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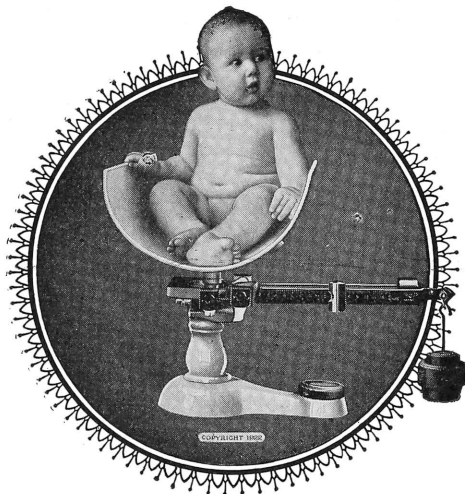
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PRESIDENTS OPENING BLAST

OUR PRESIDENT
many years ago.



Al. Whitten

(This is what happens when the Editor is refused a picture.

The birds return from the South, grass turns green, trees leaf out, flowers bloom and Ward's Island awakens into activity under the busy hands of thankfully returning summer residents. Each year the inclination seems to be to open one's tent or cottage a little earlier than the previous year and stay a little later, and by so doing one derives

maximum benefit from this incomparable summer resort. A number of attractive new cottages have been erected since the close of last season, and it is pleasing to note the tendency of visitors to return and join the ranks of regular residents.

It is with deep regret that we have to chronicle the breaks in our membership caused by death. Not long after the termination of last year's activities we were shocked by the sudden and untimely passing of Mrs. W. R. Kay, and during the winter months death also claimed two other active members of the Association, Mrs. Poyntz and Mrs. Fairman. The sincere sympathy of this Association, and the high esteem in which these three ladies were held, is here recorded.

Many of our members suffered bereavement during the winter, we are sorry to say, including Mrs. J. A. Mortimer, C. W. Leake, G. F. Atkins, Frank Hanger, W. B. Ruston, A. S. Sheppard, Mrs. Ed. Vaughan, C. H. Mullinger, Mrs. R. Greenians and Mrs. J. H. Minchin. The sudden death of Wes. Lackey, a former member, was a shock to his many Ward's Island friends.

During the winter many members were laid low by illness, some of it of a very serious nature. We are glad to note that most of those

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stricken are able to get about again and we sincerely hope for all a complete return to health.

We are happy to chronicle the following births: To Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Leavens, a daughter; to Mr. and Mrs. Harry King, a son; to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Henderson, a son. We can state authoritatively that there is no truth in the rumour that Harry has asked the Executive to accept the nomination of Junior as Baseball Chairman for 1955 but there may be something to the story of those who claim that Ab was seen batting some easy grounders in the direction of John's new brother.

Your Executive was pleasurably startled at the splendid turnout for the Winter At-Home. Based on advance sale of tickets we had rather optimistically estimated an attendance of about 250 and when close to 350 turned out, and particularly when practically everyone chose the same hour for supper, we wished for a Maple Leaf Gardens at least. However, most everyone seemed to have a good time and, despite the low admission price, we met all expenses and had about \$10 to the good. An excellent start for Dance Chairman Joe McLaren and Entertainment Chairman, Mrs. Downes.

Because of the fact that the practice of his profession as a mining engineer had taken him to British Columbia, George Gray was forced to tender his resignation as Baseball Chairman. In excellent form and protesting vigorously Bill Wickett has been induced to handle the reins of the spirited four-team outfit for another year. Don Crawley, in accepting a position in London, left us without an Assistant Secretary and we were fortunate in persuading Jack McKnight to fill the gap. Best wishes to George and Don in their

new spheres of activity. We have also induced C. J. Crosier to take the job of Horseshoe Chairman and confidently expect that the air will be full of horseshoes any day now.

A word about the secretaries. Anyone who has served on the Executive as Secretary or Assistant Secretary can bear witness to the fact that at best it is a difficult, exacting and time-consuming job. It has seemed to the writer that the secretaries are treated with a lack of consideration by members who are tardy in payment of membership fees. Commencing Saturday, June 29th and until July 15th, one or both secretaries will be at the Club-House from 7 to 9 p.m. each week night. Drop in during that period and pay your fees. Be considerate. It will be noted and appreciated.

The Executive Committee has met several times during the off season in preparation for the activities just getting underway, and you may be sure that every one of us will endeavour to assist in making this summer pleasant and interesting for every member of the Ward's Island Association.

It is important to keep in mind the fact that the life-blood of this publication is supplied by its advertisers. We like to think that these advertisers are expressing their liking for the Association by their support, but as hard-headed businessmen they look for and are entitled to get some tangible result for their outlay. Look through this issue and see if the firms with whom you do business are represented by their advertisement, and remember, "Patronize our advertisers" is not a meaningless phrase, it is the decent thing to do.

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TENNIS NEWS

The local season for our tennis players opened Monday evening, June 24. A large crowd was on hand and the sweepstakes were run off to the semi-finals, with Mrs. Abramson and R. Davis meeting L. Dale and Bill Bond in the finals.

Everyone enjoyed a pleasant time in the Club House after 11 p.m., due in no small measure to Mrs. Sinclair's excellent coffee, and with Aileen Parker's tasty hot dogs.

It has been suggested that on the next occasion we should have hamburgers with plenty of onions (Kay Newcombe please note).

Due to the extra demands that our lighting system makes on our time, it has been necessary to form a Court Committee. This will necessitate one evening of the players' time and the duties among others will consist of arranging sets, running sweepstakes, introducing members and guests, closing court at 11 p.m.

The following have volunteered and I should appreciate it very much if two or three more would join this committee:

Fred Carter, Clair Choate, Lionel Ferris, Fred Mottram, Lou Coleman.

This group will direct the activities of the club, and your whole-hearted support and enthusiasm are needed.

There will be a fee of 50c for Junior members, (those under supervision), age from 12 to 17.

Inter-Island Tennis

This season opened Saturday, June 22, Ward's losing to Community Club 1-6. Hanlan's downed the strong I.A.A. team 5-2.

Dorothy Wright played the singles and won in straight sets. Dorothy and Olive Brown teamed up in the doubles, but the Centre pair proved too strong.

Ad Hillock lost to Hird, after three sets. Ad. was indeed unlucky as his opponent dropped 4 shots over the net in the final game that were impossible to return.

In the other singles, Fred Carter lost a close match to W. Harris.

In the doubles matches we fared little better than in the singles.

Ad. Hillock and Eddie Tolley lost in straight sets to Hird and Harris, while Freddie Carter and Fred Parsons lost to Easdale and Harris.

Freddie Mottram and your chairman fared just as roughly at the hands of Hopwood and Fyfe.

Taking it all in all it was rather a crushing defeat but we have every reason to expect a different result at our next meeting.

The players selected for the Inter-Island teams will be notified each Friday evening, and they are expected to be on hand at respective clubs. This obviates the needless work of hunting up players on Saturday.

In closing, get your fees in early. Pay them to the Court Committee, or direct to the Secretary.

For the benefit of newcomers, our fees are: Men, \$4.00; Ladies, \$3.00—and you are all welcome.

Any member in good standing may introduce a guest on payment of 25c fee.

All players are requested to wear white on our courts. It is the proper dress, and there is no need for the color scheme that is seen all too frequently.

Finally, I hope that you will all have a most pleasant summer (and if you should break a leg, come and see me at the General (adv.)).

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SUMMER SMILES

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Sure, it was a wet, dreary week but perhaps not again, and now for green lawns, budding flowers, and everybody happy. We have much to be thankful for. Thanks to the powers that be, they are good to us.

A new Ferry dock under construction, a new Ferry Boat well under way, the ball grounds newly sodded, and after consulting a specialist the throat of "Clarke Whistle" is clear once more. A Sabbath day that is respected, Sunday School and Church services. Come out to Church Sundays at eleven.

Supervision for boys and girls, as well as many kind neighbors from whom you can borrow anything from a tea towel to beach slacks. A hard-working and energetic Executive, men and women who are ever mindful of our likes and dislikes, and who give of their best, that all may enjoy the summer on Ward's. We work and play for the W.I.A. and criticisms are out of order.

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Special interest is now being concentrated on the opening Ball game, and the first Dance of the season. Plans are being worked out for the Junior Masquerade, but keep smiling, it's only the beginnin' folks, it's only the beginnin'. The various chairmen have many good things in view for our amusement. Dame Rumour has it that we are to have two ladies' softball teams visit us during the season for an exhibition game. We'll be there.

Paint up, and brighten up, seems to be the order of the day, and with several new and attractive cottages since last we met, all tend to harmonize. Keep using the pink paint brush of good-fellowship, and everything will be rosy. Let your creditors worry, and you keep smiling, then when your American cousins return home they will say, "I never saw a place like Ward's Island for smiling faces."

BADMINTON

If you want to play Badminton join the W.I.A. first. The fee for Badminton is \$1.00. Guest court fee, 15 cents. Junior section (those under supervision, 25 cents). We want 150 senior players. Birds, Racquets and repairs at club rates. With our new lights we have the best outdoor courts in Toronto. Let's take as much fun as possible out of them. A sweepstake will be held early next week.

ALECK SINCLAIR.

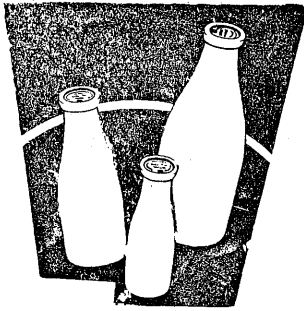
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CHURCH NOTES

Our church services commenced last Sunday (23rd). Considering the weather, we had a splendid attendance. We are glad to welcome as our Minister for the season Mr. Egerton Armstrong, B.A. He is a 3rd year student in Theology at Emmanuel College, and has seen a number of years in Japan where his father and mother spent some 29 years.

We invite all to come to the services on Sunday morning, at 11 a.m., in the "Shelter".

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Pianist, Mr. Tom Wilson.

Committee

Mr. Reade Davis; Mr. J. Mortimer; Dr. Dolson; Mr. Conlan; Mr. J. Hillock; Mr. W. Pestall; Mr. A. Gay, Secretary. H. R. Adams, Chairman; Mr. C. McAree.

Sunday School at 10 a.m., Sunday morning, in charge of Mr. Pestall. All children are welcome.

The Superintendant asks for assistance of any adults for the teaching staff.

Next Sunday, June 30th

Mr. Egerton Armstrong will conduct the Service and Mr. Dennis Robb will be our guest soloist.

COMING EVENTS

- June 28th—Bridge and Euchre.
- July 5th—Children's Party.
- " 12th—Bridge and Euchre.
- " 19th—Children's Masquerade.
- " 24th—Ladies' Afternoon Party
- " 26th—Grand Opera Concert.
- Aug. 2nd—Court Whist.
- " 5th—Gala Day Parade.
- " 9th—Senior Masquerade.
- " 15th—Stag Party.
- " 16th—Minstrel Show.
- " 23rd—**Amateur** Night.
- " 30th—Card Party (refreshments).



Bowling days are here again
 And all the gang are glad to play
 For they have waited nearly a
 month to say
 Bowling days are here again.

The new Chairman, George Bond, is a splendid choice. He not only has the confidence of all bowlers but commands their respect, and if he is given the support that all past Chairmen have received, this season should be a very enjoyable one for all. George is a fine fellow and one who knows bowling and he is a great believer in the W-I-A: **Watchfulness, Interest, Action.**

The Committee consists of the Chairman, George Counter, Jim Davie and Harry Baines, (the former the Three Wise Men from the East) and the latter of course will possibly find time to say a few words, (no doubt). Bond and Counter being in the jewelry business possess "sterling" qualities and all these gentlemen will give their best to make you feel happy while you are on the greens.

The lawn is in better condition than ever. The system will be the same as last season and it is intended to make the draw so as to enable the games to start sharp each evening at 8.15 p.m.

George Counter has donated a trophy with miniature cups for the doubles competition and Bert Adams has presented the Club with new Kitties. (Ha!). We are indeed grateful for these splendid gifts.

A blackboard will be placed at the Club House upon which will appear all notices and it is to be hoped that all bowlers will pay strict attention to the different activities and **rules** which will be posted from time to time.

No arguments George, (with apologies to the Rudy Vallee program).

The greens were opened June 22nd and a number of bowlers availed themselves of a good afternoon's sport. For the past two weeks one has quite often heard the expression "when will the green be open?" Strange isn't it that the questioners were conspicuous by their absence? and yet the weather could not have been given as an excuse.

Fees will be accepted by any member of the Committee.

On Monday, July 1st, there will be a mixed tournament commencing at 2 p.m. with two games in the afternoon, and one in the evening. Entrance fee: Ladies 25c, Gentlemen 50c. This Saturday there will also be a men's tournament commencing at 2.15 p.m. sharp.

CHILDREN'S PARTY

The first party of the season will be held on Friday night, July 5th. A rousing "Sing Song" will be led by Eddie Tolley. There will be several reels of pictures, also a good program supplied by young Ward's Island artists—some you never heard before. Front seats reserved for the kiddies.

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EDITORIAL

The Executive are debating the question of a special fee for supervision in the case of children whose parents are not members of the Association, yet live on the Island. What do you think about it? Let us have your opinion in writing, but better still, join up quickly and save any possible embarrassment. The decision will be made before the middle of July for sure and perhaps by that time there will be no question to decide(?)

JOBS

Someone has to run this paper. A few years ago we did it for a few years for no reason in particular except that we had a lot of fun out of it. Then we were elevated to that noble and eminent position of president. We swore we would never do this again and we certainly meant it and still do. However, it looked

this year as though there wasn't going to be any paper because no editor could be found. What a bunch of blushing violets there are around here. What's happened to all the people who like to see their names in print? Get this job and it's a sure way. If that isn't any inducement just remember the times you have criticized things you have read and thought how much better you could do. Well, here's your chance. We'll publish anything you'll write and sign and almost anything you'll write and not sign.

But to get back to the point about ourselves and how we come to be editor of this rag again, for the last time absolutely, positively, cross our heart and spit for death.

We are trustful souls and have too much confidence in our fellow men and Ward's Islanders in particular. So once in a moment of "non compes mentus" or something like that we said to Al. Whitten, "If you cannot get anyone else we'll do it."

"Nerts" is hardly the word, However, Al did try, and try hard. He bore down hard on Jack Wilson but was met with such a flock of Oh well, Jack couldn't and wouldn't handle it.

Quite a campaign was put on to land the most loquacious man on the Island as well as the worst punster and bowler but he gratefully declined with thanks and raspberries. So here we are, believe it or not, and whether you like it or not. If not, just hint around a bit and the job is yours.

That's enough apology for being here and now for the customary plea. When you hear a choice bit of gossip or news or more especially, scandal, let's have it. The "Weekly Box" will be up. Sit down some night and write us a letter about anything. We're not afraid of anything on paper unless it's blue. Get some kind of a controversy going on through the "Vox Populae" column. We don't like writing letters to ourselves and then making

wise cracks about them. We'd sooner play badminton. So if your paper has a lot of blank pages some week you'll know you've fallen down badly.

And now for a boost. We have as our president this year none other than Al Whitten in person. If you don't believe us ask Fanny and he's not a bad guy when you get to know him. Really he isn't. And his two sons are some actors. They almost stole the show last year remember? His wife we don't know quite so well but we do hear she bids a wicked no-trump, or so Hattie Tasker claims. So get in behind our president, only not too far back, and let's push over a good season again.

The Parks Department seem to have spread a lot of sod around in the park. More power to their elbow we say. Thanks, Mr. Parks, but why the strip of bare ground by the walk?

And by the way gentle readers, don't forget to patronize our advertisers. If it wasn't for them we wouldn't have this opportunity to spread ourselves in print and you wouldn't have this piece of paper to light your fire with.

Surely that's enough for one week.

LADIES' BOWLING

The summer schedule will commence on Tuesday, July 2nd, at 8.00 p.m. sharp. We would like to see a number of new members out this season.

There are quite a few ladies on the Island who have never tried the Bowling but it is never too late to start, so come on ladies, there is no better way to get acquainted and enjoy a good time.

The committee to assist me this season will be Mrs. Hillock, Mrs. Lyon and Mrs. Swain. We are hoping to see a good turnout on the first night, Tuesday, July 2nd.

S. E. DAVIE.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wright, Jr., and young son Dianne, will spend the summer at No. 6 Second St.

Mr. and Mrs. Rus. McMillan will also be at the same address.

Mrs. Wright (Martha Norelius) is no stranger to Ward's Island—as she trained here for the Women's Marathon swim which she won in 1929.

Ed. Fraser, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Fraser, "The Homestead", will spend the summer in the plant of the Canadian Ingersoll Rand Co., at Sherbrooke, Que. Ed. will be missed at the piano in Sunday School.

Freddie and Mrs. Carter and two children are settled for the summer in "The Homestead".

Mr. John Ferguson and family, who have been away from Ward's for a few years, are now located at 94 Lake Shore.

The Sanderson family will be greatly missed on the Island this summer. We hope to see you all back again next year.

Young master Bobbie recently arrived at the home of Tom and Mrs. McKay.

Bobbie says, "we'll all be over soon as the weather gets warmer."

Geo. Tolley is very ill and we want everyone to pull for a speedy recovery for Geo.



BOY'S WORK

"Popeye the Sailor" accomplishes some wonderfully strong feats—he would have us believe it comes from eating spinach. Spinach may be of a scientific food value—it is possible to the growing boy that spinach may help him to grow strong, but without exercise he cannot hope to emulate the health and strength of a "Popeye". Therefore, with his spinach he must take the desired exercise.

It is also possible to waste a lot of energy in badly directed exercise or play.

To get the best out of life it should be planned. The same applies to exercise, it should be so devised as to get the good out of play and that is why we have boys' and girls' supervision on Ward's Island.

Our supervisor is not asked to be an expert on the benefits of spinach—he graciously leaves that for the parents to figure out, but he is an expert on getting the desired results from well directed play.

It has been said, the coming science is the science of play. The science of yesterday was that of books, the science of to-day is that of business, the science of tomorrow will be that of leisure.

The science of play, what is it? Well, there is first, a scientific definition that teaches us how to do best what we want to do most, and science is organized **common sense**.

If we are taught how to play when young, it will always stay with us. "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy."

Parents on Ward's are fortunate in having supervised play for their children. The cost, small as it is, is insignificant; in fact it should not enter into the question where the welfare of your boy or girl is concerned.

Your Boys' Work Committee regrets to announce it cannot count on that genial personality "Pep" Perryment to lead its supervision this summer, as the Central Y. M. C. A., where he is employed during the winter months has a greater need for him in its boys' work. There is a saying "The King is dead, long live the King" and so although we have lost a good supervisor, we have been fortunate in securing another we think will be as good.

And so we here introduce Howard Conquergood, our new supervisor.

He is a young man well fitted for the high-class task he is called upon to fill. A graduate of Vaughan Road Collegiate, Toronto, his next step was Queen's University, taking up special studies in Boy Psychology and Play Life, and although that in itself would recommend him for our boy life on Ward's, he has distinguished himself at Queen's in the very thing we wish him to pass on to our boys—the science of play.

An expert swimmer, authority on baseball, track and field sports, he has also played rugby for Queen's, exhibiting that sterling quality in play that has made Queen's so famous.

Howard Conquergood comes to us well recommended.

Play is simply the business of developing our bodies to the highest point of strength and fitness by proper, unconscious exercise, and leading a life which builds up bodily stamina and vigor instead of tearing them down.

Let us show Conquergood how Ward's can stand by the men it places its confidence in and give him a chance to make the summer of 1935 the best yet.

Howard, it's up to you.

GEO. H. GOULDING,
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Hello, fellows of the Ward's Island Boys' Association, this is your past chief and supervisor broadcasting—I am sorry that my work at Central Y.M.C.A. has necessitated my remaining at the building this summer and that I can't be with you at the Island. However, I want to introduce the fellow that is going to take my place, Howard Conquer-good is his name. He has been associated with me in physical work for some time and has had a wide range of experience, being personally interested in swimming, lifesaving, softball, wrestling and boxing and in addition is a real good chap to talk to.

Howard has invited me over to the Island just as often as I can make it, but work necessitates that I be in the association most of the time during July and August. If however, any of you fellows are in the City, be sure to drop in and have a swim with me.

Pep Perryment signing off—Take it away Howard.

Thanks Pep—Hello fellows, as your new "chief" I hope that before long we'll personally know each other real well. From what Pep has told me I know that I am going to like you and I hope that will go both ways. Incidentally don't let the "few" excess pounds of weight frighten you. It is only dangerous when I sit on anyone. No kidding, I am certainly looking forward to a real summer crammed full of fun and activities.

Our first get-together will be Monday night at the club room. I hope that everyone will be there.

Bring along all your suggestions as to what you would like to do this summer. I already have one "objective" lined up, that is to see that I reduce. What about you? What do you want to accomplish this summer? Is it to learn how to run better, to box, to swim, to be a better sport and to curb that nasty temper? Anyway, whatever it is let's talk it all over next Monday night. Until then, so long for now—HOWARD CONQUERGOD signing off.

WELCOME, STRANGERS

Every year sees a lot of newcomers in our midst. In a very few days they get acclimatized as a rule and pretty soon are one of us. This year in particular seems to be one of new faces. Someone remarked the other day that they hardly knew anyone on the boat. It's true. Times have changed just as the set-up of our summer resort has changed. Let it change, just so long as it doesn't interfere with the real community spirit that we have always had. Everyone who has spent a season here has always gone away a booster—Why? Our guess is because we have always been a friendly bunch. "Snootiness" has been most conspicuous by its absence. Let's keep it that way. You newcomers just hang up your hats and get in the fun. Speak to everyone you see and have a good time, regardless, you'll soon know everyone and they will soon know you. No matter what your talents may be there is a use for them in the Association. Welcome, and get busy.

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MAE TO ETHYL

Dear Ethyl:—

Ethyl dear, it's going to be hard to get along this summer without you at the Island. How that husband of yours came to let his firm move him back again I cannot understand. Never mind Ethyl, maybe you can get up for a visit anyways. Just getting ready to move over, without you makes me feel lonesome Ethyl. But I suppose I'll get over it Ethyl you know when we actually get there.

You know Ethyl, I don't think I'll take part in anything this summer. Really I've been looking forward to the day when the children could more or less mind themselves. Now it's here almost Ethyl, I can't do all the things I've been wanting to do.

About the only thing I guess I could do Ethyl is Bowl maybe, but it's too much like marbles when you come to think about it Ethyl only the dibs are larger.

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Junior nearly drives us crazy with marbles on the floors this spring. Tom slipped on one going to the front door to take in the milk one Sunday morning in his bath robe and nearly lost his reputation.

Some of the ladies are planning a little bridge club for Ward's. I kind of heard about it indirectly by accident Ethyl, but I guess they haven't got around to signing me up yet.

Somehow Ethyl, I don't think I learned much from playing with that bunch all winter.

Maybe I'll get some girls over from the City once a week and have a real game. Tom I see, from his actions, is going to be away fishing a lot of week-ends.

We're all ready to move almost Ethyl. Tom has been over since the 24th off and on and week-ends, turn-the key, as he says.

I hope he has the empties out of the way before I get there. Well Ethyl, I must sign off and go down to the corner for something for supper, I must "feed the brute" as the saying goes.

Yours as ever,
MAE.

P.S.—Next time I write I'll know all the fresh dirt and I'll send you a load.

DANCE

To the residents of Ward's Island and their many friends may I offer on behalf of the Executive and myself a belated but nevertheless sincere thanks for the support given our annual "At Home" last winter.

Our summer schedule of dancing began on Wednesday, June 26th, and here again results were very gratifying. Our efforts this year will be spent in an endeavor to maintain the same high standard for our dances that has already been established by our predecessors. Your continued support assures exclusiveness.

J. J. McLAREN,
Chairman Dance Committee.

NOTES AND COMMENT

All the early birds were on hand, or rather on foot, again this year. Frank Staneland was off the Island a few days this winter because there was too much snow to shovel over here.

Frank Willis says he has been "turning the key" for six weeks, or more. Must be a key to a sardine can.

Now we'll see what kind of a prophet Bert Blackhall was at the big meeting last Fall—and what kind of workers his supporters are. They talked it over, now gang let's push it over.

How about getting a regular badminton programme set up for the Summer, so that it won't be a survival of the fittest this Fall.

Harry Baines has every blade of grass on the bowling green labelled this season. Is he good? Ask him.

Don't turn your radio up too high.

Welcome back to Harold Thompson and family, including young "Bobby".

Wonder if Jim Wilson will be around enough this summer to smoke a box of cigars?

It keeps Blach Dodd busy figuring out whether he's chasing boys off the diamond or on the diamond. Go to it both ways Blach.

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The secretary will be able to sit on his front doorstep and take fees as we go by, but at that there was perhaps more traffic past his door last year, but of course he wasn't secretary then.

John the barber is with us again. In fact he has been with some of us all winter. And so has Mary. Real "Ward's" institutions by now.

Oh yes, and Pete has his stand right up-wind again so that the papers can blow down and make the residents of 5th St. mad.

Pay your fees early.

Pay all your fees early.

Pay all your family's fees early.

TRANSPOSITION

Some come here to sit and spin.

And some to drink their beer and gin.

Haven't some of the kids grown up since last summer? It gets harder to tell mamma from daughter every year.

Helen Patterson is getting to be a habit with us. Well, we have worse habits.

Greetings to "Minnie" again in the store. And Sam is around again smiling, with his parcels.

Art Gay says his plumbing is all overhead. Somebody ought to look into this.

Who is it always greets you with, "How's your old straw hat?"

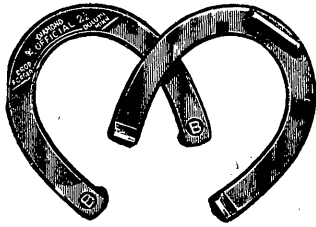
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HORSESHOES

All members of the Ward's Island Association wishing to join the Horseshoes section are invited. Get in touch with me. Particulars of the summer's program will be posted on the notice board as soon as possible after the courts are in shape for play. Sign up early, and get full benefit out of this great game.

C. J. CROSIER.

LAUGHTER

Here's to laughter, the sunshine of the soul, the happiness of the heart, the leaven of youth, the privilege of purity, the echo of innocence, the treasure of the humble, the wealth of the poor, the bead for the cup of pleasure; it dispels dejection, banishes blues and mystifies melancholy; for it's the foe of woe, the destroyer of depression, the enemy of grief; it is what Kings envy peasants, plutocrats envy the poor, the guilty envy the innocent; it's the sheen on the silver of smiles; the ripple on the water's delight, a glint of the gold in gladness; without it humor would be done, wit would wither, dimples would disappear and smiles would shrivel; for it's a glow of clean conscience, the

voice of a pure soul, the birth cry of mirth, the swan song of sadness. Laughter should be yours.

GIRLS' SUPERVISION

Just a line to let you know of our plans for supervision this year. You have probably heard that Miss Patterson will be with us again, and she has lots of new ideas that will please the girls and the ladies too.

She asks that all the senior girls come on July 2nd with their tennis racquets. Of course all the girls are asked to register that day. They had better bring their membership cards, as, of course, you have to be a member to enter supervision, and no one wants to be disappointed. But surely any girl on the Island would be a member by then.

And surely, Mr. Editor, the mothers will understand if some class is not taken the first day. When you think what a handful a family of 3 or 4 is, a group of more than 50 looks like an impossible job.

Here's another thing. You know how we all love to play tennis. Well, a good tennis player takes care of the courts and equipment at all times. So (Mr. (Dr.) Blackhall or Mr. Sinclair is going to tell the girls, and boys too, how to take care of the courts, one evening the first week. Miss Patterson will know definitely, and will tell the girls.

Well, Mr. Editor, if you have any suggestions for us, bring them along, will you? The Girls' Work Committee is only too glad of suggestions.

GERTRUDE L. DAVIS.

"What did the boss say to you for being late on Friday?"

"He gave me the D.C.M."

"What's that?"

"Don't Come Monday!"

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Whoever that gang of prowlers were that operated around the Island last summer had better keep under cover this year because rumour has it that the whole congregation is wise now.

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