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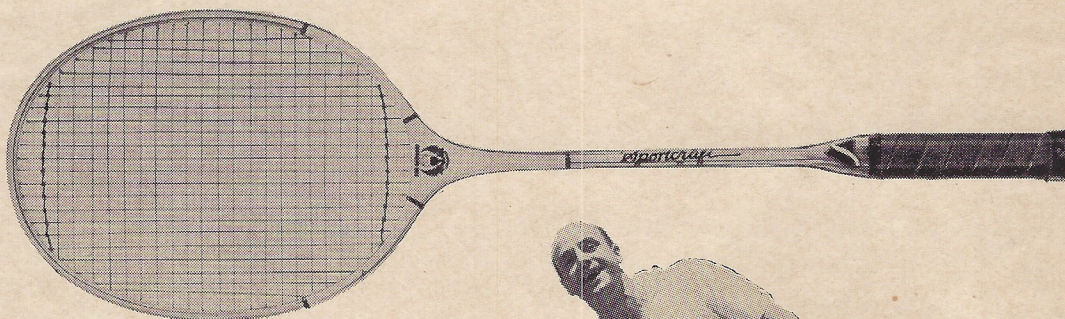
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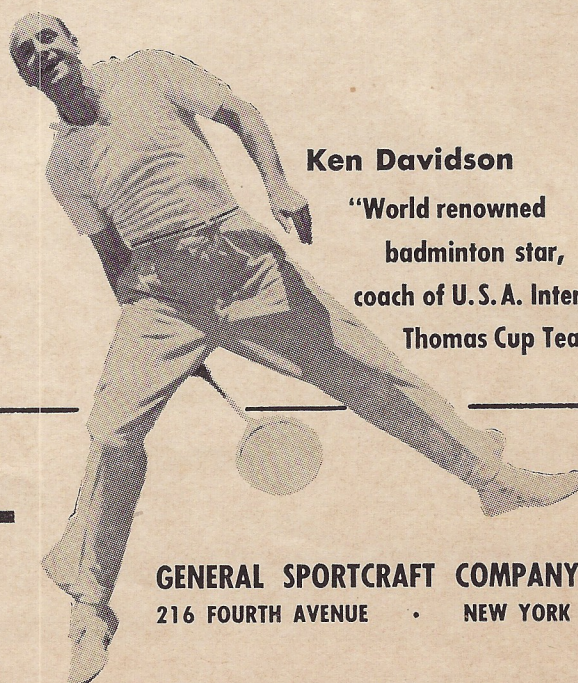
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# SPECIAL *Announcements* OF THE A.B.A.

## ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the American Badminton Association will be April 10, 1954, at the Niagara Falls Country Club in Lewiston, N.Y.

## NEW ADDRESS

Roy W. Jordan, A.B.A. President  
8220 Forsyth Blvd., St. Louis, Mo.

## RULES COMMITTEE

Mr. R. H. G. Mathews, Box 381, M.R.R. 15, Indianapolis, Indiana, has been appointed Vice-Chairman of this Committee and is now actively engaged in forming an ABA Umpires' Association and drafting rules to be submitted for action at the Directors meeting in Niagara Falls.

## DUES AND ROSTER

American Badminton Association dues, names of member clubs, together with the names and addresses of the president and secretary of each are past due and if same have not been submitted, the matter should be taken care of at once.

## AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION

Under the rules of the ABA, the Secretary is required to ask for any amendments to the Constitution to be presented at the Annual Meeting. These are supposed to be submitted to the Secretary forty-five days before the meeting and the Secretary, in turn, must submit them to Class A Associations and Class B Clubs, thirty days prior to the meeting.

## APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR

In accordance with the Constitution of the ABA, Article V—Board of Directors—Section 4, Mr. Howard Holman, 864 West Fedora Avenue, Fresno, Calif., has been voted a Director for Region No. 6—Pacific—to fill the unexpired term of Irl Maden. Term expires in 1954.

## SHUTTLECOCK ADOPTED FOR NATIONAL TOURNAMENTS

Dick Mitchell, Chairman

Open Amateur Championships of the ABA—R.S.L. Tourney Shuttlecock.

ABA National Junior Championship—Wilson Tournament Shuttlecock—T 8910.

## ABA SANCTIONED TOURNAMENTS

- Mar. 5-6—Maryland State Junior (under 18), Baltimore, Md.  
Mar. 6-7—Midwest Championships, Cleveland, Ohio  
Mar. 6-7—No. Calif. Badminton Tournament, Oakland, Calif.  
\*\*\*Mar. 12-13-14—Middle Atlantic Open, Ardmore, Pa.  
Mar. 13—10th Annual Senior, Minneapolis, Minn.  
Mar. 13—Maryland State Junior (under 13), Baltimore, Md.  
Mar. 18-19-20-21—Maryland State Championships, Baltimore, Md.  
Mar. 19-20-21—19th Annual Calif. State, Burbank, Calif.  
Mar. 19-20-21—Connecticut State Championships, Westport, Conn.  
Mar. 19-20-21—Massachusetts State Championships, Boston, Mass.  
Mar. 19-20-21—Southern Bad. Assn. Championship, New Orleans, La.  
\*\*\*Mar. 26-27—Delaware Valley Bad. Assn. "A" Championships, Phila., Pa.  
Mar. 27-28—Wisconsin State Tournament, Appelton, Wisc.  
Apr. 1-3-4 Int. Badminton Tournament of Maryland, Baltimore, Md.  
Apr. 3-4—Ohio Open, Shaker Heights, Ohio  
Apr. 7-8-9-10-11—U.S. Championships, Niagara Falls, N.Y.  
\*\*\*Note changed dates.

## APPROVAL OF SHUTTLECOCKS FOR 1953-54 SEASON

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## Annual Meeting of the Patrons Association

The annual meeting of the American Patrons Association will be held at Niagara Falls immediately following the annual meeting of the American Badminton Association, April 10, 1954.

The Advertisers in "Bird Chatter" make possible the publication of this magazine, and are contributing directly to the promotion of badminton and the development of the American Badminton Association. They deserve the highest consideration by our readers.

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# IMPORTANT *Changes* IN ABA RULES

At the 1953 National Championships in Boston, the ABA Board of Directors took action on several argumentative issues involving important changes in our operations and rules governing the National Championships.

After several years of discussion pro and con, the Championships have been opened to all amateurs affiliated through their own national organizations with the International Badminton Federation. This seems to be favored by a large proportion of the top flight American players on the grounds that it broadens competition, builds up interest in the game both among the players themselves and among the general public with the end result that they felt the popularity of our game would be increased immensely. The opponents in this matter argued that first and foremost this would no longer be a National Championship but it would become a World Championship similar to the All England Tournament. In this way, it would be quite likely that in some or even in all events, we might not have American champions at all.

This is an important problem because with a large foreign entry it makes the task of ranking American players almost impossible since our top players would not be playing one another and since our distances are so great that they do not have opportunity during the season to play one another either. To rank them from their showing in this tournament would not necessarily give us the answer because they are probably playing in different quarters and may never meet common foes wherein their respective showings could be determined accurately.

A second problem was what to do with the permanent trophies as it was not deemed practical to permit these trophies to be taken out of the country both from the standpoint of customs regulations throughout the world and the difficulty of having them returned at the proper time to be contested for the following year.

A third problem was that of traveling expense for champions whenever they happen to be from some nation other than the United States and what to do about expenses for the top Amer-

ican players who did not happen to be successful in winning the Championships.

In the face of these difficult problems the Board of Directors passed a resolution opening the National Championships to all I.B.F. affiliated amateur players for the next three years ending April 30, 1956. If no further official action occurs the Championships automatically revert at that time to a Closed U.S. National Championship as it has been heretofore. The President of the ABA was authorized to name a committee to make the nec-



essary rule changes to cover these and other problems involved in the opening of the tournament.

Mr. Charles Newhall, First Vice-President of the ABA was named to head a committee to revise the rules governing the National Championships and the following is an outline of these changes.

(1) The tournament shall be known as "The Open Amateur Championships of the American Badminton Association."

(2) Competition is restricted to players who are members of clubs in good standing affiliated with the ABA or with the IBF and who in every case are amateurs according to the rules of their own national association.

(3) Traveling expenses may be allowed any United States player competing in a current championship event provided he was either the winner of that same event in singles or was a member of the win-

ning doubles team in that same event and he is re-entering with the same partner with whom he won the championship in the last preceding championship whether Open or Closed. He may also be allowed traveling expenses if in the previous championship a foreign player or team won the event and he was runner-up or was a member of the runner-up team and is again competing with the same partner. In the event that there was no United States winner or runner-up, the Executive Committee of the ABA Board may determine whether it deems it advisable and if there is sufficient money available to pay the traveling expense of a United States player or team for that particular event.

(4) In case a perpetual championship trophy is won by some one who is not affiliated with the ABA, this trophy shall be left in the custody of the ABA and in no case may trophies be taken outside the continental limits of the United States without the written permission of the Executive Committee which constitutes the Board of Trustees for the Perpetual Trophies.

In addition to the above matters another issue confronting the Board of Directors was that of the Seeding and Placing in the Draw of the players in the National Tournament. The policy of the ABA had never been completely spelled out in the rules with regard to the exact positions in a National Tournament Draw of players Nationally ranked from the results of the previous National Tournament and other top flight competition. The Board went on record with a resolution that the President appoint a committee to write a set of rules that would in minute detail outline the policy of recognizing Nationally ranked players by putting them in their proper positions in the National Tournament. The President appointed the recently deceased Director Irl Madden of California as Chairman of this committee and a complete set of rules was established by them and has been approved by the Directors of the ABA. Of necessity these rules also cover this problem in our present Open Championships. The main points are as follows:

(1) A Seeding and Placing Committee of the ABA shall be appointed by the President consisting of three members, all of whom should be members of the Ranking Committee unless they may be determined unavailable by the President, in which event other persons may be appointed by him. These three members shall be residents of three different re-

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|--------------|----------------|----------|----------|-------------|-----------|
|              | Wednesday      | Thursday | Friday   | Saturday    | Sunday    |
| <b>April</b> | <b>7</b>       | <b>8</b> | <b>9</b> | <b>10</b>   | <b>11</b> |
|              | 1954           |          |          |             |           |

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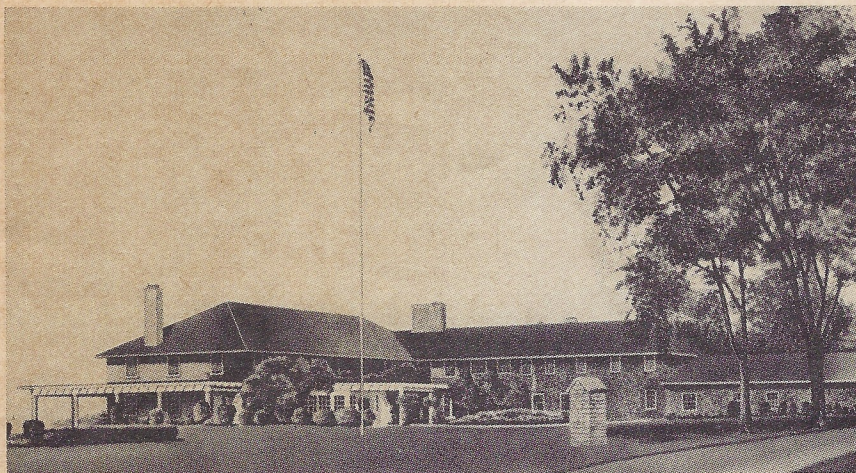
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## SITE OF 1954 NATIONALS



**Niagara Falls Country Club**

Dr. E. L. Burhyte, founder of the Western New York Badminton Association, will be the Honorary Chairman of the first Open National Tournament to be held at the beautiful Niagara Falls Country Club located in Lewiston, N.Y. R. Lindley Murray will serve as the Honorary Referee.

Dr. Donald Ross and Dr. Edward Dodge will be the tournament physicians. The Seeding and Placing Committee will be Ted Jarrett, Hulet Smith, and Ken Aderholt for the American Badminton Association. The local draw committee for the tournament is headed by Rex Rial. Phil Michlin is Chief Umpire.

Scoreboards for the tournament will be handled by Monte Halvarson. Monte has been with the Athletic Club as badminton-squash and tennis instructor for over twenty-eight years.

The first matches will start on four courts at the club house at 10 a.m. Wednesday, April 7, and continue until 11 p.m. Thursday schedule will be the same as Wednesday. Two courts will be used on Friday, April 9, for the third round of the Mixed Doubles and the second round of the quarter finals in all events. Play will start at 10 a.m. with time out for lunch at 12 noon. The Men's and Ladies' Singles quarter-finals matches will be played from 1:30 to 5 p.m. and the quarter-finals of the Men's and Ladies' Doubles will be played from 7:30 p.m. until 11 p.m. Only two courts will be used for the quarter-final matches in place of the three previously used by tournament committees.

The playing of the semi-finals on just one court certainly is for the pleasure of the spectator. One bracket

will be played from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. and the other bracket will be from 7:30 p.m. until they are finished on Saturday, April 10th. The finals will be played from 1 p.m. on Sunday, April 11th.

A parking area will be reserved for players who drive to the tourney and in the spectators gallery of the club a section will be reserved for all players. Locker rooms with cots, television and cards will be provided and each player will be assigned a locker.

The golf course will be open for those of you who wish a round of golf.

Hotels and motels will be available at moderate prices. Most reservations will be made in the Hotel Niagara. Reservation blanks should be filled out carefully and mailed early to the Housing Committee.

There will be informal dancing at the club on all evenings of the tournament with cocktail parties scheduled for Friday and Saturday.

The Annual ABA meeting and luncheon will be Saturday, April 10.

Dick Harvey urges all entrants to fill the entry blanks out carefully as well as the application for spectator tickets and it is absolutely necessary that checks for the proper amount accompany entries and applications.

### **New York in April**

Temperatures during the day are expected to be between 50 and 80 degrees and between 35 and 50 degrees at night. Some rain is expected. The daffodils will be in bloom, trees in bud with many leaves showing and many other spring flowers will be in bloom. The grass will be green.

### **For Your Information**

The playing floor is a natural wood. The walls are dark green and the ceiling is stained a dark brown.

### **Your Hosts**

The Western New York Badminton Association and the Niagara Falls Country Club.

### **Scoreboards**

Scoreboards will be placed in various places for the convenience of the spectator, and following the quarter finals a filler for the program will be printed with all scores up to the semi-finals.

Food will be available at all hours with a snack bar for players and one for guests.

A repair shop will be at the club with a complete line of equipment.

—Arrangements have to be made for parking cars and policing the area. The old 14th fairway will be used as one parking area.

—Tournament plans had to be coordinated with other international events, the Canadian championships, the All Scottish tournament at Glasgow, and the All-England championships.

—The club staff has to arrange for 400-800 meals a day and cocktail parties on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights. All meals during the week will be served buffet style.

—Chairman Dick Harvey predicts that the event will bring our club a great deal of good publicity.

### **Juniors At Senior Nationals**

The juniors of the United States will be well represented at the Senior Tournament with the number one singles champion, Judy Devlin, of Maryland, entering. Sally Thomas of New Jersey, ranked second nationally in juniors, will be sharpening her game at Niagara and so will the number 2 junior boys, John Kevorkian of Massachusetts. Others expected are: Robert Ogilvie, New York; Linda Cobb, Massachusetts; Janet Mack, New York; Rosine Capehart, New York; Virginia Ball, Maryland; Bunky Roche, Maryland; Robert Rice, New York, and Diane Myers, California.



## Places To SEE At Niagara Falls

Those of you who are coming to Niagara Falls for the first time have much to look forward to. Niagara Falls is one of the Seven Wonders of the World! What a wonderful opportunity to see some of the very best badminton in the world at our first Open National tournament and to see one of the seven wonders of the world all in the same week. There are many places for you to visit. One of the first will probably be Goat Island, lodged in the middle of the river at the brink of the Falls. From here one enjoys the view of the Upper Rapids and the river gathering momentum as it approaches the brink. A visit to the Three Sister Islands is a must before leaving Goat Island. The oldest museum in America is in Niagara Falls and worth a visit. Another must is the Falls in the evening. The night illumination of the Falls transforms the spectacle of Niagara into an almost unbelievable fantasy of color. The view from the Canada side is breathtaking.

Two miles below Niagara the Whirlpool Rapids and Great Gorge are almost as awe-inspiring as the Falls. At this point one can take an elevator from the Canada side to a promenade which affords a breathtaking view of the Rapids.

The Old Fort Niagara, located just out of Lewiston, is worth many hours of your time if you are interested in historical landmarks.

### Chronological History of the Niagara Frontier

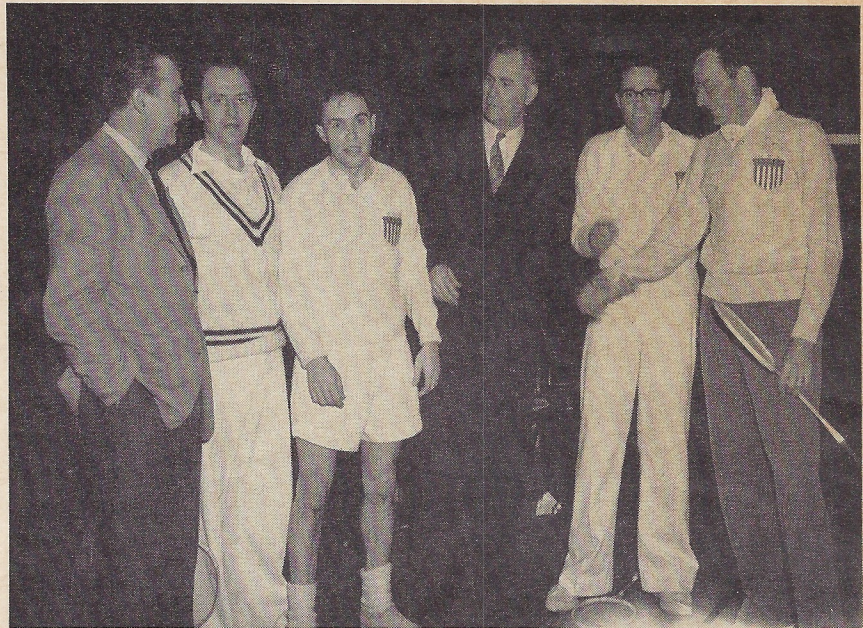
- Until 1650—Occupied by Attawandaronk, or Neuter, Indians.
- 1650 - 1678—Occupied and controlled by Seneca Indians.
- 1678 - 1759—Occupied by Indians and French. Largely controlled by French.
- 1759 - 1796—Occupied and controlled by British.
- 1796 - —United States side occupied and controlled by United States.  
—Canadian side occupied and controlled by Canada.

(Except for temporary shifting of sectional control by military forces during the War of 1812.)

The normal flow of water over the Falls is 25,000 tons per hour, or 222,400 cubic feet per second.

The present length of the American Falls, including Luna Island, is about 1,000 feet, height 165 feet.

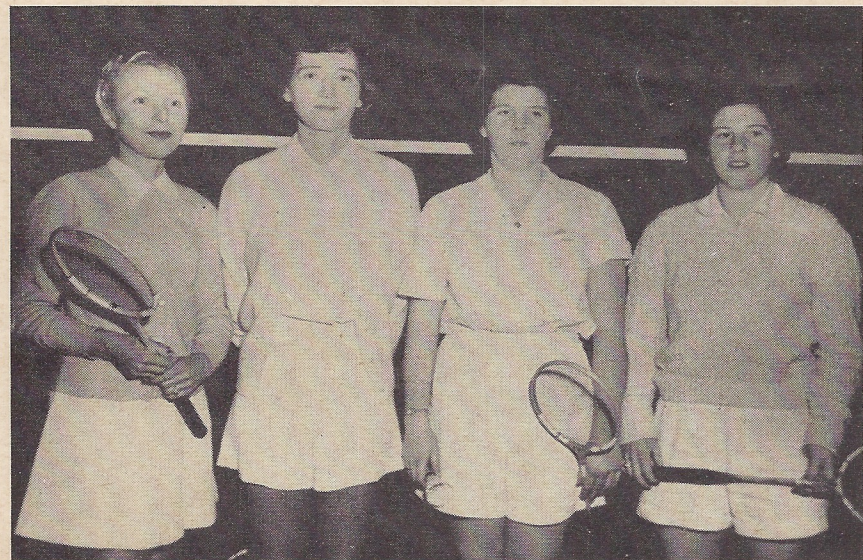
## People We Will See In Niagara



Dick Harvey, Bob Hardison, Joe Alston, Roy Winters, President N.F.C.C.,  
Bob Williams, Wynn Rogers.



## 1953 National Finalists



Thelma Scovil, Janet Wright (R.U.), Susan and Judy Devlin (Winners).

### Spectators - Tickets

All tickets will be sold by application accompanied by proper payment. Completed Ticket Applications to close March 17, 1954, and to be in the hands of George Mack, P.O. Box 537, Niagara Falls, New York. Reserved Seats will be assigned in order of receipt of applications.

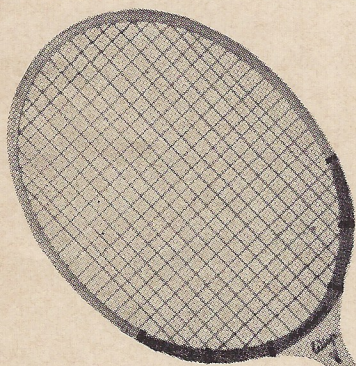


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**Important Changes  
In A.B.A. Rules**

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gions of the Association. One shall be a resident of the region where the Championships will be held or an adjoining region.

(2) This Committee shall be responsible for seeding and placing all players in the National Tournament. The Committee may delegate the preliminary preparation of a tentative seeding and placing of the draw to the local draw committee of the Championships subject to the National Committee approval or veto.

(3) The seeding and placing shall be in strict accordance with the National rankings of the ABA currently in effect in so far as they apply. No singles player nor any doubles team may be seeded or placed lower than their current National rankings. Should there be a vacancy due to the failure of such player or team to enter the event then this Committee may use its best judgment in either moving up to such vacancy the next lower Nationally ranked player or team or it may place some other team or player with an outstanding season record which the Committee considers qualifies them for such position.

(4) Foreign players shall be seeded or placed according to the best judgment of the Seeding and Placing Committee based upon the player's ranking in his own country, relative strength of his country in international play and Thomas Cup competition, and any other performance record available on the player or team.

(5) In each event not more than one United States player or team may be seeded or placed for every 8 United States players or teams entered. Likewise, one foreign player or team may be seeded or placed for every 8 foreign players or teams entered. Also, the aggregate number of foreign seedings and placements shall not exceed those of the United States seedings and placements.

(6) A schedule was also set up showing how the seedings and placings of players both domestic and foreign were to be placed in the draw.

(7) The Grant System of play shall be used.

The above two projects entailed an endless amount of detail and correspondence on the part of the two committees and of course, much of the essential detail has been left out of the above brief outline for want of space. Any one interested in all of the details should contact the ABA Secretary, H. Harpel Perkins.

**Sites of National Tournaments**

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|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1937—Chicago       | 1948—Waco          |
| 1938—Philadelphia  | 1949—Chicago       |
| 1939—New York      | 1950—Baltimore     |
| 1940—Seattle       | 1951—Dallas        |
| 1941—Cleveland     | 1952—Seattle       |
| 1942—Durham        | 1953—Boston        |
| 1943-44-45-46—None | 1954—Niagara Falls |
| 1947—Los Angeles   |                    |



## From The Niagara Falls Country Club Chatter

THOMAS HEWITT, Editor

Just to give you an idea of the mass of detailed arrangements involved in conducting this tournament, here are some of the things that have and will be done:

—Two new doors for spectators have to be cut in the walls of the badminton courts. Only players and officials will use the present entrance to the courts and spectators' gallery.

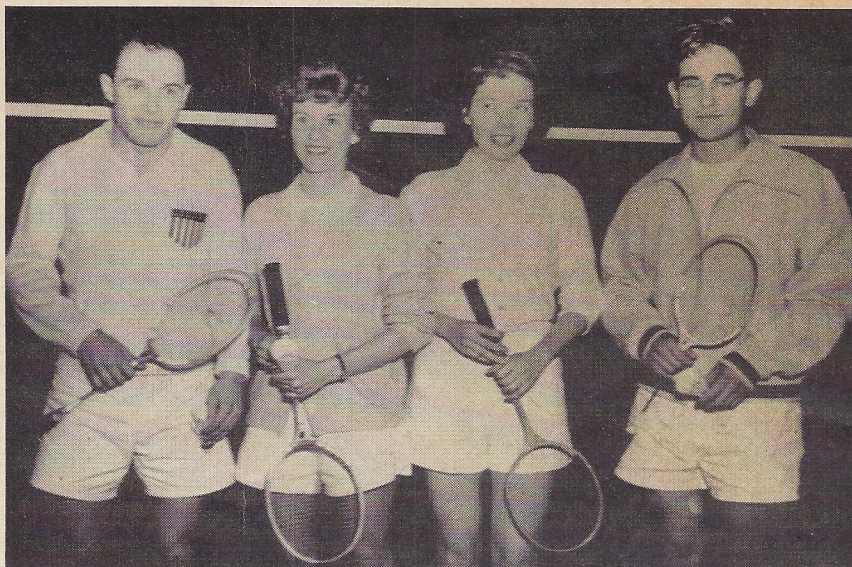
—Publicity releases have to be distributed to 15 newspapers and radio and TV stations as well as the AP and UP wire services.

—Accommodations have to be arranged for approximately 250 visiting players.

—Matches have to be scheduled over five days, using four courts for the first two days and two courts for all quarter-finals on Friday, one court for the semi-finals and finals on Saturday and Sunday.

—A 32-page program has to be edited and printed. Incidentally, members and club suppliers are urged to use this excellent advertising medium at a nominal price.

## 1953 MIXED DOUBLES



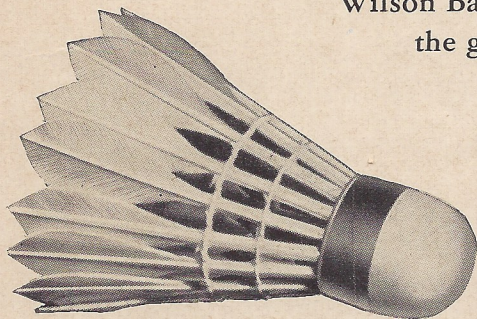
Joe and Lois Alston (Winners), Beulah Bymaster, Manuel Armendariz (R.U.).

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(Signature of Club Secretary)

Endorsed by: .....  
Signature of Class A Association Secretary or National Association Secretary

.....  
Name of National Association or U. S. Class A Association

**Send entry with proper fee to George Mack, P.O. Box 537, Niagara Falls, N.Y.**

ENTRY FEES — \$5.00 first event; \$4.00 second event; \$3.00 third event. Entries must be received on or before March 17, 1954. No entries accepted unless accompanied by entry fee.

## ENTRY CARD

Open Amateur Championships, American Badminton Association  
Niagara Falls Country Club, Lewiston, N.Y.  
April 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 1954

MEN'S SINGLES.....LADIES' SINGLES .....

LADIES DOUBLES.....My Partner's Name.....

MEN'S DOUBLES.....My Partner's Name.....

MIXED DOUBLES.....My Partner's Name.....

VETERANS' DOUBLES.....My Partner's Name.....

According to the rules and regulations of the American Badminton Association or for players from countries other than U. S. A., they must be members of Clubs in Associations of the International Badminton Federation in good standing and amateurs according to their respective national association rules.

(Print or type name here)

(Signature of entrant)

Mailing Address.....Tel No.....

\*Partner must file separate entry.

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| **    | All events Wed.-Sun. incl. Club privileges @ | 7.50    | "    | \$..... |
| ..... | Events Fri.-Sun. including Club privileges @ | 7.50    | "    | \$..... |
| ..... | Events Fri.-Sun. including Club privileges @ | 7.50    | "    | \$..... |
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\*\*Available to Country Club members only.  
\*Available only to students under 18 years of age.

## 1953 U. S. CHAMPIONSHIPS

March 31-April 4, Boston, Mass.

### Men's Singles

Quarter finals: Dave Freeman def. Mike Roche, 15-3, 15-4; Bobby Williams def. Dave Mitchell, 15-7, 15-9; Clint Stephens def. Wynn Rogers, 13-15, 15-11, 17-15; Joe Alston def. Ronnie Palmer, 15-7, 15-6.

Semi-finals: Freeman def. Williams, 12-15, 15-9, 15-5; Alston def. Stephens, 15-1, 15-1.

Finals: Freeman def. Alston, 15-11, 15-6.

### Women's Singles

Quarter finals: Ethel Marshall def. Lois Alston, 11-6, 11-1; Patsy Stephens def. Abbie Rutledge, 11-4, 11-6; Judy Devlin def. Margaret Varner, 11-8, 7-11, 11-6; Thelma Scovil def. Thelma Burdick, 11-0, 11-2.

Semi-finals: Marshall def. Stephens, 11-6, 11-1; Devlin def. Scovil, 11-7, 11-5.

Finals: Marshall def. Devlin, 11-4, 12-10.

### Doubles Finals Results

Men's: J. Alston-W. Rogers def. M. Armendariz-W. Martin, 15-5, 14-17, 15-11.

Women's: J. & S. Devlin def. T. Scovil-J. Wright, 13-15, 15-3, 15-11.

Men's Vets: W. Schell-B. Wright def. K. Aderholt-H. Perkins, 15-11, 15-11.

Mixed: J. & L. Alston def. M. Armendariz-B. Bymaster, 15-8, 15-7.

## Niagara District Championships

Niagara Falls, Ontario, January, 1954

Bea Massman, Correspondent

### Semi-Finals—Ladies' Singles

Jo Ferraraccio, Buffalo, def. Carol Wadsworth, N.F. Ont., 11-6, 11-4.

Dolores Zinteck, Buffalo, def. Betty Caloner, N.F. Ont. 11-3, 11-2.

Finals—Jo Ferraraccio def. Dolores Zinteck, 11-3, 11-5.

Bob Williams, N.F.N.Y., def. Bob Rei-

### Semi-Finals—Men's Singles

chert, N.F.N.Y., 15-2, 15-1.

Jack Moon, Toronto, def. Art Young, N.F. Ont., 15-3, 15-5.

Finals—Bob Williams def. Jack Moon, 15-3, 15-5.

### Semi-Finals—Ladies' Doubles

Marshall-Massman, Buffalo, def. Abbott-Ransome, N.F. Ont., 15-2, 15-4.

Ferraraccio-Zinteck, Buffalo, def. Young-Sauer, N.F. Ont., 15-7, 15-2.

Finals—Marshall-Massman def. Ferraraccio-Zinteck, 15-5, 15-2.

### Semi-Finals—Men's Doubles

Williams-Hardison def. J. Moon-A.Young, 15-7, 15-2.

R. Young-B. Traquair def. G. Jechls-D. Salem, 18-13, 15-4.

Finals—Williams-Hardison def. Young-Traquair, 15-7, 15-9.

### Semi-Finals—Mixed Doubles

Marshall-Hardison def. Massman-Henry, 15-2, 15-12.

Ferraraccio-Traquair def. Young-Young, 15-5, 15-3.

Finals—Marshall-Hardison def. Ferraraccio-Traquair, 15-10, 15-5.



## WHY I PLAY BADMINTON

by Bob Williams

It was either an accident or coincidence that I ever started playing badminton. Nineteen years ago the Niagara Falls Country Club erected a five court playing area near my home in Lewiston. A perfect set-up for an eleven-year-old and his friends to play "cops and robbers," finally we got the idea that badminton could be as much fun as cops and robbers and of longer interest. I have been playing since and believe it's the greatest conditioner of our time. It has brought me many opportunities to travel, but above all I love the competition.

Since playing in my first tournament at the age of thirteen I have had the privilege to meet and travel with many fine people, both officials and players. Through badminton I have traveled to the United States National Championships in Los Angeles, Boston, Seattle, and Dallas. I have been to Canada, to Scotland in 1949 and to Malaya in 1952. I have played in tournaments in England, I have played in the "Happy World Stadium" in Singapore and "Rizal Memorial Stadium" in Manila. There is no greater thrill than to represent one's own country in a sport one loves. Being a member of the Thomas Cup Team during the past years was not only the highest honor I have received, it was the "thrill" of a lifetime.

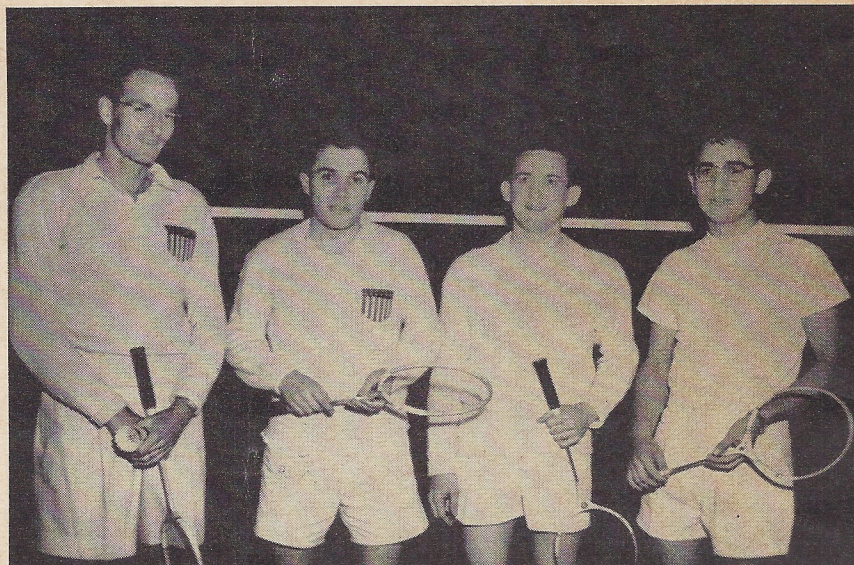
Badminton has given me a liberal education in geography; it has given me an opportunity to make lifetime friends in foreign countries.

I would recommend badminton to all youngsters as a sport for the future as it develops speed, coordination, quick thinking and stamina. It is a sport to be enjoyed for many many years (singles not recommended), like golf by people of all ages, it can become a family game. The great veterans team that compete in our National tourneys prove to us it is a wonderful game.

I enjoy playing badminton because the player can control the game and make it as easy or as tough as he likes—the bird can be hit back and forth or one can chase his opponent from one end of the court to the other. Either way, it is a lot of fun and it all adds up to "Badminton."

Just another coincidence (Ed. note: I object I planned it this way) I

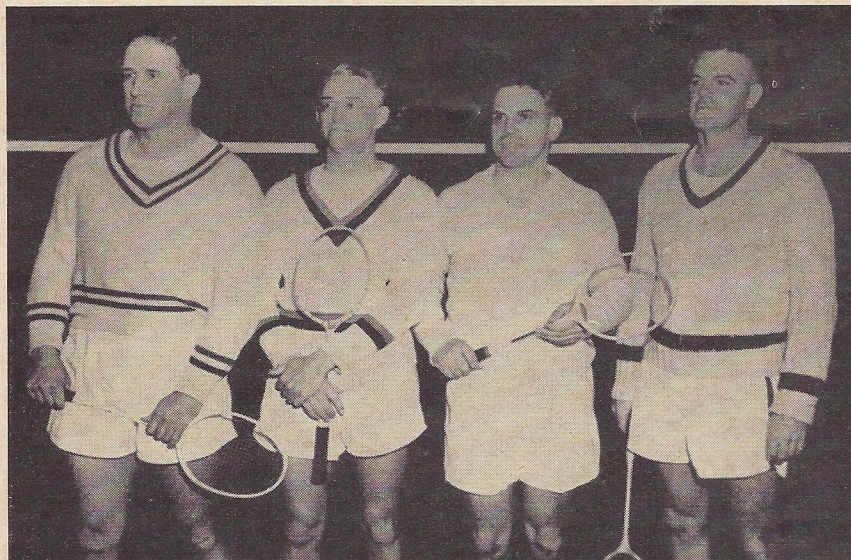
## 1953 MEN'S DOUBLES



Wynn Rogers-Joe Alston (Winners), Buzz Martin-Manuel Armendariz (R.U.).



## 1953 VETERANS' DOUBLES



Ken Aderholt-Herp Perkins (R.U.), Wayne Schell-Bob Wright (Winners).

would like to mention before closing—the place where I learned to play is the site of our "First Open National Championships," April 7-11 of this year. Hope to see you ALL there!



It is a fault if the server's feet are not in the service-court from which service is at the time being in order, or if the feet of the player receiving the service are not in the service-court diagonally opposite until the service is delivered.



# BADMINTON PERSONALITY

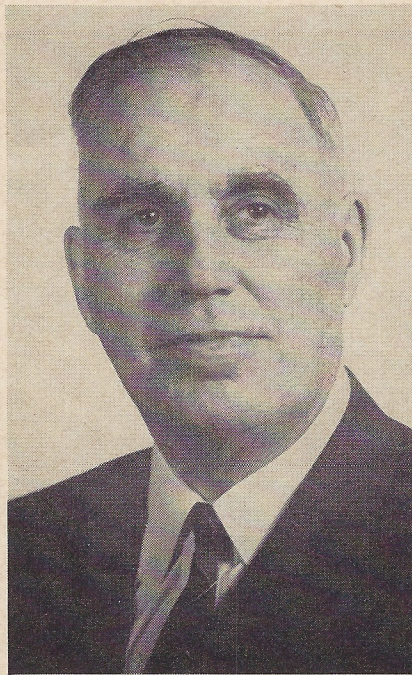
Our badminton personality for this issue was born in Ritzville, Washington, October 16, 1888. His badminton career began in 1933 when he started playing twice a week and sometimes four times a week. He is still playing as often, and is none other than Tim Royce, who has served badminton in various ways.

On April 30, 1911, he married Ola Butler of Spokane. In the fall of 1912 they moved to Seattle where they have lived since. They have two children, a son Robert, and a daughter, Mrs. Jess Rounds, and four grand-children, Peggy Royce 9, Susy Royce 7, Harriet Rounds 12, and Tim Rounds 10, all living in Seattle. Tim writes that he is having some success in encouraging the grandchildren to play his favorite game.

In 1940 he teamed with George McCook, of Pasadena, to win the National Championship Veterans' Doubles event. In the January, 1943, issue of "Bird Chatter" the correspondent wrote, "We note, from our score sheet, that our 'star-reporter,' Tim Royce, succumbed in the first round of singles after a tough three game match. He bounced right back in the mixed, though, and was in there pitching up to the quarters."

Tim has written articles off and on for B.C. since 1942. During that year the Seattle Invitational Handicap Tournament charged 75¢ per person with shuttles and trophies supplied.

In 1946 he served as vice-president



of the ABA and as director of Region Six. He served on the Amateur Status Committee and the Constitutional Revision Committee during 1946-47. Tim was mentioned in Bird Chatter that year as one of Seattle's great badminton stars.

Tim served as president of the ABA from April, 1948 to April, 1950.

He has served on the Thomas Cup Committee and is chairman of the Handbook Committee. He served as executive secretary of Bird Chatter for one year and was honorary chair-

man of the 12th Annual United States National Tournament held in Seattle.

His hobbies besides badminton are history, biography and geography.

Tim is a very successful lawyer in Seattle and is in general practice with his son at 3002 Smith Tower. In his letter to your editor, Tim placed the following after the last sentence (advt.), which shows he is on his toes.

The publication of "Eminent Judges and Lawyers of the Northwest," being published in Palo Alto, has been asking Tim for a biography (not written for lack of material according to Tim). Photographers took pictures three months ago and our personality refused to buy either pictures or the book and, says Tim, "They still want it—the biography, that is."

Tim belongs to two clubs, more or less, the Queen Anne and the Racqueteurs. George Pratt, a newspaper reporter, once said, "Mrs. Royce does not play badminton but she is not a badminton widow either, she is the best spectator the game has."

Following are Tim's own words in explanation of the "T.M." "Even when I was admitted to the bar of the Supreme Court of the United States, they were satisfied with the initials 'T.M.' Never questioned about them. I really think they were more interested in the \$25.00 admission fee than anything else." (We are much more curious than the U.S.—T.M. stands for Thompson Morton.)

Our thanks to Jack Doyle for the very fine picture of Tim.

## NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

| MEN'S SINGLES |                  | LADIES' SINGLES   |  |
|---------------|------------------|-------------------|--|
| 1937          | Walter Kramer    | Mrs. Del Barkhuff |  |
| 1938          | Walter Kramer    | Mrs. Del Barkhuff |  |
| 1939          | David G. Freeman | Mary E. Whitmore  |  |
| 1940          | David G. Freeman | Evelyn Boldrick   |  |
| 1941          | David G. Freeman | Thelma Kingsbury  |  |
| 1942          | David G. Freeman | Evelyn Boldrick   |  |
| 1943-46       | No competition   | No competition    |  |
| 1947          | David G. Freeman | Ethel Marshall    |  |
| 1948          | David G. Freeman | Ethel Marshall    |  |
| 1949          | Marten Mendez    | Ethel Marshall    |  |
| 1950          | Marten Mendez    | Ethel Marshall    |  |
| 1951          | Joe Alston       | Ethel Marshall    |  |
| 1952          | Marten Mendez    | Ethel Marshall    |  |
| 1953          | David G. Freeman | 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           |
| 1952    | Wynn Rogers - Joe Alston           |
| 1953    | Wynn Rogers - Joe Alston           |

### LADIES' DOUBLES

|      |                                  |
|------|----------------------------------|
| 1937 | Mrs. Del Barkhuff - Zoe G. Smith |
|------|----------------------------------|

|         |                                    |
|---------|------------------------------------|
| 1938    | Mrs. Roy C. Bergman - Helen Gibson |
| 1939    | Mrs. De Barkhuff - Zoe G. Smith    |
| 1940    | Elizabeth Anselm - Helen Zabriskie |
| 1941    | Thelma Kingsbury - 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           |
| 1952    | Ethel Marshall - Beatrice Massman  |
| 1953    | Judy Devlin - Susan Devlin         |

### MIXED DOUBLES

|         |  |
|---------|--|
| 1937    | Hamilton Law - Mrs. Del Barkhuff         |
| 1938    | Hamilton Law - Mrs. Del Barkhuff         |
| 1939    | Richard O. Yeager - Zoe G. Smith         |
| 1940    | David G. Freeman - Sally L. Williams     |
| 1941    | David G. Freeman - Sally L. Williams     |
| 1952    | 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            |
| 1952    | Wynn Rogers - Helen Tibbetts             |
| 1953    | Joe Alston - Mrs. Joe Alston             |

### 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  |
| 1952    | Howard Holman - Fred Fullin  |
| 1953    | Wayne Schell - Robert Wright |

The server and the player served must stand within the limits of their respective service-courts (as bounded by the short and the long service, the central, and side lines), and some part of both feet of these players must remain in contact with the ground in a stationary position until the service is delivered. A foot on or touching a line in the case of either the server or the receiver shall be held to be outside his service-court, Law 14 (c). The respective partners may take up any position, provided they do not unsight or otherwise obstruct an opponent.





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# 1954 NATIONAL JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

of the  
**AMERICAN BADMINTON ASSOCIATION**

to be held at  
**The Orange Armory, 261 Williams St., Orange, N. J.**

on  
**APRIL 15, 16, 17, 1954**

Co-sponsored by  
**Upsala College of E. Orange, N.J. & The New Jersey Badminton Assn.**



**Kenbrook Hall**

## **UPSALA COLLEGE**

Upsala (pronounced up-SA-la) is a college of liberal arts and science, dedicated to the cause of Christian higher education. Upsala was founded in 1893 and Lars Herman Beck was the first president. The college is located in East Orange, New Jersey, and has a spacious campus in a suburban setting within easy access to New York City. Upsala participates in all regular college sports and won the

Intercollegiate Table Tennis championship in 1950 by defeating Temple U. in the finals at Philadelphia.

Representatives of the college will be Theodore Fleck, professor of biology, and member of the faculty athletic committee; Don Heines, dean of men, and George Fenwick, director of public relations. Mr. Fenwick is also serving as a member of the publicity committee for the Junior Nationals.

## **JUNIORS — ORANGE, N. J.**

By Don Kerr

Entries will close on March 24, giving five weeks to mail entries in complete with entry fees, birth dates and parents' signature. The tournament will be played at the Armory in

Orange, New Jersey. The Armory is less than one mile from the college where the juniors will be housed. Transportation will be furnished in the morning and afternoon and several cars will be available during the day to take care of odd hour transportation. There is a college snack

shop on the edge of the campus, where the players may obtain breakfast. A snack bar will operate in the Armory during playing hours.

If the entry is not too large the semi-finals will be played off on Friday night and the finals Saturday night. A party is planned for Friday night. Sporting activities or entertainment is not allowed by the college on Easter Sunday. If the entry is particularly large, some of the players will have to play matches during the day Saturday and the semi-finals would have to be Saturday afternoon.

A sightseeing tour is being planned for the day Saturday if playing time does not interfere.

The tournament is being partially financed by "hosts"—individuals who contribute \$20 and receive eight season tickets to the tournament and their name listed on the program. Whether you plan to go to New Jersey for the Junior Nationals or not this is your opportunity to help the National Junior Badminton program. Checks should be mailed to the tournament director.

## **Junior Rankings of The A.B.A.**

Junior rankings were drawn up initially by Mrs. J. Frank Devlin of the Junior Activities Committee on the basis of all available tournament records, with heavy reliance on the results of the Junior National Championships.

In view of the very limited amount of intersectional play among Juniors and recognizing that performances in the Junior National Championships constitute the principal basis for comparisons, the committee offers these rankings with the confidence that they are the best obtainable under current conditions.

Serving on the ranking committee were Edwin S. Jarrett, Chairman; Thelma Burdick, J. Spencer Davis, Buzz Martin, Beatrice Massman, William Oliver, James Paull and Janet Wright.

(ED NOTE: Rankings of the Junior Singles players appeared in the January issue.)

If, when in play, the shuttle strikes the net and remains suspended there, or strikes the net and falls toward the ground on the striker's side of the net, or hits the ground outside the court and an opponent then touches the net or shuttle with his racket or person, there is no penalty, as the shuttle is not then in play.



## JUNIOR COMMITTEE MEETS



Seated: Carl Fix, Kay Sitterly, Don Kerr, Paddy Shaw, Ralph Davids.  
Standing: Art Atkinson. Lying: "Mike."

## TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE OF THE JUNIOR NATIONALS

|                        |                             |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Donald Kerr.....       | General Chairman, Publicity |
| Art Atkinson.....      | Treasurer                   |
| Paddy Shaw.....        | Program                     |
| Cephas Monnett.....    | Referee                     |
| Fay Shaw.....          | Hosts; Program Advertising  |
| Bill Bredenberg.....   | Program Adv.; Hosts         |
| Rosine Capehart.....   | Hosts                       |
| Mrs. Grace Devlin..... | Chaperone                   |
| Ralph Davidson.....    | Trophy                      |
| Carl Fix.....          | Trophy                      |
| Harold Daume.....      | Publicity                   |
| George Fenwick.....    | Publicity                   |

If a player has a chance of striking the shuttle in a downward direction when near the net, his opponent must not put up his racket near the net on the chance of the shuttle rebounding from it. This is obstruction within the meaning of Law 14 (j). A player may, however, hold up his racket to protect his face from being hit if he does not thereby balk an opponent.

It is a fault if, when the shuttle is "in play" a player touches the net or its supports with racket, person or dress.

## CONDITIONS OF THE TOURNAMENTS

The tournaments will be conducted under the official rules of the American Badminton Association and in accordance with the Grant System.

Play will commence promptly at 9:00 A.M. for those competitors who have been so notified, unless excused by approval of the Committee. It is contemplated that no matches will be called after 9:30 P.M.

Competitors absent when called upon to play will be defaulted without exception.

Umpires and approved shuttles will be provided for each match.

Every effort will be made to find partners for those entrants who wish to play in the doubles events but have no partners, provided they signify their wishes on the entry forms and include the entry fee for such events.

The Tournament Committee reserves the right to add to or alter the conditions of the tournament, provided they do not conflict with the official rules of play or the Grant System, and subject to the approval of the American Badminton Association's representative present at the Championships.

The Committee reserves the right to refuse any entry without assigning any reason for so doing. Decisions of the Committee will be final in all matters. All competitors are expected to obey any and all rules laid down by the Tournament Committee.

All competitors are requested to wear white clothing while on the courts.

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### PRIZES—

The challenge trophies are held by the winners for one year. Suitable prizes will be awarded to the winners and runners-up in all events of both tournaments.

**ELIGIBILITY**—Competition will be restricted to amateurs who had not reached their 18th birthday prior to October 1, 1953, and who are citizens of the United States or aliens who

have established residence within the United States for one continuous year preceding the Championship Tournament. A Tournament consisting of the five regular events will be held for those eligible entrants who had not reached their 15th birthday prior to October 1, 1953. Any player may enter both Tournaments but will be limited to three events.

**ENTRIES**—Entries must be made on the attached form and entries must be endorsed by a parent or guardian. They must be in the hands of Donald Kerr, 320 Claremont Avenue, Montclair, N.J., Montclair 3-5798, not later than March 24, 1954.

**ENTRY FEES**—Entry Fees are \$3.00 per person for singles and \$2.00 per person for doubles. Fees for the "15 and under" Tournament will be \$1.00 per person, per event.

**BLANKET CHARGE**—A blanket charge amounting to \$10.00 will be made for each person entering the Junior Championships or "15 and under" Tournament, entitling each player—without additional charge—to housing in the dormitory at Upsala College, a "get together" Tea, Thursday from 5 to 7; the annual luncheon on Friday, a wiener roast and square dance Friday night, and a tour of New York City (the Statue of Liberty, the Empire State Bldg., etc.) on Saturday.

Make check or money order covering both appropriate entry fee and blanket \$10.00 charge payable to "National Junior Championships."

**NO ENTRY WILL BE ACCEPTED UNLESS ACCOMPANIED BY PROPER ENTRY FEE AND BLANKET CHARGE.**

**REGISTRATION**—All entrants will register at Kenbrook Hall, corner Prospect and Springdale, East Orange, N.J., between the hours of 6:00 and 8:00 P.M. Wednesday or between 8:30 and 9:00 A.M. Thursday at the Orange Armory, 261 William St., Orange, N.J., OR 3-0483, unless a schedule card has been received by the player giving a later time.

### EVENTS—

The following Championship events will be held:

BOYS SINGLES      BOYS DOUBLES  
GIRLS SINGLES    GIRLS DOUBLES  
and MIXED DOUBLES

The same events will be held in the "15 and under" Tournament.

### ADMISSION—

If sufficient time and court space permit, consolation events will be held in the Junior Championships and in the "15 and under" Badminton Tournament in singles only. Competitors in each tournament who have lost their first matches will be automatically entered in these events.

### CONSOLATIONS—

Each competitor will receive a tournament pass upon registration. Tickets for admission to the Championships will be as follows:

Adult Season Tickets \$2.50 tax inc.  
Adult Single Ticket \$1.00 tax inc.  
Student Season Ticket \$1.00 tax inc.  
Student Single Ticket .50 tax inc.

There will be no general reserved seats, but the Committee reserves the right to set aside seats or sections for special purposes.

### HOUSING ACCOMMODATIONS—

The players will be housed in the Upsala dormitories unless they state otherwise on their entry blank. Some accommodations will be held until April 1st for parents — \$11.00 double, including breakfast.

Send Check or Money Order to Fay Shaw, 77 South Mountain Avenue, Montclair, N. J. MO 2-3975 M to reach her no later than March 30th.

Entrants will be met at Newark, N. J. Trains, Bus, or Air Terminals if informed of date, train or flight number, and time of arrival.



# NATIONAL and INTERNATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

by Ken Davidson  
Chairman, Overseas Players Committee

## Not Two, but Four, Malayans Are Coming

Eddy and David Choong, the Malayan brothers studying in London, are planning to play in the U.S.A. National Championships at the Niagara Falls Country Club, N.Y., on April 7-11. In addition, the Badminton Association of Malaya has cabled entries in the Men's Singles, and as a Men's Doubles team, for Ooi Teik Hock, the great hero of Malaya's Thomas Cup matches of 1949, and Ong Poh Lim, that loose-jointed, unorthodox but highly effective bundle of perpetual motion.

The entry of these four Malayans presents a tremendous challenge to our American players. It would be impossible to choose four better all around visitors to enter our first open National Championships. Any one of these four Malayan boys of Chinese extraction would prove an attraction, but with four of them coming over the spectators are assured of many exciting and thrilling contests.

Strong as the Malayans are, they can be beaten, as instanced by Bob Williams and Wynn Rogers beating Malaya's champions, Chan Kon Leong and A. Piruz, in the 1952 Thomas Cup matches in Singapore, and Marten Mendez's victory over Ooi Teik Hock in Singles during the same Tie. But our American boys must be at their best because all these Malayans enter wholeheartedly and fervently into their matches, particularly when they are representing their country.

Although the Choongs have not represented Malaya in International matches, simply because they were studying in Britain at the time of the 1952 Thomas Cup competition, many suspect they are the strongest Men's Doubles pair in the world today. David, present holder, with Miss June White, the All-England Mixed Doubles title, is undoubtedly a sound doubles player of the highest standard. He has a particularly effective smash.

Eddy, the younger brother, is the present All-England Singles champion and is confident that he will successfully defend this title in March prior to his flying over here. However, al-

though he has been carrying off dozens of Singles trophies throughout Europe, he will run into tougher opposition at Niagara Falls. He can expect challenges from Ooi Teik Hock, a quiet-spoken, brainy player who rarely plays the wrong shot and who is a tremendous fighter of the Dick Mitchell type—won't give up till the last point is scored—who, on two occasions, took games from the unbeaten Dave Freeman in 1949; and from Ong Poh Lim, whose whirlwind methods upset the best and create much amusement with the crowd. Then, too, Don Smythe, Canadian Champion, who is an unexpected entrant, split wins with Eddy during the January tour of Canada by the Choong brothers, beating Eddy in three games at Montreal, and losing in two games in the finals of the Strathgowan Tournament in Toronto. Since both Joe Alston and Marten Mendez own wins over Don Smythe, it doesn't need too much imagination to see the intriguing possibilities of such a power-packed entry as will be at Niagara Falls.

With all the great matches already in prospect, the stands should be packed to overflowing at each session of the five-day tournament. But it is hoped that, before the March 17 dead-line for entries, other Internationalists from countries such as Sweden, Denmark, India, Mexico and Great Britain will add further color and interest to this, the first open U.S.A. Nationals.

While emphasis so far has been on the men, because of the four Malayans already entered, there is no thought of overlooking the ladies. At the moment, there has been no indication that there will be any female entry from overseas but it is expected that there will be a strong entry from our friendly rivals north of the border, Canada, who gave evidence at the Strathgowan Tournament that they present a strong challenge to our United States girls, particularly in doubles. Such United States representatives as Judy Devlin, Margaret Varner, Thelma Scovil Welcome, Lois Alston, Abbie Rutledge, Sue Devlin,

Janet Wright, Beulah Bymaster, Loma Smith, Dottie Hann, Helen Gibson, Ethel Marshall and Bea Massman will meet this challenge.

Although more mention has been made of outside-the-border players, simply to bring their records to the notice of "Bird Chatter" readers, it is hoped and expected that there will be a large entry of United States players from all parts of the country, drawn to Niagara Falls to see all the newcomers to our shores and to help repel the onslaught on our National titles expected from the visitors. Naturally, our hopes of success will be with our home players, but all our visitors can be assured that they will be welcome guests and will receive applause and encouragement equal to the degree of their skill and efforts on the court.

## Americans Dominate Canadian District Jr. Badminton Tourney

Bea Massman, Correspondent

The Niagara Falls Tennis & Badminton Club in Niagara Falls, Ontario, held its first annual Niagara District Open Junior Badminton Tournament Saturday, Dec. 19th. Some sixty junior players from nearby Pelham and Merriton, Ontario, and Lewiston and Buffalo, New York, took part in the events.

### Under 13 Years of Age

Boys' Singles—Richie Wiley, Buffalo, def. Bob Scharmach, Buffalo, 15-10, 12-15, 15-3.

Girls' Singles—Maureen Mulholland def. Pat McCarter (N.F. Ont.) 11-0, 11-0.

Boys' Doubles—Wiley-Scharmach, Buffalo, def. Bill Campbell-Andy Henderson (N.F. Ont.) 15-4, 15-5.

Mixed Doubles—Jerry Rickert-M. Mulholland, Lewiston, def. Roger Hooker-Pat McCarter, Lewiston, 15-5, 15-3.

### Under 15 Years of Age

Boys' Singles—Gary McFarland, Lewiston, def. Glenn Hackett (L.) 15-3, 15-5.

Girls' Singles—Joan Dulak, Buffalo, def. Ardiene Shisholm (N.F. Ont.) 11-0, 11-1.

Boys' Doubles—Hackett-Reickert (L.) def. Larry Beemer-Ed. Bogomony (N.F. Ont.) 15-6, 15-7.

Girls' Doubles—Dulak-Mulholland (B) def. Chisholm-Judy Hatter (N.F. Ont.) 15-4, 15-4.

Mixed Doubles—Hackett-Judy Harvey (L) def. Beemer-Marilyn Brown (N.F.) 15-6, 15-8.

### Under 18 Years of Age

Boys' Singles—Gary Ogilvie (L) def. Jack Greene (N.F.) 15-1, 15-10.

Girls' Singles—Linda Harvey (L) def. Judy Harvey (L) 11-4, 11-5.

Boys' Doubles—Ogilvie-McFarland (L) def. Greene-Chisvin (N.F.) 15-3, 15-3.

Girls' Doubles—Eda Gilkey, Buffalo, L. Harvey (L) def. J. Harvey-S. Crafts (L) 15-4, 8-15, 15-7.

Mixed Doubles—Ogilvie-Crafts (L) def. McFarland-L. Harvey (L) 15-11, 15-4.

The Tournament Committee included: Ian McCallum (N.F.), Bea Massman and Ethel Marshall (Buffalo), Ted Perry (Lewiston), Fred Cartwell (Merriton).



# RANKINGS

## 1953 - 1954

### Men's Singles

1. Dave Freeman California
2. Joe Alston California
3. Martin Mendez California
4. Clint Stephens Maryland
5. Bob Williams New York
6. Wynn Rogers California
7. Dick Mitchell California
8. Ronnie Palmer New Jersey
9. Stan Sangdahl Ohio
10. Bill Berry California

### Men's Doubles

1. Joe Alston California  
Wynn Rogers California
2. Manny Armendariz California  
Buzz Martin California
3. Bob Williams New York  
Bob Hardison New York
4. Mike Hartgrove California  
Allen Mahaffey California
5. Carl Loveday California  
Dick Mitchell California
6. Earl Boston Illinois  
Lee Robinson Illinois
7. Ken Aderholt Missouri  
Herpel Perkins Missouri
8. Noel Fehm Connecticut  
Harry Quinn Connecticut
9. Ray Young New York  
B. Traquair New York
10. Harry Hackett Pennsylvania  
Ronnie Palmer New Jersey

### Ladies' Singles

1. Ethel Marshall New York
2. Judy Devlin Maryland
3. Thelma Scovil California
4. Patsy Stephens Maryland
5. Abbie Rutledge Texas
6. Lois Alston California
7. Joan Gibbs California
8. Thelma Burdick Illinois
9. Lee Chadbourne Massachusetts
10. Beulah Bymaster California

### Ladies' Doubles

1. Judy Devlin Maryland  
Sue Devlin Maryland
2. Thelma Scovil California  
Janet Wright California
3. Ethel Marshall New York  
Bea Massman New York

4. Helen Gibson Connecticut
- Eleanor Raymond Connecticut
5. Abbie Rutledge Indiana
- Mildred Sirwaitis Michigan
6. Dottie Hann California
- Connie Taylor California
7. Thelma Burdick Illinois
- Eleanor Coombs Illinois
8. Patsy Stephens Maryland
- Charlotte Decker Wash'gtn, D.C.
9. Shirley Anderson California
- Jeanne Kirby California
10. Joan Gibbs California
- Jean Gibbs California

### Mixed Doubles

1. Joe Alston California  
Lois Alston California
2. Wynn Rogers California  
Loma Smith California
3. Manny Armendariz California  
Beulah Bymaster California
4. Clint Stephens Maryland  
Patsy Stephens Maryland
5. Buzz Martin California  
Dottie Hann California
6. Irl Madden California  
Janet Wright California
7. Wayne Schell Massachusetts  
Helen Gibson Connecticut
8. Earl Boston Illinois  
Eleanor Coombs Illinois
9. Mike Hartgrove California  
Jean Gibbs California
10. Bob Stille Ohio  
Mary Stille Ohio

### Veterans' Doubles

1. Mayne Schell Massachusetts  
Bob Wright Massachusetts
2. Ken Aderholt Missouri  
Herpel Perkins Missouri
3. Ozzie Hilton California  
Howard Holman California
4. Lewis Rulison California  
Hulet Smith California
5. Herb Fehrenbach New York  
Phil Michlin New York
6. Don Smith California  
Dan McArthur California
7. Rayner Hutchinson Massachusetts  
George Wightman Massachusetts
8. Bill Gibbs Illinois  
John Prest Illinois

## Personals

Joe Alston was recently elected a director of the Southern California Badminton Association.

The Northern California Tournament has been moved to the Athens Club in Oakland and will be March 6 and 7.

Thelma Scovil defeated Gertrude Irish 6-4, 6-0 in the Ladies' Veterans event of the Los Angeles Tennis Championships played the first week-end in February in Los Angeles. Alice Marble presented the trophies.

### British Columbia Championships Victoria, B.C., January 22-23, 1954

Jack van Praag, Correspondent

#### Men's Singles—Semi-Finals

Joe Alston def. Darryl Thompson, 15-0, 15-7.

Eddie Choong def. Dave McTaggart, 15-9, 15-10.

Finals—Choong def. Alston, 15-8, 15-13.

#### Ladies' Singles—Semi-Finals

Miss Reed def. Clair Lovett, 11-7, 11-9.

Miss Bardsley def. Lois Alston, 11-7, 11-5.

Finals—Reed def. Bardsley, 11-8, 11-10.

#### Men's Doubles—Semi-Finals

Choong - Choong def. Bouck - Thompson, 15-4, 15-7.

Alston-Rogers def. Benham-Phillips, 15-8, 18-15.

Finals—Choong-Choong def. Alston-Rogers, 15-5, 15-6.

#### Ladies' Doubles—Finals

Alston - Bymaster def. Beardsley - Reed, 3-15, 15-12, 15-14.

#### Mixed Doubles—Semi-Finals

Thompson-Beardsley def. Alston-Alston, 11-15, 17-15, 15-12.

Rogers-Bymaster def. Dave Choong-Reed, 15-3, 15-7.

Finals—Rogers-Bymaster def. Thompson-Bardsley, 15-9, 15-5.

### INDIANA TOURNEY

#### Earlham College, November 4

LS—Abbie Rutledge, Purdue, def. Thelma Burdick, Chicago, 11-7, 11-4.

MS—Vic VandeVen, Detroit, def. Vic Pritula, Detroit, 15-7, 15-10.

LD—Coombs-Burdick def. Stille-Lillard, Cincinnati, 15-5, 15-11.

MD—VandeVen-Pritula def. Boston-Robinson, Chicago, 15-8, 13-15, 15-11.

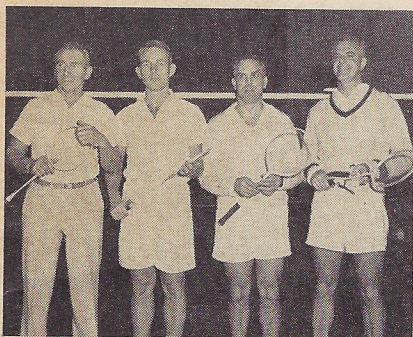
MX—Boston-Coombs def. Stille-Stille, 15-12, 15-9.

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# From Coast...

## WESTPORT MEN'S DOUBLES



Fred Fullin, Ken Kost, Wayne Schell,  
Bob Wright.

## MARYLAND

### International Badminton Tournament

The Maryland Badminton Association is sponsoring this year the most outstanding badminton event to be held in the City of Baltimore since the Thomas Cup Exhibition of 1949 and the U.S. National Championships in 1950. To be held on the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th days of April, this tournament, officially called the International Badminton Tournament of Maryland and taking place of the third annual Mason-Dixon Open, has already attracted such notables as Eddie and David Choong of Penang, Malaya. Eddie is currently title holder in all events in the All England Championships, holding the men's doubles championship with his brother, David. Eddie is the first player to hold all three crowns simultaneously since Baltimore's own Frank Devlin in 1926, 1927 and 1929.

Under the able chairmanship of F. Barton Harvey, Jr., and the advices of such notables as Frank Devlin and Clint Stephens, tournament plans were formulated as early as last fall, complete with unusual and outstanding social activities.

The tournament is to be played on the five courts of the Gilman Country School gymnasium in Roland Park in Baltimore, which are the finest badminton courts on the Eastern Seaboard. Competition will be held in ladies' singles and doubles, men's singles and doubles and mixed doubles, and with the many expressions of interest on the part of Alice Dare Martin of Scotland, Jack Muir and Grant Henry of Toronto and Ethel Marshall of Buffalo, plus many other international and American competitors of renown, the Maryland Badminton Association is hoping for a most successful warmup for the U.S. Open Championships to be held the following week.

A side rejecting the option of "setting" at the first opportunity shall not be thereby debarred from "setting" if a second opportunity arises.

## NEW YORK

### Dick Harvey, Correspondent

Bobby Williams, the nation's fourth-ranking amateur and member of the Thomas Cup Team won his eighth successive Buffalo Athletic Club Badminton singles title by defeating Jack Moon, of Toronto, 15-10, 15-6. Jo Ferraccio of Buffalo also defeated Marg Wright, Cleveland, 11-6, 11-12, 11-1. According to Jo, Ethel Marshall "taught her the game." Ethel Marshall and Bea Massman defeated Jo and Dolores Zintek 15-0, 15-1. The victory gave Miss Marshall and Miss Massman their seventh straight BAC doubles crown.

Bobby Williams teamed with Bob Reichert, Niagara Falls, to defeat Bob Traquair, Buffalo, and Ray Young, Tonawanda, 15-11, 11-15, 15-9. Ethel Marshall and Dick Sebbens, Toronto, defeated Bobby Williams and Marg Wright, 9-15, 15-11, 15-6. In Veterans, Harry Keating and Ned Stafford of Niagara Falls, Ont., defeated Herb Fehrenbach and Phil Michlin of Rochester, 15-11, 15-8.

### Edward L. Geng, Correspondent

The Rye YMCA Badminton Club has been active since the end of War II but only became interested in competitive play about two years ago. They joined the New York Metropolitan Badminton Association October, 1953, and have participated in the monthly tournaments.

Last year, in the combined Metropolitan New York and Westchester County championships, held at White Plains, the club's first participation, Joan Hodgman won the "C" singles and she and her sister, Adlaide, the "C" doubles. Marian Baron and Robert Langecloth the "C" mixed doubles. The men were not successful.

Our annual Christmas dinner on December 22, was attended by 23 people. Dancing and badminton followed, the choice depending upon how much turkey was consumed by each. Ty Gasperi, president, presided and Adelaide, the treasurer, gave us the good news that we continued to have a surplus.

As an extra-curricular activity for 1954, a monthly social dancing instruction in rhumba and tango follows Friday night badminton, under supervision of Ed Geng, ex-Arthur Murrayite.

The club membership of 18 play almost all year round and hold an annual invitational tournament, mixed doubles, and club championship in April.

The club supports the efforts of the City of Rye recreation department to teach beginners at a weekly period at the local high school. Adelaide Hodgman, assisted by others, instructs. Several promising newcomers have joined as a result of her efforts.

It is a fault if a player obstructs an opponent.

## ILLINOIS

A new addition to the tournament schedule of the Midwest Badminton Association is the Illinois Open, February 20 and 21 at Glencoe, Ill. Co-Chairmen are George Brown and J. D. Wigglesworth.

### GOLDEN BIRD "B"

#### Chicago, December 6

George Brown, Chicago's hope in the singles, was responsible for this year's tournament. This event was started several years ago as a Chicago District "B" and has expanded until this year. Players were entered from four states, and 17 clubs were represented. A consolation tournament was run in all events, which accounts for a good part of the appeal of this tournament. Dan Kelly, Skokie, B.C., super-player, took three consolation titles, and will probably not enter three events the next time. Winners were:

LS—Bettry Newman, Purdue.

MS—Marvin Shatro, Chicago.

LD—Alice Schneider, Evanston, and Hally Koenen, Winnetka.

MD—Ken Adams and Lee Koopsen, Kalamazoo.

MX—Dorothy Sommerfeld and Norm Derringer, Racine.

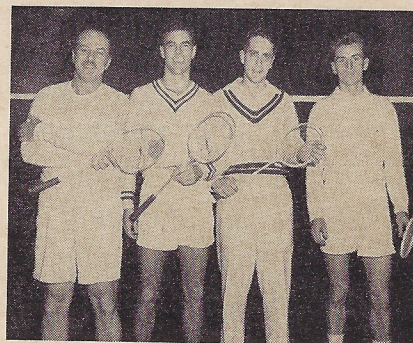
## CONNECTICUT

For 16 years Westport has been conducting an annual Men's Doubles event and not until this year had a Westport team won its own event. To be doubly sure the Westport Club shot three teams into the semi-finals.

Fred Fullin, of National Badminton fame and his partner, Ken Kost, National ranked in 1952, won the Men's Doubles Trophy by defeating Bob Lougheed and Pete Sherwood, 15-12, 15-7. The boys also won the Gustavson Cup, donated by Mrs. Lucille Gustavson and named after her husband, Lee Gustavson.

Much credit is given to Mr. and Mrs. Gustavson for their assistance and suggestions during the tournament.

## WESTPORT MEN'S DOUBLES



Bob Lougheed, Pete Sherwood, Noel Fehm, Harry Quinn.



# ...to Coast

## MASSACHUSETTS

The Massachusetts State Class "D" Tournament was held December 4, 5, 6, at the University Club in Boston. With 121 entries this tournament was successful both financially and in the spirit of play.

## GUT 'N FEATHERS

Wayne Schell and Robert Warren def. Robert Wright and Donal O'Callaghan, 15-4, 15-7, in the Men's Doubles Invitational Tournament held in Marblehead in January. All finalists were members of the University Club.

## MICHIGAN

The new Secretary-Treasurer for the Grosse Pointes Badminton Association is Vera S. Elliott, 893 Vernier, Grosse Pointes 36, Mich.

## MICHIGAN OPEN

**Detroit, November 29**

- LS—Abbie Rutledge def. Mildred Sirwaitis, Detroit, 11-4, 12-11.  
 SM—Vic VandeVen def. Vic Pritula 14-17, 15-10, 15-1.  
 LD—Coombs-Burdick def. Brown-Sirwaitis 15-5, 15-5.  
 MD—Drewry-Anderson, Detroit, def. McLean-Barber, Canada, 18-15, 17-16.  
 MX—Brown-Anderson def. Coombs-Boston, 18-13, 12-15, 15-5.  
 VETS—Brooks-Coyne, Detroit, def. Burns-Gesaman, Detroit, 15-8, 15-5.

The Birmingham Badminton Club of Michigan is now a member of Bird Chatter's 100% Club.

## MANHATTAN BEACH 'B' Flight Singles & Ladies' Doubles



Standing: E. Mayora, G. Garnsey, M. Miller, I. Gardner, D. Myers.  
 Bottom Row: R. Fletcher, E. Gonzales.

## CALIFORNIA

### 13th Annual Manhattan Beach Badminton Club Tournament

Ken Wells, Correspondent

#### Men's Singles

- "A" Flight—J. Alston def. D. Mitchell, 18-15, 15-8.  
 "B" Flight—R. Fletcher def. E. Gonzales, 15-3, 15-13.

#### Ladies' Singles

- "A" Flight—L. Alston def. T. Scovil, 5-11, 11-3, 11-5.  
 "B" Flight—G. Garnsey def. E. Moyora, 6-11, 11-2, 11-2.

#### Men's Doubles

- "A" Flight—J. Alston-W. Rogers def. C. Loveday-D. Mitchell, 17-15, 15-5.  
 "B" Flight—K. Wells-B. Worthington def. J. Christie-R. Sage, 15-3, 18-15.

#### Ladies' Doubles

- "A" Flight—L. Alston-B. Bymaster def. T. Scovil-J. Wright, 15-12, 6-15, 15-3.  
 "B" Flight—G. Garnsey-D. Myers def. M. Miller-I. Gardner, 15-8, 15-1.

#### Mixed Doubles

- "A" Flight—M. Armendariz-B. Bymaster def. the Alstons, 10-15, 15-12, 15-6.  
 "B" Flight—B. Worthington-M. Miller, def. K. Wells-G. Cogan, 15-10, 5-15, 15-4.

#### Veterans' Doubles

- O. Hilton-H. Holman def. D. McArthur-A. Wilkinson, 15-6, 15-9.

## MISSOURI

The Navy Badminton Club has elected Mrs. Ruth Wermeyer, 7044 Etzel, St. Louis, Mo., as their new secretary, replacing Mrs. Sue Eggeman.

## OHIO

The Toledo Badminton Club announces that A. J. Riedmayer, 4315 Indian Rd., Toledo, Ohio, is the new President of the club, and Victor Braden, 3209 Middlesex Dr., Toledo, Ohio, is the Secretary.

Chairman of the new Club—Moraine Country Club, is F. B. DeCamp, Box 26, David Road, Dayton 9, Ohio. New Secretary is Edw. F. Herrlinger II, 214 W. Shantz, Dayton 9, Ohio.

## NUMBER OF SUBSCRIPTIONS IN EACH STATE

Alabama 2, Arizona 9, California 210, Connecticut 52, Colorado 2, Delaware 4, Dist. of Columbia 4, Florida 5, Georgia 7, Illinois 87, Indiana 9, Iowa 6, Kentucky 4, Louisiana 4, Maine 3, Massachusetts 209, Maryland 21, Michigan 57, Minnesota 21, Mississippi 2, Missouri 17, Nebraska 1, New Jersey 19, New Mexico 1, New York 95, North Carolina 2, North Dakota 1, Ohio 28, Oklahoma 5, Oregon 22, Pennsylvania 30, Rhode Island 7, South Carolina 9, South Dakota 1, Tennessee 16, Texas 18, Utah 2, Virginia 14, Washington 32, West Virginia 4, Wisconsin 11, Foreign 36.

## MANHATTAN BEACH 'B' Flight Men's & Mixed Doubles



Back Row: K. Wells, B. Worthington, R. Sage. Front Row: G. Cogan, M. Miller, J. Christie.

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### Winfrey Wynn, Correspondent

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## INDIANA

The Evansville Badminton Club has recently joined the Midwest Badminton Association. The new president is Marjori Marks, R.R. No. 8, Old State Road, Evansville, Ind., and serving as secretary is Georgia M. McKinney, 121 East Missouri St., Evansville, Ind.

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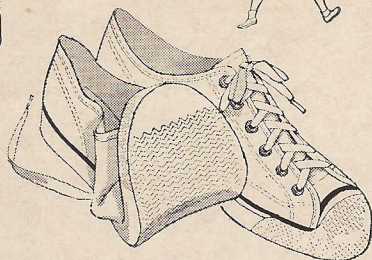
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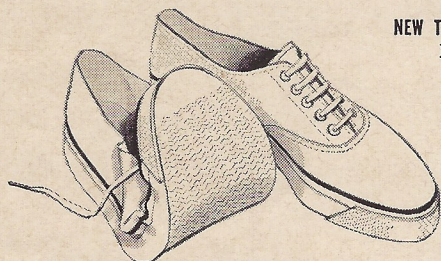
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## CALIFORNIA Burbank

The Burbank Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring a junior program at the Olive Recreation Center every Friday night from 7 to 10 p.m. George and Margaret Pajares are in charge. Members of the Burbank Club and the Glendale Club give freely of their time to help the Pajares make the program a success. You can generally find Manny Armendariz, Beulah Bymaster, Wally Foy, Mary Dobel, Ed White, Fred Serafin, Gerry Anderson, Liz Anselm, Elmer Bymaster, Paul Coke, Dorothy Dalzell, and Ron Miller on a Friday at the Center.

The first tournament has held on Friday, January 29, and was open to the boys and girls who had taken part in the program at least five times previous to the tournament. Loui Armendariz (Manny's brother) and Bill Pajares (son of directors) defeated Jeffrey White and Marvin Chantry 11-4, 11-5. Entering the Round Robin Tournament were Ralph Armendariz (another brother), Johnny Bohn, Brian Whittles, Ronnie Harris, Dale Richman, Frank Vercelli, Bill Foy, Tommy Trelloggen, Tony Martin, John elt, Hugh Ray and (naturally) the finalists. Trophies were presented to the finalists.



Bill Foy, Beulah Bymaster, Bill Pajares, Ralph and Manny Armendariz.

## HUGH FORGIE SCHEDULE

### Ice Capades of 1954

- Mar. 14-Apr. 1—Arena, Chicago, Ill.
- Apr. 2-Apr. 8—Ak-Sar-Ben, Omaha, Neb.
- Apr. 10-Apr. 16—Auditorium, Kansas City, Mo.
- Apr. 18-Apr. 25—Coliseum, Fort Worth, Texas.
- Apr. 27-May 2—Stockyards Stadium, Denver, Colo.
- May 6-May 23—Pan Pacific, Los Angeles, Calif.

## Southern California Municipal Athletic Federation

1st Annual Open Badminton Tournament  
San Diego, Calif.

Ralph Trembley, Correspondent

### A FLIGHT

- Ladies' Singles—Joan Gibbs def. Georgia Bunker, 11-7, 11-6.
- Men's Singles—Dick Mitchell def. Carl Loveday, 12-15, 15-4, 15-4.
- Ladies' Doubles—Joan & Jean Gibbs def. Dotty Hann & Jeanie Pons, 10-15, 15-8, 18-16.
- Men's Doubles—Dick Mitchell & Carl Loveday def. Mike Hartgrove & Alan Mahaffey, 15-9, 15-9.
- Mixed Doubles—Carl Loveday & Jean Gibbs def. Manuel Armendariz & Beulah Bymaster, 11-15, 15-14, 15-12.
- Veterans' Doubles—Jack van Praag & Kenneth Conn def. Don Armbruster & Archie Walker, 13-15, 15-3, 15-4.

### B FLIGHT

- Ladies' Singles—Gwen Garnsey def. Faye Haraughty, 11-5, 12-9.
- Men's Singles—Bill Butler def. Dick van Praag, 15-7, 14-18, 15-7.
- Ladies' Doubles—Georgia Bunker & Maxine Frank def. Diane Ivie & Diane Phillips, 15-10, 15-8.
- Men's Doubles—John Leib & Bud Muehleisen def. Randy Sage & Dick van Praag, 15-12, 15-8.
- Mixed Doubles—Dick van Praag & Carlene Hester def. John Leib & Gallagher, 15-9, 15-12.

## Buffalo Athletic Club Invitation Tourney

Bea Massman, Correspondent

### Ladies' Singles

- Semi-finals—Marge Wright, Cleveland, def. Dolores Ziutich, Buffalo, 11-7, 11-0.
- Jo Ferraraccio, Buffalo, def. Gearman, Buffalo, 11-1, 11-0.
- Finals—Jo Ferraraccio def. Marge Wright, 11-8, 11-12, 11-7.

### Men's Singles

- Semi-finals—Bob Williams, Buffalo, def. Jack Bowling, Buffalo, 15-10, 13-15, 15-0.
- Jack Moon, Toronto, def. Art Young, N.F. Ontario, 15-10, 15-9.
- Finals: Bob Williams def. Jack Moon, 15-10, 15-12.

### Ladies' Doubles

- Semi-finals—E. Marshall-B. Massman, Buffalo, def. B. McNeil-E. Hodan, Buffalo, 15-1, 15-4.
- J. Ferraraccio-D. Ziutich, Buffalo, def. V. Devel-D. Millard, Buffalo, 15-8, 15-5.
- Finals: Marshall-Massman def. Ferraraccio-Ziutich, 15-0, 15-1.

### Men's Doubles

- Semi-finals—B. Williams-B. Reikert, N.F. Ont., def. E. Pecora-D. Sebbin, Toronto, 15-13, 15-7.
- Finals: B. Williams-Reikert def. Traquai-Young, 15-10, 13-15, 15-9.

### Mixed Doubles

- Semi-finals—E. Marshall-D. Sebbin def. B. Wiley-B. Wiley, 15-6, 15-5.
- M. Wright-B. Williams def. J. Ferraraccio-J. Bowling, 15-8, 15-12.
- Finals—Marshall-Sebbin def. Wright-Williams, 10-15, 15-12, 15-9.

### Veterans' Doubles

- Finals—N. Stafford-H. Keating def. P. Michlin-H. Fehrenback, 15-10, 15-10.



# JUNIOR RANKINGS 1953-54

## Girls' Doubles

1. Judy Devlin Maryland
- Linda Cobb Massachusetts
2. Rosine Capehart New York
- Sally Thomas New Jersey
3. Janet Mack New York
- Doris Gearman New York
4. Carlene Jo Hester California
- Diane Myers California
5. Shirley Mans Minnesota
- Ramona Gunner Minnesota
6. Irene Urashi Minnesota
- Janet Harter Minnesota
7. Gwen Garnsey California
- Linda Flack Maryland
8. Estelle Callaway Texas
- Carl Kayton Texas
9. Linda Harvey New York
- Judy Harvey New York
10. Katie Dunn Texas
- Eleanor Stuck Texas

## Boys' Doubles

1. Don Davis Washington
- Dean Maurry California
2. Gary Ogilvie New York
- Robert Rice New York
3. Bill McLaughlin Illinois
- Charles Wilson Illinois
4. Richard Ball, Jr. Maryland
- John Kevorkian Massachusetts
5. Robert Gunner Minnesota
- Allan Horovitz Minnesota
6. Bill Muldoon Texas
- Jim Jackson Texas
7. Robert Rose Massachusetts
- Stephen Schodde Minnesota
8. Bill Dunham Texas
- Charles Parish Texas
9. Gordon Wentworth Maryland
- Russell Paquette Michigan
10. J. P. Awalt Texas
- Richard Calder Texas

## Mixed Doubles

1. Don Davis Washington
- Judy Devlin Maryland
2. Dean Maurry California
- Diane Myers California
3. Robert Rice New York
- Janet Mack New York
4. Gary Ogilvie New York
- Rosine Capehart New York
5. John Kevorkian Massachusetts
- Linda Cobb Massachusetts
6. Richard Ball, Jr. Maryland
- Linda Flack Maryland
7. Bill McLaughlin Illinois
- Shirley Mans Minnesota
8. Gordon Wentworth Maryland

## Judy Devlin Retains Title

Jack van Praag, Correspondent

Judy Devlin had little trouble retaining her singles title but with her partner suffered an upset in the girls' doubles as the Junior Eastern Open Badminton Tourney drew to a close at Friends School, Baltimore, Tuesday, December 29th.

Miss Devlin, National Junior Champion, trounced Rosine Capehart, New York City, 11-1, 11-0, in the Under 18 Singles finals.

Then Judy and Linda Cobb of Boston, the National Junior doubles champs, ran headlong into Miss Capehart and Sally Thomas, Mountain Lake, N.J., in the doubles finals and were upset 15-9, 2-15, 15-8.

Eleven-year-old Ned Nicholson pulled the surprise in the Under 13 Singles before bowing to John Shultz, Norristown, Pa., 15-6, 12-15, 15-10.

### Girls Under 18 Singles—Semi-Finals

Rosine Capehart, New York City, def. Sally Thomas, Mountain Lake, N.J., 11-9, 11-2.  
Judy Devlin def. Linda Cobb, Boston, 11-0, 11-3.

**Finals**—Judy Devlin def. Rosine Capehart, 11-1, 11-0.

### Girls Under 15 Singles—Semi-Finals

Barbara Prince, Wilmington, Del., def. Joan Wood, 10-12, 11-6, 11-4.  
Martha Lou West def. Sally Coutler, 11-4, 11-1.

**Finals**—Barbara Prince def. Martha Lou West, 11-1, 10-12, 11-8.

### Girls Under 13 Singles—Semi-Finals

Bonnie Owens, Wilmington, Del., def. Lyn Schmeisser, 11-4, 11-8.  
Peggy Lindsay def. Bonnie Buckley, 11-1, 11-7.

**Finals**—Bonnie Owens def. Peggy Lindsay, 11-1, 11-0.

### Boys Under 18 Singles—Semi-Finals

Gary Ogilvie, Niagara Falls, N.Y., def. Dick Ball, 15-12, 13-15, 15-10.  
Butch Kervorkian, Boston, def. Gordon Wentworth, 15-2, 15-4.

**Finals**—Kervorkian def. Ogilvie, 5-15, 15-2.

### Boys Under 15 Singles—Semi-Finals

Bunny Talley def. Bill Brown, Detroit, Mich., 15-5, 15-2.  
Glen Hackett, Detroit, Mich., def. Tim O'Donnell, Mountain Lake, N.J., 15-6, 15-0.

**Finals**—Talley def. Hackett, 15-12, 15-4.

### Boys Under 13 Singles—Semi-Finals

Ned Nicholson def. Skip Merrill, Wil-

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|     | Sally Thomas   | New Jersey |
| 9.  | Robert Gunner  | Minnesota  |
|     | Irene Urashi   | Minnesota  |
| 10. | Richard Calder | Texas      |
|     | Beeps Steele   | Texas      |

ington, Del., 16-17, 15-12, 18-14.  
John Schultz, Norristown, Pa., def. David Rudy, 15-11, 15-12.

**Finals**—Schultz def. Nicholson, 15-6, 12-15, 15-10.

### Girls Doubles Under 18—Semi-Finals

Cobb and Judy Devlin def. Martha Lou West and Prince, 15-5, 15-0.  
Capehart and Thomas def. Stewart and Tischinger, 15-2, 15-5.

**Finals**—Capehart and Thomas def. Cobb and Devlin, 15-9, 2-15, 15-8.

### Boys' Doubles Under 18—Semi-Finals

Kervorkian and Ball def. Paquette and Rose, 15-1, 15-2.  
McFarland and Ogilvie def. Wentworth and Hackett, 15-1, 15-2.

**Finals**—Kervorkian and Ball def. McFarland and Ogilvie, 15-7, 15-13.

### Mixed Doubles 18 & Under—Semi-Finals

Devlin and Ball def. Cobb and Kervorkian, 15-3, 15-11.  
Capehart and Ogilvie def. Linda Flack and Wentworth, 15-7, 15-8.

**Finals**—Devlin and Ball def. Capehart and Ogilvie, 18-16, 17-14.

## Rhode Island Open—Invitational

*Men's Doubles*—Noel Fehm-Harry Quinn def. Robert Warren-Donal O'Callaghan, 15-8, 8-15, 15-6.

*Ladies' Doubles*—Wanda Gibson-Helen Gibson def. Doris DeLord-Rosine Capehart, 18-15, 7-15, 15-5.

*Mixed Doubles*—Harry Hackett-Rosine Capehart def. Robert Louheed-Wanda Berman, 15-8, 15-17, 15-4.

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All tournaments run by clubs belonging to the Midwest or the A.B.A. must be sanctioned by the A.B.A. This is a minor source of income for the A.B.A., and serves one very important purpose for the club running the tournament; that is, if the date chosen by the club coincides with another tournament in the same region, the club is so advised upon receipt of its application for sanction, and is thus spared the problem of competing for players with a nearby tournament. The procedure for obtaining a sanction is to file an application to the undersigned, on forms furnished by him.

Hugh B. Clayton, Secy.-Treas.

### OREGON STATE HANDICAP

**Rita Muntz, Correspondent**

Men's Singles — Russ Hill def. Chuck Cleveland, 15-6, 15-5.

Men's Doubles—Wm. Corbin-Ed Bandry def. Harold Muntz-John Rankin, 12-15, 15-10, 15-7.

Ladies' Doubles—Claire Hill-Louise Cicrich def. Betty Rankin-Dollie Sundeleaf, 15-9, 15-14.

Mixed Doubles — Chuck Cleveland-Jean Bicker def. Harold & Rita Muntz, 7-15, 15-13, 15-11.

## Junior-Senior Round Robin Tourney At Buffalo

**Bea Massman, Correspondent**

The Second Annual Junior-Senior Badminton Round Robin Tourney was held Saturday, Dec. 12th, at the Buffalo Seminary Courts.

### Men's Doubles

Finals: Gary McFarland (N.F.C.C. Jr.)-Hans Solverg (Triad-Sr.) def. Glenn Hackett (N.F.C.C. Jr.)-Chic Schaefer (Triad-Sr.)

### Girls' Doubles

Finals: Joan Dulak (Fosdick Girls-Jr.)-Delores Zintek (Triad-Sr.) def. Linda Harvey (N.F.C.C. Jr.)-Dorothy Wozniak (Triad-Sr.).

Outstanding feature of Saturday's play was the appearance of four area father-son combinations:

Buck & Richie Wiley (B.B.C.).  
Walt & Gordie Wade (N.F. Ont.).  
Ray & Bobby Scharmach (B.B.C.).  
Bill & Sammy McCallum (N.F. Ont.).  
Other participants included:

Janet Ogilvie (N.F.C.C.-Jr.) and Evie Echarmach (B.B.C.-Sr.), Mickey Graver (Mercury-Jr.) and Fred Cartmell (N.F. Ont.-Sr.), Joan Tulloch (St. Mary's Deaf-Jr.) and Jo Ferrarraccio (Triad-Sr.), Maureen Mulholland (Fosdick Girls-Jr.) and Betty Wiley (B.B.C.-Sr.), Marilyn Brown (N.F. Ont.-Jr.) and Vera Brennan (N.F. Ont.-Sr.), Nancy Lou Campbell (N.F. Ont.-Jr.) and Anne Clayton (N.F. Ont.-Sr.), Sandy Fisher (Kensington-Jr.) and Virginia Duell (B.B.C.-Sr.), Fay Bracken (Kensington-Jr.) and Carol Cartmell (N.F. Ont.-Sr.), Jerry Reickert (N.F.C.C.-Jr.) and Ken Wilson (Triad-Sr.).

The tourney was sponsored by W.N.Y. B.A. and co-chairmen were: Ethel Marshall and Bea Massman.

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## Massachusetts State Class "D"

**Donal O'Callaghan, Correspondent**

Ladies' Singles—Anne Jones, Batty Birds, def. Jean Ahern, Bunker Hill, 11-3, 11-9.

Men's Singles—Bob Bachman, University Club, def. Dr. Waldo Fielding, University Club, 15-4, 15-3.

Ladies' Doubles—Ann Jones-Doris Slauer, Tedesco Club, def. Cathy Markris, Hood — Ann Potter, Gut n' Feathers, 15-1, 15-7.

Men's Doubles—Bob Bachman & Bob Foster, University Club, def. Art Scully & Bob Gott, Bass River Club, 5-15, 15-12, 15-6.

Mixed Doubles—Andy Long & Ruth MacKay, Bunker Hill, def. Pete King & Cathy Makris, Hood, 5-15, 15-12, 15-9.

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# From the MAIL BAG . . .

Dear Editor:

Enclosed you will find the results of our Ohio State Closed Tournament which was held at the Moraine Country Club in Dayton, Ohio, on January 9 and 10.

This is the first time in many years that it has been held in Dayton and Fred De Camp and Bob Buzzard are to be congratulated on a very fine tournament. Everybody had a wonderful time.

Sincerely,  
Whitney Warner, Jr.

Dear Editor:

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Sincerely,  
Dr. Richard Ribsil, D.D.S.  
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Editor's Note: Our thanks to you, Dr. Ribsil. The seven dollar donation will be used to good advantage in the publication of "Bird Chatter."

Dear Ed: Check enclosed to cover cost of Bird Chatter subscription for one year. Enjoyed reading the new issue. Keep up the good work.

J. F. O'Grady, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Editor:

I have just received my second copy of the November-December 1953 issue "Bird Chatter" and thus my hopes as expressed in my letter of the 5th January have been fulfilled and thus it must have been in a later mail. It looks as though everything is alright now for me to receive these two copies of each issue, in the future, without further worry on my part.

I have now fully read all the issue and am passing it on to my friends here. One may well be proud of this issue and the articles in it are very, very interesting. I wish to compliment you very much on the publication of such a fine magazine. I feel sure that if such a standard as this issue is maintained, sales of "Bird Chatter" should rise considerably.

Looking forward to receiving an answer to my letter of the 5th instance as soon as time permits and also anxiously awaiting and looking forward immensely to receiving my future copies of that excellent magazine "Bird Chatter."

Yours very sincerely,  
Rex Collins, Tasmania, Australia

Dear Ed: The new secretary of the Missouri State Badminton Association is Miss Audrey Mathis, 337 Westgate Ave., University City 5, Mo. I was very pleased to see all the St. Louis news and also we in St. Louis are very much pleased with "Bird Chatter."

Ethel Horne, St. Louis, Mo.

## Ohio State Closed Badminton Tournament

Moraine Country Club, Dayton, Ohio  
January 9-10, 1954

Whitney Warner, Jr., Correspondent

### Men's Singles

Stanley Sangdahl (Moreland B.C.) def. Norman Atchison (Moreland B.C.), 15-12, 15-5.

### Ladies' Singles

Shirley Fry (Moreland B.C.) def. Marguerite Wright (Moreland B.C.) 11-1, 7-11, 12-10.

### Men's Doubles

Robert Stille (Western Hills) and Wm. Rowe (Camargo Club) def. Bud Warner (Moreland B.C.) and Stan Sangdahl (Moreland B.C.) 15-7, 15-10.

### Ladies' Doubles

Shirley Fry (Moreland B.C.) and Marguerite Wright (Moreland B.C.) def. Mary J. Stille (Western Hills) and Marg Lilliard (Camargo Club) 15-11, 14-17, 15-9.

### Mixed Doubles

Mary J. Stille (Western Hills) and Bob Stille (Western Hills) def. Marguerite Wright (Moreland B.C.) and Norm Atchison (Moreland) 15-3, 15-3.

### Veterans' Doubles

Bud Warner (Moreland B.C.) and Phil Hinkle (Camargo Club) def. R. S. Breed (Toledo B.C.) and F. Breed (Toledo B.C.) 15-1, 18-15.



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