



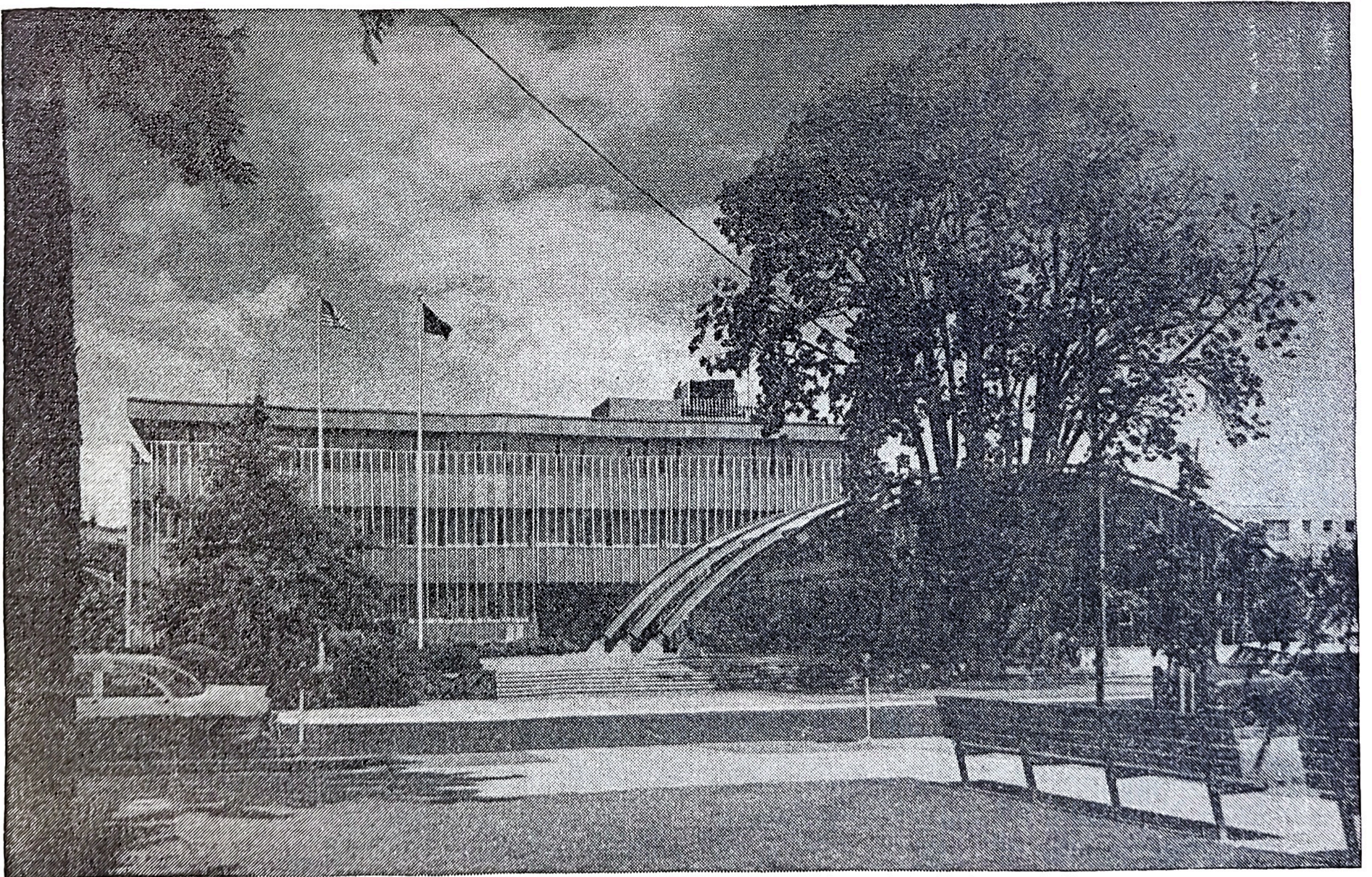
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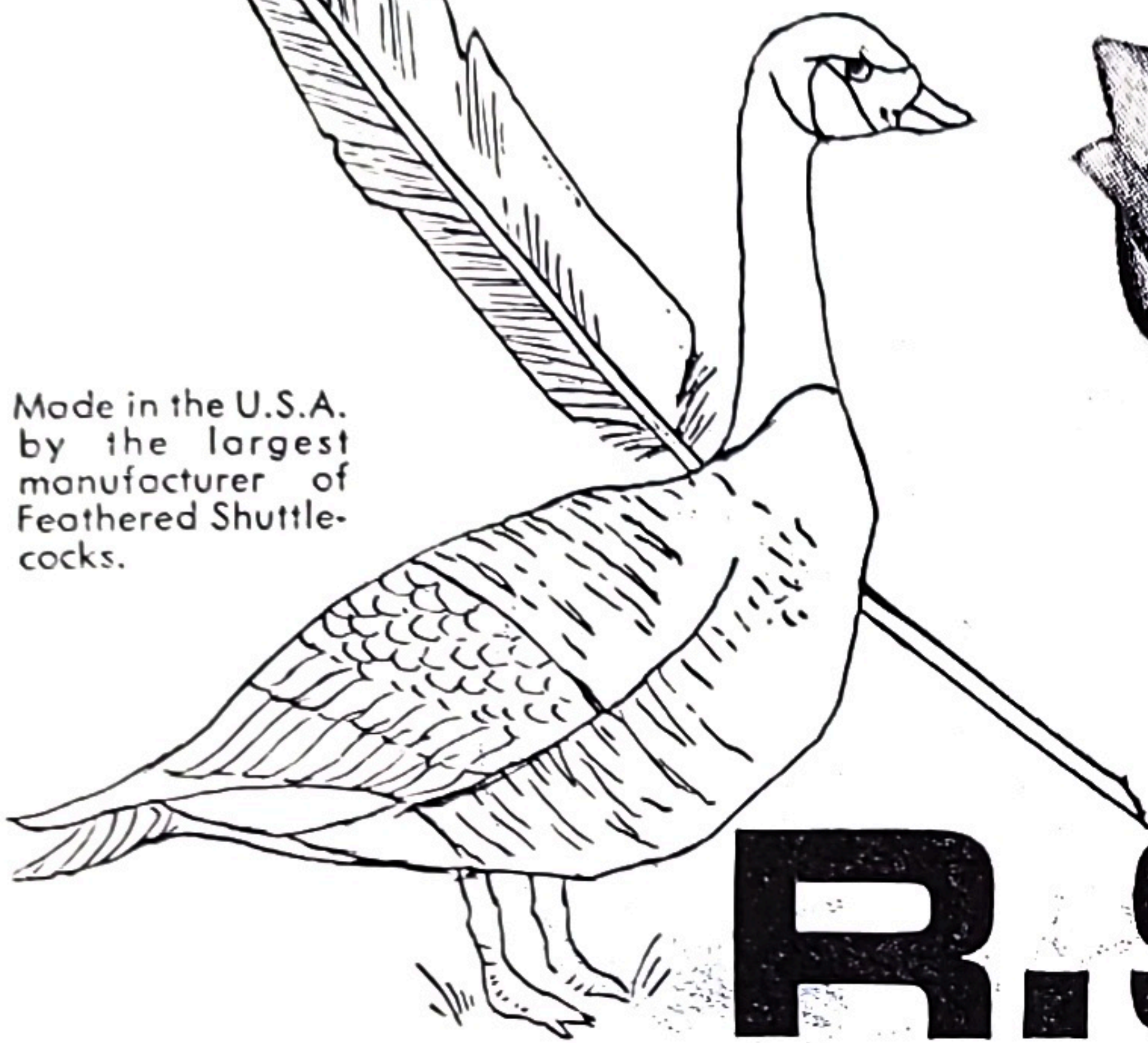
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## Editor's Note

Our feature story in this issue is an article from the Danish Badminton Magazine by Hans Helweg-Moller translated for Bird Chatter by Hans Rogind. Hans says that translating from Danish into English produces clumsy sentences but we think this is an excellent article and need not be addressed to Danish players only. *All* tournament players should read it and then think on it a while.

My most heartfelt thanks to the almost 100% of the subscribers who have answered the call for putting subscriptions on a Calendar year basis. I hope this will mean far fewer errors in mailing. It has certainly cut down the number of undeliverable magazines, due to change of address, to an unbelievable extent.

As we go to press we have heard from only a small number of Clubs on re-starting the Club Directory and so can only assume that the majority prefer things as they are. We had some individual expressions that it would be a good idea to renew it, but feel that the invitation to travellers should come directly from the Association or the Clubs.

An article on Bob Noble points up the enormous amount of work and enthusiasm he put into Badminton and the hundreds of players all over the country who benefited from his interest and selfless devotion. The S.C.B.A. reports that the response to their appeal for funds to buy the Senior Mixed Doubles trophy to be named for him, has been most heartwarming but we feel that there may be many others who knew of him or knew Bob personally, who may wish to join in this tribute. Incidentally, for those who have come lately to the game, the first winners of the Senior Mixed were his daughter Helen Tibbetts with Waldo Lyon, last year.

To get back to more mundane things—deadlines are most awfully important—it is impossible to keep the printer up to promised dates if I can't deliver on the date I've promised. So PLEASE remember that the deadline is ALWAYS the first Friday of the month preceeding the Publishing date, except for the fourth issue which is the LAST Friday in April. Another dull subject is that of pictures. We have literally dozens of unnamed pictures of handsome men and lovely girls but have no idea who anyone is. So please send in your pictures, and we need a lot of them, named from 1. to r. Put your name and address on the back of the picture and they will be returned to you after Bird Chatter has used them. Also we are willing to pay, a small sum, for interesting pictures.

There is little or no Thomas Cup news. We are waiting to hear if Thailand is really challenging in this Zone, which seems doubtful. Storms have held up any news of who are travelling to the Try-outs in San Diego, but the Ranking Lists should give one a fair idea. We expect to have the full Thomas Cup story in the March issue.

# A View of the Danish Player Seen From the Referee's Chair



Hans Rogind

Translated by Hans Rogind with permission from Hans Helweg-Moller, author of the article in the Danish Badminton magazine.

A word of explanation: All tournaments and international matches have referees in Denmark. To become a referee, one must go through a course of several weeks duration which covers the theory and practices conducted by the association in your part of the country. After graduation and usually several years of practice, one might be "promoted" to become an official referee for the Danish Badminton Association and will be a referee for national and international matches. Mr. Helweg-Moller has been a referee since 1944 and for the National Association since 1951. He has written many Badminton articles and has been Copenhagen's Doubles Champ for "Old Boys" the last three years.

It is a fact you don't become a truck driver just by reading the traffic rules, and it is also a fact that you don't become a referee just by reading the laws of Badminton.

A more or less important ballast of ability to judge a situa-

tion, authority, psychologic ability, plus concentration ability are also part of the job. As very few people are born with all these peerless abilities, one also needs practice.

As a newly graduated referee, one feels insecure, nervous, and lonely as a single dollar bill in a wallet at the end of the week.

It is very possible that you, from the referee's stand, have the best possibility to watch the players on the court, better than from any other place around the court. That is, in fact, one of the reasons why the referee's stand is located where it is! The question is then, if you, in the aforementioned condition of concentration and nervousness, are able to register your observation of the players while at the same time are able to glue eyes on the roaming bird.

During the years, a few impressions have, however, slipped into the corners of the eyes. These impressions can be split up into three groups: the way the game is played, or let us call it, the quality of the game; the relationship to the rules of the game, and finally, the players behavior on the court.

Even though one should be careful not to generalize too much because "the Danish player" is often an individualist, there are still lines and reactions common for a large group that is all right to talk about.

When you look at the subject from the referees stand, you can, right from the beginning, sort out the weaker sex: the ladies. As sweet and as wonderful as they look, as nice and as correct are they as players, the way

they play has not changed much through the years; they seldom use "tricks" and seldom protest. They are fair and good sports.

Wouldn't it be wonderful if they had as few problems outside the court.

The exception from this would drown in the statistics and the the experienced referee always feels lucky if he gets a good ladies game in his lap. This is not only in regard to Danish girls, but also Swedish, English, American, Scottish, and I am sure, everyone else.

Even a referee has noticed that Danish Badminton no longer sits so steady on the throne . . . if it sits there at all. The most logical reason is probably that the others have improved. The second reason seems to be -- seen from the referee's stand -- that we just don't have the top talent we were lucky to have the last twenty years, probably just a coincidence.

The third and most important reason is that we do things wrong. This is most important because it is here we have a chance to correct things. It could be because we are Danish and don't really have the psyche to follow along in the requirements or demands of speed, strength, and condition which in the last few years -- not at least since the visit of the Red China players -- have come so much into the picture. As Finn Kobbero so fittingly remarked in regard to the method in which the Chinese are practicing: "it isn't really for Danish amateurs, we still would rather play around," - and thank God for that. However, we might have to face the fact, then, that we can't play with the real-

ly big guns anymore and expect to win.

If we do things wrong, they could probably be changed without losing our dearest ideal of an amateur. One example is: why have our players lately started "picking up" the long birds in the forehand corner underhanded. Even the best stroke techniques cannot avoid the opponent, therefore he also gets more time. Are we forgetting what we learned in our childhood, namely to meet the bird as high and as soon as possible? Of course, better "overhead work" and faster speed goes hand in hand. Okay, but even very fast players are falling for this technique. The Chinese did not.

By the way, the high single serve (we will get to the double serve later) is not what it used to be, not in quality and far from it in quantity. Maybe I am wrong, however, that is a referee's distinguished privilege.

### The Rules:

Considering how many matches are played without a referee acting (some will say counteracting) you can ask the question: Do we need referees at all? Let's answer that by help of another question: How many other sports are played without a referee? I wonder if it is not only the badminton game which has gone into a sidetrack -- of necessity, we know -- by accepting matches without referees? Are the players noble knights without blame or does the referee have a mission in this sport.

We know, of course, that two fair players can give each other a gruelling match without one remark or dirty look taking place between them. We also know that now and then the fair player must cheat himself when he is in doubt, and that it is not conducive to his concentration to have to keep track of points and the

serve. This must eventually deteriorate the quality of the game. If this is so, then the referee is helping the quality of the play and this is what he would like to convince himself and others of. Some of the associations, furthermore, have the opinion that referees also are bird boys but maybe that is just to get us down to earth again.

It is, as everyone knows, the job of the referee to see that the rules of the game are used, both the written and unwritten ones. In this connection there are two rules which come to the foreground; namely the "Footfault rule" and the "over-the-waist serve rule." The violation of these two rules has, through the years, become greater and greater, and the reason can probably be attributed to the many games played without referees. Both of these violations can give the offender great advantages, but it is still considered by the players something less "wrong" than, for instance "cheating on the line."

Who started the famous movement of the left leg forward, placing it before the right at the same time the serve is executed? This violation is being accepted more and more, but nevertheless is not legal for that reason. You see it especially in the single serve. The low double serve is, on the other hand, little by little becoming so close to an "over-the-waist serve" that we are getting closer and closer to a tennis serve. Wouldn't that be something!

Well, you will say, the referee can just simply stop that. Yes, however as long as the majority of the matches here are played after "the anarchist principle," it is a rather hazardous job to stop these mistakes.

By the way, knowledge of the basic rules is often amazingly little known among players. It seems ridiculous but many don't

even know why players spin about before a match. "Are we playing about the right to serve?" is a remark often heard among players in a match without a referee, even if it is completely against the rules. The new rule about the "wood shot" is very difficult, if not impossible to conduct for a referee, and many players have given up completely. We hear often that players just keep playing with everything being okay, this being in tournaments which have the blessing of the national Associations.

As the rule is impossible for the referee to judge correctly you can't blame the individual players for giving up, too. It is the law which, in this case, is wrong.

Have you noticed that top players, funnily enough, always greet the referee nicely after the game, but usually forget it before? On the other side, you will notice that lesser ranked players greet him neither before nor after the game. I wonder if it wouldn't be a good idea for instructors and parents to work a little closer and introduce some discipline in the junior program called "politeness."

### The Tricks:

We have now automatically reached that side of the sport which, unfortunately, has become more popular as the game has developed. The players have learned new strokes, new techniques and greater tempo, but unfortunately often learn new tricks. Of course, because of the rules, we can control the "severe offenses," but the "smaller tricks" have not been lessened. Everyone knows the trick of pressing a thumb through the feather if you want a new bird and some needed wind. You couldn't get away with that in the "old days."

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# An Indian Experience

by Judy Hashman



Judy Hashman

For two weeks in early October I was most fortunate in being a guest of the Badminton Association of India, competing in the northern India Championships in Lucknow and the Nehru Memorial Tournament in New Delhi. Altogether nine Europeans were invited, and the 2-1 ratio in favor of the women was quite unusual! The Danes Svend Andersen and Per Walsoe, Ulla Strand and her sister Karin Jorgensen, the German Champion Irmgard Latz, the Dutch Champion Imre Reitveld and the top English singles players, Rogers Mills and Angela Bairstow joined me in Lucknow, having already competed in the Western India in Bombay, in sweltering 120° F heat. Lucknow's weather was the equivalent to a Baltimore summer in heat and humidity (high 90s) which I used to be accustomed to - but not for badminton - and the jump from England's 55° F autumn was most energy-sapping.

The Bombay tournament had seen the defeat of Latz and Jorgensen by local Indian players, the former by Mrs. Sushila Kapadia, the very pretty member of India's Uber Cup Team which was in America in 1960. Bairstow

outlasted both Strand and Reitveld to win decisively. A week later it was Latz over Reitveld but in 3 games, and I defeated Latz and then Bairstow in the finals 11-6, 11-3. And the following week Mrs. Jorgensen (essentially a doubles player) again was defeated in her first match, Strand had little trouble defeating Bairstow, Latz had a titanic struggle with Strand eventually winning 11-8, 8-11, 11-8. Reitveld disposed of me 11-8, 11-3 and was promptly annihilated by Latz in the final 11-4, 11-4.

From these uneven and confused results it is obvious that badminton was not the only factor involved but heat, humidity, illness and shuttle. It was unusual not to be able to blame umpire, linesman or schedule, but these three aspects were almost faultless, a great credit to the various organizers. Illness struck us all, from Svend's 102° temperature and three days on liquids, to the minor (!) illness of exhaustion! I felt that the change in water (which even the Indian players notice from tournament to tournament during their normal season), upset our stomachs and after 3 - 4 days we were then susceptible to whatever "bug" was around. I caught my nemesis, a strep throat.

The men's results were just as topsy-turvy, although it became increasingly obvious that Svend Andersen was the most complete player, and he was in magnificent form in Delhi, winning two events and reaching the final of the mixed. It was a pleasure to watch his devastating smash, which comprised 90% of his shots in singles. Wong Pek Shen (Indonesia's no. 2 and All-England quarter finalist last March),

was there with Lim Tung Ping (Ping Pong), who was well below Wong's standard. India's full Thomas Cup team was present and in Delhi the ranks were swelled by representatives from Uganda, Ceylon, Australia and Nepal, none of whom made much of an impact. Dinesh Khanna (India no. 1), an All-England semifinalist in March, won in Bombay, defeating Wong 15-10, 15-5. Walsoe lost to the junior champion of India, Mills to Lim, and Andersen to Suresh Goel (Indian no. 2, who reached the round of 16 in the 1965 All-England). In Lucknow Andersen did amazingly well to recover from flu to reach the final where, too exhausted by the effort of the week (matches were spread out, one per event per day, and the tournaments lasted 6 days each), he lost to Wong 9-15, 15-6, 15-3. Mills defeated Indian's no. 3 Dipu Ghosh in 3 games, before losing to Andersen.

Walsoe lost the first game and was behind in the second before age and weight finished T.N. Seth's bid. T.N. was at the Niagara U.S. Open in 1954 and had lost none of his style. It was good to see him again.

Other than the actual games, there was much of interest. Comment on the shuttles in Delhi (English ones were used in Lucknow) must be made. They usually wobbled and all swerved up to two feet during flight. In the men's singles the players used cut low serves which were virtually unreturnable because they moved so much in flight that the receiver couldn't make clean contact. Some even reached the ground still acting like Mexican jumping beans gone berserk. Another unusual aspect was that

on high and deep shots the birds zoomed out, but a flat shot kept a normal pace. I found it most on returning smashes, as I had to really hit the return for it to even reach the net. When I got home and back to familiar birds and conditions I was playing all shots about a foot above the net, especially low serves, and I am still a little shaky in that department.

In Lucknow, especially, the organization was superb, and we had to be ready fifteen minutes early in order to be punctual! Sightseeing was laid on at any time, cars were always available, or we could go out alone in bicycle rickshaws. The hotel was three minutes from the hall, where the conditions were excellent. In order to get onto court for the finals, I had to inch my way through a crowd of over fifty people fighting to gain entrance to the soldout matches, and was helped through by at least a dozen policemen, part of a large consignment based at the stadium next door to the hall in preparation for possible student riots at nearby Lucknow University. One match was held up at 16-16 (setting 3) in the third game while the Governor chose to enter and the proper ceremony took place. The crowd, and it was capacity for 5 days, was fanatical and ear-splitting, especially during a tight rally which, as a player, really spurred me on and was far preferable to the normal blase spectators. Roger Mills made the mistake of trying to quieten the crowd during the men's doubles final he umpired, only to have a re-echoing from 2500 throats of what he was saying to try to shush them!

The publicity was good in quality but very mean at times, especially to the Indian players. There was the ordinary account of play and then a second article of personal viewpoints and goings

on, all of which could (and should) have been left out. Matches I saw or played were as unlike the published reports as chalk from cheese. The injuries of India's top woman player Meena Shah (who sprained her ankle in the India-Denmark Uber Cup match in Boston in 1960), were regularly reported by press and radio, but our illnesses were ignored. And I just must quote the opening words of the Times of India account on October 15th on the Delhi Tournament. "With the top seeds Dinesh Khanna (holder) and Mrs. Judy Hashman (U.S.) tobogganing into a frightfully incredible abyss of immobile attitudes and tottering skills. . . ." Dinesh was outclassed by a superb Svend, and I was hacking my way (via racquet and cough!) to defeat in novice fashion.

In conclusion I must restate that it was quite an experience, but one which I am extremely glad to have had. I was "adopted" by four of the Indian players who made it their point to show me as much of their country and customs as possible. And I was able to correspond with Mrs. Mumtaz Lotwalla and Mrs. Sushila Kapadia, and meet again Mrs. Prem Prashar, Miss Meena Shah and Miss Sarojini, all members of that delightful 1960 Uber Cup Team.

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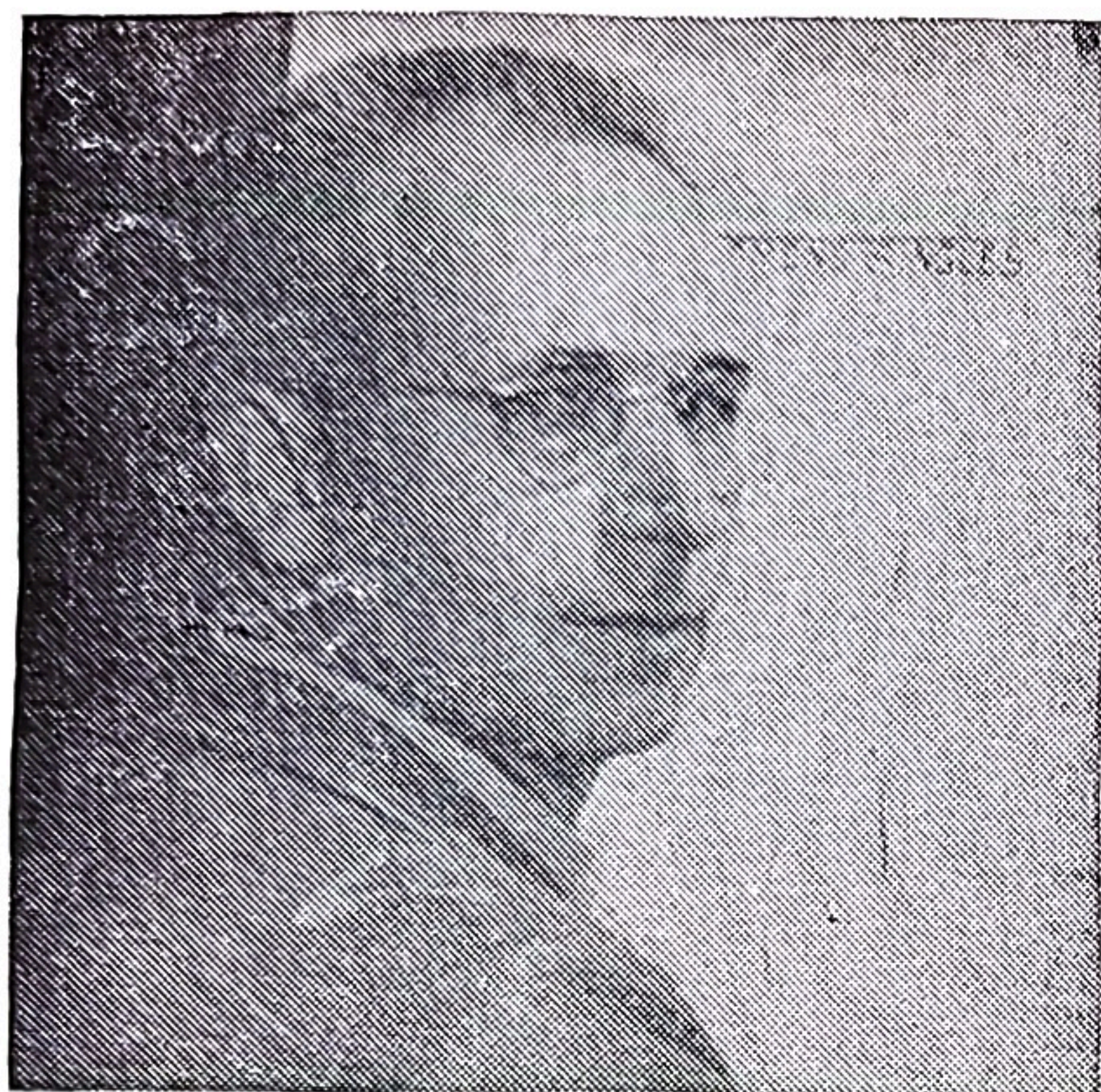
From the Badminton Gazette we learn: That Malaysia appears to be re-emerging as a Thomas Cup threat, defeating Thailand 8-1 in an official International fixture. Charoen Wattanasin emerged from his partial retirement, but lost both of his doubles matches. Eddie Choong was more successful when, in the Malaysian Championships Men's Doubles with his partner Tan Aik Huang, he almost singlehandedly handed out a surprise defeat to Sangob Rattanuson and Chavalert. Tan Joe Hok was also at the Championships but as a spectator nursing a limp.

An interesting forerunner of the South African Championships is a week devoted to Inter-Provincial Team Matches. These matches, involving 14 Provinces in two divisions, occupy the third week in July, the following week being devoted to the National Championships.

Southern Transvaal won the Provincial title by one point, Alan Parsons won the Men's Singles Championship once more and Wilma Prade repeated in the Ladies. South Africa is taking her Badminton very seriously and is keen for International competition. Their Thomas Cup Team will be in Europe this season and their two best lady players Wilma Prade and Ann Smith are again expected to play in England.

The backhand service fancied by the Indonesians (and the Japanese Uber Cup Team), and about which Brundi and Choong write ". . . It can certainly be baffling usually because it is quite often a fault." This looks likely to be another problem for the service judges.

# Robert (Bob) Kinder Noble



Bob Noble

When the Directors decided at the Meeting in New Britain last April that the Senior Mixed Doubles event should become an official National Championship, Southern California immediately came forward with the request that they be allowed to donate the permanent Challenge Trophy to the memory of Bob Noble, a Southern Californian born in Maryland, who did an astounding amount of work for the game.

Bob served in France during World War 1, where he was a victim of poison gas. Still ill in 1922 he decided to ride his bicycle from his home on the Eastern Shore of Maryland to the sunny shores of the Pacific Ocean. This he did, the trip taking 35 days and the effort clearing his lungs of the effects of the gas. Arriving in Los Angeles he found himself to be once more a very healthy man and immediately, the day after his arrival, sought and got a job with the Edison Company, where he was still a valued employee when he passed away in 1957. The year after his arrival in California Bob married his hometown best girl, Margaret Merriken, settled in Alhambra and eventually added two children to the clan,

first Helen well known to us all as Helen Tibbetts and later a son, John.

In 1936 Bob decided to lay his own backyard badminton court, enlisted the aid of the family and soon an asphalt paved and well-lit court was the result. But this didn't satisfy the Nobles and the following January Bob got together with other enthusiasts and 'altered' the Alhambra Tennis Club to include four badminton courts in a local gym.

Again, this did not fully satisfy and the family joined the nearby Pasadena Badminton Club in 1938. But this was only the beginning of Bob Noble's badminton activities. Being interested in photography he soon was taking pictures of all finalists in local tournaments, developing and printing them and sending a copy to each finalist. He took hundreds of action shots and Bird Chatter was the lucky recipient of many dozens of his pictures. He also did some first-class racket repairs and stringing, plus taking hopeless old rackets and making them usable for the local junior programs. He even dabbled in making rackets, and in repairing shuttles by replacing the damaged feathers.

As a Director of the southern Californian Association Bob, with Guy Reed, Leroy and Virginia Hill became the nucleus of tournament management. When Guy Reed moved to Canada during World War II, Hill and Noble really worked to keep the game alive. Another Noble activity during the War was keeping an ever-open house for all service men stationed near their home.

This gracious big-heartedness is something which will never be forgotten by those lucky men who enjoyed the Noble hospitality.

A player as well as an official Bob won some local veterans events and when post-war badminton was resumed and the U.S. Nationals were held in Los Angeles, Bob was a very busy man.

His photographs illustrate the books of Ken Davidson and Doug Grant and, because he maintained such a gallery, many publications requested his pictures. With a specially adapted camera he was successful in taking sequence shots of strokes, a very great help to players who wanted to analyse their problems.

A heart condition forced Bob to become somewhat less active later in his life, a fact which he resented. Surely no one ever believed more heartily in badminton, nor more thoroughly enjoyed being a part of it.

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The second clinic was held at Ohio State University, Columbus, October 6-8. Clinicians were George Harmon, Abbie Rutledge and James L. Breen. This was held for the state of Ohio. For the state of Alabama the third clinic was held at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa with Don Kerr, George Harmon and James L. Breen. Margaret

Varner, Dick Mitchell and Jim Poole held the fourth clinic for up-state California on October 20-22 in San Francisco. Southern California also held a clinic, this one October 29, at Los Angeles with Margaret Varner, Jim Poole and George Ziegenfuss as Master Clinicians.

At each of the five badminton clinics there was an average of 30 teachers and as you know these teachers return to their districts or areas and conduct clinics and several more clinics will be scheduled after the first of the year.

Phil Hinkle, Bob Gammons and Dick Mitchell are the ABA co-ordinators and their addresses may be obtained from this office.

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# The 14th U. S. Open Amateur Championships

by Cletus Eli

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Flint is located approximately sixty miles north of Detroit. We are served by both United and North Central Airlines. In addition, the Grand Trunk Railroad provides passenger service into Flint.

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Our Flint community school program has had visitors from all parts of the nation and other countries of the world. We are proud of the example that Flint has set for other cities. If you visit Flint with us in April next year, we are sure that you will find our Colleges and Cultural Center to be of great interest to you. We are working hard to see that you have an opportunity to visit the Center through a guid-

ed tour arranged by our committee.

We feel we have very good playing facilities for our tournament in April. There are eight courts on the main field house floor with two other courts just off the main floor. We probably will use only six of the courts on the main floor during actual play. The gym is situated only about one mile from the downtown area where our hotel facilities will be located. If you enjoy swimming, the Durham Natatorium is located immediately adjacent to the gym. It is an excellent pool and you are invited to make use of the facilities.

During the time that play is in session, food services will be available on the college campus. As for evening activities, we are hoping to be able to have a planned activity during each evening of the tournament, if you desire to participate.

Please note it is necessary that both your club secretary and association secretary certify your application, or else the ABA membership representative, if you are an individual member or Senior tournament card holder of the ABA. Particular attention is called to the entry application section pertaining to Junior entries. Please note that these entries must be forwarded to Mr. Hales for approval prior to the entry deadline.

Flint is the home of the Buick Motor Division of General Motors Corporation. Some of you may wish to pick up a new Buick while in Flint for your return trip home. You can pick up a new Buick at the Customer Drive-Away Department of Buick Motor Division by contacting your

local Buick dealer. He has the information about how this may be accomplished. He will help you choose the model, color, etc., and has full details concerning delivery. Why not fly into Flint for our tournament in April and drive home a new Buick. If you have any detailed questions concerning this, please write me directly.

Complete details regarding hotel accommodations and other activities of the tournament will be finalized in the near future and made available to you in the next issue of BIRD CHATTER. Please note the entry deadline of March 5, 1967, on the entry forms included in this issue of BIRD CHATTER. Why not visit Flint in April?

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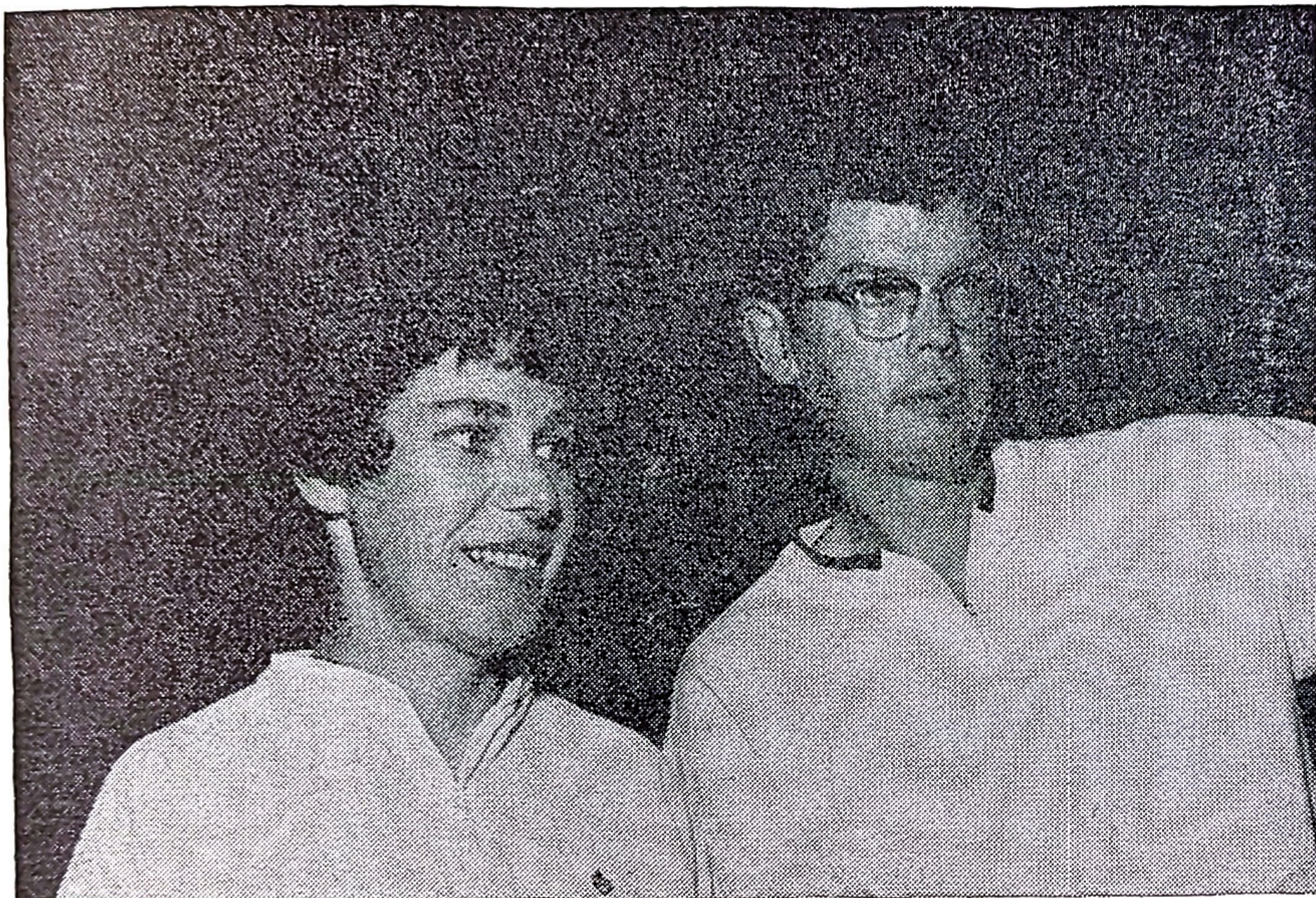
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# The 21st National Junior Championships

Phil Janz.



*Co-Chairmen Rosemary and Phil Janz*

All United States Junior Badminton Players are cordially invited to compete in the American Badminton Association's 21st annual National Junior Championships to be held in Eugene, Oregon, March 15 through 18, 1967.

As co-chairmen of a large and well-functioning Junior National committee, my wife and I feel safe in assuring you the following desirable conveniences during your stay; good courts; good competition; well-balanced meals; transportation to and from the tournament site; a good bed in a private home; and an opportunity to see something of our energetic little (50,000 population) University community.

Tournament matches will be played on the well-designed courts of the Central Lane YM-YWCA, and South Eugene Senior High School. The gyms are within two blocks walking distance of each other. All 13 and 15 and under matches, including

semi-final rounds, will be played on the six courts of South Eugene High. All 18 and under matches, plus the finals, will be held on the three courts of the Central Lane YM-YWCA.

During the duration of the tourney, daily morning and evening bus transportation will be provided for players going to and from the tournament location. Also, time is being set aside and arrangements have been made, for players to take one of several alternate excursions, to such points of interest as a large lumber mill, or the U. of O. campus, if they so desire.

For the information of players arriving from out of town by different means of transportation, the airport is 30 minutes by car from the playing site; the bus and train depots are only ten minutes by car. Our transportation committee will arrange to meet any players arriving at the various depots and take them to the playing site. The commit-

tee also plans to be responsible for getting contestants to the proper return depot for their trip home.

Having spent a good many hours around Junior players, we are well aware of their primary concern . . . food. The players will have breakfasts at their "home away from home." Lunches will be available at a nominal cost at the playing sites, and hot hearty meals will be served to the group each evening. Some of our most inspired committee workers are devoting their time to the banquet. To hear more of that, you must send for an entry blank.

Entries will be mailed to you on January 18, 1967. If you wish to be on the mailing list for an entry, please send your address to Mr. and Mrs. Phil Janz, 155 E. 34th Place, Eugene, Oregon 97405. Entries postmarked later than February 25th will not be accepted.

Special lodging rates for coaches, parents and interested adults have been arranged at a large and very nice motel close to the playing site. If you wish to take advantage of this group rate, please write for information. Reservation must be made at least three weeks in advance, as Eugene is also hosting several large conventions during the time of our tournament.

We are hopeful that each region will be represented at this very important annual tourney. We hope your entry will be included. Our entire group of eager juniors, and adults stand ready to make this a rewarding and memorable experience for each and every aspiring contestant.

# Big Question---

## Many Answers

by Stan Hales

Where do junior badminton players get their start? What factors determine the success of a junior program? Why are some juniors programs more successful than others in turning out quantities of players, while others continue to produce fewer players but usually the best ones?

I'm sure that all of these questions have occurred to many players and junior workers over the years, and I think it is the duty of the Junior Activities Committee to undertake a study of junior programs, both past and present, to pinpoint valuable ideas, discard useless ones, and to publish the results, issue by issue in *Bird Chatter*. We hope that the findings will be a guide for future junior programs.

Our first phase will tackle the first question above, where do our juniors come from? Because our game of badminton has seldom been an integral part of elementary and high school physical education classes, there have been no large-scale, organized programs to interest masses of young school children. Because of the general lack of interest in badminton by the press, radio and television, current news of the game is rarely before the public eye, even the eyes of sports enthusiasts. Consequently, it has always seemed to many to be a matter of pure chance that children are ever exposed to the competitive world of sport, much less offered the chance to learn it and take an active part in tournaments and other activities. The truth is not so simple.

There are and have been many devoted adults who have spent

years of their own time trying to make up for the game's lack of popularity by running junior programs of all sorts, shapes and sizes. Some are parents of players, some are players themselves, both past and present, and some are just those valuable souls who love the game and love to see youth active in a worthwhile pursuit. Over the years, there have been many of each kind, and most of them have never received the recognition and appreciation they are due for their single-handed success in keeping the game alive in areas throughout the country, by continually filling the ranks with young, well-trained players.

We would like to recognize by several articles each issue the outstanding promoters of junior badminton over the years. A preliminary list has already exceeded 25. And from the story of their successes, we hope to gain answers to most of the questions posed at the outset. For all this we need your help. We welcome all notes and comments on junior promoters and programs, past and present. We welcome letters showing ardent appreciation for particular people who have stood out. Their story is known by too few and should be told. In particular we hope that the present juniors will beseege us with support for their own coaches and stories of junior development in their areas.

Our task is large, and the goals desired are three: to pay tribute where tribute is due, to see where we stand in junior development, and to end up with plans and suggestions for turning out junior players in greater depth and of greater quality than ever before.

# Jr. Jottings

England.

Gillian Perrin.

The Midland Junior Tournament takes place in Shropshire at the Lilleshall National Recreation Center near Newport. The old building is set in extensive grounds and was a present to Britain from the South Africans, so all the dormitories have South Africans names. Since the drive leading to the Center is about 2 miles long all activities are restricted unless transportation is available. The badminton hall itself is very modern, with room for 8 courts, which are marked out with yellow and red adhesive tape! In the last Spring tournament two youngsters made a great impression in the Girls Singles, a 15-year-old reaching the semi-finals and a 15-year-old losing 11-6, 11-3 in the finals to Gillian Perrin.

California

Diane Moore

Larry Saben became known as "toothless" for a while this summer. In a wild doubles match junior Gary Higgins accidentally swung his racquet at the wrong time and wrong place and knocked out half of each of Larry's two front teeth. Fortunately his dentist did an excellent capping job and we can't tell the difference now. Ken Flemming survived his first year at West Point and is now sophomore. Jan DeZort, the only Junior on the Uber Cup Team, is home from New Zealand with a giant scrapbook full of souvenirs. Mike Walker has been instructing several juniors in Alhambra and is doing an excellent job. His two best students, Norm and 'Rickets' have faithfully been going to several clubs for practice and are improving rapidly.

Delaware. Nancy Bender.

This summer the Delaware Juniors laid down their rackets for a few months and took up other activities. Rob Peddrick won the Delaware State 4th flight Golf Tournament, after which he took off for the South to look at Colleges. Mike Reichert tried his hand at competitive swimming and tennis. Wendy Zaharko was the tennis champ of the badminton juniors, and among her laurels are the Delaware State 14 and Under Doubles and Mixed Doubles crowns. Wendy, a talented guitar player and folksinger, also participated in many hootenannys. Doug Bender swam in the North Brandywine Swim League, won 6th place in the 14 and Under free-style and was on

the 3rd place winning 16 and Under relay team. This year Doug is participating in the high school varsity soccer as a full-back. John McCarthy also swam competitively, in the North Brandywine Swim League winning the 16 and Under butterfly and freestyle races. Barney Lane traveled this summer, first to Tennessee and then to Connecticut to visit the Stelzers in Westport. Nancy Bender became a full-time babysitter and greatly enjoyed her '56 Buick, supplied by her employers. She is playing her second year as varsity goalie for Brandywine High. (We also hear tales that Nancy is a remarkable cross-country runner). Joel Feldman also plays field hockey, on the same team as Nancy, at left wing.

Michigan. Dave Domzal.

The Westwood Badminton Club got into the swing of things by beginning play on September 30th. Several of the Midwest's top juniors, Patty and Karen Ling, Sandy Muthig, Madeline Owens, Nancy Fedea and Dave Domzal began practice after spending a good deal of the summer at tennis tournaments. Sandy and Dave participated in the Nationals but had the misfortune of losing in the earlier rounds. Bill Moosekian, who seriously injured his leg at the Junior Nationals in Philadelphia, is fully recovered and plans to attend nearby Dearborn Community College.

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# Flying Feathers

We heard from Bob and Sandy Crow that they are living in Cheney, Washington, while Bob works for his Master of Science degree in Psychology at the College there, while Sandy works. Cheney is close to Spokane where there is an active Club with about 65 members. The Club rents the armory for four hours play on Thursday nights and Sunday afternoons. . . . Note to the members of the 1963 European Badminton Team, who will never forget Sandy Baker, Bob and Ken Crow and Jim Schaeffer who crossed the Continent by bus, both ways, in order to join the Trip. Sandy and Bob also walked up all 166 steps in Nelson's Pillar in Dublin—which is no more. Bob tells us that Merle R Corrin is President of the Spokane B. C. and players in that area can get all information about the Club from him. . . . Sandra Loving, former National Junior 15 & Under Singles Champion (before it became an official event) from Wilmington, Delaware, was married on June 12th in San Francisco, California to Ronald J. Linder in the Swedenborgian Church. Sandy is a graduate of the Connecticut College for Women and is teaching at the Sarah Dix Hamlin School in San Francisco. . . . The Dilwyn Badminton Club is already collecting funds to send its top Junior players to the National Championships in Oregon. They held a Barn Dance in the barn of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Carpenter at Mendinhal, Pa. The decorations for the dance were by the very talented Mrs. Barney Lane who took all three top honors in the Delaware Flower Show recently. . . . The Delaware State Tennis Championship singles was won this summer by Mrs. Susan

Johnson who has put in a lot of work for Delaware badminton. . . . Kenny Ferris, Baltimore, has made the first string tennis team at George Washington University in Washington, D. C.

From Letitia Cunningham of the Metropolitan Badminton Association we are saddened to hear of the death this Fall of Mrs. Vincent (Helen) Pacello a long time badminton enthusiast and Bird Chatter subscriber.

Congratulations are in order for Jack and Jackie Vaniver. They have just had a new little girl, their fourth child. . . . Congratulations to Nancy McGowen who became Mrs. David Page last summer. . . . Also to Joanne Hessey who is now Mrs. Hal Webb. They were married in Baltimore the Saturday after Thanksgiving. . . . Barbara Scarlett Allen and husband Milton after a 10-year layoff are playing with the Shaker B. C. Barbara was the first National Junior Champion, in 1947. . . . Mr. George Vincent, Sec. of New Zealand B. A. was a visitor to Los Angeles for three days. He did Disneyland thoroughly, which seems to be par for foreign visitors. He also walked through L. A's beautiful new official buildings and managed a short visit to Pasadena Badminton Club. . . . Glad to report that Hulet Smith is doing beautifully after his surgery late in the summer. . . . And Virginia Mosdale set another record with her rapid exit from the hospital after surgery last September. Had to get right back to work on SCBA and ABA business. . . . Several new players in the So. Cal. area; a couple from Ireland, from South Africa, and also Berit Hagvedt is back after spending a year in Norway. . . . SCBA has lost a valued

member with the death of Leo Dukehorn. He suffered a heart attack while playing at Burbank, B. C. in November. . . . Mike Hartgrove seems to be very happy with his new job as tour director. He returned from the Far East, having visited with Johnny and Amy Heah, and is now off to South America. . . . Paisan Loaharanu writes that he will be returning to the U.S. next year to attend graduate school, probably in the East. He reports that Channerong Ratanasaengsuang is in top shape and ready for the Asian Games, at which Paisan will act as an official. . . .

## Jr. Jottings

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"Toothless" Larry Saben

Pennsylvania. 'Woody' Root.

The Wissahickon Badminton Club started October 15th with a lot of new players and several tournaments arranged for the benefit of the new and beginning players. As usual they will have a ladder for the Juniors to challenge each other to move up to the top.

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# The International and National News Scene

by Jack van Pragg, Chairman, National Badminton News Committee

We were deeply grieved to learn of the death of the daughter of our hard working ABA Administrative Secretary, Virginia Mosdale. Our deepest sympathy goes out to Virginia in her sorrow.

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Hugh Forgie and Shirley Marie (Mans) put on their superb Badminton act at a Royal Command performance at the London Palladium, November 14th.

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Former World Champion, Wong Peng Soon, is now in the Netherlands where he has taken up an appointment as professional coach to the Haarlem Badminton Club. He has signed a contract for one year. His wife, Doreen, accompanied him. Peng Soon won the All-England title four times and helped Malaya retain the Thomas Cup in 1955 before becoming a professional coach. He has previously coached in Thailand, Canada and Japan.

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It was sheer delight to watch Hugh Forgie, "Shirley Marie" Mans and Reg Forgie do their famous "Badminton Act," this time without skates, on the Hippodrome Variety Show in August on CBS-TV. The act opened the show and was every bit as good and as spectacular as it has been for many years on ice. We hope Badminton enthusiasts all over the U.S. saw the act which was taped in London. It aroused much favorable comment from viewers everywhere. Hugh and his associates have been performing daily the past summer at England's famed Blackpool. Margaret Barrand writes that the show was also telecast in England and was very favorable received.

A welcome recent visitor to California was Barbara Grebe, who for so many years has been the hard working Secretary of the Mexican Badminton Association (Asociation De Badminton De Mexico, D. F.). It was our pleasure to entertain this International Goodwill Ambassador during her all too short stay in Southern California. Over the years a very cordial relationship has existed between the American and Mexican Badminton Associations. Many of our top players have been welcomed with open arms by their very hospitable hosts at Open Championships in Mexico City. In turn, Mexico has sent large delegations of her champions and top ranked players and officials to U.S. tournaments in California, Oklahoma, Texas, and Louisiana as well as to the First U. S. Open at Niagara Falls in 1954. Barbara recently received a beautiful gold bracelet with a 50 peso goldpiece attached as a token of appreciation for her many years of devoted efforts in behalf of Mexican Badminton. A warm welcome to this dedicated Mexican official "y hasta la vista."

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Once again, as for so many years past, the New York Times has listed U.S. Badminton champions in all eight events in its annual year end All Sports Champions edition. Our thanks to our good friend, George Bertie, of the Times Sports Staff for his continued interest in Badminton.

It was a pleasure to hear from our good friend, Roger Treat, Editor of the Encyclopedia of Sports, published by A. S. Barnes & Co., Inc. Roger is updating the Encyclopedia from its last 1962 edition. Included is a very

fine and lengthy summary of American and world Badminton. Included also will be a complete list of all U.S. Open and All-England champions to date. We are pleased that Badminton occupies so many pages and such a prominent place in the Encyclopedia which enjoys a very large audience.

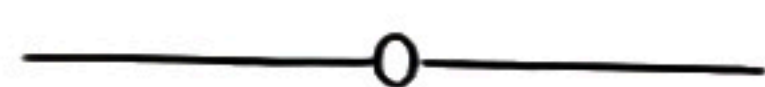
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Barbara Grebe, Secretary of the Mexican Badminton Association, writes that Mexico's champion, Tony Rangel, visited Lima, Peru, where he was given the red carpet treatment by the Peruvian Association. Peru has just been elected to the International Badminton Federation. Tony was accompanied by the Vice-President of the Mexican B. A., Ing. J. L. Cortina. We have had considerable correspondence with Peruvian Badminton officials who are interested in advancing Badminton in Peru. Five Peruvians were entered in the Mexican International Tournament in November.

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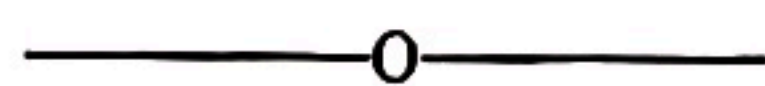
While the news may not be "earth-shaking," it was interesting to read that the new Tournament of Roses Queen, Barbara Hewitt, particularly likes to play Badminton, as does her steady boy-friend. This information was revealed in a front page story in the Pasadena Star-News which also featured a large-size picture of the newly selected Queen who will reign over the 78th Tournament of Roses. We have noted over the years that many of the past Queens and the Royal Court of Princesses have revealed, in feature interviews with the press, their enjoyment of Badminton as a sport.

From Margaret Barrand and, subsequently, from the columns of the Badminton Gazette of England, we were deeply grieved to learn of the death of our good friend, Bill Wiltshire, one of England's staunchest Badminton Boosters. We became closely associated with Bill during the 1963 Uber Cup Contest when he accompanied the English Uber Cup Team to Canada and the United States where the English team so narrowly missed winning the Cup. Bill was a sportsman in the truest sense of the word, a strong competitor who scrupulously adhered to the rules. Bill will be sorely missed by his many friends and from the English Badminton scene.



Margaret Barrand and her adopted daughter, Rebecca, were subjects of a very extended story and picture coverage in Woman Magazine, one of England's leading magazines. For three days staff reporters and photographers accompanied Margaret and Rebecca daily on shopping trips, at home, at Badminton play and many of the other activities that occupy the life of the wife of a curate of an active parish. Margaret will be remembered as a member of the 1963 English Uber Cup Team which challenged the U. S. for the Cup. Margaret also won the U. S. Open Ladies Doubles title in 1965 with Jenny Pritchard Horton. She is probably best remembered for having won three successive U. S. Open mixed doubles titles in 1963, 1964 and 1965 with three different partners - Sangob Rattanansorn, Charoen Ratana-Saeng-suang and finally Robert McCoig. Rebecca has accompanied her mother to tournaments in various parts of the world, including the Uber Cup contest in New Zealand, is probably the world's most traveled infant.

Among those attending the Annual Mexican International Tournament in Mexico City on Thanksgiving weekend were ABA President Waldo Lyon, Vice-President Taylor Caffery and Secretary Virginia Lyon. Besides competing in the tournament these intrepid ABA officials accomplished quite a bit of Badminton business with Mexican officials. Mexico's top players have participated in many U. S. Open tournaments and are always an enthusiastic and colorful group who have done much to further international goodwill through the medium of sports.



We were grieved to learn of the death of the week-old infant son of our friend, Teh Kew San. Kew San was entered in the Malaysian Open Badminton Championships and learned of his great loss the evening before the opening of the tournament. He left immediately to be with his wife, the former Badminton star Ng Mei Ling. Kew San had a week earlier led the Malaysian team to an 8-1 victory over Thailand. Our deepest sympathy goes out to Kew San and Mei Ling.

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# A Yank In New Zealand

by Jan DeZort



Jan DeZort,  
U. S. Junior Champion

As a member of the United States Uber Cup Team I traveled to New Zealand in May 1966. After this competition was over, I decided to stay on in New Zealand, find a job, and visit as much of the country as possible.

My home was in Wanganui, the sight of the International Woman's Tournament that was held following the Uber Cup competition. I lived with the Bockett family, who housed me during this tournament. The three months that I spent in New Zealand proved to be a very rewarding and wonderful experience.

Perhaps one of the greatest experiences I had while I was in New Zealand, was just knowing the people. They are very good and kind, and took me under their wing(s), to see that my stay was enjoyable. Badminton players especially, were very amiable, and were constantly inviting me to their homes for dinner, or to spend the weekend with them. Evidence of this comes with the ten pounds I gained from eating too much!

Playing conditions "down

under" vary according to where you are, just as they do in the United States. In the larger cities, such as Wellington and Auckland, halls especially for badminton have been constructed. In Wanganui, a new sports stadium provides eight very suitable courts for play. However, in most instances smaller communities utilize old church or town halls to play in, which are quite adequate as far as ceiling height is concerned, if there aren't wires, light fixtures, or rafters in the way. However, the condition of the floors is often bad, and the lighting is poor. Usually in these halls there is only enough room for a maximum of three courts.

Being an island also creates difficulties. Often, due to import restrictions, a shortage of shuttlecocks occurs. Good rackets are hard to obtain, and brands from which to choose are very limited. However, all of these seemingly hardships are taken in stride by the average "Kiwi" as being normal. Their enthusiasm for badminton is very earnest, and despite their small population (2-3 million), they turn out just as many competitors in the sport as does the United States.

Although New Zealand has several tournaments during their season, most of their competition exists as interclub play. To my knowledge of the system, which may be somewhat inaccurate, inter-club play is held within the individual provinces. A schedule of play is organized amongst the various clubs within each province. Each team selects an A team and a B team consisting of; first and second singles players, both men and women, first and second doubles teams, both men and women, and first and

second mixed doubles teams. These players compete against their respective opponents from the opposing club. Gradually as the season wears on, the provincial winners are organized into inter-provincial play, and eventually a provincial winner results.

This inter-club play can be quite a lot of fun. Usually the matches are held on Saturdays, or on weekday evenings. Afterwards there is usually a little get together where refreshments are served. It makes for a very pleasant time, and even though rivalry and the spirit to win exists, an atmosphere of friendship is present that makes everyone feel welcome.

In addition to tournament and inter-club play, New Zealanders have their Uber Cup and Thomas Cup Teams. Looking toward the future, and realizing the value of experience, their national badminton federation has organized a touring junior team. It is composed of players under the age of twenty-one years of age who have not previously been on a national team. They travel from club to club throughout the season playing challenge rounds. When time permits, they enter tournaments and thus gain as much experience as possible.

New Zealand conducts both junior national and senior national tournaments. They also have their own Whyte Trophy Competition. In 1938 Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Whyte presented a trophy to the New Zealand Badminton Federation for competition between New Zealand and Australia. This competition is held periodically and is very

similar to the type of competition that was held between the United States and Canada last year in Concord, New Hampshire.

Although the New Zealanders (Kiwis) enjoy their social life immensely, they also enjoy sports. Badminton is very popular in their country. It is publicized just as any other sports, with great enthusiasm!

## The Mexican Open

Eight players from the USA and nine players from Peru took part in this tournament this year. The USA was represented by Waldo and Virginia Lyon, Taylor and Ellie Caffery, Rod and Carlene Starkey, Howard Schwitkis and Dick Warnock.

The Mexican players have greatly improved in their playing in recent years and their Thomas Cup Team will take part in the Western States Open and the Freeman Open. They are doing everything they can to get ready for their Tie against Canada, probably February 11-12.

Carolina Allier defeated Carlene Starkey in the Ladies Singles 11-9, 11-9. Starkey and Lucera S. won the Ladies Doubles over Allier and Ernestine Rivera 15-12, 13-18, 15-3. The Rangel Brothers defeated Rod Starkey and Guillermo Rangel Jr. 15-9, 15-6 and the Starkeys lost the Mixed to Oscar Lujan Jr. and Josephina Tinoco 15-10, 15-13.

Waldo Lyon and Taylor Caffery won the Senior Mens Doubles 15-10, 10-15, 15-8 from Carlos Mendez and Hiram Mejia.

V.L.

### ONTARIO, CANADA OPEN TOURNAMENTS

Feb. 24-26

K-W Granite International Invitation (open)  
K-W Granite Club, Kitchener.

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Central Ontario "A" (open)—no locale

No Date

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## FROM THE REFEREE'S CHAIR

(Continued from page 3)

According to the rules, it is the referee who determines if a bird should be changed. If a referee wants the bird checked, all one does is flatten it a little and hit it too hard during testing. See what I mean. If the referee should still stick to it and claim the bird is okay, well, you have gotten the time off you were looking for and have gotten your opponent out of rhythm, too.

It is funny, but the bird always has to be changed when the other player is all go. As far as the matches played without a referee are concerned, it might be a good idea to introduce that, only the player who is scoring can determine if a bird should be changed. Worthwhile thinking about?

Of course, one has many other ways to get a "breather," all against the spirit of the game. As you know, it is part of the game to try to tire the opponent. We are still accepting new ways, too many changing and trying rackets, taking off sweaters, wiping faces and hands, tying shoes, or just simply giving oneself so much time that one gets his opponent upset. The limit between the sensible stop and the so called "nerve war" is floating but is most often overdone in our tournaments. The time out between second and third games varies between 0-7 to 8 minutes in games without referees. Often you see a player leave the court if he feels like it. Why couldn't the tournament chairman be helpful here and destroy this disrespect for the rule?

We also have to mention the unqualified opinion about a ruling by the referee. The remarks are many and often colorful. Luckily the Copenhagen Referee

Club has now stopped this process by informing players that they will get **one** warning, and if repeated, ordered off the court. I think it is called a "march-order." Now let us see who will begin the march.

Maybe this is the time where a proven veteran gives a younger colleague a tip. Many so called protests are very often expressions of the hot excitement of a game and should not be taken for more. You can ask for an apology by raising your eyebrow a little and will most of the time get it right away. Only the impertinent protests, dirty words, or similar gestures are left. Then the hammer **must** fall for the sake of badminton.

On the other hand, a referee should not hold back an apology if he makes a mistake. If he can't make the apology at once (it may not be called to his attention until after the game), then he can do it after the match. It is only human to acknowledge one's mistakes. No one has been smaller by doing it, and a good example is still the best form for teaching manners.

### Conclusion:

Seen by a referee of the national association, badminton has changed quite a bit especially after the war. It has (like many other sports) been a faster and a harder hitting game undoubtedly because of the entertainment, fine points, finesse, and deception. The players know the rules just about as well or as badly as 25 years ago. (The no-shot rule is still the weakest rule in the game). Certain rules are violated more than others (the foot-fault rule and "over-the-waist-serve") and are becoming a serious problem in games without a referee.

The "nerve-war" and unlaw-

ful breaks have become more common lately, and the "general behavior" on the court has to say it diplomatically—not been bettered much, if any, through the years. Coaches and referees may, no doubt, have to take a certain portion of the responsibility here, just like naughty children's poor behavior must fall back on the parents.

A final note, however, must be said that by far the greatest portion of the Danish badminton players fortunately are pleasant, skillful, and friendly sports men with whom it is always a pleasure for a referee to meet on the court and to whom every referee is happy to be able to give that "lift" as the job of a referee is meant to do.

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# BADMINTON FROM THE BEGINNING

Instructional Article

by J. Frank Devlin

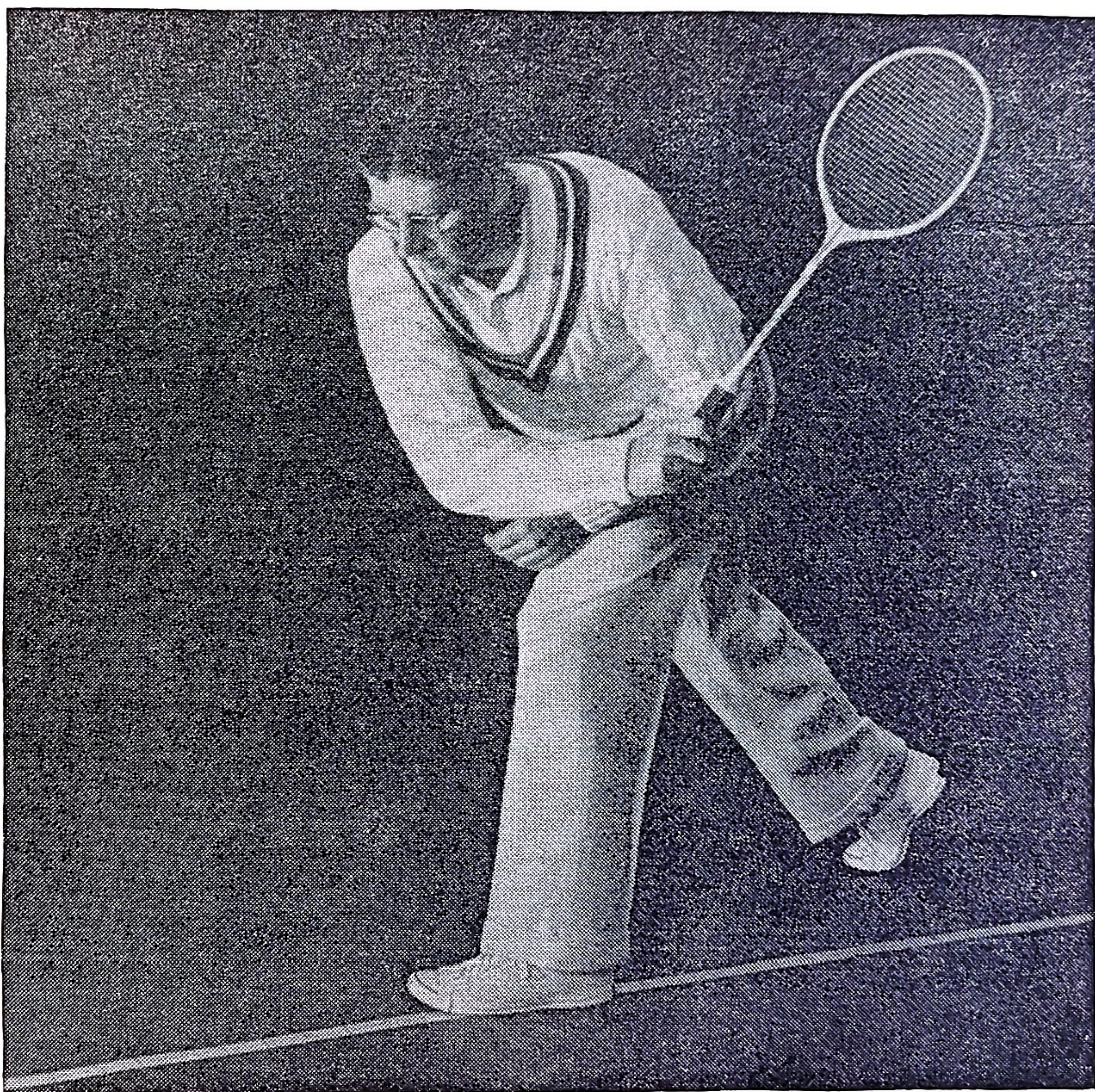
## THE DRIVE

The drive, although a shot of major importance, is not as a rule as widely exploited as it might be. In fact it is greatly neglected, particularly by the ladies. I think this may be due not to the difficulty of executing the shot, but to the greater difficulty of choosing the correct moment to use it.

Against a pair who play a rather strict side-by-side formation there are only a few occasions when the drive can be used but, against a pair where one player has been drawn into the net and the partner is slightly out of position, a quick drive may be, and generally is, a very effective shot. This, of course, is particularly true in a Mixed Doubles game.

The drive can be played equally well on both the forehand and the backhand, the shuttle being struck slightly above waist height and as far away from the body as possible. The shot can be made either across the court or down the sidelines. The direction of the shuttle is controlled by both the wrist and by the point in its flight at which you hit it. By this I mean for a cross-court drive you must strike the shuttle early in its flight, that is a little nearer to the net than is your body, whereas if you are going to play a drive down the sidelines you must strike it a little later in its flight and just opposite the center of your body.

The drive is a shot requiring great power and for this reason you must bring into play your body, your shoulder, upper arm, forearm and wrist—this is very important—and, like all powerful shots, to obtain maximum power you must have your feet cor-



*Finish of the Drive. Showing the follow-through with the body turning into court to return to court position.*

rectly placed. On the forehand the left foot must, of course, be nearest the net and also well over towards the right hand side of the court. This brings the left shoulder right round and you are in fact almost standing with your back to the net at the beginning of the swing. Try pushing your left foot over towards the right hand side of the court and you will see at once that the further over it is the longer your preliminary swing and consequently the more speed and power you can put into this shot.

At the beginning of the swing the weight is on the right foot, the elbow is bent with the head of the racket well up. Now begin to turn your body round to

the left; this transfers the body weight gradually on to the left foot and as you turn begin to straighten out your arm, keeping the wrist well in front and leading the racket. At the moment of hitting the shuttle the arm and wrist are straight, but NOT BEFORE the moment of impact. This is very important, for it is not possible to use the full power which you gain from the flick of the wrist and the arm unless you time this correctly. A long follow through is necessary to control the stroke and also to act as a shock absorber for the violence which you have put into it. At the finish of the follow through the weight is all on the left foot.

I cannot over-emphasize the

importance of a full preliminary swing for, except in the case of exceptionally strong people, a cramped swing prevents the drive from being the fast and powerful stroke which is its chief asset, and if played with a cramped swing is more than likely to place a heavy strain on the elbow joint with subsequent "tennis elbow."

You can really think of the drive as having a sequence of five movements running smoothly one after the other—starting from the hips, to the shoulders, to the upper arm, the forearm, and then the wrist.

The backhand drive is merely the reverse of the forehand drive; the body, arm and wrist, playing the same parts in the stroke, the only difference being that the right foot is nearer to the left side of the court.

The foregoing description applies to a full drive from well back in the court. But often it is possible and advantageous to play this shot from nearer to the net. As the shuttle does not have to travel the full length of the court the preliminary swing need not be so pronounced and the position of the feet need not be so exaggerated but more like that taken for any forehand or backhand shots. When this position is taken up the forearm does more work than for the full stroke and is pushed or pulled slightly for the straight or cross court drive respectively.

The drive should always have a low trajectory, too much lofting will ruin the whole object of the shot which is to make your opponent run from one side of the court to the other and not be able to cut it off before it is well back in the court.

When you do not have the full length of the court to play across you do not want to sacrifice pace by hitting the shuttle less hard

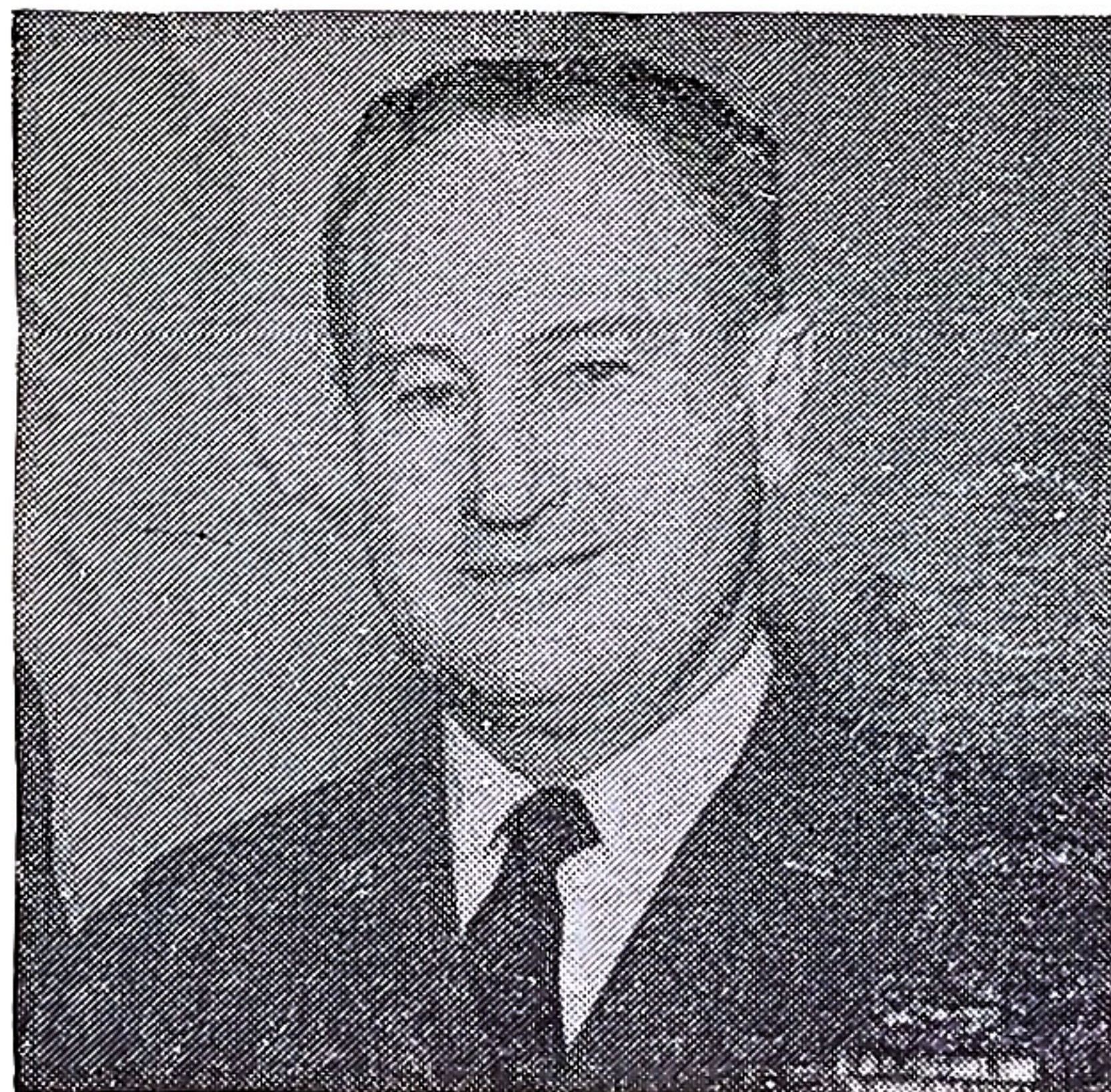
and so, to keep it in court, it is wise to impart a little cut to the shot.

Remember, this shot can boomerang at you if you play it at the wrong time and either of your opponents can reach it in time to cut it off early in its flight, use it to give the player at the back of the court no time to get back into position in between his returns, hit the shuttle hard and keep its line of flight low, ideally so that it crosses the net just above the tape and at the end of its flight has not far to fall to reach the ground.

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## NEWS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE.

by Raymond G. Scott,  
CWO, USAF



*Colonel Winingham*

Colonel Rollin Winingham, President of the Top Flight Badminton Club announced that two Top Flighters are going to participate in a badminton clinic at the Air Force Academy January 19, 20, and 21.

Colonel William Schoning, now stationed at the Pentagon, a former member of the Club, and charter member Chief Warrant Officer Raymond Scott have been invited to take part together with Don Paup. The clinic program, which is repeated each hour through the day, consists

of a 15 minute exhibition by the clinic members, followed by 45 minutes of playing and working with the Cadets. On the final day, members of the visiting clinic will play exhibition matches at half-time during the Denver-Air Force basketball game.

Colonel Winingham also invites all interested to join the Club, whose mission is to promote badminton in the USAF. For the past three years the club has won the SAC Tournament and has placed first, second and third in the USAF Tourneys and hopes to be able to better that record this year.

Colonel Vergil Bates has been appointed Chairman of the Tournament Committee assisted by Major Delmar Gilkeson, Frederick Maloy and SSgt. Don Short, to run the annual tourney to start December 1st for completion February 15th. As in previous years plans are to have four flights of singles and three flights of doubles so that individuals will have a chance to win a trophy in a flight in which his skill approximates that of others in his flight, and the same of course applies to the doubles competition. Additionally, a serving contest is conducted.

As a testimonial to the Top Flight B. C.'s program the Offutt Air Force Base Recreational Department has set aside one former basketball court for badminton players. This court has 7 doubles badminton courts which are filled daily during the noon hour. It appears that many of the athletes prefer a badminton workout to lunch.

The Recreational Department has also announced a new policy on military-supported badminton tourneys. Rather than the usual tournament, confined only to the military, top military players will be invited to attend civilian tourneys in their geographical areas.



# News from Europe

by Sue Peard

The big excitement in Irish badminton this year is occasioned by the receipt of an invitation by the Badminton Union of Ireland to send two men to the Canadian Centennial Badminton Tournament to be held in Toronto from March 23-25. Twenty National organizations have been invited to send their top two singles players. For the purpose of the competition the twenty countries will be divided into four groups of five countries for the preliminary rounds, each team playing every other team in their section. Presumably four teams emerge from these twenty who then play off for the title. It is an unusual idea and a wonderful opportunity, particularly for those countries whose players are not accustomed to such world-wide competition.

Meanwhile the tournament circuit is in full swing. The Wimbledon tournament in October produced Angela Birstow and Lee Kin Tat as singles winners, Judy Hashman-Janet Brennan and Tony Jordan-Bob McCoig as doubles winners. Following their strenuous 24 months of almost uninterrupted competition, Jenny Horton and Ursula Smith are playing only a selected number of tournaments at the moment. Judy Hashman doesn't expect to play any singles tournaments until after Christmas, and Roger Mills has been suffering from the effects of an illness contracted in India. Young Gillian Perrin, the teen-ager who is England's brightest young prospect at the moment is playing well and is more than able to hold her own in senior competition. In fact she has already reached several finals.

Six players from England and Scotland played in the Ulster

Championships in Belfast in November and England will be playing an International Match against the Netherlands just prior to the Dutch Open Championships. The English team will therefore be playing in that tournament and Judy Hashman has also been invited to compete. South Africa will be sending a team to England later in the season and be playing an International against that country in February.

A special association to cater for badminton in the schools throughout England has been formed which shows to what extent this facet of the game is now being covered. The English Schools Badminton Association has its headquarters in Cumberland, in the north of England, and is already actively promoting inter-school competitions regionally. Two Belfast schools will be travelling 120 miles to Dublin for an inter-school match over the Christmas vacation, which is a starting point at least for a similar development in Ireland. A Schools Competition is being run in Dublin in January and 30 Schools have been sent entry forms. This is its inaugural year but it is hoped that the entry will be a good one. As only a small minority of the Dublin schools are co-educational there will be separate competitions in the boys and girls events. Any co-ed school will therefore be entering two teams.

And last, but by no means least as far as I am concerned, I expect to be turning away children from the Christmas Coaching Class which run for the three weeks of the Christmas holidays! I shall be very disappointed if I'm not.

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**BADMINTON.** By Margaret Varner. 73 pages. Illustrated. Wm. C. Brown and Co.

For a concise and complete book on the game of badminton, *Badminton* by Margaret Varner is excellent. It covers everything from analyses of strokes, through strategy, to the unwritten rules of the game.

As stated in the preface, this book is written primarily as a textbook for a college physical education class. It would be especially valuable to physical education majors and to physical education teachers who must teach badminton whose instruction, if any, was sketchy. The analyses of the grips, footwork, and strokes are concise and complete. Drills for various strokes and situations are included, although I should like to see more of them. As each stroke is discussed, the uses of it are also presented, which should stimulate thinking on the court. Patterns of play, strategy, angles of probable return, and the differences between singles, doubles, and mixed doubles should be particularly valuable to a teacher who is not a tournament player himself. The chapter on laws of the game is more easily understood than reading rules from a rule book, with one exception. This rule concerns a shuttle which has gone over the net and has become caught in it.

The inclusion of a chapter on the unwritten rules is of course a necessary part of any book on badminton. This, too, is well written and quite complete; although, in my opinion, more should have been said on the almost chronic disease of stalling than just, "... be ready yourself when he (your opponent) is ready to serve."

In the preface Miss Varner also says that this book is suit-

able for the back yard, club, or tournament player.

For the backyard player, perhaps the section most useful to him would be the chapter containing facts about equipment—the approximate cost and the care of it. As with most sports, I feel that instruction books without "live" instruction are of very little value to beginners. It is for this reason that I feel that this book is not really for the back-yard player.

The club player who probably has had some instruction from his fellow members, who has seen good badminton played, and who has the opportunity to ask questions of better players would probably get more out of this book.

The tournament player, particularly a beginning competitor, should be able to make use of the drills in the book. He probably would also find that reading the parts on the strokes, especially the advanced strokes, and the patterns of play would be an excellent review.

My main criticism about the book is the placement of the evaluation questions. At times they appear before the particular topic is discussed. If they cannot appear on the same page with the topic, then they should appear later.

The figure showing the flight patterns is confusing. Groups of three or four strokes; e.g. the attacking clear, the defensive clear, and the underhand clear, on each of several diagrams would be more clear and still show the differences between the strokes. These diagrams should also appear in an appropriate place in the text.

In general, *Badminton* is a very good book to be used by a student of the game as a supplement to the instruction he receives or to a teacher as an aid.

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**THOMAS CUP NEWS**

The hope and anticipation was that a few players would come to Try-outs from all sections of the country and the plan was to hold the Trials in a central location in order to equalize expenses for all. Ponca City, Oklahoma had most cordially offered to provide facilities and housing.

However, twenty players responded to the invitations, of whom two are in the midwest, one on the eastern seaboard and the remainder in Southern California.

Because of the large imbalance between the number of participants from eastern and western sections, it is more economical to hold the trials in southern California and bring the eastern participants to California. The Trials will be held during the week following Christmas.

Waldo Lyon.

# Sanctioned Tournaments

(Sanctioned as of Dec. 2nd)

- Jan. 21-22 Flint Open Doubles, Flint, Michigan.  
Chm. Chuck Morton, 2056 Hoover, Flint, Mich.
- Jan. 27-29 Westchester County Open, White Plains, N. Y.  
Chm. Stewart J. Karger, 36 Heathcote Road,  
Scarsdale, N. Y.
- Jan. 27-29 Massachusetts State Class "C", Boston, Mass.  
Chm. Allyn Woodward, 4 Longfellow, Natick,  
Mass.
- Jan. 28 New Hampshire "C", Concord, N. H.  
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- Feb. 4-5 Southwestern Open, Dallas, Texas.  
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- Feb. 18-19 St. Louise Gateway Open, Webster Groves,  
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- Feb. 24-26 Mason-Dixon, Baltimore, Maryland  
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- Feb. 25-26 Flint "B" Open, Flint, Michigan.  
Chm. Chuck Morton, 2056 Hoover, Flint, Mich.
- Mar. 3-5 Atlanta Invitational, Atlanta, Ga.  
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- Mar. 4-5 Ohio Open, Shaker Heights, Ohio  
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- Mar. 31 Flint City Closed, Flint, Michigan.  
Chm.. Monty Roop, 3361 Southgate, Flint, Mich-  
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- Apr. 12-15 U. S. NATIONALS, Flint, Michigan.  
Chm. Cletus Eli, 6303 S. Linden, Swartz Creek,  
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## JUNIOR TOURNAMENTS

- Jan. 27-28 Oregon State Junior Open, Eugene, Oregon.  
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- Feb. 4-5 Mott Junior Invitational, Flint, Michigan.  
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- Mar. 4-5 Flint City Junior Closed, Flint, Michigan.  
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### Additional Sanctioned Tournaments

- Feb. 10-12 Delaware Valley "A" and "B".  
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- Mar. 10-13 Middle Atlantic  
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# Tournament Results

## SEMINA NAUTICA

July 1966

### "B" Flight

- WS Gloria Page def. Lynn Hurt 7-11, 11-6, 11-8
- MS Roy Short def. Bill Judy 18-16, 15-9
- WD Page - Hurt def. Lee Gibbons - Vickie Toutz 12-15, 15-12, 15-6
- MD Harry Moore - Mike Walker def. Frank Hodgkins - Charles Nowels, 15-11, 15-5
- MxD Ed Spruill - Ada Dang def. Walker - Hurt 15-11, 11-15, 15-13
- SrMxD H. Moore - Gibbons def. Bob Luevano - Ann Koploff 15-3, 15-7

## 35th SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

October 1966

- LS Tyna Barinaga def. Jan DeZort, 11-7, 11-6
- MS Don Paup def. Rod Starkey, 18-14, 17-15
- LD L. Alston and D. Haase def. T. Barinaga and H. Tibbets, 9-15, 15-7, 15-4.
- MD J. Alston and W. Rogers def. F. Knight and D. Paup, 15-10, 15-10
- MxD J. and L. Alston def. D. Paup and H. Tibbetts, 15-6, 15-6.
- VD W. Rogers and W. Lyon def. L. Calvert and D. Trader, no score.

## WISCONSIN STATE CLOSED DOUBLES

October 1966

- LD Doris Rather and Mary Thiessen def. Betty Wanek and Stella Peplowski, 15-4, 15-14
- MD Robt. Rahr and John Zimmerman def. Wm. Ryan and Ned Buckman, 15-12, 15-5
- MxD James and Betty Wanek def. John Zimmerman and Ruth Bateman, 18-17, 15-12.

## MANHATTAN BEACH SUMMER DOUBLES

September 1966

### "A" Flight

- Ladies' Dbls. Lois Alston - Doris Haase def. Jeanne Pons - Mary Ann Breckell 15-6, 8-15, 15-2
- Men's Dbls Don Paup - Fred Knight def. Wynn Rogers - Joe Alston—Default due to the illness of Wynn.
- Mixed Dbls. Joe and Lois Alston def. Stan Hales - Diane Moore 15-7, 15-7
- Sr. Men's Dbls. Larry Calvert - Wally Kinnear def. Ed Spruill - Chuck Randolph 9-15, 18-17, 17-16
- Sr. Mixed Dbls. Bob Gerzine - Beulah Armendariz def. Wally Kinnear - Helen Tibbetts 15-12, 10-15 15-10

### "B" Flight

- Ladies' Dbls. Gloria Page - Lynn Hurt def. Ada Dang - Sandy Jenkins 15-10, 15-5
- Men's Dbls. Bill Foy - Ed Kim def. Mike Walker - Harry Moore 10-15, 15-10, 15-5
- Mixed Dbls Chuck Randolph - Louise Carlson def. Mike Walker - Lynn Hurt 8-15, 5-10, 15-7

## THE CLUB PLAYER INVITATIONAL

Flint, Michigan

November 1966

- LS G. Ollech def. B. Trapnell, 7-11, 11-7, 12-9
- MS J. Claude def. F. Trapnell, 15-11, 15-4
- LD G. Ollech and K. Roland def. G. Muthig and N. Roop, 15-3, 18-14
- MD J. Claude and J. Byrnes def. D. Hiedenberger and F. Trapnell, 15-4, 15-5
- MxD J. Claude and G. Ollech def. J. Swift and G. Muthig 15-3, 16-18, 18-13.
- VD P. Sweeney and D. Rao def. H. Jakubczyk and W. Muthig, 15-6

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## ARIZONA INVITATIONAL

November 1966

- LS Tyna Barinaga def. Karen Krause, 11-2, 11-0
- MS John Leib def. Hank Anderssohn, 15-7, 17-14
- LD T. Barinaga and B. Bell def. L. Baumann and K. Krause, 15-13, 15-6
- MD Rogers and Leib def. Anderssohn & J. Phillips 15-5, 15-6
- MxD Phillips and Barinaga def. Schimmer and Gibbons, 15-5, 15-9

## HOUSTON OPEN

November 1966

- LS Lana Harmon def. Sheryl Yeary, 11-1, 11-4
- MS Jim Poole def. Ray Park, 18-15, 15-8
- LD Lana Harmon and Andrea Farrow def. Lois Johnson and Moira Vorwerk, 15-2, 15-8
- MD Jim Poole and Taylor Caffery def. Hugh Berryman and Harold Clark, 15-9, 17-18, 18-14
- MxD Ray Park and Lana Harmon def. Terry Wilson and Lois Johnson 15-0, 4-15, 15-10

Jim Poole had to extend himself to win over Ray Park in the Houston, Texas Open held November 12-13. Ray built up a 8-0 lead in the first game due to some very consistent playing and perfectly executed shots. Jim seemed to be holding back, especially having difficulty in getting to the net in time to pick up Ray's drop shots which were barely clearing the net and dropping in so close that they were next to impossible to return. Poole began exerting himself and finally pulled the first game out of the fire 18-15. Jim took no chances in the second game and won it 15-8.

The Men's doubles event was a two out of three event with Poole and Taylor Caffery of New Orleans defeating Hugh Berryman and Harold Clark of Dallas 15-9, 17-18, 18-14. Poole's consistent play together with his feints and cross-court net shots were the deciding factors. Berryman and Clark nearly won, but missed too many crucial shots that cost them the match.

Ray Park teamed with Lana Harman to win the Mixed Doubles in a weird scoring match. After Ray and Lana won the first game 15-0 where it looked like they could do no wrong and Terry Wilson and Lois Johnson could do nothing right, they had to fight for their lives to win the third game 15-11, after losing the second 12-15.

Lana Harman won the Ladies Singles over an inexperienced newcomer, Sheryl Yeary of Austin, 11-1, 11-4. Sheryl is a tennis player and shows promise of developing into an excellent competitor.

Lois Johnson and Moira Vorwerk of Houston playing together for the first time put up a courageous fight be-

fore losing to Lana Harman and Andrea Farrow of Natchitoches, La., in the Ladies Doubles, 15-2, 15-8.

## GOLDEN BIRD "B"

November 1966

The only unusual occurrences at our "Golden Bird," were the beautiful weather; no one defaulted for being late; only one casualty when Bob Anderson fell and injured his right wrist—luckily he's a south paw; a Cadillac and its travelers almost didn't make it from Flint to Chicago and our useful penset trophies, that will not just sit and collect dust.

The well matched' finals created the tension you expect to find at an "A" tournament, and our up and coming juniors showed how nicely they are improving.

Attendance was 20 juniors and 54 seniors.

- LS Jean Pankonin def. Susan Pritula, 11-2, 11-4
- MS John Claude def. Mike Adams, 15-18, 15-12, 15-5
- LD Polly Stockton and Cathy Kennedy def. Sue Pritula and Barbara Trapnell, 15-2, 6-15, 15-9
- MD John Claude and Jack Knotek def. Fred Trapnell and Mark Rath 15-11, 15-9
- MxD Hal Deeman and Gloria Ollech def. Bob Anderson and Lynn Stockton, 15-8, 16-17, 15-11
- VD Shell Stockton and Wes Muthig def. Bill Cernock and Anton Sturm 15-6, 15-2

## MARYLAND "C" TOURNAMENT

Names familiar on the Baltimore badminton scene some years ago were in the papers once more when the next generation, doing remarkably well for their age, reached the finals of the Class "C" tournament. Twelve year old Rose Harvey, her father Bartie Harvey won the Senior Doubles with Chuck Randolph in 1963, reached the Singles finals and, with Lisa Stephens, daughter of Clint and Patsy Stephens and also 12 years old, made it to the finals of the ladies doubles.

- MS Doug Lucas def. Pete Hofstetter 1-15, 15-9, 15-10.
- LS Joan Weyer def. Rose Harvey 6-11, 11-9, 11-2.
- MD Gerry Klein and John Mitchell def. Sam Aliah and Bernie Norton 15-12, 15-12.
- LD Joan Weyer and Jan Frohlich def. Rose Harvey and Lisa Stephens 6-15, 15-4, 15-10.
- MxD Charlie Trumbo and Jolie Mitchell def. John Randall and Joan Weyer 18-17, 14-17, 15-11.

This tournament was highlighted by the entry of 22 junior players, more than ever before. These young players had the finesse but lacked enough stamina against the older players. Joan Weyer is the head tennis instructor at the Western Maryland College and although this is her first season playing badminton is a much older and stronger player than the younger group of juniors.

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