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Finish of the Quarter-Mile Dash, Eights, at the 1955 Royal Canadian Henley Regatta: the winning St. Catharines Rowing Club Crew (left, distance) crosses the line two feet in front of Toronto Dons. Trailing, from the left, Detroit Rowing Club, sixth; Buffalo Westsides, third; St. Catharines Rowing Club No. 2 Crew, fifth, and New York Athletic Club, fourth.

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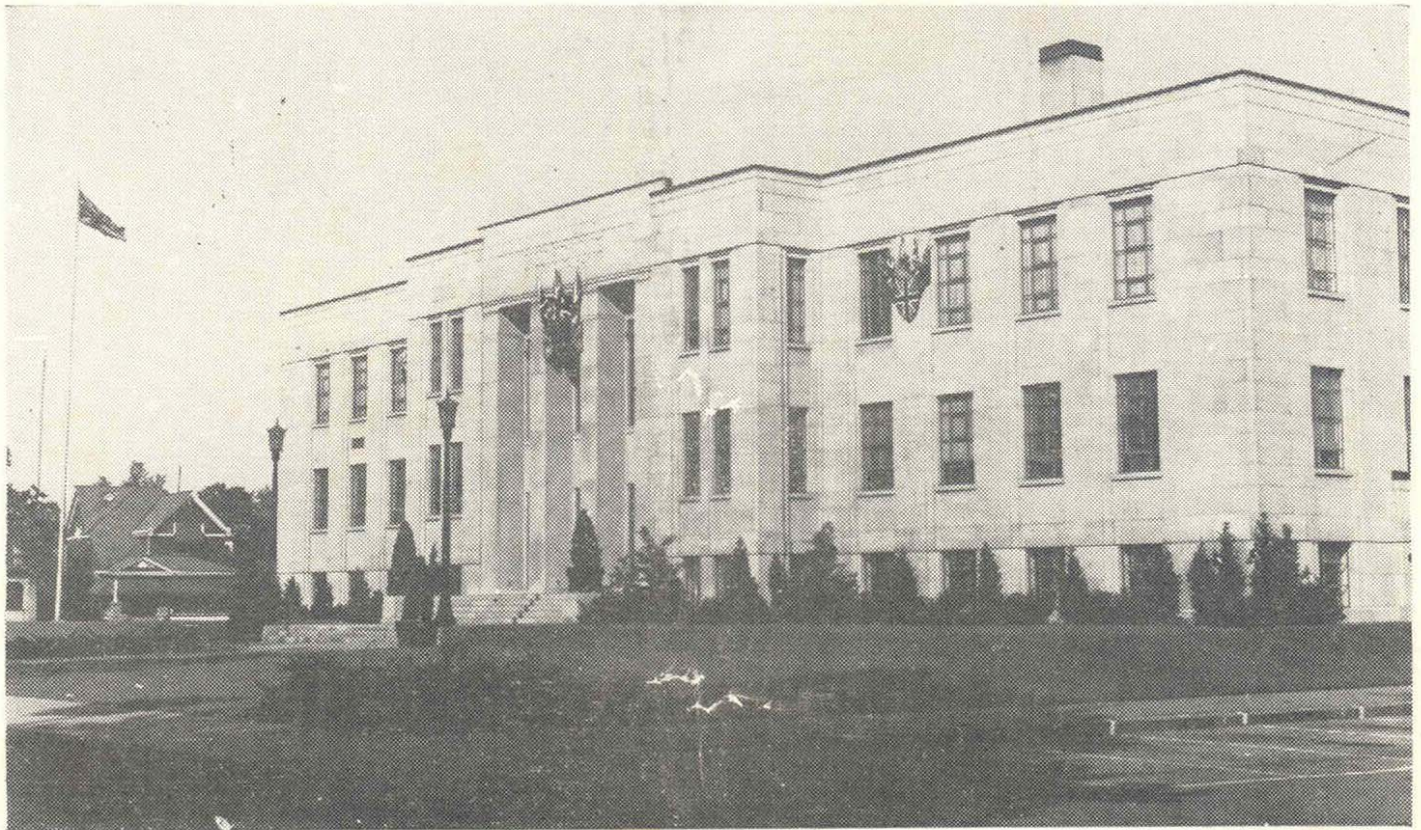
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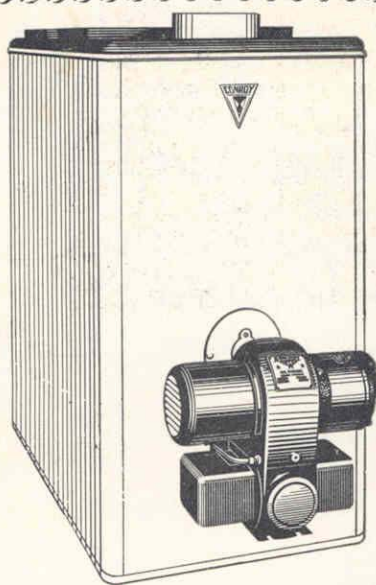
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Brockville R.C., Brockville, Ont., Canada	109½	16	6	35	9½	—	—
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Detroit R.C., Detroit, Mich., U.S.A.	43	1	94	7	11	17½	—
Don R.C., Toronto, Ont., Canada	17	62	60	79½	156½	44½	51
Ecorse B.C., Ecorse, Mich., U.S.A.	16½	46½	—	43	14½	—	26½
Fairmount R.A., Philadelphia, Pa., U.S.A.	—	—	—	—	5	15	18½
Fort William R.C., Fort William, Ont., Canada	—	—	—	—	25	—	—
Lachine R.C., Lachine Quebec, Canada	—	½	—	15	—	—	—
Leander B.C., Hamilton, Ont., Canada	129½	68	130½	42	44	41	94
Lincoln Park B.C., Chicago, Ill., U.S.A.	—	—	—	20	20	—	—
Malta B.C., Philadelphia, Pa., U.S.A.	—	—	—	4	—	—	7
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Minnesota B.C., St. Paul, Minn., U.S.A.	—	11½	—	14	—	—	—
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New York A.C., New York, N.Y., U.S.A.	138½	109½	100½	77½	3	54	31
Old Dominion B.C., Alexandria, Va., U.S.A.	—	—	—	7½	—	—	—
Ottawa R.C., Ottawa, Ont., Canada	2	5	5	30	5½	1	50½
Penn A.C., Philadelphia, Pa., U.S.A.	—	—	10	—	—	—	16
Potomac B.C., Washington, D.C., U.S.A.	9½	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ravenswood B.C., Long Island, N.Y., U.S.A.	—	—	—	—	—	15	18
Seattle T.C., Seattle, Wash., U.S.A.	—	—	—	—	29½	11½	—
St. Catharines R.C., St. Catharines, Ont., Canada	315½	128½	210	118½	112	336	313
Undine B.C., Philadelphia, Pa., U.S.A.	—	—	—	—	25	15	—
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Vesper B.C., Philadelphia, Pa., U.S.A.	142	115	130	15	12	37	—
Westside R.C., Buffalo, N.Y., U.S.A.	240½	337	229	392	328	220	266½
Winnipeg Bachelors, Winnipeg, Man., Canada	—	—	—	—	4	—	—
Winnipeg R.C., Winnipeg, Man., Canada	—	10	—	—	5	—	35½
Wyandotte B.C., Wyandotte, Mich., U.S.A.	34	28	34	8	20½	30½	13½
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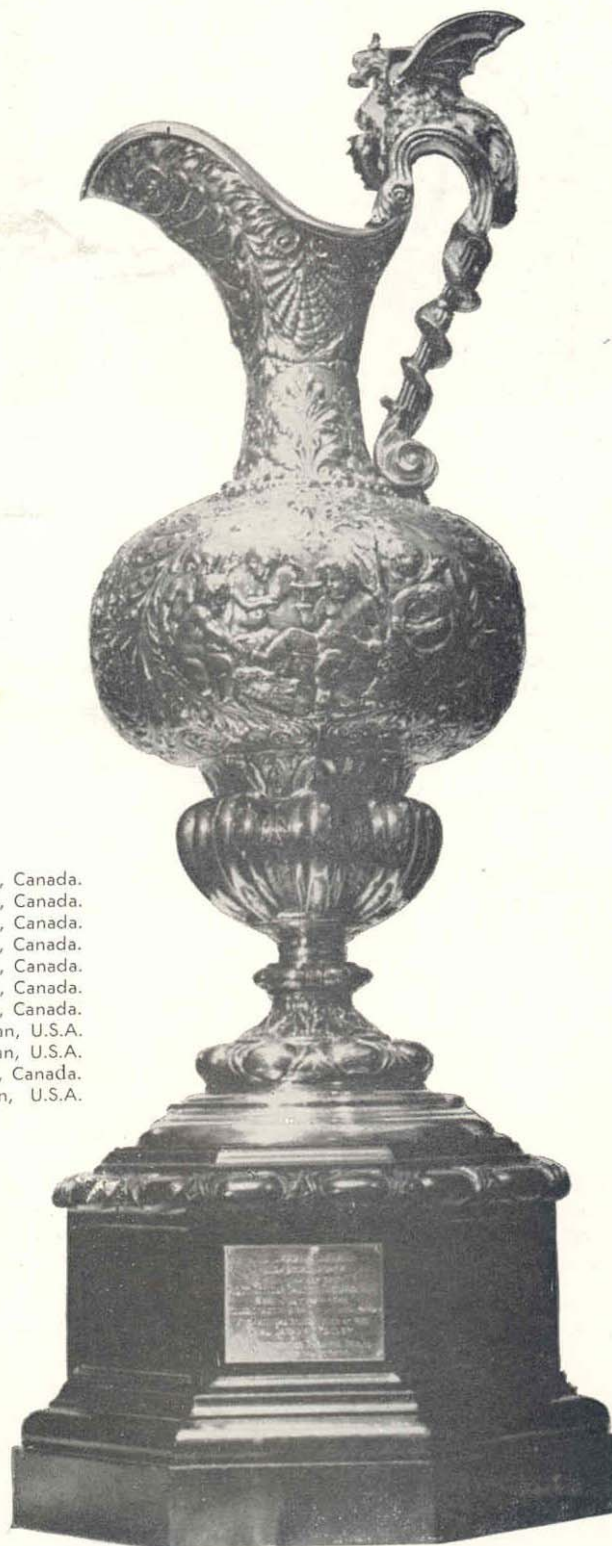
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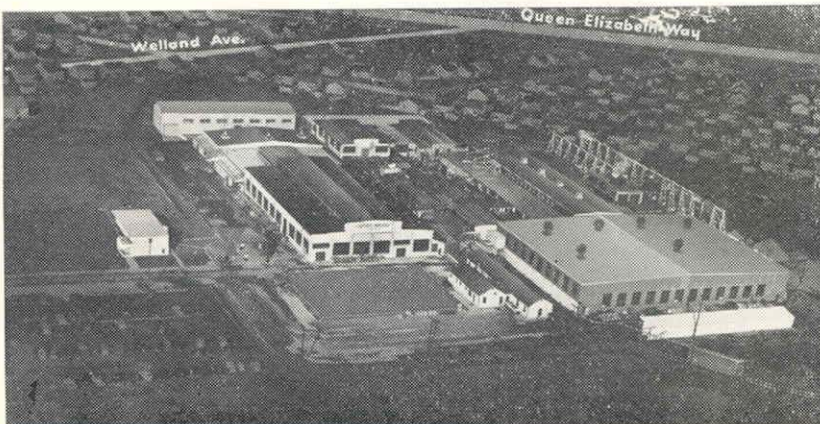


ROYAL CANADIAN HENLEY CHAMPIONS

1955

EVENT	WINNER	TIME
High School Singles (1 mile)	J. Pearce, Westdale C.I., Hamilton, Ont.	No Official Time
High School Doubles (1 mile)	New Rochelle H.S., New Rochelle, N.Y.	5:38
High School Fours (1 mile)	Brockville C.I., Brockville, Ont.	6:00.5
High School Fours, Coxswain (1 mile)	St. Joseph's H.S., Buffalo, N.Y.	6:33
High School Eights (1 mile)	St. Catharines C.I., St. Catharines, Ont.,	5:02
Junior 135-lb. Singles	W. Walker, Detroit B.C., Detroit, Mich.	8:17
Junior 135-lb. Fours	St. Catharines R.C., St. Catharines, Ont.	8:58
Junior 135-lb. Eights	St. Catharines R.C., St. Catharines, Ont.	7:58
Junior 145-lb. Singles	J. Angula, Vesper B.C., Philadelphia, Pa.	8:47.5
Junior 145-lb. Doubles	Ecorse B.C. (F. Revesz-J. Kerman), Ecorse, Mich.	8:03.5
Junior 145-lb. Fours	Brockville R.C., Brockville, Ont.	8:41.5
Junior 145-lb. Eights	Brockville R.C., Brockville, Ont.	7:34.5
Junior 155-lb. Singles	J. Welshli, B.C., Detroit, Mich.	7:55
Junior 155-lb. Fours	Detroit B.C., Detroit, Mich.	8:17.2
Junior 155-lb. Eights	St. Catharines R.C., St. Catharines, Ont.	7:44.5
Junior Singles	J. Welshli, Detroit B.C., Detroit, Mich.	9:46
Junior Doubles	New York A.C. (R. Callahan-A. Callahan), New York, N.Y.	8:15
Junior Fours	New York A.C., New York, N.Y.	8:26
Junior Fours, Coxswain	New York A.C., New York, N.Y.	8:16
Junior Eights	St. Catharines R.C., St. Catharines, Ont.	7:10.3
Quarter-Mile Dash, Eights	St. Catharines R.C., St. Catharines, Ont.	1:22.3
Senior 135-lb. Fours	St. Catharines R.C., St. Catharines, Ont.	7:53.5
Senior 135-lb. Eights	St. Catharines R.C., St. Catharines, Ont.	7:25
Senior 145-lb. Singles	T. Smith, Leander B.C., Hamilton, Ont.	Row-over
Senior 145-lb. Doubles	Vesper B.C. (J. Angula-R. Mahan), Philadelphia, Pa.	8:02.4
Senior 145-lb. Fours	Brockville R.C., Brockville, Ont.	7:51.5
Senior 145-lb. Eights	Brockville R.C., Brockville, Ont.	7:02
Senior 155-lb. Fours	Westside R.C., Buffalo, N.Y.	7:41
Senior 155-lb. Eights	Westside R.C., Buffalo, N.Y.	7:11.5
Senior Doubles	Detroit B.C. (J. McIntosh-P. Costello), Detroit, Mich.	7:42.6
Senior Fours	Westside R.C., Buffalo, N.Y.	7:21.5
Senior Fours, Coxswain	Westside R.C., Buffalo, N.Y.	7:37
Senior Eights	Westside R.C., Buffalo, N.Y.	7:18
145-lb. Quarter-Mile Dash	K. Blue, Detroit B.C., Detroit, Mich.	1:30
Quarter-Mile Dash, Open	R. Williams, Leander B.C., Hamilton, Ont.	1:25.3
Association Singles	W. Knecht, Vesper B.C., Philadelphia, Pa.	8:42
Championship Singles	J. Kelly, Vesper B.C., Philadelphia, Pa.	8:03.1

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Junior 135-lb. Fours, Junior 135-lb. Eights, Senior 135-lb. Fours, Senior 135-lb. Eights: St. Catharines Rowing Club. The St. Catharines oarsmen featured here played a vital part in their Club's attainment of the 1955 Henley Club Championship. In addition to their title wins, crews from this group also placed second in the Senior 135-lb. Eights, Senior 135-lb. Fours and Senior 145-lb. Eights. In front, Coxie Bob Coull, of the winning Sr. 135-lb. Eight, and Buck Inglis, who brought his crew in second. Kneeling, from left, the winning crew: Bruce Erskine, Bill Dann, Fred Ruddle, "Rupe" Humphries, Dave Rennie, Bernie Parkins, Gerry Howlett and Stroke Joe Montague; standing, the second crew: Gord McKenna, Wally Thorne, George Ruddle, Bob Wright, Coach Bill Dick, Louis Bowman, Gary England, Bob Henry and Stroke Larry Springford.

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Quarter-Mile Dash, Eights, and Junior Eights: St. Catharines Rowing Club. Here, Coxie Joey Lewis receives congratulations from Coach Jack McAleese. The Crew, left to right: Irv Semph, Walt Plata, Larry Erion, Ron Martin, Gord Cudney, Bruce Riches, Daryl MacDonald and Stroke Neil Campbell.

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Senior Fours, Coxswain: Buffalo Westside Rowing Club. The Crew: Jim Hewson, John Schnabel, "Sonny" Fox, Stroke Bob Sauerwein; Coxie Ed Masterson in front. These men also rowed later in the day with the great Westside Senior Eight which won the Ned Hanlan Memorial Trophy.

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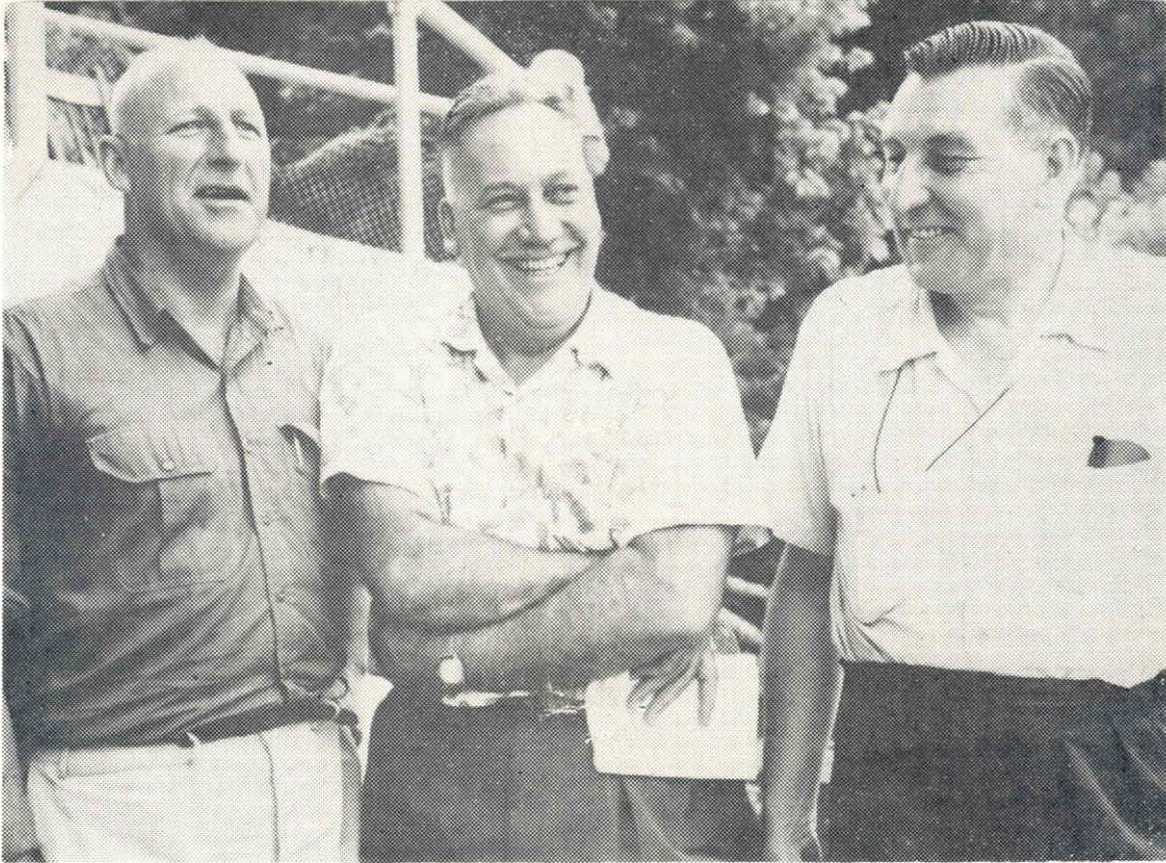
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These Canadian Diamond Sculls winners are all still actively connected with rowing. From the left, Bob Pearce, who won the Sculls in 1931, is coaching his school-boy champion son, Jon; Joe Wright, Jr., who won the classic in 1928, is Past President of the Canadian Association of Amateur Oarsmen and Jack Guest, Sr., 1930 Diamond Sculls winner, is President of the Canadian Association of Amateur Oarsmen.

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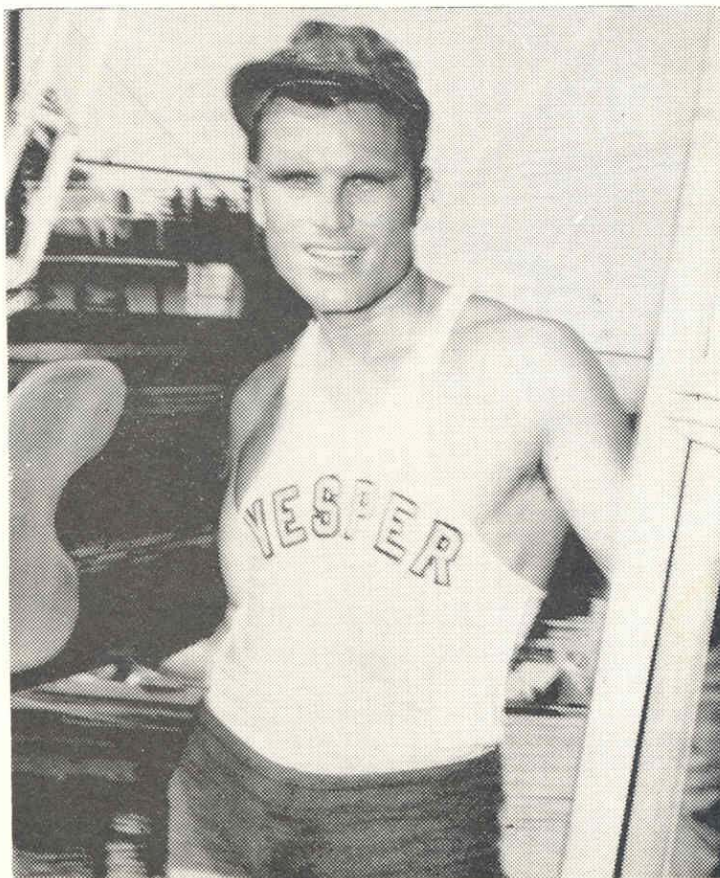
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High School Singles: Jon Pearce, Hamilton Westdale Collegiate. C.A.A.O. President Jack Guest is pictured here as he congratulated Jon on his Henley win which established him as champion of North America. A month earlier, Jon had won the U.S. schoolboy title.



Left. Association Singles: Bill Knecht, Vesper Boat Club, Philadelphia.



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CANADIAN SCHOOLBOY CHAMPIONS — 1956



Linwell High School, Merrittton, 16 oarsmen strong and coached by Bill (Rock) Dann of the St. Catharines Rowing Club, won the 1956 Canadian Schoolboy Rowing Championship. In winning the 145-lb. Fours, 145-lb. Eights and the 135-lb. Fours and placing second in the 135-lb. Eights at the C.S.S.R.A. Meet, Linwell amassed a total of 94 points—32 more than runners-up Buffalo Canisius College. Here, Coach Dann congratulates his winning 135-lb. Four. The Crew: Dave Rennie, Stroke; Karry Cornelius, Bob Mackie and Joe Montague.



Notre Dame High School, Welland, coached by Bill Dick of the St. Catharines Rowing Club, defeated five top Canadian and U.S. crews to win the C.S.S.R.A. Championship Eights. Shown here, following the event which was rowed in 5:18, kneeling: Tommy Rastin, Coxie Eddie White and John Nadeau. Standing, from the left: Coach Bill Dick, Ken Reese, Bill Guttin, Jim Pelletier, Charles Tallon, Stroke Paul Sullivan, Charlie Reed and Rev. Cornelius Kingston, Manager School Rowing.

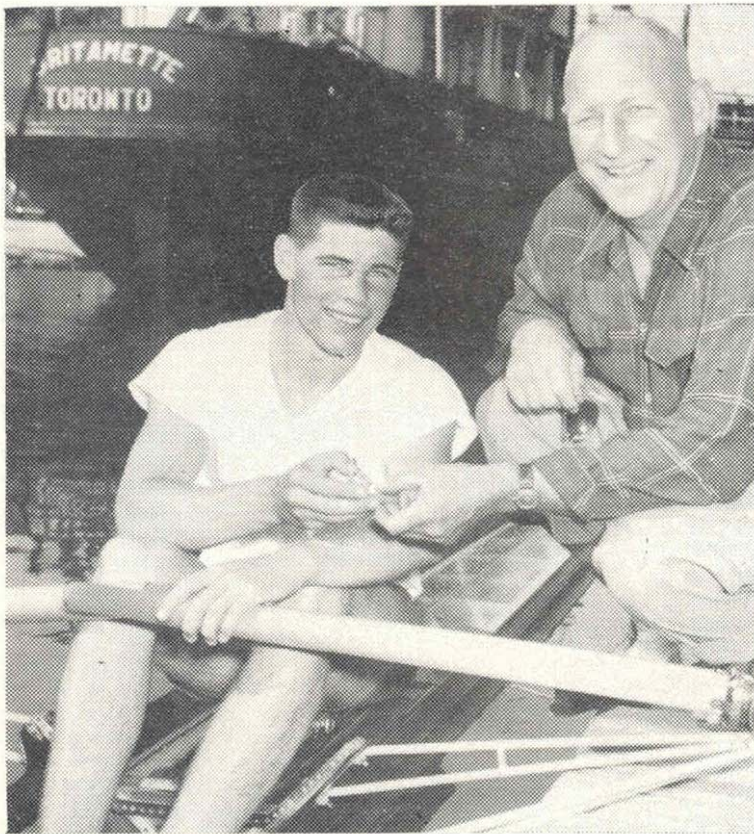
CANADIAN SECONDARY SCHOOLS ROWING ASSOCIATION REGATTA

The Royal Canadian Henley Course

SATURDAY, JUNE 2nd, 1956

(All Distances 1 Mile)	Results:	Time
Coxswain Fours	Hamilton Delta, Buffalo Bishop Timon, Buffalo Canisius, Welland Notre Dame, London South Collegiate, Hamilton Westdale	6:01
135-lb. Eights	Buffalo Canisius, Merritton Linwell, Buffalo St. Joseph's, Welland Notre Dame, Buffalo H.C. Technical	6:39
145-lb. Fours	Merritton Linwell, Hamilton Westdale, Hamilton Central, Toronto Humberstone	6:53.5
Heavy Fours	Toronto Humberstone, Buffalo Canisius, Buffalo H.C. Technical, Buffalo Bishop Timon disqualified	6:01
145-lb. Eights	Merritton Linwell, Hamilton Central, Toronto Humberstone, St. Catharines	5:35
135-lb. Fours	Merritton Linwell, Buffalo St. Joseph's, Buffalo Canisius, St. Catharines	6:01
Championship Singles	J. Pearce, Hamilton Westdale; M. Hildebrand, Hamilton Central ...	6:41
Championship Eights	Welland Notre Dame, Buffalo Bishop Timon, Buffalo St. Joseph's No. 1, Buffalo St. Josephs No. 2, Buffalo H.C. Technical, St. Catharines	5:18

REGATTA WINNER: LINWELL HIGH SCHOOL, MERRITTON, ONTARIO



Again this year, Jon Pearce of Hamilton Westdale Collegiate and the son of Diamond Sculls winner Bob Pearce, is proving his right to the title of North American Schoolboy Singles Champion. He won the U.S. Schoolboy Singles title at Poughkeepsie, N.Y., a week before he won the Canadian Championship Singles at the Canadian Secondary Schools Rowing Association Regatta. Coached by his famous dad, he is shown here receiving congratulations from him following his Canadian title victory.

C.S.S.R.A.

	Point Standing
Linwell H.S., Merritton, Ontario	94
Canisius College, Buffalo, New York	62
St. Joseph's C.I., Buffalo, New York	46
Bishop Timon H.S., Buffalo, New York	40
Humberstone C.I., Toronto, Ontario	37½
Central S.S., Hamilton, Ontario	34
Notre Dame H.S., Welland, Ontario	33
Westdale C.I., Hamilton, Ontario	26
Delta C.I., Hamilton, Ontario	23½
St. Catharines C.I., St. Catharines, Ontario ...	11½
H.C. Technical, Buffalo, New York	11
Bishop Fallon H.S., Buffalo, New York	4
Central Technical School, Toronto, Ontario ...	2
South Collegiate, London, Ontario	0

CENTRAL ONTARIO ROWING ASSOCIATION REGATTA

The Royal Canadian Henley Course

SATURDAY, JULY 7th, 1956

C.O.R.A. STANDINGS

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
Hamilton Leander Boat Club	7	5	4	0	0	1
Toronto Argonaut Rowing Club	6	2	0	0	1	0
St. Catharines Rowing Club	2	9	5	0	1	0
Toronto Don Rowing Club	0	0	2	3	1	0

(All races, with the exception of 1/4 mile Eights Dash, 2,000 metres)

Event:	Results:	Time
Lightweight Doubles	Leander B.C. (Lane-Roche); St. Catharines R.C. (Erskine-Latcham); St. Catharines R.C. (Jenne-Murzda); Don R.C.	6:03
Heavy Fours	Argonaut R.C., St. Catharines R.C., Leander B.C.	6:01
Heavy Singles	J. Pearce, Leander B.C.; G. Murphy, St. Catharines R.C.; R. Hoadley, Leander B.C.; B. Hildebrand, Don R.C.; J. Stocks, Don R.C.	5:58
155-lb. Fours	Argonaut R.C., St. Catharines R.C., Leander B.C.	None
Junior Eights	Leander B.C., Argonaut R.C.	5:28
155-lb. Singles	J. Roche, Leander B.C.; S. Murzda, St. Catharines R.C.; J. Stocks, Don R.C.; B. Hildebrand, Don R.C.; B. Wright, St. Catharines R.C.; R. Hoadley, Leander B.C.	6:28
145-lb. Eights	Argonaut R.C.; Leander B.C.; St. Catharines R.C.	5:15
135-lb. Eights	St. Catharines R.C.; Argonaut R.C.	5:58
155-lb. Eights	Argonaut R.C.; Leander B.C.; St. Catharines R.C.	5:04
Eights Dash	Argonaut R.C.; Leander B.C.; St. Catharines R.C.	1:16
135-lb. Fours	Argonaut R.C.; St. Catharines R.C. and Leander B.C. (dead heat); St. Catharines R.C.	6:22
135-lb. Singles	G. Flanigan, Leander B.C.; B. Erskine, St. Catharines R.C.; F. Lane, Leander B.C.	6:25
Heavy Doubles	Leander B.C. (Pearce-Roche); St. Catharines R.C. (Latcham-Murzda); Don R.C.; Don R.C.; Argonaut R.C.	6:34
145-lb. Fours	Leander B.C.; St. Catharines R.C.; St. Catharines R.C.	None
Olympic Eights	St. Catharines R.C.; Leander B.C.	5:04

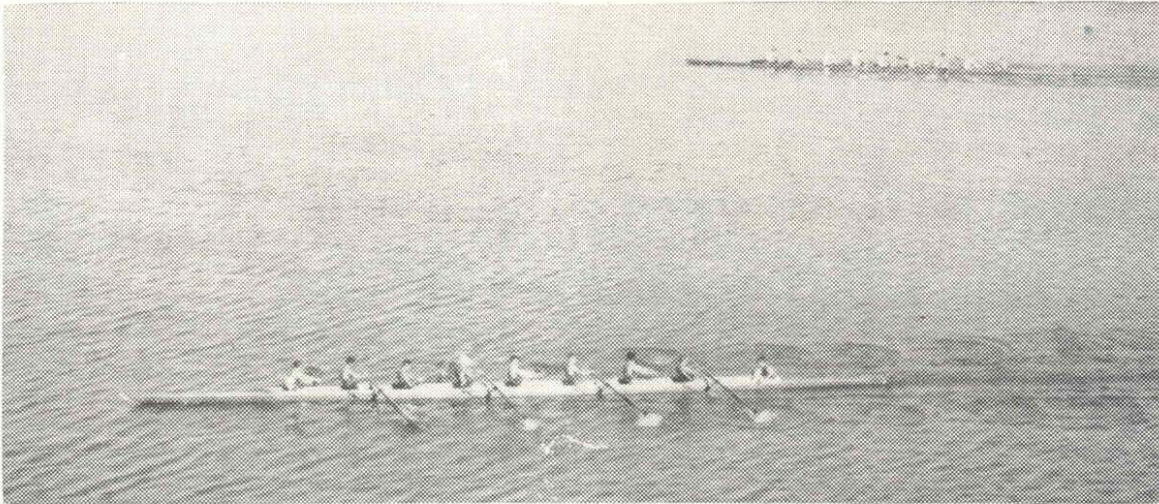
REGATTA WINNER: LEANDER BOAT CLUB, HAMILTON, ONTARIO

ROYAL CANADIAN HENLEY CHAMPIONS — 1955

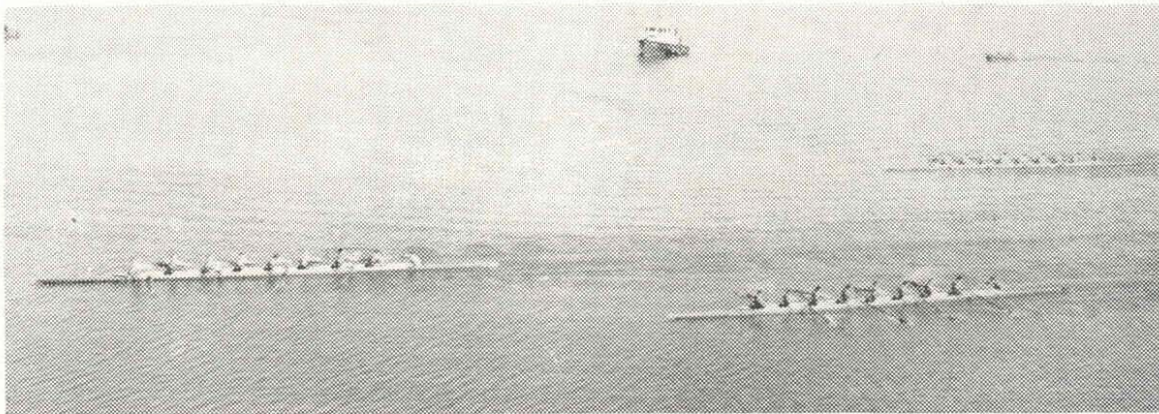


High School Fours, Junior 145-lb. Fours, Junior 145-lb. Eights, Senior 145-lb. Fours, Senior 145-lb. Eights: Brockville Rowing Club. Members of this Crew, rowing in fours and eights, amassed 109½ Henley points for their club; from the bow: R. Billings, R. Carr, M. Ford, D. Delaney, G. McInrue, R. Campton, J. Rooney, Stroke V. Rooney and Coxie R. Fodey.

ROYAL CANADIAN HENLEY CHAMPIONS — 1955



St. Catharines Rowing Club winning the Junior 135-lb. Eights event; Buffalo Westside second.



St. Catharines Rowing Club winning the junior 155-lb. Eights event; Hamilton Leanders, Detroit Boat Club (in near lane and out of picture) and Toronto Argonauts followed in that order.

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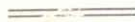
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EDWARD A. ATWILL
TWO THIRTY PRATT STREET
BUFFALO 5, NEW YORK

July 31, 1956

Dear Carl:

I have a couple of programs and one of the writeups from the Toronto paper which I hope will help you in keeping up with the rowing in the Niagara Frontier.

As you know, the boys really hit the top in the final eight; the race was one of the best I have ever seen. The Detroit crew, which our eight beat, was the crew that rowed in the Olympic tryouts and placed third, a very few feet in back of Cornell. I think that some day we may be able to get eight men together and upset the college representation in the eight.

As you also know, I have a crew going to the Olympics outside of the eight. However, the alternates they seem to be favoring from the colleges, Rathschmidt and Hoover, who are Coach and Assistant Coach, are asking ten or fifteen men to come to Detroit and Yale the first of September and train for two weeks; after which time, they are going to select five alternates. The only two club men who have been asked to come are Sonny Fox and Walter Hoover, Jr., both of whom are top oarsmen as well as boys. Rathschmidt has asked three from Yale, three from Cornell, three from Princeton and one from Wisconsin. This, however, is subject to the Olympic Committee who, I think, will really give them a blast.

At this writing, I am still cogitating as to whether I am going to Australia and am hoping to make up my mind today. I have always been known as an opportunist but very often when these things are presented there are circumstances that sometimes alter your decision.

We ran into a little trouble at Port Dalhousie with Irv Truebel getting an attack they think was a heart attack. Another chap getting his foot caught in a raft and tearing some ligaments although they thought it was broken and then, to wind up on

EDWARD A. ATWILL
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Saturday morning, Hogan and his wife and McGee's wife were on their way home and had an accident. Hogan smashing four ribs and Rita, her wrist and leg. McGee had thirteen stitches in her head - automobile is 'caputte' (German!)

You can get the times out of the paper and fill them into the program. If I can manage to get programs from the first days I will send these to you later.

Hoping to see you up here this summer, I am,

As ever,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Ed', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

EAA:ml

Encl.

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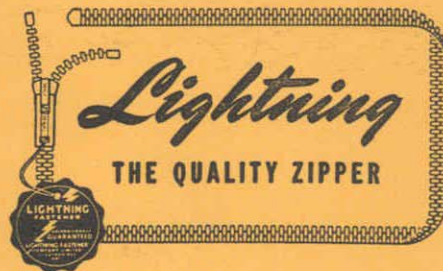
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