

## Superstitions And Records Pitted Against 50 Anglers

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WEDGEPORT, N.S. (CP)—Superstitions and past records are pitted against 50 anglers from four continents as they prepare for the 13th international tuna cup match opening here today.

Eight flags representing 13 nations will flutter from the halibut yards when a 30-foot fleet leaves the dock at dawn in an effort to break popular conception that it's a poor fishing year and the numerical jinx of 13.

The anxiety of making good this year has brought some revolutionary changes in match rules.

**FOURTH DAY POSSIBLE**  
Most significant is the decision by the tournament committee to extend the tournament into a fourth day if no tuna are boated in the regular three-day competition. The captains of six of the eight teams agreed Tuesday to make it a four-day affair if there is no luck on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Said Kip Farrington, Jr., of Easthampton, N.Y., a tuna match director: "I didn't think this could ever come about at Wedgeport, the best tuna fishing hole in the world."

Six of the eight teams competing this year have had several days of practice on famed Solid-Rip and in Lobster Bay, the alternative fishing area that this year may be used again at the discretion of boat captains.

Fishing luck has been spotty this season but there was a general boost in spirits during the weekend when John Bethell of the British Commonwealth team boated a 457-pounder. The same day Tom Lineveaver of New

York hooked and successfully gaffed a 670-pounder.

For the superstitious—and there aren't too many in this united nations gathering of big-sea hunters—there is a conglomeration of figures that may or may not mean something.

This is the 13th tournament. So far this season only 13 tuna have been caught off Wedgeport by rod and reel. The middle day of the tournament falls on the 13th of September. And the man who is the centre of attention from the credulous corps is Cuba's Pepin Alzobere, the 13th to register among team participants.

**SENTIMENTAL FAVORITE**  
Germany and Peru, two of three new teams this year, were the last to arrive. They go to the tuna grounds without benefit of practice but it's anybody's battle in this preoccupation of millionaire bankers, industrialists and diplomats.

Others in this quest for the Sharp Cup, 19 year-old symbol of supremacy for big game fishing honors, are Cuba, the United States, Mexico, the British Commonwealth and Portugal.

Cuba and the U.S. have each won the prize three times. Argentina is the sentimental favorite this year. In 10 years trying the Argentinians have come close often but never won.

Last year when the U.S. won on the basis of one of the two fish landed in the entire tournament, the Argentine team probably had the toughest luck.

They had hooked a 615-pounder 30 pounds heavier than the winning specimen, only to be disqualified when a shark came along to chomp off a 50-pound steak.

## Move To Select Winnipeg's '56 Football Queen Stalled

WINNIPEG (CP)—A move to select Winnipeg's 1956 football queen on a brains-plus-beauty basis was stalled Tuesday night when the public school board rejected an offer by Winnipeg Blue Bombers' Quark Club of a \$50 scholarship for the winner in return for co-operation in picking candidates.

Club representative H. Wainwright said the aim was a "project" instead of a name contest—and there would be no cheese-cake. Winning the Miss Grey Cup contest would be incidental to doing something for a deserving student. Entrants would be high school, normal school, university and nursing students between 17 and 21.

"We do not want somebody that nature has been abundantly kind to, with all the curves under control, and a beautiful face, although that would be a wonderful asset," he said.

Bombers' vice-president Percy Ganser said the judges—"intellectual writers, artists, people known to everyone in the community"—would consider scholastic attainment, beauty, poise and talent. But the project would be by no means a beauty contest. A class average of 67 per cent would be a minimum for any entrant.

The club wanted the board to accept the scholarship and have school principals make the initial choice of entries.

Trustee H. B. Parker said the 67 per cent average was too low. Trustee Andrew Robertson said the mark should be 80 or 85. Trustee G. J. Reeve called the plan "simply high pressure publicity."

"The Blue Bombers do not operate their football teams on a basis of beauty," said trustee Joseph Zuken. "We shouldn't operate our scholarships on such a basis."

The board voted 8 to 5 to not cooperate.

**GRAVE HAZARD**  
Although the annual toll has been decreasing, 636 coal miners died in accidents in West Germany in 1955.

## NHL Completes Arrangements To Televis 12 Hockey Games

TORONTO (CP)—The National Hockey League announced Tuesday arrangements have been completed for 12 Saturday afternoon games to be televised over the Columbia Broadcasting System network from Detroit, Boston, New York and Chicago this season.

A meeting of league governors and managers also named the team which will face the Stanley Cup champion Montreal Canadiens in the annual NHL all-star game in Montreal Oct. 9.

President Clarence Campbell said the Saturday afternoon games are an experiment in an effort to exploit the potential of television.

On the all-star team, Glen Hall of Detroit Red Wings and Terry Sawchuk of Boston Bruins will share goaltending duties. Defencemen are Bill Gadsby, New York Rangers; Red Kelly, Detroit; Fern Flaman, Boston; Gus Morrison, Chicago Black Hawks, and Jim Morrison and Hugh Bolton, Toronto Maple Leafs.

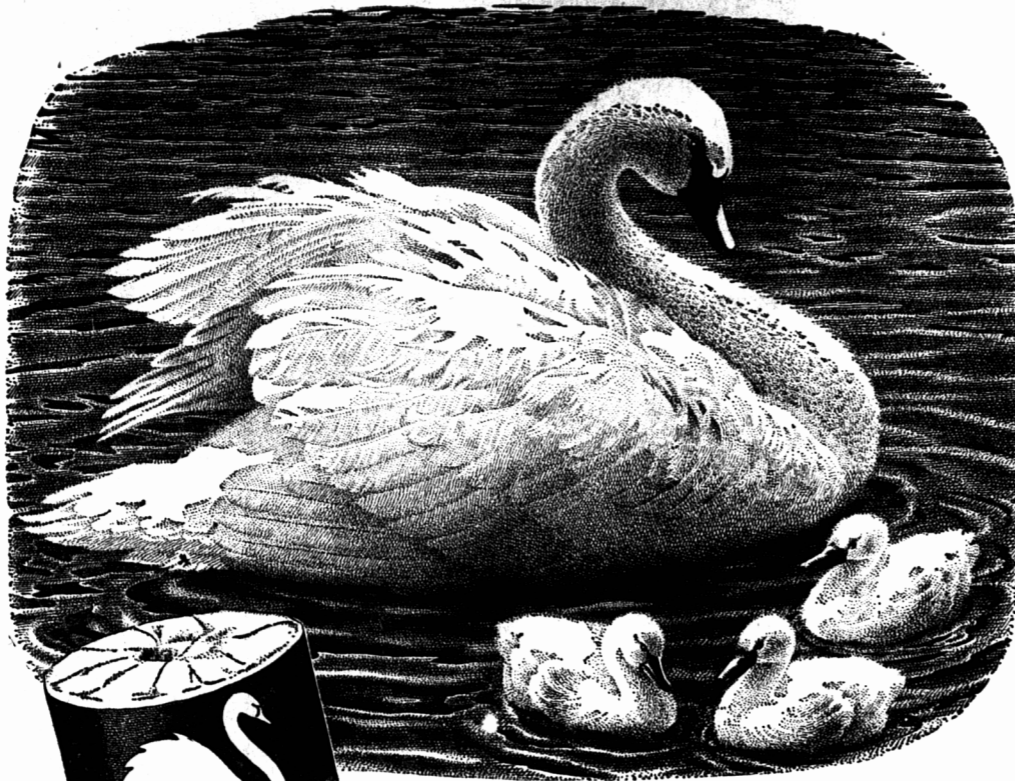
Other lines are: Dick Duff, left wing, Tod Sloan, centre, and George Armstrong, right wing, all of Toronto; Johnny Wilson, Chicago, left wing, Dave Creighton, New York, centre, and Leo Labine, Boston, right wing; and Nick Mickoski, Chicago, left wing, Red Sullivan, formerly of Chicago and now with New York, centre, and Wally Hergesheimer, former Ranger now with the Black Hawks right wing.

Jimmy Skinner, Detroit coach, will direct the team. Red Storey will referee with Doug Davies and Bill Roberts as linesmen.

Remember When  
Hon Canadian three-year-old championship at Polo Park in Winnipeg eight years ago today. Victory Gift, previous winner of the \$5,000 Canadian Derby at Winnipeg, was the only filly in a field of four good three-year-olds.

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