

NO RACING AT R.C.V.C. UNLESS WAR ENDS SOON

Big Racing Yachts Will Not Be Put in Commission—Kew Beach Club Quits.

By LOU E. MARSH.
Unless the war ends quickly and money loosens up there will be no racing at the Royal Canadian Yacht Club this season. Usually at this date the big club across the Bay has roused from the winter's slumbers and issued a lively racing program. So far no move toward formulating a racing program has been made. In fact, it has been agreed that there will be no racing unless the war ceases, and as a matter of fact very few of the big boats will be in commission this season. Some of them will likely lie in the shipyard all summer, while others will be launched but not fitted out. The hulls will be better in the water than exposed to the summer sun.

B-r-r-r! Who talks about swimming and paddling, and rowing, and sailing—hey? Back into your cosy corner for another month!

After three years' existence Kew Beach Aquatic Club, a canoeing and social organization, has quit the field, leaving the east end to the hustling Balm Beach Club, which engages in all manner of sport. The Kew Beach club will be missed. They had a lot of good paddlers, and were always represented at local paddling regattas. Some of their best men have enlisted, and in addition their accommodation was inadequate to enable them to meet on an equal footing the larger clubs.

The Balm Beach Club will hold its annual meeting to-night, and there will be big doings. The members are adopting a new constitution and are putting the club on a new basis. The hockey, canoeing, sailing, tennis, basketball, and football clubs will be from now on part and parcel of the one organization. In former years the hockey and football section of the club were managed by private individuals. The club elections will also take place this evening.

At an Argonaut executive committee meeting James McKenzie, Captain John Wilson, and W. R. Morrison, together with Captain Joe Wright and Assistant Captain Tom Loudon, were

appointed to the rowing committee. J. L. Ferguson was again appointed secretary-treasurer of the club, and Ernie Laidlaw, Jas. J. Dolan, J. L. Stewart, and Hon. Secretary Kerrland were appointed to the house committee. The crews expect to hit the water Good Friday.

The Toronto Motorboat Club elected a strong set of officers at the annual meeting last night. They certainly selected a string of hustlers. The list follows:
Commodore—Thomas W. Rea.
Vice-commodore—Captain James P. Beatty.
Rear-commodore—H. Howard Shaver.
Honorary secretary—Cecil R. Allison, 8 Melbourne avenue.
Honorary treasurer—E. E. Thring, 41 Alhambra avenue.
Executive committee—T. J. Coo and A. F. Penton.
House committee—Ernest Jackson, P. Winstanley, and H. S. Powley.

War or no war, the Dominion Day Regatta will be with us as per schedule. The annual meeting will be held on Friday evening, April 9, in the Toronto Rowing Club, for the election of officers, reception of reports, and general business. Each club is entitled to two delegates as well as their representatives on this year's executive. Every executive member of last year's committee is earnestly requested to attend this meeting, and also to see that their club is represented by two delegates.

Gibbs of the Alexandra Yacht Club is flirting with a 25-foot auxiliary cabin craft. He is likely to purchase any day.

Frank Knowland, treasurer of the Queen City Yacht Club, took a look at Tommy Wrenshall's new racing "bug." "I think I'll sell my dinghy for a couple of these bugs, and raise a fleet," he remarked.

Tom Flanagan, who left yesterday for Havana to be present at the Johnson-Willard fight on Easter Sunday, will endeavor to arrange a sculling match for the championship of America between Eddie Durman of this city, present holder, and Frank Hagney of Australia, a sculler-boxer, who is assisting with the training of Johnson, who challenged Durman two weeks ago to a 3-mile race on Toronto Bay.

McFARLAND AND GIBBONS MATCHED.

Chicago, March 26.—The only detail remaining to-day to nail down and clinch the mooted "Packer" McFarland-Mike Gibbons battle was for the promoters to stop forward. The one offering the most money will get the fight. The last barrier to "Packer" and Mike getting together was swept away when the latter agreed to make 16 pounds at 3 o'clock. According to the agreement, neither fighter will fight after April 15.

LIMIT AMATEUR BASEBALL SENIORS TO SIX LEAGUES

Proposal to Come Before the T.A.B.A. Annual Meeting on Monday—Other Amendments and Alterations Suggested.

A number of important amendments and alterations to the by-laws and constitution of the Toronto Amateur Baseball Association have been filed with A. J. Walsh, secretary of the T.A.B.A. They will come up for consideration at the annual meeting of the association on Monday night at 22 College street. One motion is to enlarge the council from three to four members, another to limit the senior series to six leagues. As it stands now, there are a number of leagues which are called senior that are not of that calibre. Another proposal is to stop the excursion of local teams into the States on Sunday to play exhibition games.

Indications point to the biggest meeting of amateur leagues ever held in Toronto. All leagues are notified to have two delegates at the meeting, one to vote and the other a consulting delegate. The meeting is called for 8 o'clock sharp. As there is a big budget of business to transact and many important matters to thresh out it is necessary that the meeting last all the time.

Following amendments and alterations will be brought up:
1. Article V, Section (d), page 3, to be altered to read as follows: "The officers shall be president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and four councillors, all to be elected annually by ballot, and who shall comprise the Executive Committee of the association."
2. Article V, section (e), page 4, to read: "A sub-committee to be elected by the executive by ballot after the annual meeting from among the members of the executive, whose duties shall be to consider questions of reinstatement, suspensions, and all matters which might be dealt with by the executive, and generally to act on behalf of the executive. In case of any momentous question arising the sub-committee shall, if they so desire, refer same to the executive for further consideration. All matters pass-

ed on or decided by the sub-committee to be confirmed at the next meeting of the executive."
3. Clause 7, "Affiliation," page 7, to be altered, leaving out "a member of which shall sit on the executive of this association." This clause to read as follows: "Until such time as there is a Provincial amateur governing body for baseball in Ontario, the officers and executive of this association shall co-operate and work in harmony with the Baseball Commission appointed by the Amateur Athletic Union of Canada."
4. Clause 8, page 8, to be added to the first paragraph: "A representative of the competing teams to be allowed to check over the admissions before and while the games are in progress."
5. Clause 8, page 8, to be cut out second paragraph and substitute: "In case of only two teams competing, that the receipts for all expenses are paid, be divided 25 per cent. to the T.A.B.A. and the balance divided equally between the competing teams."
The following questions will be asked:
The names of the officers of the Ontario Baseball Commission appointed by the C.A.A.U.?
The length of time for which these officers have been appointed?
The behalf of other bodies these officers represent?
There are several proposed changes in the by-laws and constitution, viz.: Limiting the senior series to six leagues.
Players must take part in three games to be eligible to play in championship games.
Sunday baseball and fineing players.
To create office of past president.
The following nominations have been received for elections of officers: President, B. N. Brydon, W. F. Lancaster, and E. M. Kennedy; vice-president, N. E. Gorry and Thos. O'Neill; treasurer, A. P. Gow and Mr. Roxborough; secretary, A. J. Walsh; council, Geo. Phillips, C. Webster, E. Norris, C. Walker, W. Hamilton, M. Richardson, Jos. Titch, H. Fidler, A. P. Gow, and Wm. Hunt; auditors, S. H. Armstrong and B. N. Brydon.

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ALLY SLOPER WON THE GRAND NATIONAL

Jacobus 2nd and Father Confessor 3rd—Twenty-Two Starters.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Liverpool, March 25.—The Grand National Steeplechase, run here to-day, was won by Ally Sloper. Jacobus was second and Father Confessor third. Twenty horses started, but only nine finished.

The betting was 100 to 8 against Ally Sloper, 25 to 1 against Jacobus, and 10 to 1 against Father Confessor. The steeplechase, a handicap, was worth \$35,000 to the winner. The race was run over a course of four miles and 885 yards.

DOMINION TRAP SHOOTING TOURNEY.

This year's Dominion trap shooting tournament will be held at Ottawa, June 8-11, and only Canadian citizens are eligible. The main features will be merely nominal entry fees, and exceptionally large amounts donated for high average prizes. All sweeps will be optional; all contestants, whether in the sweeps or not, will be eligible for the high average money, and there will be so many average plans that it will be possible for a man shooting in good form to pull down in a single day much larger amounts than in the whole program of any previous tournament.

SOCCER NOTES

Bell Telephone F.C. have a friendly game with Consumers' Gas F.C. to-morrow at Broadview and Danforth at 2.30. All players meet at Player's Rink.
Members of the Hiawatha F.C. are requested to turn out for a pre-tournament game with Sons of Scotland to-morrow at Harris Park, Coxwell avenue. Game called for 2.30.
All members of Parkview Presby-terian Junior F.C. are requested to meet at 2 o'clock Saturday for a game with West Toronto United at Lappin avenue grounds, West Toronto. United please be on hand at 1.45 p.m. sharp.
All Wychwood players and members are requested to note that a friendly game will be played with Lanca-shire to-morrow on the new ground on Appleton avenue for a game with Parkview juniors: Croft, McCormack, Moore, Boyce, Brooks, Spokes, Wright, Miller, Brake, Blacktopp, Palmer, Powell, Russell, and Dunk-ford.

SKATING FOR PATRIOTIC FUND.

The Queen City Curling Club have good ice in their rink on Hayden street, near Bloor and Church streets, and propose to turn it over to the skaters to-night and Saturday afternoon and evening for the Belgian war fund. Single tickets are 15 cents and double tickets 25 cents. The covered rink is one of the largest in the city, clear of posts and splendidly adapted for public skating.

RANDOM NOTES ON CURRENT SPORTS

A "NATURAL" BOWLING SCORE.

Any bowler who can roll 711 in a tournament game is entitled to the first prize. Nobody can beat that combination of figures.

NO OPPOSITION TO SECRETARY.

There is no opposition for Tom Doyle as secretary of the Ontario Amateur Lacrosse Association, and that hard-working and most capable official continues office without having to go through the throes of an election.

ORILLIA'S HOCKEY BANQUET.

The citizens of Orillia will tender a complimentary banquet to Manager Bert Caswell and players of the champion intermediate hockey team of the O.H.A. season next Monday evening. Orillia is a great hockey town and for the past five years have always managed to land in the O.H.A. finals. Last year both the junior and intermediate teams reached the finals, the juniors landing the title. This year the intermediates went all the way through and captured the championship.

LEAF'S CLAIM DAWSON GRAHAM.

First Baseman Dawson Graham is claimed by both Toronto and Rochester ball clubs. Graham played for Ronoke in the Virginia League last season and was a star. Mr. McCaffery states that the Toronto contract with Graham has been signed, sealed, and delivered, and he does not understand how Rochester has any claim whatever.

ATHLETES FOR THE FRONT.

Jack Tait, the Canadian middle distance champion, who was reported yesterday as about to go to the front has enlisted, and so has Hector Phillips, the quarter-miler. Tait says that there is only one man in Germany who can beat him running, and that is Braun. "He's in the navy," adds Tait. Jack Tressider, the Central champion, is not going owing to parental objections. Two more well-known sportsmen have enlisted. Frank "Doc" Pyne, son of the Ontario Minister of Education, has enlisted as a private with the Army Service Corps, ammunition column, and will leave with the second contingent shortly. Frank set a record while attending Upper Canada College that has never been equalled when he captured the junior and senior all-round athletic championship of U.C.C. in one afternoon. Bill Hawkins, the King's prize winner at Bilsley in 1913, has enlisted with Pyne, and they will go together.

STANLEY CUP FOR WEST.

The Stanley Cup is going West. Coach Alf. Smith says so, and Ottawa admits the corn. Why wouldn't they? The Vancouver team beat them away off under both sets of rules. It looks as if the real margin of difference lies in the fact that the Westerners play seven-man hockey. This begets real combination, something which the six-man stuff stultifies to a large extent. The result is that in the seven-man game the Ottawas are lost, while the Westerners bring their combination to play in the six-man game. Sure, the combination must necessarily be a bit bob-tailed without the extra forward, but still, what combination there is in the Western championship is the best that will beat individual play nine times out of ten. The Ottawas for a wonder—have no kick. The Westerners have beaten them so decisively that they, perforce, must accept defeat as gracefully as possible. Coach Smith even admits that the officials, Tom Phillips and Mickey Ion, were fair and efficient.

THE LACROSSE MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Dominion Lacrosse Association will be held here to-morrow. At this meeting the fate of "pro" lacrosse in Eastern Canada will be decided. There is no hope of the Big Four continuing as constituted last year, but there is a strong probability that an amalgamation with the N.L.U. will take place and that two divisions will be formed, with centres at Toronto and Montreal, with a championship play-off at the end of the season. Representatives from the Nationals, the only Big Four club left in Montreal, the Tecumsehs and Toronto's heretofore N.L.U. men, including Fred Thompson of the Rosedale club, will be present.

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CUBA'S WARM SUN IS GETTING TO JOHNSON

Special to The Star.
Havana, March 26.—Cuba's warm sun is getting to Jack Johnson. The black champion, who a week from next Sunday defends his title against Jess Willard, to-day declared he was going to do less training. He as-

serted he is losing weight too fast, due to the warm weather.
Johnson cut his boxing down to eight rounds yesterday, and to-day expected to do only six. He also topped off about fifteen minutes of his work in the gymnasium. Willard again went twelve rounds yesterday with his sparring partners and said he expected to do the same to-day. He said he will not start tapering off until the middle of next week.

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organized baseball and the Federal League by arbitration. "We will make absolutely no concessions, and will not change our circuit," President Barrow said. "Mr. Fultz's idea might be a good thing for the minor league players, but it would not help the club owners. I am sure all the owners in the league feel as I do."

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