

WILL BUILD RINK

Elmwood Curlers at Meeting Last Night
Decided to Apply for Charter—
Directors Appointed.

Devotees of the roarin' game who live across the river at Elmwood decided at a meeting last night to go ahead with the erection of a curling rink. The club will be known as the Elmwood Curling club, and will apply for a charter from the provincial government. The stock to the value of \$20,000 will be put on the market, and a large amount has already been subscribed. The rink, which will cost \$1,000, will be almost identical with the St. John's rink, there being five sheets of ice.

E. Spice occupied the chair last night, and A. E. Hamilton was elected secretary pro tem. Ten provisional directors were elected, and a meeting will be held as soon as the charter is secured, which will be in about six weeks' time, to elect the first officers of the infant club. The directors are: Ald. Midwinter, W. H. Corbett, A. W. Redal, A. H. Brown, Dr. McTavish, H. Polson, D. Munroe, A. R. Berdin, A. Matheson, and G. F. Munroe.

ELMWOOD CURLERS BURN UP MORTGAGE

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Big Gathering at Rink Last Night to Celebrate Club's Fine Standing

It was a big night last night in the history of the Elmwood Curling club, when a huge turnout was on hand at the rink to witness the destruction of the mortgage on the club's property. C. A. Midwinter, president of the holding company, occupied the chair, and the big gathering included many guests from the Manitoba Curling association and other curling clubs in the city.

In his remarks at the opening, the president outlined some of the history of the club since its inception in 1911, with A. R. Bredin as the first president of the holding company. He read a letter from that gentleman, now a resident of the States, in which he congratulated the club on its fine achievement in getting free from all debt, and expressing his regret at not being able to be present on the auspicious occasion. Mr. Midwinter paid tribute to several who had done yeoman service to the club in trying times, giving special mention to Dr. J. A. McTavish in this respect, and also remarking on the gratitude due to the former holder of the mortgage, the late Robert Gunn, who had shown great consideration when things were far from prosperous for the club. He presented the document to Malcolm Campbell, president of the Manitoba Curling association, who turned it over to C. Midwinter, Sr., for destruction by fire.

Mr. Midwinter, before lighting the match that put an end to the club's financial worries, informed the gathering that he had curled here for 50 years, having played the game with Alex. Brown, Alex. McKechnie and W. W. McMillan at the foot of Bannatyne avenue before a rink was built in Winnipeg. He mentioned the bringing of the first rocks to Winnipeg by

Judge Miller from Galt, and lamented the fate of one of them which had been smashed by John Patterson.

John T. Haig, in bringing the congratulations of the curling association, remarked on the benefits derived from institutions such as community curling rinks. Donald Gunn, J. B. Crawford and Alderman J. Fred Palmer brought the respects of the St. John's club, and C. N. Harris, secretary of the Manitoba Curling association, mentioned the credit coming to those who had backed the carnivals, which had made the present position of the club possible.

Dr. McTavish read a letter from Geo. Simmers, second president of the club, who is now in Nipawin, Sask., in which Mr. Simmers stated he looked forward to being a visitor at his old club soon, and promised to bring in a Simmers family rink to the Winnipeg bonspiel. E. A. Brown, president of the curling club, also spoke, and gave a little history of the club.

Six ends of curling preceded the function, Mac Campbell proving victor over C. A. Midwinter by a close margin in the feature game. The party adjourned later to the Sons of England hall, where a concert and dance continued the celebration.

P.E. HOUSE LEAGUE

AT PRINCE EDWARD

Bear Cubs. — Wilson 529, Hoist 486, Lyon 110, Law 552; Knight 575, Howden 178; handicap 13; totals: 839, 395, 875-2530.

Super X. — Black 558, Rutherford 477, Hammond 428, Vincent 526, Mabee 592; handicap 59; totals: 883, 909, 897-2571. Super X. win 3.

Playmates. — Watson 516, Heuchert 483, Reid 510, Gatehouse 487, Dundersals 554; handicap 1; totals: 802, 899, 852-2550.

Doves. — Irving 490, McGill 477, Thomas 522, Goola 558, Cuthbert 648; handicap 27; totals: 973, 867, 906-2703. Doves win 13.

Pirates. — Genter 549, Edwards 373, Pucci 530, Jones 491, Powers 659; handicap 50; totals: 945, 902, 910.

Wheat Pool. — Fulton 563, Richardson 506, Wilson 478, Nicols 457, Trelle 405; handicap 22; totals: 803, 788, 958. Pirates win 2.

Bear Cats. — J. Kitchen 509, Gatehouse 517, Hayes 518, McMartin 478, J. Doe 428; handicap 29; totals: 810, 948, 779-2537.

O'Mins. — Wilkins 525, Thompson 449, Johnston 585, McCorquodale 457, Lewis 139, Coleman 365; handicap 25; totals: 854, 846, 901-2601. O'Mins win 2.

Outlaws. — W. Town 113, Begg 422, J. Town 430, Patterson 522, Scott 486, Sewell 326; handicap 70; totals: 816, 896, 852-2278.

Union Transfer. — Mooney 427, Blonda 433, McKnight 374, McDonald 447, Holt 523; handicap 104; totals: 847, 781, 786-3204.

Elmwood Curlers Honor W. E. Lumsden At Dinner

Members of the Elmwood Curling club excelled as hosts in the Marlborough hotel Monday night when they assembled at a testimonial dinner in honor of one of their number, W. E. "Bill" Lumsden, following his election recently as president of the Manitoba Curling association. Chairman Robt. F. O'Dowda and his committee excelled in their completion of plans for the arrangements, as a result of which the members of the curling fraternity in attendance marked one of the most representative gathering of curlers witnessed in these parts in a long time.

A feature of the early part of the evening was the complete and masterful manner in which Bob O'Dowda discharged, with his customary wit, the introduction of guests as he moved across the room. His discharge of this duty in such a thorough fashion revealed the width of his scope of personal acquaintanceship and the retentiveness of his memory.

Harry Reyner, president of the Elmwood club, delivered the address of welcome.

Representative curlers in attendance included W. R. McAlpine, past president of the M.C.A.; J. Dutton, first vice-president of the M.C.A.; Gordon M. Hudson, of the Dominion Curling association; H. F. Thomas, of the Deer Lodge club, representing sister clubs; Dr. J. A. McTavish, of the Honorary Life Members' association M.C.A.; O. Qually, past president of the M.C.A.; M. Kaminsky, president of the secretaries' association.

Included among those at the head table also were J. Barber, general manager of Service Industries Ltd., a business associate of the honored guest of the evening; A. W. Cameron, representing the MacDonald Brier Co.; J. W. Umphrey, the oldest member of the Elmwood Curling club, who delivered a strong eulogy for the enthusiasm for the game he had always found at the Elmwood club; Bruce Yeo, president of the Elmwood Junior Curling club, who spoke with hope, and Chas. E. Dey, a past president of the local club. J. G. Fraser, of the Elmwood Athletic association, also paid his tribute to the honored guest, as did Jimmy Welsh, of the Dominion championship Deer Lodge rink, and

W. Peckover, of Sperling, third vice-president of the M.C.A.

Seven members of the press and radio were introduced among the guests and acknowledged the introduction briefly, pledging their co-operation to the recently-elected president.

Following the rendering of several numbers on a widely varied programme and motion pictures screening action play in the progress of the Dominion championships, the highlight of the evening closed the programme.

The duty of making the presentation of a cheque on behalf of the club and an autograph book containing the signatures of all the guests was undertaken by Sid R. Channing, who spoke in a pleasantly reminiscent vein, finding his starting point some 28 years ago. His remarks centred largely around incidents experienced by a group of young men in these earlier years. He assured the recipient of the token that the hearty congratu-

lations of the members of the club were 100 per cent behind him.

In the course of a pleasing reply, and one a leading note of which was the acknowledgment of hearty co-operation on all sides, the honored guest expressed his estimate of the members of the club as a "fine bunch of fellows." He paid a tribute to the activities of the junior club, and in this regard expressed high appreciation of the leadership given the juniors by Chas. N. Coleman, recently elected a life member of the M.C.A. The junior club, he found, was a distinct asset to the senior club. Today, he said, a majority of the executive of the senior club comprised former members of the junior club. He referred to the fact that the new season marks the diamond jubilee of the association, and thanked one and all most cordially.

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Elmwood Athletic Association Field Day May 31st

Eliminations for the purpose of determining entries for the Associated Community club of Greater Winnipeg monster picnic June 14 will be held by the Elmwood Athletic Association May 31, at 2 p.m., on Lord Selkirk campus.

Local schools have been notified and the events include foot races and novelty events for children of 6 years of age to 17 and over. A shuttle relay and a tug-o-war also are featured.

Entries must be made only in class groups, thus an 8-year-old means a child who is eight, not under or over as at June 1, 1947.

There are one or two events open to anyone 17 years and over and fit enough to run 100 yards, or in the shuttle relay (200 yards), and Bill Lumsden and his committee will be only too glad to see you there. Any heavy gentlemen are asked to form your 8-man teams early and get in shape—there may be some stiff competition. The shuttle relay teams are made up of two ladies and two men, 16 years and over.

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One of junior baseball's outstanding outfielders is EDDIE LEIER, starry Morse Place Monarch performer. Eddie, who also holds down a centre ice spot for Ranger juniors, is one of Morse Place's outstanding junior athletes.

The Monarchs will field a strong squad, although they have lost Catcher Alex. Kurceba to Elmwood Giants in a swap for Jack and Ken. Vicars, two outfielders. They still

Members Approve New Clubrooms, Artificial Ice

The Elmwood Curling Club held one of its most important meetings in its 45-year history Sunday afternoon when it decided to go ahead with a \$58,000 renovation and extension building program.

Work on a new clubhouse will commence almost immediately, and later an artificial ice plant will be installed in time for next winter's curling.

The entrance will be on Brazier st. Over-all dimensions of the building will be 75x200 ft.

The first floor will be white stucco, with no windows which will facilitate the use of all wall space on the main floor.

The second floor will be of 10 inch novelty siding, painted in a modern contrasting color. Facing on Brazier st. the building will have a bank of mullion windows, centred with the club name in raised block lettering.

Interior of the basement will supply adequate locker space, together with heating, ice machine, members' rest rooms and specially designed hot water tank system for ice surfacing. The building will have oil heat.

The main floor will have the secretary's office and board room, cloak room, modern lunch bar and ladies' powder rooms.

Upstairs will be a very large assembly room with checking

Polson School First Local Choir To Be Heard In Festival

East Kildonan's Polson School was the first local choir to be heard in the 37th annual Manitoba Musical Competition Festival.

The choir finished second to Norwood Junior High in the grade 8 - class Monday morning. The Polson choir received 82 - 82, one mark behind the winners.

Adjudicator Brian Boydell remarked that the local entry "had fairly good dynamics and clear words."

The Elmwood Mennonite Brethren Junior choir was awarded 84 marks, six marks behind the winning choir from Riverview United Tuesday evening.

John Churchill described the singing of the two Sunday School choirs as "a lovely way to start the evening."

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and kitchen facilities.

All lighting on both floors will be recessed lighting. Mar 1955

Members and their friends will be able to view the games from either floor through large, clear, plate-glass windows.

The hall upstairs will be large enough to seat over 200 people for various functions.

A new and up-to-date artificial ice plant will be installed so that members and their friends may enjoy curling without interruption from Nov. 1st, or earlier, to April.

It is interesting to note that the rink was built in 1910 and completed in 1911, when it was opened for play with Charlie Mulvey, veteran hardware man from Nairn ave. as the first president.

Vic. Hodge, well-known local sportsman, is the current president.

It is hoped the new building will be ready for use by the early part of August.

At present the club has 160 members and 30 associate members.

Both the Ladies and Junior Clubs at present have more than a capacity membership, in addition to a lengthy waiting list. President of the Ladies' Club is Mrs. Fred. Foster and the Junior president is Ed. Tipping, Jr.

The entire control and management of the rink is controlled by the shareholders' company, and all members of the club are shareholders. W. E. Lumaden is president of the limited company.

In due time the present building will be re-roofed and re-decorated outside and inside and these changes will create a vast improvement in the community.

This is undoubtedly the greatest move forward in sport in this community and no doubt all citizens in Elmwood and East Kildonan will wish the curlers well in this ambitious undertaking.

New Elmwood Clubrooms Are A Triumph of Co-operation

By VINCE LEAH

Elmwood Curling club's handsome new clubrooms are a triumph in co-operation.

From doorstep to boiler room it has the latest in appointments and when you say President Peter Pennie and his boys are proud you are putting it mildly.

The two-storey headquarters cost \$38,000. The new ice plant which brings a gleam in Bill Lumsden's eyes everytime you mention it, cost another \$20,000. It is the finest equipment of its kind, installed by the Linde-Hall people. Six and one-half miles of pipe nestle together in the rink itself, which has been repainted with new runners and board walk, new clock and scoreboards.

The behind-the-glass curlers will

have plenty of glass to look through, both on the main floor in the lobby and from the second-floor room. There are no ugly posts to block one's view and we imagine spectators will vie to get the best seats at bonspiel time.

The snack bar in the lobby, which will be operated by Cece Chester, was built by Dick Watt, with the help of Johnny Malner. Bill Lumsden shudders when he thinks what it would have cost to have had a cabinet maker do the job. Dick and Johnny did a terrific job. The counter has 17 stools.

In the basement is new oil heating equipment, the ice plant, the electrical switchboard, ample space for lockers and a kitchen. On the second floor is the new clubroom and kitchen. There are

sanitary facilities on the second floor, first floor and in the basement. The lobby is finished with red English inlaid linoleum which casts a pleasing pink reflection on the acoustic tile of the ceiling. The same type of flooring is used on

among the membership. Ernie Scammell did the designing and acted as superintendent of work by club members. Cece Dart and Bob McCreedy worried about the plastering and painting. Sam Roscoe looked after electrical work and Eddie Tipping the hardware and heating. Other fellows who did a lot of work were Doug Morris and Vic Hodge.

The ladies section did its part too. The new range in the kitchen was purchased by the ladies who also tastefully decorated the second-floor clubrooms with curtaining and so on. And there'll be no danger of suffocating from cigarette smoke, either. The building is air conditioned with ventilators designed to draw the smoke away.

The new ice making machinery will get a test run next week. Members hope to try out their new ice Nov. 1 and club games will follow in short order.

The ladies will hold a silver tea in the clubrooms Saturday from 2 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. This will be an opportunity for curlers and their friends to inspect the new premises.



SENATOR HAIG

The entire layout is indeed something for curlers in general and Elmwood stanemen in particular to point to as what can be accomplished when good fellows put their heads, hearts and hands into it. Few of those old-timers who met in the old Orange Hall on Hespeler Ave., above Dr. J. A. McTavish's office in 1911 may be around to hear Senator John T. Haig officially open the building at 3 o'clock Saturday. But they'll agree that the Elmwood club stands out among its sister clubs from a property point of view. The new clubrooms are a monumental milestone in the history of the Roarin' Game across the Red.

Britons Whip Emil Zatopek

LONDON ON — Britain's Gordon Pirie and Ken Norris Wednesday ran the great Emil Zatopek into the ground on the last lap of a grueling 10,000-metre race before a crowd of 36,000 at the White City Stadium.

Pirie, 10 years younger than the 34-year-old Czech army colonel, won in 29 minutes, 19 seconds. Norris finished second about 15 yards behind. Then came Zatopek winner of four gold Olympic medals and holder of a long string of world records — a weak third 50 yards behind the elongated Pirie.

The race was the highlight of the Prague vs London track and field meet.

It was a thrilling contest on a

the Olympic games at Wembley. He has been slowing down this year, but he still had enough to defeat Pirie in the 10,000 at Prague in the Britain vs Czechoslovakia meet a few weeks ago.

Pirie's time was the fastest for the distance ever in Britain, but he has a better time on the Continent of 29:17.2.

In other events, Brian Hewson, Britain's second four-minute miler, took his specialty in 4:04.8 from Czech Stanislav Jungwirth.

The London girls won the women's contest by a 39-27 score.

The Prague team won the men's contest from London, 110 to 106.

the second floor but green is used here and the walls are finished in an ivory tone. Even the piano matches the walls. Bill Jones, 82-year-old enthusiast, did the paint job on the piano after he did the runners in the rink with the help of four other old-timers. Tom Kettlewell, George Duncan, Jack Arondeus and Allan Murray.

Office space is on the main floor and the old clubrooms at the far end which Bill calls "The Black Hole of Calcutta" will be used for storage purposes.

Walter Yeager was the contractor on general construction but

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Elmwood Opens Doors Of Rebuilt Clubhouse

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By SCOTTY HARPER

That well-known refrain of the Elmwood curlers, "The harbor lights are shining bright," will be heard when they celebrate the extensive face-lifting of their clubhouse Saturday, Oct. 2. It will be a red-letter day, for the club which has come a long way during the 50 years since the late Dr. J. A. McTavish and Alex Brown drove around the district in a horse and buggy selling \$50 shares to build a curling rink.

"We are very proud of our new setup which cost the club about \$90,000," said Don Mowat, as we chatted Tuesday night with the president and Bill Lumsden, chairman of the building committee.

The old building with its rows of props covering the curling area has vanished. It has been replaced by a structure of arches over the five sheets of ice.

Four gas heaters have been installed under the roof, with fans and vents, so that condensation, which holds up curling during a mild spell, is a thing of the past.

The rink is illuminated by mercury vapor lights.

Coming down to the ground floor, the ground surface has been regravelled, while the ice has been raised about a foot.

"We had 21 feet at the back

end of the rink which was part of the old clubhouse so that we've been able to widen our clubrooms," said Bill Lumsden.

Downstairs the clubrooms are 45 by 60 feet and include the coffee bar and kitchen.

Upstairs the clubrooms are 45 by 78 feet, with modern facilities. They will provide ample accommodation for the club's social activities.

While most of the work was done by the contractors, Bill Jamieson was in charge of the club's work parties.

Lieut.-Gov. Richard S. Bowles will officiate at the opening ceremonies.

Elmwood's 'Bill' Lumsden, Lura McLuckie Head Dominion Curling Associations

The Elmwood Curling Club is bursting at the seams with pride this week as two of its members will head the two largest curling organizations in Canada for the next 12 months.

W. E. (Bill) Lumsden was elected president of the Dominion Curling Association at its annual meeting in Ottawa last week, and the week prior Mrs. Lura McLuckie was elected president of the Dominion Ladies' Curling Association in Montreal.

Never before in the history of curling in Canada were two members from the same club elected to these highest offices in the same year, and the chances of it ever happening again are extremely remote.

Bill Lumsden is only the fourth DCA president to come from Manitoba. The other three, the late J. T. Haig, the late Gordon Hudson and Jack Dutton, were all from the Strathcona Club.

Mr. Lumsden started curling at Elmwood back in 1929. He took over the job of secretary of the club in 1934 and



W. E. LUMSDEN

held that post until 1939 when he was elected president.

He was first elected to the Manitoba Curling Association in 1933, and became president of this august body in 1947.

Mr. Lumsden was first elected to the Dominion Curling Association in 1963, taking over the position of fourth vice-president.

He has been chairman of the Seniors competition since its inception three years ago, and has devoted countless hours to its advancement.

His ability can be seen not only behind the administrative desk, but on the ice as well. It was in 1964 that he brought the Hudson's Bay Trophy home to Elmwood from the MCA 'spiel.

He also was a member of the rink which won the McDiarmid Lumber Trophy in the Seniors competition last year.

Mrs. McLuckie started curl-

ing with the Eaton Ladies' Curling Club back in the winter of 1929-30. In 1939 she

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MRS. LURA MCLUCKIE