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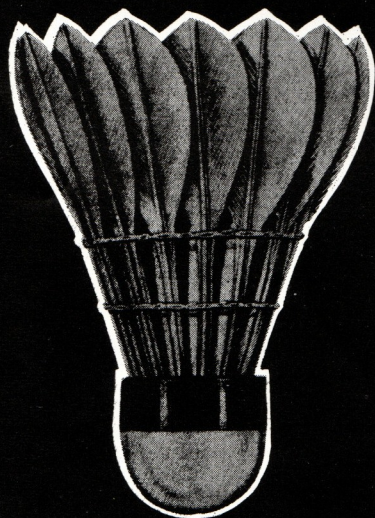
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Letters Across the Editor's Desk

Mr. Philip Hinkle, Jr.,
American Badminton Association,

25th November, 1963

Dear Mr. Hinkle,

On behalf of the Badminton Association of England, all its member clubs and players, I write to you to express to the members of the American Badminton Association the sympathy felt here in the tragic and grievous loss just sustained by the American nation.

Quite apart from any bearing on political affairs, our two nations and their peoples have grown so close to one another, and not least through our respective Badminton Associations, that we also feel this tragedy most keenly ourselves.

With kindest personal regards, I am.

Yours very sincerely,
on behalf of the Badminton Association of England,
H. A. E. Scheele
Secretary

Mr. H. A. E. Scheele
Secretary,
The Badminton Association of England

December 11, 1963

Dear Mr. Scheele:

Your letter to the American Badminton Association dated November 25, 1963 on behalf of The Badminton Association of England has been received.

The Officers and Executive Committee of the American Badminton Association join me in sending word to The Badminton Association of England, its member clubs and its players of our appreciation of your thoughtfulness.

I shall use the best medium available to me to see that your message reaches our member clubs and players.

It is true that our two nations and their peoples have grown close together. In my opinion your letter has contributed toward furthering this relationship.

Again, our sincere thanks for your consideration and courtesy in writing to us at the time of the loss sustained through the death of our President.

Cordially
Philip Hinkle, Jr.
President
PH,Jr/jh
American Badminton Association

11th Open To Be Televised

by Dorothy L. Parsons

Nationwide television coverage of the 11th U.S. Open Badminton Championships, March 25-28 in San Diego, California, by the American Broadcasting Company, was assured when ABA and ABC officials signed a contract in late November. Plans are for the championships to be a part of the ABC Wide World of Sports Program. Option rights were also agreed upon for televising the 1965 and 1966 championships.

Thus another first is chalked up for the rapidly approaching 11th Open. Other firsts, mentioned in BIRD CHATTER'S first issue this season, were the location of the tournament in San Diego--home of many top ranking U.S. players--and a headquarters away from the downtown area.

Social Events and Hospitality Chairman, Doris Martin Maase has announced that the Stardust Hotel and Country Club will be official tournament headquarters. The Stardust is located in scenic Mission Valley just a few minutes from tournament play in Balboa Park. The management is setting aside a special area of modern, beautifully decorated guest rooms complete with TV and radio for your relaxing hours. If you, or your family, desire other forms of relaxation between matches, there are a heated swimming pool, sauna baths, golfing on a 27-hole championship course, as well as the more sedentary (?) diversion of horseback riding, or simply sitting in the hotel's Reef Lounge and enjoying the underwater ballet. Limousine service will be available to and from the airport, and a shuttle bus will provide regular transportation to and from the airport, and a shuttle bus will provide regular transportation to and from the tournament site.

The finals are planned for Saturday afternoon, March 28, permitting a full evening of entertainment beginning with cocktails, a buffet dinner and dancing.

Another first in the making for the 1964 tournament will be the addition of a Senior Mixed Doubles event. As in the regular senior championship event, the requirement is that both partners be at least 40 years of age. From the entry list in the last few Senior Ladies Doubles event, it seems

apparent that some of our ladies are hesitant about admitting to being over 39. This time we are tempting ladies doubly. Although not an official championship event for 1964, if successful, plans are to request it become so for 1965.

Facilities Chairman Howard Schwitkis and Les Earnest are planning playing facilities which will surpass any offered in past years. The playing floors are being refinished, dark backdrops hung for all ten courts, and lighting will be excellent. As you can see, General Chairman Waldo Lyon's goal is a players tournament along with social events and hospitality. He and his committee members are hard at work seeing that this goal is met.

Boston's Erik Nyborg is formulating plans for a charter jet flight from New York to San Diego. East Coast players interested in the savings resulting from this type of flight may write Erik at 1086 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts.

Recent word from Mexico City informed us that plans are underway for another International Championship there shortly after our 11th Open. Those of you who have the available time and energy (plus \$\$\$) might investigate with your travel agent the possibility of including Mexico City in your itinerary for just a few dollars more. It's only 2½ hours flying time from San Diego. More word will be given you on this tournament as we receive it.

Now here is date for you to mark on your 1964 calendar--FEBRUARY 15. Entries for the 11th U.S. Open must be postmarked no later than this date. The first committee tournament mailing will go out the last week of December. A second mailing, about mid-January, will contain entry blanks, hotel reservations cards, etc. If you do not receive the first mailing and are interested in receiving an entry for the 11th Open, write Tournament Secretary Virginia Lyon, 1330 Alexandria Dr. San Diego, California, 92107 or call 223-3310 (area code 714), if the February 15 deadline is near.

The 11th Open will be an outstanding tournament for all fortunate enough to attend. You are promised excellent playing facili-

ties, a unique tournament headquarters incorporating such attractions as hospitality, entertainment, and relaxation; and nationwide television coverage with you in the audience, or on the playing floor. Plans are to tape the play and show it about two weeks later so you may be able to see yourself on television. Yes, it will be outstanding, but for it to be truly successful we must have as many entries as possible. The local committee will do their part; from there it's up to each of you. Remember that February 15 deadline. Mail your entry in -- don't lay it aside. If you feel sufficient time has elapsed and you have not received one, write to the official tournament address in San Diego, as stated earlier. Every attempt will be made to get tournament information and entries to all desiring one, but don't be bashful if you are missed--jog our memory and get on our mailing list--we want to see each and everyone of you in San Diego, California, from March 25-28.

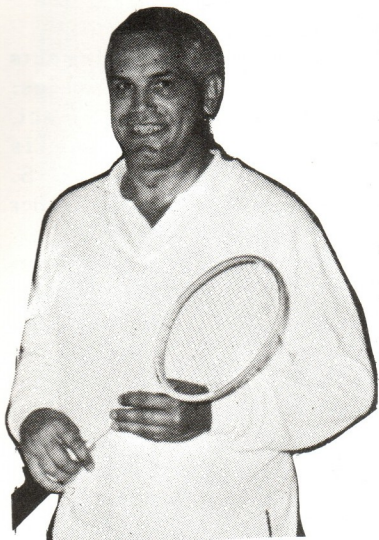
P.S. We haven't mentioned another treat for those attending the 11th Open as we figure everyone knows San Diego has lots of sunshine and an average year 'round temperature in the low 70's.

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LATE NEWS FLASH

Hans Rogind reports that word comes from Denmark that Finn Kobbero and Hammergaard Hansen (world champions) twice have been defeated this fall in the finals of their Club Championship and Copenhagen Championship by two young players, Henning Borch and Jorgen Mergensen. Hans also reports that Erland Kops lost his Copenhagen Championship to Henning Borch.



**MR. BADMINTON,
MR. WAYNE V. SCHELL**
by Mary J. Moran

Wayne Schell has dominated Massachusetts and New England Badminton for years winning titles too numerous to list.

Wayne has participated in 18 out of the 22 National Tournaments. Teaming up with noted players like Judy Hashman, Robert Williams, Margaret Varner, Helen Gibson, Rosine Capehart Jones, Martin Mendez and Tahir Karamat, he has won many regional tournaments.

He has accumulated over 375 trophies which keeps his charming wife Evie pretty busy keeping them polished. The Ken Davidson award tops his list along with the Ed Earle Trophy, the highest award the University Club can bestow upon a member.

A keen student of the game, Wayne was instrumental in the formation that is used by many players throughout the world in mixed doubles, having the girl in front of the server when serving from the odd court and the cross-over for the girl on a high clear.

Wayne has coached many of the leading players in the Greater Boston Area and has conducted exhibitions and clinics in most of the local clubs.

Displaying exemplary sportsmanship at all times, Wayne has won the admiration and respect of all who have met him both on and off the court.

Adding up the hours he has devoted to the advancement of Badminton it's no wonder he is considered "Mr. Badminton in New England".

Mr. Badminton

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Surgery, Age Can't Slow Badminton Ace How About Wayne Schell For 'Toughest Athlete'?

By JOHN AHERN

Toughest athlete of the time? Sam Huff? Hank Bauer? Sonny Liston? Dick Tiger?

Sure. All tough as nails. But how about Wayne Schell, a badminton champion?

No bazooks from the sidelines please. Don't knock something until you try it and not enough of the local yokels have tried badminton to make a judgment. It's tough all right and it wasn't too long ago a heart specialist warned: "Play all the sports you want. But stay away from badminton. It's the toughest sport on the heart there is. It can tear that chest wall and those heart muscles to shreds."

So Wayne Schell, who's in his fifties, plays this game at championship level, while men 20 years his junior sit by and watch.

He's one of the best amateurs New England has and he has been for a lot of years. He is ranked nationally and he holds four rankings in New England tennis circles.

Besides all that, he plays squash racquets, another killer, to get in shape for badminton.

Now does that establish his durability?

A few scoffers still around. Let them digest this.

Twelve years ago, Schell came face to face with the dread of all mankind. He was told frankly and bluntly he had cancer. Beyond any reasonable doubt, he had been afflicted with the worst possible thing that can strike a mortal being.

His reaction: "Well let's get at it and fix it up."

This wasn't an act of bravado. This was the assurance of a champion that life has to be faced and accepted.

He underwent a colostomy, the operation that removes the lower in-

testines and completely changes the normal functions of a human. It is not an uncommon operation. Only Wayne's reaction to it was. While a vast majority of those who have it return to more sedentary pursuits, Schell resumed his violent athletic life, which is a great deal more taxing physically than that violent life of Huff or the brutal life of Liston and Tiger. Besides, they are kids in comparison. "You play this all out or you don't play it at all," he explained. "There's no fun in playing just to win. It's better meeting the tough competition and seeing what you can do. That's the fun."

It's also murder. A badminton player—even in the doubles—moves around the court like someone who has just stepped, with both feet, on hot coals. It's perpetual motion and it's wearing even to watch.

"Honestly, I think I'm playing better than I have for years," he said. "I played a lot of tennis last Summer and I got my weight down to about 170. I played a lot of squash to get in shape for this game. I just wish there were more chances to play seriously."

That has not been a barrier to Schell's active life. If there aren't any tournaments he has several badminton buffs touring New England, giving clinics to would be players. At these he plays just as vigorously as he does in competition.

Wayne has been at this 29 years. His contemporaries at that time long since have given up the game. Schell has stepped up his activities, especially after the operation and there is no sign of a letup and there won't be for a while.

Tough! Take the football players, the fighters, the hockey boys. My vote goes to a badminton player, the toughest athlete I ever met.

"Clown Prince" and Shirley Marie

HUGH FORGIE



Shirley (Mans) Marie and Hugh Forgie

SHIRLEY (MANS) MARIE

Shirley (Mans) Marie, tall, slim, beautiful partner of well known badminton expert Hugh Forgie in the Ice Capades show, has made athletics her hobby, her avocation, and eventually her career.

Shirley, an only child, grew up in Minneapolis, the "Land of 10,000 Lakes"--and true to this environment swam in the summer and skated in the winter.

At 16, Shirley saw great badminton played for the first time. It was Hugh Forgie and his partner, Stig Larsen, who fired her young imagination as they played the game on stage for a high school audience. Lessons followed from senior players in Minneapolis and the state championships, Junior and Senior, fell before Shirley for several years.

Badminton was not the only source of her laurels, for schoolwork was on a par and graduation found her voted the most athletic girl in her class of 414 and, also, she was named, with an "A" average, class valedictorian.

With such scholastic grades and athletic prowess, college was inevitable. Shirley Marie went to the U. of Minnesota. She quickly joined the college's famed "synchronized swimming club." She worked her way through college in a variety of athletic positions as a lifeguard, swimming instructor, waterfront counselor at sum-

mer camp and a tennis instructor.

During her high school and college years, Shirley had toured the United States to compete in badminton tournaments. Occasionally, her path crossed that of the top professional badminton instructor, Hugh Forgie, and she would take a few lessons.

Shirley left Minneapolis to accept a position at famed Wellesley College for women, outside Boston, as a racquet specialist.

In the winter of 1958 Shirley won the Midwest Championship followed by an offer from Forgie to join this act in a tour of Europe. Realizing that this was what she had been working towards all her life, Shirley Marie accepted.

Now that all three age groups in the Junior National Tournament are official championships, donors are needed for perpetual trophies for the 15 and 13 events. Anyone interested may contact National Jr. Chairman: Naomi Bender, 5 Stones Throw Road, Wilmington, Delaware.

**NEXT DEADLINE FOR
BIRD CHATTER NEWS
FEBRUARY 10, 1964**

One of the all-time outstanding acts on ice has returned to Ice Capades: Hugh Forgie and his badminton act. Joining Hugh and his son, Reg, is Shirley (Mans) Marie, a ranking U. S. badminton player and former teacher at Wellesley College.

Hugh has displayed his shuttlecock skill in almost every form of entertainment imaginable; and all over the world. In 25 years he has appeared before some 35 million people and has been seen by an additional 50 million on network television. Hugh Forgie has done more to help the sport of badminton than any other person. A champion athlete and hockey player, Canadian-born Hugh was quick to recognize the potential in the sport of badminton. His first partner was the international champion, Ken Davidson.

During World War II, Hugh toured the United States Army and Navy bases around the world. Following the war he made the transformation of his act to ice, teaming with Stig Larsen until Larsen's retirement in 1959.

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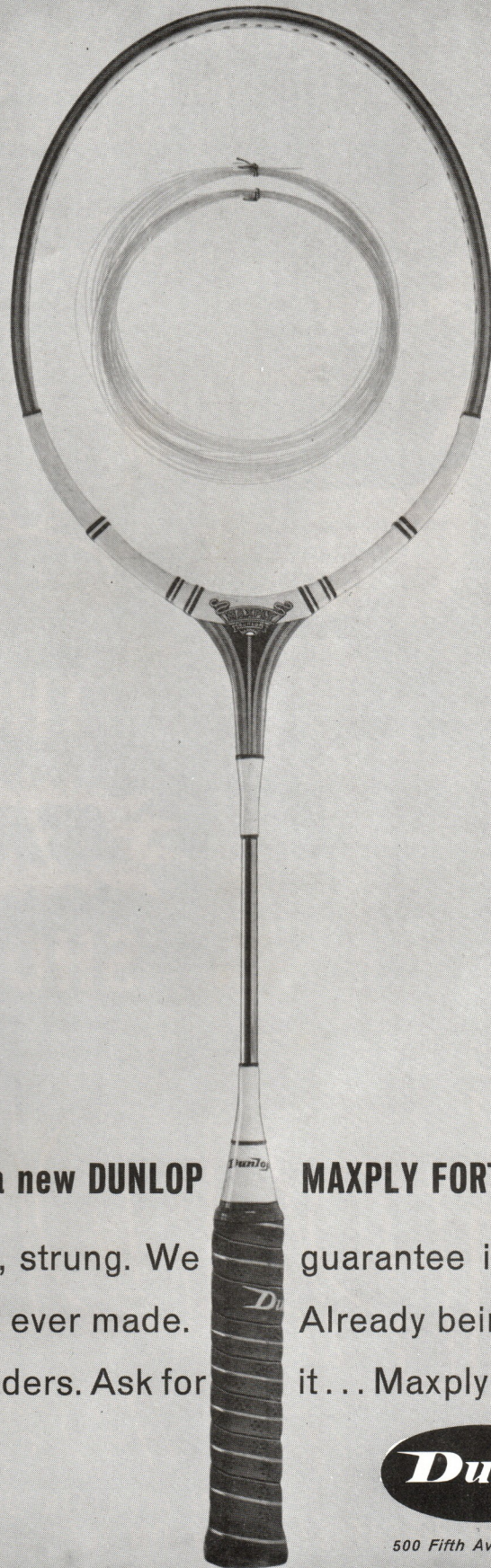
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Leprechaun Letter



From
Sue

It isn't every day in the year that a building is erected with the sole purpose of accommodating badminton players -- even in those countries where the game is on the upsurge. But within the last ten years the playing facilities in Ireland have been increased by two new halls, comprising a total of ten courts. In 1963 the Badminton Hall in Dublin was erected, and at the grand opening in October of that year many of the top players in the world were included in a series of exhibition games. Among those participants were Margaret Varner and Judy Devlin Hashman of the U. S., and Iris Rogers and Heather Ward Nielsen of England. The Dublin Hall has played host to numerous International Matches and Irish Championships since its opening and, in fact, the latest team to play there were the "European Badminton Tourists" last August!

Now the north of Ireland has its own hall -- a magnificent six court hall with a heated lounge overlooking the courts. The Northern Ireland Government has helped considerably with financing the building and it is up to the badminton players of Belfast and surrounding districts to give it the impetus it needs to become a full-fledged business.

These two halls remind me very much of what I found in Canada. Though, what one might term the "accessories" are not as modern, or as elaborate, as many Canadian halls, the playing conditions are excellent. The chief difference is in the managerial set-up. My experiences in Canada have all been at halls which are private clubs, while the two Irish halls are open to the public. Various clubs use the halls, hiring courts on certain nights of the week, but there are always courts available for the general public to use, hired on a half-hourly basis for an indefinite number of half-hours. This tends to broaden the scope of badminton play-

ers by making facilities available to anyone who wants to try his or her hand at the game, and it also provides extra non-club facilities for those players wishing to improve their standard by extra play. It may be of interest to note here that there are nearly as many club teams in the Dublin area as there are clubs in the A.B.A.!

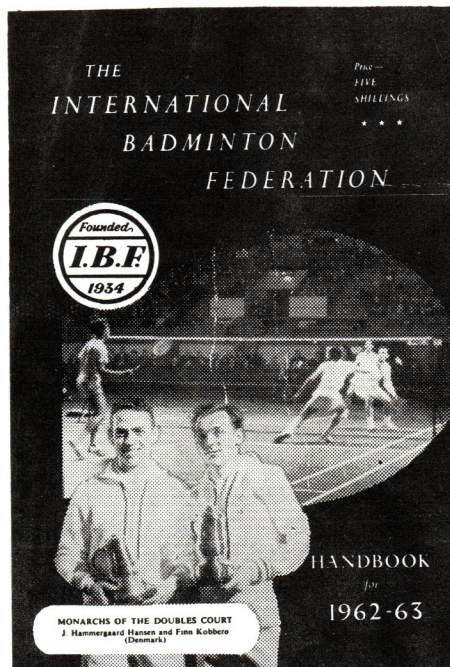
On the tournament side of the ledger, (that comes from living with an accountant!), the two major tournaments which have been held at the time of this writing are the Northern Championships in Birkenhead, England and the Wimbledon Championships in London. The "Tourists" also played at the Wimbledon Club. They certainly got around.

The Wimbledon Championships were held in October. Judy Hashman and Mary O'Sullivan, (Ireland), were each in three finals. Bob McCoig, (Scot.), and Bill Havers, (Eng.), were each in two. Judy defeated Ursula Smith in one semi-final while Mary defeated Angela Bairstow. Both these players were on the English Uber Cup Team that came to America last April. Judy defeated Mary in the final 12-10, 12-11 and together they won the doubles from Miss Smith and Jenny Pritchard, another English Uber Cupper. In the mixed doubles McCoig and O'Sullivan defeated Judy and husband Dick Hashman. Malaya's Lee Kin Tat won the men's singles while Tony Jordan, (Eng.), and McCoig won the doubles.

In the Northern Championships in November there were three current All England, (and U.S.A.) title-holders. Judy Hashman once more defeated Mary O'Sullivan in the finals 11-5, 11-4 and with Sue Peard notched the doubles from Angela Bairstow and Julie Charles, (Eng.), Erland Kops, who has had a couple of losses in Denmark this season, had to produce his best form to beat England's Roger Mills, and in the finals Lee Kin Tat. Kops and Poul Eric Nielsen, former All England champions, took the men's doubles from Jordan and McCoig in a real thriller and Kops and Mrs. Shirley Lindsay, (England), defeated Margaret Barrand, (English Uber Cupper), and Ken Derrick in the mixed doubles final.

By the time this is read by most of you, the Scottish and Swedish Championships will have been held, and the Irish Championships will nearly be on court. The entire Eng-

lish International team will be in Edinburgh; Judy Hashman, Oon, Sonnevile and probably English and/or Irish players will be in Malmo. The entire Scottish International team will be in Dublin. There's plenty of travelling for all!



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The National Scene

by Jack van Praag, Chairman, National Badminton News Committee

A TRIBUTE TO OUR LATE PRESIDENT

At this moment it is difficult to know what to say. As I write this on November 25th, our beloved and martyred President, John F. Kennedy, has been laid to rest in a hero's grave in Arlington Cemetery. You will be reading this sometime two months later. A true sportsman in every sense of the word, President Kennedy was keenly and actively interested in touch football, swimming, sailing and golf. Physical fitness was of prime importance to him and his views on this subject are well-known and were frequently enunciated. Though it be belated in these columns we wish to express to Mrs. Kennedy and all the family, on behalf of the Badminton players and officials of the United States, our deepest sympathy at their tragic loss. May Almighty God in His Infinite mercy and understanding ease the ache in their hearts and bring them peace in the knowledge that the ideals for which President Kennedy so zealously labored will live on. May his soul rest in peace.

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Headlining the Badminton news for this issue is the announcement that we have just executed a contract with the American Broadcasting Company (Wide World of Sports Program) granting them exclusive world wide rights to the televising of the 1964 Nationals at San Diego in return for a substantial royalty fee. We are very happy to make this announcement and feel it is the greatest single achievement of the National Badminton News Committee to date. Negotiations were carried on by long distance phone to and from New York, telegrams and finally the exchange of signed contracts by air mail. We hope to be able to put on the finest and most exciting nationals to date. Here is a chance for all you players who have had a secret desire to "ham it up" to appear on television.

This program will be nationally televised and will receive international distribution. See you in San Diego next March.

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Information just received from Dr. Waldo Lyon, General Chairman of the 11th Open National Championships, indicates that they are making fine progress in the completion of arrangements for the tournament. The Uber Cup is presently safely on display at the Breitbart Foundation Hall of Champions in San Diego and is attracting considerable attention and publicity. Arrangements are underway for a very close tie-in with the local metropolitan papers to insure complete publicity coverage. The selection of the Stardust Hotel in Mission Valley (San Diego), as the official Hotel will enable us to hold all social events there and insures us complimentary transportation. Those of you who have never been in San Diego will have a real treat in store for you. It is beautifully situated with a lovely, equable climate. Situated close to the Mexican border it will enable those internationally minded to take a short trip into Old Mexico. More on all this later. Meanwhile start planning now to make the trip to San Diego next March --- you will never regret it.

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A brief chat with Stan Hales, co-chairman with Ray Park for the Junior National Championships at Pomona College, indicates that they are still hard at work formulating plans for the tournament there in April. It would appear that they are sparing no pains to make this the most successful Juniors yet. Dormitory and food arrangements will be most convenient and modest in cost. Many nearby attractions and the world's finest scenery makes this tournament a must for every earnest junior.

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An excellent article about Don Kerr's activities as Director of the National Institute of Amputee Rehabilitation appeared in the November 10th, 1963 issue of Parade

Magazine. This magazine appears as a Sunday supplement in leading newspapers throughout the United States. It mentioned Don's own accomplishments in the world of sports, including the winning of numerous Badminton titles despite the loss of a leg at the age of eight. It was a very fine article and gave Don credit for the excellent job he is doing in giving other amputees confidence in themselves and teaching them to make the best use of their abilities in spite of their disability. Don, as most of us know, has been very active with Badminton and is presently chairman of the National Officiating Committee as well as Chairman of the Rules Committee. Incidentally, the Amputee Rehabilitation story appeared in the November 17, 1963 issue of Parade Magazine in many other parts of the United States.

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The volume of mail reaching our desk would indicate that there is a very decided upsurge of interest in Badminton. The fact that both NBC and ABC initiated negotiations with the ABA for television rights to our National Championships would strongly indicate that our many years of effort are finally beginning to bear fruit. Four prospective authors and publishing houses have indicated that they are planning to publish hard covers books on Badminton for national distribution and to sell in the five dollar price range. Your committee has been hard at work providing these people with material, information and statistics for their books. Let us hope this healthy situation will continue. Many sports and general almanacs will carry updated Badminton material and records for their 1964 editions.

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Dick Mitchell and his Thomas Cup Committee are hard at work solving some of the knotty problems involved in selecting a representative Thomas Cup Team for the forthcoming competition. Trials are being held in the

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The International Scene

by Jack van Praag, Chairman, National Badminton News Committee

Thanks to our hard-working committee member, John Poong of San Francisco, the following information was gleaned from the pages of the Singapore Straits Times:

First nation to gain one of the Interzone semi-final spots in the 1963-1964 Thomas Cup competition is Malaya. Making a dedicated and determined effort to regain some of its former world Badminton prominence and glory, the Malaysians have been training rigorously to bring about this result. Australia had reached the final of the Australasian Zone by a closely contested win over New Zealand, 5-4. In the other half of the draw India defeated South Africa 7-2. Malaya then defeated India 8-1, leaving no doubt of their determination. In the final Malaya routed Australia 9-0 to win the right to represent the Australasian Zone in Japan next year (1964).

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A Reuter dispatch printed in the Straits Times told of the first Soviet Union Badminton championships ever held. The tournament at Moscow attracted an entry of 120. Introduced only six years ago, Badminton is played by approximately 250,000 Russians. According to the dispatch about 10,000 Russians play in competitions and it is expected the game will continue to grow more popular in the next few years. Foreign observers who watched the inaugural championships rated the present standard of play as about equal to that of "middle ranking" European nations. Nicolai Sokolov and Margarita Zarubo, who are both engineers, won the men's and women's title.

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Our thanks to Herbert Scheele, Editor, for the following news items gleaned from the pages of the "Badminton Gazette".

A lengthy article relating to the new "wood shot" rule indicates the confusion the legalizing of "clean" wood shots has brought about. The new law is badly worded and umpires will have a difficult time indeed correctly judging between the good and bad wood shots. It is rather unfortunate that the decision to change the

rule was adopted unconditionally without any period of trial. It would have been so much better if each country had been permitted to conduct competitive play under the new rule on a trial basis for a period of two years. Then each country could have voted on the decision to revise the old rule with conviction and with experience. It will be interesting to see what the proponents of the legalizing of the wood shot will have to say after they have played under this new rule a while.

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It is interesting to note that Ferry Sonnevile, the well-known Indonesian player, plans to spend two years in England after a residence in the Netherlands for some time. Ferry has a fine reputation both as a player and in the administrative side of Badminton. Ferry, of course, is well-known in the United States from having played in our last two open championships. His helpfulness, kindness and co-operation have endeared him to players in many parts of the world where he is known as a "good scout". He and his family will be most welcome indeed in England.

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Returning from a holiday recently, Sir George Thomas found his flat had been burgled. Though money had been taken nothing of sentimental value had been touched. Not to be outdone, Judy and Dick Hashman returned from a tournament to find that their home had been entered by intruders. Apparently the intruders were surprised in the act for nearly all the cabinets and drawers, as well as one window, were opened, nothing had been taken. As a result of this incident the Hashmans have become very good friends of the local constabulary.

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Because this is a Thomas Cup year the annual World Invitation Tournament at Kelvin Hall in Scotland will not be held this year, thus giving the genial host, David Bloomer, a well deserved rest.

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With the election of the Tanganyika

Badminton Association to membership into the International Badminton Federation the total membership of National Associations in the IBF is now 46 nations.

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A strong contender in international competition is the present West Germany Ladies' champion, Fraulein Irmgard Latz. Now 24 years old and a secretary residing in Krefeld, she is completely devoted to Badminton. With natural fleetness of foot and with tremendous stamina she bids well to make her mark in International competition. She has held the West German title for three years and no one appears likely to give her trouble in her country. In her desire to improve her game, she has won the Norwegian International Championship and the French International Championship. She has beaten Denmark's Ulla Rasmussen and England's Jenny Pritchard, (both of whom gained revenge at later dates). However, her biggest accomplishment was two defeats of Miss Angela Bairstow in Germany in two club competitions. It will be interesting to watch her progress.

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Thank you also for a beautiful letter of condolence on the death of President Kennedy from Joe and Nadja Benes of the Czechoslovakia Badminton Federation.

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ROBERT PRITULA

Robert Pritula, a 17 year old senior at Cody High School in Detroit, has a very impressive Badminton history. During the past five years, Bob has won six Junior National Singles Championships and two National Doubles titles.

A member of the Detroit Westwood Badminton Club, Bob and his twin sister Sharon, (holder of 11 National titles), started playing Badminton at the tender age of six. Their dad, Vic Pritula, former Michigan State singles champion, taught them the fundamentals of the game.

At the age of 10, Bob was afflicted with a serious eye disease which caused blindness for a short period of time. After recovering his vision he was unable to participate in sports for one year and even now is unable to compete in some sports.

When the Badminton season ends Bob hangs up his racket and picks up his tennis racket. He has been the number one player on the De-

troit Cody H. S. and the Detroit All-city H. S. tennis teams for the past three years. During the 1963 season, he was Detroit's Public H. S. singles champion and was ranked #40 nationally in the 16 and under singles by the U. S. L. T. A. and played 5th position on the Michigan State Junior Davis Cup Team.

A member of the Cody Varsity basketball team he has maintained a scholastic average of 3.6 points (4.0 is equivalent to an all 'A' average). Bob is Vice-president of The Cody Language League, secretary of the Spanish Club, a member of the Lettermen's Club and a reporter for the High School newspaper.

He plans to attend college in 1964 majoring in either Education or Business Administration.

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The Housing and Meal ticket of twelve dollars provides for lodging in the residence halls Tuesday through Friday nights and eight meals consisting of dinners and breakfasts Tuesday night through Saturday morning.

Play will be on the six courts of Memorial Gymnasium and the three courts in Renwick Gym.

Matches will commence on Wednesday morning, April 8, with the finals on Friday, followed by the ABA dinner, awards presentation and the Contestants' Ball. Players are urged to arrive on Tuesday afternoon for practice and to facilitate transportation from L. A. International Airport, 50 miles away, via limousine to the Holiday Inn, Montclair, only two miles from the campus.

Since all age brackets are championship events now, there is still time to donate a perpetual trophy in the 15 and 13 groups. Information pertaining to this may be obtained from Naomi Bender, 15 Stones Throw Road, Wilmington, Delaware, National Junior Chairman.

A trip by bus to Disneyland, one hour from the Campus, is planned for Saturday. In addition, Claremont is only a half hour from the ski slopes of Mt. Baldy and one hour from beaches; a little over one hour from desert resorts such as Palm Springs with the new tramway rising from the desert floor over 6000 feet to the top of Mt. San Jacinto.

The Committee, composed largely of Pomona College B. C. members, promises to hold one of the finest Junior Nationals and hopes to entertain a record number of contestants.

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Mason-Dixon, Baltimore, Maryland	Feb. 28-Mar. 1
Mid West Jr. Championships	Feb. 29-Mar. 1
Ontario Invitation, Kitchener, Ont.	Feb. 29-Mar. 1
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Mass. State A, Boston, Mass.	Mar. 6-8
Louisiana Open, Natchitoches	Mar. 13-14
California State Open, (site unknown)	Mar. 13-15
Middle Atlantic Championships, Philadelphia, Pa.	Mar. 13-15
Canadian Open Championships, Toronto, Canada	Mar. 18-21
Mass. State D, Boston, Mass.	Mar. 20-22
Baylor, Waco (tentative)	Mar. 21
11th U. S. Open Championships, San Diego, Calif.	Mar. 25-28
All England, Wembley, England	Apr. 1-4
U. S. Junior Nationals, Pomona, Calif.	Apr. 7-11
Austin Open, Austin, Texas	Apr. 11-12

SECOND EUROPEAN BADMINTON TOUR

By CYNTHIA DRYDEN and GLORIA ELI

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Then his tone of voice changes and he gets misty-eyed and his talk sounds more like; "You don't mean to stand there and tell me to my face that you will only offer me 20 shillings for this magnificent plate; I have a wife and family to feed and clothe; are you going to take the food off our table by stealing this from us?" Just before you hear how this conversation ends, you are whisked up by the crowd and dropped at another cart where someone else is selling soft drinks, or beads, or suits, or watches, or just about anything you can imagine. You can only last so long in Petticoat Lane due to the constant jostling around and the noise, but you leave thinking; "Sometime I'll come back and buy something instead of just listening to the pitchmen."

Our match was played Sunday afternoon at the Wimbledon Squash and Badminton Club. We were all

made honorary members for that day, but, we found out this was not in order to play, but only to be eligible to go to their bar. Each of us received club pins, which we shall all cherish. Mrs. Betty Uber came to watch the matches, and a gracious lady she is. After the match and lunch, Anne MacNichols played her guitar and sang three lovely folk songs. (Anne diligently carted her guitar all over Europe and sang and played for all our suppers en route.)

We discovered that not only do the cars drive on the opposite side of the street from which we are accustomed here at home, but at night, they only use their parking or "running" lights as they call them. All over London you could see our tour members hurriedly rushing for a curb because they did not see a car coming. It is evident why they call them running lights; better yet, they should be called "running-over" lights.

(AUGUST 26-Monday) GAY PAREE
AND A GAY COUNTESS

The following morning, we heard again the familiar "Fasten your seat belt, please." We were landing in Paris. "Our leader" very rapidly whisked us through customs, a knack he had that was very much appreciated during the entire course of the tour. We arrived at the Pierre Ier De Serbie Hotel and immediately scattered over the Champs-Elysees for lunch at some of the lovely side-walk cafes. On either side of the street, you could look around and see members of the tour. Here, Ann Foley munching away on a french bread sandwich; there, the Mobleys doing the same. Sight-seeing is a must in Paris, and the Montmartre seemed to be a good spot to start. Many of the group were found wandering among the side-walk artists. Phyllis Clift even posed in the rain to have her

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portrait done. Everyone marveled at her patience, but after discovering she was the mother of six children, we knew her patience came from long experience.

They recently passed a law in Paris that the buildings have to be cleaned within the next five years, and where-ever you went you were apt to be showered with water and dust where workmen were water-blasting the structures. After taking pictures of the artists, the marvelous statues and fountains, we assembled in the hotel lobby to go as a group to the "Lido". We refused to ask Bill Fischer how he got a feather from one of the Bluebell girl's costumes, and our one Canadian certainly didn't take it upon himself to pass the information along. Virginia and Waldo Lyons celebrated their wedding anniversary while in Paris, and quiet and subdued Bill Johnstone and Gary Nippes went on subsequent nights to the Lido and the Folies. Some of us took the "Paris by Night" illumination tour to see the lighted fountains. By the time we left Paris, we knew what the song meant when it said:

"We'd seen it all, The Beaux Art's Ball?"

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The Rue de la Paix? Well it's okay! Just twist our arms and we'll agree, Paris is getting to me, The peddler's cart, the priceless art, The clothes so chic, the pipes that leak,

That's what makes Paris - - Paree!"

Thanks to our "coach" we were invited to the famous Epernay Wineries, where they make Moët & Chandon Champagne. We toured the wine cellars that are out from a vein of chalk that extends as far as the White Cliffs of Dover. This chalk cellar needs no supports and luckily so, for here alone they had almost 15 miles of underground cellars filled with bottles of ageing champagne. During the tour, in the more than cool cellars, we were told that the mold on the walls contained penicillin and years before penicillin was known the men had used the mold for cut fingers. We also discovered why champagne bottles have the indentation at the bot-

tom of the bottle. It is not to cheat the customer, but to save space during the ageing of the champagne; the bottles are turned upside down with the neck of one bottle resting in the hollow of the bottom of another bottle.

After the tour, we sampled some of their champagne and met a charming Countess. La Comtesse Emmanuel De Maigret, to be more explicit. She invited us to join her for lunch. We journeyed from the wine cellars, out between the two old guest houses (which were the original 18th. Century buildings built for Napoleon's visits to the wineries, Napoleon being a friend of the Moët family), and strolled through the French garden toward the "Orangery", or green house. Passing through French doors, we joined the Countess at a huge banquet table upon which sat place settings for us and by each place four champagne

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Now that was a fault!

"COURTS WE PLAY IN"

NO. 1

THRILL OF A LIFETIME by Pat Cornell

Thursday, May 9th and we were off on our trip to Europe. Our first destination was England and then on to Holland. We had been invited by Ferry Sonnevile to play in the "First International Dutch Tournament of the Flowers" at the Hague. But even more exciting for me was the fact that Judy Hashman had asked me to play Ladies Doubles with her. She wanted to be able to enter as an American Team and such was my good luck.

We landed in London and spent most of the day sightseeing with friends. We were due to meet Judy and her husband, Dick, at the Liverpool Street Station at 7:45 p.m. The train for Holland was due to leave at 8:15 p.m. We arrived there on time but no Judy or Dick. By 8:05 we were becoming rather frantic. Judy had purchased our tickets all the way through to The Hague and she had them with her! At 8:10 with panic-stricken faces we watched the last of the passengers board the train. By 8:12 we were about ready to call out

the Palace Guard when we suddenly spotted Dick and Judy racing down the platform. They had driven some 60 miles at jet speed in order to make the train.

We spent the one hour's ride from Liverpool Street Station to Harwich discussing "old times" and getting to know Dick. Judy kept passing all sorts of goodies to us which she had carefully packed before leaving. At Harwich we piled on to the night boat with about 200 other people. We were herded into a lounge room with about 50 people. The other 150 people had staterooms for the night - (yes, we were to sail all night to the Hook of Holland). Judy had tried to get berths for us but none were available. Dick and John, however, were not to be outdone and decided to find out just how much "money could talk". In the meantime, Judy and I were busy trying to clear ourselves a few inches on which to stake our claim for the night. We managed to beg, borrow and steal a few chairs while a steward kept trying to convince us that we

were taking up too much room. In the midst of all this confusion suddenly appeared the happy faces of Sheila and Bob McCoig. They could afford to be happy. They had berths! A few minutes later appeared the happy faces of John Cornell and Dick Hashman. They could afford to be happy. They had berths! Interesting what a pound can do in England! So the Cornells and Hashmans shared a stateroom that night as we gaily played "musical toothbrushes" and sailed the rocky sea. The next morning we docked at the Hook of Holland where the language barrier suddenly became a reality. However, we stumbled our way through breakfast and boarded the train for The Hague.

There we were met by Ferry Sonnevile and his friend, Ton Beusekom who presented us with beautiful bouquets of tulips. Ton took us to his home and his charming wife, Ankie, served us lovely warm buns and coffee. We all managed to keep our conversation down to a low roar

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THRILL OF A LIFETIME (cont.)
as Erland Kops was sleeping upstairs. Later we were installed in a perfectly charming hotel.

We finally reported to the gym about two in the afternoon. For the first time, John and I experienced the feeling of what it is like to be a "foreign player". Judy and I did not play our first match until 11 p.m. that night. It was played against two young, Dutch girls and, although they played well, we won without too much pressure. We had drawn a bye in the first round, so this first win put us into the semi-finals. The next day (Sunday), we played the semi-finals against Ulla Rasmussen and our hostess of the day before, Ankie Beusekom. We won this match in two games. Ulla, the top Danish woman player, was not playing as well as might have been expected. However, I had seen her play a singles match earlier and she showed every evidence of being a strong and deceptive player.

After winning this match, I suddenly realized that we were in the finals which were to be played at three in the afternoon. This was a most unusual position for me! I had won some local tournaments in one capacity or another over the years but the big time, international tournament was, indeed, another cup of tea! And I shivered and trembled for the next four hours everytime I thought about the fact that we were going to play the Dutch Singles Champion, Imre Rietveld, and the German Singles Champion, Irmgard Latz who had teamed up as a womens' doubles team. I did not know either of them, nor did they know me, and, believe me, this was a help as I was in no condition to make idle chatter with two such formidable opponents.

During some of the waiting period I had a marvelous "tranquilizer" beside me in the capable person of Sheila McCoig. She is the attractive, charming wife of the ever popular Bob McCoig and her pleasant, understanding manner was a great help to me. I might also add that Bob McCoig, Dick Hashman and John were all most helpful in pointing out little things here and there to improve my play. But all of this is not to overshadow the tremendous amount of confidence that I got from my own partner if Judy were ever annoyed with my fumbles, misses, wood shots etc., I

never knew about it. She continued to encourage me at all times. It was the unflinching spirit of this great champion that helped me to play, perhaps, the best badminton of my life.

The moment of truth had arrived! Our names were being called over the loudspeakers. A large crowd had gathered for the finals which were also being televised.

Judy and I won the first game. Our opponents were very disturbed and had attempted every conceivable play to get me in the back court. But Judy had schooled me well and we continuously played a mixed doubles system. The young girls won the second game by a close score in a last ditch effort of pouring out all the steam and drive they had. An incident occurred in the second game which was, in retrospect, very amusing to me. Judy had suggested that I always serve short since my serve was reasonably good and tight. However, Irmgard began rushing it. After about three of these rushes, I decided to flick one over her head. At the moment that I did this (which caught her completely off guard), the foot-fault judge called loud and clear "foot fault"! I stood there in a state of shock as Judy rushed to my defense. But it appeared, indeed, that I had committed such a fault. You see no one had ever called a foot fault on me before!

Our opponents had put so much into winning the second game, that they had tired themselves beyond recall. We, therefore, won the last game rather easily. This was certainly a happy moment of triumph for both of us - For Judy because she displayed her great talents against the odds of having a mediocre partner - For me because the word "triumph" is not a regular word in my vocabulary.

Later all of the tournament participants were honored at a congenial dinner in Scheveningen, a seashore resort area. Erland Kops was selected to make a "thank you" speech on behalf of all the "foreign" players. This he did with an excellent command of the English language and a great deal of genuine feeling.

Our very sincere thanks and admiration go to Ferry Sonneville and his group for the warm hospitality and consideration they showed to all of us. It was a pleasure to meet Ferry's pretty wife, Vonny, and all of his badminton friends.

The results of the other matches might be of interest to many of you. Judy won the Ladies Singles title by beating Irmgard Latz. Erland Kops defeated Ferry in the Men's Singles final. In the Men's Doubles, Kops and A. Rasmussen defeated Bill Havers and B. Andersen. Bob and Sheila McCoig won over Ferry and Vonny Sonneville. I do not recall any of the scores.

NOTE TO TOURNAMENT CHAIRMAN

Please send a copy of
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Results should be typewritten following the format in this Tournament Results section. In addition, all open tournament results should be reported in the form of the complete draw to Grace Devlin, Chairman, National Ranking Committee, Dolfield Rd., Owings Mills, Md.



Names of people in snap!
C. Ratanaseangsuang, "Pete"
Pichai Loaharanu. Dorothy Parsons
and Paison Loaharanu, at Manhat-
tan Beach, B.C., Western States
Open, December 1963

The Patterson brothers from Canada and former Jr. doubles champion, Bruce Rollick spent their school holiday in San Diego starting with Christmas dinner at the Pooles' and ending with dinner at the Leibs' Jan. 2. The boys had some fast and furious games against the Ratana-Loaharanu combination.

LATE RESULTS--THOMAS CUP TRYOUTS

The Eastern and Mid West T. C. tryouts were conducted in Wilmington, Delaware, Jan. 3 and 4.

Eight players participated from the East and the Mid-West. Qualifying for singles was #1 J. Keating, #2 D. Gorman. Doubles matches ended with B. Williams and J. Lynch the top scorers.

The Thomas Cup Committee extends their thanks to the untiring efforts of the Benders and the Neffs to make this try-out so successful.

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- 4—Thou shalt not sulk over losing.
- 5—Thou shalt not take unfair advantage.
- 6—Thou shalt not ask odds thou art unwilling to give.
- 7—Thou shalt always be willing to give thine opponent the benefit of the doubt.
- 8—Thou shalt not underestimate an opponent or overestimate thyself.
- 9—Remember that the game is the thing, and he who thinks otherwise is no true sportsman.
- 10—Honor the game thou playest, for he who plays the game straight and hard wins even when he loses.

(Hugh S. Fullerton)

COLUMBIA

THOMAS CUP SCHEDULE 1964

7 - 8 Feb. (tentative)	U.S.A. vs Jamaica at Jamaica
28 - 29 Feb.	Japan vs Mexico at Mexico City
6 - 7 Mar.	Japan-Mexico vs Canada at Vancouver
13 - 14 Mar.	American Zone Finals at Victoria

THE TOUR TO THE ORIENT

by Grace Devlin

Badminton in Asia anyone? That's the question to which we would like to find the answer before the end of February. So far we have a baker's dozen who are extremely interested in making the trip, but much correspondence has to take place with our host countries before the Tour can take off, and 15 is the magic number required to start this correspondence.

If we have fifteen from the East Coast and it could turn into a round-the-world trip for them, to include badminton in India and short stop offs in a couple of European capitals on the way home.

A total of fifteen people from the West Coast could travel as far as India and return across the Pacific; or for another approximately \$200 join the Easterners around-the-world, as long as the total number of tourists is 15 or more.

Indonesia has been dropped from the proposed itinerary as being too difficult to fit in.

Our first stop will be Honolulu - not listed in the I.B.F. Handbook as a badminton playing country, but with other delights, of which most of us have only dared to dream; and from there to Japan, site of the 1964 Olympics and of this year's Thomas Cup Challenge round, and a hot-bed of enthusiastic badminton players.

Hong Kong has held an Open Championship since 1936 and has entered teams in both the Thomas Cup and the Uber Cup competitions. Malaya and Thailand are well-known homes of world champions and Mr. Sushil Ruia of Bombay is enthusiastic over entertaining a group of U.S. badminton tourists. He visited this country in 1960 as the Manager of India's Uber Cup team and we had the great pleasure of entertaining them all in Owings Mills. Where ever they went the Indian team made a host of friends and recently Jorgen Kolle, organizer of the European Badminton Tours, was his guest during the All Indian Championships

in Karachi. We can promise you an unforgettable time with Sushil as host!

But it is not the standard of play of any of these countries with which this Tour is concerned. It is the people-to-people aspect of playing our game in which we are interested. Friendly games and meeting the players of other lands --- getting to know these people and through these friendships, which are made quickly in the atmosphere of this enjoyable, friendly exercise -- seeing their homelands with them, instead of as tourists "seeing the sights" -- THIS is the unique aspect of these tours which makes them so memorable to those who go on them.

You do not have to be an active badminton player to join this Tour, but don't delay getting in touch with J. Frank Devlin, RFD #2, Dolfield Road, Owings Mills, Maryland 21117 to sign up as interested and to hear more about it.



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glasses. Four kinds of Champagne were served during a most fabulous and delicious meal until most of us expected champagne to run out of our ears. Our "coach" could hardly restrain the thoughts that he would never be able to whip his team back into shape and was thankful we were not scheduled to play while in France.

An impromptu performance of songs followed the lunch, thanks to Anne and her guitar, and she was joined by a few other songsters at heart, namely, Ann Wycker, Margaret Greeno, Alice Fasy, Cynthia Dryden and Gloria Eli, who comprised a sextet for the rest of the tour. Needless to say, after all the vintage champagne, the bus back to the hotel contained the happiest group of badminton players the world has ever, or will ever, see. They were led in loud song by Herb (Sing along with Mitch) Swinarton and Frances (Maria Kallas) Pierce.

BADMINTONPAD

August 29, Thursday, found us in our next stop, Amsterdam. Amsterdam will long be remembered because, for one thing, we won a badminton match. We stayed at two hotels in Amsterdam - part of the group at the "American", the rest at the "Park". A few of us were surprised to learn that the canals of Holland do not normally freeze over in the wintertime, and for those of you still in doubt, they no longer use windmills. As a matter of fact, windmills are few and far between, and those you do find are there just for the sake of the tourists. There were many other statistics reported to those who took boat rides on the canals; "Amsterdam is 15ft. below sea level"; "There are half as many bikes as people in Amsterdam"; "At least two cars a week drive into one of the 70 canals".

Other sights around Amsterdam drew a couple of our tour members out of town. John Franczak went to the Zuider Zee by trolley, ferry boat, bus and walking. Elmer Brown went to a cheese factory in Rotterdam where he enjoyed the quaint sights of the Dutch people - wooden shoes and all - that you don't find in downtown Amsterdam. A couple of the gals rented bikes and saw some of Amsterdam while peddling frantically among the little cars and all the other bicycles.

That evening, we proceeded by bus to the badminton gym located in Haarlem. The bus driver transporting us proceeded to get lost and then entangled in a series of expressways - so we sat and looked at the badminton building - first on the left and next on the right. After making a U turn in order to negotiate the driveway, we noticed signs posted "Badmintonpad" (which means "way" or "path") and wished they had hung the signs just outside of Amsterdam rather than in the driveway. (During the entire course of the tour we found that not one bus driver assigned to our group knew the way to the badminton courts in any given city, and this was just another source of hilarity for everyone.) We learned that the seven badminton courts were constructed with private funds from the badminton players. No small feat, this, for they had a huge badminton building where we played in Haarlem.

The food of Holland was superb, and we enjoyed the cheese the Dutch people serve with breakfast. We also appreciated the lovely flowers we found everywhere, including vases of fresh cut flowers in all the buses and cabs throughout Europe.

Since Judy Hashman left our group in London, and upon reaching Amsterdam we were joined by Polly Kolle's mother, Mrs. Thompson. She proved to be a most charming traveling companion who livened up the group by making pencil sketches of the badminton players and keeping "our leader" on his toes by making choice comments to her son-in-law throughout the rest of the tour.

As we boarded the plane for Cologne and the pilot's voice came back to us, we wished just for variety he would say, "Please fasten each others seatbelts", but he didn't and we had another enjoyable flight with good weather, good food and good company. On arriving in Cologne, we toured "The Cathedral" and John Clift and Gloria Eli got in condition for ensuing matches by walking up the 500 steps to the tower. But it did absolutely no good, for when we continued on to Bonn, Germany, their players proceeded to mop us off the courts.

EVERYBODY TWIST

We traveled to Bonn, via a steamer, up the Rhine river. Doc Gibbs, (who spoke no German), had a language

lesson from an 11 year old Deutschland girl who spoke only a few words in English. It was remarkable how little this handicapped either of them to carry on a conversation during the two hour boat trip. The language barrier expected by most of us was so slight we hardly knew we were out of the country. When we did have a problem, it usually turned out to be a hilarious episode to tell the other tour members. (Sorry, most of them are unprintable!)

The Hotel Stern, where we stayed in Bonn, was in the center of town. Being the weekend, the shops were closed. To fill our time, the German badminton players escorted us to a German Beer Garden (or Open-Air Restaurant). Cynthia Dryden and one of the German players, Frank Grundel, made the scene with a wild "German twist". Estelle Dryden, (Cynthia's mother), and her partner were running her a close second around the dance floor but with a much more subdued twist; as a matter of fact it was more like a fox-trot. Another outstanding couple, (if you could find them due to their lack of height), were Joanne Edwards and Horst Schmitz. (Pronounced "Hoss", but called "Harry" by Joanne.) Everyone ordered a round of beer or Rhine wine. We also seemed to be continually dropping money in the hat of different members of the band until the late evening announcement from "our leader" and "coach" that we would play our match the following morning at 9:00 a.m. (No wonder we lost in Bonn.)

The First Badminton Club of Bonn gave each member of our team stick pins with their club letters embossed on them which prompted our "coach" to remark that he finally had an opportunity to "needle us", something he had wanted to do for quite some time. After the match, a few of the German club members took us for a boat ride to a local resort spot in Königswinter. High on a mountain, we had a panoramic view of the nearby area. In order to reach the top of the mountain, most of us took a 10 minute cog-rail train, but Peg Beadle, Anna Mae Aldrink, Erika Harten (one of our German hostesses), Bill Fischer and a few others walked (rather hiked) vigorously up the mountain side. Once at the top, you could have

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lunch or just look at the beautiful scenery that surrounded the mountain.

HANKY-PANTS

Upon returning to the boat dock later that day for the return trip to Bonn, we were herded between two iron railings where we waited for our boat, saw it dock, and saw just a few passengers get off, nowhere near enough got off to let us get on. Consequently, there we stood, waiting for the next boat which was due in an hour. Well, those German Guides of ours were still along, and they never missed an opportunity to be helpful and entertaining. Off ran Frank to buy four bottles of wine which we passed joyously among the group. (Luckily, our "Coach" was at the hotel!) Eventually, the next boat arrived, and we were scooped up in the rushing throng and dumped on board where we proceeded to the upper deck. Frank dashed off again and returned with a case of beer which he passed out and the poor band on the upper deck could not be heard due to our singing.

After leaving the boat, Jim Schaeffer reported that he immediately lost his ticket after purchasing it and therefore had to sneak both on and off the boat as they collected half of the ticket at each end of the ride. Jim good naturedly took the ribbing we gave him during the entire tour, for he proved to be the "absent-minded boy" of the group - always losing his raincoat, or camera, or passport (but never for more than an hour at a time). So, to cheer him up, Horst whipped his handkerchief out of his pocket - which proved to be a pair of lacy doll britches - and fitted them over a bottle of beer and drank a toast to Jim. A more ridiculous sight you have yet to behold. As it turned out, we were lucky to be in this good mood when we arrived at the hotel because "our leader" greeted us with, "Baggage ready by 5:45 a.m." (Groan - en masse.)

Bright and early - - - we mean - - - early the next morning, we stumbled onto the bus and Jo Edwards said, "I hate farewells". A girl friend of hers had driven over to Bonn from Frankfurt the previous day to be with Joanne, and she was hopping into her car and waving goodbye as our

bus left for the airport.

KØBENHAVN

Our flight to Copenhagen was halted only long enough to land in Hamburg for more passengers. Erika Harten left us at Hamburg; it had been her first plane ride, but luckily, she had Bill Fischer there to hold her hand. We arrived in Copenhagen at 14:30 (that's 2:30) p.m., September 2, and were met at the airport by Mr. and Mrs. Ø. Kolle, Morgen Kolle (our leader's parents and brother) and Erland Kops. The Copenhagen airport was a beautiful building and one which we would see again and yet again.

The entire group met in the Hotel Grand dining room for dinner. We filled the entire seating capacity and left no room for other customers. On the following days spent at the hotel, the management gave us a separate dining room for our meals, much to the delight of everyone concerned. The next morning, we went sight-seeing by bus. As we stopped to take pictures of the "Little Mermaid" statue or watch the boats in the ever-busy harbor, our guide told us a legend about the statue. She said that the lady who posed for the statue is still living and in her 80's, and each year, on her birthday, she comes to visit the statue and return in memory to the days of her youth when she was a ballet dancer. We passed the city's Town Hall, and also passed many of Copenhagen's tandem trolleys. We drove past the Stock Exchange where the tower looks like four dragons' tails entwined. We stopped to take pictures of Amalienborg, the royal residence, and then continued on to Grundtvigs Church. For the conclusion of the tour, we stopped at a Diamond Mine Exhibition where we all looked, "bug-eyed", at the beautiful diamond settings.

Since Malmö, Sweden, is just across the harbor from Copenhagen, about 15 of us (including Margaret and Claude Greeno, Marian Ruane, Peg Beadle, Florence and Herb Swinarton) took one of the Hydro-foil boats across. A trip that normally takes two hours is cut down to a 35 minute ride. While in Malmö, Florence Swinarton continued her endless shopping spree by buying a pair of Swedish glass candlesticks. Herb, in retaliation, purchased some "Home Movies" which he showed that evening in the Nelson's room. (Those Nelsons, they never tired out!) John Franczak and Elmer Brown returned to Copenhagen aboard the regular boat, and Jim Schaeffer was just in time to wave good-bye to them as they fluttered their hankies over the railing at no one in particular. (A habit people pick up from watching movies, no doubt.)

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BOSTON TO SAN DIEGO

Boston's Erik Nyborg reports growing interest in the possibility of chartering a direct flight from New York to San Diego for the 11th Open. According to Erik, the price per person will be \$211.00 round trip if the plane has full occupancy. He also says a stop at Chicago could be arranged if there is enough interest, with equal savings on the fare.

Plans are to leave on Saturday before the tourney and return Sunday or Monday. A deposit of \$50.00 must be in Erik's hands by February 15th with the unpaid balance due by March 8. Send replies to Erik Nyborg, 1086 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts.

From the Editor:

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THE NEW WOOD SHOT RULE?

Apparently the revision in the Wood Shot Rule has caused considerable consternation and conversation.

Your Editor welcomes comments from subscribers and will publish both "pro" and "con" opinions in the next issue.

**Golden Bird
Chicago, November 23-24**

- LS Connie Szkill def. Joyce Wanek
- MS Jim Bell def. Bob Renner
- LD S. Peplowski & V. Henrichs def. B. Berger and Knotek.
- MD L. Zaitzeff & P. Owens def. B. Bateman & B. Rhuyan
- MX C. Szkil & G. LeFranc def. E. Stockton & J. Bell.

CONSOLATION ROUND

- LS J. Richardson def. P. Dillon
- MS J. Yager def. E. Harris
- LD P. Ling & G. Beck def. Mullin & Pankonin.
- MD R. Tilden & D. Wigglesworth def. G. Brown & D. Headley
- MX T. Mullen & G. Brown def. C. Obara & D. Miller

**THE ARNOLD COLLEGE OPEN
INTERCOLLEGIATE CHAMPIONSHIPS,
University of Bridgeport
November 15-17**

- LS Faith Ferris def. Rosemary McGuire 12-9, 11-5
- MS Jim Lynch def. Ed Turner 15-1, 15-2
- LD F. Ferris & G. Alvernaz def. C. Andrade & L. Bowmer 10-15, 18-13, 15-8
- MD J. Lynch & Y. Girardin def. C. Moxim & D. Joly 15-1, 15-1
- MX J. Lynch & F. Ferris def. D. Joly & B. Phillips 15-2, 15-8

**Houston Open
November 9-10**

- MS Tan Joe Hok def. Charles Thomas 15-2, 15-0
- LS Lana Harman def. Nancy Norvel 11-2, 11-9
- MD Hok and Izen def. Sudbury & Chesser 15-14, 15-11
- LD Stekoll & Norvel def. Harman & Harman 15-9, 17-15
- MX Hok & Norvel def. Harman & Sudbury 18-14, 15-13

**Appleton Invitational
Wisconsin, November 9-10**

- MS Ron Buck def. Roy Nusbaum 17-14, 15-6
- LS Doris Henderson def. Vera Henrichs 8-11, 11-6, 11-2
- MD Jim and Dick Wigglesworth def. J. Wanek & D. Mrazek 15-6, 15-11
- LD T. Burdick & D. Henderson def. V. Henrichs & S. Peplowski 15-4, 15-2
- MX D. Taylor & T. Burdick def. R. Buck & M. Buck no scores.
- Sr. MX G. Geever & T. Burdick def. Mr. and Mrs. J. Wigglesworth 15-6, 15-8

CONSOLATION ROUND

- MS John Zimmerman def. Herb Schutt 21-5
- LS Joyce Wanek def. Ina Temple 21-10
- MD J. Yeager & S. DeAntoni def. E. Harris & C. Eli 21-8
- LD L. Masaros & J. Wanek def. G. Ollech & M. Buck 21-17

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

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**3RD ANNUAL
THE CONTINENTAL
EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION**

- LS Jean Sudbury def. Joyce Chesser 11-3, 11-6
- MS Kang Yang def. Carroll Knutson 15-4, 15-8
- LD Chesser & Sudbury won by default
- MD Sudbury & Chesser def. Yang & Knutson, 15-3, 15-8.
- MX Chesser & Chesser def. Sudbury & Round 15-5, 15-11
- BS Bill Price def. Don Shipman 15-1, 6-15, 15-13
- BD J. Price & D. Shipman def. B. Price & Chance 15-6, 15-7

**15TH ANNUAL MANHATTAN
BEACH SUMMER DOUBLES
Manhattan Beach, California**

A FLIGHT

- LD L. Alston & D. Haase def. M. Breckell & J. Pons 10-15, 15-12, 18-15
- MD C. Ratanaseangsuang & P. Loaharanu def. J. Alston & W. Rogers 15-12, 15-12
- MX P. Pichai & H. Tibbetts def. Joe and Lois Alston 17-18, 15-7, 15-4
- Sr. MX (total 75 yrs.) T. Heden & L. Kirby def. L. Calvert & J. Pons 17-16, 15-11
- Sr. MD W. Rogers & L. Calvert def. J. Cogan & C. Randolph.

B FLIGHT

- LD J. DeZort & S. Vening def. C. Ogren & A. Wood 15-6, 8-15, 15-9
- MD B. Judy & B. Mauller def. H. Slagg & P. Tourje 15-4, 15-11
- MX C. Randolph & L. Carlson def. L. Saben & J. DeZort 18-13, 15-12

A CONSOLATION

- LD S. Vening & A. Wood def. J. DeZort & M. Johnson 12-15, 15-11, 15-9
- MD T. Heden & R. Mejia def. R. Park & W. Haase 18-16, 15-18, 15-4
- MX S. Hales & M. Breckell def. R. Mejia & A. Wood 15-10, 15-6
- Sr. MX E. Spruill & D. Parsons def. J. Cogan & L. Neiss 7-15, 15-6, 15-10

B CONSOLATION

- LD G. Meyen & A. Foy def. L. Neiss & O. Pennick 15-12, 15-6
- MD D. Inglis & B. Inglis def. S. Heath & R. Young 12-15, 15-9, 15-6
- MX P. Tourje & B. Hull def. B. Judy & R. Greene 15-11, 8-15, 15-10

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
JUNIOR TOURNEY**

18 AND UNDER

- GS J. DeZort def. S. Vening 12-10, 8-11, 12-9
- BS K. Fleming def. L. Saben 6-15, 15-6, 15-8
- GD J. DeZort & D. Moore def. S. Vening & J. Pajares 18-17, 15-12
- BD (Round Robin)
K. Fleming & L. Saben 1st, Bohn & Dickie 2nd.
- MX L. Saben & J. DeZort def. K. Fleming & J. Pajares 15-7, 6-15, 15-10

15 AND UNDER

- GS D. Moore def. B. Fitch 11-1, 11-3
- BS Jones def. Lichterman 15-8, 8-15, 15-3
- GD (Round Robin)
Fitch & Zimmerman 1st, Kelly & Tuttle 2nd.

13 AND UNDER

- GS (Round Robin)
Mies 1st, Sibbetts 2nd.
- BS Walker def. Kinard 15-4, 15-5
- GD (Round Robin)
Mies & White 1st, Tibbetts & Spruill 2nd
- BD Healy & Nowack won 15-4, 15-5

11 AND UNDER

- GS Mies def. White 12-11, 2-11, 11-0
- BS Healy def. Spruill 15-8, 15-1



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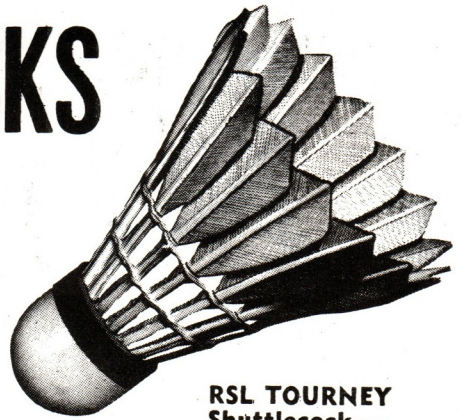
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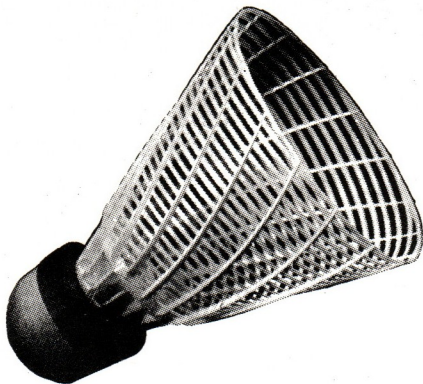


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