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## Cure For Relief

The matter of relief has been discussed at some length in this paper for the past few days and this has been a good thing in order to draw public attention to a condition which exists and which must be cured. While we have no sympathy with the people who have a glorious time when they have money and then as soon as it is gone apply for relief and we have little sympathy with people who have been drawing relief for years without making any effort to secure employment, we know there are many good citizens who have to look to the dole for a subsistence and who would be glad to work if the work were obtainable. And we draw no national lines in this. There are good people in Canada from most nations of the world. We know splendid citizens from many countries of Europe and also from the Orient. While these people are living in Canada they should be given an opportunity to earn a livelihood.

Among the means of improving conditions in this part of the world and thus taking most of the residents off the relief rolls would be the completion of the highway from Prince Rupert to Terrace. Another means would be to build a railway connecting the Peace River country with the Canadian National Railway, providing a direct route to the coast at Prince Rupert. This work would spread over several years and would take care of most of the unemployed in Western Canada. We have for years advocated these public works for consideration, one to the provincial government and the other to the federal government. Just now it seems as if the railway were the most feasible and would employ the largest number at one time. It would be fully justified by the conditions at present existing.

## A Lucky Man

J. S. Taylor of Nanaimo is a lucky man. It is lucky for him that he lives in Canada and not in Russia. If he lived in the land of the Soviets he would probably have been lined against a wall along with others of his associates and shot. In that country a man is not allowed to protest against communism even though communism is not the form of government under which the people live. They live under a dictatorship, just as strict and unbending as that of Italy or Germany. Stalin is the state and to speak or write or plot against him is to plot against the state and to risk being shot. That is what comes of introducing the dictatorship of the proletariat as provided for in the Marxian philosophy. We are glad that Mr. Taylor has seen the light and has withdrawn from the group that has been making overtures to communism.

## Oatman Boasts Hockey Record

Has Been Engaged in Puck Game For 32 Years

YORKTON, Sask., March 2: (AP)—Eddie Oatman, canny coach of Yorkton Terriers in Saskatchewan's southern senior amateur league loop, boasts an all-time record in the sport.

As an amateur, minor and major professional leaguer, he has to his credit 32 years—an estimated 15 years after the average player's career is a memory.

The battle-scarred mentor started his career as an amateur in 1902, turned professional with Quebec Bulldogs, in 1911, when they won the Stanley Cup and ended his major league playing days with Victoria Cougars in 1927.

He returned to the minors with St. Paul in the Central League, where he played until the spring of 1934. This is his second season with the Terriers.

## Conacher Attack On Spectator To Be Investigated

TORONTO, March 2:—National Hockey League authorities are making an investigation of the stick attack of Lionel Conacher of the Montreal Maroons on a spectator during the Maple Leafs-Maroons game here on Saturday. It is announced. The spectator sustained cuts and bruises about the head, later returning to his seat heavily swathed in bandages.

## SPORT CHAT

Running ahead of the field in the Bloemfontein Turf Club's handicap, Pulsation, well-backed horse, dropped dead 10 yards from the finish.

The British Cricket Club Conference, to which 1,200 clubs are affiliated, finished the past financial year with a surplus of nearly \$1,500. It was reported at the annual meeting.

Several English horses are expected to run in Germany's "Derby," one of the popular events in the Reich's racing season, to be held at Munich, August 1.

Jack McLean, captain and centre half of Bristol Rovers Football Club, who suffered a leg injury early in the year, has been operated on for removal of an external cartilage.

Thrown by his mount at a fence during the Lucknow spring meet, R. Cullen, a British jockey, suffered a fractured skull, later dying in hospital at Lucknow, India.

Major C. K. Nayudu, the Indian cricketer, declared in an interview he was astonished at the charge of "aloofness" levied against him by the committee investigating incidents in India's tour of England last summer.

Oxford University is going all out to stop Cambridge's long string of victories in the boat race and part of its training this year consists of electrical massage.

Ralph Troute, an angler, and Ralph Trout, a salesman, went fishing together at Galveston, Texas. Troute caught four trout while Trout hooked three trout.

One of the original playing members of Bury Football Club, James A. Ross, 70, died recently. He was one of the team that won the Lancashire Junior Cup in 1890.

Northamptonshire Cricket Club officials were surprised recently when Edward Clark, clever fast bowler, advertised in English newspapers seeking a job outside his county.

## HOCKEY SCORES

Pacific Coast League  
Portland 3, Vancouver 2.

### SKI RACE POSTPONED

On account of unfavorable weather conditions, the ski race which was to have been held on Mount Oldfield Sunday was postponed for a week.

## BOOM FOR SOFTBALL

George Sisler Predicts World Series For Young Game But No Place for Pros

ST. LOUIS, March 2: (AP)—Softball will not train talent for the hardball majors, but the flourishing young pastime will have its own world series—for amateurs only—and will field 11,000,000 players who will pay around \$125,000,000 for equipment in 1937.

Take the word of George Sisler, the great old big-time first baseman, now sports goods dealer, who turned to softball and discovered it intriguing—and profitable. He frowns at the mention of professional softball and predicts a retreat from the "small headway" already made by teams which bang the oversize horseshoe for profit.

Men and boys playing softball in Canada and the United States outnumber the girls three to one, but the women are catching up, Sisler says.

"Softball benefits baseball in a commercial way but does not help baseball in the way of training players. The softball player does acquire poise, alertness, sportsmanship, and other qualities found in any athletic contest; but his ability to handle the larger, softer ball is of no use in baseball," says Sisler, who ought to know. He named one softball player who graduated to baseball—Al Fisher, St. Louis Cardinal pitcher, who will be with Houston of the Texas League this season.

Sisler said softball stimulates general interest in sports and thereby enlarges baseball crowds.

Only minor rule changes are likely for the 1937 season. One proposal would move the pitcher back two and a half feet—to 37½ feet from the batter. The change is designed to produce more hitting.

### Fabulous Figure

Total of \$125,000,000 seems like a fabulous figure for uniforms and equipment, but considering that 11,000,000 boys and girls—and some papas and mamas—will be out trying to hit underhand sinkers and curves with a puny stick next summer, the total outlay divides up to less than \$12 per head.

Sisler made his predictions for the 1937 campaign as both president of the American Softball Association and as an optimistic business man who supplies the goods and promotes the game.

A softball world championship series, he says, will be the outgrowth of co-operative negotiations between his association and the Amateur Softball Association headquarters in Chicago. Sisler's group will stage its annual national tournament here next September with approximately 60 teams from all parts of the land on hand.

Sisler, who made first-basing history with the St. Louis Browns and Boston Braves, declares the fast-growing game now has more followers and participants than its nearest rival, basketball.

"Pro softball won't go," he insists. "Softball is a low-priced game, and pay for the players would take away the zip. There are some travelling teams but the money is just not there."

Admission prizes for softball average a dime, with two-bills as tops for championship contests. Sisler says larger admission fees, and bigger playing fields would be necessary for professional games. "I don't believe," he says, "that persons sitting as far away as the outfield bleachers would get any kick out of the game—and fields would have to be that big to make it a paying proposition. Furthermore, salaried players would remove the attractive features peculiar to the game."

## Fred Perry Is Ahead to Date

Defeated Ellsworth Vines by Score Of 6-3, 6-3 in Portland

PORTLAND, Ore., March 2:—Fred Perry of England defeated Ellsworth Vines of United States 6-3, 6-3 in their professional tennis tennis game here. Perry is now up thirteen games to twelve so far on the tour.

## Puck Amateurs Cannot Play On Other Side Now

NEW YORK, March 2:—Canadian amateur hockey players will not be permitted to play in the United States after the conclusion of the present winter season. It was announced yesterday by the United States Amateur Athletic Association. An agreement whereby they could have come to this country to play expires April 1.

## HOOP PLAY SCHEDULE

Time Table For Remainder Of Season is Announced

The revised schedule for balance of the basketball season is as follows:

March 4—Grotto vs. Lambie & Stone, Annette's vs. Grotettes, Ben's News Stand vs. Regiment, Junior Moose vs. Seal Cove. Intermediate game postponed. Scythians play Metakata.

March 8—Moose vs. Grotto, Scythians vs. Ben's News Stand, Grotettes vs. High School, Junior Moose vs. Scouts.

March 11—Moose vs. Lambie & Stone, Regiment vs. Scythians, High School vs. Annette's, High School vs. Boy Scouts.

## Clean Sweeps In Bowling

McMeekin's and Gyro Club Winners in Last Night's Commercial League Play

Clean sweeping victories were the order of the evening in the Commercial Ten Pin Bowling League last night. McMeekin's won three games to nil over Ballinger's while Gyro Club defeated Biological Station by a similar measure. Tom McMeekin of McMeekin's was high average scorer with 173.

McMEEKIN'S	1st	2nd	3rd
McLeod	109	149	115
Armstrong	146	127	102
Hill	143	111	100
Menzies	145	137	104
McMeekin	194	140	196
Handicap	45	45	45

Total	787	709	768
BALLINGER'S	1st	2nd	3rd
Rutter	138	139	142
Bijou	120	120	128
West	158	128	126
Dickens	133	120	135
Rishede	121	138	107
Handicap	42	42	42

Total	718	696	685
GYRO CLUB	1st	2nd	3rd
Ballagno	189	160	166
Bulger	167	143	131
Morris	160	132	153
Roaf	153	136	176
Large	140	140	125
Handicap	43	43	43

Total	852	754	895
BIO. STATION	1st	2nd	3rd
Carter	113	144	143
Freeman	139	143	140
Pugsley	131	92	135
Stamford	91	126	122
Sunderland	112	117	100
Handicap	104	104	104

Total	691	726	653
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The league standing:	W.	L.	P.
Rupert Butchers	7	2	7
Ballinger's	4	5	4
Rupert Motors	3	3	3
Gyro Club	4	2	4
McMeekin's	5	4	5
Biological Station	1	8	1



## CLOTHIERS TAKE LEAD

Lambie & Stone on Top in Senior Basketball—Deadlock in Ladies' League

Lambie & Stone took a 32 to 22 victory over the Moose last night in the Senior League basketball game. As a result, they take undisputed league leadership.

The first half was a ding-dong affair with first one team taking the lead and then the other. The Clothiers were leading 19 to 15 at the interval and, in the second half, they increased the lead which was never in doubt until the final whistle. Dominato was high scorer for the winners with 15 points while Armstrong made 13 for the Moose.

### Ladies' League

Annette's won from the High School in a low scoring Ladies' League game by a score of 7 to 6. Half time score was 7 to 4. Annette's failed to score in the second half while the Students were held to one basket. The Mannegins are now tied with the Grotettes for first place in the league standing.

### Intermediate League

The intermediate game was a thriller from the start. The two rival teams, Scythians and Moose met with the former winning out by a score of 24 to 18.

For the first ten minutes the count was deadlocked at one-all after which the Scythians pulled ahead to lead 15 to 4 at the period.

In the second half the game became rougher and rougher, nearly developing into a free-for-all but for the capable refereeing of Nakamoto.

The Moose made a strong bid to win out in the dying moments of the game, but it was too late.

### Junior League

High School defeated Seal Cove 15 to 9 in a fast junior game. The East Enders played their best game to date but lacked shooting ability which no doubt would have given them a victory. Half time score was 12 to 4.

Referees—D. Montesano, Nakamoto and Skinner.  
Scorer, Joe Antonelli.  
Reporter, Mike Montesano.

The Basketball League standings to date:

Senior League	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Lambie & Stone	4	2	8			
Grotto	3	3	3			
Moose	2	4	4			

Intermediate League	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Moose	4	1	1			
Scythians	4	1	1			
Regiment	0	3	3			
Ben's News Stand	0	3	1			

Ladies' League	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Grotettes	3	2	4			
Annette's	3	2	4			
High School	2	4	4			

Junior League	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Boy Scouts	4	1	4			
High School	3	2	4			
Junior Moose	2	1	4			
Seal Cove	0	5	4			

## WEST GETS OLD TIMERS

Forgotten Men of Hockey Keeping Youngsters in Allan Cup Play

WINNIPEG, Mar. 2: (CP)—Forgotten men of hockey! They are to be found directing keen-eyed, eager youngsters in Saskatchewan's senior amateur circuits. One of them may guide the destinies of a western challenge for the Allan Cup when playdown time rolls around this spring.

Out of the realm of missing men, Art Somers, Eddie Oatman, Percy Traub, "Gizze" Hart and the durable "Duke" Keats have found fame in exile. They are developing puck pupils who some day promise to scintillate after the fashion of their old masters.

Colorful Art Somers who carved vivid pages in hockey history as "Little Caesar" of New York Rangers has come back to life as unostentatiously as he dropped out back in 1934. The dark-haired dynamo is shaping ice fortunes of Prince Albert Mintos, top-bracketed prides of Saskatchewan's northern loop.

Oatman, former resident of Minneapolis and another of the west's illustrious sons, is responsible for the pleasing showing of Yorkton Terriers. He is better remembered as a member of Victoria Cougars in the old Pacific Coast Professional League and later as manager of Minneapolis Millers and St. Paul in the Central League.

Regina Vics, in the southern Saskatchewan division, point with pardonable pride to "Duke" Dutowski who at one time or another saw service with a majority of clubs in the National Hockey League. Percy Traub, considered by many one of the finest of all defence players, preps an up-and-coming Regina amateur club.

Memories of "Newsy" Laonde, "Rusty" Crawford and other hockey greats that made up the roster of the old Western Canada League would not be complete without "Gizze" Hart and "Duke" Keats. The fireless energy that featured their active playing days is reflected in their coaching ability.

Hart, coach of Weyburn Beavers, has hustled his charges into a play-off spot in the southern division that includes Moose Jaw, Millers, Regina Aces and Vics. The fiery and aggressive Keats who rounded out a lengthy professional career with Edmonton Eskimos has directed playing policies of Saskatoon Quakers in the northern loop.

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