

In This Corner

By DICK AYRES

The cycle is complete again in the Senior B basketball league with all three teams having played six games. Manson's Omegas have five wins to their credit and one loss, the latter handed to them by Gordon and Andersons. The jewelers have downed CCC three times and the hardwaremen twice. Second-place CCC have three-win-three-loss record, all their losses being to Manson's and all the victories being scored at the expense of G & A.

In the point column Ray Spring still leads the league's sharpshooters with a total of 76 points. However Glen (Tiny) Carlson has amassed 64 points in five games to be in second place with a 12.4 point average per game compared to Spring's 12.66.

For third place are CCC's Freddy Christensen and Manson's Olsen with 56 points each, followed by Joe Davis with 52, Scherk of CCC with 50, Manson's Mickey Webster with 49.

For seventh place are G & A's Rupe Holkestad and CCC's Scherk with 43 points each. In ninth place is Don Hartwig of Manson's with 41 points.

Pulp millers' Sid ("I know when I've fouled") Scherk is presently leading the league's foul collectors with 24 penalties, but this doesn't necessarily mean he's the loop badman as Sid followed very closely by Manson's Danny Bill. One foul behind is team-mate Glen Carlson with 22 fouls including a technical, followed by Rupe Holkestad with 17 and Roy Webber with 16 and Manson's Mickey Webster with 15 points. Don Scherk with 12 plus two technicals is tied with Don Hartwig with Harold Marshall has 13 and Ray Spring, Mel Thompson and Sunberg all have 12 fouls each.

Have a letter from a gentleman who collects old baseball cards. His name is William Puckner and old record books are to him what stamps, old coins and beer parlor coasters are to other people. He says "I have a partly filled collection of the Spaulding Baseball Guides. These were published annually from 1876 to 1941 and are now out of print. I am having difficulty in completing my set and I believe there may be some of these copies in the hands of your subscribers."

Mr. Puckner who lives at 83 68th Street, Guttenberg, New Jersey, U.S., says that if any readers have any he would gladly purchase them, and if they would write him and let him know which copy or copies they have he would appreciate it. So if any of you baseball statisticians have any old Baseball Guides gather 'em up, there's your chance.

No one ever wrote us about the earlier days of Seattle Mariners' general manager Dewey Soriano, but Darrow Gomez came through with the info that he used to live next door to Soriano's when Dewey's father Mingo had a fishing vessel. They were quite a family, Darrow says, with Amigo, Mario, Juliet, Rupert, Dewey, Milton, Charles and Charlotte. The Mingo decided to leave Prince Rupert for Seattle in 1925 and the boys "sprang up like weeds" Darrow says. When the war broke along Dewey and Milton served on the same ship in the merchant navy. At the present time Amigo skips the ship in Seattle with Rupert as his first mate. Darrow remembers that Dewey played for Ketchikan against Prince Rupert before he went to the Pittsburgh Pirates. This last summer he managed the Vancouver Caps of the WIL and this coming season will guide the destinies of the Seattle entry in the PCL.

While everyone had a good time at the Football presentation there it was rather noticeable that while CVO players were there witness the receipt of their three trophies that only one trophy from Heavy Battery team and none from General Motors turned up. Seems kind of small to us.

POST SCRIPTS—Watts & Nickerson's Ron Christoff really did good before the game Saturday night. He felt so inspired by the fact that he was told basketball commissioner Rusty Ford that he was good for 32 points. He should have gone ahead and done just that. Bill McChesney's crew could have used the other 25 that he didn't get. Young Doug Sankey turned in a yeoman job Saturday night, refereeing three games and still being able to handle the beeping that went on from 6:45 until 10:45 p.m. Despite the fact that Walt Alston, new Brooklyn Dodger boss, spent such a short time in the majors, many of the players on the Dodger roster served under him in the minors. Our best wishes for Jack Dempsey on what we thought was his proposed marriage to Mrs. Estelle Auguste, sort of back-fired. Now we're all off, Mrs. A. asserting that they quarreled. Anyone who somebody hexed?

CVO Receives Three Trophies

CVO stalwart Hank Nuyten arms as they have done from three football trophies. Mr. Haig in thanking the association for the gift of a marble ashtray on which was mounted the figure of a soccer player, echoed Father Mohan's sentiments, saying that games cannot be played with enthusiasm at Roosevelt Park due to the danger of falling on rocks.

presenting a going-away gift to Alex Haig, former president of the football association and coach of the General Motors team. Father Mohan thanked Haig for all his support and wished him well in his new post. He said that the football association looked forward to the employment of Algoma Park row, especially for youth of the who wouldn't, he said, be coming home with cut knees and

NOTICE OF MEETING

THE SEMI-ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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RON ADAMS, 19-year-old quarterback of the Canadian junior champion Saskatoon Hilltops, is rated as a sure-fire prospect for professional ranks. The sensational six-foot, 180-pound passer is also a good runner and has remarkable deception in his ball handling. He's the most discussed junior football player in Canada today. He is shown holding the Roly Howes trophy, presented to him as the most valuable player of the Manitoba-Saskatchewan Junior Football League.

Canadiens Snatch Back Lead; Howe Still Pacing Scorers

MONTREAL (CP) — Montreal Canadiens delighted the hearts of their Habitant followers by tucking away three straight wins last week and snatching back the leadership of the National Hockey League from Detroit Red Wings.

Red Wings, on the other hand, got clobbered with two white-washes during the week-end 3-0 by Toronto Maple Leafs and 5-0 by, of all people, Chicago Black Hawks, last in team standings.

Despite these setbacks, Gordie Howe, Detroit's blue-ribbon sharpshooter, clung to the individual scoring honors, although he hammered home only one tally since the last league statistics.

Official NHL statistics released today showed the big winger has 11 goals and 19 assists for 30 points, four more than his teammate Ted Lindsay down in second slot.

Boston Bruins, in fourth place, were the fall guys for Montreal twice during the week-end, and Maple Leafs missed many chances as they fell to Canadiens last Thursday. Last week, Detroit led Montreal by a point.

The leaders:

	G	A	Pts
Howe, Detroit	11	19	30
Lindsay, Detroit	7	19	26
Geoffrion, Montreal	14	11	25
Reibel, Detroit	7	15	22
Sloan, Toronto	4	18	22
Richard, Montreal	13	8	21
Sandford, Boston	5	16	21
Gadsby, Chicago	8	12	20
Kelly, Detroit	9	10	19
Mosienko, Chicago	6	12	18
Pierson, Boston	9	8	17
Ronty, New York	5	12	17
Hergesheimer, New York	10	6	16
Mackay, Montreal	8	8	16
Horton, Toronto	4	12	16

STANDINGS

	W	L	T	F	A	Pts
Montreal	17	9	2	75	55	38
Detroit	14	6	5	69	40	33
Toronto	12	8	6	54	42	30
Boston	11	9	4	57	59	26
New York	7	14	5	54	76	19
Chicago	5	20	4	55	92	14

Western League

Victoria 3, Vancouver 1.
WIL - OSHL
Penticton 5, Spokane 2.
By The Canadian Press

Curling Results

Results in last night's play of the Columbia Cellulose trophy competition in the Prince Rupert Ladies' Curling club are as follows: Bateman 4, Johnson 14; McKenzie 10, McBroom 9; Crossley 10, Anderson 3; McLeod 5, Schuman 11; Ramsay 16, Shier 8; Turner 18, Willson 4.

Draw for 2:30 tomorrow afternoon: Lewis vs Willson; Partidge vs Thom; Moore vs Wakeley. Draw for tomorrow night: 7 p.m., Anderson vs McBroom; Bateman vs McKenzie; Crossley vs Johnson, 9 p.m., McLeod vs Willson; Ramsay vs Turner; Schuman vs Shier.

Ken Watson's Curling



TO DRAW OR NOT TO DRAW

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This is the \$64 question where the answers separate the men from the boys. A draw is an offensive thrust calculated to score against your opponent. A hit is definitely a defensive manoeuvre to prevent your opponent from scoring. A draw is a courageous offensive action to take the initiative and score points, whereas a barrage of running or hitting shots is paramount to a rear-guard action protecting a retreat. The greater the weight used in hitting, the more retreat becomes a disorganized route.

Now don't get me wrong, I am not trying to argue that there is no place for hitting in a curling game. There is. But on normally keen ice, quiet hitting with 95 per cent of the teams is more effective because:

1. It is based on a knowledge of draw weight.
2. It allows the player to use a normal rhythmic swing that keeps his eye and rock "on the broom."

Keep your opponent off balance by drawing. Every draw made is a potential scoring point and keeps the opposition on the defensive. If you have to hit, use quiet weight, enough to move the opposing stone through the rings and back to the hack so that your stone remains in the house. If you hit and roll out, which is more than likely, with heavier weight you are still on the defensive.

During the early ends of a match, keep your rink to the quiet game. Any opposing stone behind the tee should be drawn to and not hit unless playing for a roll. Young players are guilty in this count too often. Here are a few suggestions on when to draw:

- Draw to a stone on the back-rings. It will provide backing for yours.
- Draw to a pocket of enemy stones behind the tee. Ten men and a stick of dynamite will not remove yours then.
- Draw if only the corner of an opposing stone is visible.
- Draw for second shot if lying one. Second shot is the best guard in the world.
- Draw to the shot rock with last stone when there are three or four against you.
- Hit a short guard, but draw around a long guard.
- A skip should prefer a draw. Even if you are six up and your opponents lie three or four, draw for one if the way is open.

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U.S. Soccer Team Tops in U.K.

MANCHESTER, Eng. (AP)—A team of United States soccer players is plugging away at the top of an English amateur league, and soccer-mad locals are blinking their eyes in amazement.

The team causing all the fuss is the Burtonwood Gunners, formed from United States Air Force men stationed at the Burtonwood base in northern England.

They have played 23 games and lost only twice—in exhibition. In league games they boast a 100 per cent record. They have

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