

# Around And About

## The Cost Runs High

President Chipman, of the Winnipeg Blue Bombers, has come right out into the open to clear the air regarding the threatened strike action of twelve players now on the Winnipeg Football Club's roster. The club prxy has made public just what the club's budget calls for — the way of players' salaries, and just what the players are asking for their services as "amateurs".

The figures quoted by the Blue Bomber president may cause a few well-controlled passions, but they will not be the least upsetting to those who have been close to the operational headquarters of football clubs. The cost runs high, and has been running high for years, and it takes no mathematical genius to figure out why most clubs are generally about one jump ahead of the sheriff when the season concludes.

Using the Winnipeg figures of the club's offer to the players, it will be seen that the club is operating on a \$10,000 players-salaries budget. Put coaches' salaries, travelling expenses, equipment and the other necessary incidental expenses on top of that, plus bonuses, etc., that always crop up, and an important money total builds up to be met. Chief source of revenue is from the gate receipts and programs.

## Just One Poor Season

Let a club have a bad season — or a couple of rainy playing dates, and somebody is over the moon. When the more observant fans get a bit caustic about what club officials should do and should not do — in the matter of securing players and paying them — they might do well to stop and think about the source of supply for such action. That source of supply is at the gate, and if the funds do not come in at the gate, then they must be found elsewhere. It might surprise a large number of the sharpest critics to know just how difficult it is to find replacement in times of such shortages.

In the pre-war days when football was on the boom, in the East as well as the West, clubs had good years and bad years, in a financial way, and there still is no way of predicting when the good years will crop up. Over a period of time, it would be difficult to estimate just how many clubs managed to stay on the proper side of the balance sheet.

The players provide the football spectacle, the spectators pay the piper, and the performers are entitled to a fair share of any loose change that is being passed around. We are wholeheartedly in favor of players getting all the extras the traffic will stand, but the players might also bear in mind that any trade will stand just so much taxation and that there is always a first time — even for a well to go dry.

## Paying Us A Visit

At present visiting in Ottawa, Hubert D. Bishop, well known in local sport circles when he was attending University of Ottawa in the early 1900s, has been renewing acquaintances in the city for the past few days. "Hub" Bishop was actively connected with sport in the days when Rev. Father Stanton turned out some of those famous U. of O. teams, in the closing years of the local university's participation in senior intercollegiate sport.

Presently residing in Regina, Bishop is a commissioner for the All-American Girls' Baseball League, and has recently come from Chicago. Max Carey, former Pittsburgh star, is president of the league, while Bill Wambach, the famous "unassisted-triple-play Bill" of Cleveland Indians' fame, is chief scout for the organization. Bishop has been on a scouting trip, and has looked at ladies' softball teams here and in Toronto and will go on to Montreal for a survey there.

The league expects to play to one million spectators this season. The ball used in the league is slightly smaller than the regulation softball, there is more distance between bases, and the pitcher's box has been enlarged. Bishop asserts that he recently saw Chicago Cubs play Cincinnati Reds, and that he later found equal entertainment in watching two of the top-ranking girls' teams in action. Incidentally, Johnny Gottselig, the ex-Chicago Black Hawks star, is managing the girls' team at Peoria, Ill.

## Douglas Junior "B" Team Protests Playoff Victory Of Ottawa East

Unless a protest filed by Ed Anderson, manager of the Douglas Junior Baseball Club, is upheld, Ottawa East is all set to move into the Ottawa and District Minor Baseball Association's Junior "B" finals.

Ottawa East, with Frank Pranky pitching eight-hit ball, handed Douglas their second straight setback Wednesday evening on the St. Patrick's College diamond, 8-3. But Douglas claims Ottawa East used three members of the St. Mary's club in the playdowns and adds that this is contrary to regulations. The players in question are Ray Yandon, Bill Gould and Tom McCauley.

There was a rule in effect last season which permitted Ottawa this privilege because Ottawa players were younger. Douglas manager Anderson bases his protest on this year's ruling that no town could import a junior player from a town where junior ball was being played.

Angus McDonell, association president, is taking a vote of all directors and a decision on the protest will be rendered in the next day or so. Smiths Falls and Carleton Place now are tied at one game apiece in their series, winner to take on Prescott for the right to play Ottawa East in the finals.

## St. Joseph's Upset Ottawa Club To Capture Senior Tennis Honors

A last-minute team re-arrangement paid big dividends Wednesday to St. Joseph's Tennis Club who captured the senior section Ottawa District Tennis League playoff from the Ottawa Tennis Club by a 4-1 score. It was a stunning defeat for the Ottawa team, who led the senior section throughout the regular schedule only to lose out in the playoff.

The match was held on the courts of the Tel-Aviv Tennis Club. Dick Sherry, the Ottawa captain, was the only member of his team to win, blasting his drives deep to the corners to take his men's singles match from Ray Doody in sets of 6-1, 6-2. Muriel Droecke required two sets of 8-6 to defeat Betty Cowan in the women's singles outstaying the Ottawa woman who tried to take the net at every opportunity.

Ben Villeneuve and Bill Munroe, Jr., got away to a bad start in their men's doubles contest with H. Attkin and Ken Martindale, of Ottawas, but once the St. Joseph's pair clicked they drove and volleyed in a way that was not to be denied to run out the match 1-6, 11-9, 6-4.

St. Joseph's Bea Carroll and Rita Hartney also provided a comeback effort to annex the women's doubles, outdriving Lorna Rice and Marion Ogilvie to win at 4-6, 6-4, 6-3.

The mixed doubles event was a well-contested encounter won by Frances Belanger and Maurice Riopelle from Mrs. N. D. Lowe and Jim Kyd, 6-3, 6-8, 6-3. Both men smashed with telling effect and were ably supported by their partners whose driving was exceptionally steady and good.

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## Lacrosse Tonight

RCAP and Trojan lacrosse teams will clash in a senior division game at Antisea Square this evening, the game being billed to start at 6:30 o'clock. This will be the Airmen's final chance for a playoff berth, as a defeat will mean their elimination and leave Trojans holding the third berth.

## Donat Vien Defends Trophy In Golf Play

Donat Vien, prominent Hull sportsman, successfully defended his championship and the Eugene Aubry Trophy when he gathered in Class "A" laurels Wednesday against strenuous opposition in the annual golf tournament of L'Institut Canadien-Francais at the Chaudiere Club. A year ago Mr. Vien shared main honours with Lucien Assate, his business and sports associate with the Hull Volant club of the Quebec Senior Hockey League.

Romulus Beauparlant, K.C., was second to Mr. Vien, Maurice Baril, Ottawa, won the Reinhardt Trophy given by RSM Paul Robitaille, in Class "B" while Roger Jolicoeur, ex-RCAP officer, received the Camille Dion Cup for Class "C" honors.

J.D. (Dick) Ambrose, sports director of the Institut, won 2nd place in Class "B", and Alban Marion did likewise in Class "C". Gaston Couillard, Class "A", Larry Drennan, Class "B", and Raphael Pilon, Class "C" won first places in the net scores.

At a well-attended dinner held at the clubrooms, 123 Rideau street, President Georges Beauregard congratulated the champions and thanked one and all for their hearty co-operation.

Jean Richard, M.P. for East Ottawa, was among the prize winners. Sports Director Ambrose was assisted by Lucien Barrette, Leopold Vachon, Domitien Maurais, Yves Pinard, Gaston Couillard, Ernest Robillard, Lucien Dion, Roger Lavergne and Maurice Baril. Entertainment was under the direction of Harry Landry, Gaston Couillard, Gene Robitaille, Lionel Baril and Gerry Dorlion.

## Dourley Doubles Lawn Bowling Playoffs Tonight

After sixty-six teams had come through a two-day competition, ten pairs emerged as three-game winners in the Dourley Doubles event on five City lawn bowling greens. Eight of the pairs were named to play in the playoffs this evening on Elmdale greens, at 7:15.

The rinks to play this evening: L. McCormick and Mrs. Marshall, Ottawa; H.J. Edney and Mrs. Hogan, Highland Park; T. Ward and Miss McGiffin, Elmdale; F.E. Hunter and Mrs. Hunter, Elmdale; R.S. Stetham and Mrs. Jones, Elmdale; L. Anderson and Mrs. Anderson, Carleton Place; H. Bartlett and Miss Cochrane, Elmdale; J.A. Gibson and Mrs. Williamson, Ottawa.

J. Tubman-Mrs. Doherty, Highland Park, and M. Askwith-Mrs. Bradley, Ottawa, were the other three-game winners.

## First Playoff Game To West End Flyers

West End Flyers are one-game leaders in the final series for the championship of the West End Big Four Juvenile Softball League championship. Playing at McNabb Park on Wednesday night, they defeated McNabb Bombers, 17-2, behind the pitching of Jones who contributed a homer to aid his own cause. Rolland caught Jones, while Houlihan and D'Amico formed the Bombers' battery, will be played at Fisher Park on Friday night.

St. George's and Canadian Martyr clash at Fisher Park at 6:30 o'clock this evening, opening the CYO semi-final series between these two teams. The semi-final bracket will consist of a best 2-in-3 set.

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JUNIOR "B" BASEBALL CHAMPIONS—Pictured are members of the Ottawa East team, City Junior "B" diamond kings and winners over Douglas in two straight games in the Ottawa and District Minor Baseball Association semi-finals. Douglas has protested the series and OMBAA officials have the complaint under advisement. Left to right, kneeling—Ray Pranky, Ray Dagenais, Ray Dunn, Frank Imbisi, Edward Martin and Ernie Burns. Standing—Russ Fouscette, Tommy McCauley, Sylvio Tiezzi, Ray Yandon, Bert Lesage, Jr., Roland LeBlond and Royden James, manager. Bert Lesage, Sr., coach was missing when the picture was taken. (Photo By Newton)

## Riders And Trojans Preparing For Season's Opening Contest

Lansdowne Park was a hive of football industry on Wednesday, as two senior teams went about their tasks of getting ready for the 1946 season's inaugural on August 31st. As this date is one week from tomorrow, both Rough Riders and Trojans are bearing down in an effort to have their most able squads ready for the inter-city tussle that lifts the lid off the fall operations.

Coach Arnie McWatters had his Trojans working on the west half of the field, while coach George Fraser put the Rough Riders through their paces at the east end. Quite a few fans were on hand to look over the candidates, and the onlookers had a busy session as they moved from end to end to get a glimpse of the rival squads.

Trojans look good. They went through a long routine, and McWatters is driving them hard on formations and laying stress on blocking. He also gave them a lengthy session on following down under punts and a passing brush-up was also interjected.

Rocky Robillard and John Ruddy are sharing booting duties with Lorne Barclay, while Joe Thomas is expected to take a turn when he gets back with the squad. Ruddy, recovering from a broken nose, will be fitted with a protective mask in a day or so.

George Gilmour and Ted Edwards are doing the quarter-backing for the red and blue, and the former will also probably handle the place-kicking assignment until later in the season. This is one department in which the Trojans are at present shy of an expert.

The injury list is being cut down, and Doug Good, laid up with torn tendons in his upper arm, is back at light work and will be ready for heavy drilling next week.

Fraser in Charge In his first session as officially-appointed coach, Fraser split his big squad and let Orville Burke run one section for him. Plays were stressed, Fraser is setting up new plays, but for the moment he

## Reg Whitcombe Turns In 66

BRIGHTON, Sussex, England, Aug. 21-(CP)—Reg Whitcombe, 48-year-old British professional, shot an amazing 66 over the Hollingsbury Park course today to take a three-stroke lead in the opening round of the London News Chronicle's £1,500 (\$6,000) tournament.

The veteran's round bettered the previous course record by five strokes and was seven shots under the accepted par of 73 for the exacting layout.

Mrs. Whitcombe, watching her husband hole out on the final green, could only exclaim, weakly, "I'm flabbergasted."

Whitcombe's closest pursuers were Laurie Ayton, Jr., with a 69, and Thomas Halliburton with 70.

## For Army Title

Adjutant General Branch and Branch of the Master General of the Ordnance teams hook up this afternoon at Lansdowne Park, at 4 o'clock, in the fifth and deciding game of the Army Softball championship finals. Survivors will advance against the Air Force for the Ottawa Area service crown.

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## East Carleton Title Captured By Ports

Ports captured the T. A. Low Trophy, emblematic of the East Carleton Softball League, when they defeated Sheridan Indians on Wednesday night, 6-3. The triumph gave the new champions the best-of-seven series by a 4-1 count in games.

Wally Hoskings and Bruce Cummings formed the Ports' battery, while Claude Cummings and Ernie Notermale were on the points for Indians.

## Senior Baseball

Ottawa Preston's visit Pembroke today to open a best-in-seven game series in the Lumber Town for the Confederation Trophy and the Ottawa and District Senior baseball championship. It hoped to play one game of the series here and further announcement in this respect will be made later.

Originally it was planned to have a round-robin series but due to lack of playing space in the Capital, these arrangements have been shelved and Pembroke will represent the North Renfrew League, having eliminated Petawawa in a five-game series.

Preston's leave this afternoon at one o'clock.

## McCarthy Whiffs 15 As Bradings Triumph

Don McCarthy struck out fifteen as Bradings-Capital defeated Connor Washer last night, 10-4, to take a one-game lead in the final series for the Industrial Softball championship. Ken Sloan caught McCarthy, and Brennan hit four for four for the winners. Romeo Charron and L. Charron worked for the Washermen. The second game of the series will be played at Fisher Park on Tuesday night, starting at 6:30 o'clock, and Bradings Capital leave on Thursday for Toronto to take part in a tournament in the Queen City.

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## Gets Triple, Single In Win Over Kingston

Johnny Lauriault, a smart left-handed pitcher, and Rod Desjardins, a neat shortstop, combined to carry Wrightville, Ottawa City Junior Baseball League champions, to a 3-1 decision over Kingston Athletics in the first game of their first-round series in the Ontario Baseball Association Junior playdowns. The game, played at Decosse Stadium, Hull, Wednesday evening, was witnessed by a large crowd and provided one of the most interesting mound duels of the local diamond campaign.

The teams meet again Saturday afternoon in Kingston. If a third contest is necessary, it will be played as the second half of a double-header in the Limestone City.

Lauriault shaded George Lay, a smooth Kingston hurler. The Wrightville chucker gave up only three hits while Lay, a capable right-hander, was nicked for five. Rod Desjardins did most of the damage, driving in all the winners' runs with a triple and single.

The box score: Wrightville AB R H E G. Desjardins, 2b 4 0 0 0 Berniquez, cf 3 1 0 0 G. Cloutier, 1b 4 0 0 0

Table with 5 columns: Name, AB, R, H, E. Rows include R. Fortin, R. Desjardins, R. Cloutier, Garneau, M. Fortin, Lauriault, and Totals.

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Score: Kingston 010 000 000-1 3 3 Wrightville 200 000 01x-3 5 1 Summary: Runs batted in, R. Desjardins 3, Rank 3, Three-base hit, R. Desjardins; sacrifice, Davidson; Stolen bases, Berniquez, R. Fortin, Garneau, M. Fortin, R. Desjardins, Rank; left on bases, Kingston 3, Wrightville 6; Struck out, by Lauriault 10, by Lay 4; Bases on balls, off Lauriault 2, off Lay 3; wild pitch, Lauriault, Lay; Umpires, "Squeak" Reason, Kingston, and Cam Johnston, Ottawa; Time of game, 1:31; scorer, Coco Jarry.

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