

THE GAZETTE, MONTREAL

**SARNIA IMPERIALS
DEFEAT BEACHES TO
TAKE O.R.F.U. TITLE**

Group B Champions Win Honors by 3-0 Victory After Hectic Struggle

SUPERIOR ON BACKFIELD

Stirling and McPhedran Kick Winners to Three Single Points on Muddy Field

(By Canadian Press.)
Sarnia, Ont., November 11.—The Sarnia Imperials, group B winners, blanked Balmy Beach, group A title holders, 3 to 0 to capture the senior O.R.F.U. championship, before 3,500 fans at Athletic Park here this afternoon.

It was an epic gridiron struggle played on a field made heavy by a downpour of rain last night. The two squads were evenly matched, except in the backfield where Sarnia had a distinct margin, Stirling and McPhedran outkicking Hughes and Delahey, and Norman Perry and Lee Perry, showing a slight edge in ball carrying.

The newly-crowned champions scored a single point in the first period and two more individual tries in the last quarter, through the medium of the educated toes of Stirling and McPhedran.

The first quarter was eight minutes old when Stirling booted from the Beachers' 35-yard line and Hughes, receiving behind the visitors' goal line, was thrown for a rouge by Purwell and McLean, Sarnia ends. McPhedran, who took over the kicking duties for the Imperials in the last half, accounted for the other two points. About five minutes after the start of the period he hoisted a tall one from the Beachers' 35-yard mark and Chantler was downed in his tracks behind the goal posts by Van Horne. Two minutes before the final whistle McPhedran again kicked from the visitors' 37-yard line and Dale was rouged before he could scamper outside of the goal line.

SUPERIOR ON LINE.

The Beachers, four times senior champions, showed superiority on the line, and made first downs four times through line plunges as compared with two gains made by the same method by the Imperials.

This advantage, however, was offset by the fine punting of Stirling and McPhedran, who registered gains on nearly every kick.

The only serious scoring threat of the visitors came in the dying moments of the third period. After Keith had retrieved Hughes' blocked kick for the visitors, the latter booted from Sarnia's 37-yard line. The ball soared back of the Imperials' goal line to Norman Perry, but the lanky half evaded charging tacklers and carried the pigskin out to the 15-yard mark before he was downed.

In the closing chapter, play was in the Beachers territory most of the time, long kicks by McPhedran driving the visitors' halves deep into their own territory on "early every exchange. The Imperials took few chances on line plunges and kicks were called on many first downs.

Apart from the booting of Stirling

and McPhedran, for Sarnia, the tackling of Keith and all-round play of Delahey featured the struggle. The Beachers flashed a strong interference for their line plungers and were cutting Sarnia linemen out of the play on a large number of formations during the first two periods. In the second half the Imperials reversed the edge and smeared many of the visitors' thrusts at the line.

Sarnia: Flying wing, McPhedran; halves, N. Perry, L. Perry; Stirling, quarter, Manore; snap, Ewener; insides, Wilson, Blankie; middles, Baker, Smith; outsides, Van Horne, Clark, Subs, Clark, Stirrett, Hanna, Dale, Welch, Sisson, Warren, Ewan. Balmy Beach: Flying wing, Smith; halves, Hughes, Chantler, Foster; quarter, Ponton; snap, Commins; insides, Delahey, McNicol; middles, Crowhurst, Reeves; outsides, Snyder, Keith; subs, Kirkpatrick, Harris, Reid, Ogden, Feldstein, Tom Smith, Vail, A. Snyder. Referee, H. Degruchy, Toronto; umpire, Ross Craig, Dundas.

**ARTIFICIAL ICE AT
ST. ANDREW'S CLUB**

**Curling Scheduled to Start
November 30—Membership Campaign On**

The artificial ice plant at the St. Andrews Curling Club is now in course of installation and curling is promised for St. Andrew's Night, November 30.

At the present time the club is busy with a membership campaign, as they will now be able to accommodate more players. The chairman of the membership committee is C. D. McParland, who has organized teams captained by C. N. Moisan, W. J. Bethune and W. P. Bennett with W. D. Lawrence as honorary secretary to this committee. The inclusion of St. Andrews Curling Club among the list of local clubs having artificial ice ensures it of having a long and active season and it already appears that there will be a large increase in the membership of this club.

MONTREAL WEST CLUB

Curlers to Hold Annual Meeting and Smoker

Members of the Montreal West Curling and Lawn Bowling Club, will hold their annual meeting at the clubhouse at Montreal West tomorrow night. The meeting will take the form of a smoker, for which a good musical programme has been arranged by the executive. The programme will also include three boxing bouts between well-known local boxers. There is every indication of an increase in the membership of the curling club for this winter, which will create a renewed interest in the club competitions.

The choir of Beauvais Cathedral is the loftiest in the world.

