THE Calvert SPORTS COLUMN by Elmer Ferguson

One of the boasts concerning play for Canada's premier hockey prize, the Stanley Cup, is that only nature, or death, ever halted the play. This, like many other claims made in sport, is not correct.

Nature halted the play in the nineties, when for two years, there was no ice available at the finish of the season. Death abruptly stepped into the Cup picture in 1919, when the Montreal radions chamnions of the east invaded Seathle to play the Metropolitans for the Cup. Five games had been played, each team mands won two, with one tied, when the black 'flu, which scourged

metropoints for the Cup. Five games had been played, each team many won two, with one tied, when the black 'flu, which scourged the continent and left hundreds of dead in its wake, hit both clubs. Nearly every player was stricken, one died, Joe Hall succumbing, and that series never was completed.

But back in the misty past, in 1899, to be exact, there was an unfinished series, and viewed in retrospect, this fiasco has its humorous overtones, though doubtless there was nothing funny about it at the time.

Champions of the east were the Moutreal Victorias represents

ing one of the greatest truly-amateur clubs in Canadian sports history, an organization which disbanded in the thirties, when the press of professionalism became too great. The club refused to sacrifice its standards, and closed down completely. Champions of the west were the Winnipeg Victorias, a great team, and also completely amateur.

completely amateur.

These two Victorias teams had fought out a grim battle in 1896, each winning a series. In 1897, the Montreal Victorias again won the Cup, defeating Ottawa, there were no Cup matches in 1898, but in 1899, the all-Victoria rivalry flared again, as the two teams met on Montreal ice, best two out of three games.

The Montreal team won the first, 2-1, in a rugged contest. The second was tied at 3-all, when the series suddenly collapsed. The second was tied at 3-all, when the series suddenly collapsed. Tony Gingras, Winnipeg star, was crashed across the knee by a Montreal player, and limped off the ice. No replacement was allowed in those hardy days, unless it was proven that an injured player was unable to continue. The argument concerning Gingras' fitness to play, raged hot and heavy. The debate grew stormy, and the referee, Jack Findlay, came in for such sharp criticism that he doffed his skates, left the building, and went home.

So when the teams finally agreed to play, there was no referee. A rink executive hastily summoned horse and sleigh, drove to the referee's home, found him in bed, urged him to return and carry on, and the official consented. He donned his skates and

So the game was called off, for lack of a referee, and then the

But the western club wasn't done as Cup contenders great Montreal Shamrock team ousted Montreal Victorias as Cup champions, and in 1900 downed Winnipeg Victorias. But the battling westerners won the trophy in 1901 and 1902 in eastern invasions, then vanished, as a team, from the Cup picture.

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in years-never on the Giants.

activities. Today, with the farm system, he learns from the begin-

"When you get a real bad actor,

Anybody visiting a baseball training camp these days and expecting to find it crawling with the sort of colorful characters that Ring Lardner immortalized in his "Letters of a Busher." is in for a to say out past midnight he's got to ask permission. I haven't refused 'Letters of a Busher," is in for a to ask permission. I haven't refused big disappointment. There always will be, of course, the odd cut-up and Smart Alec in any gathering of robust young men but, taking them by and large—whatever that means—your modern beginning.

To ask permission. I haven't refused it yet. One thing I don't want on my club is a stoolpigeon. If I think you're doing something on me, I'll take care of it myself. I'll sit up all night in the lobby. I'll around ready to kill him if he made to the core and when you walk.

Which makes it, naturally, a whole lot easier on today's coaches and managers, but a lot harder for the baseball scribe with space to fill on his paper back home, and nothing much to write about of any great interest. Gilbert Millstein recently visited the New York Giants down at Phoenix, Arizona, and here, in part, is what he had to say about what he saw there, as reported in The New York Sun-



EVERYBODY HAS PROBLEMS these days, but to pretty Mary Mason, shown with a firm grip on her new Canadian National Railways gift certificate, none as enjoyable or important as where to go for a vacation. Helping Mary choose a trip from a map of North America is her equally pretty chum, Joan Snyder. The gift certificate for rail travel anywhere was designed and introduced by the C.N.R. and is available at ticket effices accommodation and meals on trains and include pocket money as well as railway fare. They are readily exchangeable at ticket offices as full or part payment for rail travel anywhere.



All Together Now-Everyone gets into the act as these lads prepare to break the tape together in the 880-yard event during an Oxford-Cambridge meet at London's White City stadium. Finish time for the stick-together collegians was one minute, 56.6 seconds

only on his playing, but his back-ground, his married life, his personal life, everything. In the old days, all you had to do was manage days, an you had to do was manage a club, pick out your players and get the captain to hand the line-up to the umpire."

A good deal of dispute has been generated lately, principally by the great Ty Cobb, over the ability and conditioning of latter-day ball-players. They way the Giants run their camp is about as good an example of how things are done these days as any. Because pitchers naturally depend on their throwing arms more than the other artisans, Durocher got about 15 of them out to Phoenix, together with four catchers, a week before the rest of the squad showed up. This is standard procedure in both major leagues. At least one argument in favor of the 1952 ballplayer appears to be that he does not, as a rule, start training as bloated as some of his predecesors. The daily weight chart kept by Frank J. (Doc) Bowman, the club trainer, showed no more than a four-pound weight loss in any member of the squad over a threereek period. "They don't get off said Bowman, a small, earnest man.
"They get here in fairly good condition."

n. 1 . 1 . 100 In their first couple of days the rest of the squad didn't do much more than run, throw tentatively, chase fly balls and play pepper. Infield and outfield drill and batting practice started two days later. This included rookies. In the old days, as Freddy Fitzsimmons, one of the three Giant coaches, and a fine knuckiehali pitcher in his time, observed, a

means—your modern beginning baseballer is far from being as picturesque as Jack Keefe or Alibi

Ike.

Sit up all night in the lobby. I'll guard the door and when you walk in I'll hand you a slip—maybe for a \$200 fine—and you can't look around and say, 'Who told you?'

around ready to kill num if he picked up a bat," Fitzsimmons recalled, "and they either told you nothing or they told you something once and that was the works. I re-I caught you. I haven't fined a guy member when I was with Muske-gon, a B club up in Michigan, and they had a pitcher there with a pretty good curve. I already had the knuckler. I asked him how he you're better off getting rid of him than fining him. Let someone else have the headaches. Times held it for the curve. I didn,t get any answer. So I moved around him to get a look at it. have changed, anyway. You don't and hell, he was covering it up with

have changed, anyway. You don't have that other-type player coming up. These kids are younger. In the old days, you didn't pay too much attention to a ballplayer's outside his glove. "Now we have baseball schools, clinics, seminars, what not. The kids get everything it took us 20 years to learn on our own. They're accepted. They know it and they know no one's going to get on 'em and ride 'em. Leo drives the guys in a playing way. He makes it a challenge and they get some fun out of it. We have one workout a day. Used to be there were two. It figured when you had two the guys were going to loaf through

. . . Thirty years or so ago rookies were hazed with precision. Their shoes and socks were sometimes nailed down to the locker-room floor. They were made to clean spikes, carry bats and advised, when mailing letters, to make sure bound or a westbound stamp. They were taken on snipe hunts at night, which consisted mostly of being led into a forest by a num-ber of veterans with a flashlight and an empty burlap bag, told to snipe, and then deserted.



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Today a ballplayer's psyche is nursed at least as carefully as his arms and legs, and the treatment now and then includes such items as a \$100,000 bonus for signing with a team. "Kid comes into camp with a bundle like that," observed one of the Giant officials, "plus a canary-yellow Cadillac to match his bush jacket, who's gonna mess with him? That's property." . . .

Nobody gets cash for his food. "That way," said one man connected with the club, "you don't have 'em cutting around corners eating amburgers and doughnuts." The ormally, to tip a quarter at break fast and lunch and a half dollar at dinner. One rookie admitted he had managed to save enough t A couple of others on their firs the menu, running up a tab of about \$15 apiece, including a pair of \$2 peche Melbas. "We had to set these kids straight," said the club man. "Horace Stoneham (the esident of the club) doesn't mind day but the way it looked, these characters didn't cat all winter.

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They Grow Bananas Fashions of the Twenties Stage a Comeback In Iceland!

People now grow bananas in Iceland, as a result of the ingenious harnessing of the hot springs which are plentiful there.

Gardeners need not worry about getting enough fuel to keep their greenhouses warm, because the water used for heating is already hot when it reaches them. Using its heat they are able to grow roses, asters, hydrangeas and tomatoes, even though the climate s sub-arctic. Schools, office buildings, flats and private houses are now heated by this natural hot water supply, which is inexhaustible. Experiments were first made in 1930 with a plant

A hot spring was tapped and fifteen quarts of water per second were pumped into the town to provide heat for the State Hospital, a large public school, a swim-

This plant is still in use, but i being overshadowed by the great modern one which began operations

family the rights to all the ther-mal springs within ten miles of Reykjavik, and set up plants capable reykjavik, and set up piants capable of pumping 81 gallons per second into a double pipeline which runs up and down the hils and across fields and under streets to the storage tanks at Reykjavile-All pipes are specially insulated to prevent loss of heat, and the hot water, having reached the tanks, descends by gravity into into the bath-tub just as it rose from the suberranean depths, ab-

plant within ten years.

solutely clear and soft.

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fully pure that it needs no chemi-cal treatment of any kind. It pours

EASY CURE

A writer who lives above Radio

Star Morey Amsterdam's apart-ment called up late one night to register a complaint. "You people are making such a racket," he said,

"I can't even hear myself type write." "That's easy to remedy,"

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more amazing results. By adding a mixture of methiomine and whey,

THE FARM FRONT

There's never a dull moment in -and that within 12 weeks the de-

days, and the latest—believe it or not!—is feeding dish-washing powder to chickens and pigs. All over

the map agricultural professors and tommercial research men are stuff-

It only loses five degrees Centiit is pumped out of the earth to room tap—when it is 75 to 80 degrees C. or 20 below boiling It would take 100,000 kilowatts of electricity to heat an equal amount of water to the same tem-

Today 3,500 houses are heated by hot water and it is hoped that the entire city will be so served It is expected that the small

ing swine and poultry with dozens
of kinds of soaps and detergents

-the latter the sort you hear boost-

washing whiter than whiter than

What's more, these researchers

white. You know what I mean.

of these may be even better than those already tried.

Dr. C. M. Ely of the National

Middy Blouses, Box-Pleated Skirts and Dropped Waistline Return

BY EDNA MILES

THE fashions of the Twenties are on their way back. This probably is bad news to the women who wore middy louses and skimpy, pleated skirts way back then. But to younger generation, these new fashions will be fun. Actually, there's a great difference between the 1952 silhouette and the boxy, graceless look of the Twenties. True,

that's molded to the figure. Ostrich boas are back, floating as gracefully as they did in the drawing-rooms of silent movies. The cloche, never really out, is back in many versions: shallow, deep, narrowbrimmed, wide-brimmed.

This doesn't mean that the only silhouette for the year is found in the flapper look of 1925. There are also high waistlines, rounded hiplines, half-belts placed very high. And there are normal waistlines with no hint of the Twenties.

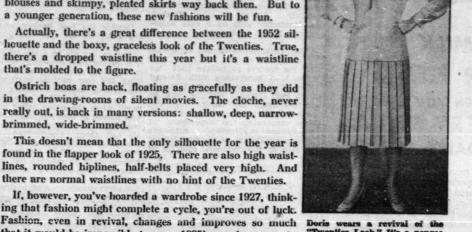
We Have It In Canada, Too

serious look at organized crime.

If, however, you've hoarded a wardrobe since 1927, thinking that fashion might complete a cycle, you're out of luck. For her role in "The Winning Team," actress Doris Day wears a tallored street dress of the Twenties.

Fashion, even in revival, changes and improves so much that it would be impossible to wear 1925's evening gown to anything but a fancy-dress party in 1952.

Doris wears a revival of the "Twenties Look." It's a pongee middy blonse with a boxpleated skirt.



Sparked by the Kefauver investigation, American business is taking

U.S. businessmen have, in the words of Business Week magazine, discovered some new things about crime that call for new defenses . Underlings in city bureaus are organized by master crooks (who) collect, and are collected from, as though they hired their jobs and had to bring in the rent money. The second new thing is that supercrooks who make money by organized shakedowns are using that money to

Crime in the U.S. has come in for much publicity lately, and here in Canada we're very busy hanging over the backyard fence playing scandalized Peeping Tom. It might pay to look behind us, into our own We haven't so much to boast about. Recently there's been a rash

of arrests by the RCMP attempting to break up gold-smuggling and stolen-car rackets. In the midst of a protracted and not very impressive vice probe, Montreal has discovered it nurtured in its bosom a thriving international racket in black-market babies. Toronto's had its race-fixing troubles and now, in the very words of officials, is on its way to out-do Chicago in gun play. In Vancouver various charges involving dope peddling and bookmaking are under investigation. Windsor took only a peek at a very nasty situation last year. The Federal Government has had to do some hasty firing of officials involved in illegal passport

Certainly our own backyard isn't a picture of purity. A lot of isolated - or apparently isolated - crime incidents have cropped up lately. But so far nobody seems to have worried very much whether

there is organization behind it all.

We might take a leaf from the American book here. U.S. business isn't fooling. It's setting up anti-crime committees in at least 11 of its major cities. It's making crime-fighting a business. It's out to discover patterns of organized crime, to rip them apart and to make sure that the law is enforced and crooked or scared officials are ousted. . . While there's no evidence of highly organized crime in Canada we can't afford to be complacent. Canadian businessmen might do themselves and the community a lot of good by getting together and seeing

what they can do to prevent the disease before they're compelled to

cure it .- From The Financial Post.

they get gains above what are secured with antibiotics. The researchers haven't proceeded far enough for us to be certain just what is the explanation of all this; but it begins to look as if with detergents on your own as and for far less money—as when they use the anibiotics that have been talked about so much this last year or two.

this; but it begins to look as if both antibiotics and detergents are helpful because they are wetting agents, which reduce surface tension and make it easier for the some of them contain chemicals that might cause trouble. The scientists are merely spooring out a trail that looks very promising—but they don't definitely know just where it is some to be a scientists. animals and birds to use the nour-ishment in the digested feed. They

There's the possibility that they may be on the brink of a really tremendous feeding discovery, for there are literally hundreds of the detergents that they haven't got around to testing as yet. Some of these may be even better than It is also possible that both the as well. detergents and antibiotics help by killing "bad bugs" in the intestines. For many years a lot of farmers have made a practice of putting

As a writer in the Farm Journal (Philadelphia) wittily puts it, the best time to plant pear trees around your place was four or five years ago. But if you didn't do it then, the next best time is this spring. At blooming time they'll feast your eyes with one of the prettiest sights in nature, and in the fall, after the trees mature, you'll be in for some real, juicy eating. Pear trees don't thrive every-

where, more's the pity, but a good rule-of-thumb is that if Baldwin apples will thrive, pears will do so also.

Don't make the mistake which many have done and plant just one pear tree—or just one variety. Few pear trees are self-fertile, so if you don't want to end up with many blossoms, but no pears, plant many blossoms, but no pears, plant so well, now it's up to you!

tices for infected wounds, was anticipating penicillin.

But—but—right here a word to

Best-known and probably best-liked of all the pears is the Bartlett, but there are other favorites too that are well worth trying. Smartest thing to do is ask a re-liable nurseryman what kinds he recommends for your particular

fruit buds on short spurs which but they don't definitely know just where it is going to land them.

So, in the meantime, better go on buying commercial feeds that contain antibiotics. They have been proven good—and profitable to use as well.

Thus you can expect a tree to start bearing fruit around the third or fourth year after you get it from the nursery. If you happen to be short of space, it's possible now to get dwarf pear trees which generally bear the second year after you get them established.

One grand thing about pear trees is that they require so little at-tention. "The more you leave them way one expert puts it, explaining that pears do better under sod than under cultivation; that they comes absolutely necessary, and that they shouldn't be fed too heavily with nitrogen fertilizers.

These opinions seem to be borne out by other researchers into the matter who have found that cul tivation and heavy fertilization tend



By Rev. R. B. Warren, B.A., B.D. Jesus and The Law Matt. 5:17-20; Mk. 10:17-22

The remaining lessons for this quarter are a study of "The Ten Commandments and the Teaching of Jesus." As a University profes-sor remarked, "Though the ten

the various burnt offerings. Jesus was God's offering for sin. There

mandments pertain to our duties to God; the last six relate to our duties to others. They are brief but lay the basis for all our religious and social relationships. Too many have a superficial under-standing of the commandments. The rich young ruler was as we would say, "a clean moral young man." Yet he loved his riches too much to give them up for Jesus Christ. He had his own god.

Jesus gave a closer application of the law. He condemned despising or hating one's brother. If the heart attitude is alright, there will be no murder. Concerning the com-mand, "Thou shalt not com-mit adultery," He said, "Whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with

We need new hearts if we are to keep the moral law. Through Jesus Christ we can be forgiven and born again by the Holy Spirit. Growing in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ we can then keep the law in the spirit and in the letter.

as no melon vine will stand any breeders have done, however, is to give us corn, melons and a host of other types that mature days and sometimes weeks ahead of the old kinds. They also give us faster-

THUMB

other nursery stock should be

is especially true where the climate

is dry and extra watering is diffi-cult. The main thing is to make

sure that the roots of the new

stock are kept moist in transit and

planting. All these things should be

planted in a good-sized hole, the roots spread out loosely, then cov-éred with fine, rich soil, pressed down firmly to exclude all air. Water liberally for a week or two.

Good nursery stock is soft and pliable and well supplied with good

live buds. The latter, however, should not be far advanced. The

nearer a plant gets to leafing out the more difficult the transplanting.
If there is any secret about the

business it is being sure that new

either in transit or after planting

Just because one couldn't grow melons or corn ten years ago doesn't mean that one cannot grow these things today. On the market

Get These In First

grown farther north where the sea-Memory Selection: The law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.

—John 1:17 And there are other ways of beating nature or our short Canadian growing season. One can start seed in a hotbed or window box and have plants well-grown and ready for outside just about the time it would be safe to sow seed. This means transplanting, of course, but for a few early things almost any

sor remarked, "Though the ten commandments were given more than three thousand years ago, they are needed today for man's they are needed today for man's tricks like putting little paper capa or even flower pots over hills of tender melons, squash, cucumbers and tomato plants and keeping tender melons, squash, cucumbers and tomato plants and keeping them thus protected until danger of frost is over.

Timely Tips

Anytime from now until June is the best time for pruning most shrubbery and trees. A good general rule to remember is that early blooming shrubs like Forsythia and Jesus fulfilled the ceremonial law. No more was there need of

need be no other.

The first four of the ten com-

rather than packs into a hard ball, then the ground is fit to cultivate and plant. If it is wetter than this it is too soon. Too much emphasis cannot be

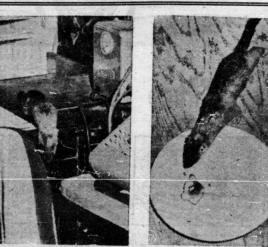
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FORGETFUI. Wife: "Didn't you take the car down town this morning?" Absentminded husband: "Good Heavens! Now I remember. I turned to thank the chap when I got out and wondered where he

blooming shrubs like Forsythia and Spirea should be pruned after blooming, later blossoming ones before or first thing in the spring.

If one can walk through the gar-den without getting ones shoes

really muddy or if when one squeez



High-Living Weasel-Willie the Weasel looks over the office situation, left, at a lumber company. Scorning the fields and streams, Willie finds pickings much better in the office, where he "weasels" tasty meals, right, from office workers' lunches.









