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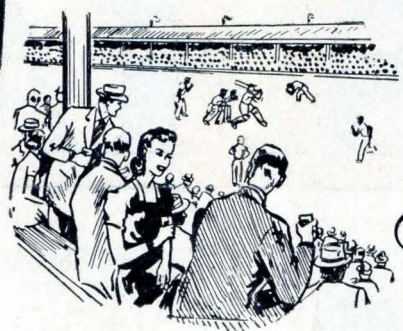
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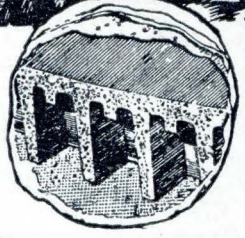


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This is Alva Ramsay speaking! A sort of straight from the shoulder talk to Readers from the Publisher.

SOUNDLY BEATEN

Jamaica's Soccer team were soundly beaten in Haiti in July, when the J.F.A. accepted an invitation to play in a soccer series to celebrate the opening of Haiti's National Stadium. Haiti won the first test 4-1, were held to a 3-all draw in the second and then won the last by two goals to nil.

"THE SPORTSMAN" was then in process of making certain structural changes and so did not carry an account of the tour. But I regret that excuses were made in certain quarters for Jamaica's defeat. The fact is that it was not just the fitter team that won but the better team—better in speed, dash and co-ordination.

Congratulations to the Haitians on their decisive victory; they are reaping the benefits of consistent efforts to build a really top-class national team.

MR. daCOSTA IS WRONG

I noticed that the President of the J.F.A., Mr. G. M. daCosta, from reports of his remarks at the annual general meeting of the Jamaica Football Association, is again a victim of his old obsession that the Press should not dare to criticise an association or its head. If Mr. daCosta is President of a private club, then he may resent criticism, but National Associations belong to the people of the island and must, therefore, come at all times under the critical scrutiny of the Press. The public expects the Press to keep the Associations and their Officers in line. A strong Press is particularly necessary with an autocrat like Mr. daCosta in the chair of so important an Association as the J.F.A. I do not think Mr. daCosta believes in democracy at all; I always visualise him as an absolute turbaned despot of some remote and ancient Asiatic kingdom, ruling not through a parliament but by decrees and proclamations. The fact that I know he wants to do good and get the best results is neither here nor there. Since he is so very opinionated and yet by no means an authority on football form or skill, his decisions and decrees however well meaning are likely to breed distrust in the Council and lead to chaos in the game generally.

So, Mr. daCosta, we of the Press are going to see that you keep in line.

CONTRA THE PROS

I note that the famous West Indian professionals are reported to be set to make demands—big financial demands on the West Indies' Cricket Board of Control, during the forthcoming Indian visit. I should like to say this to Messrs. Worrell, Weekes, Walcott, Ramadhin, that the West Indies' Cricket Board of Control is not a company promoted for profit-making or sharing; neither is it a club whose members alone would benefit from any financial margins secured by Sport promotions. Any profit the Board makes does not go into the pockets of one individual or of a few individuals but is used for the development of the game throughout the West Indies.

Were the services of these pros required to put money into the pocket of an individual or individuals or a club, then I would say: Let them charge their fees.

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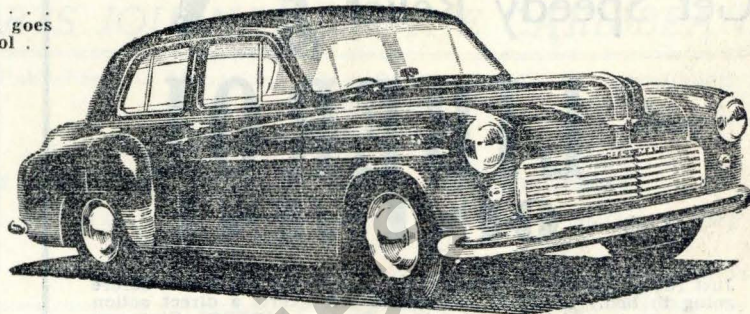
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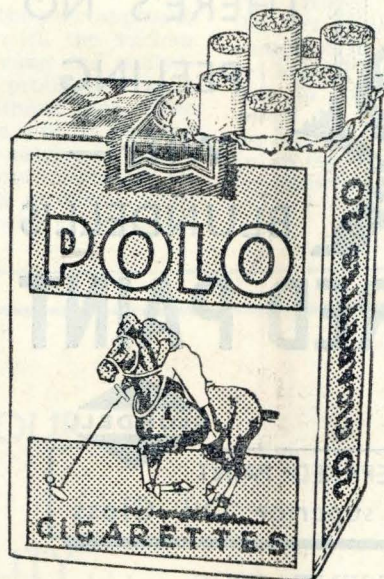
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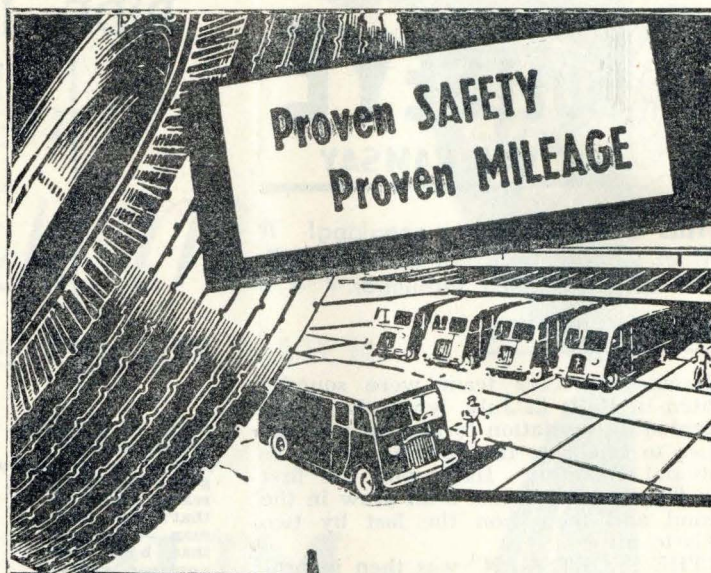
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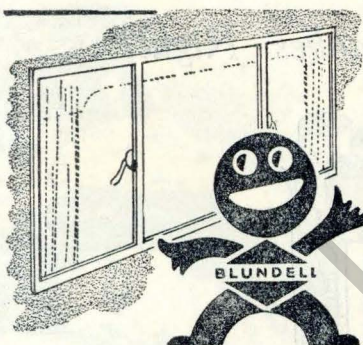


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— EDITORIAL —

YOUR NEW SPORTSMAN

This is a chat with advertisers and subscribers. Our readers in these West Indies and elsewhere have sung the praises of "THE WEST INDIAN SPORTSMAN" I was very grateful; yet all along I felt that there was considerable need for a change in this magazine which would make it a much more intimate factor in the lives of Sportsmen of all types than it has hitherto been.

Such a change I realised would take a considerable amount of time and a lot of courage because it would mean withdraw-

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The costs of production and printing your WEST INDIAN SPORTSMAN have been rising regularly over the past years but at great loss to ourselves, by internal reorganisation, and by a tightening of our belts we have carried on at our regular advertising rates.

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ing the magazine from publication for a period during which we could effect, not so much improvement along the lines we were already pursuing but, a change.

This change would be a compromise between the old SPORTSMAN and the new Features and treatment of Sports that I

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contemplated. I have no doubt that when this new SPORTSMAN has gained its full momentum by keeping to the lines I have mapped out that it will become, perhaps, the best magazine of its kind in the world. I do not say this lightly, because the treatment we shall give sports from now on will be different from that given by any other sports magazine that we know of. I am confident that it will meet with the full approval of readers. I am sure that the departure will set a new standard in Sport Magazine publication in the world.

Readers, however, must realise that the acceleration to its full momentum will take the SPORTSMAN and its staff a few issues.

Readers will note that the new approach will permit us to deal with the various sports each month, discussing and analysing the current news and problems of each sport intimately and without bias. The first part of the Magazine will be devoted to these discussions and analyses in which we shall give news and our comments on the news. In the case of problems, they shall be analysed and, where necessary,

we shall add at the foot of the analysis a new feature — "Our verdict," in which we shall endeavour impartially to pass judgment.

The second part of the mag. will contain reports on the competitions in more or less skeleton form; but, where necessary or desirable, we shall give fuller accounts of these competitions. Sometimes, these accounts will be signed articles by some of our valued contributors or "by line" men on our staff. This section will really be the scoreboard of the most important competitions for the month.

The third section will be really The WEST INDIAN SPORTSMAN that you have been accustomed to — carrying special articles and features. It will carry the sort of display that we have been accustomed to within all these years.

I should like to stress the value we attach to the new feature, "Our Verdict," which we shall use whenever we think readers should get or require our opinion on an issue or our elucidation of particular problems.

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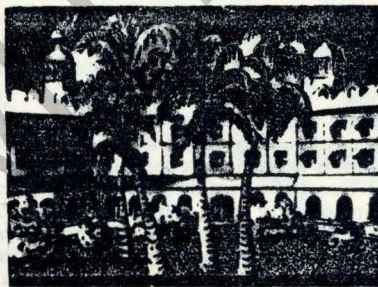
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NEWS AND REVIEWS

ATHLETICS

GLORY AT HELSINKI

Once again the pint-sized Island of Jamaica had dwarfed many a comparative continent at the World Games. In London, in 1948, at the XIVth Olympiad the giant islander Arthur Wint had mowed down the 400 m. field, to pocket a gold medal in an event which Uncle Sam had always considered his special preserves.

In July at Helsinki in ice-bound Finland, a 7-man team from Jamaica again paid dividends, going on to even greater heights: they retained their dominance in the 400 m. running 1 and 2 and having another man at 5 in the 6-man final group.

Not content to capture the event, they must needs create a new Olympic record. George Rhoden and the famous Herb McKenley were 1 and 2, but they were clocked devouring the distance in the identical and record time of 45.9 secs. Rhoden also holds the World record for the distance at 45.8. These are the only two humans who have conquered the 400 m. in under 46.

Still not content, they again grabbed from right out of the flailing talons of the hitherto all-conquering American Eagle his most prized possession — the 4 x 400 m. relay. Les Laing, Herb McKenley, George Rhoden and Arthur Wint covered the journey in the record time of 3 minutes, 3.9 secs., slicing a whole 4.1 secs. off the previous record established by Uncle Sam at the 1948 London Olympiad. The unpredictable McKenley, undoubtedly the most versatile sprinter of all time, was clocked in the incredible time of 44.9 secs. Note well that before McKenley and subsequently his compatriot Rhoden entered the international arena of athletics a 46 secs 400 m. was a coach's dream.

Previously McKenley had the worst end of a disputed finish in the final of the 100 m., the judges after studying the photographs deciding in favour of the American Louis Remigino. All the more tough since competent judges felt that the Jamaican had won. So Herb and Jamaica had to be content with a silver medal.

The giant Wint won a silver medal in the 800 m. and Les Laing carved himself a niche in the 200 m. final, placing 5th.

Jamaicans were Jubilant — Back home the 1 and one-third million Jamaicans were jubilant. The Governor, Sir Hugh Foot, K.C.M.G., declared August 2 a public holiday to commemorate the event; for, said he, our athletes have justly become national heroes.

For the record these heroes were Laing, McKenley, Rhoden, Wint. The rest of their teammates also received the acclaim — Hyacinth Walters, Kathleen Russell and Byron LaBeach; Herbert Macdonald, Jamaica Olympic Association president and team manager, Joe Yancey, American coach to the team.

Lack of foreign competition; indeed, of even local competition had blunted the spikes of Hyacinth Walters, Caribbean Queen of the sprints. Kathleen Russell, out practising before the long jump, her special field, in Helsinki, sprained her back. Strange climatic conditions — the intense cold — further handicapped them.

Praise for Yancey — Herbert Macdonald and the Jamaican team had nothing but praise for Joe Yancey. In a few weeks he had put a razor edge on the Great Quartette. They felt he was worthy of especial praise for his grooming them in the mechanics of the relay — passing the baton, etc.

THE FOSTER PLAN

Practical Blue-print — Back home, early thoughts turned to the future. Wint and McKenley were not getting younger; in fact, might not be around for the 1956 Olympiad in Australia.

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G. C. FOSTER

A plan is born

at London and Helsinki the necessity to go talent-hunting immediately was obvious. In Jamaica a small band of competent coaches, including former 100-yard star G. C. Foster, now greying and rotund but still active, who had run in London in the misty dawn of the century, and Lamont, who had put Wint and McKenley through their paces in their early days, had been working wonders with present day talent and little encouragement. They wanted help.

Foster outlined a plan which we give here and which the Jamaica Amateur Athletic Association and the J.O.A. may well study carefully. Take over, Mr. Foster.

BLUEPRINT

AFTER our most wonderful show at Helsinki, two Gold Medals, two Silver Medals and two 5th places and last but not least THE WORLD'S RECORD of 3 m. 3.9 secs. in the 4x400 m., it behoves us now to make preparations to maintain the very high standards we have attained and a national effort is most necessary at this juncture.

A few years ago, in fact just after the Olympic Games of 1948, the British Ministry of Education approved of a new plan with the object of developing British stamina, physique and technique. The Ministry agreed to spend £20,000 a year in substantial grants towards the salaries of National Coaches to be appointed by the Amateur Athletic and other Sports Associations.

Their job was to travel to the country to different centres and train the youths and girls who showed promise. A grant, say of £3,500 p.a. should be made to take care of a similar plan here.

First, we must have somewhere to start training even before the National Stadium — a necessity — is built. The Kingston Race Course seems to suggest itself, but a part must be enclosed, a track made and suitable change rooms, etc., built, so that we might carry on temporarily until such time as the Stadium is erected.

1. Alert by newspaper and radio all sports clubs in every parish of Jamaica asking those interested in athletics to get in touch with the President of the JAAA for instructions.

2. Arrange Centres. Each Centre to have at its disposal a suitable ground and a paid coach to instruct in athletics, and a groundsman to attend to the grounds.

3. Regular Inter-Parish Contests at fixed dates, not fewer than two meets p.a. Each meet to include a relay race of 1 mile, 4 x 440 yds. for men.

4. Special attention to and training of athletes who have just left school and any others by including two or three events for such categories at the Annual School Championships giving substantial prizes to 1st, 2nd and 3rd,

and to include a mile relay race, 4 x 440 yards for men.

5. Include a 4x440 (mile) relay race for Class I boys in the Secondary Schools Championships giving extra points for this event.

6. The JAAA to hold Championship Sports on a fixed day each year including a 1 mile relay race of 4x440 yards.

7. Each school of the Corporate Area to send about four athletes for training to the JAAA centre for track and field events.

8. Each main school in each parish to be responsible for holding of meet, e.g., Manchester School—Manchester, Manning School—Westmoreland.

9. Special attention to be paid to elementary schools and private secondary schools by the travelling coach.

10. The JAAA to contact Universities in America, and if possible to obtain scholarships for brilliant performers.

11. If we want to try and duplicate the wonderful work accomplished by Wint, McKenley, Rhoden, Laing et al, we must start right away.

BIRD SHOOTING

MARK RIGHT: MARK LEFT

MID-DAY AUGUST 12, a group of some 30 men sat at lunch at Portland Point, southernmost tip of Jamaica. They were doing themselves proud: the table was literally heaped with choice cuts of ham, chicken, lamb, Appleton Special, T.T.L., Old 18 and other well-known Jamaican "beverages" were very much in evidence. Even more in evidence were double-barrelled guns and cartridges with which each man was provided.

These were not soldiers, but gunmen, members of the Public Works Department Gun & Shooting Club. It was the anxiously awaited lunch that for them each year marked the first day of Jamaica's Bird Shooting Season.

Outside the club-house towered the 154-ft. Portland Point lighthouse whose light mariners say they can see 40 miles out at sea. It is built on an eminence 550 ft. above sea level. The view it commands is one of thickly wooded, gently rising ground with the sea flanking it on three sides and with woods giving way to the deeper green and more decorous arrangement of cane-fields in the direction of Monymusk and Vere. Beyond that, still to the West, loom greyish and ill defined in the further distance the misty hills of Manchester.

You reach Portland Point from Kingston by way of Monymusk. The City itself is some 56 miles away. After Monymusk comes the village of Portland Cottage, a hovel of houses for the most part wattle and daub, 7 miles away from the point. It is bedded down in marshy lands — a sort of last post of civilisation. Thence one has only the winding faintly kept road, a creamish ribbon losing itself in the forest. For those 7 miles one has nothing but crab and swamp-infested woods; then the sea. Suddenly the road turns sharply and steeply to the right ascending to the acclivity of Portland Point and the Gun Club.

The woods are pleasant and sunny. They are usually at this time of the year the fat, feeding ground of the bald pate, best prized of Jamaican game birds. Here they feed chiefly on the borewood tree with which the forest abounds.

Hunting Not So Good. On August 11, most of Kingston's gunmen had trekked from the city to reach their hunting grounds by midnight. There most of them slept, waiting the dawn and the legal hour for shooting baldpates, whitewings, white bellies, etc.

Few expected a good season. For years now the flights had been getting poorer and poorer. Jamaica's bald-pates fall into two categories: (a) the indigenous breeds, (b) the migrants who flock hither from the northern isles such as Cuba. Whitewings are chiefly Jamaican. Recently they have been feeding in large numbers on the rice fields of St. Catherine. At Salt Pond and Salt Island, haunts of the Jamaica Gun Club, these whitewings predominate.



P.W.D. GUNMEN AT BREAKFAST: It's breakfast time for P.W.D. gunmen at Portland Point as 1953 season started. Here a section of

them are seen looking after themselves. Seated left to right—D. Whittingham, S. Croskerry, D. I. Ross, R. M. Royes, H. Murray, deputy

director of Public Works; and R. Arnold. Standing, left to right—V. G. Sasso, H. Vernon, Dr. Lennie Arnold and Chippi Duff.

By nightfall, August 12, reports trickling in from Clarendon and St. Catherine proved that once more the flights had been poor; only 7 men out of 34 of the Jamaica Gun Club scored bags in the morning shoot. At Portland Point matters were worse — the morning shoot had yielded a best bag of 11. Twenty-three gunmen had to be content with 75 birds among them. (N.B.: Most clubs limit a bag to 25 per shoot; at P.W.D. it is 25 per day).

Indications were, however, that the season had started too early; that September would bring in the migrant bald-pates in large numbers. In the Salt Pond area, gunmen said that as soon as the rice was reaped, the white-wings would flock in greater numbers to feast on the fallen grain. The P.W.D. Clubmen packed up and went home, deciding to wait until September before they shot again.

A Major Cox Production — August 12, 1931, saw Public Works gunmen at Portland Point. Heading them was silver-haired, World War 1 veteran, the late Major G. S. Cox, for decades an institution at P.W.D. There was no clubhouse then — only the keeper's cottage. Young P.W.D. gunmen slept on the keeper's verandah; only the Major had a bed. The keeper had insisted on his generous offer being accepted.

But the Major was not content with this arrangement. He dreamed a dream — the building of a clubhouse which would eventually be a home away from home — a stag hall, so to speak.

In 1931 he formed the P.W.D. Gun and Shooting Club from among members of his staff. With him were dapper D. P. Lacy, another War veteran, and Hugh Murray.

In time the club grew. At first just a two roomed affair. Gradually more were added. Today it is a spacious rambling structure of 4 bedrooms, verandahs, pantry and kitchen. Latest addition is a card room appropriately named after its planner Secretary Lacy.

The club has now indeed become a home away from home. Single beds and camp cots with lily white sheets crowd the rooms and verandahs. In the pantry is an ice box (1,200-lb. capacity). A delco plant lights the whole works. Inside is running water. Outside are toilet and shower baths. There is a bird boys' house beyond a large space capable of parking 30 cars.

There is in the season enough provision to feed 25 men for weeks. Out of season, members take their wives there for a week-end.

Most of the members are P.W.D. men; but

a recent ruling permits the enrolment of 18 near relatives of members and 18 other members. These numbers are rigid. People belonging to either category must wait until there is a vacancy. There is a long waiting list. Vacancies are created either by death or by resignations.

In the clubhouse is a frame with 3 pictures—Maj. G. S. Cox, E. B. Streadwick, Archie Morais. These three have passed on — to happier hunting grounds.

President of the club, ex-officio he is, is the incumbent of the office of Director of Public Works. Present incumbent is W. Y. Feurtado — another War veteran. Incidentally he turned up at the club for the opening ceremonies, but he is on principle opposed to Bird Shooting.

BRIDGE

SIXTH IN THE WORLD

Was the standard of bridge in Jamaica very high? Players had entered tournaments in America and placed high up in



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their National ranking, which is mighty good, but the recent World Olympics Bridge Tourney promoted by Australia was a greater test, and Ronnie Forbes, current holder of the Masters' Individual title and UCWI medical student, paired off with veteran player Oscar Honiball to rank sixth in the world.

But the big worry about Jamaican bridge is to get the thousands of fairly good "verandah" players to enter duplicate tourney and therefore fill the ranks. Most people seem to think that tourneys are for experts only; they fear the guile and experience of the big names, Forbes Honiball, Ashenheim, Lyons, Desnoes, et al.

To offset the difference in experience the Jamaica Bridge Association decided on a handicap system. First tests at swanky new Liguanea Club proved a flop. Rabbits didn't want their ability or lack of it known; mediocres were equally fearful of hitting a bad patch and even the better players didn't want their ability tested against the best. They were all touchy, it would cast reflection on their ability . . . they would continue playing rubber bridge and win or lose accordingly.

Most Hardworking Body. The headache is part of many. To meet regular, without-fail monthly tournaments apart from club affairs, the JBA officers work night and day with might and main. They constitute the hardest worked body in sport in the island today. From January to December and back again, twelve big tourneys each year. The organizational work alone would seem to require a full-time paid secretary; but Secretary Con Allison does it along with his regular work, as did others before him and the other holders of office this year.

For the record they are: President H. A. Lindo (of yachting fame), Vice-Pres. Alfred Kong, Hon. Tres. Mrs. H. E. T. MacDonald, Hon. Secy. Con Allison with former officers now council members: L. E. Ashenheim, Oscar Honiball, L. E. Drysdale and Mrs. Trevor Lyons.

Secretary-Pianist. Secretary Allison is the tall, dapper, handsome Education Authority Asst. Secretary, buried all day with huge files and reports, but who finds relaxation in tickling sweet or hot music out of cold ivory piano keys with the touch and inspiration of a highly paid Broadway virtuoso. Many a time have love lorn lasses sat around enthralled by the amorous airs he coaxed or strummed or pounded out of the answering instrument, but considerable doubt exists whether it was the handsome lad or the melodic tunes that enthralled.

It is to Con, then, that the big job of keeping Jamaican Bridge sixth in the world or better has been entrusted. Although a comparatively recent convert, he is one of the keenest. The job is in good hands.

To Con, playing a good hand at Bridge requires the soul of a philosopher, the patience of a Stoic and the brains of an Einstein, but he doesn't tell newcomers that, for he knows *that* to be the ultimate, *not* the average, and many a verandah player today without all those world-beating qualifications may be tops in Jamaica.

Abroad. Optimistic of the future, JBA is branching out internationally. Currently at Oxford, George Ashenheim has been appointed representative of JBA in England and in order to seek affiliation with the British Bridge League. This



CON ALLISON
Music and Bridge

would mean world recognition. It would also demand more entries in local tournaments to maintain a standard of numbers along with play. There is plenty of room at the top for newcomers and plenty of well-wishing and encouragement from the older hands.

CRICKET MEAN TO ME

Six-footer Bob (Robert Cecil) Marley was sad. The former All-Jamaica Captain, member Cricket Board of Control, and Selector, was in his commodious and luxurious Duke Street office where he shared partnership with Rifle shot Keith DeCasseres (Marley & DeCasseres, Solicitors & Notaries Public). But his pessimistic and lugubrious tones had nothing to do with his flourishing business.

Marley was sad, because the details of the Indian tour next year were out and Jamaica had lost her chance to have two tests in Kingston, because we hadn't the grounds or the crowds to produce the gates that would warrant it.

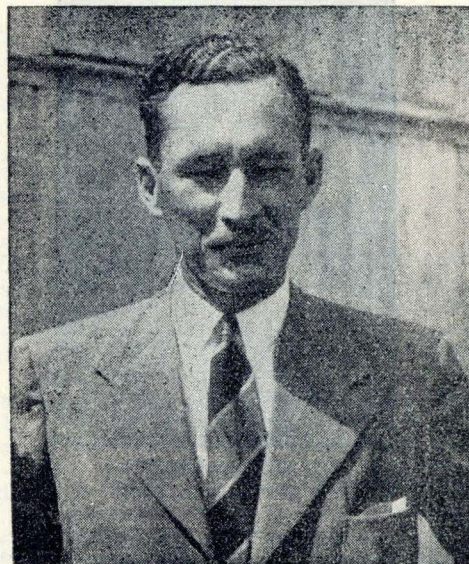
Early January the Indians arrive to play in these West Indies five 6-day tests and five colony matches of 5 days each. Planned are the first and fourth tests in Port of Spain, Trinidad; second in Barbados; third, British Guiana, the fifth and last in Jamaica.

Trinidad, with matting wickets, an admittedly undesirable surface, would get two tests, even though the members of WICBC do not like matting either; but then the tour must pay.

But, says Marley, Trinidad has always produced bigger gates than Jamaica. Mainly because at Queen's Park the stands have twice the seating capacity of Sabina Park, and that stand was built with a Government loan at 1½% interest.

The Indian tour would cost £30,000. Wherever the best gates were to be had there the most matches would be played, and the most interesting. Jamaica had lost out because of 'meanness' on her part or lack of foresight.

Danger Ahead. To Bob Marley, SPORTSMAN'S Editor-Publisher Alva Ramsay pointed out a big danger. Why the last for Jamaica? If a decision in the series were to be arrived at before, then the last Test here in Jamaica may yet result in



CECIL MARLEY
Cricket sadness

unprecedentedly small gates . . . a total loss; safest bet might be to let opulent Trinidad take Nos. 1 and 5, give Jamaica No. 4.

No, says Selector Bob; apart from gates there is transportation. Elders & Fyffes had assigned berths in the s.s. Golfito, sailing from England to Trinidad direct. The Indians could not be taken by plane from South Caribbean and back again, so it meant either two tests in Jamaica first and fifth or two in Trinidad, first and fourth, and the bigger gates answered the question as to which got two. Jamaica had lost through her own fault.

Up to Government. Can anything be done about Sabina's seating accommodation? Kingston Club was even now at work spending £25,000 on a better member's pavilion, but could not afford to go on to the natural development of covered and uncovered bleachers or stands at the northern and southern ends of the field. They had no use for them. It was up to either WICBC to spend some money there, if they wanted to make back some for themselves on future tours. Other sporting bodies may also be interested. Certainly Government should be.

Marley was explicit. With the air and determination of a martyr deliberately walking to his martyrdom he volunteered:

The Jamaican Government should follow the Trinidadian Govt. and make a loan to WICBC for just that purpose. What more favourable publicity for our tourist trade than the feats of our sportsmen, Wint, McKenley, Rhoden, Valentine, Headley! Government would be making a really worthwhile investment by subsidising cricket and athletics.

TEAM FOR B.G.

The Jamaican team to meet the Mudlanders (British Guiana) would sail Sunday, October 5, spend a day or two in Trinidad, arrive B.G. on the 7th, start the first of two 5-day matches on Friday, Oct. 10, the second on Fri., Oct. 17. They would then go up country to Berbice for a 3-day match, leave B.G. Oct. 28.

It will be a good, strong team, most people are agreed, better than the one that lost in Barbados earlier this year. Then they are hoping that Ken Rickards and Alf Valentine will be on time to



EARLE WATSON
A problem was posed.

make the touring side even stronger.

Allan Rae, rich in experience gleaned in international arenas, as far apart removed as England, India, Australia, New Zealand and our own West Indies, will lead the side. Rae's inclusion and leadership are expected to pay huge dividends, especially in view of the new meaning such a valuable opening bat means to any side, however good, and batting is not the strong point today.

True enough Allan has had his bad patches. True many critics are unkind enough to think that Ray Lindwall has demoralised him. Half wits think it funny to shout "Lindwall" when Allan goes out to bat, thinking it unnerves him. But despite that he finished the season batting very well. And so to B.G.!

CYCLING

A PISTOL WAS POINTED

The sport of Cycling in Jamaica is largely professional with the Jamaica Cycling Board of Control as the final arbiter in disputes between the three promoting bodies—the Jamaica Cycle Racing Association, The Bowl Club and the Cycle Union of Jamaica—the last of which is owned and operated by the cyclists themselves—and the Cyclists.

Disputes were many this year but the biggest by far was that which surrounded the running of the main feature in Jamaica's Cycle Racing Calendar—the Governor's Cup Race of 10 miles at the Town Moor on Saturday, September 6.

An estimated 20,000 persons had collected to see this event; the cyclists had gone to their mark, when they relaxed and sent a deputation to the management demanding that each cyclist who did not place one, two and three but who had started the race should be paid £1.

The full story is given here by Mr. Earle Watson, Racing Manager of J.C.R.A.

"The cyclists competing in the race went to the starting point and then sent a messenger to me saying they wanted to speak with me.

"I left the mike and went over. David Nunes, one of the competitors in the race, told me that unless the 15 cyclists who didn't finish

one, two, three in the race were each paid £1, they were not going to ride.

"I told them that the J.C.R.A. had no intention of acceding to the demand made at this ultimate moment and in such a manner. I suggested to them that the only thing I could recommend was for them to ride, and on the following Monday they could go to the offices of the JCRA and interview the management on the subject. Nunes then said that they had no intention of doing that and he repeatedly demanded, insisting that it was a matter of No Pound, no race, or words to that effect.

"I went back to the microphone stand and I think all of the cyclists left the starting point and retired to the infield.

"There were at this time about 15,000 persons gathered to see the race. I waited for several minutes to see what movements the cyclists would make. I requested them over the loud-speakers to take up their mark. They did not do so. I then discussed the situation with Mr. Frank Watson, Managing Director of JCRA, and Mr. C. H. Moss-Solomon, the referee.

"We realised and appreciated the fact that we were faced with a grave and difficult problem: Because hundreds had paid admission for this specific purpose of seeing the Governor's Cup Race and if the race was not run the tempers of thousands of persons might flare to fever heat, resulting in personal injury to patrons and the loss of public property in the form of broken fences and smashed-up stand.

"As against this, we knew that if we acceded to the demand of the cyclists we would be handing over the control and administration of the sport entirely to the cyclists.

"However, we felt certain that the JCBC would promptly hold an inquiry regarding the issue. Under the circumstances we agreed to pay the amount demanded and this was paid to the cyclists immediately after the race."

The Board Rules: The matter was reported to the Board of Control on Monday and an emergency meeting was held on the Wednesday following the race. An exhaustive inquiry which lasted one hour and a half was made and the Board decided that the 15 cyclists should refund the money and were given until the end of September to do so. In the meanwhile they were allowed to ride, but those who did not make the refund by the end of the month would then stand suspended until at such time as they carried out the order of the Board.

OUR VERDICT

The WEST INDIAN SPORTSMAN, on this occasion is in entire disagreement with and definitely disapproves of both the quality and time of the demand made by the cyclists.

We feel that the demand has no merit and if accepted as a condition of future Governor's Cup races by the Cycling Board of Control and by the promoting body, the JCRA, would eventually make the race a farce, in that any competitor who was in need of a £1 and belonged to Class I would enter, even if he had not trained for the race. The pari mutuel and the betting public must be considered and an injustice would be worked in this respect.

Further, there is, as far as we know, no precedent for such an action in racing. In boxing, it is true that every man who takes part is paid, win or lose; but we do not think the two sports share a ground for a comparison in this respect, inasmuch as in boxing, it is a two man's affair. Yet it may be argued

when the loser is paid it is the first and second places, as in every cycle race, that is being paid for.

Secondly, we strongly object to a body of sportsmen, professionals or otherwise, pointing a pistol at the head of promoters and public in such a manner. The 18 cyclists who made that last-minute demand forgot that, had they not ridden, they would have been guilty of an injustice not only to the promoters but to the public as well, who had paid to see them ride and who had, throughout the year, supported both cyclists and the sport.



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GOLF

CARIBBEAN INTERNATIONAL

Jamaican golfers had had no foreign invasion since 1931 when Panama, led by D. Estman, arrived here with a nine-man team and trounced us. The losing Jamaican team of that day consisted of former first-class men: E. C. Melville, Jock Findlay, G. Hargreaves, C. Lindo, B. M. Clark, J. G. Smith, J. G. Frost, S. Anderson and R. E. Crum Ewing.

Since then golfing standards had come on apace and a strong team now exists in Medal Play Champion Leslie Ward (scratch), Frederick Lindo (1), with Bob Mayall, F. C. Smith, Robin Stuart, Ron Sturdy, Lister Mair and Stan Murphy.

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But good players only remain good or become better with competition and the Jamaica Golf Association President Bob Mayall, with newly-elected Secretary-Treasurer Lister Mair, want to see things get even better, so they have invited Trinidad over.

Said President Mayall in his invitation: "On our 5,350-yard par 68 course, our top men have been touring in 68, 69, 70 and 71 regularly." Would Trinidad send over a team of, perhaps, 8 of their best men? Once they arrived here, Jamaica would pay all expenses, the visitors to pay passage alone.

Trinidad & Tobago Amateur Golf Union's secretary G. B. Morrin is to reply.

Three Pros. Even if Trinidad can't accept the invitation there are plans for bigger and better golf this winter. For years, two pros have been regularly coming: popular, rotund Lou Cummings of the Toronto Golf Club, is a regular immigrant who takes over at Constant Spring and Mandeville annually; Larry Edwards, also Canadian, is a recent Liguanea acquisition taking over from the dapper Gordon Brydson at that posh set-up. This year JGA is bringing out a third: 25-year-old Bob Cooper, again of Canada and Toronto, the Oakdale Golf & Country Club. Cooper's job will be mainly coaching the country men, on those courses.

One reason for helping along the country men is to encourage more of them to develop their game and enter the city competitions. City golfers often trek to country tourneys, but the reverse is not always true, as President Bob remarked at a recent prize-giving where their absence was most marked.

That Government Course: In a chat with no punches pulled, no holds barred, Mayall shocked members of the elaborate Constant Spring Club, only 18-hole course around, by bemoaning the fact that there wasn't a first-class course in the island. And that included Constant Spring, Liguanea and the new Upton on the North Coast.

Constant Spring was like an obliging, well-mannered country gentleman: championship courses should be tricky and rough and harsh; mean and elusive, the opposite of a gentleman. Tricky Upton had only 9 at present, although owner-architect-engineer Philip Saunders intends to stretch it out soon.

Mayall wasn't practising destructive criticism. He was pointing out, too, that Government with a tourist-minded executive should be pondering on golf as an added attraction. Two years ago, visiting American golf course architects, in a Montego Bay Country Club convention, opined that half-a-million of America's 6 million golfers had the money and could be induced to visit Jamaica. If Government built a good course, they would make the trek during the winter and spend a lot of money here.

HORSE RACING

JOCKEYS ON STRIKE

When jockeys joined the Bustamante Industrial Trades Unions and made demands of the Jockey Club of Jamaica and the promoting companies for increases in their basic rates for riding, a near strike and disruption of the August carnival nearly ensued. It was an occurrence unprecedented in the history of the

local turf, perhaps, anywhere in racing in the world.

For jockeys are professional men, licensed by the Jockey Club, and employed neither by the club nor promoters. They are hired by individual owners to ride their horses; any discussion about rates must be between individual jockey and owner. It may vary as much as fees paid to lawyers or doctors vary, and does.

It was strange news, but fairly amicably settled on the tracks. Jockeys now realise that they were misguided and have since returned to their own association, the Jamaica Association of Jockeys and Apprentices, President Oswald Steele, well-known and respected racing man.

Mr. Steele will now continue his years of good work on their behalf and will strive to see that the very best is done for these important members of a profession that is an integral part of good racing.

Unionism is an excellent thing for workers when properly managed and controlled, but for professional men it has no place. Professionals have the right to refuse their services until there is adequate reward for it, but that is an individual matter between, in this case, par-



DUDLEY LEVY
"bigger and better plans"

ticular jockeys and particular owners. They can, of course, support one another in their demands. All lovers of the King of Sports and Sport of Kings sincerely hope that no more will be heard of this sad occurrence.

YACHTING

SPINNAKER COMMITTEE

For three-quarters of a century the Royal Jamaica Yacht Club has been sailing along before the wind, but not always as far nor as fast as members would like. Seemingly, yachting was a sport for the chosen few with fairly well-lined pockets. But if they would sail out from the secure anchorage of decades at Rae Town to more commodious quarters and sea space at Springfield-on-sea, the Club officers must find more crew and more ready money to meet the bills.

The last two years RJYC has promoted two ocean-going races to Port Antonio and to Montego Bay for Easter Regattas. They brought in new officers to help the tried and tested veterans. They planned and devised various ways and means.

So this year they increased their sail area by hoisting a new spinnaker committee and flag officers, nearly all young men, with a fair sprinkling of the older heads to maintain balance and a straight course. (To the land-lubber a spinnaker is a sail hoisted in nice wind for faster sailing, to get the best out of the breeze.)

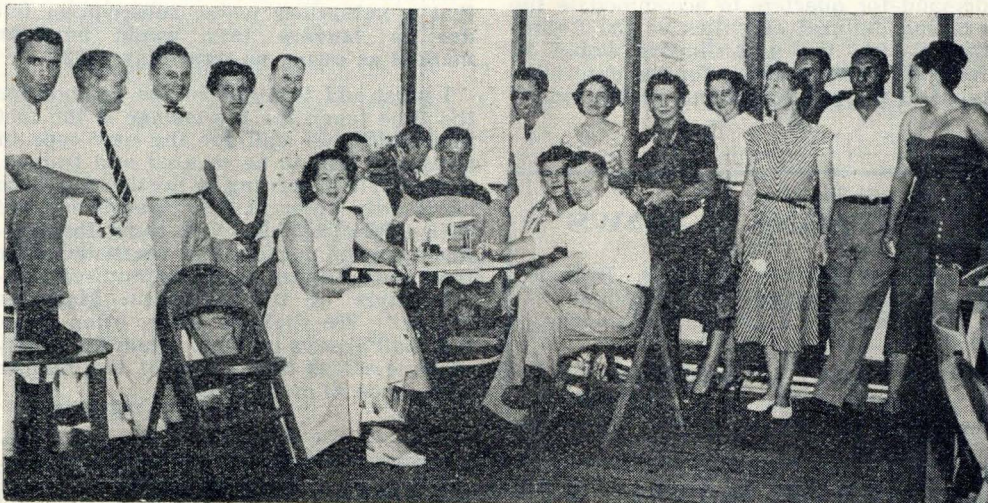
Dapper Dudley Levy, chief man in Levy Bros., became their Chief too, Vice-Commodore. Governor Sir Hugh Foot, like other first citizens before him, accepted the position as *de jure* Commodore.

With Levy were young dynamic commission agent Laurie Ramson, Rear Commodore; Owen Plant, senior partner in the architectural construction engineering firm of Marley & Plant, as second Rear Commodore; plus D. I. Ross, O. B. Burrows, B. A. Richards, Robert Lake, J. E. Higham, Stanley Couch, A. C. Lewis, Keble Munn, Geoffrey George, Cecil Langford, B. Kirkconnell, Dr. W. Escoffery, Trustees: T. H. Geddes, one of the G.O.M. of Jamaican sports, Ira Shirley, a former Vice-Commodore, and Johnny Bubb-Clarke, oldest active yachtsman.

NEW MEN, NEW PLANS

So men and plans got together. First problem was to increase membership, but yachting, present style, was too expensive, so cheaper boats must be made. The answer they are trying is increase of the Snapper fleet now only five strong.

To increase membership too they have launched a Cadet Corps, with veterans Ira Shirley, Leslie Cathcart and W. Parkinson to train youngsters fresh from secondary schools to become able wet bobs.



COCKTAIL: YACHTING AND RUM PUNCH — R.J.Y.C.'s members collect at one end of their commodious dance floor to sip rum punches while a match race between Firefly, the manana class boat, owned and sailed by Roy Foster, and Melody, owned and sailed by Stanley Couch, Firefly won. In picture, standing, left to right—Cecil Langford, John Higham, John Larsen, secretary; Mrs. S. Couch, Dudley Levy, vice commodore; Savage, Miss M. Abrahams, Mrs. Dudley Levy, Miss G. Rowe, Mrs. Ian Rerrie, Bal Richards and Mrs. Bal Richards. Sitting, left to right: Mrs. David Thompson, Robert Lake, Mrs. Yvonne Silvera and J. Anstes, a visitor. Background, looking through glasses, L. Cathcart.

To increase general interest, Vice Commodore Dudley Levy called on handsome second Rear Commodore Owen Plant to head a committee of attractive ladies who will promote social functions in between racing. In turn the ladies voted Mrs. Dudley Levy to chair their meetings. Already a long and exciting list of entertainments has been posted.

Sitting on the lounge deck one hears comments that Levy could hardly have picked a better ladies' man than Owen. Tallish, dark and handsome, he is attractive, but so much in love with his even more charming and attractive wife, Owen is regarded as a safe man by other lovers.

One example of the ladies' committee work was a three-stringed band that delighted visitors while a match race between the Manana class boat Firefly and Melody was being sailed. Music and rum punches and sailing . . .

"MR. BRAINS"

Dudley Levy was proving himself in yet another sphere. He had had his first taste of boating back in Port Antonio in 1924 when he owned and sailed a 16-ft. Swallow. In Kingston shortly after his entry into the business world he was recognised as one of the up and coming young men. Immaculate all over his 5' 8½", Levy has shown his brain was quite as immaculate and neatly dressed.

After ten years (1938-48) in the family firm he was made Managing Director. In the Chamber of Commerce his fellows voted him to second Vice President. This year Government, seeking the best brains to sit on their 12-man Industrial Development Committee, pulled him in.

So in yachting too: he joined RJYC in 1944, was elected Rear Comm. four years later, and this year to the highest post. Already he is showing up his talents for organising and administration. With his new Spinnaker Committee, Dudley Levy is taking the RJYC dead before the wind, and has bigger and better plans ahead too . . . some all Caribbean jaunt it seems.

BOXING

NO MORE AMYVILLE

By Martin G. Smith

Hon. Secy. & Treas. J.B.B.C.

BOXING in the Corporate Area of Jamaica is undergoing a rest count — due to the fact that the Rev. Father Administrator of the Holy Trinity Cathedral parish found it necessary to withdraw the facility extended to Ed. Downer in December 1950 to "pitch camp" and operate at Amy Ville stadium — the Cathedral Open Air Theatre.

Parish activities were curtailed to facilitate boxing — a sport in which the Priests are considerably interested. I can assure fight fans in particular that but for the demand for quarters to accommodate the existing cultural activities of the Cathedral parish, the mitt-slingers would be there throwing punches for the entertainment of the public without restriction.

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The Hollywood Bowl on Victoria Avenue — Kingston, one door west of Clovelly Road — which from the summer of 1949 to December 1950 was the headquarters for public boxing in Kingston are again made available to promoter Downer, who is getting ready for his next show about mid-October. The Hollywood should be in full bloom for the Christmas season.

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The Commandant and staff of the Police Training School and Depot in Elletson Road stage regular monthly shows — contenders being recruits of the training school — supported the past year by the little lads from Boys' Town. The last show in August had a welcome introduction of boys from Alpha, and the guests of these monthly parties will be looking forward with considerable interest to future functions of the kind. The accent is on youth, as far as Commandant Sam Higgins and staff are concerned.

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The Jersey Joe Walcott — real name Arnold Cream — Rocky Marciano world heavyweight title fight of September 23 is now history. Old-man Jersey Joe's management made it clear that they would be sticking to the letter of that return-fight clause. Victor or vanquished, Jersey Joe can do with the financial reward from his ring-wars, so we may be well up the alley for that return bout.

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And what about making a start for the funds with which to build a National Stadium in Jamaica? In the "teething" period of THE SPORTSMAN much emphasis was laid on the necessity of making a start — without which there can be no completion. Had we launched a fund even five years back, and proceeded to earmark a portion of the net profits of many sporting events during the period, we would be seeing today the light at the end of the tunnel — even if it be a far end.

EDITORIAL

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TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS:

Subscribers have been deprived of four issues of "The Sportsman." Our staff are working on the accounts and have been instructed to credit each and every subscriber with those four months so that a Subscriber whose subscription fell due in January 1953 would now be marked as owing us from May 1953.

I must add that one of the reasons for the time taken for the change is the fact that additional staff for the new type of treatment had to be secured and trained, as the style of writing in Section 1 will be necessarily different from the old style of THE SPORTSMAN. One thing though — Readers need not fear that we shall change from pure English to the improvised staccato style of the American Magazine "Time." We shall be brisk, often terse, but shall always strive to retain the purity of style which Sportsmen of the Empire have come so much to love.

—THE PUBLISHER.



JEAN DELEVANTE
"chip of the old block"

GOLF STARLET FOR FINISHING SCHOOL

One of the leading figures in the St. Andrew 'teenage social group, Dorothy Jean Delevante, daughter of well-known golf addict Ivan Delevante, left recently for England for 'finishing' at the Paddockwood Finishing School, Lightwater, Surrey. She is just 18.

Jean leaves behind a yawning gap in junior golf and lawn tennis circles in which she was a leader. Schooled at St. Andrew High, she excelled at athletics and was captain of the school team for three years. She found time out from athletics, tennis, etc. to do very well in languages, and Domestic Science.

Any child of Ivan Delevante just has to be good at golf or they would be disowned. He wants them to at least equal his feat of doing the No. 4 at Liguanea in one twice, as he has been credited with doing — a rare co-incidence in local golfing circles.

Jean has thrown her naturally athletic self into the game with much of the fervour of daddie and, what's more, has, like the born little leader she is, drawn quite a lot of other youngsters into the fold with her.

Paddockwood will get a pleasant little lady — fine conversationalist, irrepressibly charming disposition and an accomplished dancer in addition to being golfer and tennis player.

Bullseye . . .

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They are now seeking to tax the organization that gave them their chances to earn the great sums they are being paid in League Cricket; aye, the organization that gave them the opportunity to make great names for themselves. If they insist on charging exorbitant fees for their services, fees that the Board could not afford, I for one would sincerely regret their absence but the Public and the Board will be well advised to be prepared to play without them.

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-- THE COMPETITIONS --

CRICKET

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SENIOR CHAMPS

(Cover Story)

By C. A. JACK ANDERSON.

I WAS rather alarmed in January last at the idea of the Senior Cup Competition being crowded with more than eight teams — the traditional and conservative number since 1940 that precludes against overlengthening the season and over-scattering the good material.

The goal of the Jamaica Cricket Board of Control we then understood was 12 teams. They got 11 because Kingston Police, who were unceremoniously excluded from the major league in 1949 said they were not sufficiently strong to warrant their returning yet. It is probably hoped, even though they did not win the Junior Cup, that they will be able to draw upon their island-wide resources to place a representative Senior Cup XI in the field next season to realise the goal of the Board. But we have already heard whispers of Boys' Town, runners-up to Kingston in the Junior Cup, having their eyes on that 12th place!

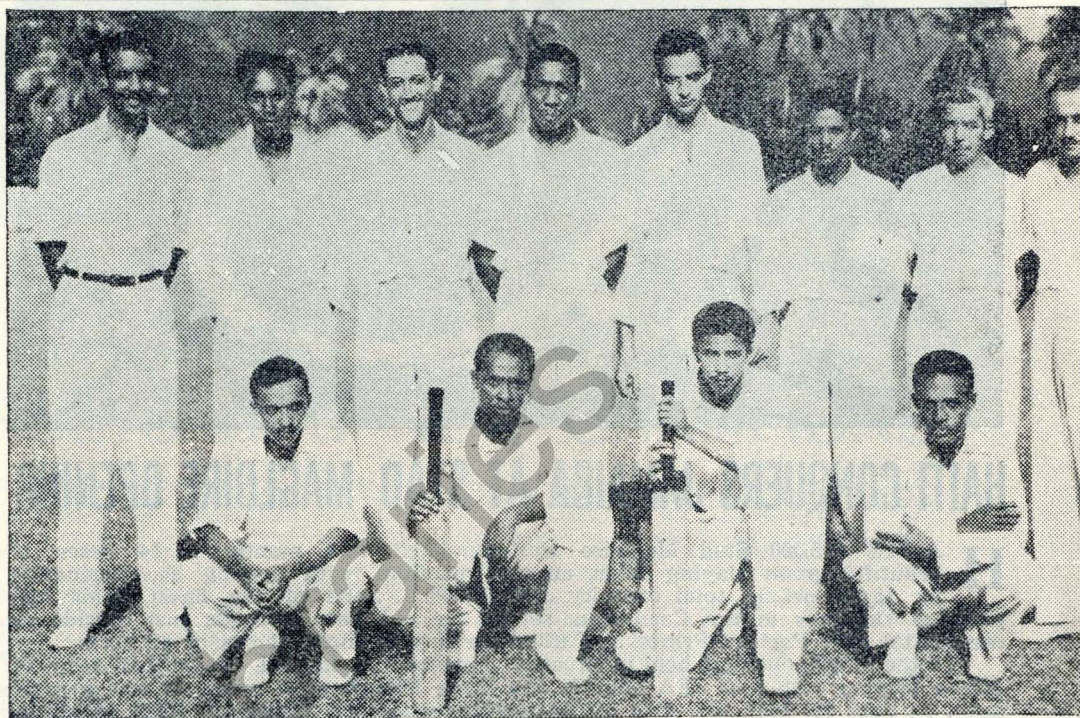
In my opinion allowing so many teams in the Senior Cup may well mean clubs of mediocre strength in a competition that has been decreasing in standard from around 1948 and losing in interest with the public; it must mean a weakening of the eight established clubs as the newcomers draw upon their already slender resources.

In 1946 sixteen teams competed in the Bonanza Cup Competition of Trinidad — equivalent to our Senior Cup. When Jeff Stollmeyer, Gerry Gomez and Co. arrived here they were amazed at the standard of our Club cricket which had not benefited from first-class tournaments from 1938, compared with theirs. On their return home they promptly moved for a reduction of teams for the Bonanza Cup. This was done, and today probably only Barbados club cricket can compare with the quality of that of Trinidad.

It could not be said at this early stage that adding to the number of teams and dividing the competition into two divisions have been the answer to resurrecting our club cricket to what it was up to 1947. By next season the experiment might prove a downright failure, but that there was some improvement on the standard of 1951 there can be no denying. Matches ending on the first afternoon were then the rule — one actually being completed in 95 minutes at Sabina Park.

Looking through my fixture card for 1952 I could find only one place where I was called upon to record "finished in one day". That was the Kensington-St. Catherine and Bernard Lodge match in May.

The fear, too, that clubs accustomed to the 14-match season, would be crying out for more cricket before the season ended, was an unnecessary one. The drop was from 14 to 8 matches in Division "B," and if there were any lament it was not heard for it was not general. That incidentally, is about the number of matches a Trinidadian or Barbadian club plays per season,



JAMAICA'S CRICKET CHAMPIONS. Melbourne's team that beat Kingston for the Senior Cricket Cup — standing, left to right — Neil Tomlinson, 12th man; Don Welsh, Neville Bonitto, Esmond Kentish, captain; Horace Tulloch, V. G. Rose, Bertie Cooke and Arthur Bonitto. Kneeling, left to right — E. V. Ellington, W. Chevannes, Donald Beckford, Jr., and Denis Thorburn.

but of course, in the sister Colonies the dura-317 for 7 declared vs. Melbourne 279 for 6 at Melbourne Park.

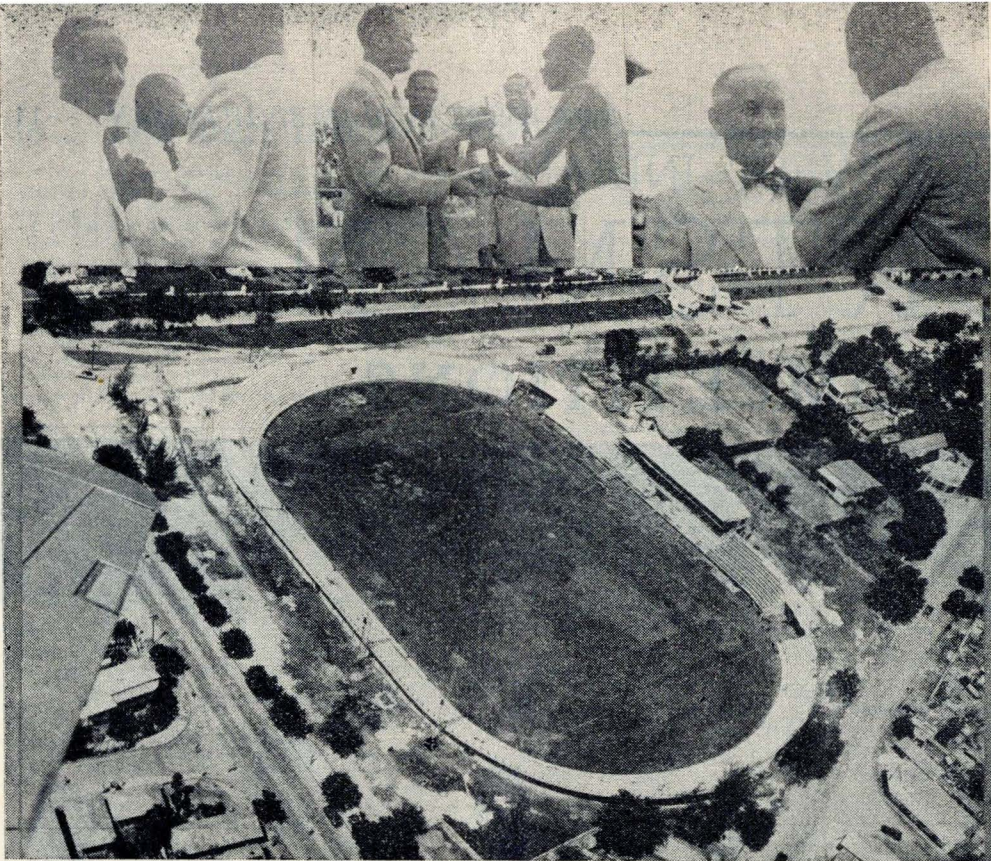
The average of 250 to 300 runs per innings in an afternoon was still conspicuously absent. There were only two glimpses of the marathons of the old days — Kingston 318 for 7 declared vs. Lucas 258 at Nelson Oval; and St. Catherine

The continuous absence of a type of cricket that will bring the crowds back is obviously due to over-concentrating on coaching of bowlers. It is a policy started by the Board by using

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MELBOURNE C.C. — BATTING

BATSMEN	Inns.	T.N.O.	H.S.	1's	2's	3's	4's	5's	6's	Inns. Over 50	Runs	Mins.	R.P.H.	Ave.
D. Thorbourn	10	1	96	189	57	7	36	-	-	4	468	992	28.31	52.00
A. Bonitto ..	7	1	91	90	28	8	13	1	-	2	227	484	28.14	37.83
N. Bonitto ..	9	-	80	130	20	6	25	-	2	3	300	544	33.09	33.33
V. Rose ..	7	4	25*	39	12	-	2	-	-	-	72	166	26.03	24.00
H. Binns ..	6	-	80	43	11	3	17	-	-	1	142	220	38.73	23.67
H. Cooke ..	7	3	27	49	12	1	2	-	-	-	84	219	23.01	21.00
D. P. Beckford Jnr.	9	-	50	57	14	2	11	-	3	1	153	288	31.87	17.00
E. Kentish ..	7	2	24*	15	11	1	7	-	2	-	80	93	51.61	16.00
H. Tulloch ..	8	1	43	49	19	-	6	-	-	-	111	244	27.29	15.71
N. Miller ..	5	1	30	14	6	-	7	-	-	-	54	122	26.56	13.50
E. Ellington ..	4	-	17	31	4	1	1	-	-	-	46	146	18.90	11.50
D. Welsh ..	6	-	34	22	7	1	4	-	-	-	55	194	17.01	9.17
V. Hendricks	1	-	6	4	1	-	-	-	-	-	6	13	27.70	6.00
W. Chevannes	2	1	9*	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	10	41	14.13	5.00
F. Williams ..	2	-	4	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	6	29	12.41	3.00
D. Taylor ..	2	-	3	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	5	10	30.00	2.50
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HAITI CONQUERS JAMAICA AT STAD MAGLOIRE OPENING

HAITI'S \$45,000 Stad Magloire was completed this month . . . 14 acres of beautiful green playing fields, an oval stadium with seating accommodation for 15,000 people, total capacity over 20,000 . . . one of the finest fields and proudest stadiums in the Caribbean, set on the old Parc Leconte, just outside of the capital city, Port-au-Prince . . . fitted for day or night games of all sorts. To the official opening, held in advance, Jamaica was invited. A football team of fifteen players with four JFA officials and three friends went over. It was a great day . . . July 19, 1952, the 45th birthday anniversary of President Paul Magloire, their popular sportsman and head of the Government.

At 4.00 a.m. a torch was lighted and handed to a Boy Scout at a spot sixty miles away from the Stad. Each scout running one mile, the torch was carried in finest traditional Olympic style direct to the Stad, where President, Archbishop, Mayor, Ministers of State, Foreign Consuls, Heads of Government, friends, visitors and well-wishers mingled with the populace witnessing the great event.

The President declared the Stad open. Archbishop Lagouaze blessed the buildings and grounds. The President of the Haitian Football Federation, Col. Alec Pacquet, read an address to the President and a report of football in the country. Children from every school in the 11,000 sq. mi. horseshoe shaped republic attended in sports attire, representative of every sports played in the country, and joined in a glorious, brilliant march past in the darkening twilight. The Stad was built for them. And then a party in celebration right on the grounds and in the huge stands.

At 8.00 p.m. the football matches started. Haiti defeated Jamaica in the series winning three of four matches and drawing one.

It was interesting to recall at the end of the ten-day tour the fact that Mayor Camille had given an official welcome party in his palatial parlour on the very first day. There he had said: Haiti learnt football from Jamaica in 1923. Men like Lambert Lewis, Fitzie Byfield and the Sassos taught them. In this series Jamaica could judge how well they had learnt



PRESIDENT MAGLOIRE
"let the people play"

the game. They had obviously learnt well. The disciple was now better than the master, and to their teachers they gave medals and to all the members of the team (see pic).

THE NATIONAL Stadium had been built for the youth of Haiti by certain hardworking sportsmen premier among whom were the heads of the Football Federation, Col. Pacquet, Vice-President HFF, Champagnie, Secretary Wm. McIntosh, and Director of Sports Felix Baker.

Football had almost become the national game, was very likely to be so in the near future.

Their plans, with the new stadium, is an example to all other countries. To develop the game Haiti was inviting out a French coach who would build a team of twenty-two, the National team; in turn the twenty-two would go out to the schools to coach the youngsters.

One marring feature of the ten-day round of hospitality was the death and funeral of Silvio Cator, Haitian-born St. George's graduate, who had created a new world record in long jump at the White City Olympic Games in 1925. Cator was the first Haitian to create a world record in field athletics and the first man in the world to jump better than 25 feet. At the funeral the President and all high-ranking officials who attended joined the walking procession in honour of the great athlete, who had later become a member of their Chamber of Deputies and a Minister of State. The Jamaicans attended and laid a wreath.

While there they also took the opportunity of laying a wreath at the foot of a memorial to Jean Jacques Dessalines, one of the earliest Haitian patriots and founders of the republic.

THE STAY was one continuous round of tip top entertainment. F. X. "Pancho" Rankine, who attended, was unstinting in his high praise for the people of the country, for almost every one of the four million that make up the population.

The Hotel Carib was all that they could have hoped for in hospitality, comfort and cuisine; thanks to Madame Fred Willie and Mlle. Simone Mews. Away from the hotel M. Henri Blanchard, owner of the Rex Cafe, has practically established himself as the address of all Jamaicans visiting the country.

To Messieurs Gerald Rouzier, Lawyer, Marcel Douge, sports writer, Ferdinand Magloire, Manager Tobacco Co., Roland Lataillade, Minister Interior; Guy Duyon, Minister Tourism; Gerard Montas, Daniel Beauvoir, George Coles, father of one son in Jamaica, and a score of others, the Jamaicans owe a lot.

To some Jamaicans over there too: Messrs. McCalla Bros., Birkett, Plummer, Brown (they threw a party for the boys).

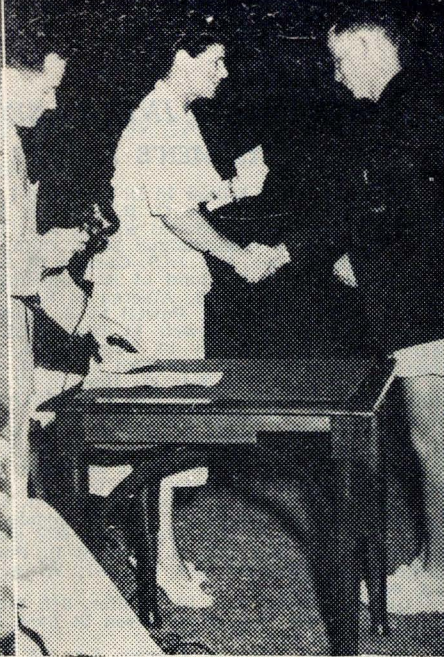
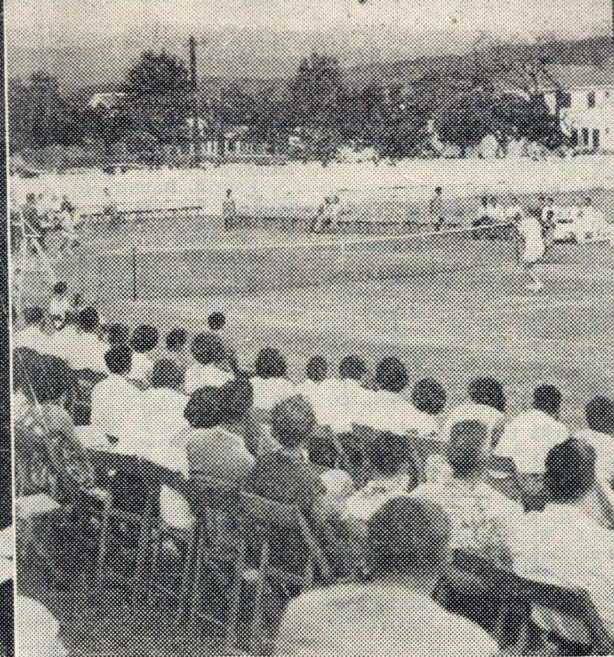
THE PARTIES began on arrival with the Mayor at his parlour; included a Royal Welcome by the President at his summer house at La Boule on the night of his birthday; Raoul Hector, Minister of Housing, who told Pancho: "This is your party, not mine. Invite all your friends."; the Dad'lans, an eminently successful affair and exotic; Jocelyn McCalla's christening of his new \$6,000 house (he was his own contractor and builder) the Mayor Racine official welcome to Croix des Bouquet and closed with Minister Zephirin's positively stupendous (beside his private swimming pool) farewell.

Rankine, who was making his sixth trip to the country plans to return in October (this month) and is trying to arrange a return visit of the leading school in the country to this one. In 1950 St. George's went over; next year he hopes St. Louis de Gonzague will send their boys.

Actually Rankine is some sort of unofficial but recognised Liaison Officer for Haiti in this country, and he knows and loves the place and the people.

He tells too the story of one man in Haiti who supports the Stad Football Club out of his own pocket to the tune of \$8,000 per year. Perhaps that is why Haiti, who admits learning football from us less than twenty years ago, can now beat us. They seem to have more public-spirited men and sportsmen. The Stad Magloire and now this generous sportsman, M. Dor Baptiste.

* Top Centre: Donor Lataillade presents cup to Haiti's captain.



At left, lady champion receives prize from Lady Foot. At right, men's champion crowned. Centre, a view of the St. Andrew Club.

THE 42ND ALL-JAMAICA: UPSETS AND NEW CHAMPIONS

A NEAR record number of entries and fairly good weather assured Tennis fans of very interesting and closely fought battles in the 1952 All-Jamaica Championships, but even the most far-seeing and speculative critics could not have envisaged the number of close matches and upsets which eventually marked the run of play.

The Tournament started at the internationally famous St. Andrew Club, Cross Roads, on Monday September 8th, concluded three days late on Tuesday September 23rd with a very successful Prize-giving at which Lady Foot presented the prizes.

The top standard of play was not particularly good, but what characterized this Tournament more than anything else was the vast improvement our juniors have made over the past few months, and this factor led to a much improved standard among the second-graders and lower-ranked competitors. From the opening round the matches were keenly contested and the standard of play up to the quarter-finals remarkably high. It is unfortunate therefore that the semi-finals and finals did not produce the tennis that we had hoped, and this writer feels that this was almost entirely due to the fact that our three best resident players, Eddie Aris, Jimmie Farquharson and Lester Kirkcaldy, were very obviously out of form and in poor physical condition throughout the Tournament.

IT is a pity that our National Championships had to be held such a long interval after the Inter-Colonial and International Matches. This was bad luck for all concerned especially since the few weeks before the All-Jamaica started were marred by rain almost every afternoon from the standpoint of practice, and the net result of the whole situation left Frank Mott-Trille, supremely fit and very keen, as the almost unchallenged new Champion of Jamaica. The improvement which our Rhodes Scholar and Oxford Tennis Blue (current Captain of their victorious Tennis Team) has shown in his game since his last visit to Jamaica, is really remarkable, and Frank deserves full credit for his fine win of this Tournament. Along with his cousin Gordon Ince he also carried off the Men's Doubles in the absence of the defending Champions Aris and Farquharson, and this double triumph must have indeed served to 'sweeten' his vacation in Jamaica.

OUTSTANDING juniors who showed great and creditable improvement are, in the order in which I feel they ought to be ranked, Ron Cooper, Peter Phillips, George Hew and Andrew Bloomfield, all of whom reached the last sixteen. Bloomfield then fell to Farquharson and Hew to Mott-Trille, but Phillips went on to beat Ramon Alberga and enter the quarter finals where he lost to Aris in three straight but good sets, while Cooper brushed aside Cecil Alexander in three straight sets before providing the major upset of the entire Tournament, his defeat of Lester Kirkcaldy in five close sets in the quarter-finals. Ron therefore gained a semi-

final berth against Eddie Aris in the top half of the draw and in this match played fine tennis in spots to take a set. Farquharson played good tennis as long as his physical condition allowed him, and actually carried the fight with Mott-Trille up to the end of the third set of their semi-final match, which left Farquharson leading by two sets to one at the interval. Jimmie's subsequent collapse when his stamina failed let Mott-Trille through into the finals when he won the last two sets of the match 6-1, 6-0.

We then get to the point of commiserating with Eddie Aris on his disappointing performance in this Tournament, which was to have been his crowning achievement of the year and more or less a formality we all thought, in the confirmation of his position as Jamaica's undisputed No. 1. He had had very little practice for several months before the Tournament and he was definitely in poor physical condition, despite which he was able to reach the finals quite comfortably only to find that his game cracked towards the end of the second set against Mott-Trille, and thereafter collapsed completely. Bad luck Eddie, and better luck next time, because the vast majority of Jamaica's tennis fans still have confidence in you and regard you as our best player.

My remarks above have not been intended and must not be misconstrued into detracting from Frank Mott-Trille's great performance in winning the title. He arrived fit, keen and fresh from abroad on vacation and his game increased in intensity throughout the Tournament, reaching its peak during the final match where his consistent kick service to the back-hand, and his rugged base-line drives off both wings, paved the way to final triumph. It was a pleasure to see his game improving throughout every match as time wore on and his opponents faded away physically. Frank is one of the fittest players that I have seen in Jamaica, and this factor, together with his obvious keenness and youth, should take him much further yet. The score in the Final Match vs. Eddie Aris was 3-6, 6-4, 6-1, 6-0.

THE LADIES' Singles provided some close fighting between the top seeded players — Mrs. Johnstone, Mrs. Cover Ramsay, Mrs. Leyden, Miss Joan Aris, Mrs. Crampton, Mrs. Reid and Mrs. Henriques, and eventually resulted in an upset win for Mrs. Johnstone, a great-hearted and valiant little retriever and fighter,

over the defending Champion Mrs. Cover Ramsay in a match played over two days and in a variety of weathers, the score being 3-6, 6-1, 6-4. Mrs. Johnstone has had a very successful Tournament year, losing only to Mrs. Ramsay herself earlier on, and thoroughly deserves this grand climax.

Joan Aris tried hard against Mrs. Ramsay in their semi-final match, taking her to three sets, but eventually faded away before greater experience and determination, while Mrs. Leyden could not really extend Mrs. Johnstone in their semi-final.

IN THE MEN'S Doubles championship it was unfortunate that Eddie Aris and Farquharson the defending Champions, had to scratch in their semi-final match against Mott-Trille and Ince owing to Jimmie's flying schedule. This let Mott-Trille and Ince into the final where they defeated the great veteran Donald Leahong and Arthur Scholefield in a thrilling five-set match which went right to the limit, finding Frank and Gordon the victors at 7-5 in the fifth and final set. The standard of tennis in this match was good most of the way and from the spectators' standpoint it was a thoroughly enjoyable display.

The Mixed Doubles title was won by Donald Leahong and Mrs. M. Henriques in a wet-court match of varying chances against Eddie Aris and his sister Marjorie. It was close going to the full three sets, and had Eddie been in his usual scintillating doubles form, the result could well have gone the other way.

The Ladies' Doubles championship was won by Mrs. Cover Ramsay and Miss Marjorie Aris in a closely fought out final against Mrs. M. Henriques and Miss Joan Aris, which went to the limit of three sets, 5-7, 6-2, 6-4. As usual this event did not provide the interest that it might owing to the sparsity of entries and the type of game played by our Jamaican ladies in doubles, but it is interesting to note that by Mrs. Ramsay sharing in this title we had the only 1951 Champion in any event retaining a similar position in the 1952 Championships. Last year Mrs. Ramsay's partner was Mrs. F. Chevolleau.

In conclusion, it was a good Tournament in which the various anti-climaxes in actual standard of play were offset by the added interest created by the improvement of our juniors and the keenly contested earlier round matches. As usual the sportsmanship was good and the Umpires and Linesmen gave sterling service.

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THE GENTLEMEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP

First Round: R. Milner bt D. Bolton, 6-1, 6-2; D. Powell bt N. Nunes, 6-2, 6-3; M. Bloomfield bt G. B. Lee, 6-2, 6-3; R. D. Cooper bt G. B. Walker, 7-5, 6-0; H. C. Martin w/o H. Fox; H. N. Brown bt J. G. Alexander, 6-1, 6-2; P. Passailaigue bt A. Chin, 6-3, 9-7, 6-3; A. Bloomfield bt P. Guilbride, 6-0, 6-3; J. S. Garrow bt J. A. Loeb, 6-0, 6-4.

Second Round: R. Bond bt D. Duncombe, 6-3, 6-1; E. Habib bt N. A. Sasso, 1-6, 6-4, 6-4; R. Alberga bt S. H. Phillips, 6-0, 6-2; L. Heron bt C. Lindo, 6-2, 6-2; K. Powell bt S. Murphy, 6-3, 4-6, 6-3; Milner bt C. Murray, 6-2, 6-3; Powell bt Bloomfield, 6-3, 3-6, 12-10; Cooper bt Martin, 6-2, 6-1; Brown bt Passailaigue, 6-1, 6-3; A. Bloomfield bt Garrow, 6-3, 6-0; C. C. Langford bt C. M. Morales, 6-0, 6-2; P. Powell bt V. A. DuMont, 6-0, 6-1; G. Hew bt W. G. Gooden, 6-0, 6-0; R. C. Humphries bt P. R. Todd, 6-2, 6-2; R. Overton w/o J. V. March; O. Marshall bt R. Crampton, 6-4, 4-6, 6-2.

Third Round: Bond bt Habib, 6-2, 6-3; Alberga bt Heron, 6-4, 8-6; Milner bt K. Powell, 9-7, 6-1; Cooper bt D. Powell, 6-1, 6-4; Bloomfield bt Brown, 6-2, 6-2; P. Powell bt Langford, 6-4, 6-3; Hew bt Humphries, 6-2, 7-5; Marshall bt Overton, 6-4, 6-3.

Fourth Round: E. C. Aris bt Bond, 6-1, 6-1, 1-6, 6-3; P. Phillips bt R. Alberga, 3-6, 6-2, 6-1; L. A. Kirkcaldy bt R. Milner, 6-2, 8-6, 6-2; R. D. Cooper bt C. Alexander, 6-4, 6-2, 6-2; J. M. Farquharson bt A. Bloomfield, 6-3, 6-3, 6-3; G. Ince bt P. Powell, 7-5, 6-1, 6-1; F. Mott-Trille bt G. Hew, 5-7, 6-1, 6-4, 6-1; W. A. Scholefield bt O. Marshall, 6-3, 6-3, 6-2.

Quarter-Final: Aris bt Phillips, 6-4, 6-3, 6-0; Cooper bt Kirkcaldy, 6-4, 2-6, 5-7, 6-1, 6-3; Farquharson bt Ince, 3-6, 6-2, 6-1, 6-1; Mott-Trille bt Scholefield, 10-8, 6-1, 6-0.

Semi-Final: Aris bt Cooper, 6-4, 7-5, 3-6, 6-3; Mott-Trille bt Farquharson, 4-6, 6-1, 8-10, 6-1, 6-0.

Final: F. Mott-Trille bt E. C. Aris, 3-6, 6-4, 6-1, 6-0.

LADIES' DOUBLES

First Round: Mrs. C. Reid and Mrs. C. S. Johnstone bt Mrs. A. Sadler and Miss B. Hotchkiss, 6-1, 6-3; Mrs. D. Brown and Mrs. F. A. Chevolleau bt Misses D. and B. Crampton, 6-2, 6-1; Mrs. R. Crampton and Mrs. N. Leyden bt Joan Murphy and Peggy Mair, 6-2, 6-4.

Second Round: Mrs. I. Cover-Ramsay and Miss M. Aris bt Misses B. and M. Streadwick, 6-2, 6-2; Mrs. Reid and Mrs. Johnstone bt Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Chevolleau, 6-4, 6-4; Mrs. R. Crampton and Mrs. Leyden bt Mrs. R. D. Nelson and Mrs. R. C. Humphries, 6-1, 6-1; Mrs. M. Henriques and Joan Aris w/o Mrs. E. Finlason and Mrs. M. K. Vysypal.

Semi-Final: Mrs. Cover Ramsay and Miss M. Aris bt Mrs. Reid and Mrs. Johnstone, 6-3, 9-7; Mrs. Henriques and Joan Aris bt Mrs. Crampton and Mrs. Leyden, 6-3, 9-7.

Final: Mrs. Ivy Cover Ramsay and Miss Marjorie Aris bt Mrs. M. Henriques and Miss Joan Aris, 5-7, 6-2, 6-4.

GENTLEMEN'S DOUBLES

First Round: S. H. Phillips and J. G. Alexander bt D. A. DuMont and A. Chin, 4-6, 8-6, 7-5; V. and M. Mahfood bt P. R. Todd and C. Sexton, 6-4, 1-6, 6-1; D. and P. Powell bt N. Nunes and R. Bond, 10-8, 6-4; P. Passailaigue and Y. F. Chin bt S. Ward and J. A. Loeb, 6-1, 6-4; R. Milner and F. W. Aris bt D. Duncombe and C. Lindo, 6-3, 4-6, 6-2.

Second Round: R. D. Cooper and P. Phillips bt H. Hendricks and R. Overton, 6-3, 7-5; C. Morin and D. Bolton bt H. C. Martin and G. B. Walker, 6-2, 6-3; S. Phillips and J. G. Alexander bt R. Habib and J. Mahfood, 6-2, 6-4; D. and P. Powell bt V. and M. Mahfood, 6-2, 6-1; Milner-Aris bt Passailaigue-Chin, 8-6, 8-6; M. and A. Bloomfield bt S. Murphy and R. C. Humphries, 6-4, 6-2; E. M. Poule and G. Hew bt A. D. Arscott and A. J. Murphy, 6-2, 6-1; H. N. Brown and C. Alexander bt O. Marshall and R. D. Alberga, 5-7, 8-6, 6-2.

Third Round: Cooper-Phillips bt Morin-Bolton, 6-0, 4-6, 6-3; Powell-

Powell bt Phillips-Alexander, 3-6, 6-0, 6-2; Bloomfield-Bloomfield bt Milner-Aris, 7-5, 6-2; Poule-Hew bt Brown-Alexander, 6-0, 6-4.

Fourth Round: D. A. Leahong and W. A. Scholefield bt Cooper-Phillips, 6-3, 6-0; L. A. Kirkcaldy and C. C. Langford bt Powell-Powell, 6-3, 6-2; E. C. Aris and J. M. Farquharson bt Bloomfield-Bloomfield, 6-1, 6-2; F. Mott-Trille and G. Ince bt Poule-Hew, 6-3, 6-1.

Semi-Final: Leahong-Scholefield bt Kirkcaldy-Langford, 6-1, 8-6, 6-3; Mott-Trille-Ince w/o Aris-Farquharson.

Final: F. Mott-Trille and G. D. C. Ince bt D. A. Leahong and W. A. Scholefield, 9-7, 3-6, 8-6, 3-6, 7-5.

LADIES' SINGLES

First Round: Miss B. Streadwick bt Miss M. Chin Yee, 6-0, 6-1; Mrs. C. E. Reid bt Miss E. I. Greenlaw, 6-2, 6-1; Miss A. Costa w/o Miss D. Crampton, 0-6, 0-3 (retired); Mrs. M. Henriques bt Miss B. G. Wills, 6-3, 6-2; Miss P. Mair bt Miss B. Crampton, 6-2, 6-4; Miss J. Murphy bt Miss R. Desnoes, 6-3, 8-6; Mrs. R. Crampton bt Mrs. R. C. Humphries, 6-1, 6-0; Miss B. Hotchkiss bt Miss M. Spokes, 6-0, 6-0.

Second Round: Mrs. Reid bt Miss Streadwick, 4-6, 6-0, 6-1; Mrs. Henriques bt Miss Costa, 6-0, 6-0; Miss Mair bt Miss Murphy, 4-6, 7-5, 6-4; Mrs. Crampton bt Miss Hotchkiss, 6-3, 6-1.

Quarter-Final: Mrs. C. S. Johnstone bt Mrs. C. E. Reid, 6-0, 6-4; Mrs. N. Leyden bt Mrs. M. Henriques, 6-3, 7-5; Mrs. I. Cover-Ramsay bt Miss P. Mair, 6-1, 6-1; Joan Aris bt Mrs. R. Crampton, 6-4, 6-2.

Semi-Final: Mrs. Johnstone bt Mrs. Leyden, 6-1, 6-3; Mrs. Cover-Ramsay bt Joan Aris, 3-6, 6-4, 6-0.

Final: Mrs. C. S. Johnstone bt Mrs. Ivy Cover-Ramsay, 3-6, 6-1, 6-4.

THE MIXED DOUBLES

First Round: R. and Mrs. Crampton bt D. A. DuMont and Miss A. Costa, 6-0, 6-3; P. Phillips and Miss B. Crampton bt G. Ince and Mrs. M. K. Vysypal, 6-3, 3-6, 7-5; G. Hew and Mrs. C. E. Johnstone bt J. M. Farquharson and Miss M. Spokes, 6-1, 6-3; C. Alexander and Mrs. I. Cover-Ramsay bt J. S. Garrow and Miss G. V. Wills, 6-1, 6-2; W. A. Scholefield and Mrs. C. Reid bt H. N. Brown and Miss B. Hotchkiss, 6-4, 6-4; R. Overton and Miss P. Mair bt S. A. Phillips and Miss B. Streadwick, 6-1, 6-3.

Second Round: R. Cooper and Miss D. Crampton bt P. Passailaigue and Mrs. F. Chevolleau, 4-6, 6-2, 6-2; C. C. Langford and Mrs. N. Leyden bt S. Ward and Mrs. Valentine, 6-2, 6-4; R. and Mrs. Crampton bt A. D. Arscott and Miss J. Murphy, 6-1, 6-0; Hew and Mrs. Johnstone bt Phillips and Miss B. Crampton, 8-6, 6-2; Alexander and Mrs. Ramsay bt Scholefield and Mrs. Reid, 6-4, 6-8, 7-5; Overton and Miss Mair bt K. E. and Mrs. Powell, 9-7, 6-8, 6-2; A. Bloomfield and Miss J. Aris bt R. and Mrs. Humphries, 6-3, 6-3; Loeb and Miss Greenlaw bt G. Desnoes and Miss R. Desnoes, 3-6, 6-4, 7-5.

Third Round: Langford and Mrs. Leyden bt Cooper and Miss D. Crampton, 6-2, 7-5; Hew and Mrs. Johnstone bt R. and Mrs. Crampton, 4-6, 6-2, 7-5; Alexander and Mrs. Ramsay bt Overton and Miss Mair, 6-2, 6-2; A. Bloomfield and Miss J. Aris bt Loeb and Miss Greenlaw, 6-1, 6-0.

Fourth Round: E. C. Aris and Miss M. Aris bt Langford and Mrs. Leyden, 6-2, 6-2; Hew and Mrs. Johnstone bt L. Kirkcaldy and Mrs. R. Nelson, 9-7, 2-6, 6-0; D. Leahong and Mrs. Henriques bt Alexander and Mrs. Ramsay, 6-2, 6-1; F. Mott-Trille and Mrs. E. Finlason bt A. Bloomfield and Miss J. Aris, 3-6, 6-1, 6-4.

Semi-Final: Aris and Miss M. Aris bt Hew and Mrs. Johnstone, 6-1, 6-4; Leahong and Mrs. Henriques bt Mott-Trille and Mrs. Finlason, 6-4, 8-6.

Final: D. A. Leahong and Mrs. M. Henriques bt E. C. Aris and Miss M. Aris, 6-2, 1-6, 6-4.

FINAL TABLE OF THE A.S.A. WATER POLO LEAGUE

FIRST DIVISION (W. P. LOWI CHALLENGE CUP)

		P	W	D	L	GOALS		POINTS	
						F	A	W	L
Kingston "A"	..	6	5	-	1	26	13	10	2
St. George's "A"	..	6	3	-	3	22	13	6	6
Sea Otter "A"	..	6	1	-	5	14	41	2	10

LEADING SCORERS

Keith Melhado—KSC	..	..	..	12
Kaye Nash—ST. G.O.B.	..	..	..	6
Angus Johnston—SOSC	..	..	..	6

SQUADRON LEAGUE (MONYBROOK CHALLENGE CUP)

		RELAYS	POINTS	
		W	L	W
St. George's "A"	..	6	0	12
Sea Otter "A"	..	3	3	6
Kingston "A"	..	0	6	0

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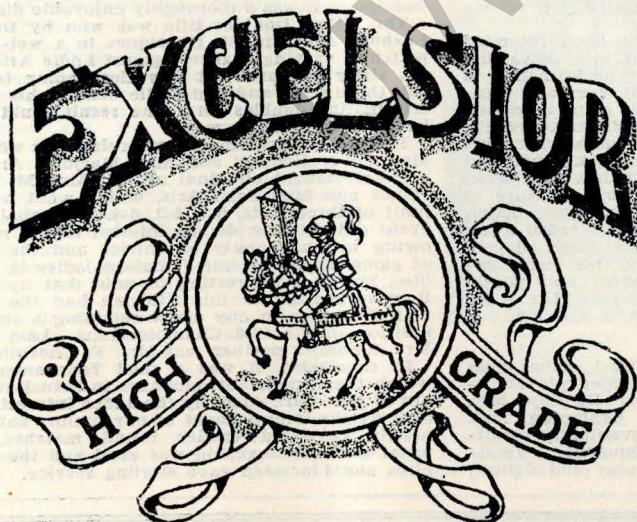
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		P	W	D	L	GOALS		POINTS	
						F	A	W	L
Sea Otter "B"	..	8	7	0	1	68	31	14	2
Kingston "B"	..	8	6	1	1	56	28	13	3
St. George's "B"	..	8	4	1	3	51	35	9	7
Royal Welch Fusiliers	..	8	1	0	7	30	55	2	14
Jamaica Battalion	..	8	1	0	7	19	75	2	14

LEADING SCORERS

S. B. Mills—SOSC	..	..	..	30
L. A. Henriques—KSC	..	..	..	23
J. Nunnie—RWF	..	..	..	17
M. Constantine—SOSC	..	..	..	16
E. Crooks—SOSC	..	..	..	15

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Cricket

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primarily a bowler as coach for three years, and which have been continuously subscribed to by the sugar estates, the backbone of Nether-sole Cup rural cricket — by using the same man! It seems cock-eyed to me at this stage.

The time is definitely ripe for a coach of the type of Punter Humphries, Billy Astill, Jack O'Connor, Morris Nichols — all outstanding all-rounders in their own right who had served our cricket well in the past.

MELBOURNE beat Kingston to win the cham- pionship. But the runners-up in Division "B", St. Catherine or even the rather disappointing Wembley could have accom- plished the same success without cause for surprise. While Lucas and Innswood in Division "A" could have been more prominent contend- ers. Kingston, dropping only 4 points in 10 matches, more or less dominated Division "A", but it was anybody's "derby" in Division "B", between the champions and the 1951 cup hold- ers. St. Catherine, never so strong in batting since the early 30's, seemed sure division win- ners when they made 7 points in their first three encounters against Melbourne's 6 and 4. Then newcomer St. George's Old Boys did the unexpected — they held the Saints to a draw by replying with 213 for 7 to 279 at Emmet Park. This was mainly due to young Arthur McKenzie who recorded his best performance yet to score 91 against George Mudie, Stan Goodridge and Co.

Kensington was the most disappointing of the old established clubs, running second to last after being leaders in the first three rounds of Division "B". They lost every remaining fix- ture after. A rigorous drive to revive the for- tunes of the second oldest club in the country is at present vital. Wembley revealed their true form once — defeat of Kingston who set them 226 runs to win after forced to bat on the second afternoon due to rain on the first, and the Lions came through by two wickets.

Combined Parishes was the most improved team in the second half of the season, but Dickie Vassall never had a nucleus to build a team upon. This should be the policy of the Parish Fathers next season if they hope to subscribe to the improvement of cricket in this country. University College possessed only one player of class in bespectacled slow-bowler Michael Al- leyne. The Old Boys possess material that can go a far way and to which they can add in the coming season. Railway seems to be still in pos- session of potential material.

IT is significant that Melbourne should win the Cup after 17 years on their sixtieth anni- versary, and in the first year of captaincy of the club for Esmond Kentish, who was pre- ferred by his colleagues to Arthur Bonitto even when the latter was captain of Jamaica. Signifi- cantly, too, he left his best performance for the crucial second innings of the final, reflected in his analysis 21-7-35-5. He was indeed an inspiring leader — attributes he had revealed from 1950 when he had deputised for Johnny Groves in Trinidad.

In the final match he found a youngster, who revealed temperament and grit to return a match record of 8 for 74, including a second innings analysis of 19.7-2-48-3. This is tallish Don Welsh, who bowls quick enough to be en- trusted with the new ball, and when the shine is off, bowls his slower off-breaks with accuracy and some skill. His reward was not only to be a member of the champion team but was to top the season's general bowling averages with 14 wickets at 8.07. He succeeds Arthur Bonitto who enjoyed that distinction in 1950 and last year; and the youngster's achievement is the more praiseworthy considering that he had played in only three Senior Cup matches before.

Individual brilliance in a match was displayed by ALLEYNE who captured all 10 Wembley wic- kets in an innings for 42 runs in his second Senior Cup match. The Trinidadian is the first to accomplish the feat in the competition's his- tory. That this was no fluke is supported by the fact that he ended up one of only four bowlers to capture 30 wickets.

For consistency, endurance and as a match- winning bowler combined, A. P. H. (Tommy) Scott was the year's most outstanding player. In what was really his first full Senior Cup season he established himself a Jamaica bowler by becoming the youngest cricketer to capture 50 wickets in a Senior Cup season. If his leg- break resembles that of his famous father in type and not in action, he bowls at the same tantalising length as his father in his hey-day, and already has developed the essential tem- perament to take it and come back fighting, re- flected in the fact that he also bowled most overs for the season. To his credit, too, he seems unspoiled by success.

Himself and Reginald Scarlett, late school- boy off-break bowler who preceded Scott into first-class cricket, formed the most formid- able pair on any side. They never failed once to take a wicket each in an innings, and as a result claimed 90 of the 110 wickets taken by the seven Kingston bowlers who took wickets.

MELBOURNE BOWLING

BOWLERS	O	M	1's	2's	3's	4's	5's	6's	5 wks. in Inns.	Runs	Wkts.	Ave.
D. Welsh	58.3	16	56	17	3	3	1	1	1	117	14	8.36
V. Rose	46.2	9	54	16	5	4	1	1	1	123	9	13.67
E. Kentish	113.6	21	122	33	5	27	1	1	1	317	20	15.85
H. Cooke	69	8	91	26	4	17	1	5	1	258	15	17.20
H. Tulloch	85.3	14	101	33	4	30	1	1	1	305	17	18.00
A. Bonitto	81.7	11	114	30	4	9	1	1	1	228	10	22.80
N. Bonitto	3	-	3	-	-	2	1	1	1	11	2	5.50
D. P. Beckford Jr. ..	32	3	40	13	3	11	1	1	1	119	3	39.67
D. Thorbourn	33	6	41	8	1	10	1	1	1	100	2	50.00
H. Binns	2	1	1	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	1	-
N. Miller	11	1	21	4	3	3	1	1	1	50	1	-
Extras			46	9	1	6	-	1	-	91		
Run out											1	
	534.5	89	690	189	33	123	1	10	3	1720	97	18.42

With left-hand Trevor White, who played only in the final but made a name for himself in tie and final matches of the Junior Cup, no other club can today boast of such a promising trio.

Stan Goodridge was the most effective match-winning bowler, and with the veteran George Mudie provided a good second to the Scott-Scarlett combination. Like last season for Lucas the lanky pace bowler took 35 wickets, but he cut down the cost this time by about 4 runs each. He was a shade quicker, but his length and control still required some tighten- ing up, and he must at this stage of his career learn to control the ball on or just outside the off-stump. He still exaggerates the swing to leg.

Along with the evergreen and consistent Hines Johnson, still our best new ball bowler; John McLeod, who advanced as a bowler to the apparent detriment of his batting; and B. Givans, Parishes slow left-hander, the bowlers mentioned above dominated batting in perform- ance.

ALLAN RAE, international left-hand opening batsman after an absence of five years, re- turned to record the highest aggregate with 520, but he was never as consistent as Denis Thorburn, who reached the 90's twice. We would have liked to see some more of the caval- ier Rae, and he could have shed some of his Test responsibilities in the lighter air of Senior Cup cricket.

DON EDWARDS, who went from Railway to St. Catherine, scored only 91 in his first 6 innings then hit 119 not out and 134 not out in successive innings to finish on top of the batting averages. It seemed late establishing for himself a place on the side to British Gui- ana, but we hope it augurs well for the future. Carl Minott developed pleasingly as an all- rounder, if he made his mark more as a bats- man; C. G. Charlton was remarkably consistent playing for a side of indifferent form; and John Prescod has shown a welcome curb to his in- nate impetuosity lower down in the batting order. Neville Bonitto, our best batsman at home, did not seem to put his heart into his cricket.

FRANZ ALEXANDER

"THE most improved cricketer seen at Fen- ners this season," is the compliment paid Franz C. M. Alexander, former Wolmer's, Kingston and Jamaica Allrounder, by Cambridge University correspondent of "The Cricketer."

Alexander thus became Jamaica's only Soccer and Cricket Blue in history as he got the first in 1951. This, of course, was not surprising, Alexander having not only played for but cap- tained Jamaica at soccer. He made his inter- national football debut in 1948 against the Haitians and Cubans, and was centre-half and captain against Trinidad in 1949.

Born November 2, 1928, Franz is from an ath- letic family, as Cecil Alexander, an elder brother played for Jamaica only this year and Carlton, the eldest of the species, represented Jamaica College in the Manning Cup.

For Cambridge, where he is on a Veterinary Scholarship, Franz crowned a fine season — his first in first-class cricket — dismissing five Ox- ford batsmen in the second innings of the 'Varsity match at Lord's.

He scored only 7 in this undergraduates an- nual "derby," but batted with some degree of consistency between No. 7 and 9. This is re- flected in his final figures of: 16-7-291-54-32.33. He finished fifth in the Cambridge averages, being headed by only Sheppard, Peter May,

the two England Test batsmen, and R. Subba Row of the regular batsmen; and prominently in the general English averages.

SENIOR CUP BESTS

DIVISION "A"

TEAMS	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Kingston	10	8	1	1	25
Lucas	10	6	2	2	20
Innswood	10	6	4	-	18
Railway	10	2	6	2	8
Wembley	10	2	7	1	7
U. C. W. I.	10	2	7	1	7

DIVISION "B"

TEAMS	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Melbourne	8	5	-	3	18
St. Catherine					
& B. L.	8	5	1	2	17
Com. Parishes	8	3	4	1	10
Kensington	8	2	6	-	6
St. Geo. O.B. ..	8	1	5	2	5

In the final played at Dunoon Park on September 10-13 incl. between Melbourne the winners of Division "B" and Kingston of Division "A", Melbourne won by 42 runs to become champion.

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horse racing

DOUBLEMAN DISAPPOINTS

The 1952 Jamaica Derby, 32nd renewal, run off at Knutsford Park, Saturday, August 30, provided the biggest gambling upset of years as the heavily backed Doubleman, four big wins straight, lost to Soloist in a most disappointing finish to the Blue Riband, on which also the big sweepstake was run.

Of six starters Doubleman was roaring favourite (2,050 \$ tickets of 5,427) and the winner Soloist, rankest outsider (196 tickets to win). For the story see article elsewhere by Gerald Farquharson who opines that, even without accidents, Soloist was the better horse that day and would have won.

One result of the race was that Doubleman, trainer Vin Neita and owner Walker, lost a chance to score a record of three sweepstake wins in a row; another was that Soloist sent two first prizes abroad and the luck of the draw had put two locals on the favourite:

The Mid-Island

WARD MAKES IT 3 IN A ROW

Leslie Ward won his third Mid-Island (Jamaica) Championship in as many years, when he headed off a strong field on the course of the Manchester Club, Mandeville, over August 16 and 17. He completed the four rounds in 302, 5 strokes ahead of the island's match-play champion, 6ft. 6 John B. Murray.

Despite his clear-cut victory, it was Ward's poorest score in his three championships: in 1950 he carded a record-breaking 291 on the par 70 set up. Last year he again broke 300, returning rounds of 76, 71, 72 and 76 for a total bag of 295. This time he was held by three other stalwarts on the first day — J. B. Murray (74, 80), Gilbert Sewell (79, 75) and T. W. Evans, Bank of Nova Scotia manager (77, 77), matching Ward's 78 and 76.

The Mid-Island, incidentally, consists of two 36-hole championships: the first 36 holes are played on Saturday each year for the St. Andrew Bowl and the second

36 for the Henry Evelyn Cup, formerly called the Hotel Manchester Cup. The combined scores decide the Mid-Island Championship.

This year, all four men — Murray, Sewell, Evans and Ward — tied for the Bowl. Failure to sink a short putt on the 18th on Saturday morning lost Ward the chance of nosing out his rivals. It was, therefore, decided to place the fate of the Bowl on the first 18 holes played in the second 36. Ward had not taken time before the championship began to get accustomed to the greens. On Saturday his putter was in disgrace. But by Sunday enough of his usual touch returned and he outdistanced the field, beating his nearest rival Sewell by 3 strokes. Murray on Sunday morning repeatedly had trouble with his woods and tee shots, while Sewell who might have given more trouble began to feel the effects of his comparatively greater age.

Thus by Sunday noon, Ward had again pocketed the Bowl and with a 3-stroke lead over the veteran Sewell seemed in sight of the Manchester and the Mid-Island.

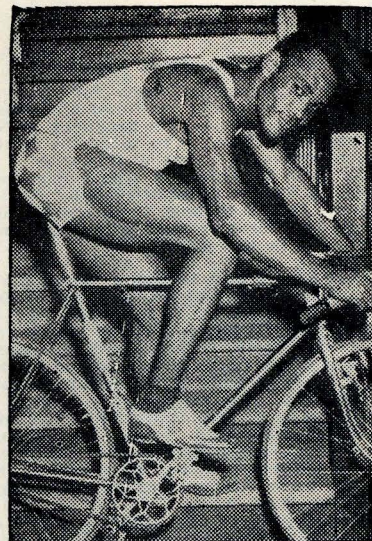
All the top golfers with the exception of the redoubtable Frederick Lindo, the Mair brothers and Col. Robin Stuart had turned up for the fight. Disappointing display was given by J.G.A. President Bob Mayall, always one of the most dangerous contenders with his facile play and magic putter. But he just lost his touch and did not come within the first 12. Others showed their quality by good scoring in single rounds: Major D. H. Smith from Up Park Camp, young and keen, had a 74 on Sunday afternoon; Major D. Baker-Carr fashioned a remarkably easy-looking par of 35 Sunday morning, showing considerable deftness in his short game. C. F. Smith, former island match-play champion, as did D. H. Smith, returned the best gross 9 of 34.

Presentation of trophies took place on the Saturday afternoon following at which Bob Mayall officiated.

cycling

THE GOVERNOR'S CUP

Twenty thousand cheering, shouting cycle fans packed the Town Moor, Kingston, Jamaica, to see the greatest event in the local cycling calendar. It was Saturday night, September 6. The event: the 10th renewal of the 10-mile Gov-



D. NUNES
1952 Champion

ernor's Cup race. Winner: Dave Nunes. Opinion: Disappointing.

Eighteen men faced the starter. Among them the defending champion Winston Holding and three past winners: Cedric Prendergast (1948), Frank Minott (1945), George Cohen (1943), with four of Class II best stayers, all the Class I galaxy bar Grannum.

At "Go" it was fast and Nunes well up, often setting the pace. At the end after many ups and downs it was Nunes and one other, then Nunes in an easy win: great feather in the youngster's cap but a disappointment to thousands who expected to see cycling's leaders act like cycling's leaders and not second raters.

Given by Sir Arthur Richards in 1939, the Governor's Cup represents the highest honour in racing, the champion of the year. It was given to the JCRA who alone have the honour of promoting these meets. Ten times there have been contests for it. In '46, '47, '49, '50 there were none. Entries are accepted from previous winners, Class I men and four Class II who qualify in a five-mile race some time before the big event, which is over 40 laps.

Lap by lap. The race got underway at a blistering pace, 1943 winner George Cohen setting it for the first two laps, then Nunes, McFarlane (Class II) and Prendergast (1948 winner, now Class II) taking it in turns after. Early on it was obvious that Dave Nunes was out to win one of the four lap prizes offered.

With only ten laps gone Prendergast made a runaway bid, was foiled by Minott and Holding, Cohen dropped out, Prendergast continued his struggle and gained a lap prize.

At halfway mark, Lindsay opened up a 250 yd. gap; two laps later Linton moved up to join him reminding fans of a 9-mile race he won a few months ago by running away as early as fourteen to go, but Harold Davis and defending champion Holding bridged the gap by bringing the field up to the leaders.

At "Seven to go", Nunes moved off, followed by Morrison. At "Four", Holding brought the field within 100 yards of the leaders; at "Two" Nunes and Morrison increased the lead to half-a-lap and a terrific last-minute drive by the field was to no avail. Nunes and Morrison struggled against each other for a ½ lap, then Nunes went away to a clean win of Cycling's Champion Trophy.

Following are the 12 best scores:—

W. L. Ward	..	38	40	40	36	37	36	38	37	—	302
J. B. Murray	..	39	35	42	38	33	40	39	36	—	307
T. W. Evans	..	39	38	41	36	40	40	39	38	—	311
C. F. Smith	..	34	40	44	49	41	39	37	40	—	314
R. G. Sturdy	..	39	35	42	40	39	41	40	39	—	315
G. Sewell	..	40	39	40	35	38	38	46	40	—	316
S. Murphy	..	39	42	44	40	39	38	40	37	—	319
D. Baker-Carr	..	43	38	40	40	46	35	40	41	—	323
Hon. R. G. Williams	..	40	45	41	41	39	42	39	39	—	326
H. E. T. MacDonald	..	39	38	37	46	39	40	46	41	—	326
D. H. Smith	..	45	44	42	40	43	39	40	34	—	327
A. F. Thelwell	..	40	39	43	43	41	40	43	43	—	332

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golf week

BOB MAYALL MAKES A DISCOVERY

Annually, lovers of golf from all over the island of Jamaica flee from the hot and dusty plains and seaside towns to the coolness of Mandeville, an English-style town nestling in the Manchester hills. In Mandeville is the Manchester Club, noted for its lovely 9-hole course whose greens are a delight to play on.

This year, perhaps driven by the heat of Kingston, there was a record crowd of visitors and players who toured the fairways every day. By the end of the Week, everyone was ready to vote that it was the most enjoyable Week 'ever' they had had. Among these enthusiasts was J.G.A. president Bob Mayall, a single handicap golfer and a statistician in both golfing and racing circles.

Speaking at the presentation of prizes which he was asked to make, Mayall added his quota of praise to the Club for the grand Week, saying "It is the most successful Week held not only in Manchester but probably anywhere else in the island." Then he revealed: "The other day I found, when looking up records of records of the Jamaica Golf Association, that in the year 1896, the Kingston and St. Andrew Golf Club was founded. It was the first time golf was being played in the Corporate Area. When the news item appeared in 'The Gleaner', it was noted that there was at the time a Mandeville Golf Club. The President of the Club at the time was a Dr. Nichol.

"It was, therefore, this very club, the Manchester Club of today, that first started golf in this country" (loud applause).

Honours were rather evenly divided between the Town and the Country, meaning Kingston and the areas outside of Kingston. But the Mandeville trio of Mrs. Thomson, Mrs. N. W. Hughes and Mrs. J. M. Edwards rather grabbed more than their fair share of prizes for "the bush". The visiting men, however, despite the presence of Gilbert Sewell, local champion, and Hon. R. G. Williams et al, swung the tide the other way.

softball

GREATEST YEAR

Softball has had its eighth and greatest year. Biggest event was, of course, the Cuban visit at August's end, but the great year had actually begun in the second month of 1952. That was the month of the elections and 7th annual general meeting of JASA. Just after election time the Commandos with special invitees making up an All-Star team left for a two-week tour in British Honduras — Jamaica's first softball club to send a team away.

Softball's eighth year began Feb. 4, when 46 delegates from the various member clubs attended at Emmet Park to elect a new body of officers. Commissioner G. M. daCosta did not seek re-election and a brand new body was put in.

Commissioner, Winston Meeks; 1st Vice, former Secretary Herman Spoerri; 2nd Vice, Capt. Donald Lopez; Secretary, E. Keane Alexander; Asst. Secretary, Ivan Morrison; Treasurer, Miss Eloise Dixon. Committee members: Jack Valiant, Arthur Scott, Vernon Buckley, L. H. Crooks, A. St. C. Gaynair and H. I. Binns.

Feb. 17 the Commandos started off on their two-week flying visit — to British Honduras. First news coming through was of 700 fans watching Joy Clemetson hit a homer, Pitcher Pet Grizzle and first baser Phyllis Chong starring; schoolgirls Laverne Connolly and Vilma Byndloss winning hearts instead of diamonds. The tour was successful and victorious.

March 18, the local season opened, Issa Park being once again the venue.

By July the season was well advanced and most competitions drawing to an end. Then Barbara Headley, a Dynamo star, left to live in England with her famous cricketing father, George.

End of August before the Cubans arrived, Technical and star pitcher Princess White clinched the Schools League with ten straight victories and a pitching record of two no-run no-hit games. Invaders topped the Men's Major League, with two straight victories in the final play off with former champions, St. George's Old Boys: 9-4, 13-4. In Men's K.O. the Georgians won out, while Melbourne took the Women's Major and Winchester Stars the Minor.

LESSON IN DEFEAT

First game the Cubans swamped Major League champions, Invaders, 10-nil with 11 hits and two errors to the losers' one only hit and six errors. **First test**, they won 9-4 (their baseman Carlos Cordova was star with a brilliant display). **Second test** ended with seven runs, ten hits, three errors for Cuba, against one run, three hits, five errors, Jamaica. **Third test** was a walkover for the visitors, 10-2, with first baseman Alberto Fernandez hitting a homer with all bases loaded and two out.

The first softball international had ended in defeat but it was well worthwhile. Players had learnt a lot from Cuba.

Outstanding events of the year also included incredibly fast pitching by Winnifred Robinson who bagged 76 strike outs, a record, to enable Winchester Stars to win the Minor without dropping one match.

Not so pleasant was the scene when Melbourne won the Major; spectators jumped the fence and the umpire had to be rescued by a special constable. Later the losing Dynamo captain refused to sign the score sheet. All very pitiable, unfortunate and marring a fine sport.

table tennis

THE CHAMPIONSHIP OF JAMAICA

Donald O'Connor is once again T.T. champion of Jamaica. Here are the results of the championship finalised at the Glass Bucket Club recently:

First Round.—K. McLachlan bt D. Williams, 22-20, 21-19; E. Harris bt J. March, 21-17, 21-14; C. Powell bt N. Wong, 21-7, 21-11; A. Griffiths bt H. Stern, 21-10, 21-12; F. Abbott bt R. Jennings, 22-20, 21-14; L. Chai bt M. Howden, 14-21, 21-17, 21-18; C. B. Chai w.o. C. March; H. Chai w.o. A. Cousins; H. Abbott bt C. Davis, 21-17, 21-17; K. Davis w.o. M. Crosswell; T. King bt V. Abbott, 24-22, 21-10; M. F. Tai w.o. Tony Mair.

Second Round.—Leo Davis bt K. Campbell, 21-8, 20-22, 21-7; R. Rose w.o. S. Mair; McLachlan w.o. M. Mair; Harris bt Powell, 21-14, 21-16; R. Mair bt Griffiths, 21-10, 20-22, 21-9; H. McMahon bt F. Abbott, 21-17, 22-24, 21-12; M. Pinto w.o. A. Hewitt; L. Estick bt G. Panton, 23-21, 21-19; L. Chai bt R. Chin, 22-20, 14-21, 21-12; H. Chai bt C. Chai, 21-12, 21-10; A. Alexander bt D. Falconer, 12-21, 23-21, 21-16; H. Abbott bt K. Davis, 21-9, 21-17; T. King bt M. Tai 21-14, 21-6; D. Simms bt S. Samms, 21-6, 21-9; F. Chin w.o. R. Martin; D. O'Connor bt A. Lyn, 21-9, 21-10.

Third Round.—L. Davis bt A. Rose, 21-9, 21-9; McLachlan bt Harris, 11-21, 21-16, 21-17; McMahon bt R. Mair, 21-16, 21-8; Estick bt Pinto, 21-17, 21-7; L. Chai bt H. Chai, 21-8, 21-10; Alexander bt Abbott, 21-16, 19-21, 21-18; King bt Simms, 7-21, 21-16, 21-16; O'Connor bt Chin, 21-11, 21-10.

Fourth Round.—Davis bt McLachlan, 21-6, 21-17; Estick bt McMahon, 16-21, 21-18, 21-18; Alexander bt Chai, 21-14, 16-21, 21-14; O'Connor bt King, 21-13, 21-23, 21-15.

Semi-Final Round.—Davis bt Estick, 21-16, 21-11, 21-9; O'Connor bt Alexander, 21-16, 21-10, 21-13.

Final Round.—Donald O'Connor bt Leo Davis, 21-18, 21-14, 21-17.

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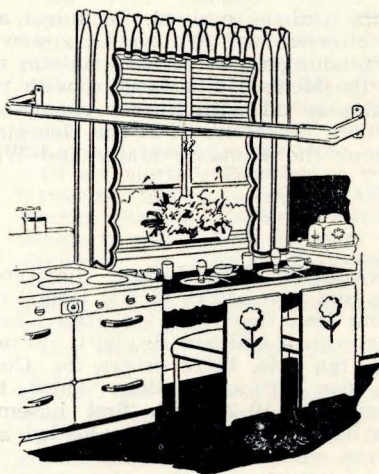
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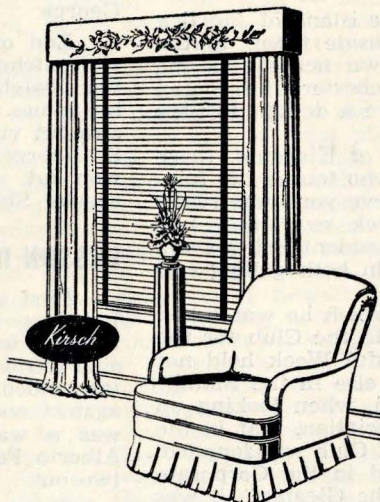
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FEATURES AND ARTICLES

Mystery Man of Cricket *Meet U.F. Co's. Jack Armstrong*

FOR many seasons a tall, dignified and slightly balding gentleman has been prominent at every important cricket match, and can be seen at one playing field or another every Saturday afternoon. With him for, perhaps, two seasons were noted the President of the Cricket Board of Control, Karl Nunes, and a former Chief Justice, who once adjourned a sitting of an important manslaughter case in order to attend a match, Sir Hector Hearne. The gentleman is the head of one of the biggest firms in the land: J. P. Armstrong, Manager of local interests of the worldwide United Fruit Company.

A man who has not played the game for over forty years, he is still the keen devoted follower, one of those without whom the sport would lose its vigour and interest; for the keen, informed spectator is as important to the game as the player.

So THE WEST INDIAN SPORTSMAN asked Mr. Armstrong what had caused his so great love for the game. The Englishman, head of the mammoth American firm, which has so helped to enrich Jamaica for over 50 years, was deliberate but unhesitant in stating:

"I was born in London but lived at Horton Kirby in Kent. So I grew up in the very home of Cricket. I have had the opportunity of seeing good players like Fry, Ranjitsinghi, Woolley, Hobbs, Tich Freeman. More than anything else, perhaps, my love for the game was due to what I saw of Fry and 'Ranji'.

"I belonged to a little village cricket club and had the advantage of playing with prominent members of the famous amateur club called 'The Band of Brothers.' We had some good players like Leonard and Jack Shooter, each of whom eventually captained Surrey for many years. These gentlemen were kind enough to include me very often in their XI."

The man who was to come out to Jamaica as U.F. Co. head in after years was educated privately and joined the Foreign Office to do 21 years' service with them, resigning in 1920, after working in Africa and Central America. He



J. P. ARMSTRONG
"I enjoy all the amenities"

was actually Secretary to the British Legation in Guatemala City in 1914 when the first world war broke out, and was Charge d'affairs at the end of the War.

In 1912 Mr. Armstrong married Miss Dominga Molina and they have a son and daughter: John (38), educated Harrow & Oxford, and Martha, educated Toronto and Paris (now Mrs. Madsen), residing in Washington with her husband.

He went into business in Guatemala City and soon became President of the International Railways, an inter-republic line as the name implies. International Railways did a lot of haulage for U.F. Co. U.F. Co. heads met him and had reason to know his great ability and esteem his character. When he later resigned and went to the United States, the head of U.F. Co. induced him to manage the Company's Jamaican business.

"I ALMOST refused it. Now I am very glad I didn't as both my wife and myself have been extremely happy here. It's going to be a hard job getting us out," Mr. Armstrong said.

"This is the first British colony in which I have ever resided. I find it a very refreshing experience after so many years in foreign countries. I particularly enjoy conversation with my own nationals and the many charming people one meets in government and business circles.

"I find it one of the loveliest countries I have ever seen and that is saying a lot for Guatemala is also noted for its great beauty and climate... 79 during the day, 62 at night... a varied rainfall, but average 75."

Travel, of course, had widened Jack Armstrong from the little 20-year-old English lad that strode away from Kent into a foreign world. It has also given him command of French and Spanish, a great interest in world history, his main hobby or pastime after watching cricket, and a knowledge

of economics that has made him an accepted expert. His economics, he says, he learnt the hard way, through close contact with such problems in the Foreign Office and with the U.F. Co. always as well as with International Railways problems of the international level. His experience was used on Banking Commissions in both Guatemala and San Salvador which sought his help to stabilise the currency in those countries. In Jamaica, he has written many articles for publication and dealing with these matters.

Back on his favourite topic, Jack Armstrong opined that Headley was one of the greatest batsmen of all time, and would put him with Worrell and Weekes and Hobbs and Grace on his "best team of all time".

"THE standard of cricket here is very high. The boys are good but they need good captains. The captain must be able to see more of the game than the bowler and be able to note the batsman's weaknesses. Take Goddard. He gets the most out of everybody, because he has the gift of being able to detect these weaknesses and point them out.

"It is unfortunate that so many of the high-class players like Headley, Worrell, Valentine are off the island and unable to take part in local competitions. Young cricketers are coming up. By watching these better men in the field they would be able to imitate their art in every branch of the game.

"There is a lot of talent. From what I see our cricket is going to be very good, if properly trained, but if the public, those who are interested in the game and are associated with it, are not going to show interest in them, then it will deteriorate.

"CRICKET is a glorious game, even if it is not taken to very high standards. The top rankers play their own game; they want to stay in and so take as few chances as possible. So that it is not always ne-

cessary to watch the recognised pundits of the game to enjoy it. Village cricket can be just as enjoyable.

"I enjoy all the amenities of cricket too." I do get tremendous pleasure and relaxation out of it. You always find a group of cricketers a nice lot of men. What more can a man want than an afternoon of such enjoyment?"

On that note Mr. Armstrong terminated the interview. He turned to a pile of papers on his desk — once more the head of a big company — and to his job of taking the biggest decisions on the topmost level.

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NEARLY every country in the world owes its success in sports to the Government of the country or to a small band of indefatigable workers, keen on their particular branch of athletics, and who are either veteran athletes or businessmen. Sports-loving Jamaica is no exception, unless it is in the fact that the local band of workers is small and inter-lapping with little or no Government support.

To these hard workers THE WEST INDIAN SPORTSMAN wish to pay tribute and begin in this issue a series of close-ups of "Businessmen In Sports". To start we select the Association that made news at the Olympics, that gave the world its champion quarter milers, and its head! Presenting Robert Edward Taylor, President of the Jamaica Amateur Athletic Association, head of the old firm of R. W. Taylor & Co., South Parade, Wholesale & Retail Haberdashers and General Importers.

Strong and sturdy at 55, but getting portly (200 lbs.) "R.E." infuses in his work for sports the same energy and en-

Businessmen In SPORTS

Robert Edward Taylor, President J.A.A.A.



thusiasm he gives to business deals. He infuses his energy and enthusiasm into fellow workers, too, but does so much of the work himself that they have elected him President for the fifth consecutive year.

The record of Taylor in the chair is almost that of Jamaica in world athletics. In 1948, his first year as President, "R.E." and family (wife and two daughters) were in London to see Arthur Wint, Herb McKenley and George Rhoden begin their world record-shattering careers. He was President when the little island dominated the sprints and middle distance (for men and women) at Guatemala City (1950). And this year he was still head as they, with Leslie Laing, bagged five gold and three silver medals between them.

He is St. George's College trained, a Roman Catholic, a devotee of Bridge, Swimming and Music, but all sports rank after that and high up. In working hours he heads the prosperous firm that his father left the family. Briefly, his grandmother founded Taylor's Furniture Store in 1874, and when she died in 1921 he became sole proprietor. He actually started in his father's business, and became head of it in 1939.

Father of Athletes. From his business place he has helped many a now prominent world athlete: Ken Rickards, international cricketer, Hyacinth Walters and Icic Clarke, West Indian sprint champions; Tony Rodrigues and Bunny Chin Quee, swimming stars; Roy Miller, cricketer; Roy Prince, Solomon Johnson, Terrence Clarke, Bill Gentles, Lloyd LaBeach, Mavis Evelyn, Arthur Jackson, Leroy 'Coco' Brown.

R. E. Taylor is a big name in sporting circles, head of the Jamaica Business House League (1946-50, Life Member since), head of Amateur Swimming Association since 1948. Outside of sport he is a councillor of the Chamber of Commerce, Vice-President St. George's Old Boys' Association, and Vice Pres. Wholesale Merchants' Association.

In social life his greatest attraction and charm to reporters and listeners is that he never fancies himself a great orator; he says what he has to say in short time with plenty of wallop in each phrase. Shrewd, practical and affable businessman in sporting circles, the others hope that he will long be spared to maintain his tangible interest in games and his valued work on their councils.

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Gerald Farquharson writing on the memorable 1952 Derby says —

Soloist Would Have Beaten Doubleman Anyhow That Day

NO event in local racing, in recent years, has aroused the bitterness, controversy and downright unsportsmanship, as has the latest renewal of the 1½-mile Jamaica Derby, which resulted in the defeat of the overwhelming favourite, Doubleman, and the triumph of the rank outsider, Soloist.

If ever there was a race which proved that a large section of the racing public cannot take it, and squeal like stuck pigs when they lose their money, then this race did. And to see that this is true, only one simple question need be asked. Would there have been all this fuss and acrimony if it had been Soloist's stirrup leather which broke, and Doubleman had gone on to win the race? I do not think that there is one race-goer in a hundred who would honestly say that this would have been so.

What are the true facts in connection with this memorable Derby? In what must surely be one of the worst lot of 3-year-olds ever to contest a classic race, Doubleman stood out on a pedestal by himself. He had run up a sequence of victories earlier in the year, winning the Trial Guineas, the Jamaica Guineas, the Governor's Cup, and the Lady Huggins Cup, in easy fashion, putting £1,630 into his owner's pockets. How, asked the punters, could such a colt possibly be beaten by the five mediocrities that opposed him in the Derby? And, since he was beaten, how could he have been beaten except by foul means? No consideration of the fact that the horse is made of flesh and blood and therefore susceptible to all the frailties of the flesh. No consideration of the fact that his trainer is but a finite being, capable of making the mistakes and errors in judgment to which all mankind is heir. No! Doubleman was the horse on which they had put their money, and therefore he must win. No other consideration mattered.

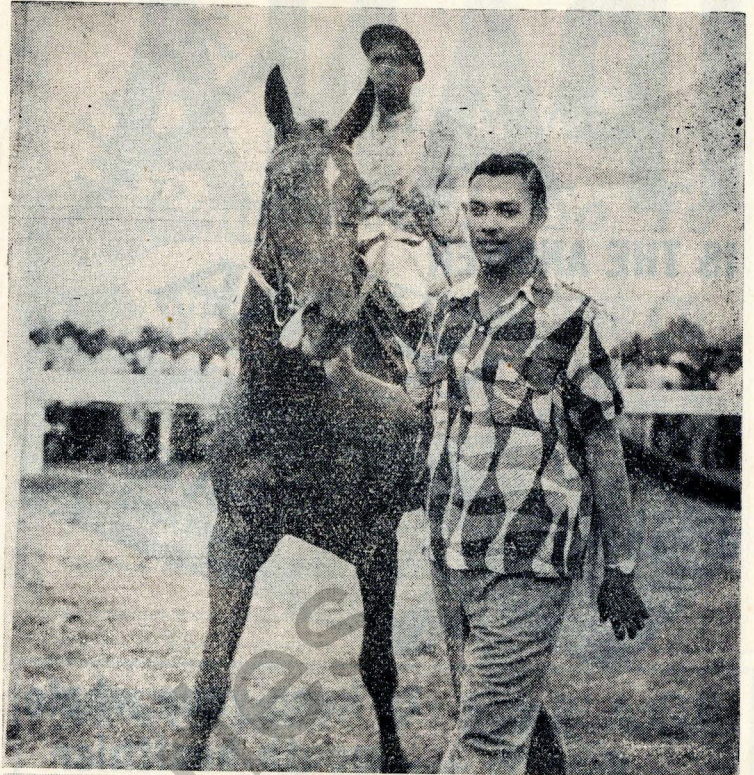
The breaking of the stirrup leather at a crucial stage of the race was, without doubt, a tragic happening. It threw the horse off balance, and placed the jockey at a serious disadvantage. But it is my opinion that, *whether the stirrup leather had broken or not, Doubleman would still have been beaten.* He was not within two stone of the horse that we had seen squander the opposition earlier in the year. Vin Neita is a trainer for whom I have the highest regard. He stands second to none in his profession, and his position today at the head of the list of Winning Trainers proves this. But, for some reason, Doubleman failed to respond to his trainer's skilful handling, and at no time during the race did he display that dash and power which had so effectively pulverised his opponents in the Guineas and Governor's Cup. He entirely failed to shake off Soloist, and even before the leather cut it was plain that he was in dire trouble. He finished very distressed, in striking contrast to the staying Soloist, who was comparatively fresh at the end of the gruelling race.

The most vicious rumours were circulated after the event. The fact that Ellis had dismounted at the starting-gate had the worst construction placed on it. The reason for the jockey dismounting was to have a girth tightened. He did this with the permission of the starter, and the girth was tightened by one of the starter's assistants. At no time did Ellis touch girth, stirrup, leather, saddle or other equipment, once he had dismounted. So much for that unfounded accusation.

Certain "sportsmen", whose presence in racing do the sport no good whatever, had the effrontery to state that the stirrup leather had been half cut through with a razor before the start. A close examination of the leather by the Stewards of the meeting immediately after the race revealed that it was old and worn and had snapped under the pressure of the race. The frayed condition of the break showed conclusively that no razor had had anything to do with the mishap. Trainer Neita was very properly fined for saddling the horse with defective gears. But the foul play freely asserted to have taken place by the aforementioned "sportsmen" was shown to be but a figment of their warped imagination.

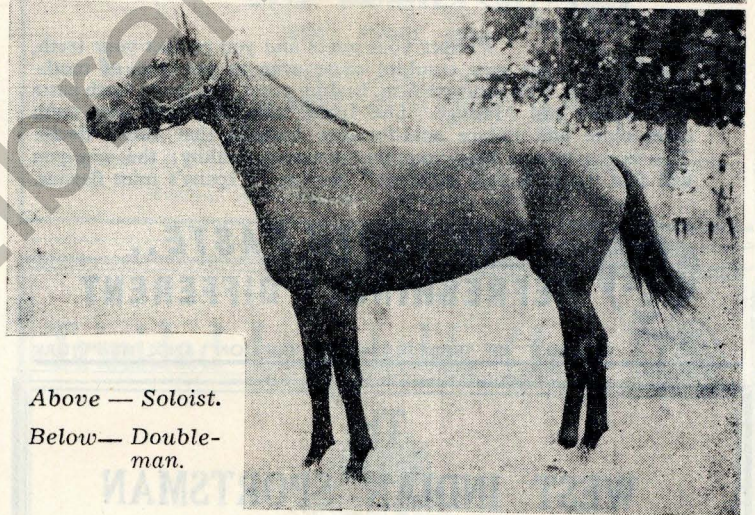
No! As the race was run, the best stayer won the 1952 Jamaica Derby. Had Doubleman been the Doubleman of old the result would very likely have been different, but he was not, and that is really the end of the matter.

Bad losers there will be in every sport, and racing is no exception. But when these losers are so vociferous in spread-



Above — Soloist.

Below — Doubleman.



ing their dirty innuendos and damaging statements as were those who proclaimed that they had been robbed by the evil machinations of some unnamed person or persons, then the sooner they are cleared off the turf the better will racing be. Horse-racing is a great sport. Let us keep it a sport, and not the plaything of people who talk through their pockets and squeal when they are beaten.

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Mrs. Whitbread's CORNER

Our Junior Golfers



Mrs. E. G. Whitbread, women's Golf Captain at Liguanea, is crusading strongly on behalf of Junior Golf in Jamaica. She has very kindly consented to conduct a little corner on Golf for our Feature Section. Her first article appears below.

EARLY in the year I was talking to my fellow golfers, in the presence of their children, about an 18-hole Medal round I had just played, and I noticed how interested one young man looked. I said: "You seem to be following this conversation rather well," to which he replied, "We get golf for every meal of the day so in theory I know it." To this I replied, "Why don't you play it?" There were several reasons why his parents thought he could not play; for one thing it is quite expensive; but allowing him to play with his father's clubs one afternoon convinced his mother that he must go on with the game, with that beautiful swing just like his father, which is one thing a wife cannot ignore; and that is how other juniors came on the course.

To my mind, the best golf is the easiest golf, and to quite a few of these youngsters it has been easy. Already some are competing with their fathers and mothers. At first it was difficult to impress them strongly enough with the Rules of the Game and Etiquette of the Course, when they were so busy swinging their clubs with their eyes on the ball. So far, however, there have been no casualties to report, only a few letters complaining about misdirected balls from seniors who had forgotten just how long it had been since they started playing golf. Moreover, there were two occasions when the Juniors were out on the course practising that Seniors' drives also were misdirected, and when it happens to be the President of the Club and a Bank Manager one stops worrying.

The Liguanea Club's first "Invitation Mixed Junior Competition" for ten years was held on July 27th, 1952, when 23 enthusiastic girls and boys turned out to play. The rain came down in bucketsful, but this did not damp their spirits — they were prepared for every eventuality, bringing bathing caps, coats, umbrellas, and were ready to start on time. The Captain, Mr. Ray Bentley, however, held them back for fifteen minutes after the arranged starting time until it cleared.

During this time they were told about the Rules of the Game and the etiquette of the course, to which they responded cheerfully. Both girls and boys stood up on the tee without any show of nerves and drove some beautiful balls down the fairway. Some very good gross scores were returned for this 12-hole Medal, which surprised a number of golfers including our President of the Golf Association, Mr. Bob Mayall, who came along to watch and afterwards to present the prizes.

David Lyons won the prize for the best nett of any competitor, while Ron Cooper had the best gross. Carol Morin had the second best nett for the boys. Mary Ann Lewis had the best nett for the girls and Jean Ann Clark the best gross, while a special prize was awarded to Peggy Orrett.

Mr. Bob Mayall saw one lad, Vernon Matalon, drive the green on the 12th within 4 inches of the pin, which pleased the President.

Most of the prizes were kindly donated by Mr. Ivan Delevante, Mr. Henry Evelyn, Mr. Frank Lyons, Mr. E. G. Whitbread and Mr. Andrew Aguilar, for which the Juniors and members of the Committee of the Liguanea Golf Club wish to tender their thanks and sincere appreciation.

THE Juniors are really very grateful for the patience and interest the Seniors have taken in them, and realise how much there is to learn in this noble game. To play it properly, the sooner you start the better. In golf it is not who you are, what you are or what you have that counts: it is how willing you are to put in hours and hours of hard practice.

Don't take the attitude that you are too young for the game — the beauty is that you are never too young or too old. If you have the keenness and determination there is nothing you cannot accomplish. By way of encouragement, golf is an exact opposite of most other sports in which complexity increases with proficiency.

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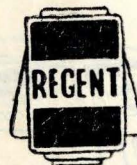
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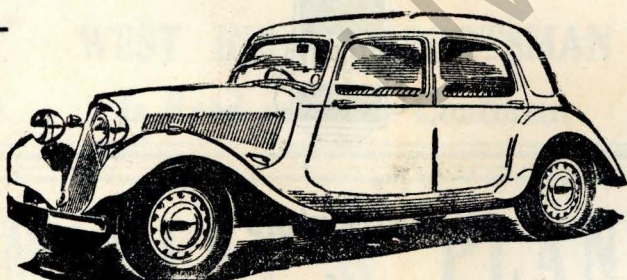
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ALEXANDER TIE TEN
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The leading member of the Chinese community of Jamaica died Sunday, August 17, in London, England: Alexander Tie Ten Quee, J.P., businessman and industrialist, philanthropist and sportsman, a great figure in all circles in which he moved since he came to the island some 57 years ago. His passing will be regretted by all who knew him; his memory will be preserved in the island for many decades after this year of his death.

The numerous memorials to his having lived in Kingston, Jamaica, will include the two big businesses that he was Chairman of until the day of his death — Caribbean Products, Ltd., pioneer makers of soap out here, and Alexander Tie Ten Quee, Ltd., importers, commission agents and wholesalers.

They will include the Caribbean Products Cup that he donated to Sunday competition, at the request of his son, Hubert, an equally prominent sportsman and businessman. Today it is one of the most popular in cricketing and it is noteworthy and remarkable that this cup has been won several times by the Chinese Athletic Club.

Other memorials of him will include five acres of land given to the Chinese Club as their sports ground; another five acres given to the Chinese Sanatorium; No. 5, North Street that he purchased as a home for the headmaster of the Chinese Public School. They will not be able to include the other and numerous gifts he has made anonymously and openly to Chinese and non-Chinese causes and indigent persons.

The late Mr. Tie Ten Quee was a courteous, kindly and loving gentleman ever ready with good advice and tangible assistance. No wonder the other members of his race in Jamaica regarded him always as their leader. For many years he was elected head of Chung Far Fuicon and other Chinese organisations.

Born in Canton, September 1878, he was educated privately and came to Jamaica in 1895 to join his uncle's business. He started out on his own in a small grocery at 18, East St., branched out in the wholesale business, corner Matthew's Lane and Barry Street (1907). By 1920 he was to be found at 47, West Street, the place at which his business is still being carried on.

It was in 1935 that, on the advice of a son now dead, he entered the soap manufacturing business and pioneered an industry that is now one of the biggest in the country.

Alexander Tie Ten Quee was married to Ida Him Moi, daughter of the late Hue Tet Choong. They had three sons, four daughters. To all they gave a liberal education. Mildred is M.D., worked with the Choong King Government Medical Services; Lilly, M.A., is barrister-at-law (Cantab) and an eminent and degreed musician. Alexander is dead. Hubert, a solicitor and manager Caribbean Products. Third daughter, Rena, is in North Hampton; Theodore was doctor, now dead; Alice was nurse Peking University Hospital.

Devout churchman (Kingston Parish Church) and profoundly religious, he is said to have told his son who wanted to go fishing one Sunday:

"You have spent six days making money, surely you can spend one giving thanks to Him Who made you and gave you the chance to make money."

Catholic in friendship, among his most respected and constant were the late Basil Parks, the late Dr. Barrington Armstrong and Mr. Reginald Seaton.

A sportsman, he played tennis until five years ago, was member of the Royal Jamaica Yacht Club and maintained a boat at all times.

His children have followed in his footsteps and Hubert is as deeply religious, as sporting and as philanthropic.

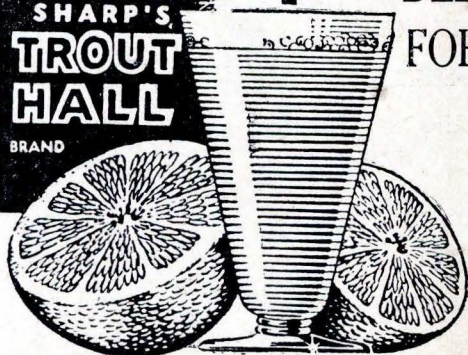
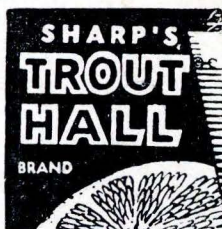
The Chinese-born gentleman never returned to the land of his birth although he sent his children. He spent his time in travels to Switzerland, England and other places on the European continent, and maintained a home in Kingston-on-the-Thames, just 12 miles out of London.

His death is lamented by all, and every society he was connected with will ever remember his work and worth. To the bereft relatives THE SPORTSMAN expresses condolence.

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