cial lighting equipment installed at the Gardens by the Club at an expense of over \$30,000.

The carnival of the Toronto Skating Club has grown from small beginnings to its present magnitude and excellence partly because many of the organizing committees have grown up with it. The places of those who have dropped out have been taken by younger members who profit by the experience of the pioneers. But, as I have repeatedly pointed out, the carnival has reached its present stage largely because the members own their rink and have unlimited time for practice and rehearsal.

I take the responsibility of saying that there is nothing of the kind elsewhere in the world which can compare with the annual carnival of the Toronto Skating Club. I do not see how there can be anything comparable until other skating clubs follow the example of the leading clubs in Canada and become owners of the ice on which they skate. I am pleased to note that two clubs in the United States this year have built private rinks along the lines of those in Canada; the Cleveland Skating Club and the Philadelphia Skating Club and Humane Society. I hope that before long they will be able to produce carnivals which will be the envy of other clubs not so well equipped for that purpose.

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# Book Reviews

Living Pictures of My Figure Skating by Karl Schaefer. Part I, School Figures. Orders taken by Mr. Karban, 450 Riverside Drive, New York. Price \$7.50.

Mr. Schaefer's book is in a very unusual and clever form. There is a small volume giving the movements in figure skating and tables showing the proper position for various parts of the body at definite points around the lobes of the school figures; these are not diagrams to study but tables to read and memorize. With this booklet comes twelve small blocks of "flickers"; inch square photographs of Schaefer taken from a movie film of him executing a particular figure. These are to be run through the fingers and give a complete illustration, practically like a movie, of the execution of that figure; the advantage being that you can run them fast or slow or halt anywhere to study some special

point. There are over 75 pages in the Three-Change-Three block. This book seems to be the answer to the eternal cry for movies showing the correct execution of school figures and should prove of great help to all figure skaters. Karl Schaefer was seven times Champion of the World and is noted for the ease and grace of his form. Those who take the time to analyze carefully the flickers and memorize the tables should greatly benefit. Mr. Schaefer hopes to have Part II, Free Skating, ready by next winter.

THE BEAUTY OF SKATING by Manfred Curry. Charles Scribner's Sons. New York. Price \$5.00.

The most beautiful phases of figure skating reproduced in more than a hundred photographs of world-famous skaters, with a brief introduction by Dr. Curry and a preface by Maribel Vinson. In no sense a textbook, but much may be learned by studying these lovely pictures of champions in action.

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## Personals

#### Deaths

Oslo, Norway—Axel Paulsen, aged eighty-two; outstanding skater of the last century; winner of the world's speed skating title in 1884 in the United States; best known as a figure skater and the originator of the Axel Paulsen jump.

## Marriages

Seattle—Mr. Harry Goldberg and Mrs. Farol Snavley, January 22.

Toronto—Mr. Donald William McLarne and Miss Ann Barwick Holland, February

Kansas City—Mr. Edward Kocher and Miss Virginia Bucher, December 24.

#### Births

Toronto-To Mr. and Mrs. David G.

Guest (Valerie Jones) a son, on January 3.

To Mr. and Mrs. Moffatt Woodside
(Eleanor Barton) a son on February 5.

(Eleanor Barton) a son, on February 5.

Brooklyn—To Mr. and Mrs. Anthony
Menniger, a son, Anthony Jr., on January
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Springfield, Mass.—To Mr. and Mrs. James J. Finn, a daughter, Frances Mary, on December 6.

Philadelphia—To Mr. and Mrs. Horace Shillady, a daughter, Dolores Gay, on January 6.

Detroit—To Mrs. and Mrs. Ted Schoenborn, a son, Ted, on December 30.

### Engagements

Quebec—Miss Louise West to Mr. Harold Braff.

Hershey—Miss Wilma Drayer to Dr. William A. Rhein, Jr.