

## SPORTS ROUND-UP

By WILL GRIMSLEY

NEW YORK.—A cable dispatch from London reports that a group of the world's leading sports authorities has voted Emil Zatopek, the indefatigable Czech, as the world's No. 1 sportsman for 1952.

North Americans are justified in being a trifle confused. Zatopek the No. 1 athlete? Well, perhaps. But No. 1 sportsman? No—not in our strictest interpretation of the term.

To Europeans the label of "sportsman" may be applied to anyone connected with sport. To us it stands for more than strength, mercurial speed or record-shattering triumphs. It connotes a spirit of fair play, humility in victory, graciousness in defeat.

Primarily as an athlete, Zatopek falls far short of the requirements for a sportsman here.

The lean, arm-flapping wonder indeed thrilled the world with his fantastic feats of speed and endurance in the Helsinki Olympics which brought him gold medal victories in the 5,000- and 10,000-metre runs and the marathon.

Yet he proved a bitter disappointment to millions afterwards when he used his fame as an instrument of Communist propaganda, destroying much of the international goodwill which had been generated in these traditional games.

### PLEASANT FELLOW

We remember him well at the Russian pine-studded village of Ottanemi, a camp of the Iron Curtain athletes hidden some 15 miles from the heart of Helsinki.

He was a pleasant fellow, with a nice smile and blue eyes that gleamed like an electric light when he talked of running techniques with other athletes. He and his attractive wife, Dana, herself an Olympic jave-

lin champion, spoke good English. More than that, they spoke.

In that respect they were different from the other Iron Curtain athletes who wandered around the rough-hewn premises under the watchful eyes of the blue-coated MVD men.

The Zatopeks appeared more Western and more independent than their Iron Curtain contemporaries. And the men with the steel teeth, the MVD boys, gave them plenty of room.

Zatopek told a group of American athletes and newspapermen of his desire to come to the United States. He spoke well of the country, said he was flattered Americans should want to see him run, hinted he might make it.

### TURN-ABOUT

It was in good faith then that the U.S. Secretary of Commerce, Charles Sawyer, invited the Zatopeks to tour the U.S.

President Truman even expressed approval of the idea.

It wasn't until two weeks later that this gesture of friendliness was used by Zatopek as a propaganda boomerang.

"I only laughed when I received these ridiculous, unsportsmanlike offers," Zatopek told his fellow countrymen in a broadcast over the Prague radio. "They have nothing but circus tracks there."

Zatopek, a great athlete, sure. But a revered Olympian who will be remembered in the same breath with the Nurmis and the Owens? We doubt it.



**THE POCKET ROCKET** is what fans are calling Henri Richard, "The Rocket" of the Montreal Canadiens, National Hockey League team. Henri plays for Montreal Canadiens in the Quebec Junior Amateur Hockey Association and led the league with 16 goals and 17 assists in the first 17 games. (CP Photo)

## NL Attendance Hard Hit By Weather

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP)—The National League's official attendance figures for 1952 show a decline of 904,854, or 12½ per cent from its 1951 figures. The league drew 6,339,148 last season compared to 7,244,002 in 1951.

Brooklyn led the league with 1,088,704 at home and 1,282,628 on the road, but attendance at Ebbets Field dipped 193,924.

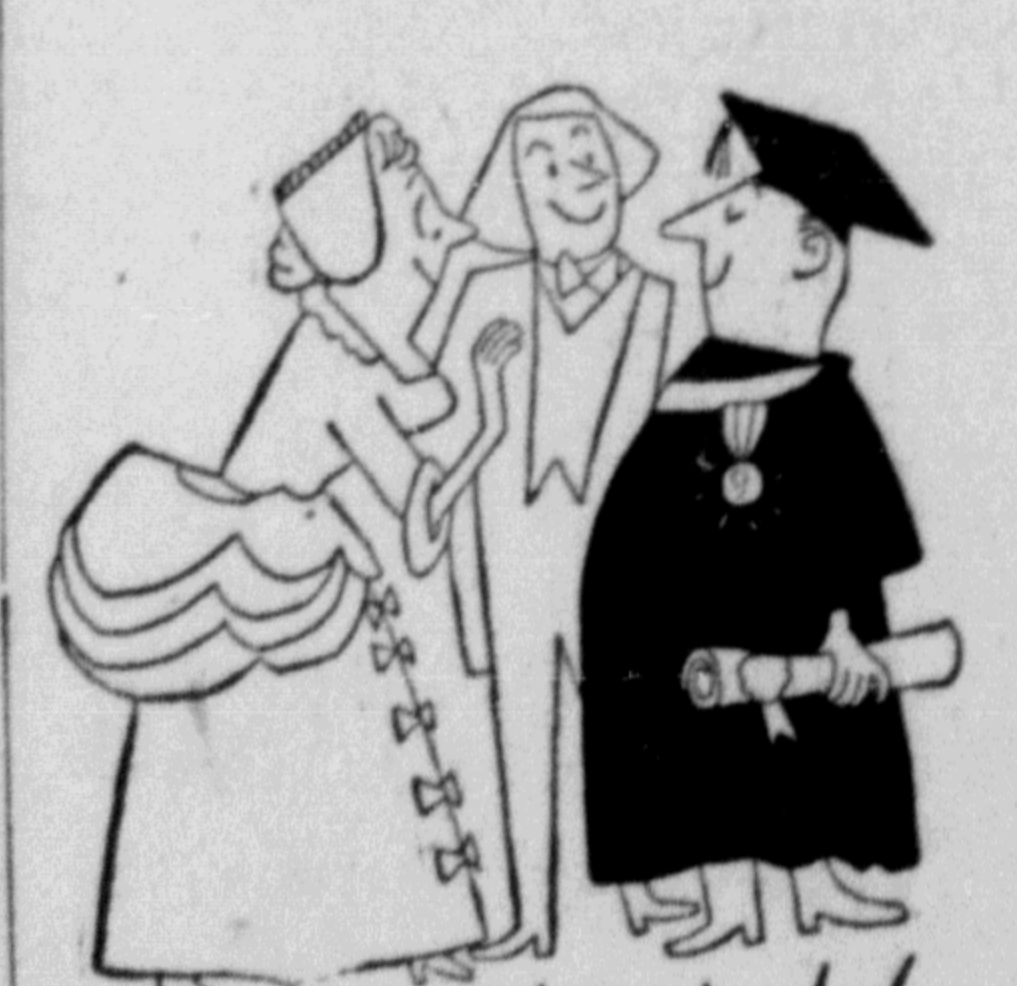
Pittsburgh had the sharpest drop, 293,917, with Boston close behind. The Braves drew only 281,278, by far the worst in both majors, showing a decline of 206,197 or roughly 43 per cent.

The league suffered from unusually adverse weather conditions that wiped out 13 Sundays and holidays, 18 night games and 22 day games. Only 30 games were rained out in 1951.

## SPORTSMAN'S DIGEST



**QUAIL ON TOAST**  
PLUCK AND CLEAN BIRDS. RUB BUTTER, SALT AND PEPPER ON THE INSIDE AND OUT. LAY STRIPS OF BACON ON THE BREAST, BINDING IN WINGS AND LEGS. PLACE IN ROASTER HAVING ONE TABLE-SPOON OF BUTTER AND TWO OF WATER FOR EACH BIRD. COOK UNTIL DONE IN HOT OVEN, BASTING FREQUENTLY. REMOVE BIRDS FROM PAN. PLACE EACH ON A HOT SLICE OF BUTTERED TOAST. ADD A LITTLE BUTTER, WATER AND ONE LEMON'S JUICE TO THE PAN. SIMMER FOR THREE MINUTES THEN POUR OVER QUAIL ON TOAST. GARNISH WITH PARSLEY AND SERVE WHILE HOT.



## Medal Metal

It's HARD to realize that less than one hundred years ago aluminum was a precious metal, priced at \$17 an ounce. In fact, Queen's University at Kingston, Ont., presented the first graduate from its chemistry course with an aluminum medal in 1858.

Nowadays the price of aluminum is 18¢ a pound. How is it that a dollar buys as much aluminum today as it did before the war, while it buys so much less of most other things? One big reason is the increasing use of aluminum—ten times that of 15 years ago. Volume production keeps production costs down.

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## outdoors with Marty

# Time is Ripe to Learn Trap Shooting Here

NOW that there is an established trap-shooting set-up in town, the time is ripe for youngsters and learners to be initiated. Unless the pocket-book has no objections it is not necessary to go overboard for a special shotgun, the tool the neophyte will eventually carry in the bush is the one to break in with.

Working at 16 yards, the best results will show up with a cylinder bore or modified choke, practically every double-barrel has one side so bored; and assurance is quickly gained if easy bloopers are tossed and broken. By the way, see that your novice is made to load only one shell at a time, even if he is using a repeater; **SAFETY FIRST**

Remember to instill a few other safety factors if your pupils are very green, such as safety on until the bird is actually seen in flight, and moving to and from the firing point with the gun broken at the breech, also handling over a gun with breech open etc.

### TOSS EASY ONES

After filling him not over full on how much to "lead" his bird, just toss him a couple of easy ones by hand before you use the trap at all; seeing these fly to pieces at his shot will boost his confidence plenty, but be sure to stop at about 15 or twenty rounds, his shoulder is going to feel differently in the morning, and by overshooting at the beginning a hard to eradicate flinch might get started.

The second time out an apt pupil should have 25 shots, about

10 of them as doubles, then gradually progress to the spot where he is allowed to back up another shooter and try to break the other fellow's misses. Do not be surprised if the youngsters make rapid strides as wing shots, for many group champions are under twenty years of age.

By the same token, the older tyros can develop considerable skill too, it's a sport for everybody and no excuse for leaving the gals at hoe, many wives keep right up with their husbands and that is all to the good.

### USE NEW SHELLS

Beware of digging out those old shells that have been stacked

away since away back! The trap-shooting grounds is NOT the place to use up shells that may have built up dangerous pressures through temperature changes or become swollen due to dampness; sink them in DEEP water.

A few weeks ago you read about the new fibre-glass fly-rods that were coming to town. They are now here and at a much lower price than expected. These rods are made by one of the oldest manufacturers in the Eastern U.S., and rate at little over 4 ounces, they should work well with "D" level lines.

The same enterprising dealer can equip these rods with new

automatic or ordinary 11y-reels from a famous maker, and has also obtained a good stock of the hitherto "hard-to-get" aluminum rod cases.

### LOOKS OVER TACKLE

The spinner fishermen are especially in luck, for them there is a really efficient American reel for nicely under twenty bucks. Marty has looked over all this tackle and considers it excellent value; better show this heavy hint where it will do most good before Christmas!

Another local store has exactly the rod that fits those who are going to try "mooching" for (Continued on Page 5)

This Christmas

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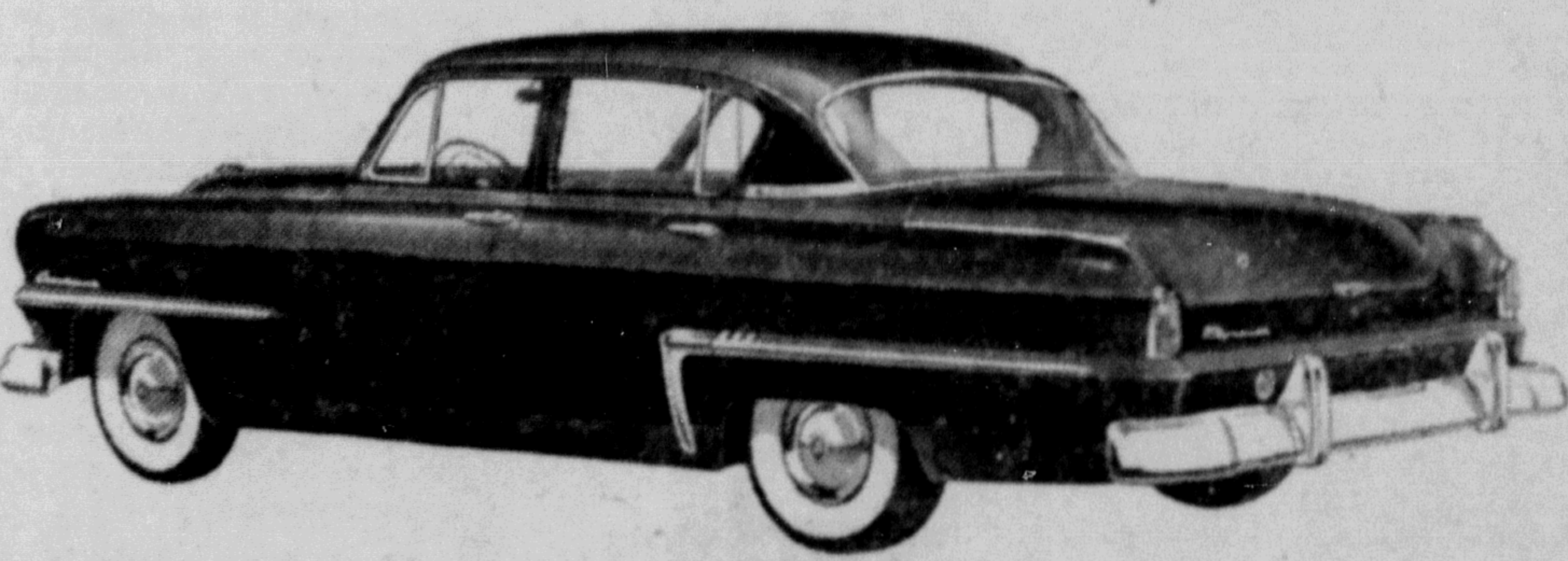
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# Surprise car of '53

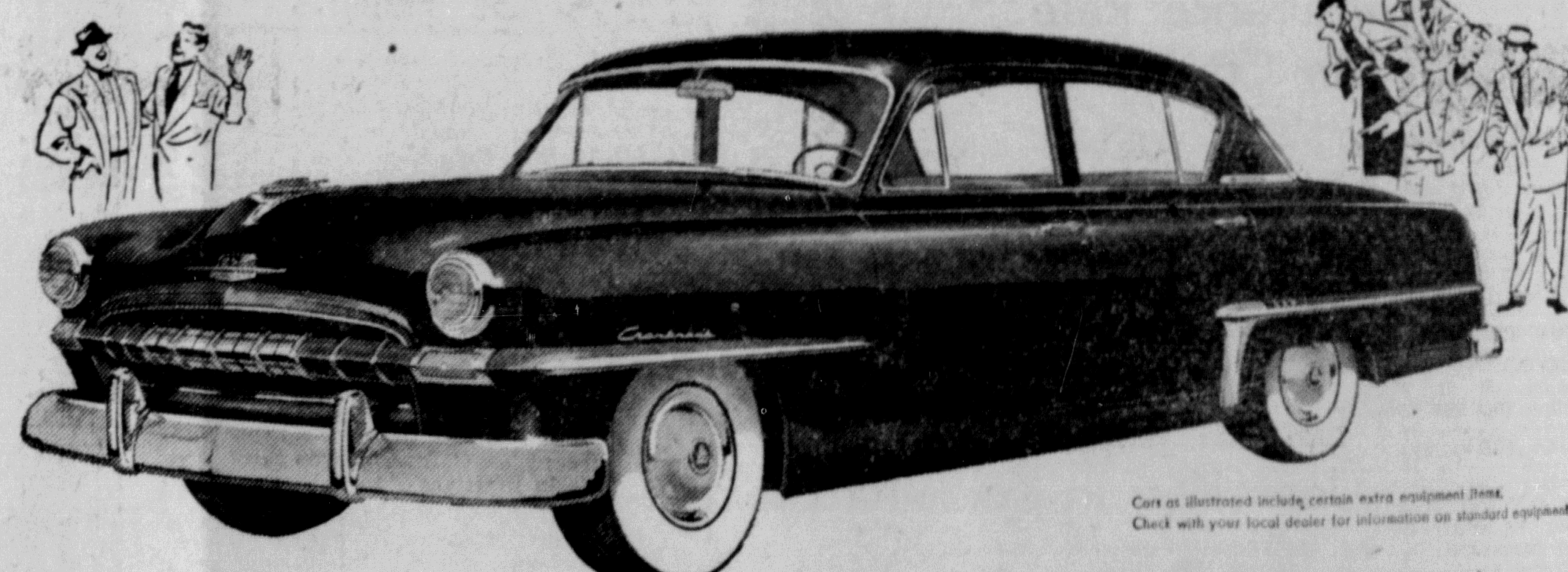
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## Curlers Make History With Tricky Seven-Ender

An historic seven-ender was laid last week-end at the curling rink in a regular club championship match, by the Sieber rink against Ostertag.

This outstanding play, first in club history, took place on the second end of the match, but Ostertag with a terrific comeback picked up the slack to lose by only one point as the match ended 13-12.

In the championship play, Gene Holliston's rink leads in section "A" with one defeat in five matches, or an average of 80 per cent, followed by the Stewart rink with 71 per cent, and by Matthew, Greene and Miller rinks, each with a 60 per cent average.

Down in the section "A" cellar is Dixon with no wins in six starts.

Heading section "B" rinks is Ken Warren with one defeat in seven matches, or an average of 85.7 per cent, followed by Bateman with 75 per cent, and by Meighen, Ostertag, Rowbotham and Sieber, each with a 60 per cent average.

Vying for top place in the cellar are Gordon and Robertson rinks, each with a 20 per cent average.

Following are results of matches played since Nov. 27:

Nov. 27—Barber 11, Kellough 8; Turner 11, Laurie 8; Shier 10, Robertson 7; Matthew 7, Greene 9; McKenzie 11, Dixon 3; Boulter 9, Eyoifson 12.

Nov. 28—Rowbotham 7, Warren 13; Ford 5, Ostertag 15; Sieber 6, Meighen 10; Berg 6, Stewart 9; Miller 12, Rogerson 9; Thom 13, Moore 8.

Nov. 29—Matthew 10, Eyoifson 4; McKenzie 12, Stewart 9; Gordon 6, Collinson 13; Holliston 10, Skallmerud 8; Turner 1, Warren 12.

Dec. 2—Greene beat Boulter by default; Dixon 4, Berg 15; Miller 10, Skallmerud 8; Shier 10, Barber 4; Laurie 11, Rowbotham 9; Ford 11, Collinson 3.

Dec. 3—Rogerson 5, Holliston 8; Moore 12, Wilson 5; Robertson lost to Warren; Eyoifson 6, Stewart 12; Ostertag 7, Gordon 8; Meighen 5, Bateman 11.

Dec. 4—Kellough 10, Laurie 4; Turner 5, Barber 10; Shier 9,

Rowbotham 10; Matthew 9, Dixon 8; McKenzie 5, Greene 8; Berg beat Boulter by default.

Dec. 5—Ford 7, Meighen 8; Gordon 2, Bateman 12; Sieber 13, Ostertag 12; Miller 7, Moore 12; Holliston 4, Wilson 13; Thom 8, Rogerson 6.

Dec. 6—Matthew 9, Stewart 8; Boulter 11, McKenzie 10; Berg beat Greene by default; Warren 10, Kellough 9; Shier 6, Turner 12; Rowbotham beat Barber by default.

## Pulpmillers After Win From G & A

CCC pulp millers, behind the spirited coaching of Helge Holkestad, will try for their first win over league-leading Gordon & Anderson tonight in the regular senior "B" league game at the Civic Centre gymnasium.

A good game with sound competition appears in the offing. Indications from Saturday night's game are that the hardware squad's coach, Alex Bill, will egg his team on to rack up as many scores as possible at every opportunity in the game.

Failure to do this by the G-As nearly lost them the game in the tight 40-38 affair with Mansons in the week-end game.

Game time tonight is 8:30.

In the inter "A" division, Fraser & Payne, last year's champions, who haven't been doing so hot this year, tangle with Mansons at 7:30 p.m.

## CHRISTMAS CARDS



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