

THE GYROLOG



THE GYRO CLUB OF EDMONTON
— EDMONTON — ALBERTA

February 24, 1986

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, March 4, 1986, Mayfair Golf and Country Club at 12.15 p.m.

COMING EVENTS

1. The Election of Officers will be held on Tuesday, March 18, 1986 by which time Nomination Papers should be in the hands of Returning Officer Allan Warrack. At this meeting the Primary Ballot for the election of directors will be held.
2. The Annual Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 1, 1986 at which time each Committee Chairman will be expected to present a written report of his Committee's activities during the year. On this date, too, the final ballot for the election of directors will take place.

BIRTHDAYS

Don Agnew	February 21	Bill Agnew	February 22
Stan Smith.	February 24	Howie Sharp	February 27
John Pedden	March 2		

"God keep my heart attuned to laughter when youth is done;
When all the days are gray days, coming after the warmth, the sun,
God keep me then from bitterness, from grieving, when life seems cold;
God, keep me always loving and believing as I grow old.

-Anonymous-

SICK AND VISITING

1. Bert Boren was in attendance at the meeting having recovered from some recent surgery on his hand.
2. Rod Ziegler is waiting for a vacant hospital bed. As soon as one is available he will be admitted for some orthopedic surgery.

HOCKEY SWEEPSTAKES

Game No. 14, February 15, 1986

\$10.00 - Jean MacDonald, Ticket No. 1240; Dennis Fayant, Ticket No. 1376.
\$15.00 - Rick Connors, Ticket No. 1260; Jan Morter, Ticket No. 1396.
\$25.00 - Don Howden, Ticket No. 1273; George Huntingford, Ticket No. 1409.

Game No. 15, February 22, 1986

\$10.00 - Mort Morter, Ticket No. 1286; Don Millar, Ticket No. 1430.
\$15.00 - Bryant Richards, Ticket No. 1297.
\$25.00 - Gordon Lupul, Ticket No. 1300; Bette McClure, Ticket No. 1380;
Dennis Storoz, Ticket No. 1434; Edna Lawton, Ticket No's 1366 and 1377.

THIS WEEK (26)

A note from Nelles Buchanan expressed his thanks for the birthday card signed by the members and delivered by Harry Mills and Gordon Rennie. He sent greetings and good wishes to the club members.

Chairman Allan Warrack of the Nominating Committee presented the following slate of Officers: President: Al McClure; 1st Vice-President: Neil Sheidow; 2nd Vice-President: Dave Burnett; Secretary: Jim Humphries; Treasurer: John Pedden; Padre: Rev. Bill Graham; Immediate Past President: Mort Morter.

This does not preclude nominations from the floor on election day.

Marty Larson gave a brief report on the International Interim Meeting in San Diego, California which he attended on a rain-drenched week-end of February 12 through 16, 1986.

He stated that International was delighted with the offer to have the Edmonton Gyro Club act as host for the 1996 International Convention.

Incidentally this will be our 75th Anniversary Year.

(over)

The 1990 International Convention is slated for Fort Lauderdale, Florida. It is planned to hold this convention aboard a chartered ship which will cruise the Caribbean for a week. The cost is estimated to be about \$1500.00 per person.

Marty also cut up a few old touches with John and Marion Halford, having spent a dinner hour with them. They send greetings to all their Edmonton friends.

Dave Webber introduced the guest speaker, Al Coates, a sports reporter and baseball broadcaster for radio station CFRN. Born in Calmar, Alberta, Mr. Coates has spent most of his life in this part of the world. His love of sports, particularly baseball, took him into the field of sports broadcasting and reporting. He spoke of his happy association with many well-known athletes through interviewing them and describing their accomplishments on the field. Once again Mr. Coates will be broadcasting the games of the Pacific Coast League Edmonton Trappers. He distributed Trapper lapel pins to all present.

The writer, on behalf of the Club, thanked Mr. Coates for an interesting, instructive, and entertaining talk. He also presented the speaker with a small token of the Club's appreciation.

Allan Warrack won the draw.

Now that baseball spring training has started we can conclude by relating a few baseball stories that Mr. Coates didn't tell. These involve Yogi Berra, one time star Yankee catcher, who was almost as well-known as a raconteur.

Berra was in great demand as a banquet speaker, but all requests for his services had to go through a front office man, Jackie Farrell, who had occasion to telephone Yogi very early one morning. "Yogi, did I get you up out of bed?" Jackie asked. "No," said Yogi, "I had to get up to answer the telephone anyway."

Larry Napp, an umpire, recalls the time he was walking out of a New York restaurant with Yogi who had been presented with a clock at the banquet. As they got out onto the street a staggering drunk bumped into Yogi.

"Excuse me," said Berra. The drunk looked at him indignantly. "Why the hell can't you wear a wrist watch like everybody else?"

Very seldom was Yogi Berra stopped as a conversationalist; but Hank Aaron did it one day. When Aaron came up to hit Yogi noticed that the trademark on the bat was down. "Henry," said Yogi, "you don't want to break that bat. Better turn it around so you can read that trademark."

"Mr. Berra," replied Henry, "I didn't come up here to read."

And speaking of reading I do hope that you got this far.