

Midwest Championships

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The Midwest Figure Skating Championships were held under the auspices of the Kansas City Skating Club on Thursday, February 4, at the Pla-Mor Ice Palace. The Midwestern Clubs were well represented and the competition in most of the classes was close and keen.

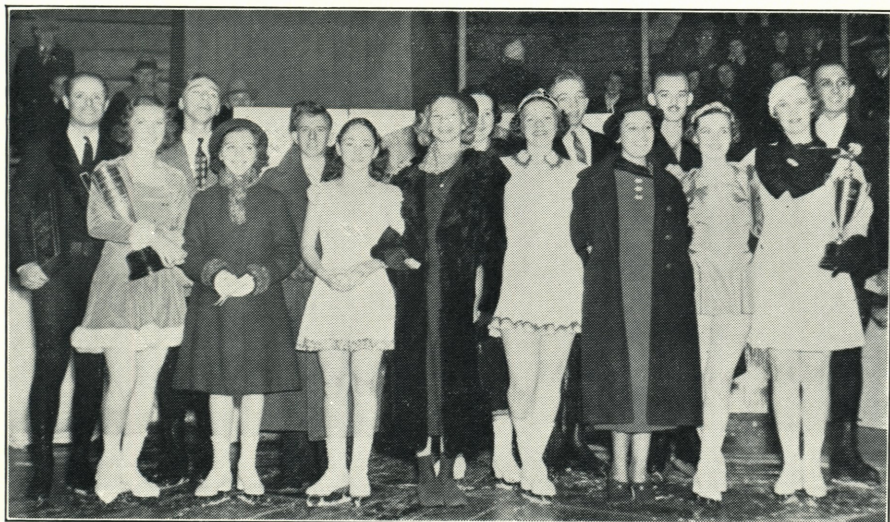
Several handsome silver trophies were awarded beside the gold, silver and bronze medals. Frances Johnson of the Arena Skating Club of Minneapolis won the trophy for the Senior Ladies, Robin Lee from the Figure Skating Club of Minneapolis, won the silver cup for the Senior Men. Josephine and Len Fogassey of the St. Louis Skating Club, winners of the Waltz Competition, were presented with the T. W. A. silver trophy. Eleanor and Eduardo Hellmund won the Senior Pair Championship and were awarded the Harry E. Radix Trophy, and a silver plaque.

An interesting departure from the previous Midwest competitions was the fact that the competition was divided into Juniors and Seniors (the Juniors comparable to National Novice). This was done in order to give less experienced skaters opportunity for competitive skating. Being an innovation, no entries seemed to come for the Junior pairs. In order to set a precedent, carry out the idea of classes, and add color to the event, Robin Lee and Ollie Haupt consented to get up impromptu pairs with Nancy Meyer and Gloria Haupt respectively. The inclusion of these brilliant skaters in pairs hastily arranged for the occasion, excited much admiration for their good sportsmanship. Their performances went off smoothly and were much appreciated.

While the undertaking was new to the two-year-old Kansas City Skating Club, nevertheless under the leadership of Dr. Nelse Ockerblad, President, the event was conducted with smoothness and dispatch. Our Club was grateful for the sympathetic help extended by Mr. William Cady of St. Louis, a pioneer in the fostering of Midwest competition, and the other judges who kindly consented to serve, Mr. Roy McDaniel and Mr. Carl Gandy of Minneapolis, and Mr. Charles McCarthy of Chicago.

The Club Carnival* was held that night and the following, featuring

*See April issue for carnival report.



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WINNERS OF MIDWEST COMPETITION.

Eduardo Hellmund, Eleanor Hellmund, Ollie Haupt, Gloria Haupt, Eugene Reichel, Nancy Meyer, Jeanne Schulte, Myra Jean Azbe, Frances Johnson, Robin Lee, Elizabeth Reflow, Bob Slaughter, Virginia Bucher, Josephine Fogassey, Len Fogassey.

the winners of the competition. In the intermission of the first night's performance the prizes were awarded. Almost every one who came for the competition stayed for both evenings of the Carnival. Mrs. Dudley Brown entertained the visitors with a buffet dinner following the first evening of the Carnival and the second evening the Kansas City Skating Club was host to the skaters at a supper dance at the Kansas City Club.

WOMEN'S SENIOR SINGLES

1. Frances Johnson, Arena Skating Club, Minneapolis
2. Myra Jean Azbe, St. Louis Figure Skating Club
3. Elizabeth Reflow, St. Louis Figure Skating Club
4. Virginia Bucher, Kansas City Skating Club

MEN'S SENIOR SINGLES

1. Robin Lee, Figure Skating Club of Minneapolis
2. Ollie E. Haupt, Jr., St. Louis Skating Club
3. Eugene Reichel, Arena Skating Club, Minneapolis

SENIOR PAIRS

1. Mr. and Mrs. Hellmund, Kansas City Skating Club
2. Mr. and Mrs. Fogassey, St. Louis Figure Skating Club
3. Frances Johnson } Arena Skating Club, Minneapolis
Eugene Reichel }

WOMEN'S JUNIOR SINGLES

1. Jeanne Schulte, St. Louis Figure Skating Club
2. Gloria Haupt, St. Louis Figure Skating Club
3. Nancy Meyer, Chicago Figure Skating Club
4. Ruth Banks, St. Louis Figure Skating Club
5. Elizabeth Cravens, Kansas City Skating Club

JUNIOR PAIRS

1. Gloria Haupt }
Ollie E. Haupt, Jr. } St. Louis Skating Club
2. Nancy Meyer, Figure Skating Club of Chicago
- Robin Lee, Figure Skating Club of Minneapolis

THE WALTZ

1. Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Fogassey, St. Louis Figure Skating Club
2. Mr. and Mrs. Eduardo A. Hellmund, Kansas City Skating Club
3. Miss Virginia Bucher and Mr. Robert Slaughter, Kansas City Skating Club



April Issue

We hope to mail the next issue about April 23. It will contain a report on The North American Championships and further carnival accounts. The Personal Column will be included if sufficient items are received.

May will be the last number for this season and will contain details on summer skating at Lake Placid.