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ROBERTSON IS BASEBALL HEAD

J. W. SCOTT NAMED VICE-PRESIDENT WITH GEO. R. TITE SECRETARY AT MEETING LAST NIGHT

F. E. Robertson will again head the Prince Rupert Baseball Association for the city, while Joe Scott has been re-elected to the position of vice-president. G. R. Tite was elected secretary pro tem, and Geo. Johnstone will represent the intermediate league on the executive.

The annual meeting held last night in the City Hall was not as largely attended as enthusiasts would have liked but several counter attractions at the same hour possibly prevented many from attending who would otherwise be giving the game their support.

This year there will probably be only two teams in the Senior League unless other applications are received in the very near future. It is expected that the Sons of Canada and the Gyro Club will each have one team entered. An intermediate league composed of three teams will probably be formed although definite plans for this league have not been decided upon.

SPORT CHAT

According to press reports, Miles, the sensational Nova Scotian athlete who won the Boston marathon last year, was forced out of the race this year by the excessive heat which was described as "sweltering." Several other Canadians took part in the race which was won by Demar and who has now won this classic five times. Nova Scotia has produced a large number of long distance runners and the sport receives good support down there. One of the feature sporting events of the year is the annual ten mile road race conducted by a Halifax daily paper. Each year a large number from all over the Maritime provinces enter this contest which is considered to be a better race than the Marathon as many authorities claim the latter race is too long and too hard on the contestants.

Basketball rules have been recently changed so that only one bounce is allowed in a dribble. The founder of the game does not think the change will make for any improvement or will stop any rough play as its advocates profess to believe. It is not known whether the new rule will be observed at once by the Edmonton Grads in their defense of the Ladies' basketball championship of the world.

Recent accidents to fishing boats along the coast emphasize the importance of being familiar with the art of swimming. It is generally considered, in a sea port town like Prince Rupert, that every boy and girl learns to swim. This, however, is not true and only recently when the sea cadets were asked as to how many could swim, a large number answered in the negative. It will probably be the policy of this new organization to give instruction to those who have not mastered the art but there are a large number of other children in the city for whom some provision should be made.

The Ottawa Senators, who twice within recent years were eliminated from the Stanley Cup series by second place teams after leading the National Hockey League all season, receive sympathy from the New York Daily News which attacks the play-off system now in vogue following the defeat of the New York Rangers by the Boston Bruins. The writer questions the situation "whereby a team can loaf in third place all season conserving its energy and then on the crest of a spurt ride through to beat a team that has been playing consistent flashy hockey throughout the playing season. The only real world series would have been between the two teams (Ottawa and Rangers) that finished first," the News says. "What a fine mess the baseball season would be if they wound up that way with second and third teams playing to get into the world series. How extraordinarily silly."

The English Channel, usually lashed and churned all summer by distance swimmers, promises to be calm as the

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oni millpond in September. The proposed 350,000 swim from Youngstown, N.Y., to Toronto, Ontario, on Labor Day has attracted many Channel aspirants. Norman Derham, the Englishman who beat Gertrude Ederle's time across the Channel, has been training since early in February for the Youngstown-Toronto event. Derham won Lord Riddell's "News of the World" prize of £1,000 in lowering Ederle's time. Derham plans to swim from England to France before coming to Canada, thus conquering the English Channel in both directions.

FIRE LOSSES ARE REDUCED

FOREST PROTECTION CAMPAIGN OF CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAY HAS BORNE GOOD RESULTS

WINNIPEG, April 23.—A persistent campaign against forest fires throughout the Dominion of Canada brought about a reduction in fire damage along the lines of the Canadian National Railways during 1926 according to W. H. Kilby, chief of forest protection on the National system. During 1926, total fire damage over the 21,800 miles of the Canadian National Railways in Canada amounted to \$13,592 or about 64 cents average loss per mile of track. The acreage burned over is shown as 6,041 acres and 420 fires were attributed to railway causes. "This makes the total value of property destroyed by fire at the moment. With my own eyes I

along the lines of the Canadian National system during 1926, about equal to that of a medium sized house in one of the cities." Mr. Kilby stated, "and this reduction in losses has been brought about by constant care and supervision.

"The week of April 24 to April 30 inclusive has been set aside as 'Save the Forest Week' in Canada, but in order to reduce fire dangers along our lines we have made every week 'Save the Forest Week' on the Canadian National system.

"Our forest protection program," Mr. Kilby continued, "is of equal importance to us as any other part of railway policy, for the forests not only contribute a large share of our total freight revenue but a large part of railway expenditures must also go for forest protection."

ASKS ABOUT OFFICER REMOVED FROM RUPERT

J. G. Ross of Moose Jaw Makes Enquiry in House of Commons and Hon. R. B. Bennett Replies

While Royal Canadian Mounted Police estimates were under consideration in the House of Commons at Ottawa recently, J. G. Ross, Liberal member for Moose Jaw, enquired if anything had been done to reinstate police who had been removed a few days prior to the last election.

"In Saskatchewan, I believe, two or three officers of the mounted police were removed, one from Prince Rupert and another from the Yukon territory, because they were Liberals," said Mr. Ross. "The idea was that they should not be able to use their influence nor to vote. At the same time I believe one man was appointed aide de camp to the lieutenant governor in Regina, and that man is the president of the Conservative organization of that city."

"I am glad to hear the observations made by the hon. member for Moose Jaw, who knows so much about everything, because he has indicated that these men should be thankful they were dismissed from the service," replied R. B. Bennett, who was minister of justice at the time referred to. "He says they were prevented from using their influence, being Liberals; apparently they desired to take part in the elections and that would have brought about their dismissal. As it is they should thank goodness they were moved and not removed entirely from the public service for using their influence on behalf of the Liberal party in the election. The truth is that the gentlemen were removed on the strength of reports made by the superintendent, who sits on the floor of this House at the moment. With my own eyes I saw the report, which was received some months previously, and which suggested that they should be removed not because of their political faith but in the interests of the force. That report is a matter of record in the Department of Justice and can easily be brought down to substantiate my statement; it was on the strength of that report that these men were removed."

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BATTALION ORDERS

By Lieut.-Colonel J. W. Nicholls, Officer Commanding, 1st Battalion North British Columbia Regiment, 102nd Bn. C.E.F.

The commanding officer congratulates the officers, N.C.O.'s and men of the guard of honor and the Regimental Band on their creditable and smart appearance last Saturday, 16th April. Their Excellencies, the Governor-General and Lady Willingdon, expressed their pleasure with the guard of honor and referred to the music provided by the band.

A meeting of the officers' with the Regimental Sergt.-Major, R.Q.M.S., and Company Sergeant-Major will be held in the Armoury, Monday, 25th April, at 8 p.m.

The miniature range is now closed for the summer season. The first practice shoot of the summer season will be held Sunday morning, May 1, at McNicol Creek, boat leaves Cow Bay at 9:30 a.m. All ranks must attend at least two range practices at McNicol Creek during the summer, to comply with military regulations and earn the government grant.

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