# THE Calvert SPORTS COLUMN by Elmer Ferguson

• IF YOU CAN find any list, anywhere, of world champion figure-skaters, you'll find that just over a hair-century ago this title was won by a Canadian, the famous Louis Rubenstein. And he won it in St. Peters-

or so, or even more. Perhaps, if there's any change, it has been for the worse.

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Over fifty years ago, there was the glitter and the glory of St. Petersburg, then the capital of that vast domain. There was the pomp and barbaric magnificence of the court of the Czars. But beyond the stateliness and show, there was the poverty, the threat of the bomb-throwing Nihilists. There were the pogroms and the purges, and there was the sullen suspicion, even in high places, of strangers.

Louis Rubenstein, a true amateur, paid his own way to Russia. He arrived there at noon, the day before the great meet, to be skated on an open-air rink, with lavishly decorated boxes to be occupied by closely-guarded royalty centering the stands. The young Canadian, inspected the great rink ice-surface. He checked the system and gradients under which he was to compete against champions of many countries.

Then he did a few practice spins on the wide-bladed heavy skates of the day, went to his hotel, ate his supper and retired to bed, to rest up for the great limits.

skates of the day, went to his hotel, ate his supper and retired to bed, to rest up for the gruelling test of the next afternoon. But his rest was brief. At midnight, there came a thunderous knocking on his door and in heavy tones fraught with menace he heard: "The police. Open up!"

So he opened his door, and there stood six huge Cossack police. They gruffly ordered: "Dress, and come with us."

Louis did. He was taken to jail, put in a cell, locked up. In the morning, a plate of thick porridge was shoved through the door. That was breakfast. And now the world figure-skating title seemed far away. Louis Rubenstein was frantic. He demanded that he should see the British consul, and at last permission was granted. The British consul, who, Louis Rubenstein once told me, was a giant of a man with bristling mustache, overhanging eye-brows and piercing glance, spoke sharply to the Russian captors. He didn't ask, he demanded that Louis Rubenstein be released at once.

So, in early afternoon, our young Canadian was released, but

So, in early afternoon, our young Canadian was released, but ith one proviso. He must be out of Russia within 12 hours of with one proviso. He must be out of Russia within 12 hours of the finish of the meet.

Meanwhile, the Russians, crafty then as now, had secretly changed the system of competition. But that didn't bother Louis Rubenstein. He was a great skater under any system. He whirled through the school figures faultlessly. And when it came to the free style, he swung in front of the royal boxes and etched his own name deeply into the ice—LOUIS RUBENSTEIN, CAN-There was a great skater under any system.

There was no question about the victory. The young Canadian, with only a bowl of coarse porridge to support him, was adjudged world champion. Then he was rushed to the train, and an hour or so after the meet was over, he was on his way out of Russia, and very glad of it.

So we guess Russia of years ago wasn't much different to Russia today, with suspicion, hatred, police, prisons. And now, an Iron Curtain too.

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Last Fall, when our Spring picks for the National and American League pennants finished right where we had called them, we declared that we were going to quit when we were ahead. In other words, we swore off the gaze-into-Still, a lot of folks, from Omar

Khayyam on, have sworn off and then found themselves backsliding. And so now, since we have been dared and double-dared to try our luck again, here we go.

Well, take the American loop first-which is where they generally land in the World Series. For oing to choose against the

In the National, we are also going outside New York. In spite of the fact that they came through nobly for us last year, we have a feeling that the Circumstance. slightly over their heads, and aren't going to repeat. Brooklyn Dodgers are, naturally, the logical choice; but somehow or other we can't see them winning a pennant as long as



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Desperate as he was for help, he still was skeptical of Farrell when the latter was introduced to him by Joe Vila, a sportswriting friend. All that Ban knew about Farrell was that he was an ex-bartender who became saloon-keeper, gambling house proprietor and race-

Charley Dressen is bossing them. So we are travelling away out on the limb so far that we can hear it cracking and taking a nab at the

So there you are, friends, Cleve-land Indians and Boston Braves— and if all the bookmakers hadn't land Indians and Boston Braves—
and if all the bookmakers hadn't
gone out of business you could
likely get 50 to 1 against the combination. 250 to 1 would be nearer
the correct price, at that.

As for the Stanley Cup, the Detroit Red Wings should win by
far as we personally are from finnancial solvency. With our usual
logic we're calling Montreal Canalogic we're calling Montreal CanaThey worked frantically to wet gone out of business you could likely get 50 to 1 against the combination. 250 to 1 would be nearer

ready had the site for a ball park at 168th Street and Broadway, where the Medical Centre now stands. "That's pretty far uptown," said the dubious Johnson. But Farrell and Devery insisted that the new subway, soon to be opened, would provide the necessary transportation.

Those New York Yankees, mentioned earlier, are starting their fiftieth year in the American League—and it is hard to believe that their original franchise cost the measley sum of only eighteen grand—an amount that even their trookies would read to have he same trouble as himself to have the same trouble as himself in persuading his wife to have he subway, soon to be opened, would provide the necessary transportation.

They worked frantically to get the park ready for the opening of the season. It was a rickety layout, with wooden stands, wooden fences and a ravine in right field. Because the park was on the highest points in Manhattan the team was called the Highlanders.

The proud and haughty Giants

BY PIGEON POST

William's friend never seemed to have the same trouble as himself in persuading his wife to have he same trouble as himself friend never seemed to have the same trouble as himself friend never seemed to have the same trouble as himself friend never seemed to have the same trouble as himself friend never seemed to have the same trouble as himself friend never seemed to have the same trouble as himself friend never seemed to have the same trouble as himself friend never seemed to have the same trouble as himself friend never seemed to have the same trouble as himself friend never seemed to have the same trouble as himself friend never seemed to have the same trouble as himself friend never seemed to have the same trouble as himself friend never seemed to have the same trouble as himself friend never seemed to have the same trouble as himself friend never seemed to have the same trouble as himself friend never seemed to have the same trouble as himself friend never seemed to have the same trouble as himself friend never seemed to hav

are going to choose against the New York Yankees; and, for no good reason we can think of, our selection is the Cleveland Indians. But don't ask us why.

In the National, we are also going outside New York. In spite of the fact that they came through nobly for us last year, we have a facilize that they that the Cleveland Indians. The proud and haughty Giants snickered at their new neighbours. So did the fans, for the new owners soon discovered New York was a Giant town. John McGraw then was beginning his fabulous career at the Polo Grounds, and would win pennant after pennant or alwe borrow more or less freely from ways be in close contention.

that article. In 1913 the Highlanders moved to the Polo Grounds as tenants of the Giants. They also changed It was the rarest of bargainswrites Mr. Daley. For the trifling sum of \$18,000 Frank Farrell and Big Bill Devery, a couple of exbartenders, bought the New York Yankee franchies their name to Yankees. They were still insignificant, so much so that the Giants felt they could safely Yankee franchise in the American house them without fear of building League. Strictly speaking, it was the Baltimore franchise they pur-chased for transfer to New York. The mightiest of all baseball dynasup a rival attraction at the Polo up a rival attraction at the Polo Grounds. For two years the High-landers stumbled along. Then, on Jan. 11, 1915, Farrell and Devery sold them for \$460,000 to Col. Jacob Ruppert and Col. Tillinghast L'Hommedieu Huston. A new era was dawning for the Vankers. ties thus was founded. . The deal was consummated on a winter's night in 1903 at the old Fifth Avenue Hotel. The official Yankee historians have set the date

was dawning for the Yankees. CAUGHT IN THE ACT

as March 12, 1903, although there are some experts who believe happened two months earlier. Exteremly ancient Grandma, aged 89, was feeling the ravages of winter pretty badly, and to stave off a cold that she knew was comdoesn't matter particularly. It almost seems ridiculous now ing, took a drop of hot whiskey before going to bed. On the way that a franchsie worth many mil-lion dollars should be bought for a paltry \$18,000. But back in 1903 upstairs she called in to give her six-year-old grand-daughter a cus-tomary good-night kiss. As she did Ban Johnson was dubious about the entire transaction. Johnson, a reformed baseball writer who had started the American League, had struggled for the News News 1990. so, little Agatha drew back re-proachfully. "Granny," she said, proachfully. "Granny," she said,
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BY PIGEON POST

"Pigeon pie," came the reply.

track plunger, none ranking as

the heartiest of recommendations. But Farrell shattered all qualms

when he tossed a certified check for \$25,000 on the table in front of

the American League president.

"Hold this as a guarantee of good

"That's a pretty big forfeit, Mr.

"Don't worry, Ban," laughed

Farrell, gasped the startled John-

Vila. "He bets that much on a race."

Devery, Farrell's partner in the

deal, had veered from bartending to the police force, risen to chief

of the department, and then retired to the real estate business. He

was rolling with wealth. More important at the moment, how-

faith, Mr. Johnson," said Farrell.
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### "Twenty - Five Lashes --For Profanity"...

Lord Byron said to Jack Skyscrape: "And as he knew not what
to say, he swore."

Now, as then, it seems that there
are those who cannot express
themselves without "swearing."

doesn't add any emphasis — but
only offense. And if the real need
should arise, the shouting would
already have lost its force and
effectiveness. (Like the boy who
cried "Wolf! Wolf!" too many Now, as then, it seems that there are those who cannot express themselves without "swearing."
And when legitimate language falters, they fill in with oaths and profane utterances.

In his widely-read work on

In his widely-read work on George Washington, Douglas Southall Freeman lists some of the penalties that a soldier of the Virginia Regiment might expect to pay for certain offenses, among them: "... twenty-five lashes with a cat-o'nine-tails for profanity, fifty for feigning sickness, 100 for drunkenness, 500 for fighting with another soldier ..."

Twenty-five lashes for profanity!

If the order were in general

If the order were in general force and effect today, uncounted multitudes would be beaten and bruised—in the army and out of it. These words are credited to General Washington, as having been directed to his Continental Army: "The foolish and wicked practice of profane cursing and swearing is a vice so mean and low that every person of sense and character detests and despises it."

It would seem to be seriously significant that in the Ten Commandments which the Lord God gave to Moses, the prohibition against profanity was thought to be a subject of sufficient importance as to be included in this limited . "Thou shalt not take the

posing upon other people, and should have the decency to protect all others against offensive speech. And yet profanity is so prevalent that it sometimes seems to have become almost as common as con-versation. But being common doesn't assure acceptability. Disease is also common. Corruption and moral decadence are common. And the fact that they are prevalent doesn't mean that they are proper

One reason, no doubt, for the prevalence of profanity is because we often unthinkingly accept ourselves as we are, and we don't hear ourselves as others hear us any more than we see ourselves as others see us. But if we were to hear a record of some of our remarks—and listen as if we had never heard ourselves before—there are times when re would

surely be embarrassed.

I heard a man the other day a "substantial citizen" shall we say?—who apparently knew only one kind of adjective, writes Richard L. Evans in The Sunday Pictorial. And no matter what he was attempting to talk about, every third or fourth word was a proface evolution or a a profane expletive or a foul adjective. With him it had become so habitual that he wasn't aware of what he was explicitly as the wasn't aware of what he was explicitly as the wasn't aware of what he was explicitly as the wasn't aware of what he was explicitly as the wasn't aware of what he was explicitly as the wasn't aware of what he was explicitly as the wasn't aware of what he wasn't of what he was saying or how he

commandments, there is a purely practical side of the problem: Language is an effective tool if wisely used. But if overused it loses much of its force and effecso-called "strong language is like someone shouting all the time. It soon becomes commonplace and



John Russell Coarse grain crops can be made | grains treated with organic mer-Coarse grain crops can be made practically smut-free if proper methods of treatment and the most effective disinfectants are used, report scientists of the Federal Laboratory of Plant Pathology in Winnipeg who have completed a three year survey of actual farm seed treating methods for smut control in barley and oat crops.

Their survey showed that old standby disinfectants such as copper sulphate (bluestone) and formadenyde are not satisfactory for treating seed as them.

Their survey showed that old standby disinfectants such as cop-per sulphate (bluestone) and for-madenyde are not satisfactory for treating seed as they sometimes cause seed injury.

tributes and powers."

Any man, on or off the air—any

man who appears in public or in private—should think of the in-

fluence and atmosphere he is im-

Modern organic mercury disin- fectant are an important factor in fectants gave much better smut control, particularly when an un-even distribution of disinfectant through seed grain was obtained with the shovel or loading auger method of application. The most efficient disinfectant was found to be the organic mercury compound,

The laboratory report noted that the mean percentage of smut in 166 fields sown with seed treated with "Ceresan" M. was 0.49 while in 103 fields sown with formaldehyde-treated seed the mean percentage of smut was 2.20. The

tage of smut was 2.20. The percentage of smut in check plots of untreated grain was 2.25.



HERE'S A STUNT TO TRY WHEN YOU HAVE LINT ON YOUR CLOTHES: WRAP SOME CELLULOSE TAPE STICKY SIDE OUT AROUND A PIECE OF WOOD AND BRUSH THE LINT OFF WITH IT.



Ontario Society for Crippled Children, which makes its Easter Seal campaign for funds March 13th to April 13th, is transportation of treatment cases. Here driver Jack Doherty is ready to take Mel Horwick, aged 20, to the Occupational Therapy Centre, Toronto.

The final fact is that crude comment and oaths and irreverent utterances are proscribed by the commandments of God, which fact cannot lightly be considered even by those who mean no offense by their loose language.

Perhaps the essence of the subject is suggested in that phase of the dictionary definition which refers to profanity as "irreverence."

Wouldn't it seem to be inconsistent to pray for health and happiness, for peace and protection, and for "our daily bread"—and then irreverently use the name of Him to whom we pray?

The opening utterance of the Lord's Prayer presents the key to the dictionary definition which refers to profanity as "irreverence."

The staye of maturity affects

The stage of maturity affects hays because the dry matter content increases up to full maturity. As timothy approaches maturity, however, there are marked decreases in protein and, in fact, all useful ingredients, and in their digestibility. For best quality grass hays, cutting should be made at the earliest heading or beginning bloom stage.

stage. Time of cutting is important with legumes, although probably not as critical as with grasses. With alfalfa, the first cutting can be made at the early bloom stage. Red clover and alsike should also be cut at early bloom or one-half bloom stage for the best quality

smut control, the investigators found. Machine-treated seed generally produced crops with less smut than shovel or auger-treated seed but only about 55 per cent of the farms, that treated farms that treated seed used a for one to make high quality has

treating machine. Pasture and hay occupy over 50 per cent of the total crop acreage in Ontario. Approximately 3 million acres of arable land and 3½ million acres of rough land are in pasture, while hay is grown on approximately 3½ million. on approximately 334 million acres.

Because of the large areas available and the low cost price of land, we have unfortunately, down through the years, been inclined to seek the line of least resistance by increasing our acreage rather than the carrying capacity per acre. Until recently, we did not acre. Until recently, we did not concern ourselves about the relationship between soil fertility, hay and pastures mixtures, and the management of same. Today, we consider pasture planning and management in all of their aspects as heing of vital importance as to the distribution of the concern of the conc as being of vital importance as reprise. Notwithstanding this fact, it is considered safe to suggest Hay, properly field cured under ideal weather conditions, is high

available to agriculture today with respect to the forecasting services of government through radio stations, and to use one's own baro meter, there

in the field, provided that it is cut at the proper stage of matur-Windrowing of hay after it has lain in the swath for two or three hours, preserves the quality by re-ducing the amount of hay directly exposed to the sun, and permits of better circulation of air through the the significance of same in the economy of production speaks for itself. alone because of the fact that the grasses aid in aeration which makes

for more rapid drying. The pick-up baler can have its limitations in the harvesting of high quality hay. This is especially so if hay ils harvested by contract. There is a tendency for the opera-tor to wait until the last possible

appreciable quantity of carotene. Leaf loss is reduced to a minimum and the overall feeding quantity is well preserved. Unfortunately, if adverse weather conditions prevail, there is a con-siderable nutrient loss. When hay

crops are fully cured in the field under such adverse conditions, losses in original feeding value are very considerable. Bleaching and leaf shattering can account for losses amounting to between 30 and 40 per cent. An acre of alfalfa that will yield approximately these that will yield approximately three tons of hay per season containing 50 per cent or thereabout of leaves has as much feed value in terms of digestible protein and total digestible nutrients, when properly fed, as one ton of linseed oilmeal, plus one ton of dried beet pulp.

The tripod curing method is to go to the north of Bithynia, but

Mow drying and curing of hay, either baled or chopped.—This either baled or chopped.—This method-serves to make for a better quality product. Getting hay into the mow sooner after it is cut tends to reduce losses from weathering and also reduces leaf loss, especially during unfavourable hay harvesting weather, with the result that more hay, cut at the right stage of maturity, can be saved and the that more hay, cut at the right stage of maturity, can be saved and the protein and carotene content will be higher if curing in the mow is completed in a satisfactory manner.

whose heart the Lord opened," became a Christian. She and her household were baptized. completed in a satisfactory manner.

Doubtless there remains considerable information to be discovered concerning this method of preserving hay. However, whether the hay is baled or chopped, this method of curing, combined with better



"Just like a man! Must have everything in black and whitel

..."

treated with copper sulphate or formaldehyde, seed has to be sown a day or less after treatment. Organic mercury compounds, on the other hand, control seed-borne diseases more effectively if applied four or more days before seeding, and treated seed can be stored without risk of injury. This enables the farmer to complete his seed-treating operations during the slack, pre-seeding season.

Methods of applying seed disinfectant are an important factor in smut control, the investigators found. Machine-treated seed can be stored without risk of injury to toward the goal of better hay. Such methods should serve to shorten the time between cutting and a safe moisture content for permanent storage.

The weather conditions at the time of cutting exert a greater control on nutrient preservation than does time of day. If a person has proper standard modern hay-making equipment on hand, and if one sees fit to take advantage of the facilities which are made available to agriculture today with

being conducted at the Ontario Agricultural College in connection with mow curing of hay.



By Rev. R. B. Warren, B.A., B.D. Lydia, Who Opened Her Heart And Home Acts 16: 6-15, 40.

Memory Slection: A woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised.

Proverbs 31:30.

It is remarkable how God guides companied by Timothy from Lystra journeyed through Asia, a western province of Asia Minor, being for-bidden of the Holy Ghost to preach the word there. They they thought ceived a call to Macedonia. The

record reads, "Immediately we en-deavoured to go." their home while they were in Philippi is seen from the fact that from prison they proceeded to the house of Lydia where they met with the brethern and comforted

them.

There are still some Lydias who not only have received Christ into their heart but who are labouring fervently with heart and hand to help on the cause in every way. The church needs more Lydias.

### The High Cost Of Getting Rubber

Better appreciate the elastic in that new girdle, the rubber in those new tires.

Much of it comes to you through

barbed-wire enclosures, past Communist guerrilla fire from the jungles of Malaya, where one of the world's great dramas is now playing.

A close-up of the life of a rubber planter and his family in Malaya is given by a pretty Eng-lish girl, Rhona Connery, now vis-iting the United States after three

years as news and special events editor of Radio Malaya. During her stay in the heart of rubber, Miss Connery witnessed blood-and-thunder dramas that rival the tales of America's early frontiers and Indian warfare. Says

"The average English rubber grower in Malaya lives in a bungalow in a barbed-wire enclosure, from which his family dare not stray. Every time he rides his ambush. To have even a slim mar-gin of safety he must take a differ-

ent route every day."



All Socked Away-Faced with a critical housing problem after her collie, Pippin, had 11 puppies, Mrs. Theo Rubbright solved it by hanging up the pups in socks.









