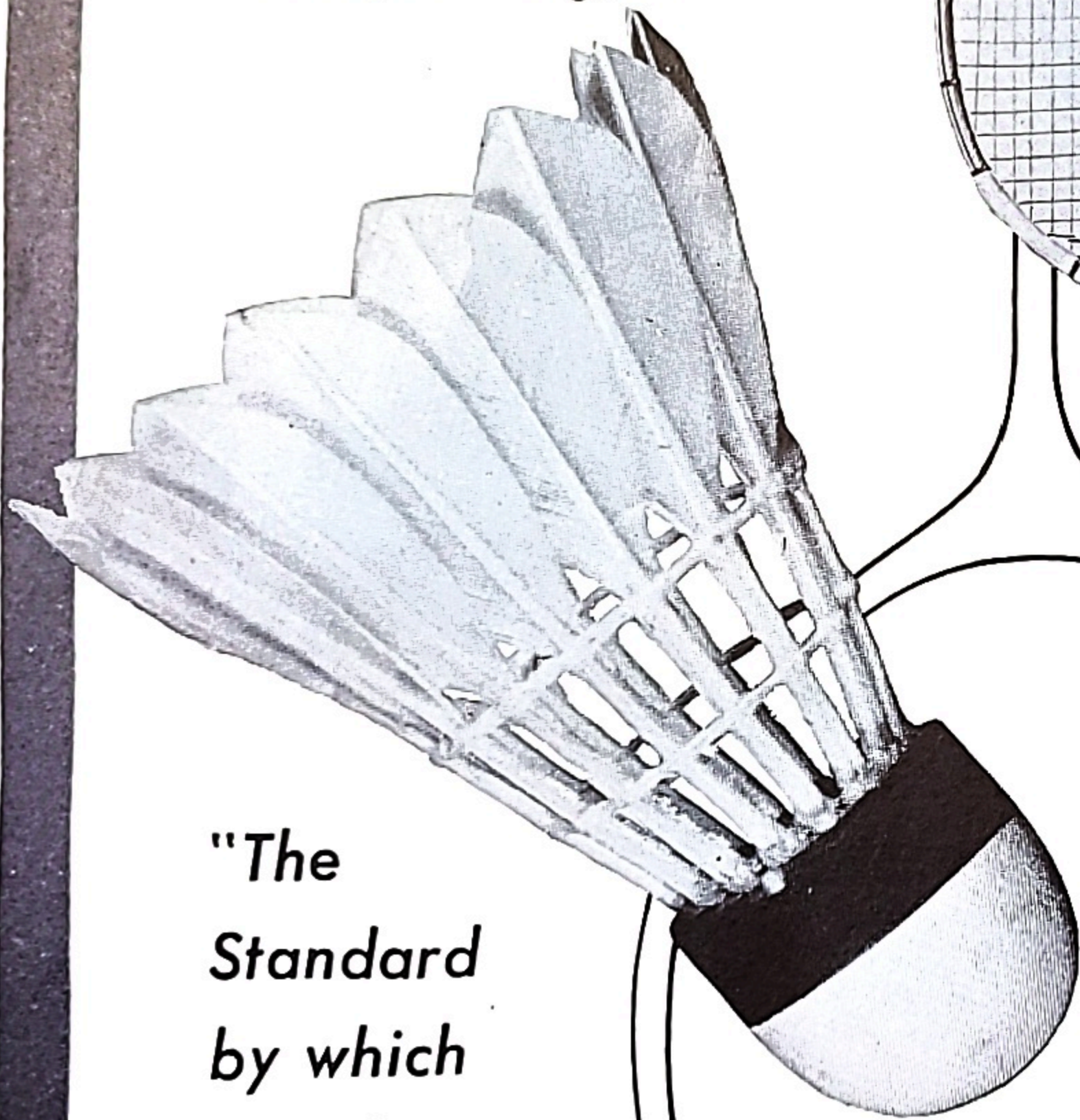


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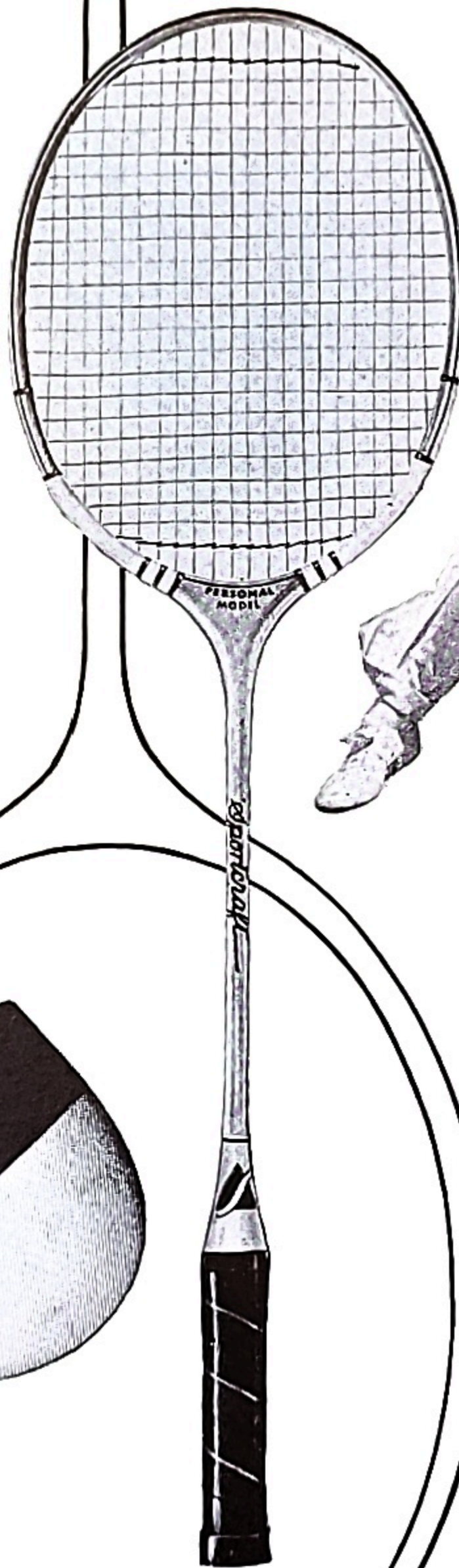
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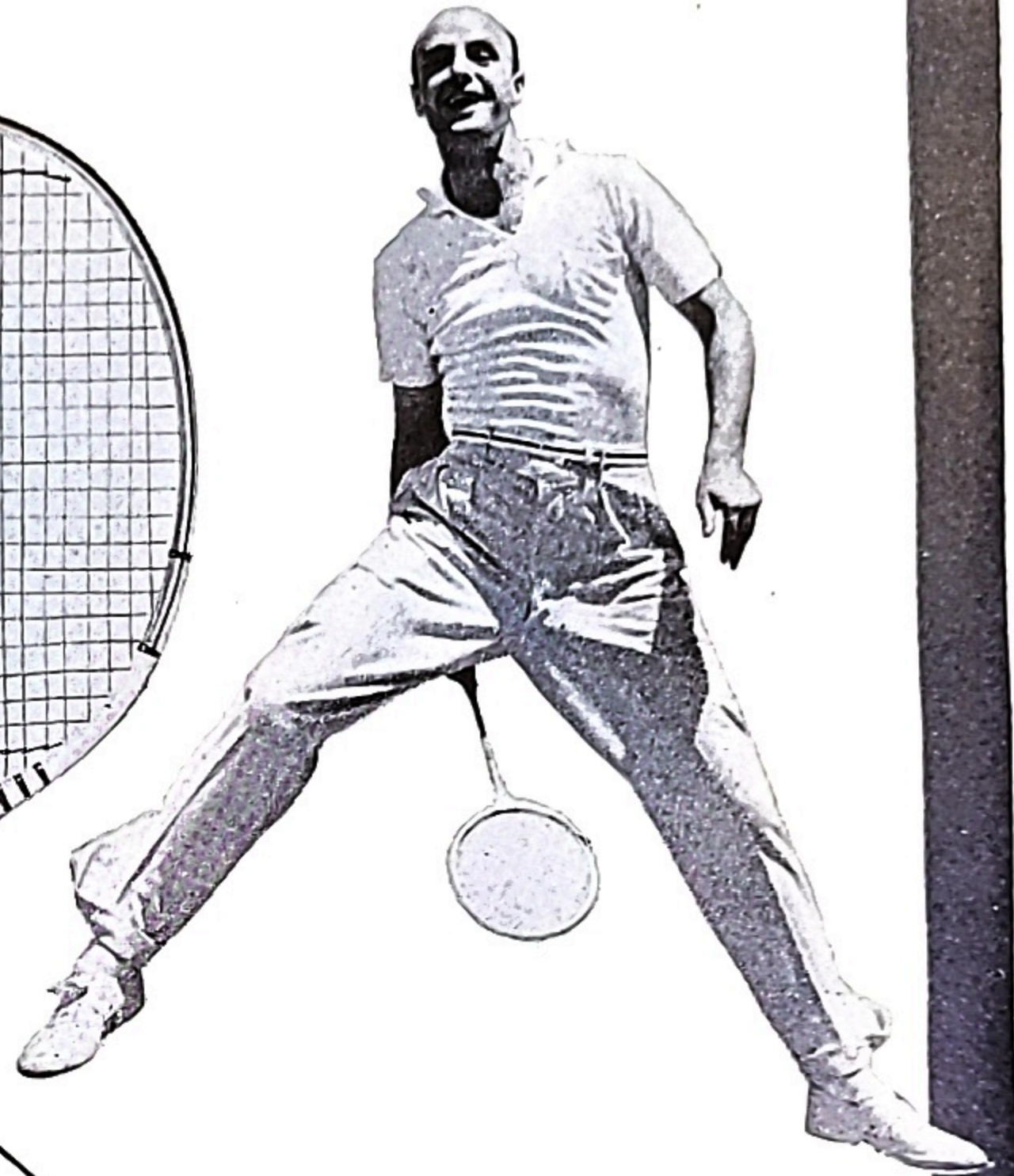


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Message From Our President

While this issue of *Bird Chatter* marks the official general publicity opening of the 1951-1952 season, it, nevertheless, actually follows the official opening of play by all sections of the country by many weeks. Releases of certain phases of our activity have already been sent to Directors, National Committee Chairmen, and the Class A Associations and Class B Clubs but for the individual players this is the official opening and report.

The most exciting and important event of the season is probably the Thomas Cup competition, the second time of this International Match Play amongst the nations of the world. Entrants in the American Zone are Canada and ourselves, with the winner to meet the winners of the other Zones (Pacific and European), probably about the middle of May 1952. The winner from these three Zones will then play the present Champion Nation, Malaya, at Singapore, May 31 and June 1.

Your Thomas Cup Committee has selected a squad from which a team will be chosen. These players are Joseph Alston, Marten Mendez, Wynn Rogers, Carl Loveday, Robert Williams, Richard Mitchell, Clinton Stephens and Theodore Moehlmann.

Negotiations are in progress for the date and place for the Canadian Match (in official language - Tie) and this will be announced as soon as it has been decided. Preliminary plans indicate that it will be played in Canada, but perhaps not until February or March. It must be quite obvious to all that, if we win and have to travel to Malaya or other parts of the world, the financial backing of the clubs and players will be needed.

You will note by reading the Mast Head of *Bird Chatter* that a new Staff is operating this year, though Seattle is again the location. The former Staff did a wonderful job last season and we reached our all-time high in paid circulation. Quite naturally the new Staff wishes to do even better, so that I urge you to spread the gospel amongst your fellow players and have them enjoy with you the only publication completely devoted to badminton in the country. While we have agreed to cooperate with the new Racquet magazine that is devoted to Tennis, Badminton and Squash it is not our official publication.

Heading to an early decision is the question of whether our Senior Nationals will become an Open, starting this season. The various controversial angles on this subject have been coordinated by a special committee and are now in the hands of the Directors for their consideration.

The Constitutional changes and revisions to some of our regulations by which our activities function, adopted at the Dallas Annual Meetings, have been prepared and sent to the administrative personnel connected with the national organization and local Class A Associations. Consult your Association Secretary if you desire to follow these changes closely.

We are continuing to work on the important phase of a real organized tournament officials organization, called the Umpires Association. This is a real forward step in better refereeing, umpiring and line calling. It is hoped that the plans will be sufficiently formulated this season so that they may be put into effect next year.

Membership in certain parts of the country is showing some gains. There are still many undeveloped areas as well as the need for strengthening some of the existing groups.

We continue to expand in the play and growth of interest amongst our Juniors, with some sections really making great strides. The progress and continuity of your Club or Association may well be bound up in this endeavor and I recommend your serious consideration to it.

These are only a few of the current operations which will enlist the voluntary services of over 100 willing and interested workers as the season progresses. Without their assistance our national Association would be nonexistent and I can assure each one that I am deeply appreciative of their cooperation with the management for the work they have done or will be doing during the season.

Despite the problems of playing areas, increased costs of equipment and supplies, and the actual or threat of loss of players to the Armed Forces, a real sport will continue to give us all the physical exercise and enjoyment each one, in his or her way, desires. Remember, too, that a good sport makes the sport good both for himself and the other fellow.

And, so, my best wishes for a most pleasant season. Will I see you at Seattle for the Senior Nationals and Niagara Falls, for the Juniors?

DONALD RICHARDSON,
ABA President.



THE THOMAS CUP

Reprinted from England's Badminton Magazine.

The second contest for the Thomas Cup scheduled to be held over the 1951-52 period, attracted two more entries to the ten which took part in the inaugural competition in 1948-49. The two newcomers are Australia and Thailand, both of which challenged in the Pacific Zone, play in which was commenced at the end of June when India entertained Thailand at Bombay and routed the representatives of Badminton's latest nationally organized country. But it was a brave and commendable effort of the Siamese to try their luck in the International Championship at such an early stage in their Badminton history. The winners then played Australia at Melbourne for the right to enter the inter-zone stages of the competition.

Three years ago India participated in the American Zone, and with her preference to take part in her own geographical sphere this time, play in the American Zone is restricted to one tie between Canada and the United States. This meeting will not take place until the turn of the year, and at the moment of writing no definite arrangements have been made for the clash of these two strong nations.

In Europe, the draw was, in many respects, disappointing, for it is almost identical with last time; in fact, the only change is that England, instead of playing first Scotland and then France, should meet the same two nations in the reverse order. The survivor of this trio will then oppose the survivor of Denmark, Ireland and Sweden.

England's Prospects

England and France will meet on the courts of the Racing Club de France, Rue Eblé, Paris, on December 15th and 16th, and the winners will meet the Scots on an agreed date sometime before mid-February. In the event of England defeating the French, as she certainly ought, she will have choice of courts for the Scottish tie, but in the event of France surviving the first round, choice of courts for the second round will devolve upon Scotland. In the only other first round clash Ireland will entertain the Danes at Belfast on November 9th and 10th, and the winners of this tie will have choice of venue over Sweden.

On form of the past few years, the final in Europe should provide another clash between England and Denmark, and if so, this is likely to be played at or about the time of the All England Championships and on English courts. Indeed, in accordance with the recent-

ly adopted arrangements for the selection of venues, England is assured of choice of courts for the European final, if she should be successful in reaching that stage of the competition.

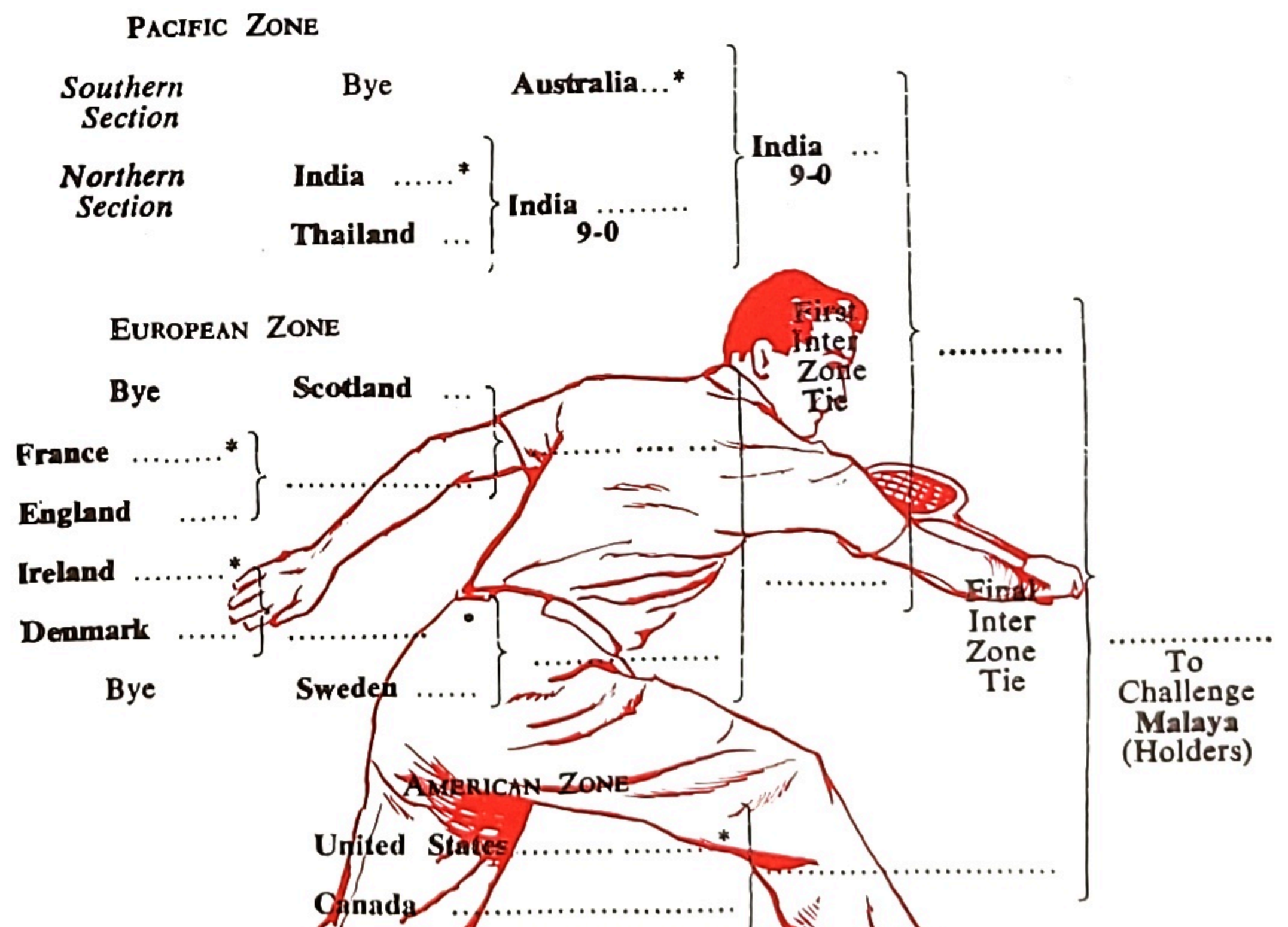
The winners in Europe will then have to travel east to oppose the Pacific Zone victors. This tie must be played in Malaya in May unless the two nations directly concerned prefer to make other arrangements amongst themselves. This latter contingency seems quite possible if a meeting between India and a European country is necessitated, since India is on the way from Europe to Malaya, and the European nation may prefer to cut its expenses in the event of defeat by the Indians. Another point is that the climate in certain parts of India is certainly less

antagonising to Europeans than is that of the Malayan peninsula. Having drawn the bye in the inter-zone play-offs, the winners of the Canada - U. S. A. tie will have much the less gruelling task confronting them.

In the meantime, as holders of the Thomas Cup, Malaya can sit back comfortably and watch from afar off the struggles of others to attain the right to challenge her for possession of the much sought after trophy. It is understood that the authorities in Singapore are now busily engaged in the erection of a special new hall for this challenge tie, one which will certainly tax to its uttermost the accommodation which can be provided for the immense number of spectators expected.

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The International Badminton Championship DRAW FOR 1951-52.



*This Nation has choice of courts; for subsequent rounds see Regulation 8.

Terminal Dates for Completion of Rounds.

- Pacific Zone — First Round by June 30th, 1951.
Final Round by October 31st, 1951.
- European Zone — First Round by December 31st, 1951.
Second Round by February 17th, 1952.
Final Round by March 31st, 1952.
- American Zone — No terminal dates fixed.
- Inter-Zone Ties — If played in Malaya, within two weeks preceding the Challenge Tie.
- Challenge Tie — To be played at Singapore on May 31st and June 1st, 1952.



HOW TO PLAY BADMINTON

The Defence

from "Badminton" the International Textbook of the game
By DOUG GRANT

DEFENSIVE returns are either drops, drives, or clears, depending on the court position of striker and defender; are most effective when the defender is relaxed and unhurried; should be avoided whenever possible; should quickly take the attack away from the opponent; should be as varied as the attack in their versatility.

Generally speaking, an eagle eye, keen anticipation, and a quick start are more important than style in considering defence technique. The methods vary with the individual but the style which is most natural and spontaneous brings the best results.

As on the attack, the bird should be met as soon as possible. Because the most damaging smash travels downward at a steep angle the racquet often meets the bird fairly close to the floor as in (B1) and (B2). If it is possible to meet the bird sooner an effort should be made to do so. The quicker the return the better the chance of seizing the attack—the ultimate aim of defence.

Most high smashes travel out of court, but when the bird is smashed directly at you from close range you will have no alternative other than to attempt a return from this very awkward and restricted position. The objective of getting the bird over the net with maximum safety can best be achieved by getting the racquet up in a flash and moving the shoulders out of the way as in (A1) and (A2).

A glance at these illustrations reveals that there is little movement of the feet in returning smashes from these four positions of defence. This might appear to violate the rules of sound footwork but the bird is ap-

proaching at a terrific speed from a short distance, and as a good smasher gives no indication of his direction—it is necessary to prepare to defend the forehand, backhand, and body all at the same instant. It would, therefore, be costly to assume a position which favored the defence of one quarter at the expense of the other. A common stance which is most favorable for the instantaneous defence of all quarters with minimum movement is adopted.

When not too rushed a more specific defence can be prepared against the particular type of shot to be dealt with—but any natural and effective method of getting the bird over the net is more important than strict adherence to form.

In preparing to take a smash all muscles are relaxed as this facilitates a quick break in any direction with utmost speed.

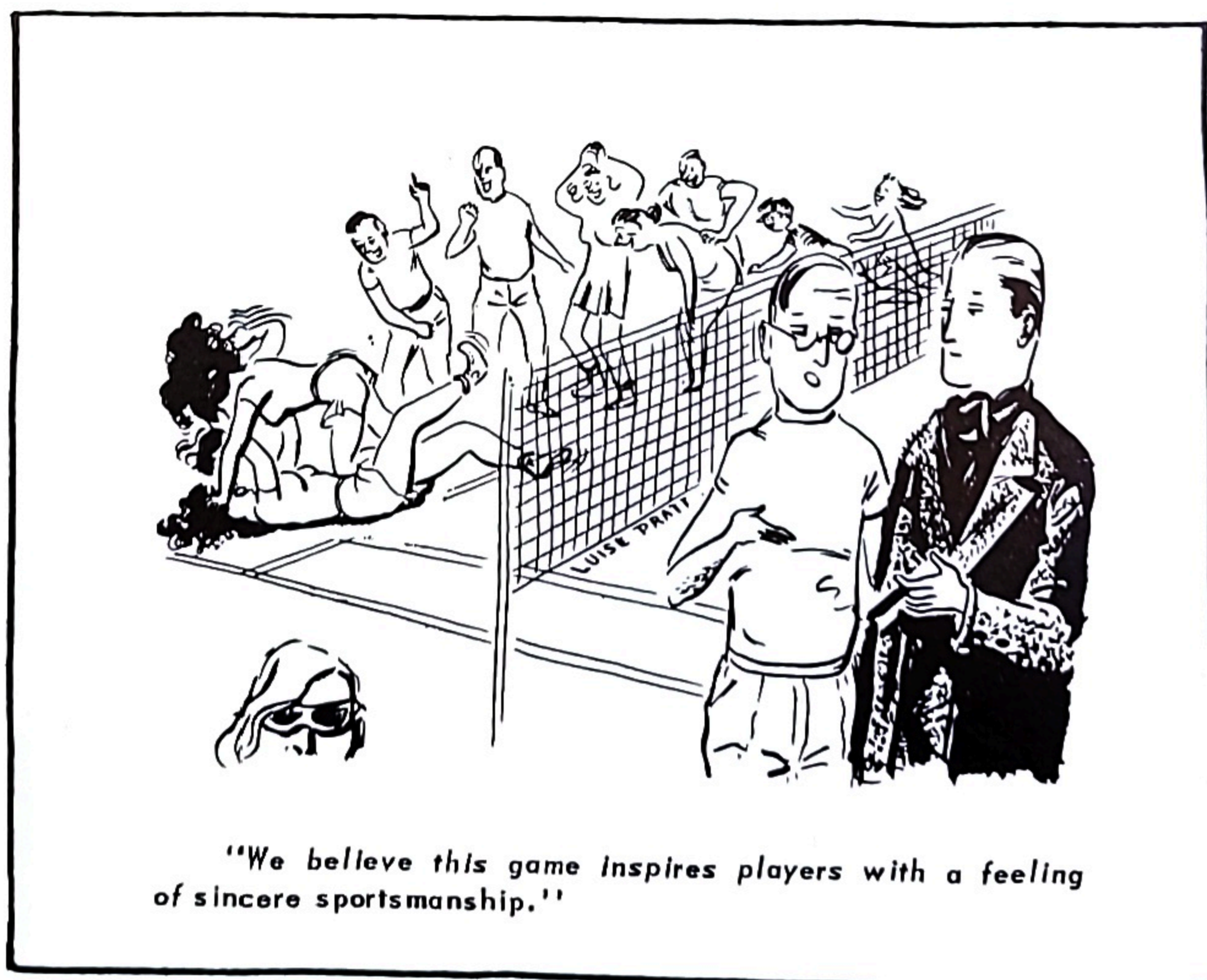
Every defensive return is made with the objective of swinging over to the attack as quickly as possible. This is best achieved by accurate, carefully directed returns which—rush the opponent—draw him out of position and—make him run and stretch to the limit. The best defence is one which withstands an attack but loses no opportunity to seize the offence with lightning rapidity.

While no player is better than his defence and there are some very exceptional retrievers with such phenomenal speed and stamina that they can afford to remain on the defence—by and large, the most consistent winners are those who regard defence as only a temporary expedient leading to attack.

When thrown on the defensive, qualities of coolness, relaxation and stability are paramount factors. If forced to retrieve under great pressure a player has little chance for an outright ace but should try to make his replies as offensive as possible under the circumstances.

Sureness of control under all conditions and the ability to return one more bird than the opponent will help withstand the onslaught while maintaining an opportunity for a quick counter-attack.

Like so many factors in winning badminton, sureness and confidence on defence can only be realized by sustained tournament play under extreme pressure.



"We believe this game inspires players with a feeling of sincere sportsmanship."



A1



B1



A2



B2

★ When Wong Peng Soon was in Bombay for the All India championships, an Indian newspaper reporter asked him if he had a "secret for success in Badminton."

Peng Soon gave him his usual half-smile, thought for a minute, then answered, "I have no secret for success in the game. I have simply determination!"

Perhaps that is the secret of the Malayan champion who holds the All England, Danish and now, Indian singles titles—the most impressive array of badminton titles ever held by any champion player in Malaya or in the world.

Peng Soon is a determined player—and a stubborn man. On the court, he is a demon for points to be taken in the most skilful, stylist manner of a champion. Off the court, Peng Soon is a considerate father and husband who believes in himself and what he can do.

Stubbornness is a trait which began with Peng Soon in the days when he was the subject of taunt by his badminton-playing brothers who saw in the little boy a stubborn desire to beat them at their own game.

They did not have the patience to "coach" their little brother but their little brother had all the patience in the world to study their style of play.

By 1935, after two years of just "hitting the shuttle over the net", Peng Soon the champ emerged into the Badminton limelight when he began to score notable victories against well established players.

That year, Peng Soon was already ranked as one of the ten best players of Malaya, but it was not till 1936 that he won his first Malayan title—the mixed doubles title in partnership with his sister, Waileen Wong.

It was the start of more titles. In 1940, he won the Malayan singles championship—and Peng Soon has never looked back ever since.

But what of Peng Soon the man? I asked Doreen, Seremban-bred wife of Peng Soon, the question, and the answer surprised me.

"Peng Soon is a very fussy man. Everything must be right with him—from his shoes to his racket—before he plays a game."

She told me of his "racket ceremony" before a championship final. The number of times he will restring his racket until he was perfectly satisfied with the tension. The bandages he will put on his racket grip and the padding of leather at the tip to prevent it from slipping during play.

Then she spoke of his clothes for play. The care which must be taken to keep the creases right. The favourite "black shorts and white belt"

Peng Soon is fussy with his food. It must be cooked right. He is particular about his shoes for play—they must be spotlessly white and soft to the skin. New shoes are never worn for play.

Peng Soon seldom goes to a party or to the pictures. He sleeps early, gets up first thing in the morning for a breakfast of three to four eggs, taken unboiled.

At least two weeks before championship play, Peng Soon takes daily doses of essence of chicken—and seldom practices more than twice within that time. Peng Soon believes that too much play will make the players stale and prefers to keep fit by half an hour's skipping each day.

But how does determination become the keynote of success? It is when you consider the times when bad form kept the points low for him—and yet victory came to him in the end.

That time in the finals of the All England championships. After losing the first game to Ong Poh Lim and trailing behind at 9-13 in the next, all but Peng Soon would have gone down to the dynamic Ong.

The determination to redeem himself after his unexpected defeat in the Singapore final by Cheong Hock Leng only a few months before the All

England kept Peng Soon going on for final victory.

He had to—to put faith in his play, to keep faith with his supporters. Peng Soon's determination to succeed, more than anything else in the world, won him the English title for the second successive year.

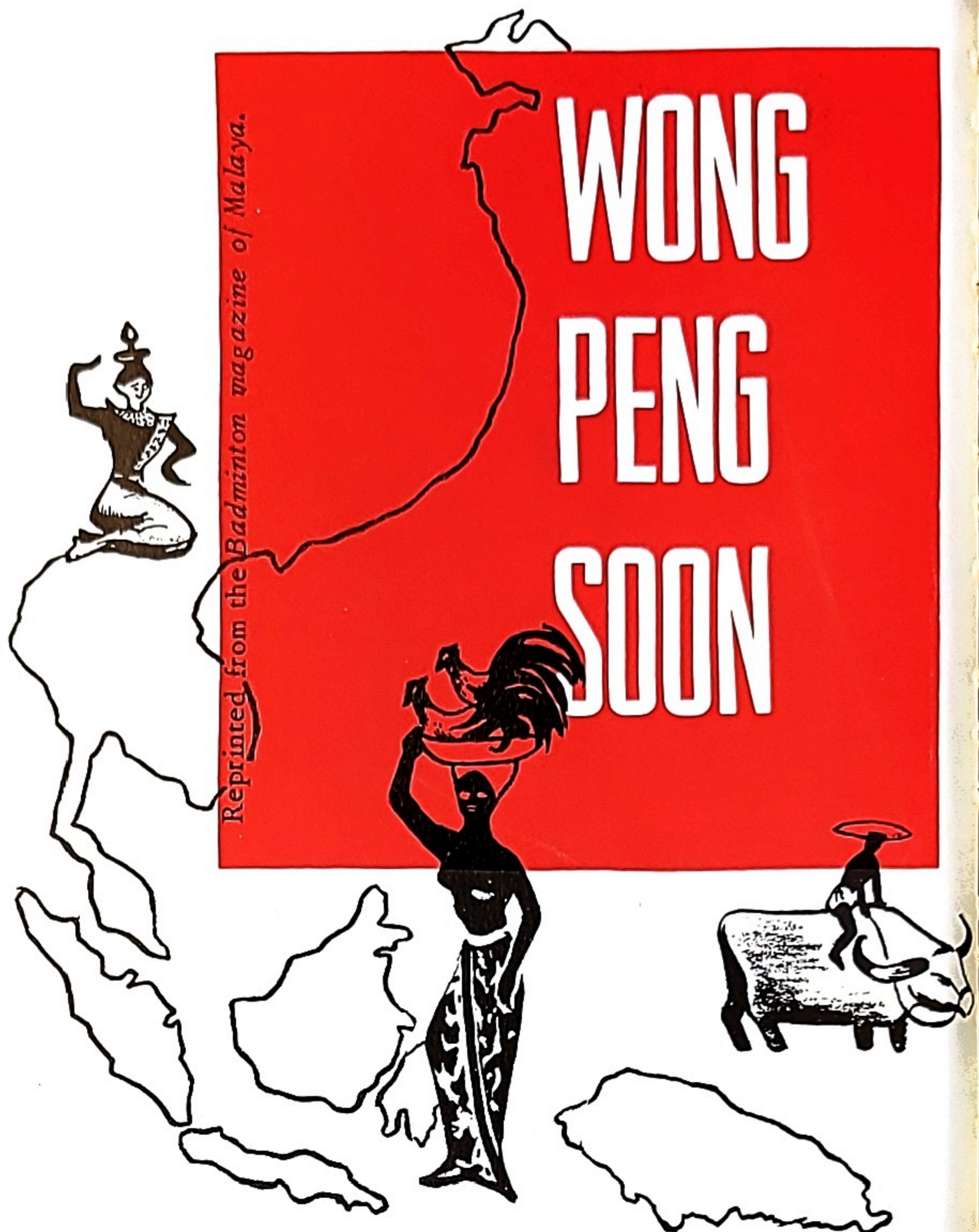
The incident is only one example of Peng Soon's determination to win. There are others—and if he has lost, as he did in the Singapore and French finals, it was only because in both cases, there was not enough determination to goad him on to victory.

Is Peng Soon the most colourful player of our time? What is he compared to the giants of the past—to men like Leow Kim Fatt, A. J. Vass, A. S. Samuel, Tan Chong Tee?

The answer is not far to find. You have only to look at the faces of the spectators at any game in which the champion figures—and you will see an admiration for a man never seen before.

Peng Soon is more than a player. He is an artist. Through him we see the beauty of Badminton. Peng Soon will always capture the imagination by his style, his elegance, his mastery of each stroke.

Peng Soon the champ is a master of the game.



Fourteen years ago, Curtis E. Wagner, now a landscape designer in Akron, Ohio, set out to solve the recreation problem for his teen age daughters and their friends.

Just how and why he decided on a badminton court as the answer, we do not know, but (and if we are prejudiced in favor of this game, we know our readers are also) we think his was an excellent choice.

We became interested in Mr. Wagner and his badminton court, when he wrote us (See Letters to the Editor) for information in regard to obtaining junior size badminton rackets. In his letter he told just enough to intrigue us, so we asked him if he could send pictures and more information.

From his scrapbook of articles written about this project we have taken part of one that was printed at the time he began building.

How big is a badminton court? Mr. Wagner didn't know, and though he had difficulty finding the answer, this didn't

that Wagner soon installed night illumination.

To keep everything running smoothly, the North Akron Badminton Club was organized, with 24 members. Dues of 50 cents per month were determined upon; just sufficient to provide shuttlecocks, since Wagner, himself, absorbed the lighting and maintenance cost of the court and there was no rent to pay. Members could bring guests and were held responsible for their conduct. The guest fee was five cents per evening or day.

Interest in the club was stimulated by the appearance of skilled exhibition players, who were invited in from other cities as guests of the club, and by the issuance of challenges to groups in East, West and South Akron to play the North Akron aggregation.

When the arrival of cool weather drove the players from their outdoor court, efforts were made to secure indoor quarters. In connection with that effort, Wagner wrote to Harry L. Hopkins, WPA administrator, in part, as follows:

"Here is one letter which is not asking you for any money.

"Instead, I am merely pleading in behalf of a group of fine, well-behaved youngsters, mostly high school students, for an indoor place to continue their badminton games this winter, for which—since May 6—I have provided daily opportunity this summer.

"The enclosed newspaper clipping, copies of constitution and by-laws, copy of a letter sent to each member of the North Akron Badminton Club, and the membership list, speak for themselves and need no comment from me. While I was willing and glad to provide during the above stated period out of my own pocket, a well-built court, net, rackets, electric lights and current, my limited resources do not permit the, to me, excessive rates (\$7.50 to \$9.00 per evening of two hours) quoted me here by the school board for use of one of the gymnasiums of North Akron schools.

The parents of many of these youngsters, several of whom are on relief, or whose present income barely covers running expenses, have highly complimented me for having provided for their children such cheap, wholesome

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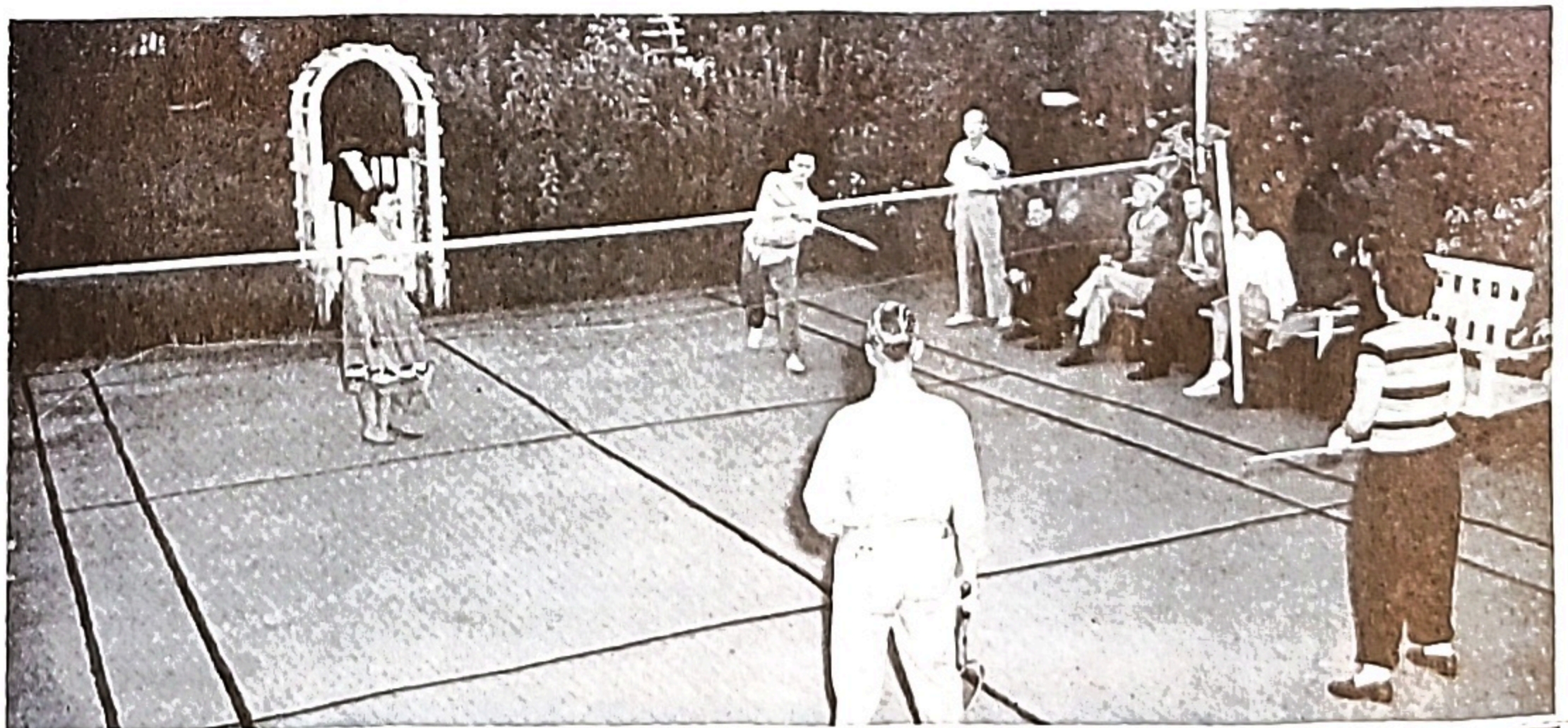
CURTIS BUILT A COURT

dampen his enthusiasm for the enterprise. His story will be an inspiration to *Bird Chatter's* readers.

"Why, for singles, should the court be full length or 44 feet and for doubles only 39 feet?" Mr. Wagner asked.

The directors of health education at the Y.M.C.A. and Y.W.C.A. didn't know. The sports goods dealers who sold badminton sets, and who Wagner queried, didn't throw any light on the subject. "Finally I got the answer from Howard Cable, assistant to Paul Sheeks in the Firestone Tire & Rubber Company's recreation department, who explained, 'There is no mystery to this because there isn't any difference in the lengths of the courts used, except for serving. In doubles, the serve is from the line two and one-half feet in from the back boundary line, but after the service the full length court is used in doubles as in singles. In singles, the service is from the back line.'"

Wagner broke ground for the doubles badminton court. Long before it was completed, the younger element in the neighborhood was "rarin' to go." Interest from the beginning ran so high





THE DANES ENJOY A PROMENADE ALONG DURBAN BEACH

Four current All-England champions were in the Danish team which toured South Africa recently. Left to right: Arve Lossmann, Fru Kirsten Lossmann, Ole Jensen, Frk Aase Jacobsen, E. S. Cornelius (S.A. manager), Fru Tonny Ahm and Poul Holm.

That the Danish tour through the Union of South Africa and both the Rhodesias in July and August was a resounding success may be briefly gauged from the financial results of the enterprise. The sum of 3,000 pounds was expended by the South African Badminton Union in bringing the six Danish players to Cape Town and back, sending them as far north as Northern Rhodesia, in general hotel expenses and in travelling costs of their own international players. Yet the revenue exceeded 5,000 pounds. As an instance, 3,600 spectators attended the final Test Match at Cape Town and 8s. per seat was gaily paid for the privilege of witnessing the play of the distinguished visitors.

It was an arduous tour, and nearly 5,000 miles must have been covered by the tourists during their five weeks

stay in Africa, and on 20 of the days matches were played. It was, therefore, a most creditable performance that not until the last three fixtures were the Danish colours lowered in any single match.

The touring team consisted of Poul Holm (captain), Ole Jensen, Arve Lossmann, Fru Tonny Ahm, Frk Aase Jacobsen and Fru Kirsten Lossmann (nee Thorndahl). Jorn Skaarup was not able to accept the invitation extended to him.

The play of the Danes was admired wherever they took their rackets, and they were, of course, a little too good for their hosts, but there were occasions, particularly in the Test Matches, when the tourists had to bring out their very best for lengthy periods to overcome the continually improving play of the Springboks.

Lossmann Severely Extended

Poul Holm was the outstanding star of a popular team, and it can well be imagined that he was altogether too good for all his opponents, in no matter what branch of the game. His usual habit of doing the unexpected, and of producing winners when a rally was seemingly lost, gained him many admirers, and, of course, his big repertoire of trick shots was much enjoyed in many of the less important events of the tour. Ole Jensen, too, impressed the critics considerably, and they were generally of the opinion that high honours await him in the future. He was certainly very consistent in all his play. Arve Lossmann disappointed, from most accounts, he was often severely extended to win his matches, but he never relaxed, and the fact that

in his four "Test" singles encounters he dropped four games in winning three matches and losing the other indicates to some extent the improvement in the play of South Africa's leading exponents over the standard displayed against the English team of three years earlier.

Like Holm and Jensen, Frk Aase Jacobsen, the present All-England singles champion, went through the whole tour undefeated; indeed, she



In South Africa

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ergies that so very much success was achieved. He had no easy task, and some of his arrangements were badly upset by transport strikes which called for stern and rapid measures to enable the tourists to fulfil one or two of the engagements, upon which, of course, the financial success of events depended so much.

Ten players represented South Africa in the four "Tests," and all came from the Transvaal or the Western Province, which latter is, to all intents and purposes, the Cape Town area. Two men and three ladies came from each of these centres which are about 900 miles apart. This fact stresses the difficulty of forming the strongest possible pairs to represent the Union.

Three, and possibly four, South African players stood out as worthy

and Jensen, too, with his sound and safe methods, was too good for them. Byram, however, got some success on the last day of all when, with Miss Connie Hilarides, playing in her only international fixture, he upset Lossmann and Fru Ahm in a mixed encounter. But, South Africa's best doubles player was neither Brann nor Byram, neither of whom, had incidentally, played against the English. This was F. M. Steele of Cape Town who had enjoyed that experience. He and Byram twice ran Jensen and Lossmann to the limit in the Tests.

Head and shoulders above all other South African ladies was Mrs. Florrie Kennedy, who, as Miss McKenzie, had done so outstandingly well against the English when she was still in her teens. Indeed, she seems to have been the only Springbok lady who approached the Danish class. She played in all the Tests, and in every possible match in them. Once, she ran Frk Jacobsen to 11-8, 11-8, and on a later occasion set the first game, but she was not quite able to run her relentless opponent to a third game. She met Fru Lossmann only once, at Pretoria, scored a resounding triumph, 11-5, 11-2. This, in itself, is sufficient testimony to her high class.

Below are the scores of the four Test Matches and the fixtures against the Transvaal and Western Province whose teams were composed largely of South African representative players.

Western Province v. Denmark

Played at Cape Town on July 30th and won by Denmark by 7 matches to 0. Scores (Danish names first):—

O. Jensen beat G. Byram, 15-10, 15-3; Frk A. Jacobsen beat Miss B. Steele, 11-5, 11-0.

P. Holm and A. Lossmann beat G. Byram and F. M. Steele, 15-13, 15-12; Fru T. Ahm and Fru K. Lossmann beat Mrs. H. Middlemost and Miss C. Hilarides, 15-7, 15-5.

P. Holm and Fru Ahm beat G. Byram and Miss C. Hilarides, 15-8, 15-11; A. Lossmann and Fru Lossmann beat F. Abrahamse and Mrs. Middlemost, 15-12, 15-4; O. Jensen and Frk A. Jacobsen beat G. McDowell and Mrs. C. Anderson, 15-8, 15-2.

Transvaal v. Denmark

Played at Brakpan on August 14th and won by Denmark by 7 matches to P. Scores (Danish names first):—

P. Holm beat K. Brann, 15-11, 15-7; Frk A. Jacobsen beat Mrs. G. Kennedy, 11-8, 11-8.

O. Jensen and A. Lossmann beat K. Brann and R. C. Allen, 15-10, 17-14; Fru T. Ahm and Fru K. Lossmann beat Mrs. G. Kennedy and Mrs. B. Bayne, 15-10, 15-9.

P. Holm and Fru Ahm beat G. Kennedy and Mrs. Kennedy, 15-10, 15-13; A. Lossmann and Fru Lossmann beat K. Brann and Mrs. O. Brunette, 15-10, 15-4; O. Jensen and Frk A. Jacobsen beat R. C. Allen and Mrs. Bayne, 15-6, 15-9.

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international representatives, and if comparison is made between this tour and that of the English team against which the Springboks achieved better results on paper, it must be borne in mind that the Danes were a much stronger side than that sent by England. Thus, the South African authorities were well pleased with the advance made in the interim by the Union's leading players, about which there can be no doubt.

The Leading South Africans

Ken Brann of Johannesburg and Gordon Byram of Cape Town, formerly of Chicago, Illinois, were South Africa's two best men, and they played all singles in the international matches, and not without, be it noted, some degree of success after they had had early experience of the Danish methods of play. Thus, after just failing to do so in the second Test at Durban, Brann defeated Lossmann on the Rand to register the first Danish defeat of the tour. Byram, too, did well at times against Lossmann, but neither Springbok could get very far against Holm,

never lost a single game in any of her engagements, though she came close to it once or twice. The fact that she played the ladies' singles in all but one of the important fixtures indicates that she has now come to be regarded as the best of the Danes in the singles game. Curiously, in view of her twice having won the All-England singles, it was only on this tour that she first represented her country in an official international match.

Fru Ahm was never spectacular, of course, but her class impressed all who saw her. Fru Kirsten Lossmann was the third lady, and she and Fru Ahm were too good as a ladies' pair, but she was beaten in singles at Pretoria, and at the end of the tour her small frame had given way a little at the strenuousness of the programme.

Throughout its tour, the team was accompanied by Mr. E. S. Cornelius, honorary secretary of the South African Badminton Union, who acted as manager, and it was largely due to his en-

TOURNEYS AND TOPICS

Nationals in Seattle

TWELFTH ANNUAL UNITED STATES NATIONAL BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIPS will be played at SEATTLE, on March 27, 28, and 29, 1952. Cosponsored by the Washington State Badminton Association and Greater Seattle, Inc.

Seattle is celebrating its centennial. One hundred years ago, November 16th, 1851, the first white man landed at Alki Point. On November 16th, 1951, Seattle, now a city of half a million, began a year long celebration of that event.

Greater Seattle, Inc., the official body which has the Centennial celebration in charge, under the leadership of its manager, the nationally known Walter Van Camp, is sparing no effort to make visitors welcome. Many events of nationwide interest are scheduled to occur in Seattle during the year.

Greater Seattle, Inc.'s cosponsoring of the National Badminton Championships gives added assurance of a pleasant and enjoyable and successful event.

RICHARD O. YEAGER,
Tournament Chairman
RUPERT TOPP,
Vice Chairman

LOS ANGELES CITY TOURNEYS

The Los Angeles City "B" and "C" Flight Tournament took place at the Los Angeles City College June 21, 22, 23 and 24, 1951. It consisted of 135 entries.

"B" Flight Results:

(MS) Warren Peterson d Jack Searl 15-12, 14-17, 15-6. (LS) Diane Myers d Jean Parker 3-11, 11-5, 11-4. (MD) Jack Searl and Warren Peterson d Elmer Bymaster and Pete Petersen 17-14, 15-9. (LD) June Mies and Jean Parker d Diane Myers and Ellie Cane 15-9, 15-5. (MxD) Larry Calvert and Diane Myers d Fred Knight and June Gregory 11-15, 15-12, 15-8.

"C" Flight Results:

(MS) Rand Myers d Ken Conn 18-16, 15-4. (LS) Jane Held d Margaret Bymaster 11-5, 11-6. (MD) Vernon Miller and Everett

LEGEND

(MS): Men's Singles; (LS): Ladies' Singles; (MD): Men's Doubles; (LD): Ladies' Doubles; (MxD): Mixed Doubles; (Vets): Veteran's Doubles; (BS): Boy's Singles; (GS): Girl's Singles; (BD): Boy's Doubles; (GD): Girl's Doubles.

Mies d Bill Evans and Bob Stevens 15-12, 11-15, 15-11. (LD) Norma Carr and Mary Ann Breckell d Jane Held and Margaret Bymaster 15-10, 16-17, 15-8. (MxD) Don Jones and Mary Ellen Dobel d Everett Mies and Betty Shampine 15-12, 17-15.

Dan McArthur, Tournament Chairman

Pennsylvania Clubs Play

On November 3 and 4, the groups of Altoona, Philipsburg, and Pittsburgh badminton players met at Altoona for an evening of play. They played at the Altoona Y.M.C.A. on Saturday evening with twelve players taking part. Play lasted for a very enjoyable three hours.

Then, on Sunday, the Pittsburgh group traveled to Philipsburg, with Mr. Tom Parsons and his wife and Mr. George Thompson of the R. S. L. Shuttlecocks Limited. There again they played with a large group of Philipsburg players at the Country Club in Philipsburg. Play started in the afternoon and badminton was still going on at 9 o'clock in the evening. The Philipsburg group entertained the players with a buffet dinner. The Pittsburgh group then traveled home after a wonderfully pleasant weekend.

Edward H. Riesmeyer Jr., Correspondent

CHAMPIONNATS INTERNATIONAUX de FRANCE

The matches were played on April 7 and 8, 1951.

Results:

(MS) Ong Poh Lim d Wong Pen Soon 15-8, 15-9. (LS) Miss Grace d Miss Greene 11-0, 11-1. (MD) E. B. Choong and H. L. Choong d M. Le Renard and M. Mathieu 15-2, 15-7. (LD) Mrs. Allen Webber and Miss Stone d Miss Wyatt and Miss Grace 15-8, 9-15, 18-14. (MxD) Mrs. Allen Webber and E. B. Choong d Miss Stone and H. L. Choong 15-6, 15-4. (BS) J. Cotte d B. Denguingand 15-2, 15-2.

BADMINTON IN BOMBAY

Badminton fans in Bombay had a packed season this year. The Western India Open Badminton Championships were a major championships this year, to select the Thomas Cup team, for the tie versus the Thailand squad. Second we had the Thomas Cup first round versus Thailand. And lastly, as well as the most interesting, was the Cricket Club of India Open Badminton Championships. Wong Peng Soon and Abdullan Piruz of Malaya were specially invited for the C. C. I. Championships.

Results:

W.I.O.B.C.

(MS) Davinder Mohan d Amrit Lal Diwan 15-6, 15-10. (LS) Mrs. Sunder G. Patwardhan d Mrs. Mumtaz K. Lotwala 12-9, 11-0. (MD) Manoj Guha and Gajanan Hemmady d Bala Ullal and Datta Mugwe 15-3, 15-9. (LD) Mrs. S. G. Patwardhan and Miss S. Deodhar d Mrs. N. G. Lewis and Mrs. M. K. Lotwala 15-10, 13-18, 15-4. (MxD) Charanjit Lal Diwan and Miss Suman Deodhar d Gajanan P. Shirke and Mrs. N. Dixit 15-11, 15-5. (BS) C. Y. Narwekar d N. M. Patel 15-9, 15-4. In the men's singles semi-final D. Mohan narrowly beat Trilok Nath Seth in the third game.

The Thomas Cup Tie

T. N. Seth (India No. 2) d Thad Kheo Prasert (Thailand No. 2) 15-1, 15-5. D. Mohan and H. Ferreira (I..1) d T. K. Prasert and Pinit Pattabong (T..1) 15-3, 15-9. D. Mohan (I..1) d Dheb Dhattavara (T..1) 15-0, 15-5. M. Guha and G. Hemmady (I..2) d Kho Tan Jui and Sunthom Supphan (T..2) 18-13, 11-15, 15-7. Henry Ferreira (I..3) d K. T. Jui (T..3) 15-8, 15-0. T. N. Seth d D. Dhattavara 15-7, 15-4. D. Mohan d T. K. Prasert 15-2, 15-2. M. Guha and G. Hemmady d T. K. Prasert and P. Pattabong 15-10, 9-15, 15-8. D. Mohan and H. Ferreira d K. T. Jui and S. Supphan 15-6, 15-10. A. L. Diwan was the sixth in the Indian line up.

The C.C.I.O.B.C.

(MS) Wong Peng Soon d D. Mohan 15-11, 15-4. (LS) Mrs. S. Patwardhan d Mrs. M. K. Lotwala 11-4, 11-1. Mrs. M. K. Lotwala lost the title after nine years. (MD) Wong Peng Soon and Abdullan Piruz d D. Mohan and H. Ferreira 15-12, 15-9. (LD) Mrs. M. K. Lotwala and Mrs. N. G. Lewis d Mrs. S. Patwardhan and Miss S. Deodhar 7-15, 15-5, 18-15. (MxD) H. Ferreira and Miss S. Deodhar d D. Mohan and Miss B. Saldanha 15-8, 15-8. (BS) C. Y. Narwekar d N. M. Patel 15-10, 15-5.

P. M. Jhaveri, Correspondent



SUMMER TOURNEYS IN MISSOURI

Missouri badminton enthusiasts had no lack of tournaments to interest them during the past summer. On June 27, 28, and 29 the Missouri Outdoor Junior Tournament was held in Manhasset Village, with 22 entries.

On August 8 and 9 the same city played host to the Missouri Outdoor Badminton Championship, with 23 entries.

Results:

Juniors

(BS) Mike Tancill d Jim Tancill 14-15, 15-11, 15-8. (GS) Yvonne Hug d Marion Rosebrough 11-0, 12-9. (BD) Mike Tancill and Jim Tancill d Larry O'Connell and Herpel Perkins III 15-8, 15-4. (GD) Nancy Byrne and Joan Goessling d Marion Rosebrough and Jean Rosebrough 6-15, 15-11, 15-11. (MxD) Nancy Byrne and Mike Tancill d Marion Rosebrough and Ray Harrison 15-1, 15-8.

Consolation

(BS) Herpel Perkins III d Stephen Kinsey 15-2, 15-1. (GS) Nancy Byrne d Joan Goessling 6-11, 11-8, 11-9. (BD) Stephen Kinsey and Bob Kolb d Elliott Meyerson and Thomas Kreëuchi by default. (GD) Mary Bardgett and Mary Pat Graham d Shirley O'Toole and Joan Reisch by default. (MxD) Joan Goessling and Herpel Perkins III d Julia Gronat and Jim Rasmussen by default.

Championship

(MS) Russell Smith, Jr. d Art Fiebig 15-9, 3-15, 15-7. (LS) No event. (MD) Ken Aderholt and Herpel Perkins, Jr. d Art Fiebig and Russell Smith, Jr. 15-10, 17-18, 15-7. (LD) No event. (MxD) Elizabeth Perkins and Herpel Perkins d Yvonne Hug and Russ Smith.

Consolation

(MS) Jack Beck d T. Talmadga by default. (MD) R. Conklin and R. Busch won by default. (MxD) Nancy Byrne and Jack Beck d Natalie Moehlmann and Joe Pohrer 18-14, 4-15, 15-11.

Howard Bland, per Virginia Smith
Correspondent

HANDICAP DOUBLES

On November 18, the 1951 Northern California Handicap Doubles were played at Ocean View Playground. There were 97 event entries and 64 individual entries.

Results:

(MD) Jerry Skillicorn and Jack Avalos d Bruce McGurdy and Ron Ryan 4-15, 15-9, 15-7. (LD) Sylvia Zukor and Jean Kirby d Beverly Foppiano and Kay Watto 15-3, 15-8. (MxD) Gary Ott and Jean Kirby d Howard Taylor and Kay Watto by default.

Irl S. Madden, Correspondent

FLORIDA STATE TOURNAMENT

The Florida State Tournament was held in Miami on April 26, 27 and 28.

Results:

(MS) Bill Rhett d Vick Surrows 15-4, 4-15, 15-4. (LS) Jane Smith d Lois Miller 11-1, 11-1. (MD) Vick Surrows and Bill Rhett d Jerry Toms and Wesley Cash 15-3, 7-15, 15-6. (LD) Jane Smith and Mary Saunders d Evelyn Shea and Sara Bennett 15-7, 15-5. (MxD) Mary Saunders and Vick Surrows d Jane Smith and Easter Smith 15-1, 15-10.



TOP PICTURE: PENNSYLVANIA CLUBS—First row, l. to r., Bob Fulton, Altoona Y; Howard Peffer, Altoona Y; Vic Notpoulos, Altoona Y; George Thompson, Owner R.S.L. Shuttlecocks Limited; Rich Wilson, Philipsburg; Bernard Tremblay, Pittsburgh. Second row, Bob Passakof, Pittsburgh; Ed Riesmeyer, Jr., Pittsburgh; Bill Parsons, Altoona Y; Tom Parsons, Altoona Y.

MIDDLE PICTURE: FLORIDA STATE TOURNEY—l. to r., Easter H. Smith, Jane Smith, Mary Saunders, Vick Surrows.

INSERT—Michael (Bunky) Roche, of Baltimore, Maryland, in action.

BOTTOM PICTURE: NEW ROCHELLE MIXED UP MIXED DOUBLES PARTY 11-3-51—l. to r., Doris Sullivan, Vic Surrows, Peggy Hume, Frank Jasensky, Eda Daume, Hal Daume, Norma Keech, Wayne Schell.

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To All Badminton Associations And Member Clubs

In order to obtain a correct listing of the officers and other pertinent data, which will give a clearer picture of badminton's overall position, Phil Richardson, sec.-treas. of the A.B.A. requests that each club send this information directly to him.

A form questionnaire can be re-

ceived by writing Mr. Richardson at 77 Whittier Road, Wellesley Hills 82, Mass. Two copies of the questionnaire will be enclosed so that you can send back all the information possible at once, and give the balance of information desired, when it is obtained, on the second copy.

SPECIAL REPORT

The following cable has just been received from England:

"Thomas Cup draw - American Zone - States vs Canada. European Zone - Scotland bye; France vs England; Ireland vs Denmark; Sweden bye. Interzone - Pacific vs European; American bye."

This means the winner of the U.S. vs Canada match will go directly to Malaya for the Finals. More information on the Thomas Cup picture will be sent out shortly.



U.S. SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

Sites of National Tournaments

1937 Chicago, Ill.	1945 No event
1938 Philadelphia, Pa.	1946 No Event
1939 New York, N.Y.	1947 Los Angeles
1940 Seattle, Wash.	1948 Waco, Texas
1941 Cleveland, Ohio	1949 Chicago, Ill.
1942 Durham, N.C.	1950 Baltimore
1943 N. Event	1951 Dallas, Texas
1944 No event	

Men's Singles

1937 Walter Kramer
1938 Walter Kramer
1939 David G. Freeman
1940 David G. Freeman
1941 David G. Freeman
1942 David G. Freeman
1943-46 No Competition
1947 David G. Freeman
1948 David G. Freeman
1949 Marten Mendez
1950 Marten Mendez
1951 Joe Alston

Ladies' Singles

1937 Mrs. De. Barkhuff
1938 Mrs. De. Barkhuff
1939 Mary E. Whittemore (1)
1940 Evelyn Boldrick (2)
1941 Thelma Kingsbury (3)
1942 Evelyn Boldrick (2)
1943-46 No Competition
1947 Ethel Marshall
1948 Ethel Marshall
1949 Ethel Marshall
1950 Ethel Marshall
1951 Ethel Marshall

Men's Doubles

1937 Chester Goss-Donald Eversoll
1938 Hamilton Law-Richard Yeager
1939 Hamilton Law-Richard Yeager
1940 Chester Goss-David G. Freeman
1941 Chester Goss-David G. Freeman
1942 Chester Goss-David G. Freeman
1943-46 No Competition
1947 David G. Freeman-Webster Kimball
1948 David G. Freeman-Wynn Rogers
1949 Wynn Rogers-Barney McCay
1950 Wynn Rogers-Barney McCay
1951 Wynn Rogers-Joe Alston

Ladies' Doubles

1937 Mrs. Del Barkhuff-Zoe G. Smith(4)
1938 Mrs. Roy C. Bergman-Helen Gibson
1939 Mrs. Del Barkhuff-Zoe G. Smith(4)
1940 Elizabeth Anselm-Helen Zabriskie(5)
1941 Thelma Kingsbury (3)-Janet Wright
1942 Evelyn Boldrick (2)-Janet Wright
1943-46 No Competition
1947 Mrs. Thelma Scovil-Janet Wright

- 1948 Mrs. Thelma Scovil-Janet Wright
- 1949 Mrs. Thelma Scovil-Janet Wright
- 1950 Mrs. Thelma Scovil-Janet Wright
- 1951 Loma Smith-Dottie Hann

Mixed Doubles

- 1937 Hamilton Law-Mrs. Del Barkhuff
- 1938 Hamilton Law-Mrs. Del Barkhuff
- 1939 Richard O. Yeager-Zoe G. Smith(4)
- 1940 David G. Freeman-Sally L. Williams
- 1941 David G. Freeman-Sally L. Williams
- 1942 David G. Freeman-Sally L. Williams
- 1943-46 No Competition
- 1947 Wynn Rogers-Mrs. Virginia Hill
- 1948 Clinton Stephens-
Mrs. Clinton Stephens
- 1949 Wynn Rogers-Mrs. Loma Smith
- 1950 Wynn Rogers-Mrs. Loma Smith
- 1951 Wynn Rogers-Mrs. Loma Smith

Veterans' Doubles

- 1938 Herbert Hendriques-George McCook
- 1939 C. R. Hutchinson-Lealand Gustavson
- 1940 T. M. Royce-George McCook
- 1941 C. R. Hutchinson-Lealand Gustavson
- 1942 Lealand Gustavson-Frank N. Hinds
- 1943-46 No Competition
- 1947 Lewis Rulison-Hulet Smith
- 1948 Frank N. Hinds-Fred Fullin
- 1949 Wayne Schell-Robert Wright
- 1950 Wayne Schell-Robert Wright
- 1951 Howard Holman-Fred Fullin
- (1) Now Mrs. L. Schlemm
- (2) Now Mrs. N. Howard
- (3) Now Mrs. Thelma Scovil
- (4) Now Mrs. Richard O. Yeager
- (5) Now Mrs. T. E. Ough

U. S. JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

Sites of National Tournaments

- 1947 Baltimore, Md.
- 1948 New Britain, Conn.
- 1949 Baltimore, Md.
- 1950 Boston, Mass.
- 1951 Minneapolis, Minn

Boy's Singles

- 1947 Ted Moehlmann
- 1948 Ronnie Ryan
- 1949 Ronnie Ryan
- 1950 Steve Hinchliffe
- 1951 Steve Hinchliffe

Girl's Singles

- 1947 Barbara Scarlett
- 1948 Barbara Scarlett
- 1949 Judy Devlin
- 1950 Judy Devlin
- 1951 Judy Devlin

Boys' Double s

- 1947 Don Brown-Ted Moehlmann
- 1948 William Kellogg-Wilbur Bullen, Jr.
- 1949 Ronnie Ryan-James Bishop
- 1950 Manuel Armandariz-Steve Hinchliffe
- 1951 Jack Chrisman-Dean Maurry

Girls' Doubles

- 1947 Sue Devlin-Barbara Scarlett
- 1948 Sue Devlin-Barbara Scarlett
- 1949 Sue Devlin-Judy Devlin

I.B.F. Report on Thomas Cup Matches

India has won the Pacific Zone, defeating Thailand 9-0 and Australia 9-0.

Bird Chatter Honor Roll

Clubs who are supporting *Bird Chatter*, official ABA magazine, by seeing that every member is a subscriber include: Detroit Badminton Club, Queen Anne (Seattle) B.C., San Antonio B.C., Washington D. C. B.C., Skokie (Illinois) B.C.

AMERICAN BADMINTON ASSOCIATION

September Meeting of the Board of Directors, 1951

Committee Appointments

The President requests approval of the following Committee appointments for the 1951-52 season:

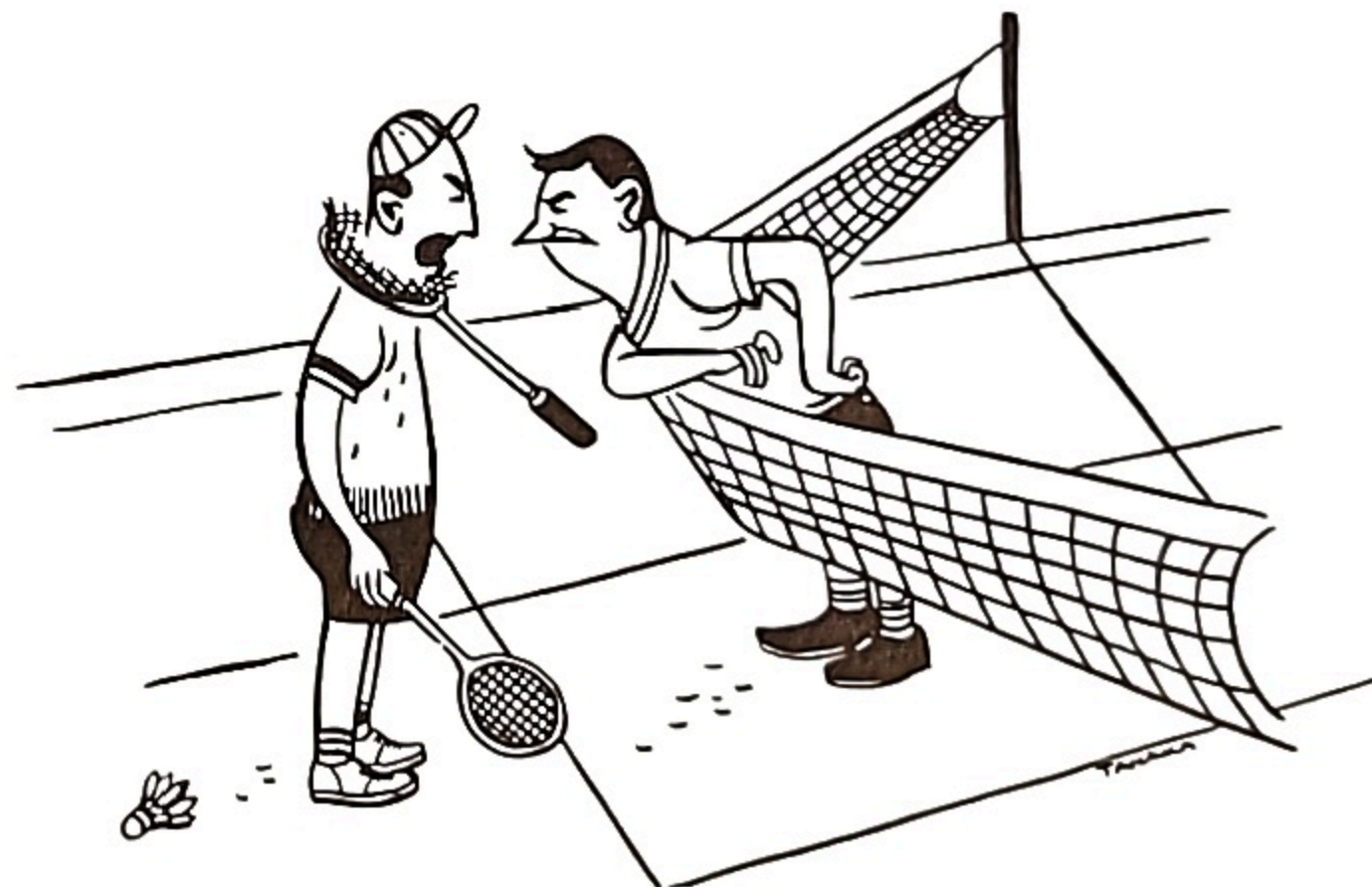
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Open Championship Committee

As directed by the Board of Directors, the President has appointed the following Committee:

- Chairman: Mr. Charles B. Newhall, 75 Federal St., Boston, Mass.
 Miss Helen Gibson, 6 Bridge St., East Norwalk, Conn.
 Mr. Irl Madden, 667 Lakeview Ave., San Francisco, Calif.

The Board of Directors in Dallas went on record in favor of the policy of opening the Senior National Championships to members of the International Badminton Federation, provided the necessary details could be worked out to the Board's satisfaction. This Committee will consider all details and make progress reports to the Board of Directors through the Executive Committee. Suggestions should be made direct to these Committee members.



"Just because ya' lost Egbert, ya' don't have to get sore about it."

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

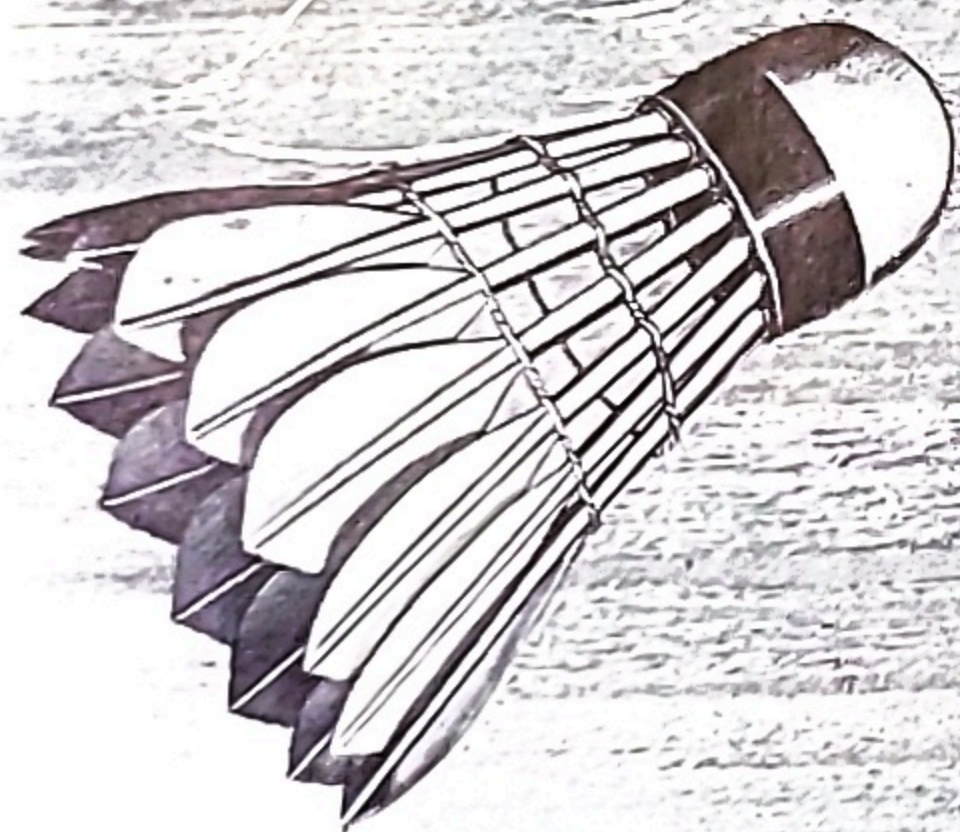
- Early DEC. Date— Athens Closed, Oakland, California.
- JAN. 11-13—Athens Open, Oakland, California
- FEB. 1-3—Buffalo Athletic Club Invitation, Buffalo, New York
- FEB. 8-10—Northern California Open, San Francisco, California
- FEB. 23-25—Niagara Falls Country Club Invitation, Lewiston, New York
- Early MARCH—Santa Cruz Open, Santa Cruz, California
- MARCH 14-16—WNY A, B, and C Championships
- MARCH 26-29—NATIONALS, Seattle, Washington
- APR. 5-6 or 12-13—"B" Tournament, U. of California or Oakland
- APR. 17-19—NATIONAL JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS, Niagara Falls Country Club, Lewiston, New York
- APR. 26-27 or May 3-4—Northern California Junior, Berkeley, California

The following shuttlecocks have been approved for the season 1951-52 tournament play:
 Bauer Green Band
 Cortland Gold Cup

McGregor Tournament V476
 Spalding Top-Flite
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BIRDMEN IN GERMANY

By Major Robert D. Montondo

7th Army Badminton

While badminton is not an organized sport in the American Army in Germany, still there are many persons who are interested in playing as evidenced by the two unofficial international matches played between the French and American Armies in Germany.

On Sunday, 7 January 1951, a group of 7 American officers and their wives representing Hq Seventh Army traveled from Stuttgart to Baden-Baden, to participate in an informal team match which featured both men and women's singles and doubles and mixed matches.

Due to the fact that the American women were not too adept at the game, only two actively participated and some of the French women played with the American men in the mixed doubles.

The American team won 4 of the 5 singles matches, 2 of the 3 doubles matches, and aided by the newly found French partners, 2 of the mixed matches.

While badminton was the reason for the get-together, it also afforded the officers of the two armies an opportunity to become better acquainted. The French were charming hosts and all had a most wonderful day that ended with a buffet dinner at the French Officers Club.

The Americans were host to the French on 25 February 1951 in Stuttgart, at Hq Seventh Army. Of the 24 matches scheduled for the day, the host team managed to win 13 to retain the French-American challenge cup that had been donated by Lt. Gen. Manton S. Eddy, Commanding General, Seventh Army. While the French women won 4 of the 5 ladies singles matches, the American team, headed by Captain Phillip Grant, former 1st Army champion, won 7 of the 8 men's singles matches, 2 of the 4 men's doubles and together with their feminine partners, 2 of the 5 mixed doubles.

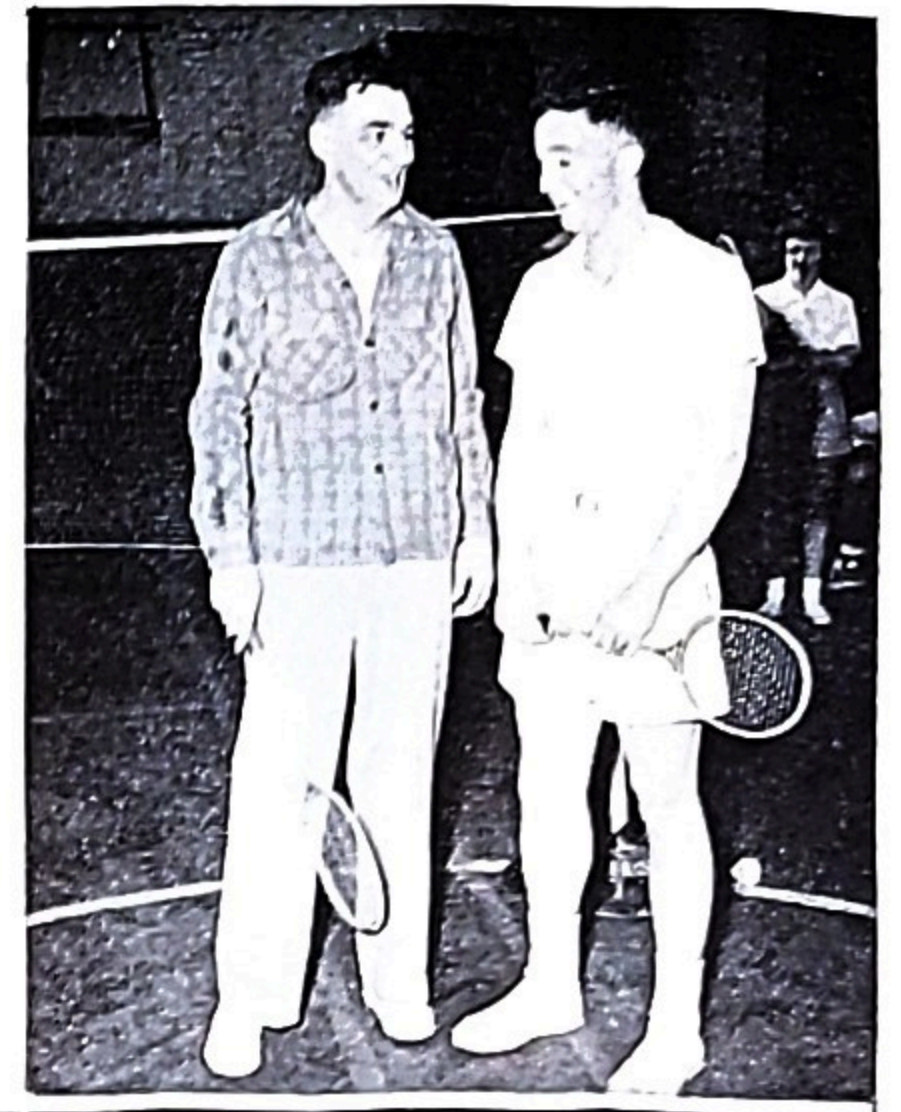
The interest of badminton in the Headquarters of French Forces in Germany, is due to the efforts of Lt. Col. Gerald Roberson, American Liaison

Officer with the French Hq. An excellent player himself, Col. Roberson has created considerable interest in badminton with the result that these people who normally favor tennis, are playing in organized groups on scheduled evenings in their gymnasium. The Deputy Commanding General, Major General Fernand Besancon, is currently their number 4 singles player, and teams with Lt. Col. Roberson on the number 1 doubles team. Other top French players include: Major and Mrs. Tasle, Col. and Mrs. Desjours, Mr. and Mrs. Cardinaux, Mrs. Gerald Roberson, Mrs. Banal, Col. Meyer, Maj. De la Brosse and Mr. Moercklin.

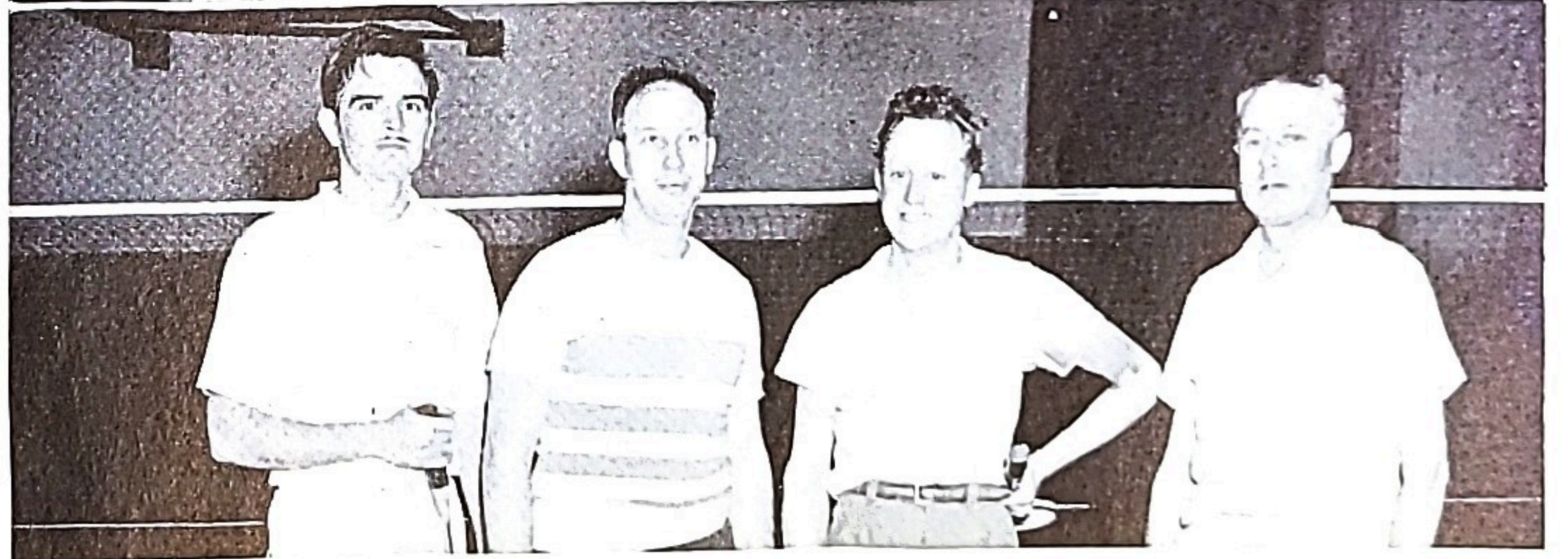
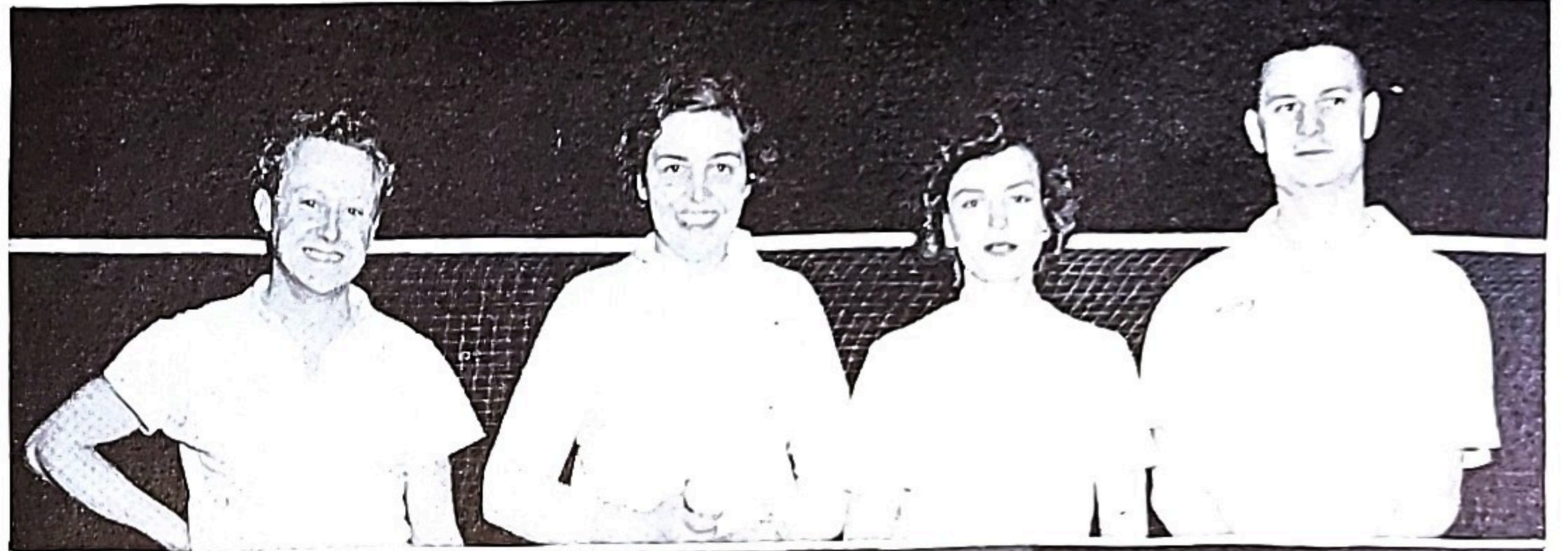
Plans for future American activities in Germany include an open

tournament to be held in Garmisch early in May for the purpose of locating other interested individuals and groups and, at a later date, a challenge match with a team representing the British Forces in Germany. It is understood that the British are well organized and the Americans are anxious to arrange a match with their allies to the north.

A mixed group of thirty are playing badminton regularly and a recent survey indicated that forty-seven others are interested. Players on the American team included: Lt. Col. Yeuell, Major Perna, Capt. Lahr, Capt. Grant, Capt. Donahue, Major Weichel, Lt. Weilhamer, Mrs. King, Mrs. Grant, Mrs. Yuell, Mrs. Perna and Mrs. Weilhamer.



(Photo by Mertzen)



TOP PICTURE—Lt. Col. Roberson (Left) American Liaison Officer to French Forces in Germany, who played with the French team, and Capt. Phillip Grant (Right, Amer.) after their close and exciting match, won by Capt. Grant.

MIDDLE PICTURE—The smiles of Mr. Moercklin and Mrs. Gerald Roberson indicate that this mixed doubles match was won from the not-so-happy-expression of Mrs. William King and Maj. Leonard Perna of the American entry.

BOTTOM PICTURE—(Left to Right) Capt. Phillip Lahr and Major Stanford Benner of the American team took the second match play in the men's doubles from Mr. Moercklin and Major A. Tesle of France.

BADMINTON QUIZ



- (6) a - Sweden
b - England
c - Canada



- (1) a - Canada
b - England
c - U. S.



- (4) a - England
b - Australia
c - U. S.



- (7) a - New Zealand
b - France
c - U. S.



- (2) a - Australia
b - New Zealand
c - Canada



- (5) a - U. S.
b - Canada
c - Denmark



- (3) a - Sweden
b - India
c - Denmark



- (8) a - India
b - Phillipines
c - Malaya

Ed. Note: Submitted suggestions or material for Badminton Quiz Column will be welcomed.

(Find answers on page 27)

Northern California Handicap Doubles Championships

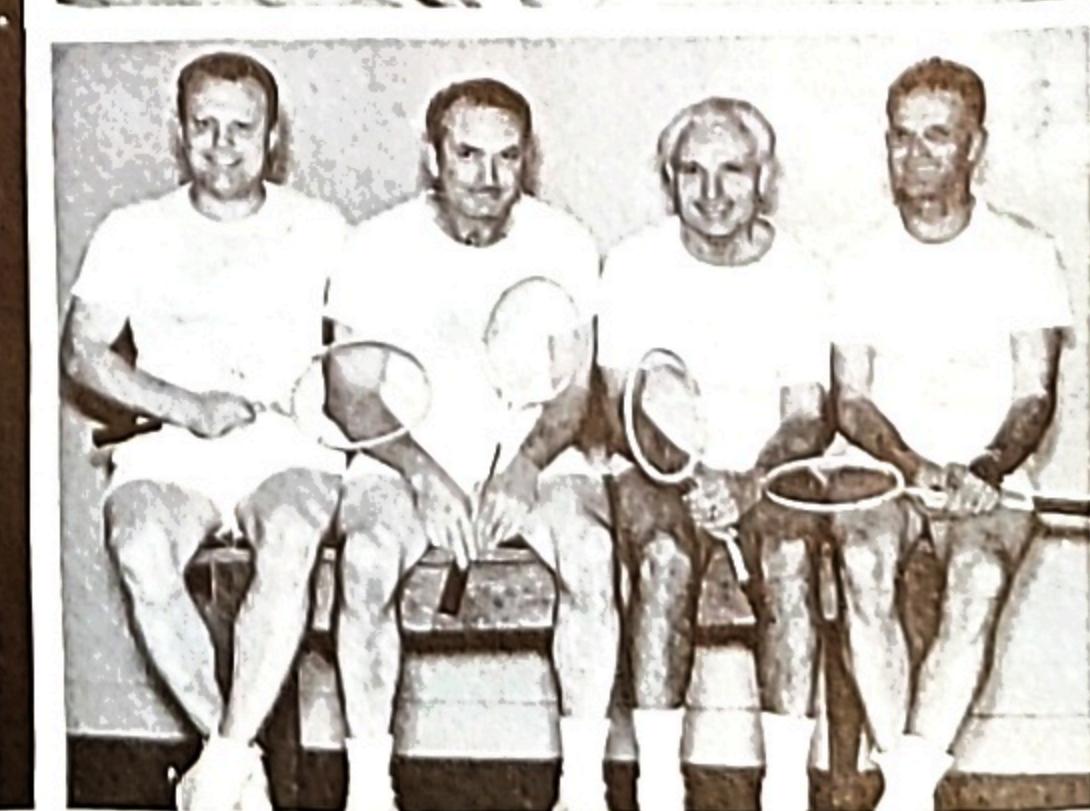
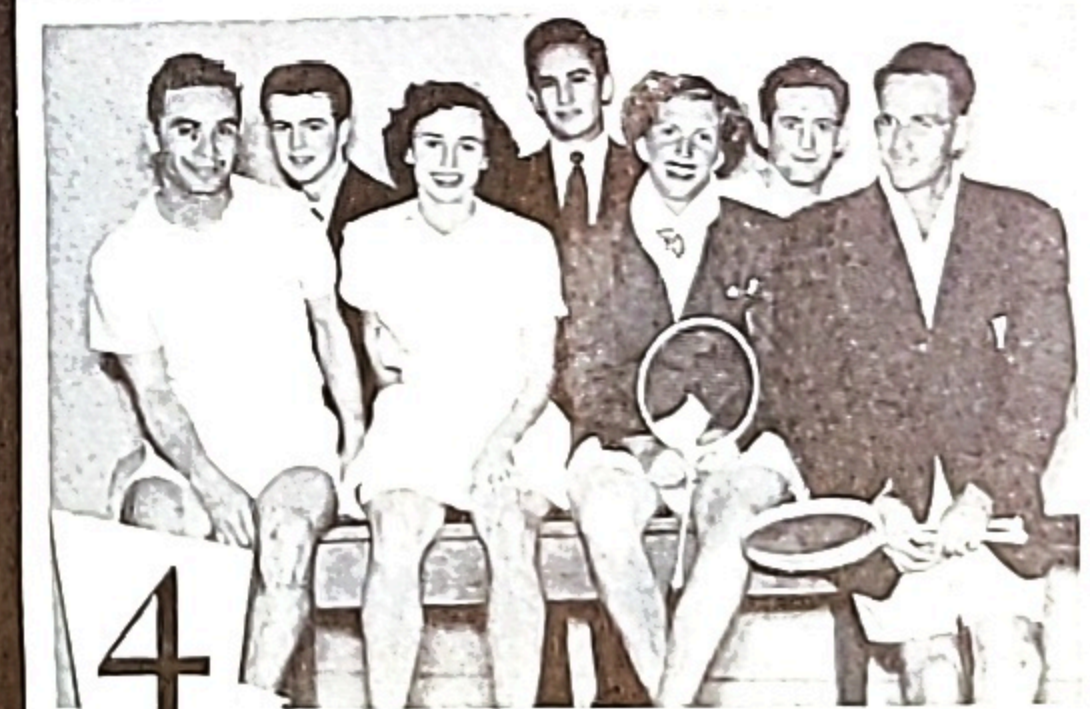
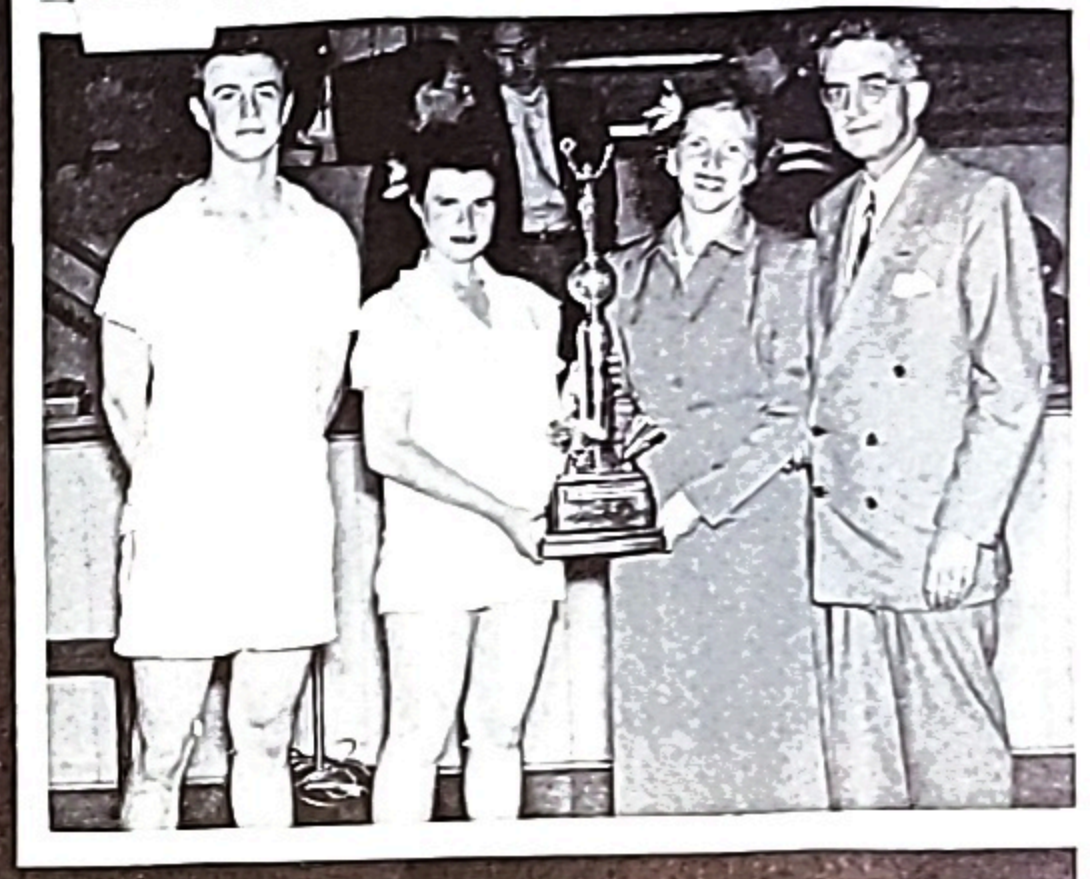
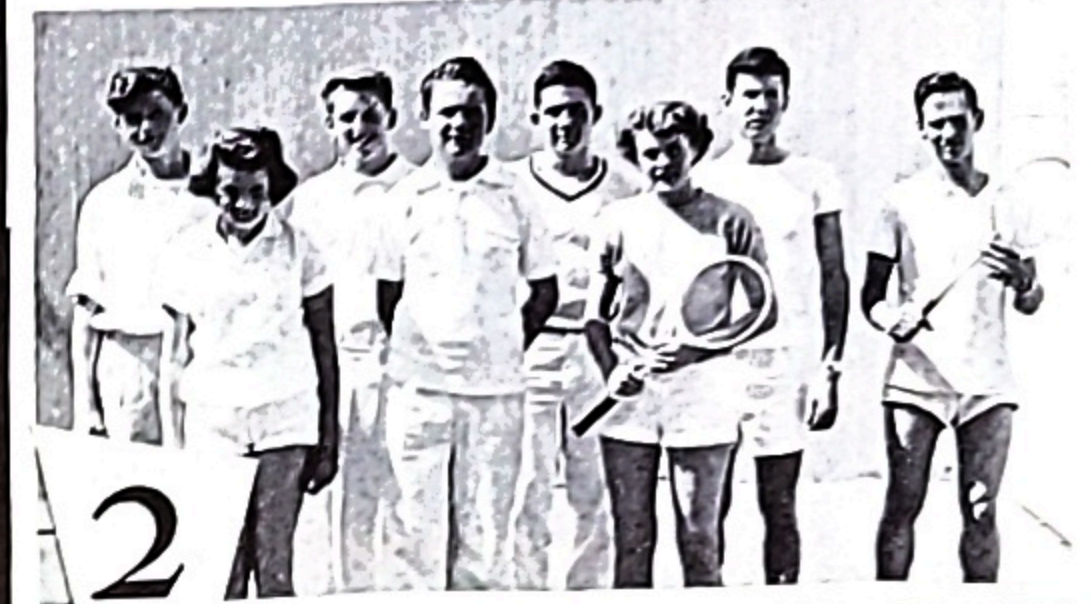
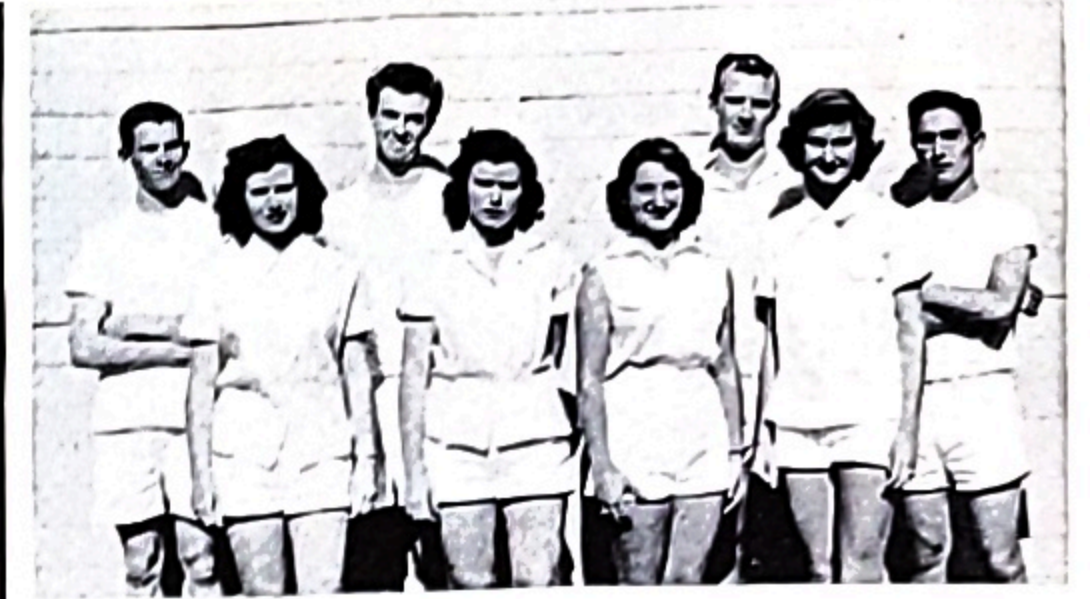
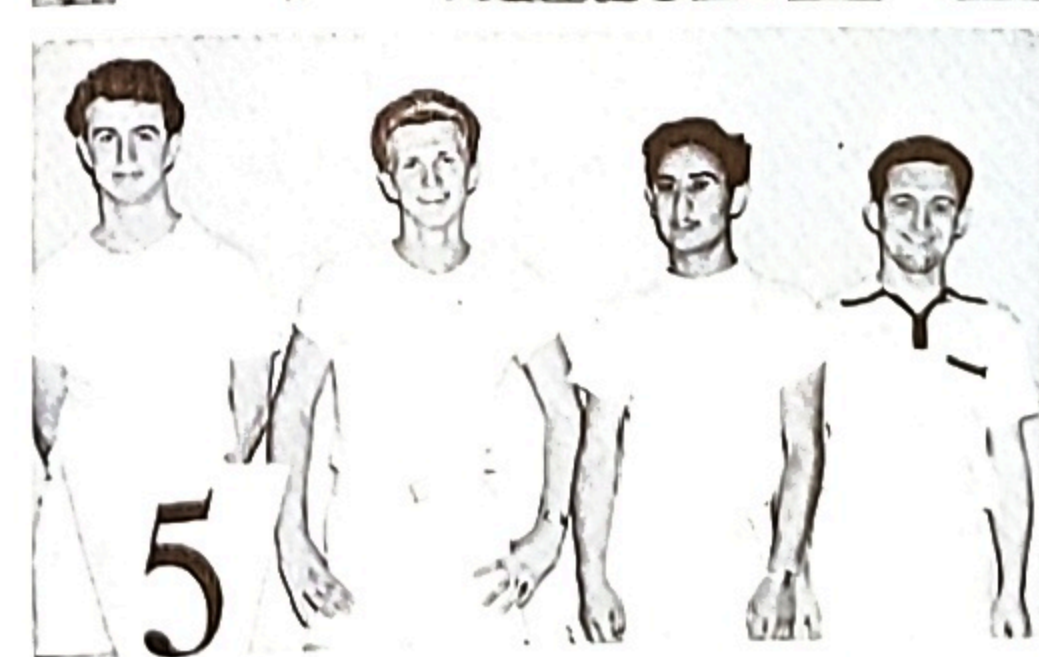
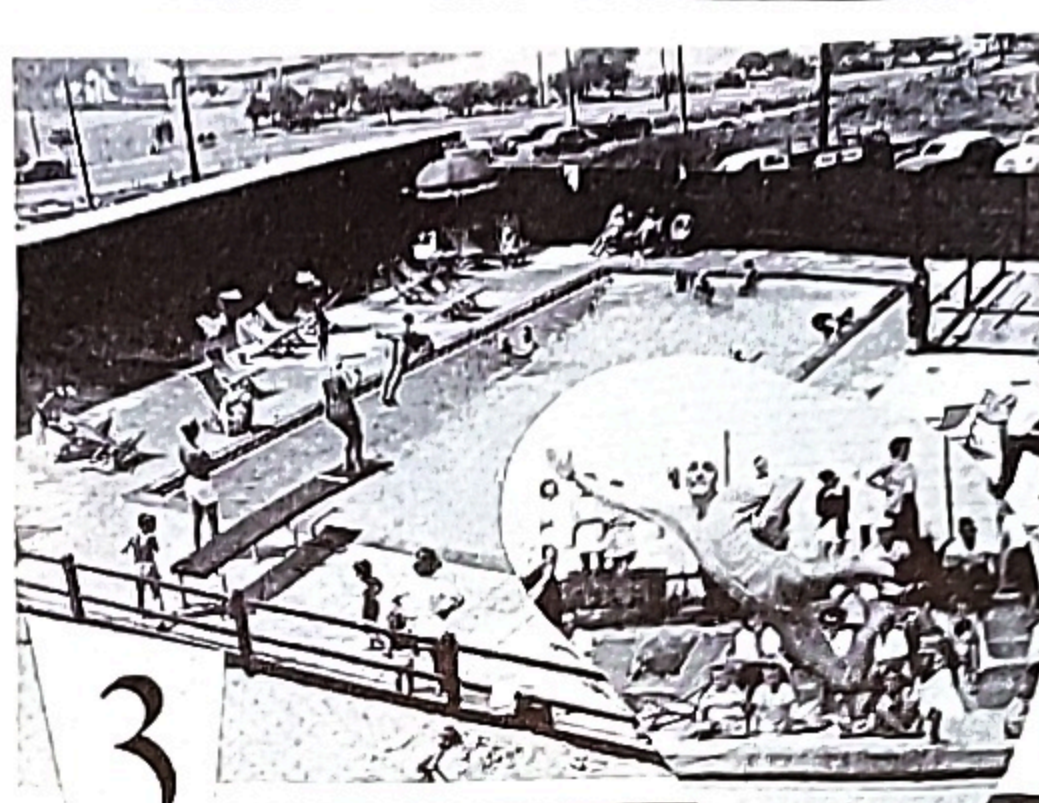
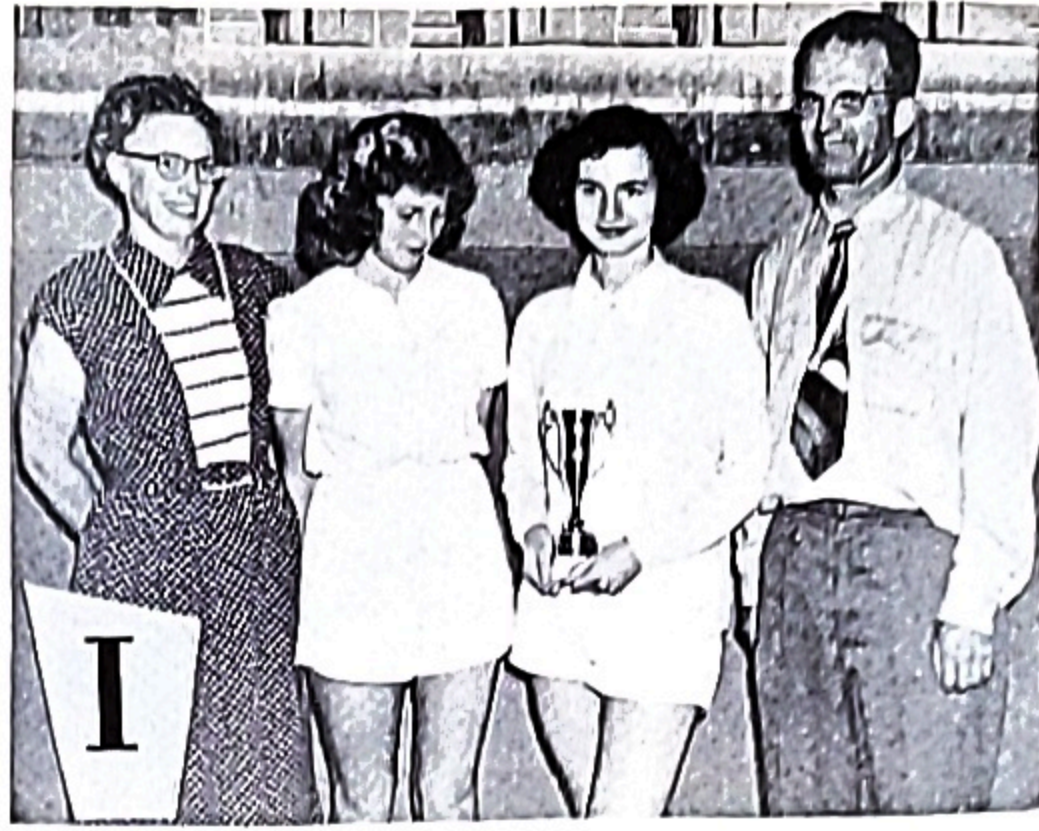
The San Francisco Badminton Club revived the old pre-Thanksgiving Turkey Tournament. It was a grand success. The turkeys and chickens were won by teams that don't ordinarily have a chance to cop the trophies.

The tournament was played in one of San Francisco's five new Community Centers. It was played at Ocean View Playground. The facilities are probably as nice as any in the United States. Unlimited ceiling, dark background, four courts and six feet between courts, with ample spectator space. A nice modern kitchen and adjoining club room offer pleasant diversion from actual play.

Our entry (entirely local) was far greater than anticipated and included over 30 newcomers to tournament ranks. All were very enthusiastic about the tournament.

Free cokes, coffee and cake were served to all contestants and families during the entire tournament.

Irl S. Madden, Correspondent



1. CALIFORNIA STATE JUNIORS—(l to r) Elizabeth Anselm, Laurie Cook, Diana Myers, Honoree, Claude Welcome, Past Prexy of S.C.B.A.

2. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA JUNIORS—(l to r) Top Picture: Steve Hinchliffe, Jean Gibbs, Mike Hartgrove, Joan Gibbs, Mary McMurray, Jack Chrisman, Diane Myers, Manuel Armendariz.

Middle Picture: Rolf Donahower, Ardyce Carr, Bob Hall, Jim Buck, John Brooks, Lynn Davies, Preston Spaulding, Carroll Smith.

Bottom Picture: Mike Hartgrove, Joan Gibbs, The Mr. & Mrs. Hulet Smith Perpetual Mix Trophy, Loma Smith, Hulet Smith.

3. THIRD ANNUAL MANHATTAN BEACH—Top: Manhattan's New Pool. Insert: Bert Estabook.

Bottom Picture: (l to r) Top row, Wynn Rogers, Marianna Gott, Helen Tibbetts, Marten Mendez; bottom row, Pete Peterson, Margaret Bymaster, Diane Myers, Elmer Bymaster.

4. 6th ANNUAL BURBANK OPEN—(l to r) Top Picture: Marten Mendez, Mike Hartgrove, Helen Tibbetts, Manuel Armendariz, Loma Smith, Buzz Martin, Wynn Rogers.

Middle Picture: Thelma Scovil, Joan Gibbs, Pat Gallagher, Ruth Berry.

Bottom Picture: Bob Macleod, Frank Auxier, Jack Van Praag, Claude Welcome.

5. SEWANA NAUTICA—(l to r) Top Picture: Joan Gibbs, Connie Taylor, Ronnie Palmer, Martin Mendez.

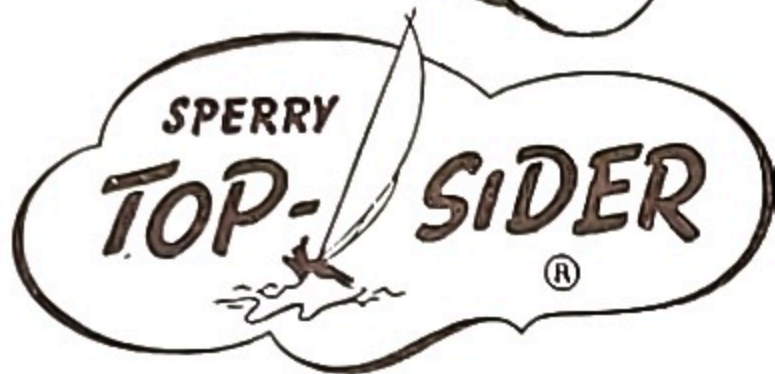
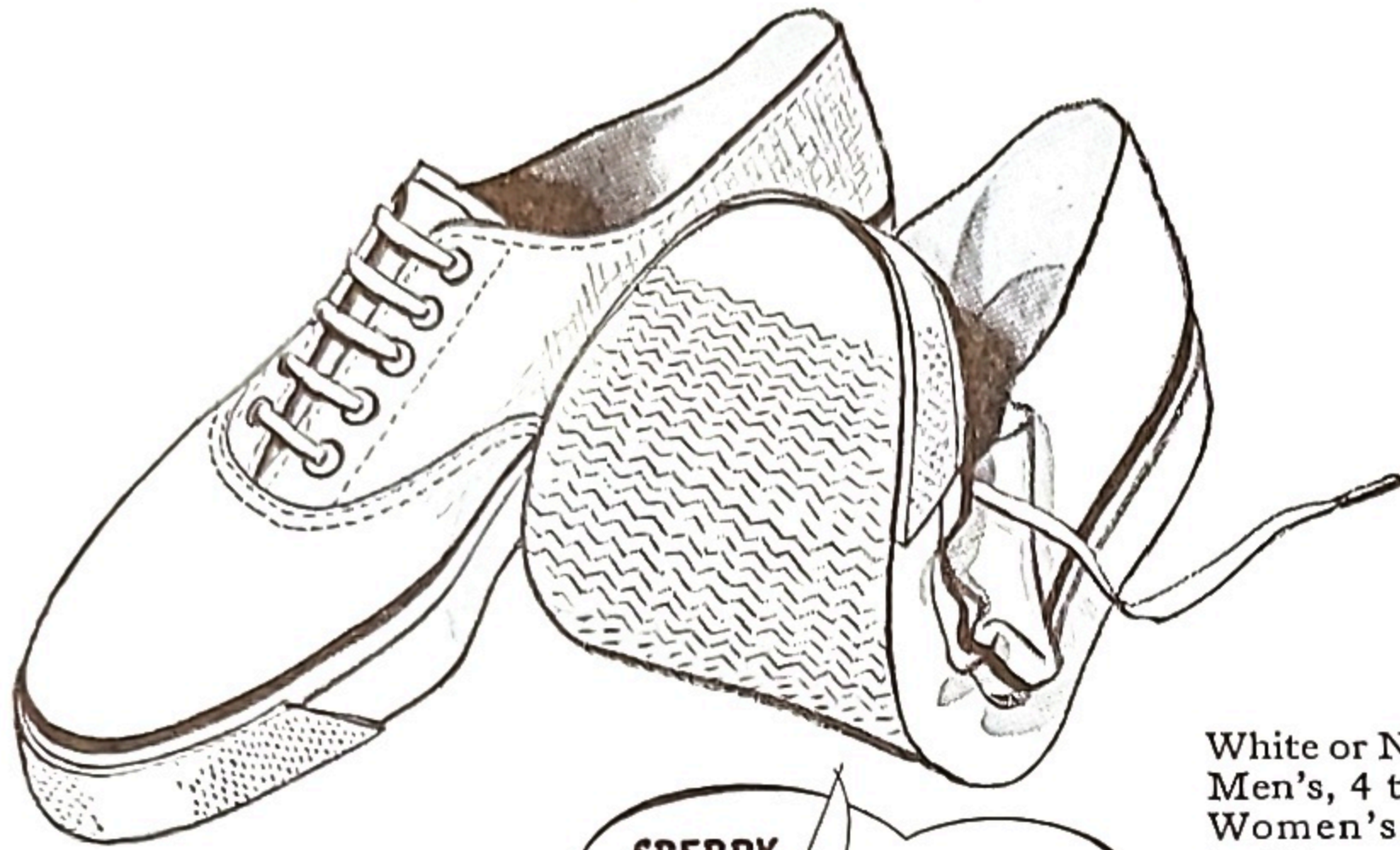
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Bottom Picture: Gil White, Joan Gibbs, Loma Smith, Irl Madden.

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No decision yet on date for Canadian match.

"WINNING BADMINTON"

The publishing of the badminton book, "Winning Badminton," by Ken Davidson and Lealand Gustavson, has been postponed until the Fall of 1952. The publishers, A. S. Barnes & Co., 232 Madison Avenue, New York, N.Y., have found it increasingly more difficult to allocate newsprint to the books published in their famous Sports Series, but "Winning Badminton" will go to press in their Spring, 1952, printings and will be issued as part of their Fall, 1952, publications.



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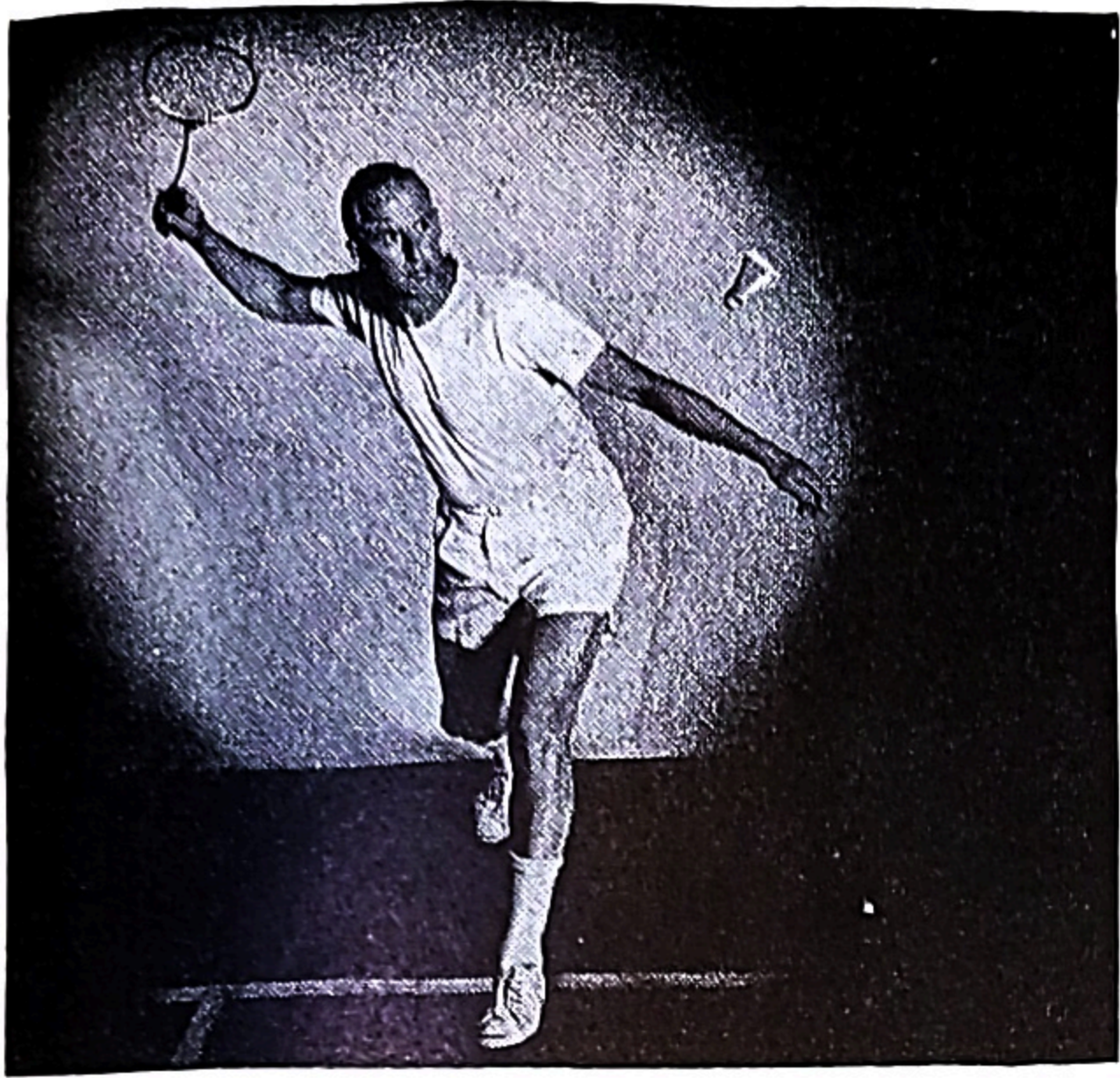
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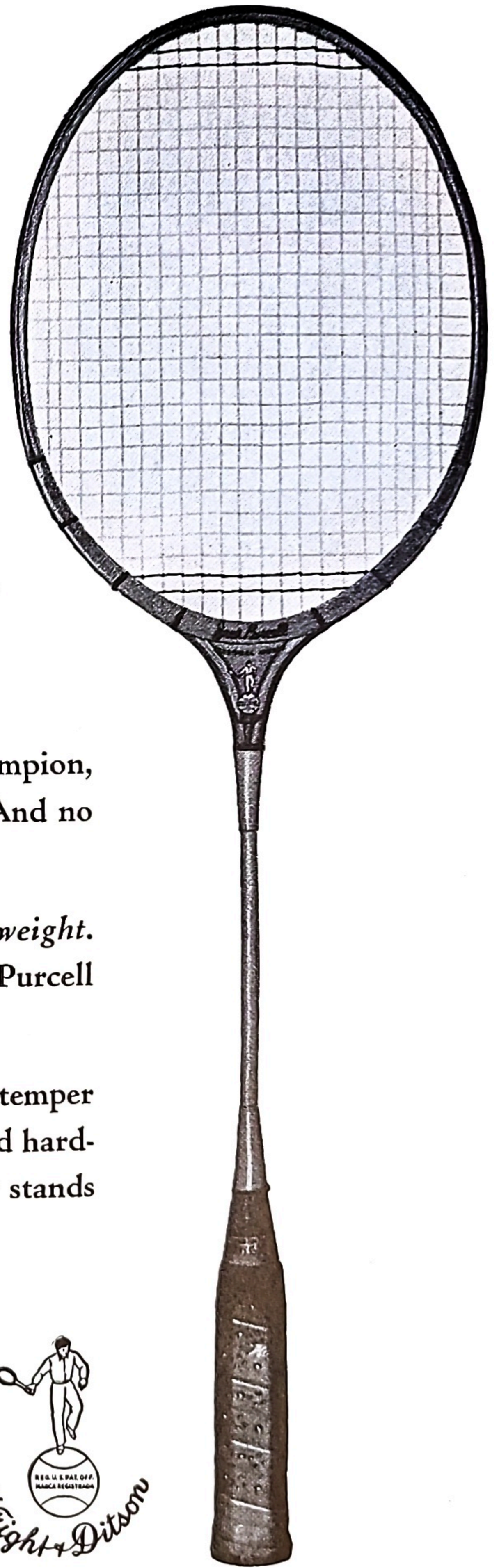


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"The Badminton Court" is a regular feature whose purpose is to discuss those badminton questions that are discussed whenever badminton players meet and talk about their game.

★ "What is your carefully considered opinion of an Open U. S. Championships or an Open North American Championships?"

Dear Editor,

You asked for comment on the opening of our national Senior Tournament.

Speaking for myself and as one of the defending title-holders I am in favor of opening the tourney. I believe it would be a great stimulus to a game that certainly needs a "shot in the arm." I do not wish to go into the reasons why our sport, which has so much to offer, has not made the headway which it deserves. Suffice it to say it has not. However, when you bring in top players of other countries it adds color, raises the standard of play, and in general will stimulate the game throughout the country.

America has not played second fiddle to any country in very many sports, at least not for a very long time, once the sport is seriously taken up by the people in general. If there is a lapse in the quality of play, the powers that

be begin to ask why and then remedy the situation.

When our National Tennis Tournament was opened it proved to be a big factor in turning tennis into a major sport and I see no reason why the same wouldn't be the same for our sport.

Granted that these are a number of problems to be worked out such as: what happens to the trophy if won by an outsider? If won by a "foreigner" does he or she get transportation to and from our tournament and if not, who, if any, of our players would get transportation? Other problems would be minor ones which should quite easily be overcome. These problems must be licked if we are to open our Nationals but to my way of thinking the importance of the opportunity of making badminton a major sport as it deserves far outweighs the problems involved.

Sincerely,
Wynn Rogers

P.S. It's probably too late to get my two cents in re the wood shot rule. Much of Mr. Gustavson's little article in your last issue is true but I must disagree on many points. He says *only deliberate carries* be called. Now who is going to judge a deliberate carry?



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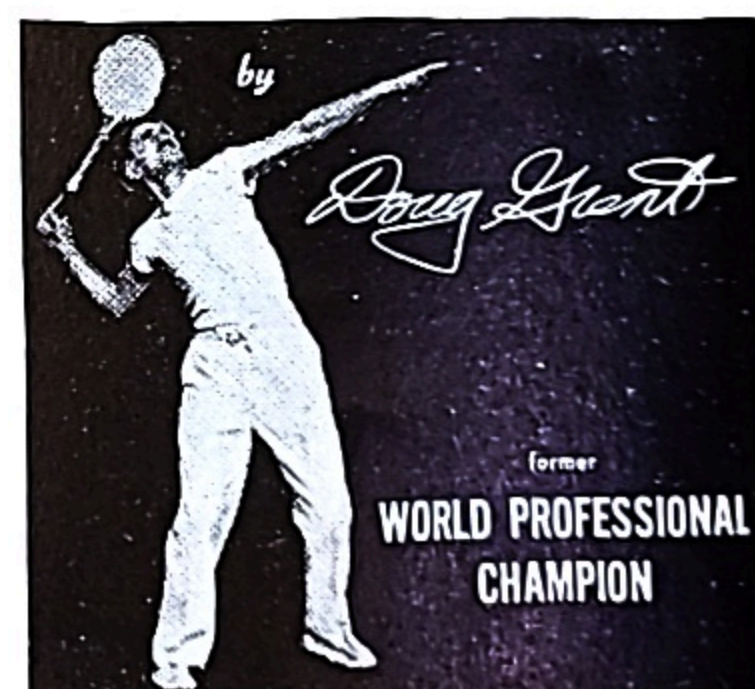
Granted it does slow down the game somewhat but tell me, who should benefit from a point, one that is won by superior skill in hitting or by a fluke? The more skillful player is penalized if certain people have their way and that should not be.

I can see no reason for an argument even arising because there's no doubt in anyone's mind when a wood shot is made. No doubt the A.B.A. officials Mr. Gustavson refers to had no delusions about winning the tournament and being all four closely acquainted they didn't mind too much about carries but you take 2 players, or 4 in doubles, in the finals of an important tournament and when the last point, or one or two of the last points, are made by flukes or plain misjudgement or being too tired, it certainly isn't fair to the player who has the ability, the eye, and/or the stamina to penalize him for the lack of it in his opponent. After all badminton is still a game of skill, at least it is until they change the wood shot rule to "all's fair in love etc" as Mr. Doug Grant advocates.

Sincerely (again)
W. Rogers

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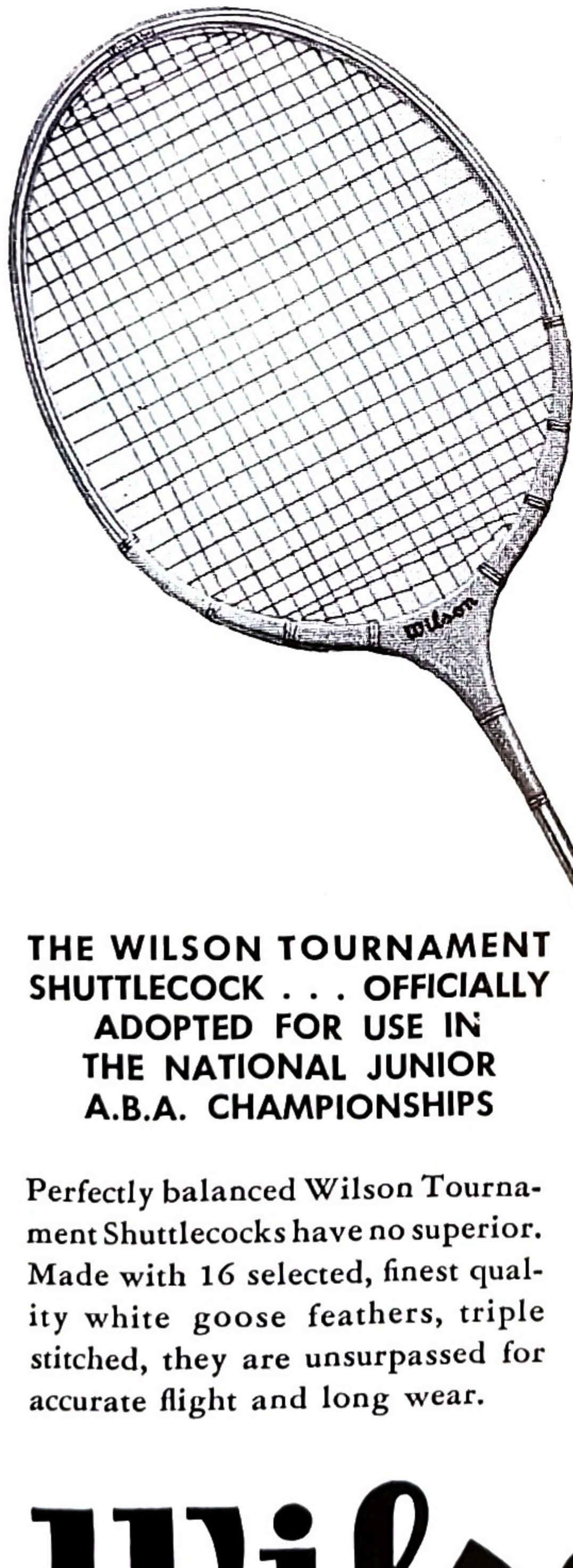
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OVER THE NET

Champ Freeman Retires

Freeman has not touched a badminton racket since playing in Denmark. He is now living in Ann Arbor and doing post graduate work in neuro surgery at the University of Michigan. Purchasing a home there, Dave is expecting to be in Michigan for at least three or four years.

The former U. S. champion says he has no plans for competitive badminton in the near future.

Oscar Pfeffer, Correspondent
NEWS BRIEFS - Engaged: Beverley Foppiano and Bob Williams, of Peninsula Badminton Club. Married: May Lou Wincote to Lt. Hugh Elliott, U.S.N., and now at Norfolk, Virginia; Bill Burgess to Diana May Kaulbach, continuing school at Davis.

Babies: Charlene Burgess Hyjer, a daughter; Nan and Perry Collogne of Philadelphia, a long awaited baby girl; Shirley Anderson, any time now.

Armed Forces: Don McCaughan due to be shipped out soon; Chuck Bishop, Herbie Clemence, Jerry Eichelberger all on duty in Southern California and playing some badminton down there.

Miscellany: Jerry Skillicorn is now attending U.C., living in Berkeley. Mrs. Marie Lantagne of Stanford Badminton Club is now teaching at Santa Barbara High School. Francis Todd is teaching at Stanford. Janet Wright now tip-toeing around; perhaps she'll be back at badminton soon, and with all the practice, will have no excuse for being caught on her heels. Norm Blanchett, now in Merchant Marine, was last heard from at Norfolk, Virginia. Welcome to Fresno Badminton Club in NCBA: Howard Holman, prexy of same, is only National Titleholder in Northern California this year - Veterans Doubles.

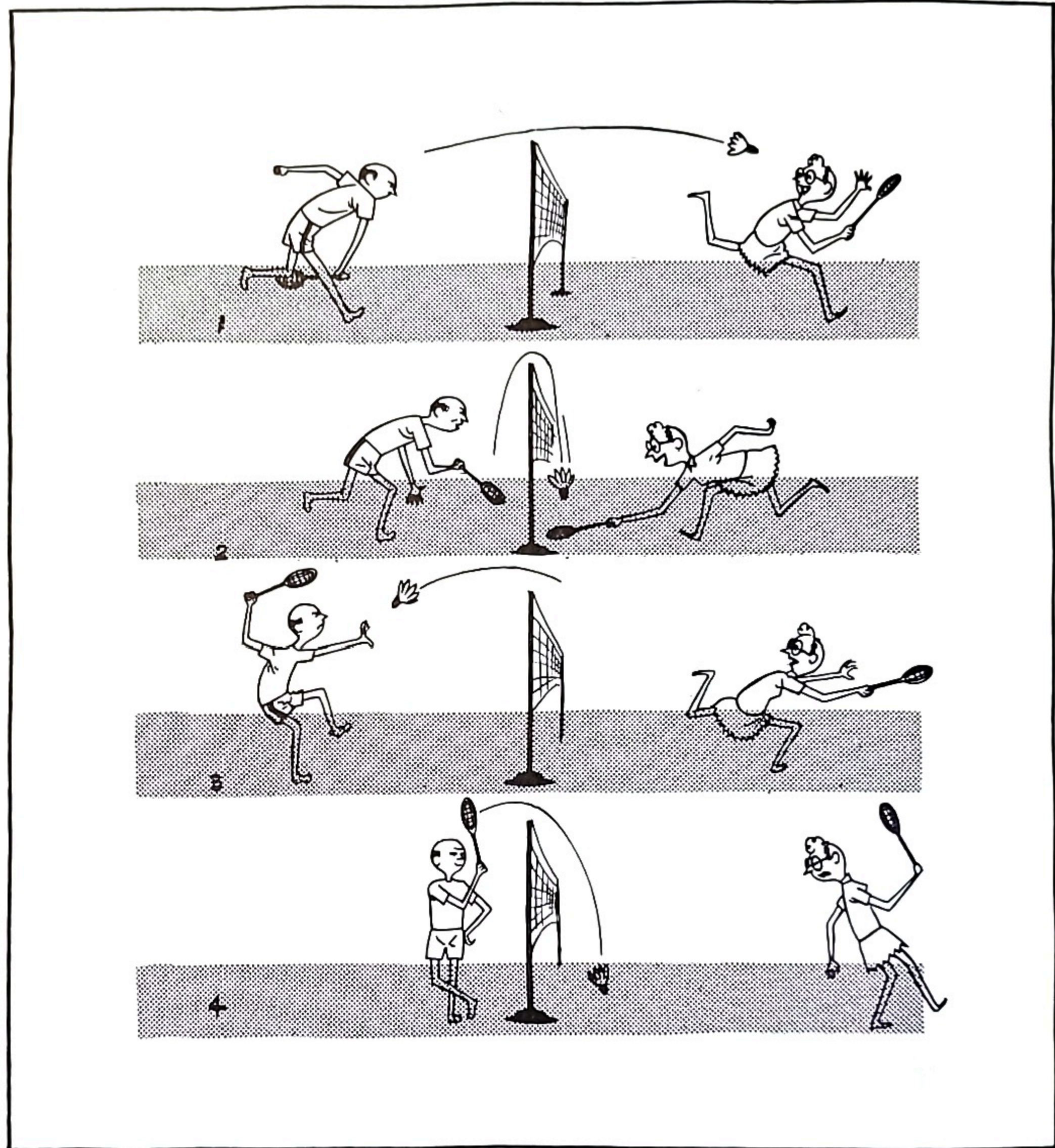
News From Old Friends

Margaret Varner writes from Forest Hills Gardens, Long Island, New York, that she spent six weeks in the East playing the grass tennis circuit, that she had a couple of good wins and some fine matches - saw many interesting sights and met many nice people - also saw many familiar faces remembered from the National Tournament in Dallas. Margaret, who is now at L.S.U., hopes that we will have a tourney in Houston this fall and that she can bring some of her student players to same.

MARRIED - May Hellwig to Edward Shields, last August in Tucumcari, New Mexico.

NEW INTEREST - Ethel Marshall, National Singles Champion, is wielding a paint brush as well as a badminton racquet these long evenings, what with building a new house and getting it ready for the big move.

MIXED DOUBLES - Bob Williams is the father of a little girl. Watch out that new mixed doubles combination! Congratulations, Pat and Bob.



MARRIED - Joe Alston, No. 1 national badminton star, married pretty Lois Smedley recently and took the bride to Ohio to live.

MARRIAGE - Arve Lossman and Kirsten Thorndahl, leading Danish mixed doubles team, were married on May 5.

MOVED - Fred Russell formerly National Secretary-Treasurer and Director from Midwest Region has resigned as he has moved to Dallas.

DEATH - Dr. M. G. Eggeman, of Missouri. One of the first presidents of the Missouri Badminton Association, his death was mourned by players throughout Missouri.

NEW STAR - The Nelson Howards have just had a new son, Kent Eaton. Mrs. Howard is the former Evelyn Boldrick, 1940-42 Ladies Singles Champion.

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Photographs - News - (personal and general) - ideas (complaints?) and letters, Letters, LETTERS! You write - we'll print. *Bird Chatter* is YOUR magazine!

**THOMAS CUP RESULTS:
IRELAND vs DENMARK**

In the Thomas Cup matches, held in the little Irish town of Bessbrook, Denmark defeated Ireland 7 to 2.

Results:

(MS) Poul Holm d F. W. Peard 15-8, 12-15, 15-9; Jorn Skaarup d J. P. Doyle 15-4, 15-5; Jorn Skaarup d Peard 15-2, 15-7; Poul Holm d Doyle 15-4, 15-4; Ib Olesen d K. Diplock 15-7, 15-4. (MD) Peard and Fitz Gibbon d Jorn Skaarup and Preben Dabelsteen 15-9, 15-2; Ib Olesen and Arve Lossmann d D. B. Green and T. T. Majury 15-12, 8-15, 15-10; Skaarup and Dabelsteen d Green and Majury 15-4, 15-4; Fitz Gibbon and Peard d Lossmann and Olesen 12-15, 15-2, 15-8.
Knud Lunoe, Correspondent

Evanston High Tournament

Each year Evanston High School (Evanston, Illinois) runs a badminton tournament. This year there were over 300 entries and ten rounds were necessary to determine the champion.

The 1951 winner was Jim Buntain who defeated Bob Holzkamp 15-3, 15-4 in the finals. Jim was a Junior Member of the Skokie Badminton Club of Winnetka, Illinois. His older club-mates are proud of his victory and feel that if he maintains his interest in badminton, they will hear from him in future tournaments.


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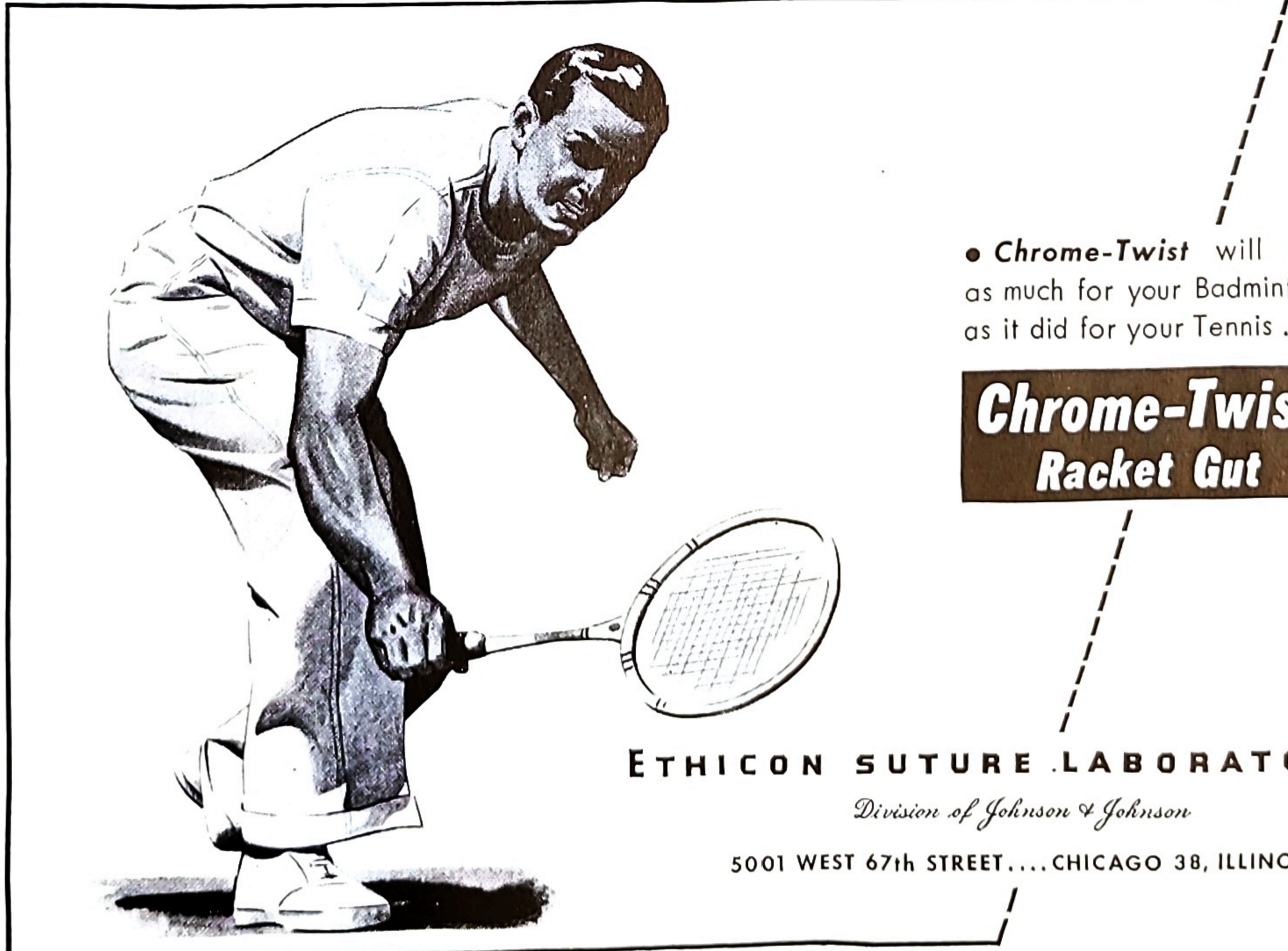
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New Rochelle's Annual Mixed-up Mixed Doubles Party

The annual mixed up mixed doubles badminton party, held under the auspices of the New Rochelle Badminton Club in the Huguenot Y.M.C.A., took place this year on November 3, 1951. Twenty-four invited teams participated with entries coming from Connecticut, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, New York and Massachusetts.

Entrants were divided into two sections—Blue and Red. The original team entry played with each other once; then split up to play with and against the other entries. Scoring was on a twenty-one point, sudden death basis, with points counting in final score—not games won. Play started at noon and continued until six-thirty when dinner was served in the Girls' Lounge of the Y. Play resumed following dinner and continued until after midnight. The play-offs saw the team of Harold and Eda Duame defeating Victor Surrows and Doris Sullivan for first and second places; Wayne Schell and Norma Keech defeated Frank Jasensky and Peggy Hume for third and fourth places. In booby prize play-off Ed Gerardo and Barbara Vasko defeated Bill Breden-

berg and Patricia Rainsford. Prizes were awarded all finalists and a door prize contained in a bottle was won by Cy Sasseen.

The following is a list of participants: Irene Bredenberg, Patricia Rainsford, Eda Daume, Gerda Gerard, Ann Paladino, Edith Henderson, Evelyn Vogt, Gloria Manocchio, Paddy Shaw, Norma Keech, Jean Corvino, Lee Scully, Bill Bredenberg, John Cornell, Harold Daume, Al Gerard, Vince Gleason, Bob Henderson, Don Hersam, Jack Kaufhold, Donald Kerr, Walt Raymond, Cy Sasseen, Wayne Schell, Doris Sullivan, Mimi Polt, Fay Shaw, Louise Ober, Barbara Vasko, Peggy Hume, Kitty Jasensky, Stella Taral, Wanda Bergman, Fran Boyd, Rosine Capehart, Ruth Wiener, Larry DeLord, Vic Erickson, Ed Gerardo, Claus Hartleben, Howard Hopkinson, Donald Hume, Frank Jasensky, Ken Kost, Bob Loughheed, Max Schirmer, Vic Surrows and Joseph Wilke.

At about one-thirty Sunday morning the die-hards of the group adjourned to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Shields for liquid refreshments.

May Hellwig Shields, Correspondent

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CELEBRITY - Screen actor Pat O'Brien and the missus visited with Stig Larson and Hugh Forgie after a recent Ice Capades performance. Above photo shows Pat checking the equipment to be sure there is no magic in the amazing badminton act. See picture.

The Ice Cycles of 1952, a glamorama of glitterblading, puts Romberg's forever n' ever musical - The Student Prince - on ice, concocts a continental potpourri of East India, South America, the ancient Nile, and not so ancient New Orleans, and features (Bird Chatter brags) badminton's HUGH FORGIE and STIG LARSON in WATCH THE BIRDIE.

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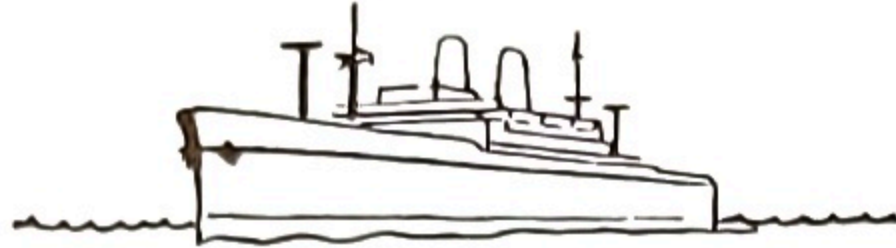
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Jan. 4-Jan. 13	Civic Ice Arena Seattle, Wash.
Jan. 15-Jan. 19	Memorial Arena Vancouver, B. C.
Jan. 21-Jan. 26	The Forum Vancouver, B. C.
Jan. 28-Feb. 2	Stampede Corral Calgary, Alberta
Feb. 4-Feb. 9	The Gardens Edmonton, Alberta
Feb. 12-Feb. 16	Amphitheatre Rink Winnipeg, Manitoba
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Mar. 7-Mar. 10	The Coliseum Chicoutimi, Quebec
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Apr. 7-Apr. 12	The Arena Sudbury, Ontario



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Answers to Badminton Quiz

- (1) c - Patsy Stevens
- (2) a - Cliff Cutt
- (3) b - George Lewis
- (4) a - Sir George Thomas
- (5) c - Aase Svendsen
- (6) c - Diana Cox
- (7) a - Jeff Robson
- (8) c - Wong Peng Soon



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Dear Luise:

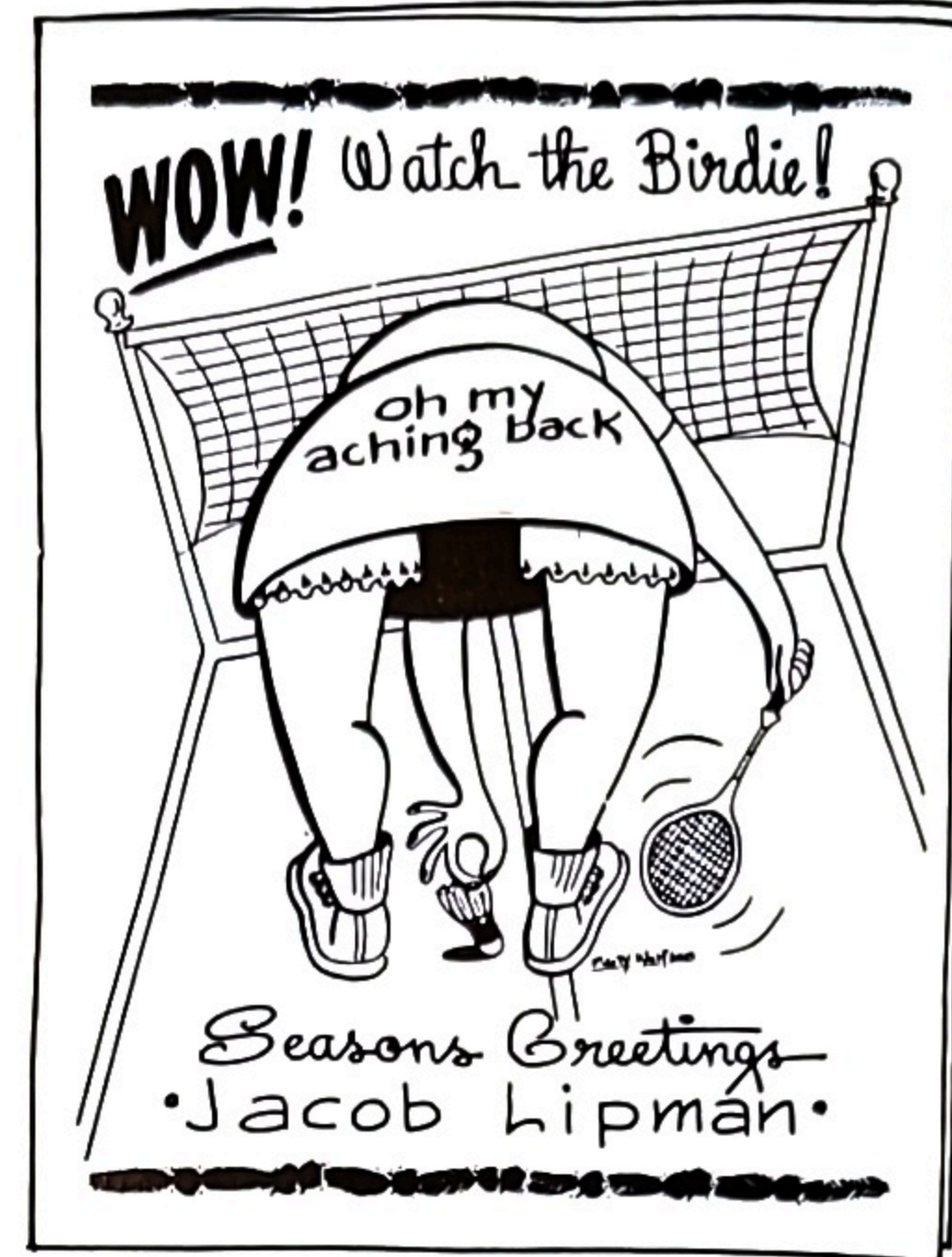
I just received your letter a few minutes ago. I am leaving in a half hour for one of the Clubs here in Copenhagen. I will be in Denmark until December 18th. I then go along

to England (3, Welburn Avenue, Leeds, 6) until January 10th when I fly back to New York City.

In the meantime, I am going on a tour of the nearby towns here in Denmark and visit their clubs. This is a paradise land for Badminton players. Copenhagen alone has 22 specially built halls — from 4 to 10 courts — each with its own restaurant, lounge, racket shop, etc. Brother, what would I give for 500 of these throughout the States. You should see the crowds of youngsters — from 8 to 17 — who flock to the courts every afternoon. They play from 3 to 6 p.m., depending on their school hours and the reservations of the courts by adults.

I won't have time to whip up an article within the next few days, but I'll write one and send it along for the next issue. Cheerio just now. Best wishes for issue Number 1.

Ken Davidson
Hotel Cosmopolite
Copenhagen, Denmark



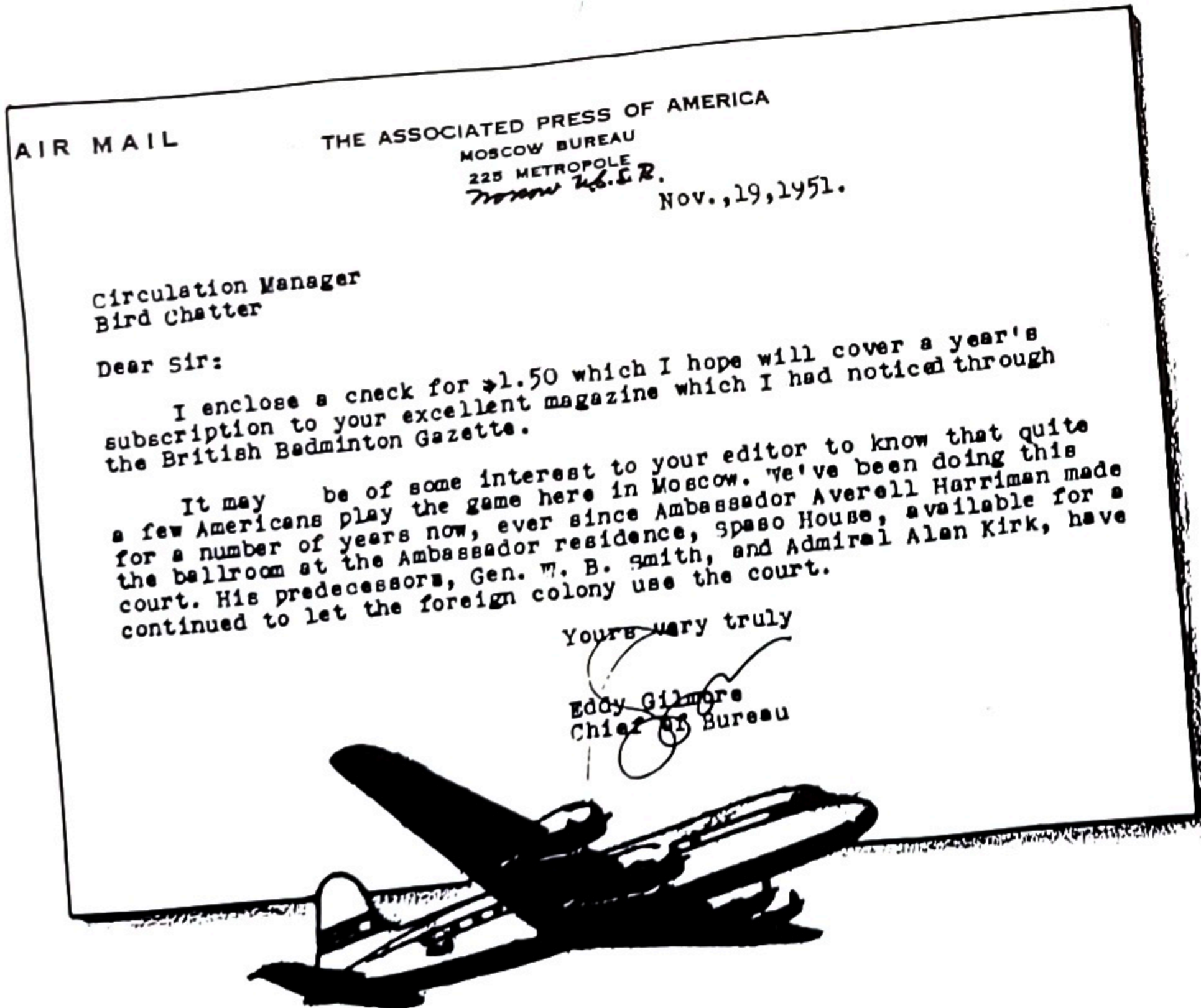
REPRINTED FROM THE TEXAS BADMINTON ASSOCIATION NEWS LETTER

Edited by Jeanette Summers and Hamilton Brown, who write and push Badminton with the same wonderful effervescence. Cheers from Bird Chatter!

The "San Antonio Open" Tournament held October 20 and 21 at T.M.I. Gym was a grand success. Everyone had a lot of fun and surely enjoyed the wonderful hospitality of the San Antonio Club, especially the delicious buffet supper which was served after the finals. There were a lot of good matches, an outstanding one being the finals of the men's singles between Jasper Garland and Dick Bonesteel. W-h-e-w!! It was a rugged 3-game match with Dick emerging the winner. The results of the tournament were as follows: Peggy Vilbig, of Austin, won the women's singles title, defeating Dorothy Martin, Dallas, 11-3, 11-3. The Vilbig-Martin duo defeated Jeanette Summers and Jo Reger, Houston, 15-9, 15-2 in the women's doubles. Vilbig and Hap Horn, Dallas, won the mixed doubles, defeating Nick Roberts, Dallas, and Summers, 15-5, 15-7. Dick Bonesteel, Seattle, won the men's singles, defeating Jasper Garland 18-16, 6-15, 15-7.

The T.A.A.F. tourney has been awarded to Texas City, the tentative dates being January 16th and 17th. We do not have complete information on this yet, so will let you know more about it when we get the data, but keep it in mind.

We are all disappointed in the fact that San Antonio was not awarded the



Junior National Championship Tournament in 1952. The Executive Committee had two bids, San Antonio and Niagara Falls. However, the San Antonio club was assured that if they would place a bid for 1953 they would probably be awarded the tourney. The enthusiasm of the San Antonio Club being what it is, they have decided to do that, and we sincerely hope that the 1953 Junior Championship will be held in San Antonio.

The San Antonio Jr. Club is going great guns again this year. They have about 75 or 80 juniors playing and they plan to sponsor a Junior Texas Tournament sometime this season. We will give you the details on this tournament when we receive them.

We received a nice letter from Lloyd Russell, who was formerly at Baylor and I'm sure most of you know. He is now Director of Athletics and Physical Education at East Texas State Teachers College in Commerce, Texas. He reports that they have the largest Field House in the South, which would easily hold 12 badminton courts. He is looking forward to developing badminton interest among the students there and forming a club. We wish you the best of success, Lloyd, and are looking forward to having a new club in our association. Let us know how you are progressing.

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JAPAN BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIP

The fourth All Japan Badminton Championship was played on April 6, 7, and 8, 1951 at Tokyo Y.M.C.A. Gym, Takehaya High School Gym, Ochanomizu College Gym, The 4th Commercial High School Gym, Kudan High School Gym, and Seigakuin High School Gym.

Results:

(MS 19-29) J. Oka d T. Herota 15-6, 15-6. (MS 30-40) C. Murakami d Y. Suzuki 17-15, 15-5. (MS Over 40) A. Sato d K. Naraoka 15-2, 15-6. (LS) F. Endo d A. Horie 11-9, 11-8. (MD 19-29) Oka Brother d Komiya Hirota 15-12, 17-15. (MD Over 30) Akimoto Murakami d Koike Sakamaki 15-7, 15-7. (LD) Kobayashi Endo d Iyoda Hoda 15-7, 15-7. (MxD) Miss Tamura and Mr. Yamada d Miss Kataoka and Mr. Nishino 15-4, 15-6. (Vets) Hyoda Herota d Sakai Matsuda 15-8, 15-6. (BS) S. Kamiyama d H. Yoshiwara 15-4, 15-6. (GS) T. Arakawa d K. Kataoka 12-11, 11-5. (BD) Ei Yoshiwara d Yamazaki Fujii 15-10, 15-9. (GD) Takada Nobori d Sato Kamibe 15-9, 15-3.

TOKYO TOURNEY—Behind from the left, Akimoto, Oka, Oka (Brother), Kamiyama, Ei Goshihara, Nabori. Front from the left, Sato, Murahami, Kobayashi, Endo, Hiyodo, Hirota, Tamura, Arakawa, Takada. Toshio Suekane, Gen. Secretary

JOAN GIBBS, HARTGROVE WIN TITLE

Mike Hartgrove and Joan Gibbs walked off with top honors in the fourth annual Southern California Junior Badminton tournament yesterday and last night in the Pasadena C.C. gym.

Hartgrove defeated Jack Chrisman 15-2, 15-7 in the 18-year-old boys' finals, while Miss Gibbs defeated Mary McMurray, 11-4, 11-1 in the girls' finals. Miss McMurray had previously upset Joan's twin sister, Jean, in the semi-finals, 11-9, 11-8.

Results:

(GS, 13 and under) Cynthia Hensley d Annette Weis, 3-11, 11-1, 11-8. (BS, 13 and under) Ronnie Miller d John Paden, 11-2, 11-4. (GS, 15 and under) Diane Myers d Carlene Hester, 11-5, 11-4. (BS, 15 and under) Dean Maurry d Larry Sundstrom, 11-3, 11-0. (GD, 15 and under) Gwen Garnsey and Carlene Hester d Sandra Alles and Cynthia Hensley, 11-9, 4-11, 11-2. (BD, 15 and under) Ronnie Miller and Dean Maurry d Larry Sundstrom and Rolf Donahower, 11-3, 11-2. (GS, 18 and under) Joan Gibbs d Mary McMurray, 11-4, 11-1. (BS, 18 and under) Mike Hartgrove d Jack Chrisman 15-2, 15-7. (GD, 18 and under) Jean and Joan Gibbs d Diane Myers and Mary McMurray 15-2, 15-7. (BD, 18 and under) Jack Chrisman and Manuel Armandariz d Steve Hinchliffe and Mike Hartgrove 15-2, 15-5. (MxD, 18 and under) Mike Hartgrove and Joan Gibbs d Steve Hinchliffe and Jean Gibbs 15-5, 18-16.

SCOTS INTERNATIONAL TOURNEY

The Scottish Badminton Union held their International tournament in Glasgow, November 17.

Results:

(MS) Jorn Skaarup d E. B. Choong 15-7, 9-15, 17-14. (MD) E. B. Choong and E. L. Choong d Poul Holm and Robert Williams 15-9, 15-9. (LD) Tonny Ahm and Kirsten Lossman d Aase Winther and Aase Schiott Jacobsen 15-4, 15-6. (MxD) Poul Holm and Tonny Ahm d Arve Lossmann and Kirsten Lossmann 14-17, 15-11, 15-7.

Knud Lunoe, Correspondent

CURTIS BUILT A COURT

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recreation and fun, keeping them off the streets and away from bad company. All of them would like to see this project continued during the winter.

"The present club dues are 50 cents per month, just enough to pay for shuttlecocks, representing a monthly income of \$12 at today's membership. I am willing to contribute to the actual cost of heat and light needed, but not for the time of a janitor, whose services we do not require as I shall be personally responsible, nor for any other unnecessary services.

"While the club members and many guests are now playing on my court every evening from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m., weather permitting, we shall be happy with an arrangement whereby we can play four or five times a week, including week-ends for example, Saturday and/or Sunday afternoon.

"I shall appreciate the visit of your Akron representative, particularly during playing hours, so that he can verify the statements I have made in the foregoing paragraphs."

Quarters for winter playing have since been secured, and as soon as really cold weather sets in, Wagner plans to convert the badminton court in his back yard into an ice skating rink.

Editor's Note: Though Mr. Wagner did not have time to give us complete information on the technical aspect of building a court, he did say it was finished in concrete and lit after dark by 1000 watt floodlights.

Mr. Johnson, production manager of *Bird Chatter*, is also building a court in his back yard and we hope to get a complete description of how he is going about it, step by step, for a coming issue. Mr. Johnson is finishing his court in asphalt. If any of our readers have undertaken this same project and have additional information we would like to hear from them.



DANES IN SOUTH AFRICA

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Transvaal v. Denmark

Played at Pretoria on August 25th and won by Denmark by 5 matches to 1. Scores (Danish names first):—

A. Lossmann beat K. Brann, 15-12, 15-9. Fru K. Lossmann lost to Mrs. G. Kennedy, 7-11, 4-11.

P. Holm and O. Jensen beat K. Brann and R. Kidd, 15-6, 15-7.

P. Holm and Fru T. Ahm beat G. Kennedy and Mrs. Kennedy, 17-16, 15-3.

A. Lossmann and Fru Lossmann beat K. Brann and Mrs. B. Bayne, 15-1, 15-9.

O. Jensen and Frk A. Jacobsen beat R. Kidd and Mrs. O. Brunette, 15-1, 15-9.

South Africa v. Denmark

First Test

Played at East London on August 3rd and 4th and won by Denmark by 11 matches to 0. Scores (Danish names first):—

P. Holm beat G. Byram, 15-1, 18-13; beat K. Brann, 15-0, 15-9; O. Jensen beat Brann, 15-4, 15-4; beat Byram, 15-7, 15-1.

Frk A. Jacobsen beat Mrs. Kennedy, 11-3, 11-5.

O. Jensen and A. Lossmann beat G. Byram and F. M. Steele, 15-5, 15-18, 15-7.

Fru T. Ahm and Fru K. Lossmann beat Mrs. G. Kennedy and Mrs. H. Middlemost, 15-2, 15-5.

P. Holm and Fru Ahm beat K. Brann and Mrs. Kennedy, 15-4, 15-12; beat F. M. Steele and Mrs. Middlemost, 15-4, 15-7.

A. Lossmann and Fru Lossmann beat Steele and Mrs. Middlemost, 15-5, 15-1; beat Brann and Mrs. Kennedy, 15-11, 15-10.

Second Test

Played at Durban on August 8th and 9th and won by Denmark by 11 matches to 0. Scores:—

P. Holm beat G. Byram, 15-5, 15-2; beat K. Brann, 15-2, 15-1. A. Lossmann beat Brann, 12-15, 18-16, 15-12; beat Byram, 10-15, 15-9, 15-7.

Frk A. Jacobsen beat Mrs. Kennedy, 11-3, 11-4.

O. Jensen and A. Lossmann beat G. Byram and F. M. Steele, 15-5, 15-8; Fru T. Ahm and Fru K. Lossmann beat Mrs. G. Kennedy and Mrs. B. Bayne, 15-1, 15-3.

P. Holm and Fru Ahm beat G. Byram and Mrs. H. Middlemost, 15-10, 15-10; beat K. Brann and Mrs. Kennedy, 15-8, 15-9;

O. Jensen and Fru Lossmann beat Brann and Mrs. Kennedy, 15-11, 15-7; beat Byram and Mrs. Middlemost, 15-1, 15-6.

Third Test

Played at Johannesburg on August 22nd and 23rd and won by Denmark by 10 matches to 1. Scores:—

O. Jensen beat G. Byram, 15-6, 15-9; beat K. Brann, 15-8, 15-9. A. Lossmann lost to Brann, 17-14, 11-15, 12-15; beat Byram, 15-10, 15-8.

Fru T. Ahm beat Mrs. G. Kennedy, 11-8, 11-3.

P. Holm and O. Jensen beat K. Brann and G. Kennedy, 15-6, 15-8. Fru T. Ahm and Fru K. Lossmann beat Mrs. G. Kennedy and Mrs. B. Bayne, 15-9, 15-9.

P. Holm and Frk A. Jacobsen beat G. Byram and Mrs. O. Brunette, 15-5, 15-3; beat G. Kennedy and Mrs. Kennedy, 15-6, 15-7.

A. Lossmann and Fru Lossmann beat Kennedy and Mrs. Kennedy, 15-10, 15-11; beat Byram and Mrs. Brunette, 15-5, 15-5.

Fourth Test

Played at Cape Town on August 27th

and 28th and won by Denmark by 10 matches to 1. Scores:—

P. Holm beat G. Byram, 15-10, 15-6; beat K. Brann, 15-6, 15-8. O. Jensen beat Brann, 15-4, 15-0; beat Byram, 15-1, 15-1.

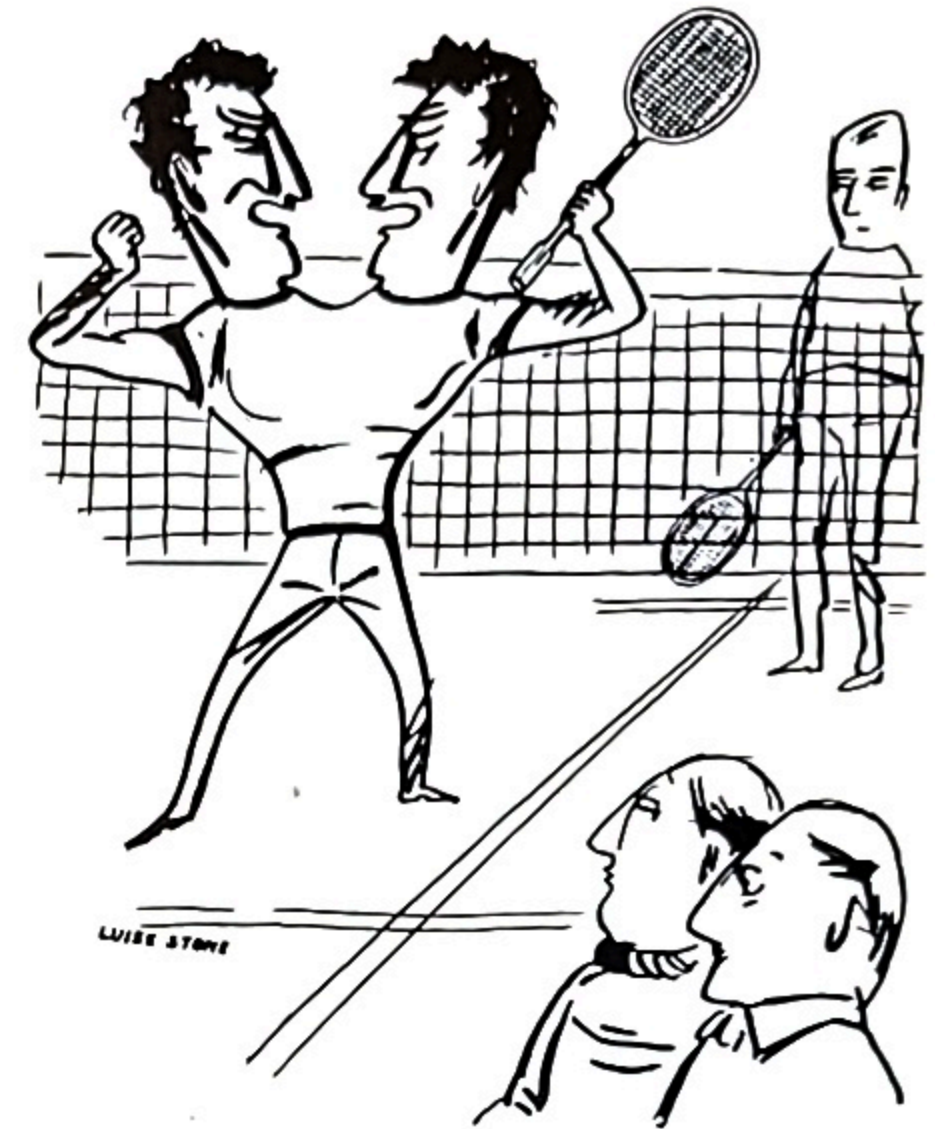
Frk A. Jacobsen beat Mrs. G. Kennedy, 12-10, 11-2.

O. Jensen and A. Lossmann beat F. M. Steele and G. Byram, 5-15, 15-12, 15-10;

Fru T. Ahm and Frk A. Jacobsen w. o., Mrs. Kennedy and Miss C. Hilarides retired.

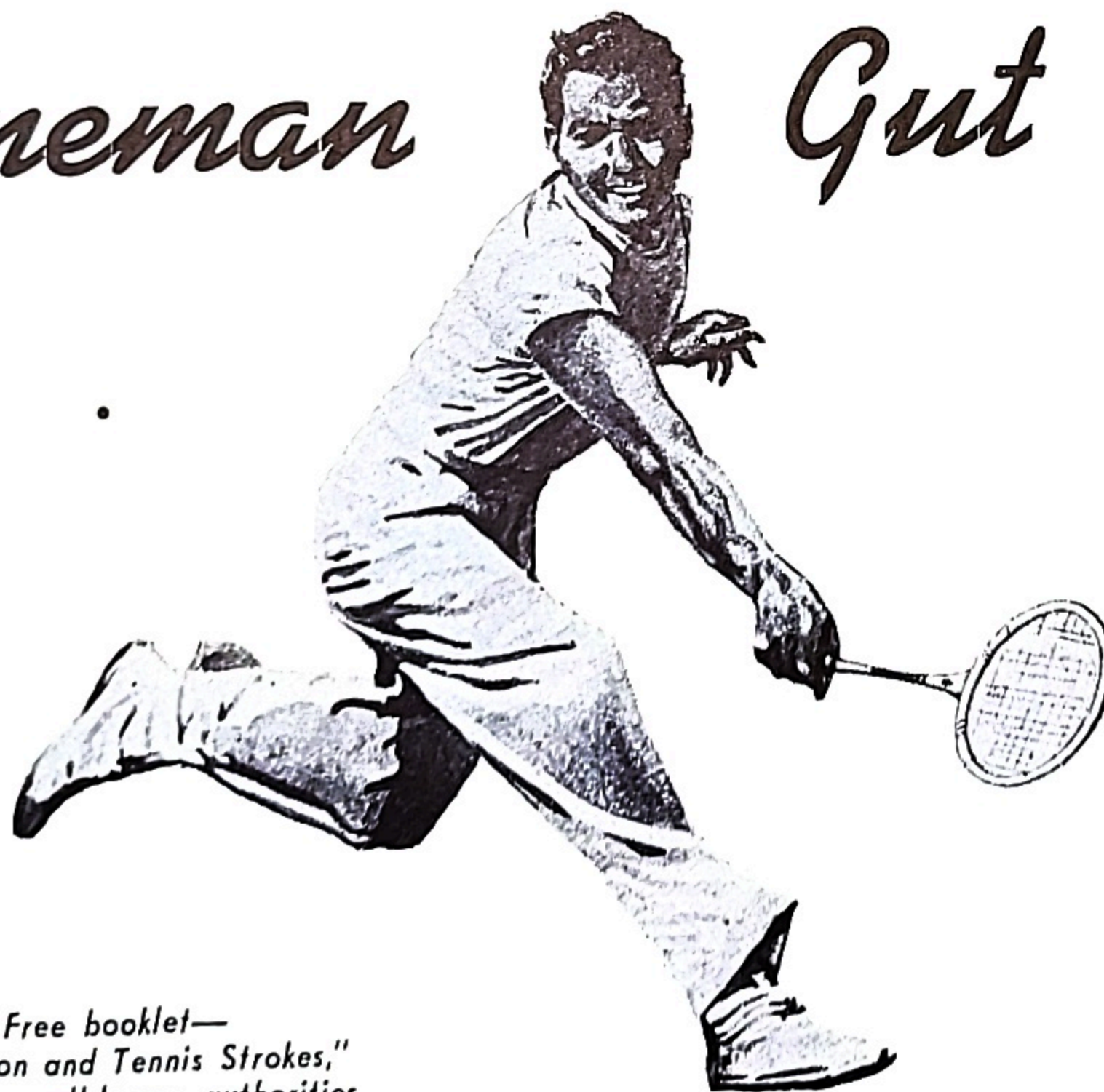
P. Holm and Frk A. Jacobsen beat G. Byram and Miss C. Hilarides, 12-15, 15-5;

15-6; beat F. M. Steele and Miss B. Steele 15-9, 15-8.



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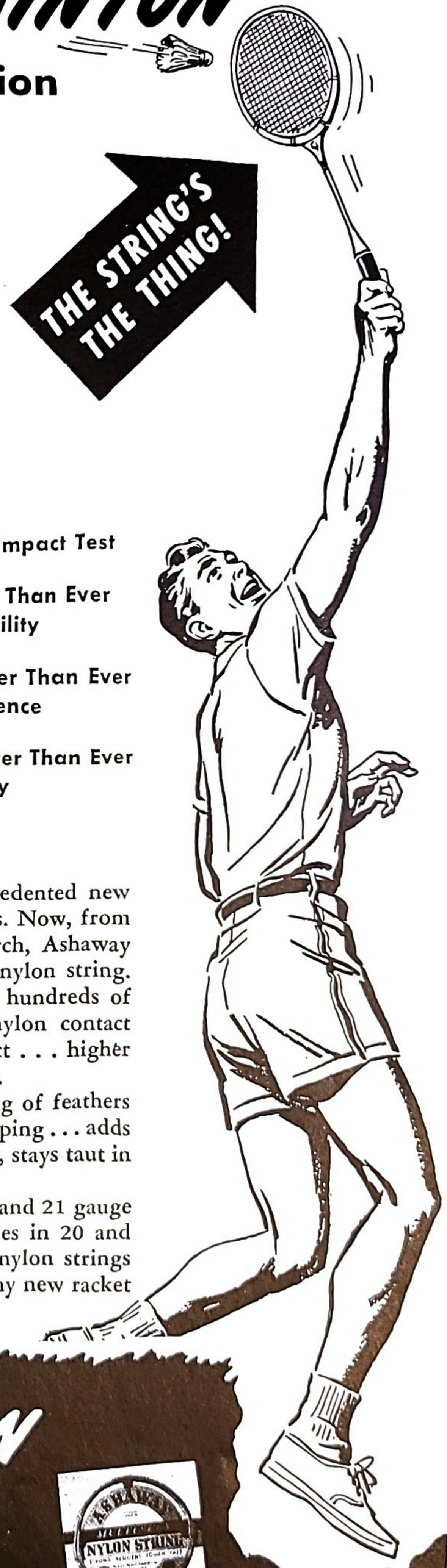
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