



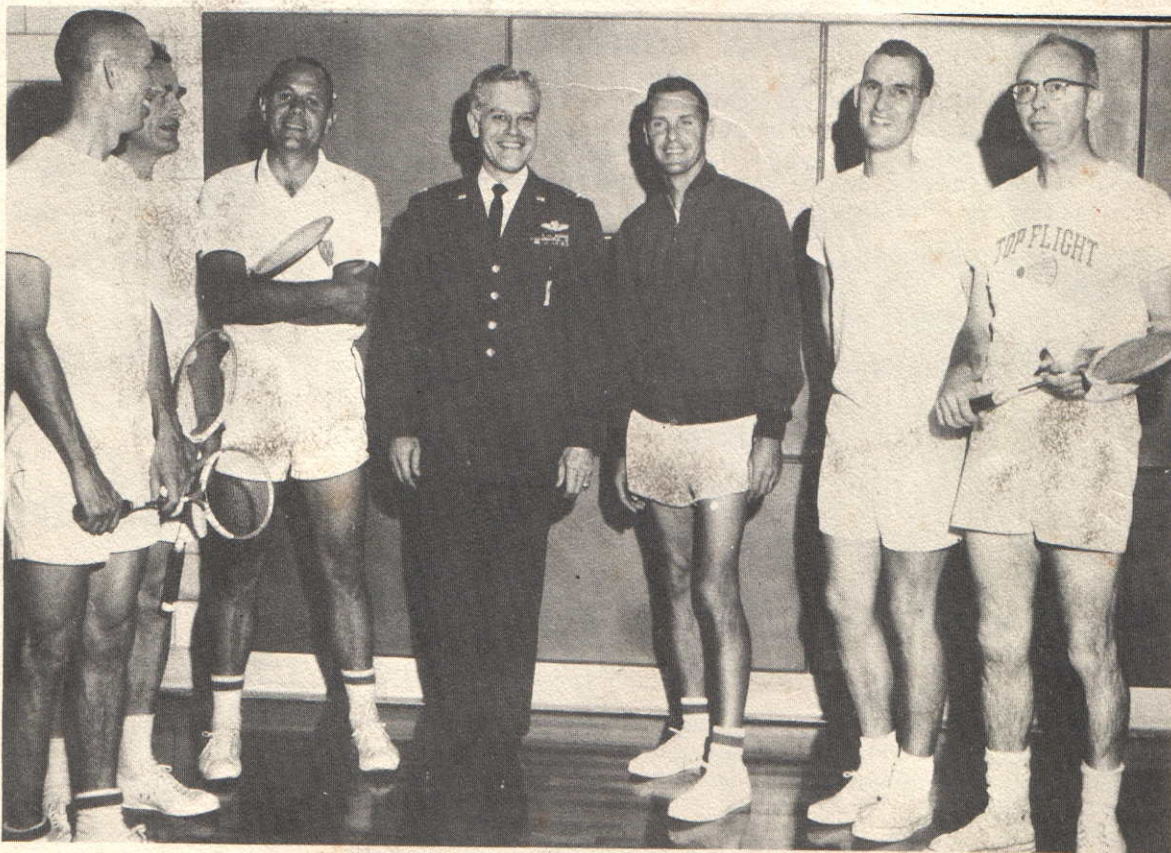
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Editor's Note

My apologies and an explanation - not an excuse - for why the January issue did not reach you until long after the deadline for the March issue. It all started with illness at the printer's office and then, just as we were ready to address and send out Bird Chatter, Baltimore had a snow storm - the first of the season - and severe enough to prevent the employees of the addressograph firm from reaching the office. And believe me that doesn't have to be too severe a storm. But, two days later, all ready to go, and the 'Blizzard of the Century' hit Baltimore and EVERY body and EVERY business came to a standstill for at least three days. Then, as the truck with Bird Chatter started for the Post Office the driver had a heart attack - another delay.

So that is the heartrending story, or at least the greater part of it, heartrending for me anyway, why the January issue appeared in February.

IN MEMORIAM

Badminton lost a good and generous friend when Leander McCormick-Goodheart passed away in mid-December on his way to to keep a speaking engagement.

We first met Mr. McCormick-Goodheart during World War II when he opened his beautiful house and grounds on the northern outskirts of Washington, D.C. for a Garden Fête in aid of Bundles for Britain. Not only a badminton enthusiast - he had converted a barn into a court where he played regularly with his family and friends - there was also a smooth-surface cement tennis court in the garden with the surrounding wire netting covered with rambler roses in the English fashion. And a cricket ground a little further from the house on which the British Embassy played most of its matches.

During the War Mr. McCormick-Goodheart worked in the British Information Service at the British Embassy. He was genuinely interested in Badminton, was a subscriber of long standing to Bird Chatter, and always one of the first to respond to any badminton fund-raising.

He has left a permanent memento of this interest in the National Men's Doubles Trophy which he gave to the American Badminton Association in 1937. He also enjoyed watching the game and was in Baltimore in 1950 and again in 1963 to present his Cup to the winners.

The International and National News Scene

by Jack van Praag, Chairman, National Badminton News Committee



NATIONAL NEWS

As has been our custom for many years we are again busy supplying lists of our U. S. Open and Junior National Champions to the publishers of many encyclopedia, sports almanacs and various other publications. Recent requests have come from the publishers of the universal World Reference Encyclopedia, and "Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities", who are in the process of gathering data for a new publication called "Great Athletes of America". Up to date articles and information about badminton appear in the 1966 edition of the DGWS "Tennis and Badminton Guide". Other publications include the Encyclopedia Britanica (which has carried the list of 'World' Champions for many many years), The American Peoples Encyclopedia, The World Almanac, The New York Times, The Los Angeles Times and the Reader's Digest.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Generally known to Philatelists, but not so well known to badminton

fans, is the fact that on March 22nd, 1962, the Portugese Territory of Macao, situated just a ferry-boat ride away from Hongking, issued a set of six stamps depicting various sports. The highest value of the set, 2½ patacas, pictures Badminton and shows two Badminton players in action at opposite ends of the net.

Among the many requests for Badminton information and material we receive from many parts of the United States and the world, one of the more interesting ones is that received from a Korean High School student. This request was forwarded to us by Col. Eagan of the People-to-People Sports Cttee. The writer, Sang Soon Shin, apparently is an advanced player and has been playing for about 4 years. His ambition is to win a Japanese Championship and then enter the Asian Junior Championships, and finally to participate in the Asian Olympic Badminton Games. He further reports that Badminton was imported into Korea about seven years ago, that there are about one thousand people engaged in the game and that they are making striking progress.

THE INTERNATIONAL MATCH WITH CANADA

At last, after a number of years of thought and correspondence, Rules and Regulations are being drawn up and the first of what is to be an annual fixture between Canada and the United States is expected to take place — Concord, New Hampshire is to be the host city and Concord High School is where the matches will be played, on Monday and Tuesday, April 4th and 5th.

Each team will consist of 4 men and 4 women who will play 2 Men's and 2 Ladies' Singles, 2 Men's and 2 Ladies' Doubles and 2 Mixed Doubles matches; thus insuring that there will always emerge a Champion Nation.

By playing this Match on the Monday and Tuesday after the Canadian Championships and before the U.S. Nationals it is hoped to lure more Canadians to play in our Championships, while next year, when the Match will probably be played in Canada, it is hoped that these 8 Americans will play in the Canadian Championships.

International Match experience will thus be brought to an increasingly large number of players, and there is NO substitute for the nervous tension which is experienced by anyone playing for his or her country. It is totally different from 'tournament nerves', exciting, stimulating and prideful and birth of this U.S. vs Canada Match is, I think all will agree, a big step forward in American badminton.

Who will pick the Team? When will it be announced? Who will be nominated? None of this has as yet been decided, but if we get news of these decisions before Bird Chatter goes to press in the 3rd week of February we plan a Stop Press notice to bring you this information.

More information on such details as times, tickets, and so forth can be obtained from:

John Nelson
24 School Street
Concord, New Hampshire

THE PEOPLE—to—PEOPLE SPORTS COMMITTEE



For many years now contributions to the Uber Cup, Thomas Cup and National Championship Funds have been made through the People — to — People Sports Committee, and it would seem that it might be of some interest to badminton players to learn a little about this organization.

Ten years ago Frank Devlin and I attended one of the founding meetings of this Sports Committee in Washington, D.C. Judy Devlin, now Hashman, was the Badminton Representative on this Committee at this time but was abroad, and we were asked to attend in her place. Here we met Col. Eddie Eagan and a number of prominent Sports figures, all enthusiastically dedicated to having Sports do their part in helping the peoples of the world to understand each other.

I therefore wrote to Col. Eagan and asked for a short article on the Committee, and received the following reply.

G. I. D.

The People — to — People Sports Committee resulted from a White House Conference convened by President Eisenhower in 1956 for the purpose of making it possible for people to supplement government efforts in broadening understanding and friendship between ourselves and those of other nations. Its program utilizes the universal interest in sports and the

understanding of good sportsmanship as a base from which to begin. It is truly the American people's program, not a commercial organization for profit or a government sponsored agency. Although it receives no financial support from government, it does have the blessing of official Washington.

The Committee cooperates with existing sports organizations. It encourages those which have no international exchange program to launch one. It stimulates those which have one to expand it. It provides funds and other types of assistance to them. It brings into the international sports exchange movement delegations drawn from clubs, schools, colleges and universities, both amateur and professional. It cooperates closely with the U.S. Information Agency, the U.S. Department of State, and other governmental agencies, both domestic and foreign.

Its membership, growing steadily, comprises more than 500 men and women prominent in sports. They represent over 110 national sports organizations. The Committee devotes considerable time to providing sports equipment, training materials, and technical assistance requested by people in non-privileged areas of the world.

Officials of communist nations have long understood the value of continuous sports exchanges with other nations, and they are 15 times as active as the United States in this direction.

Persons interested in further information about the Committee and/or participation in the movement to which it is giving momentum, should address their request to Committee Headquarters, 20 Exchange Place, New York, N. Y. 10065.

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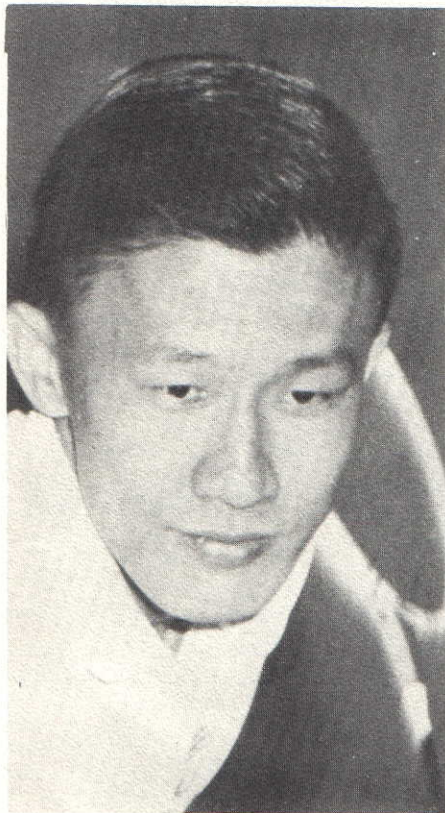
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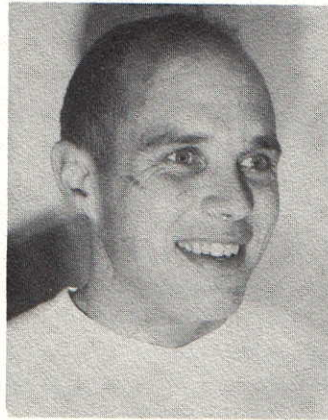
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The Thirteenth U.S. Open Championships

News has reached us from Chairman Harold E. Smith that they are going full steam ahead in Connecticut, and that arrangements for the National Championships are almost completed. To be held at the new Central Connecticut College in New Britain, April 6 - 9, the playing facilities are superb, we understand, and the Hotel Americana, the Headquarters for the tournament, is cooperating in every way, so that this should be one of the best of Championship Meetings.



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who, with wife, Lois, spearheads the
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Among those who have accepted the Committee's invitation to play are the defending Men's Singles Champion Erland Kops of Denmark and the Lady Champion Judy Hashman. The 1965 All England Champion Ursula Smith will be here from England on her way to Australia and New Zealand, together with Ulla Strand, Denmark's best lady player who reached the finals of the All England last year. The nine times Women's Doubles Winners have accepted, for Susan Peard is coming from Dublin to join with her sister Judy, when the 'Devlin Sisters' will try to make it ten.

Mrs. Jenny Pritchard Horton is a tentative entrant and three Malaysian Tan Aik Huang, Yan Yee Khan and Ng Boon Bee will be here. It is also hoped that the 4 men - led by Wayne MacDonnell - and 4 women members of the Canadian Team, as well as all of our best players will be in attendance. A star-spangled field.

As an added attraction the U.S. Uber Cup Team will be announced by Chairman Frank Devlin during the Finals.

EXHIBITION MATCHES

Boston is going to be treated to a display of badminton by some of the world's top players over the weekend of April 4 - 5, as well as have the opportunity to help towards that very large sum of money needed to send our Uber Cup team abroad to defend its title of Champion.

The University Club is staging a series of exhibition matches and, although all the plans have not been completed, it is expected that the following will be among those invited to take part: Sven Andersen, Denmark Tan Aik Huang, Tan Yee Khan and Ng Boon Bee, all of Malaysia.



URSULA SMITH, England

**NEXT DEADLINE FOR
Bird Chatter News**
APRIL 15, 1966

Flying Feathers

Shaker Heights B.C.'s Norm Atchison spent three weeks exploring the bush country of East Africa in October ——— Shaker B.C. has three Danish members this season — Dr. Tara Rathev, teaching at Western Reserve University, and her two children Sheila and Nils.....Summer tennis successes: Al Obermeyer and partner won the Ohio State Clay Courts doubles: Ed DiLeone shares the National Public Parks senior doubles title.... .Finn Kobbero and Hammegaard Hansen made one of their rare appearances in the Swedish Invitational Championships, losing in the first round to the Swedes Hanssen — Jons-son 15-11, 18-16.....Red China has suggested that Denmark visit them in May and Sweden in September; 4 men and 4 women.....Bernt Dahlberg, who played in the Indiantown Gap Nationals, fell on the ice and injured his right hand and leg the day before the Swedish tournament, so couldn't play. He now has 2 sons, aged 3½ and 1½ years old.....a surprising number of foreign players competed in the semi-annual badminton tourney at the Palo Alto Club. Maung Kyaw Lwin won the Novice Singles and with W. Tso the Novice Men's Doubles. Ina McKinnon from Scotland won all three Open events, winning the Mixed Doubles with her husband Ian.....Tomczak formerly of Chicago is back playing in the San Francisco Bay Area.....the old partnership of Joe Coates and James King continues into the Veterans Division.....Graciana has resumed badminton and has introduced husband John into the game.....the West German Team spent the third week in December in the British Isles. They played Ireland in Dublin and England in Torquay, followed by the London Championships.....From Jack van Praag we learn that our

congratulations go to David Choong who was married last December to Miss Doreen Tan Kien Ling. David is a city councilor of Penang, Malaysia.....another great Malaysian player, Teh Kew San has recently married his mixed doubles partner, Miss NgMei Leng, at Penang..... We learn from the Badminton Gazette that a new event has been added to the All England Veterans Championships, The Married Couples Doubles with no age limit. Audrey Stone, who has put in years of work for badminton has presented a silver rose bowl as a perpetual trophy for this event..Congratulations to John and Abby Collatello who have a baby girl and to Louis and Mildred (Riggio) Uffer who became the proud parents of a baby boy in January.....also to Diane and Tom Carmichael, the proud parents of a bouncing baby boy.....The Midwest are welcoming the energetic Harold Deeman back to the Chicago area.....The Dilwyne Badminton Club Mixed Doubles Tournament, an annual affair with all members participating, was won by Dr. "Big Bill" Johnson and Peggy duPont, followed closely by Del Mahoney & Ruth Reichert. The men's doubles was won by the father and son team of Bill and Doug Bender by three points over Bill Richey and Bob Moneymaker. This was followed by a buffet supper at the Club.

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UBER CUP NEWS of all sorts

The first Metropolitan Badminton Association Member club to organize a fund-raising activity for the Uber Cup team's travel expenses was the West Side YMCA sponsored guest night, Friday, January 21st. Charging \$1 per person above the cost of the birds the Y, with Joe Morello in charge, raised \$20.

In Maryland, Ginny Easter, a tennis enthusiast, who played, and won, the Municipal Women's Doubles with Judy Hashman this summer, went to work for the Uber Cup Fund and collected \$32.00 and 20 Stamp Books from her friends, mostly tennis players like herself.

However, no one, so far as we know, has topped Naomi Bender's campaign in Wilmington. Starting with an excellent full column in the Evening Journal by the Sports Editor Al Cartwright, Naomi is well on the way to filling her quota of 200 stamp books.

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MIDWEST RESULTS

Del Bedford	won 10	lost 4
Jean Richardson	won 9	lost 5
Sylvia Owens	won 9	lost 5
Astrid Bowling	won 8	lost 6
Joan Kilburn	won 6	lost 8
Thelma Burdick	won 5	lost 9
Gloria Eli	won 5	lost 9
Millie Buck	won 4	lost 10

Each Match consisted of 2 games with no setting, and showing how close the matches were 9 of them resulted in split sets.

PACIFIC COAST RESULTS

Caroline Jensen	won 16	lost 4
Tyna Barinaga	won 15	lost 5
Lois Alston	won 14	lost 6
Helen Tibbetts	won 13	lost 7
Jan DeZort	won 10	lost 10
Mary A. Breckell	won 8	lost 12
Judy Adamos	won 7	lost 13
Sue Wilson	won 7	lost 13
Jeanne Pons	won 7	lost 13
Mary McMurray	won 6	lost 14

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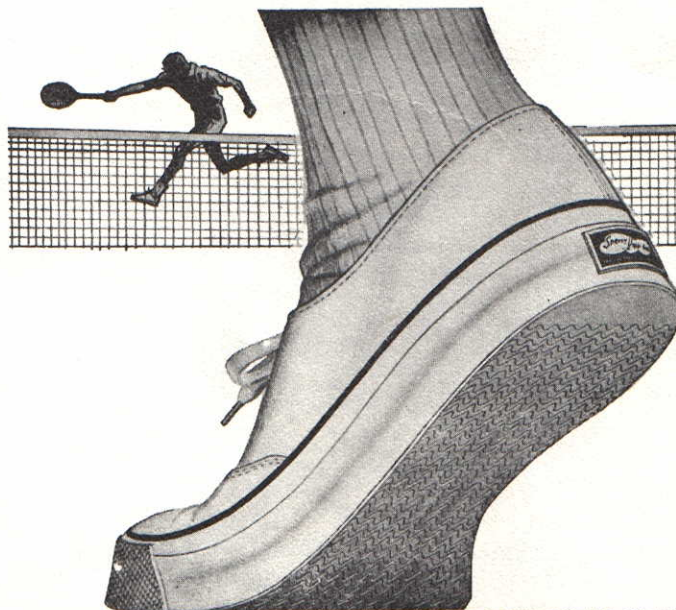
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THE UBER CUP SQUAD

By the time this issue reaches you "the moment of truth" will be very near at hand and, by means of the final Try-outs in Baltimore, March 27-28: the Canadian and U.S. Championship results; together with the season's tournament and Regional Doubles results, the Uber Cup Team and Reserves will be chosen and announced at the Nationals on April 9th.

The Team will be picked from the members of the National Uber Cup Squad some of whom were announced at the 1965 Nationals in New Orleans, and others have been added on the excellence of their play this season.

This 1965-66 Squad consists of



Tyna Barinaga Washington & Oregon

One of the youngsters on the Squad, Tyna is in her second year at the University of Arizona. She played number 2 Doubles with Caroline Jensen on the 1960 Uber Cup Team, but they lost both their matches to the more experienced English pairs. Tyna won the Junior National Singles in 1962 and '64 and the Doubles in 1962, '63 and '64 and the Open National Doubles with Caroline Jensen, and again with Caroline she won the Canadian Open Doubles in 1965. This season she and Helen Tibbetts have won all the pre-Christmas Doubles events in California and, except for one loss to Janice DeZort in Mexico, she has won all the Singles events too.



Janice DeZort Chula Vista, Calif.

The only Junior on the Squad, Janice was runner-up to Caroline Jensen in last year's Junior Nationals. She shows a great potential and has a win this season over Tyna Barinaga to her credit followed by a loss with a good score to Dot O'Neil in the finals of the Mexican Open Championships last November. With her partner, Diane Moore, also a Junior she defeated the experienced team of Breckell & Pons last July, showing that she is maturing rapidly into a fine young player.



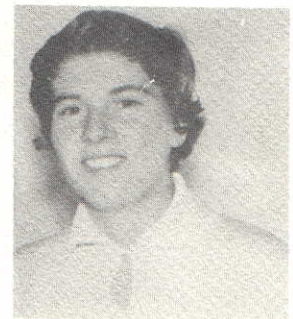
Lois Alston Pasadena, California

Lois played no 3 Singles on the first Uber Cup Team and won all her matches against Canada, India and Denmark. With Beulah Armendariz she was named on the Team but did not play against Denmark in the Challenge Round in 1960. Invited to play in the All England (World) Championships in 1956 she reached the semi-finals of the Singles and then won the Scottish "World Invitational" Doubles with Margaret Varner, successfully defending it in 1957. In 1960 she and Beulah won the Canadian Open Doubles. However, though International Mixed Doubles have eluded them Lois and her husband Joe have a long and enviable record of Mixed Double wins. A great match player who never gives up, Lois has also won the Ken Davidson Award for her Sportsmanship as well as her contributions to the game of badminton off the court. The Alstons have two boys, aged 7 and 4.



Mary Ann Breckell Los Angeles

Mary Ann teaches Physical Education at Valley State Junior College and, with Jeanne Pons, has an excellent doubles record in California tournaments. Their best year was probably last season when they played in five tournaments and won three of them. Playing in the Nationals in New Orleans last April this pair had a three game loss to Dot O'Neil and Daphne First, the No. 1 pair from the East Coast. Mary Ann also plays an excellent Mixed Doubles game.



Judy Devlin Hashman England

Although she now lives in England Judy is still an American citizen and so is eligible to play for the U.S. Team again this year. Judy has played in all three Uber Cup contests in both Singles and Doubles and has won all her matches. In doubles she played with Susan Devlin Peard in the first two encounters and with Carlene Starkey in the 1963 Challenge round. Judy has won the All England Singles title the record number of 8 times and with Susan has won the Doubles 5 times, as well as once with

Tony Holst Christensen of Denmark. Her ten wins of the U.S. Singles title, nine Doubles wins with Susan and one with Patsy Stephens, gives her a record it will be hard to beat. She will be back in Baltimore, with her small son, to play in the Canadian and U.S. Championships but it is doubtful that she can arrive in time for the March 27-28 Try-outs.



Caroline Jensen Port Angeles, Wash.

graduated from the Juniors on February 2nd. She defeated Tyna Barinaga for the Junior Championship title in 1963 and Jan DeZort in 1965. Her national doubles record is, of course, identical to Tyna's and, since Tyna left for college in Arizona she has successfully teamed with Sue Wilson, a promising Junior, in many tournaments in the Northwest. Caroline is a freshman at the Washington State University.



Rosine Jones New York City

has won her reputation as a first class badminton player in doubles and mixed doubles. Before she took the 1964 - '65 season off, she and McGregor Stewart were the East Coast No. 1 doubles team and with Dick Ball she won all the Mixed Doubles title as well. With a 4 year old daughter and a one year old son, Rosine does not play in as many tournaments as heretofore, but she appears to have regained her best form and is the outstanding East Coast doubles player, which she demonstrated in no uncertain way in the East Coast Doubles Games in December, and so was selected to the Squad.



Dorothy O'Neil Norwich, Conn.

has been the best singles player on the East Coast, or in fact on this continent since 1960. Always in the best of physical condition she has only occasionally been defeated by anyone but Judy Hashman in the last six years and in 1964 she won the U.S. Open Singles Championship, defeating Tyna Barinaga in the finals. Dot was a member of the 1960 Uber Cup Team winning her number three Singles against the Danes but, with Margaret Varner, losing both her doubles matches. Making the 1963 Team, again as number three Singles, Dot was badly handicapped by a painful foot injury and lost her match to England's Iris Rodgers. With Daphne First of Boston Dot is placed number two nationally in the current doubles national rankings.



Jeanne Pons Northfield, Calif.

Here again we find a doubles player whose record is, naturally, a duplicate of her partners, Mary Ann Breckell. Losing to O'Neil and First in a three game match in the last National Championships, they received a high Ranking. Tho' so far this year they have not won a tournament, 'Pons and Breckell' are a very tough team to beat. Jeanne is the head of the Physical Education Department at Valley State Junior College in Northridge and immediate superior to her doubles partner.



Abbie Rutledge Garden City, N. Y.

has never made the Uber Cup Team but was chosen to represent the U.S. in South Africa in 1955. Another player always in top physical condition, Abbie is head of the Physical Education Department at Adelphi University. With a great fighting spirit Abbie was added to the Squad after demonstrating her knowledge of and skill at the doubles game in the East Coast Matches in Wilmington last December.



Helen Tibbetts Los Angeles, Calif.

was recently added to the Squad when, after some most disappointing play in New Orleans last April, she returned to form this season and with Tyna Barinaga as her partner won all the Fall Doubles events. Whilst Helen has only one National title to her name, a Mixed Doubles with Wynn Rogers in 1952, she has innumerable California Singles, Doubles and Mixed Doubles titles and has always held a high spot in the National Rankings. Very quick and with an excellent eye, her defense is undoubtedly her strongest game and she enjoys her games and plays hard. What should also be appreciated is that she also works HARD for the game off the court.

Leprechaun Letter

From
Sue



Tournament results make up the news this month. The miles of traveling done by badminton players getting to tournaments would need the service of a computer to calculate.

The English National, the closed championships of England, produced Roger Mills and Ursula Smith as England's top singles players this season. The only two-time winner was Tony Jordan who won the men's doubles with Colin Beacom, and the mixed doubles with Julie Charles. Angela Bairstow and Margaret Barrand won the ladies' doubles.

In the London Championships played immediately after the England versus West Germany match so that the visitors could take part, Mills beat the Malayan Lee Kin Tat in three games. Angela Bairstow defeated young Marie Louisa Wackerow of Germany in the ladies' singles. The ladies' doubles was won by Judy Hashman (who did not play in the singles) and Janet Brennan of England, and the mixed by Jenny and David Horton over Judy Hashman and Scotland's Jim Sydie. Jim is the current Scottish Champion having beaten Bob McCoig in the Scottish Championships finals.

In the England-West German International Match Wilhelm Bochow defeated Roger Mills and Bochow and Ferdinand Wulff defeated Jordan

and Beacom to give Germany their two points, in a 6-2 win to England.

Some Scandinavian tournament results are also of interest. In the Copenhagen Championships Erland Kops defeated young Sven Andersen 4-15, 15-9, 18-13. He beat him more easily in another Danish tournament but lost to him by 15-7, 15-8 in the Swedish Championships. Andersen bears some watching! Pernille Molgaard-Hansen, still a teenager, defeated Ulla Strand in the Copenhagen Championships and in the Swedish Championships, both matches going to three games. Judy Hashman won the Swedish Championships from Eva Twedberg, Norway's Number 1, in an 11-0, 11-0 final.

All England Champions, Mrs. Strand and her sister, Mrs. Karin Jorgensen are Denmark's best but lost in the Swedish finals to Judy Hashman and Mrs. Twedberg. Kops and Kaagaard are winning many of the Danish men's doubles this season. They defeated Finn Kobbero and Jorgen Hammergaard Hansen to win in Copenhagen but lost the Swedish finals to Henning Borch and Herlevsen. Per Walsøe and Pernille Molgaard-Hansen seem to be this year's mixed favorites. Six foot plus Per is no joke to meet on a badminton court, and mixed is his best game. These two won in Copenhagen, in another Danish tournament, and in the Swedish Championships.

Uber Cup results since the last issue will be England's defeat of the Netherlands, in Haarlem, by 6-1. In the top singles young Imre Reitveld defeated Angela Bairstow 11-7, 11-3 and the Netherlands had two match points but failed to win the doubles match between Miss Reitveld and Agnes Geene and Miss Bairstow and Mrs. Margaret Barrand. The other two singles matches went to three long games.

Looking ahead to the end of the season, there will be a further Uber

Cup Tie in England in March immediately before the All England Championships. South Africa or West Germany will be involved. South Africa have not sent a women's team to Europe before and their results should be very interesting.

STOP PRESS. Played in Carlisle, February 4th, England defeated Ireland in the semi-finals of the Uber Cup European Zone Ties by the score of 7 - 0.

Grateful Group Going Great Guns

We've had so many inquiries as to the final outcome of the fund-raising effort, we felt a progress report was in order. Most important, we want to acknowledge receipt of the contributions of all the grateful people listed below, and to thank each one for his generosity. We'd like to send a thank you to you personally, but we'd use up all our funds in postage!

There have been reports that many people missed the deadline, and thought it was too late now. Not so! Since we didn't make it in time for last year's National, we still are collecting eagerly, and would love to hear from you "grateful but forgetful".

We also are appreciative for the many notes of encouragement and helpful suggestions that were sent in. Most popular title so far - "Players Appreciation Cup".

Final details next issue!

Lois Alston

Editor: We wish we had room to print the long list of names supplied by Lois but we have to keep a watchful eye on space and try as we might, couldn't include the list.

JUNIOR NATIONALS IN PHILADELPHIA

All Juniors are cordially invited to compete in the 20th Annual National Junior Championships of the American Badminton Association to be held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania March 23rd through March 26th.

Matches will be played on the courts of the Wissahickon Badminton Club, The Springside School and the Chestnut Hill Academy. The two schools and the Badminton club are within short walking distance of each other. 13 and Under matches through the semi-final round will be played on the four courts of the Springside School, a private school for girls. 15 and Under play through the quarter-final round will take place on the four courts of the Chestnut Hill Academy, a private school for boys. All 18 and Under matches, plus the semi-finals and finals of the 13 and 15 groups will be held on the four courts of the Wissahickon Badminton Club. Semi-final matches will be held on Friday, March 25th. Final round matches will be played on Saturday, March 26th. Consolation matches will be played at Chestnut Hill Academy. All contestants will be required to wear white, and all matches will be umpired.

HOUSING: All out-of-town contestants who so request will be housed in private homes in the general vicinity of the Badminton Club. Hosts and hostesses will be Wissahickon Badminton Club members and their friends. All other out-of-town guests must make their own housing arrangements. A list of hotels and motels in the area will be available upon request.

TRANSPORTATION: Transportation to and from your "home" here in Philadelphia to the courts will be provided by your host and hostess or members of the Transportation Committee. If you are arriving by plane,



KEN FERRIS Maryland
Defending Junior Champion playing with Larry Saben in the Doubles and Diane Moore in the Mixed. Both are from California.

train or bus and want to be met, please write or call Mrs. Charles D. Root, Jr., 6601 Wissahickon Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19119; Telephone 215 GE 8-5896 giving specific information. Contestants will be taken to planes, trains or busses when departing.

MEALS: Inasmuch as a dinner Thursday evening and a Banquet Friday evening are to be catered, we have to know the approximate number attending well ahead of time. If adults or family accompanying contestants wish to attend these dinners, they should notify Mrs. Root (address above) as soon as possible. The cost of both dinners is \$4.00 each. A snack bar will be open Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Also, there are numerous restaurants in the vicinity. A list with locations and approximate prices will be available at the Badminton Club.

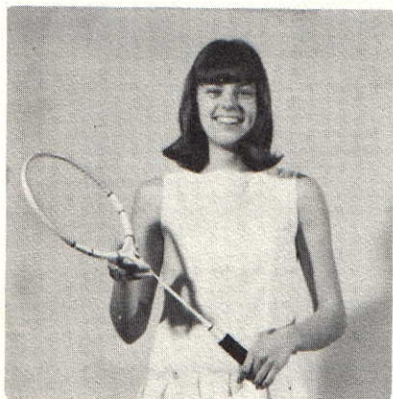
WEATHER AND CLOTHES: It is impossible to predict the Philadelphia weather for this week in March except to say that it will probably be chilly and wet, possibly even snowy. We would suggest, therefore, that you come prepared. The courts of the Badminton Club are unheated, and it would be advisable to bring sweaters and slacks.

We are looking forward to having a large contingent of Juniors in Philadelphia for a successful tournament.



DAVE DOMZAL, Michigan and **DOUG BENDER**, Delaware
Keen contenders for the 15 and Under events.

JUNIOR JOTTINGS



NANCY BENDER

Our Junior Jottings have been very comprehensive this year, due entirely to the work put in by Nancy Bender of Wilmington, Delaware. The self-effacing Nancy has collected news items from all over this country and from several European countries which we think has definitely added to the stature of this column for our many junior subscribers.

Plagued with sore knees (of all things!) this season, Nancy has not so far been able to do herself justice in matches or tournaments, but we hope that she is obeying the doctor's orders and that, what-ever is wrong, it will be cleared up in time for her to play her best in the Junior Nationals in Philadelphia, March 23 - 26. Good luck, Nancy, and thank you for the fine job you have done for Bird Chatter.

G. I. D.

DELAWARE NANCY BENDER

Once again the Dilwyne Badminton Club is sponsoring a series of three dances, from which the profits go into the junior expense fund. The first dance was held on Halloween week-end in the barn on Donald Carpenter's

Estate. Decorations ranged from an antique hobby horse, ears of corn to pumpkins of all sizes.

Over Thanksgiving week-end, three Delaware juniors, Mike Reichert, Doug and Nancy Bender ventured up to Kitchener, Canada, to play in the Second Annual K and W Granite Club Junior International Tournament. The Kitchener-Waterloo Granite Club is a luxurious club with six badminton courts, a large and comfortable lounge, card room, ten curling lanes, snack bar, and diningroom facilities. Doug won the under 14 boys singles, and then teamed with Mike to win the under 14 boys doubles. Nancy, being the only "chump" in the group, lost with Janice White in the under 19 girls doubles to Nancy Vicent and Joyce Harris.

On Friday, December 3, Margaret Varner arranged a badminton exhibition at the University of Delaware. Dottie O'Neil, Rosemary McGuire and Barbara Bourbeau, along with Robbie Peddrick and Doug and Nancy Bender took part.

On Saturday, December 4, the Dilwyne Junior Badminton Club played an interclub match with the Wissahickon Badminton Club Juniors, the site of this year's Junior Nationals, in which Dilwyne won by a score of matches to 45.

CALIFORNIA DIANE MOORE

Stan Hales, National Junior Chairman, came home from Harvard College for the summer. A former triple-crown junior national title holder himself, he picked up some more hardware during his stay (California has badminton practice and tournaments all year round). We all enjoyed seeing him again.

A recent A, B, and novice tournament has revealed seven new and upcoming juniors. They are Ralph Adamos, Suzette Wehunt, Lesile Schoppe, Kathy Moore, Jayne Jensen, Gail Gerzine and Laurie Gerzine.

Suzette Wehunt, one of the above mentioned juniors, has done particularly well in recent tournament play. A fourteen year old beginner, she already has two singles trophies to her name. She won the "C" singles in the San Diego Closed, and the novice singles in the Long Beach A, B, and Novice Tournament.

The Manhattan Beach Badminton Club had its annual junior-senior handicap fund-raising tournament on October 3. A pot-luck supper followed. Seniors paid \$1.00 and Juniors 50¢ for the meal. All the proceeds went to the Manhattan Beach Junior Fund to help send their juniors to the Junior Nationals in Philadelphia next April.

On October 15 - 16, Jan DeZort and I raffled off a racquet at the Long Beach Tournament, We netted \$52.50, all of which goes to the Southern California Badminton Association Junior Fund.

WASHINGTON JUDY BRODHUN

The Port Angeles Junior Badminton Club is hard at work again this year training juniors for the upcoming local and national tournaments. We have a rigorous new schedule and have added many new members to our ever-growing club. Our junior players now number close to 300. With the addition of a new Junior College in Port Angeles, we have acquired several new and interested members.

Everyone misses Tyna Barinaga and Caroline Jensen who are both away at college. We hear from Tyna, who is again attending Arizona State College, that she has recently won the Western States Open title in both singles and doubles, and is staying in top form. From letters from Caroline, who is now a Freshman at Washington State University, we find her enrolled in a Physical Education class and taking a course in "Beginning Badminton"!

On November 6, the club journeyed to Seattle to play in a "mixer" put on by the Washington State Badminton Association to raise funds for the Uber Cup. Players from Washington, Oregon, and British Columbia attended and helped to make the tournament a success.

OREGON ELLEN CARPENTER

The Eugene Jr. Badminton Club started playing September 27. We have 120 active players, in one year our club has doubled its membership. We are looking forward to a very active season with a lot of exchange players and tournaments.

The Western Badminton Club juniors from Richmond B.C., Canada traveled 950 miles (round trip) for an exchange play on October 8 - 11.

There was free play through Saturday and Sunday, with a party on Saturday night. Monday morning the Canadians came to school with us. It was quite an experience for them because of our new flexible scheduling.

Before Christmas our club hosted several interesting events. A clinic for 100 high school girls in Florence, Oregon, a Jr. High Jamboree and a Sr. High Jamboree, plus a Eugene Jr. City Tournament and also a Mother-Daughter Tournament.

Three members of our club are coaching badminton in separate elementary schools, this is conducted through the Eugene Parks and Recreation Department and is for fourth, fifth, and sixth grades. We hope these sixty young players will increase the interest in badminton throughout this area.

RHODE ISLAND—

KAY MAC DONALD

This year the Rhode Island juniors find a football player among their ranks; Don Rittman, a sophomore at Warwick High, plays first team varsity football as fullback. Don has also been state champion for three years as well as nationally ranked.

Jane Thompson, also state champion, is on the girls basketball and volleyball teams at Pilgrim High. This year Jane was elected head football cheerleader and President of the Girls Leader Corps.

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BADMINTON FROM THE BEGINNING

Instructional Articles by J. Frank Devlin

THE SMASH

The smash is a shot which should be used with discretion. A good smash is, of course, the most powerful attacking shot in the game, but a bad smash, one which travels too far out into the court or is cut and so is slower in pace than one which has been cleanly hit with a flat racket, often leads one into difficulties. A poor smash, instead of winning the point outright with its speed and accuracy, is more often than not returned by the opposition as a quick low driven shot into an unguarded spot on the court.

Constant smashing requires the expenditure of a great deal of energy, so that poor inaccurate smashes are therefore a futile drain on one's stamina, an important item in a quick exhausting game like badminton. There are two important things to learn in connection with the smash, the first is obviously to learn how to play the stroke correctly and the second to know when to use it.

Our first consideration is therefore How to Smash. The smash is of course an overhead stroke and is played with the left SHOULDER and FOOT towards the net, and starts with the weight of the body well back on the right foot. The elbow is bent and the head of the racket is dropped behind the right shoulder. Then, simultaneously straighten your elbow and transfer your weight onto your left foot and, reaching up for the bird, snap your wrist forward AS you hit it at a point at arm's length and well in front of you. Get the feeling into your stroke that you are hitting down over the bird and finish your stroke by following through with your racket towards the floor.

Power and weight go into your smash from your shifted body-weight and your shoulder. Snap and precision

are imparted by cocking the wrist and straightening it as you hit the bird, and then follow along its line of flight. Tremendous speed is put into the head of the racket by straightening that bent elbow as you reach up to hit the bird, which is further intensified by snapping the wrist forward from its cocked position. To play a smash at badminton one goes through precisely the same shoulder and arm actions as one would in throwing a stone as hard as possible at a spot on the floor some yards away.

Obviously, if you are expecting the opposition to play a smash you can get into position to return all but the very hardest and most accurately placed ones. It is extraordinary how many really good smashes you can return if you are prepared for them.

Therefore, it is most obviously necessary to be able to deceive your opponent, or at least to keep him guessing, and to do this you must play a stroke in which the preliminary action is identical with the smash. This shot is

THE DROP SHOT

Now the drop-shot requires the expenditure of a minimum amount of energy, but it must be very accurate, it must be played so that the bird falls very steeply and quickly over the tape, and you must learn to play it along the whole breadth of the net.

For the Drop-shot the preliminary action is exactly the same as for the clear and smash. The same left shoulder and foot towards the net, the head of the racket dropped behind the right shoulder and the bird must be hit far enough in front of you so that you feel that you are hitting over it, but here is where the difference lies between the two strokes, for whereas the smash is a powerful stroke the drop-shot is a delicate one, and has a

very definite and well-developed wrist action. You must hit the bird firmly and you must hit THROUGH and not AT it. So many beginners tap at the bird — don't! Hit it firmly and it will fly rapidly, and be conscious of your wrist action in order to make it fall steeply over the net.

A common travesty of the drop-shot is a sort of looped shot. Unable to move back quickly enough to come forward as he hits the shot, the player takes it well behind his own right shoulder, consequently the bird almost travels upwards for a little way before it heads for the net in a leisurely loop, giving the opposition plenty of time to run up to the net and be standing there waiting to hit it down. No amount of wrist work will turn this into a good shot, and the obvious remedy is NOT to play a drop-shot unless you can come forward onto the bird. If you cannot do this then clear, and clear HARD.

The overhead backhand drop-shot is a most essential shot and is played with the right shoulder-blade turned well towards the net. The bird is hit as high as you can reach it and at a spot some two feet nearer to the net than the shoulder. The body position for a clear is exactly the same as for this drop-shot the only difference being whether you hit the bird upwards from a point over your shoulder or downwards in front of it. For this shot, again the preliminary action consists of dropping the head of the racket down over the left shoulder, with the wrist bent sideways as far as it will go.

The most difficult form of drop-shot is the underhand one, played on either forehand or backhand and, while the preliminary action resembles the underhand clear, the bird is hit so that it flies along a low trajectory and just clears the tape.

The great secret in playing drop-shots is to hit them firmly and not pat at them and I cannot over emphasize the necessity of hitting through and not at the bird.

NET SHOTS

Net-shots, as their name indicates are those delicate little strokes played close to the net, when the bird is persuaded rather than hit over the tape, and while a good one often wins a point or leads directly to a winning shot, yet the slightest misjudgment may spell disaster. Undoubtedly the ability to play a net-shot is one of the most valuable assets in the game, but one can always have too much of a good thing, and a player may be beaten by a slavish persistence in playing this one shot.

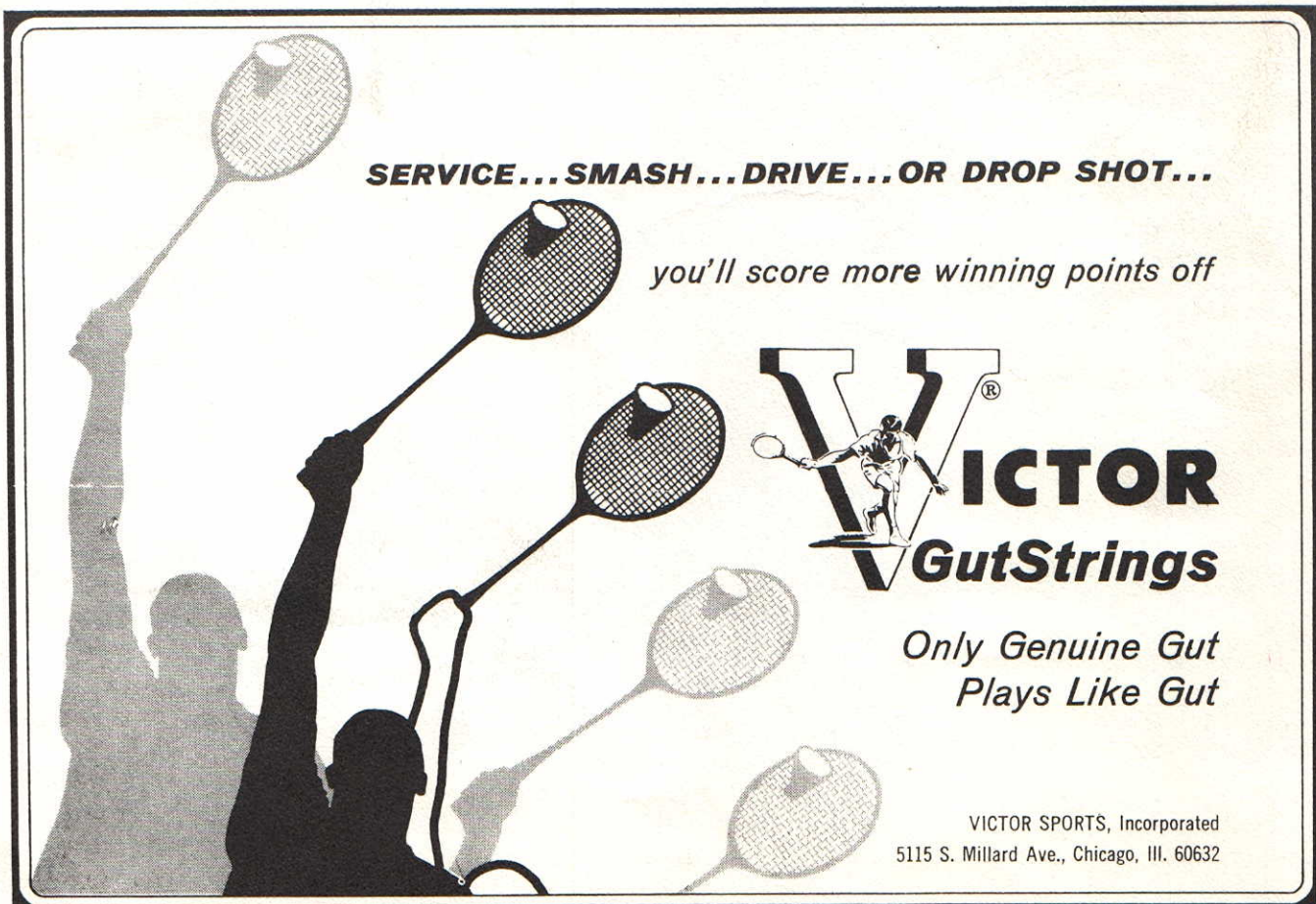
The great secret of being able to play a good net-shot, that is to say one which just trickles over the net and cannot be hit down, is to play the bird near, and on a level with, the

tape and not to let it drop down perhaps two or three feet over the net. It is definitely easier to persuade the bird back over the tape from tape level or just above it, than it is to lift the bird from well below it and be so accurate that it only just trickles over. The nearer to the tape level you hit a net-shot the easier it is to make another net shot off your opponents reply, and not only this, but from a spot near the tape one has a choice of playing either another net-shot or else of flicking the bird to the back of the court.

A net-shot, since it is played from so near to the net, requires no footwork and is indeed best played standing square to the net. The main requirement for good net-shots is good wristwork, both to enable one to play good net-shots and also for deception. One bad mistake beginners so often make is to think that the net-shot consists of allowing the bird to bounce back

off the racket, whereas in reality this is very far from being the case, and the bird must be very definitely hit and persuaded back across the tape.

There are three definite types of net-shots. The first and easiest is to run the bird along the tape from right to left or vice versa. The second is when the bird is just tipped or dunked straight back across the net, when more often than not an opponent may be waiting for you to hit that bird just a couple of inches or so too high. And the third, which is to knock the bird smartly down at a very steep angle so that it will hit the floor well in front of the service line. This last shot requires considerable practice, as indeed they all do, so that you neither hit the net with your racket nor, in your enthusiasm, hit the bird before it crosses the net. Both are foul shots and count against you. *(The next issue will deal with the service).*



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Back Row, l to r: Ed. Fava, N.Y.,
Robt. McKinley, N.Y., Bill Moose-
kian, Mich., Ken Ferris, Md.
Front Row, l to r: Nancy Bender, Md.,
Cindy Root, Pa., June Froelich and
Pam Hessey, Md.

EASTERN OPEN JUNIORS
Girls Singles

- 18 & Under
Cindy Root, Pa., def. Lex McClean, Del.,
11-1, 11-2
- 15 & Under
Woody Root, Pa., def. Wendy Zaharko,
Del., 11-5, 11-1
- 13 & Under
Pam Stockton, Mich., def. Sandy Muthig,
Mich., 11-1, 11-2

Boys Singles

- 18 & Under
Kenny Ferris, Md., def. Bill Moosekian,
Mich., 15-4, 15-5
- 15 & Under
Doug Bender, Del., def. Dave Domzal,
Mich., 15-8, 15-8
- 13 & Under
Andy Wellenbeck, Pa., def. Michael Fog-
erty, Mass. 15-6, 15-0

Girls Doubles

- 18 & Under
Root & Nancy Bender, Del., def. Pam
Hessey & June Froelich, Md., 15-1, 15-7
- 15 & Under
Joan Butler & Diny Lumsden, Mass., def.
Root & Zaharko 5-15, 15-11, 17-14
- 13 & Under
Mary Lynn Bell & Stockton, Mich., def.
Jeanne Stelzer, Conn., & Muthig, 15-5,
15-5

Boys Doubles

- 18 & Under
Moosekian & Ferris def. Robert McKinley
& Ed Fava, N.Y. 15-10, 15-9

- 15 & Under
Bender & Domzal def. Mike Reichert &
Robert Peddrick, Del., 15-10, 17-15

- 13 & Under
Fogerty & Jim Kohler, Conn., def. Jeff
Brooks & Chad Lynch, Del., 8-15, 18-17
15-2

Mixed Doubles

- 18 & Under
Ferris & Root def. Moosekian & Bender
15-8, 15-2
- 15 & Under
Domzal & Muthig def. Bender & Zaharko,
15-12, 15-10
- 13 & Under
Fogerty & Rose Harvey, Md., def. Kohler
& Stelzer 15-4, 15-10

CONSOLATIONS

Girls Singles

- 15-18 & Under
Joan Butler, Mass., def. Joanne Hessey,
Md., 11-1, 12-10
- 13 & Under
Mary Lynn Bell def. Dianne Cornell, Pa.,
11-5, 12-9

Boys Singles

- 18 & Under
John McCarthy, Del., def. Jonathan Raben,
Mass. 15-8, 15-1
- 15 & Under
Jamie Snead, Md., def. Del 15-3, 15-5
- 13 & Under
Ricky Monkman, Del., def. Lynch, 15-9,
15-6

BURDICK OPEN JANUARY 1966

- LS Janice White def. Betty O'Bara
11-8, 11-0
- MS Ted Moehlmann def. James Bell
15-6, 15-7
- LD J. White & N. Pritula def. T. Bur-
dick & B. O'Bara 15-5, 15-10
- MD R. Buck & R. Mullen def. J. Bell
& C. Eli 15-10, 15-12
- MxD J. Bell & J. Kilburn def. R. & M.
Buck 15-11, 13-15, 17-16
- SrMD Freeman & Frost def. Geever &
Nusbaum 15-8, 15-10
- SrMxD Nusbaum & Burdick def. Koopsen
& Rather 15-10, 15-6

**SAM HOUSTON STATE TEACHERS
COLLEGE OPEN MARCH 1965**

- LS Rita Kimball def. Jo Flint 11-6,
8-11, 11-5
- MS Terry Wilson def. Ed Stuart 15-4,
15-5
- LD Scott & Kimball def. Flint &
Hinton 15-11, 15-3
- MD Tomlinson & Wilson def. Izen Sr.
& Phillips 21-8, 21-8

- MxD Stuart & Scott def. King & Wilson
15-11, 15-5

**WESTERN STATES OPEN
DECEMBER 1966**

- LS Tyna Barinaga def. Jan DeZort
1-11, 11-8, 11-6
- MS Chanarong Ratana def. Mike Hart-
grove by default
- LD Barinaga & Tibbetts def. Breckell
& Pons 17-18, 18-17, 15-8
- MD Ratana & Pichai def. Alston &
Rogers 15-12, 15-6
- MxD Ratana & Meyen def. Alston &
Alston 15-12, 10-15, 15-13
- SrMD Calvert & Trader def. Cogan &
Kinneer

**WESTPORT MENS DOUBLES
DECEMBER 1965**

- Semi-finals
Dick Ball & Dick Gorman def. Bill Good-
man & Jack Cooper 15-9, 15-4
- Stan & Al Hales def. Noel Fehm & Tom
Heden 12-15, 18-14, 15-7

- Finals
Ball & Borman def. Fehm & Heden 15-11,
15-7

CONNECTICUT OPEN JANUARY 1966

- LS Daphne First def. Dot O'Neil
12-11, 11-6
- MS Dick Ball def. Dick Gorman
15-11, 15-8
- LD Barbara Bourbeau & Rosine Jones
def. First & O'Neil 12-15, 15-10,
15-10
- MD Jack Cooper & Bill Goodman def.
Ball & Gorman 12-15, 15-12, 18-14
- MxD Ball & Jones def. Heden & O'Neil
15-4, 15-6

ILLINOIS OPEN JANUARY 1966

- LS Janice White def. Betty O'Bara
11-4, 11-0
- MS Ted Moehlmann def. Tom Car-
michael 6-15, 15-12, 15-11
- LD N. Pritula & White def. Del Bed-
ford & Astrid Bowling 15-8, 17-15
- MD Bill Anderson & Bruce Bedford
def. Carmichael & Stevens 15-11,
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