

Duck Soup

for Ardsley Curlers



#1 - 11/28/47

BIG NEWS FIRST: Wind, weather and the compressors willing, there will be ice at St. Andrews on Saturday, Nov. 29. AND the opening Curling Dinner will begin in the locker-room bar at 6:30 on Tuesday, December 2 and flow through the dining room onto the ice for the first informal (to put it mildly) curling of the season.

WELCOME AND A RAISED BROOM to our one new member for 1947-48, Arnold Tschudy, who needs no introduction to the majority of Ardsley Curlers. Arnold was elected at the Fall meeting to fill the one vacancy on our roster of 32 Active Members.

UTICA-PLAYLAND BONSPIEL will be held at St. Andrews on the weekend of Dec. 12, 13, 14. Rinks will be announced by the Hon. Pres. shortly.

AMID UNUSUALLY MILD HECKLING from past-presidents Fisk and Hastings (swed no doubt by the Stevens collection of first editions and symphonies) the Hon. Pres. Cuyler Stevens opened the Fall Meeting of the A.C.C. at his apartment on Nov. 4. Eventually nineteen members braved the storm, moved, seconded and passed the following:

That thirty dollars be expended for the Kimball Medal die--

That any rights in the Utica and Playland Cups be transferred to the Grand National Curling Club of America--

That the club subscribe as a group for the North American Curling News--

The election of our distinguished past president, Mr. Hastings to Club Historian--

That the Code of Procedure, revised by the Committee of Mr. Weston and Hastings be adopted. (A major change in the voting procedure requires a written ballot of three-fourths of the members present at the Fall meeting approving each new member being brought up for consideration before he can be voted on. Copies of the entire code are available from the Secretary)--

That Mrs. Windeler be invited to a Special Occasion when she will be notified of her election to Honorary Membership and presented with a scroll of our appreciation--

A certain amount of argument concerning the new voting procedure was largely dissipated when our president adjourned the meeting and began rapidly opening cans of beer and passing some odoriferous and authoritative cheese. A vote of thanks is extended for his hospitality.

STOP PRESS NEWS: The Chairman of the Curling Committee, Mr. Lockett has just announced the following rinks for the Blanton competition:

BLANTON RINKS

1. Hockmeyer (skip) Robinson Weld Tschudy Rice	2. Weston (skip) Shaw Valentine Van Alstyne	3. Howlett (skip) Eddison Simmons Townsend	4. Gish (skip) Stevens Thorndike Graaskamp
5. Southern (skip) Ogden Warner Bickford	6. Baker (skip) Fiske Gould Stevenson	7. Wells (skip) Lockett Pickard Runyon	8. Upjohn (skip) Hastings Koehl May

Schedule, Dec. 9:

Hockmeyer vs. Weston (First Round)
Howlett vs. Gish (First Round)
Southern vs. Baker (First Round)

Later schedules to be announced.

GOOD CURLING!!!

Sherman Baker, Secy.

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The Curling Binger was marked by a goodly attendance, an absence of rattling courtesy (The Hon. Pres.'s speech was one of the shortest on record), a lamentable lack of Henry Kelly's abuse, and a deplorable sobriety. Whether it was the influence of the war poets or wifely warnings, Mr. Gish's elegant dress appearance was not beset with panting customers and the Hon. Curling Chairman.

Mr. Luckett did not have to compete with popping cork and Ka-Fres. Fisk's mocking laughter as of yore. A further ominous note was added at the post-curling nightcap when Mr. President's Son and Madison were observed partaking of Gingerale. Man, what a smoking sight!

In the informal competition that followed, Mr. Fisk in the last end produced a sweep which tied Mr. Gish's rink 6-6; Mr. Gish, one of the rising luminaries, vanquished Mr. Luckett's wonderful rink 9-5; Mr. Stevens nipped out Mr. Shaw's well balanced rink by a score of 14-1.

WILSON MEDAL RINKS 1947-48

Competition Commences Saturday, December 6, 1947

1			2			3			4		
Shaw	Skip		Gish	Skip		Gish	Skip		Hockmeyer	Skip	
Stevens	Vice Skip		Edison	Vice Skip		Hastings	Vice Skip		Fisk	Vice Skip	
Leitch			Luckett			Robinson			Shaw		
Edison			Upjohn			Howlett			Glenn		
McGill			Barney			Valentine			Pickard		
Lowell			May			Gould			Bryson		
McKford			Grosskamp			Stevenson			Van Alstyne		
Epohady			Rice			Townsend					

The skips are responsible for having their rinks on the ice for each match, and on time to avoid penalties.

Up to the curling week end, January 10, 1948, the Vice Skip will act as Skip and the Skip will stay 2, except in the case of absence.

After the New Year week end, the Skip will act as Skip and will set up his rink as he wishes.

Each Skip who is given every member of his rink at least two opportunities to curl.

WANTON COMPETITION

Tuesday December 9, 1947

Hockmeyer vs Weston	(First Round)
Howlett vs Gish	(First Round)
Southern vs Baker	(First Round)

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Intelligence from the Selgatory Club where the Old Masters disported themselves (and their wives) a fortnight ago indicates that the Ardsley rink, skippered by Hastings Piske 3; Shaw 2; and Stevens, lead, acquitted themselves decorously and well—Hastings did not fall in the pool this year. A novelty of the season was Fred Ogden's Steven's leading with a hot

brush, one of the hosts having inadvertently touched same with a match. The rink improved with practice—Sidewalk gave them preliminary instructions to the score of 13-2; the Toronto Granites squeaked by with a win of 12-11, but when our laddies woke on Sunday after an all night vigil of fasting and prayer, they administered a sound drubbing to the Granites 15-4. Up Ardsley!

BEST-AMERICAN-NEWS-DEPARTMENT: Letter from Guy to Jay thanking us for the flowers: "I've just had some good news from the medicine and it looks as though I might see some White matches, at which time I will whisper a sign language, my regards to all of you in person."

DECEMBER 12-13-14, WYCA-PLAYLAND BONSPIEL - Skipped by Hastings, Piske and Stevens.

Get behind the glass and watch the stones fly!

Wed. Dec. 20	10.00 A.M. St. A. 1 vs Ard. 1	12.30 P.M. Ard. 2 vs St. A. 6	3.00 P.M. Ard. 3 vs St. A. 3
Sun. Dec. 21			Cal. 1 vs Ard. 1 Ard. 2 vs St. A. 2

In the Stanton last Tuesday, Boston, Shaw, Valentine, and Van Alstyne took a tight match over Mr. May's rink in an extra end. Hewlett, Edilson, Townsend and Spjohn came thru with a 2 in the last end to win from Mr. Gish's aggregation. Southern, Ogden, Bickford and Pickard stole a match from Baker's rink with an "impossible" shot with the 10's last stone, 7-6.

STANTON SCHEDULE FOR DECEMBER 16 (Revised)

JOHN-EE vs SCHLEIF (2d rd.) BAKER vs HUGHES (1st. Con.) and WELLS vs SPECK (1st rd.)

Enter the Finn to "Four Seasons" Jay Ogden. "They retired me at the bank on November 30 or was feeding the molting hens...will see you at the Douglas in January with my usual store of invaluable coaching."

GOOD CHALLENGE

Sherman Raper, Secy.

ARDSLEY CURLING CLUB

SPECIAL NOTICE

Four or five of our honored members (aside from the many who are experiencing enforced hibernation) will not be able to curl after the first of the year.

A SPECIAL MEETING will be held at St. Andrews on Tuesday January sixth before going on the ice for the purposes of:

Enlarging our membership to bring the club up
to necessary number of active curlers

Voting on the new members proposed.

Please call no meetings AT ONCE and propose any new prospective members who want to curl with Ardsley. Tentatively (pending confirmation at the meeting) the ten-dollar application fee and written letter of application are suspended in favor of a telephone call to Addie. ASK YOUR FAVORITE PROSPECT NOW!

BETTER CURLING!

Sherman Baker, Sec'y

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Due to several factors beyond our control --- cold-saturated brain cells, lack of mimeo paper, the Douglas, and the secretary's general debility, the play by play description of the winner of the Blanton will be deferred until the secretary can do sober justice to this glorious 11-7 victory of Mr. Southern's rink.

This bulletin is to strongly urge you (by means of my favorite split infinitive) to attend the Mid-winter Curling Dinner at St. Andrews, Tuesday, January 13th at 6.30 PM, or thereabouts.

Sherman Baker Sec'y.

Good food, good friends,
and GOOD CURLING!

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After gentle hints, mild recrimination, nude sarcasm, and finally threats of excommunication and mahem, from THE OFFICERS of A.C.C., your secretary has been forced to play his pinkies on the harsh typewriter and record some of the more noteworthy derring-do of the past few weeks. To wit---

THE BLANTON: The finals found Mr. Southern's sterling rink of Ogden, Warner and Bickford (lead) pitted against Russ Weston's five-man powerhouse of Shaw, Valentine, and co-leads Fiske and May. A two stone handicap on the latter rink made the battle an uphill fight. The final score of 11-7 in favor of Mr. Southern's Experts does not indicate entirely the precarious closeness of the match. We have it on good authority that Iron-man May outcurled his co-lead "by two to one"--- this authoritative statement being attributed to Ex-Pres. Fisk

In the Consolation, Mr. Well's stalwarts of Lockett, Pickard, and Runyon (lead) showed the same unshakeable determination that carried them into the final round of the Consolation to win by two stones from Vice-Pres. Hockmeyer's Variety Favorites to Weld, Robinson, and Tschudy (lead). Final score 10-8.

THE DOUGLAS: The Bonspiel began auspiciously for Ardsley with wins by both Mr. Hastings and Mr. Eddison's rinks. Pitt Carl's St. Andrews Powerhouse was vanquished by Hastings' rink of Fiske, Weston and Southern in a close match which was cinched in the next to the last end with a fat five. In the second round Addie met the pride of Ontario, the Hamilton, Thistles, skipped by one of Canada's most famous curlers, Ross Tarleton, and our Number one rink of Hastings, Fiske, Southern and Hockmeyer learned what a lifetime of curling can do in the way of accuracy and variety of shots. Very educational for all of us!

Mr. Eddison's rink of Lockett, Shaw and Baker (lead), won their first match, after being seven down to Mahopac. At the Bonspiel Dinner on Friday night the last year's winners of the Douglas got their medals and began to hope that a miracle might be passed and that they would repeat. A hard uphill match with Dick Neely's Winchester rink was won when Barton shattered Winchester's confidence with a perfect shot, netting him five. In the third round a suffering Utica rink drooped onto the ice with horrible hangovers rampant and proceeded to whip the hell out of clean-living-high-thinking Ardsley No. 2. Let that be a lesson to us!

MIDWINTER DINNER: Nineteen intrepid curlers braved icy roads to attend the Curling Dinner at which Hon. Member Weld and Mr. Koehl warmed the group with typical pungent stories. Dear to the heart of Pres. Stevens is the idea of a Long-Range Planning Committee, which was effected with the appointment of Bob Warner, Bill Gish and Bill May--- Triple B Planners of the first order.

The Two-Bitters have long cherished the secret belief that they could do it better than their skips. After the dinner they were given that chance, much to the delight of all concerned. May, Bickford, Koehl, and Pickard showed what they could do with a wide-ice broom and a stentorian voice--- and that was plenty! More power and glory to them.

Curling-Committee Chairman Lockett has been trying to get the following information to you for many days, ever since in fact your secretary was misinformed concerning the strengthening and therapeutic qualities of a diet of one part Aquavit, two parts Vodka, three parts Musigny, and too many parts Armagnac. Not recommended!

THE WINDELER COMPETITION will commence on Tuesday, January 20, 1948 and will be played on five straight Tuesday evenings finishing up on February 17th. The following rinks have been set up.

#1 Eddison (skip)	# 2 Fiske (skip)	# 3 Hastings (skip)
Sickford	Koehl	Gish
Granskamp	May	Pickard
Robinson	Weld	Rice
Weston	Wells	Runyon
Upjohn		
#4 Lockett (skip)	# 5 Ogden (skip)	# 6 Stevens (skip)
Hockmeyer	Gould	Baker
Howlett	Southern	Shaw
Stevenson	Townsend	Van Alstyne
Thorndike	Valentine	

Skips will arrange playing order of their rinks and must curl each member at least twice or give each member ample opportunity to curl at least twice. Failure to do this will result in disqualification.

SCHEDULE

JANUARY 20, 1948

Eddison vs Fiske
Hastings vs Lockett
Ogden vs Stevens

JANUARY 27, 1948

Eddison vs Hastings
Fiske vs Stevens
Lockett vs Ogden

FEBRUARY 3, 1948

Eddison vs Lockett
Fiske vs Ogden
Hastings vs Stevens

FEBRUARY 10, 1948

Eddison vs Ogden
Fiske vs Hastings
Lockett vs Stevens

FEBRUARY 17, 1948

Eddison vs Stevens
Fiske vs Lockett
Hastings vs Ogden

WILDS COMPETITION

The Ardsley vs Ardsley Matches were not put in the schedule. These matches are to be curled by us when we can fit them in on Tuesday nights or otherwise. Each skip should arrange for the playing of these matches before the end of the season. Each Ardsley rink will have to curl three matches.

GOOD CURLING!

Sherman Baker, Sec'y.

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Fast ice, well-matched rinks and some superb curling marked the opening of the Windeler competition on Tuesday. The Eddison-Fiske opus presented some of the best curling of the season and deserved a Bonspeil gallery and glass-tapping luizzas. Robinson who started at two for Barton withdrew to let Charlie Upjohn get in and lay some fine stones, but the star of the rink was Russ Weston, who came through in the last end with two shots worthy of Les Canadiens. Barton's rink of Weston, Upjohn, Robinson and Bickford slipped in a counter in the extra end to win by one point from Fiske, Wells, Koehl, and May. Score 9-8.

Ed Luckett's well-balanced rink of Hockmeyer, Howlett and Thorndike toppled Mr. Hastings rink of Gish, Pickard and Runyon in a match that was much tighter than the 11-6 score indicates. Vice-Pres. Hockmeyer was in fine form laying them with precision and grace. (Original copy read "laying with Grace and precision" which seemed more appropriate for a Vice-Pres.)

Mr. Steven's rink of Shaw, Baker and Warner was labored under the delusion all through their match that they could come from behind to beat Mr. Ogden's rink of Southern, Gould, and Townsend. It was a delusion. Fine leading by Charlie Townsend who put two rocks within the circle consistently, and Hal Southern's inability to lay any rocks less than a foot from the button, carried the Ogden rink to a smashing victory, 13-5.

Ardsley will be represented this week at the Utica Bonspeil by two rinks of Old Masters — Hastings, Luckett, Fiske, Shaw, and Ogden, Robinson, Thorndike, and Koehl — we can't lose.

I am reminded at this point of painful thought — if my house bill is not paid by February 1, I will not be able to curl the week following. Perhaps you too —

Curling Chairman Luckett says if anyone is going to renege on the Gordon-Emmett trip on the 13th and 14th, to let him know NOW.

The District Medal will be curled for on Jan. 31, Feb. 1 with the two rinks yet to be announced.

Letter from A. Fraser-Campbell, "While I am not curling this winter I nevertheless am trying to keep in touch with Ardsley C.C. matters and like my news hot off the griddle...perhaps next year." Here's hoping Arnold, we sure would like to have our "Kaiser-Fraser" back.

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Sharman Baker, Sec'y.

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Our Pres. has suggested that the Sec. give the winning scores and standing of the rinks at the top of each issue of Duck Soup. Your Sec. is opposed to this idea on the grounds that the rest of the letter will not be read, and like raisins in a bread pudding, these nuggets should be buried in a doughy mass of verbiage. But as the Secretary is on a winning rink for a change, here goes:

		<u>WINDELER</u>	<u>COMPETITION</u>		
Warner	May	Bickford	Graaskamp	Stevenson	Townsend
Baker	Weld	Pickard	Upjohn	Howlett	Gould
Shaw	Wells	Gish	Robinson	Hockmeyer	Sothorn
Stevens (skip)	Fiske	Hastings	Weston	Luckett	Ogden
16	2	14	10	14	5

WINDELER RATINGS

Luckett	Won	2	Lost	0
Stevens		1		1
Eddison		1		1
Ogden		1		1
Hastings		1		1
Fiske		0		2

From where I stood, not more than three bourbons away, it seemed that the most distinguished curling of the evening was done by the two leads Mr. Bob Warner and Mr. Jim Stevenson, and it is significant that both Bob's and Jim's rinks won by substantial margins.

I am informed by the Curling Chairman that the Ardsley Cup Matches (six rinks of A.C.C. against six of St. Andrews) will be held on Lincoln's Birthday, Feb. 12, three in the morning and three in the afternoon. Your Sec. is from the South, Son (South Hastings, that is) and we're boycotting these matches! Any other boycotters better notify the Curling Chairman that they prefer work to curling.

By now you have all heard a shot by shot description (not quite so much soda, please) of the great Utica Bonspiel, but to recap.—Addie Hastings' Old Masters of Luckett, Fiske and Thorndike beat the unbeatable Ward Murray Utica No. 1 in the first round, 9-8. (O sweet revenge! they nosed us out in the finals three years ago), and then beat Hartford easily 18-6. In the third round, still curling like a well oiled machine (which they were) they breezed through the haughty Schenectady No. 1 by the same decisive score. Saturday morn found them even hotter as they took the highly favored Montreal Heather, 18-4. And then in the finals—a cold breeze from out the Middle West froze their vital zones. Score La Crosse 14 — A.C.C. 10.

Jug Ogden preferred to give us vital statistics to a play by play description of his matches, but his rink of Robinson, Koehl, and a Utica renegade, Calder, did a fine job,

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winning from Mahopac 10-9 in the first round and then bowing to a close one with
Vernon, 9-10. In the third round that strange sounding suburb of the Beer City,
Woodwatosia got a lucky break in the next to the last end and nosed Ardsley out,
10-9. Wait till Jug gets at them next year. Statistics 30 rinks--five Canadian,
five from the Middle West, 14 from Grand National. Verdict: "Best Bonspeil for
many a day!"

STOP PRESS!

Hockmeyer
Gish
Gould
Runyon

DYKES RINKS

Sothorn
Warner
May
Bickford

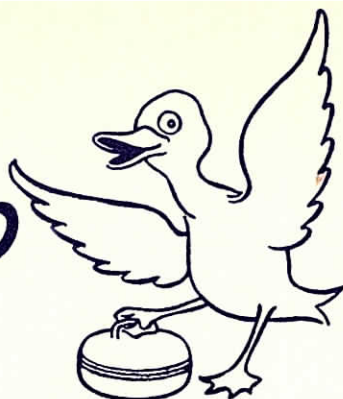
GOOD LUCK!

GOOD CURLING!

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There will be a meeting of all skips before the Tuesday Windeler Matches to formulate plans for the "Stop Lockett" campaign. The suggestion has been made that we all refrain from looking at our skip's broom and concentrate on a patch of ice three feet in front of the hack. The concensus is, however, that this is not the secret. We have it on good authority that Lockett has access to the Government's highly confidential files on guided missiles and that it is all done with pocket radar.

WINDELER RATINGS

Lockett	Won 2 4	Lost 0
Stevens	2	1 2
Eddison	1	2 3
Ogden	1 2	2
Hastings	2 2	2
Fiske	1	2 3

Grasskamp	Stevenson	Koehl	Gould	Warner	Rice
Bickford	Howlett	May	Valentine	Baker	Pickard
Robinson	Hockmeyer	Weld	Sothorn	Shaw	Gish
Eddison	Lockett	Fiske	Ogden	Stevens	Hastings

10 ----- 12

16 ----- 9

18 ----- 8

Out from the lower depths rose Ex-Pres. Fiske with the aid of a hearty goost (Webster please note for future editions, der. goost plus goose) from his Number 3, Hon. Member Phil Weld. Pres. Stevens with a fine assist from "Ginger" Shaw came up a notch and the other rinks remained in the same relative positions. Much of Mr. Lockett's success in this crucial match was due to fine curling by Walt Howlett who has finally found the button and is pressing it firmly.

Nobody is very much interested at this point but Mahopac will, I am told by Mr. Hastings, represent the District. Very sporting of us to let some of the other teams curl occasionally.

Windeler Skips are responsible for getting their rinks on the Lincoln's Birthday ice against St. Andrews, February 12th.

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WINDELER RATINGS

Luckett	Won	4	Lost	0
Stevens		2		2
Ogden		2		2
Hastings		2		2
Fiske		1		3
Eddison		1		3

McGregor	May	Pickard	Keohl	Warner	Thorndike
Graaskamp	Valentine	Runyon	Weld	Baker	Howlett
Upjohn	Gould	Gish	Weston	Shaw	Hockmeyer
Robinson	Ogden	Hastings	Fiske	Stevens	Luckett
8	10	21	9	7	8

The Hon. Sec. is still suffering from the slings and errors of outrageous fortune, and a sore back. Mr. Luckett's rink of Thorndike, Howlett and Hockmeyer curled beautifully to come through with a clean slate and the Windeler is practically on their bonnets.

Mr. Steven's rink of Warner, Baker and Shaw fought to overcome Mr. Luckett's early lead and finally did so in the ninth end. In the last end Stevens lay three well guarded stones, when Mr. Luckett came up with his last shot. He took out Stevens three lying stones and lay two to win the match, 8-7. That's curling brother!

I know there are two other good matches on the ice. Don't ask me about them, I'm doing my curling at present with a hot water bottle.

Which reminds me of A. P. Herbert's ballad:

"Give me my old hot water-bottle
And you can have your wives,
Love comes and goes, as well I know
But this old pal survives.
A woman, so the poet sings,
Can raise a man to better things
And well she may, but all I say is
Give me my old hot water-bottle. "

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IMPORTANT:

Read last paragraph

first!

In my semi-delinium last week there were several sings of praise to wit: A laurel wreath and loud huzza to our Hon. Vice-Pres, Victorious Victor and his Click Stickers, Gould, Pickard, and Runyon for Ardsley's great win in the Brookline. The boys brought this trophy to A.C.C. for the second time, according to Graybeard Stevens, and they deserve an extra toast for humbling the proud and proper Bostonians.

Curling Dinner March 2, election of officers, and a unique plan by Ed Luckett for deciding which of the four rinks tied for last place will drink from the Minute goblet. Hon. Ex. Pres. Fiske and his Fast Finishers, Wells, May, and Kochl nosed out Champ Luckett's Radars--Hochmeyer, Howlett and Thorndike, 8-7.

Final Windup

McGregor	Karner	Kochl	Thorndike	Valentine	
Robinson	Shaw	May	Howlett	Gould	Pickard
Weston	Stevens	Wells	Hochmeyer	Sothers	Clish
11-----10		Fiske	Lockett	Ogden	Hastings
		8-----7		11-----10	

One of the Major Victories of the Year Department: Ardsley beat St. Andrews for the Ardsley Cup by three rocks. Ed. Fiske's rink of Wells, May and Kochl, curling like a Spring zephyr, won the medal by the decisive score of 6 rocks, beating Pitt Carl's St. Andrews powerhouse, 15-9. Addie Hastings beat Ed Arndt, 16-12. And Charlie Upjohn took over Barton's rink and with Bill Gould at #3, shipped a mighty win over Phil Weld to the tune of 12-8. Up Ardsley!

In one of the most grueling Bonspiels of many years (forty-one ends on Saturday) the Old Masters, Luckett, Stevens, Weston, and their crew within a stones throw (or three)

of winning the Gordon. The Russell, skipped by Pres. Stevens started auspiciously with a decisive win over Hartford but Connah's Shenectady proved to be a stone wall. In the Gordon, after a first round win from Phil Weld, Chick Reaganburg's Shenectady rink gave the boys a bad scare when they lay four in the last end to tie the match. Ed came up for his last shot and put them in their place with a fine draw to the button. The final against Holagren's Uticans was an uphill fight all the way. A seventeen error, in the 15th we were 7 down. Ardsley scored five to come up with only two stones of a tie in the last end. Utica lay 3 as Ed played his last shot; he took out two Utica stones but a win was impossible, score Ardsley 17 - Utica 20. A fine showing and we're proud of you! It is with genuine regret that we learn of the passing of Frank of St. Andrews. Gaurtacus, unharried in the face of unfortunate crises for drink, he was friend whom we will miss for many a Tuesday.

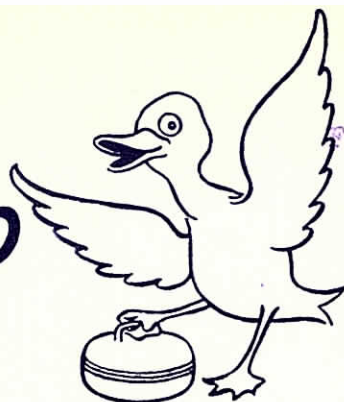
Because of the holiday, Ardsley will curl on MONDAY INSTEAD OF TUESDAY to give the club stewards a much needed day of rest.

GOOD EVENING!

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February 27, 1948

Led by our Pres. in starched collar and plain tie, two Ardsley rinks wended their way Wednesday toward the sacred portals of Brookline for the Stockton and the Gordon International. Hastings will skip a rink of stalwarts composed of Hockmeyer, Howlett and Koehl, while Pres. Stevens' Invincibles (we hope) are Sothern, Wells and Gould. Sothern coming into Grand Central on Wed. morning, dressed in loud pinpoint herringbone tweeds, was observed rushing for Brooks to get himself a slate-grey flannel and plain, sou-color tie so as to be more appropriately dressed for Boston. Brothers Western and Graaskamp spent the forty minutes' commuting time vigorously rubbing the cuffs and collar of Sothern's overcoat to achieve the proper Bostonian fraying. We think our boys will not be overconspicuous.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AT THE FINAL CURLING DINNER, TUES. MARCH 2.

The nominating committee recommends:

For President, Guyler Stevens
For Vice-President, Victor F. Hockmeyer
For Treasurer, John H. Valentine
For Secretary, William B. May
For Historian, Addison B. Hastings

A better slate was ne'er chalked up!

On Tues. last one sheet of ice was occupied, as the saying goes, by a rink led by Mr. Wells, which vanquished Mr. Gish's fursome by one rock.

DINE, WINE, HACKLE, VOTE and CURL AT THE FINAL DINNER. See you at 6.30 at the semi-circle!

GOOD SKIRLING!

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March 8, 1948

With unanimous acclaim, the victorious slate of Stevens for President, Hockmeyer for Vice., Hastings for Hist., Valentine for Treas., and May-the-Lord-Help-Him, for Sec.- were swept into office. Nice work, Sweepers!

At the final curling dinner, Pres. Stevens gave a glowing account of the Stockton and the Gordon. Addie in the Stockton, after an audience with the Pope (T.C.C.) withdrew into the greener fields of the Clyde Park. Here he bested Hartford to reach the semi-finals. "Moderation in all things" was the motto of this rink, in the finest genteel tradition of Boston. Assisting Mr. Hastings were Messrs. Hockmeyer, Howlett and Koehl. In the Gordon, our estimable ex-Treas. Mr. Ogden replaced Mr. Koehl with remarkable unspectacular results.

Ardsley 2, led by Skippy Stevens, viced by Sothorn, seconded by Wells and lead, in every sense of the word, by Bill Gould, were a little more conspicuous, without being vulgarly so, in their success. Brooks of T.C.C. (related no doubt to our distinguished author, see "The Times of Melville and Whitman" by Van Wyck Brooks, E. P. Dutton and Co. \$5. ADV)--this country cousin Brooks bowed, (from the waist) in defeat to Mr. Stevens rink by the margin of 16-5. In the next match, the Royal Montreals slipped in three paltry stones to win and after eliminating the pride of Ardsley, romped through the field to win the Stockton.

In the Gordon International, Stevens, Sothorn, Gould with superlative skill swamped the Montreal Thistles by eleven rocks, 16-5, the third best American score of the Bonspeil. Thus was won the Gordon, hands down, by Les Americains, and Cuyler in one of those fine gestures that makes curling a great game, tendered his medal to the Boston C.C., who were forced to withdraw from the Gordon and let A.C.C. take its place.

The two great Willies will be honored by the Caledonians at a dinner on March 19 at St. Andrews and A.C.C. has been invited. Ten members have signified their desire to raise a glass to these two beloved curlers.

Those Ancient and Honorable Royal Caledonians, Hastings, Fiske, Shaw and Hockmeyer will entrain for the North Countree on the 13th and 14th. If sufficient volunteers are recruited by Ed. Lockett for the Elgin we may have a rink at Montreal on the 18th, 19th and 20th. Call Ed.

Mrs. Windeler will honor us with her presence at a cocktail party at Vice-Pres. Hockmeyer's home on Sunday May 16, 5 to 7 P.M.

This is our first opportunity to pay our respects to one who has been a great and generous friend of A.C.C. and we know that every member who can possibly make it will be present.

Tues. March 9 will see a Wilds match on one sheet and two other sheets of pick-up matches. We will be curling on Tuesdays as long as the ice holds.

While the season is not officially over and there may be brief notices from time to time, this is your Sec.'s swan song. My thanks to every one of you for your help in gathering these nuggets of fools gold. Best wishes to the New Sec. Bill May.

If I have wounded the sensitive spirit of anyone by flogging them with the deflated pig's bladder of my humor, forgive me. If I have failed to mention that superb shot of yours in the tenth end, remember that "Vanity, all is vanity, saith the Lord" and take comfort.

GOOD CURLING!

Sherman Baker, Sec'y.