

LADY PUCK THE MCDONALD FULLER AND CHASERS PLAY BRIER TITLE BERG DRAW SCORELESS TIE

Abbie Sisters Aid Crystal Sisters Turn In Great Game At Forum Last Night.

That the girls can make with success any field that may perform in was conclusively demonstrated last night at the Forum when on a fine sheet of ice, the Crystal Sisters battled the Abbie Sisters to a scoreless draw.

Rabid comment before the game, indicated that the girls from Summerside would stamp the local lasses. The Crystal Sisters looked classy in their navy uniforms as they worked out. Just skaters and nifty stick-handlers the girls from the Western Capital, managed by Mr. Clifford Montgomery, showed class with a Capital C.

When the game got under way, the Abbie Sisters showed no fear of the Crystal Sisters' formidable record and stepped right into the Westmen's.

For the greater part of the first period, the play was on the Abbie line but a stout defence relieved by an occasional dangerous rally, kept the score sheet clean. Neither goal got a difficult shot to handle in this period although the forwards and defences tried hard. McInnis on the Abbie S defence handed out some stiff checks. The sandwich session saw no score. The play centered chiefly in centre ice. Both forward lines back checked superbly but lacked cohesion and finished on the nets. The third session was the most thrilling of all. Irene Linkletter, heady Crystal centre, broke clear, maneuvered one defence out of position but McInnis brought the Crystal star down with a crushing check. She took a penalty but saved a probable goal. Another time Jones stickhandled to the goal mouth to give supporters of the local team a thrill but her shot missed the net. These two illustrations just about symbolize the play—it was that close.

The period and game ended scoreless with the Ladies Championship of Prince Edward Island still undecided. Cleanest sportsmanship permeated the contest throughout and the three hearty cheers given by each team for the other illustrated the good feeling prevailing. Come again Summerside, we enjoyed seeing you! Snag Squarebriggs referred to the satisfaction of everybody. No overtime was played.

THE SUMMARY First Period: No score. Penalties: McInnis, J. Linkletter. Second Period: No score. Penalties: None. Third Period: No score. Penalties: McInnis. Referee: J. Squarebriggs.

THE LINE-UP ABBIE SISTERS GOAL—Rodd. DEFENCE—Warren and McInnis. R. WING—Weeks and Roop. CENTRE—Z. Linkletter and Mrs. S. J. Lett. L. WING—Jones, Mrs. A. Dewar. RELIEFS—Moore and Bentley.

CRYSTAL SISTERS GOAL—McNeill. DEFENCE—Ella Gay, Helen La'rd and Marie Gaudet. L. WING—Pat MacLellan and Minnie Boswell. CENTRE—Irene Linkletter and Margaret Gal'nt. R. WING—Anne Green and Irene Silliphant.

CANTON, N. C., April 1.—The Champion Fibre Company is completing a \$1,750,000 addition to its pulp and paper plant here which will result in the increase of its payroll by 125 employees.

HOCKEY

HOCKEY AT VICTORIA RINK, SATURDAY APRIL 2ND, CAPE TRAVERSE VS. VICTORIA. FINAL GAME OF THE SEASON. ADMISSION 25 AND 15 CTS. SKATING AFTER GAME.

TORONTO, Ont., April 1.—(By The Canadian Press)—The MacDonald Brier Curling championship is likely to be an entirely different event next year, the Toronto Telegram says today.

TOWN

(Continued from Page 1) of the people, ordered surrounding towns to accommodate the refugees. Except for a few hundred persons remaining in the outskirts and groups of militiamen and carabinieri on guard duty in the town, Villa Santa Stefano was deserted tonight as it continued to sink into the caves.

Troops and carabinieri arrived a few hours after the first warning and superintended the evacuation. The city's sinking continued slowly into the night, affecting principally the central part of the town, where many buildings were settling and showing signs of disappearance. The fact that the earth under the town is honeycombed with the grottoes led to a fear that most, if not all, of the place would be unsafe for habitation, even if it did not entirely sink. The grottoes, built by the Romans many centuries ago in a natural deposit of tuff rock, collapsed when the ground weakened by water.

Fire Losses

TORONTO, Ont., Apr. 1.—(By the Canadian Press)—Fire losses in Canada during the week ended March 30, were estimated by the Monetary Times at \$377,800 as compared with \$430,850 for the previous week and with \$314,250 for the corresponding week of last year. From January 1, 1931, to March 31, 1931, fire losses totalled \$8,750,400.

Insurance Bill Causes Diversion

FREDERICTON, N. B., April 1.—The opposition sprang a snap division in the New Brunswick legislature last night and came within four votes of defeating the government on the reporting of the highly controversial insurance bill. The vote was 17 to 13.

Climaxing some heated discussion on the measure in the afternoon the division caught many government members out of the House. There was an exciting scramble for seats as the division bells rang through the building. The government party was outnumbered when the first warning sounded but in the regulation five minutes interval before the vote was taken it obtained sufficient majority to carry the measure.

The division was the second precipitated by the insurance bill, the first taking place on a motion to give the measure first reading. During the afternoon discussion A. A. Dysart, leader of the Opposition, characterized as "blank cheque legislation" the bill framed to give the Lieutenant Governor-in-Council all the power to regulate insurance in the Province for the ensuing year if the need arises. He held that it gave the government authority to establish a special department for the regulation of insurance companies doing business in the Province if it later desired.

Repeating to Mr. Dysart, Premier Richards reiterated that it was not the intention of the Governor-in-Council to set up an insurance department "obviously it would not be proper to attempt to do that under this legislation" he declared.

The Premier continued that if the Dominion Insurance Act ceased, by virtue of a recent privy council decision then there would be no control whatever over insurance. "If that contingency arises then the Lieutenant Governor-in-Council will have authority to take such measures for control as may seem adequate," he said.

This bear and racoon come down a tree backwards. A squirrel and most other tree climbers run down and up alike.

(By Edward J. Neil, Associated Press Sports Writer) MADISON SQUARE GARDEN, New York, N. Y., April 1.—Jackie (Kid) Berg, the White Chapel whirlwind, came far enough back along the road to his old place near the top of the lightweights tonight to hold Sammy Fuller, a little bulldog of a fighter from Boston, to a draw in a bristling ten-round duel before a crowd of 12,000.

Twice Berg, battling desperately to come back after a long rest and two bad beatings by the class champion, Tony Canzoneri, was on the floor, once in the fifth for a count of five and again in the eighth for a count of one just as the closing bell rang. But neither these knock-downs, the first the result of a low right swing, nor the steady stream of thudding wallops Fuller poured into the Briton's body, could stop Berg from pounding forward enough to gain the draw verdict.

Both judges called the contest a draw, and Referee Jack Denning voted for Berg, but a large part of the crowd and many of the newspapermen thought Fuller, by his cleaner punching, had won a slight edge. The Associated Press score card gave Fuller six rounds—the first and the last five—and Berg the other four.

NUPTUNE

(Continued from Page 1) eral times they had to run alongside huge ice-bergs to be sheltered from gales. It was something unusual for the Neptune, veteran of the fleet, to arrive empty, and Captain Stanley Harbour expressed regret that his men had nothing to chew for their month's labor.

The Ranger, another of the fleet, broke her main shaft and lost her propeller a day before the Neptune was disabled. The Ranger was further south when the accident occurred, however, and was towed to port a few days later.

The other ships are faring better. The Imogene reported today that she had 23,000 seals on board; the Terra Nova had 6,000, the Beothic 3,000 and the Eagle 600.

Doctor Forced To Abandon Sick Call From Lighthouse

(Associated Press) HULL, Mass., April 1.—Thwarted by a roaring gale and high seas in his efforts to make a landing on rock-bound Boston light, Dr. Walter H. Sturgis' last night gave instructions by telephone for the care of an expectant mother, the wife of a keeper of the light.

With a crew of coast guardsmen from the Point Allerton station, Dr. Sturgis made the perilous trip three miles down the harbor. A gale howled above the little 40-foot boat which bounced about like a corkie shell on the heaving seas. At the light the waves crashed high on the rocks and would have dashed the little craft to tinder if it went too close.

The woman in distress was Mrs. R. C. Norwood, wife of the assistant keeper. Her husband and other members of the little group which mans the light, stood helplessly ashore at the light when Dr. Sturgis was forced to turn back to Hull.

Arriving here, Dr. Sturgis immediately telephoned to the light and began his instructions to Mrs. John Babcock, wife of Captain Babcock, keeper of the light. Patiently the words of advice were taken by Mrs. Babcock and hopes held that the child would be brought safely into the world momentarily.

With indications that the gale soon might abate the coastguardsmen under command of Captain George Joseph, stood by ready to make another trip. Terrific odds faced the picked crew of three men who went with Captain Joseph and Dr. Sturgis on the trip of mercy. Ra'n beat down upon their boat and blinded them as they sought to follow a course to the light. A 40 mile an hour tide was running making it difficult for the boat to make headway.

Meanwhile, the winds blow fiercely whipping the waves and sending white-caps crashing against the boat. The voyage was little different from any to which the coastguardsmen are called in night when storms rage except that there was the realization that the life of an unborn child was at stake. All went forth with that thought clearly in mind and ready to assume the dangers of the task.

Charity: Charity judges not like the world; for the world has scarcely ever failed to judge wrong.

Seek Power To Issue Debentures

OTTAWA, Ont., April 1.—(By the Canadian Press)—Power to issue debentures totalling \$61,500,000 was sought for the Canadian National Railway in a bill debated in the House of Commons tonight. This sum, said R. J. Manion, Minister of Railways, was the estimated needs of the government-owned road for 1932.

Insurance Co Loses Case

(Canadian Press) MONTREAL, Que., April 1.—Insurance companies which accept risks without medical examination may not cancel their policies merely because they subsequently discover that an assured's statement in regard to his health is incorrect, Mr. Justice Fabre Survejer decided in Superior Court in condemning the Prudential Insurance Company to pay Arthur Tremblay \$600 under a policy insuring the life of his minor son.

Tremblay insured the life of his son, Antoine, on September 15, 1930, and October 6, 1930. The boy died on January of the following year and the father claimed the amount of the two policies.

The company refused to pay the claim on the ground that the insured stated his health was good, when applying for insurance, whereas he was all the while suffering from illness. Had a medical examination taken place, or had the company before issuing the policies made an investigation such as it made after the insured's death, it might have refused to issue the policies and in that case the insured might have tried to secure insurance from another company, the court said.

Convicted On Dope Charge

(Canadian Press) MONTREAL, Que., April 1.—Accompanying their verdict by a recommendation for leniency, a jury in court of King's Bench today found Sergeant Hector Valade guilty of illegal distribution of drugs. Valade was suspended as chief of the narcotic squad of the Montreal police force when the charge was laid by officers of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. Sentence will be pronounced at the end of the sessions of the court.

Through an extraordinary turn of events, the chief witness against Valade was Arthur Viau, convicted two years ago in a drug case as a result of information obtained by Valade. Viau later became a special agent for the R. C. M. P. Viau's testimony was that on several occasions he received drugs from Valade. At one time, Viau said, drugs had been sent to him in Saint John, N. B., by Valade.

Mounted Police gave evidence that Viau had been sent with marked money to the home of Valade's father to obtain drugs from Valade. Viau had come out of the house with two ounces of heroin. The officers then entered the house, they said, and after some discussion Valade had led them to a coal bin from which he produced the marked money.

Valade joined the police force in 1926. He held various posts in the narcotic squad and the morality squad. Last year he became chief of the narcotic division.

WOMEN BEAT MEN AT CONTRACT BRIDGE

SYDNEY, Australia, April 1.—(By the Canadian Press)—Contract Bridge is gaining here. It is the women who are responsible for the sudden elevation of the game to the rank of a major sport, commanding columns in the newspapers. They decided years ago that this is the one pastime at which they can beat men hollow. They see it in their triumph of feminine wits over masculine muscles. It reverts over for a hundred defeats suffered on fields where man's physical strength has given him an advantage which no intelligence can outweigh.

Most of the experts concede that women, if they play it seriously, are better bridge players than men, and that they take greater trouble to perfect themselves in the game. And, with more leisure in suburban homes that are empty while their husbands are away in the city, they have learnt the newer game. But many of the husbands have not the time—or the energy—to forget the laboriously learnt rules of Auction and replace them with the far more intricate campaign plans of Contract.

HAWKS WILL RETAIN SEVEN HOCKEYISTS

MONCTON, N. B., April 1.—(By the Canadian Press)—The Moncton Hawks hockey club will have five and possibly six new players next season, it was learned tonight. Seven members of this year's team will be retained. Sammy McManus and Aubrey Webster, left and right wingers with the Fredericton Capitals, are the first of the new men to be signed by the Hawks. "Nucker" Irvine, left wing of this year's Halifax Wolverines, was here today and one reported said he might join the local club. Red Cook and Joe McIntosh have been relinquished by the Hawks.

Relief Money For Trenton

HALIFAX, N. S., April 1.—That direct relief money had gone forward to Trenton on Thursday, was the statement made in the Legislature today by Attorney General John Doull in commenting on an editorial in the New Glasgow Evening News as read to the House by A. S. MacMillan, opposition leader. The newspaper article declared that dire need existed in the Pictou County town.

Efforts had been made to have the Canadian National Railways place a car order at the plant at Trenton, Hon. Mr. Doull pointed out, but there had been some difficulty in that the transportation system was at present well supplied. It was hoped, however, that an order would be forthcoming as it alone at this time would place the plant in satisfactory operation.

Contributions for relief at Trenton had been going on for some little time, declared Hon. Mr. Doull.

CLYDE RIVER CONCERT

On the evening of March 8th the Ladies Orange Lodge, assisted by some outside talent, staged an interesting programme before a capacity audience in Clyde River Hall. Mr. Colin MacPhail occupied the chair and a well arranged programme of solos, duets, dialogues, etc., was carried out. The hearty applause following each number was proof that one and all thoroughly enjoyed himself. Candy and lunches were sold and the needs of the inner man amply supplied. A neat sum was realized and is to be used in aid of the L. O. L. and L. O. B. A. The following was the programme:— Opening chorus, "Old Zip Coon." Reading by Sophie Newson. Solo, "Blige the Lady," John A. Murray, (encored). Solo, "The Highlandman's Toast," by John E. Hearty. Dialogue, "The Pantaloon Fight," Reading by Olga MacNevin, (encored). Solo by Bertie Miller (encored). Intermission and sale of candy, instrumental music by Messrs. Harold and Melvin Scott and Mrs. G. MacKinnon. Solo by Thelma MacKinnon (encored). Dialogue, "Lovin' LeRoy." Duet by Misses Ola and Jean Moase (encored). Reading by Danny MacNeil (encored). Dialogue, "Leaving Jonah." Duet, "Reuben and Rachael," by John Murray and Winnie Best, (encored). Medley, Darkey Chorus. National Anthem.

The accompanists for the evening were Mrs. Gordon MacKinnon, Miss Ina Livingston and Miss Winnie Best. (Patriot please copy)

BONES USED AS FRONT STEPS

Sunken oval clay dwellings, which were entered from above down steps formed from the thigh bones of hippopotami, were occupied by a race of 7,000 years ago, according to recent revelations in the delta of the Nile. This strange prehistoric settlement was discovered at Merimde, near Benisassam, by an expedition of the Vienna Academy of Sciences. The Merimde people used to bury their dead near their huts and fire places. Most of the articles found in the settlement were made of fire-stone. They included knives, daggers, arrow-points, hatchets and axes. There were also numerous pieces of pottery, among which was a fragment of a human figure of black burnt clay. In addition, the foot of a larger figure of polished red clay was unearthed.

LOOKING 'EM OVER

(BY "TEC") Purchases Speedsters Mr. Wellington MacNeill, Southport, returned from a visit to St. Stephen, N. B., where he looked over the horses in Billy Keyes' stable and selected the following: King Spruce 2.11 1-2, pacer, eligible for the 224 pace; Miss Winnipeg, 2.10 1-2, pacer, eligible for the 2.19 pace and Winnipeg Boy, a green pacer, trial 2.14. The above mentioned pacers were horses highly considered in the Keyes string last year and although not getting thoroughly acclimated after their long trip from the West performed brilliantly nevertheless, with the usual unexpected defeats. It is the opinion of some well informed horsemen that this trio of speedsters will be hard to head during the coming season. Mr. MacNeill seems to have a faculty of picking race winners. It is understood that Billy Keyes may dispose of all his horses and take a season off from racing.

"They Will Be Back" The reign of Canadiens over the realm of hockey is ended. Perhaps the most colorful team that ever sat in the throne of ice champions of the universe ended in Madison Square Garden when they bowed before the prowess of the New York Rangers. For two years they occupied the seats of the mighty, only to be thrust from them by the onslaught of the men of Lester Patrick from St. Lawrence Main east, the loyal followers of the great French Colony team are disconsolate and the Habitués' chant of victory is silent. Whether they were beaten by a better team will always remain a

matter of keen debate. Their rabid following who lend them at all times even blind allegiance will never admit it, and with a certain measure of justification. Canadiens were without the services of "Pit" Lepine and Aurel Joliat, the Phantom of the Ice, was dragging lamely yet bravely one of his otherwise flitting limbs about the rink. The loss of the one and the injury of the other put them at an incalculable disadvantage, but they went down with their flaming colors flying. Canadiens are out today, but they will be back before many tomorrows have come and gone.

"The Right Idea" Jackie Keating, in an interview in Saint John, says that Manager Gerard of the New York Americans, is as keen as a fox on the matter of condition. There is no member of the squad who is not afraid to sneak across even the tiniest puff of a cigarette. Gerard is that strict. And the boys must perform, keep good hours and eat righteously. Keating states the sooner the amateur authorities see fit to pattern their playing rules along the same lines as the pro, the better for the game. He offers that there is so much more continuous action made possible by the forward pass.

Ernie Mosher, centre-ice player with Fredericton Capitals last year, arrived in Halifax recently and following a conference with President J. H. Conn and Manager Henry Butler of the Halifax Wolverines, it was announced that the former Eastern League star would wear a Halifax uniform next winter. It is understood that the colorful Ernie will manage a dance pavilion this coming summer.

THE CURSE OF SCOTLAND

Among card players the nine of diamonds is known as the curse of Scotland; but if you were to ask a hundred of them why this is so it is probable that no one could tell you. All sorts of queer reasons have been given. It is said, for example, that the Duke of Cumberland, who was playing cards at the time, wrote the order for the massacre of Glencoe on a card which happened to be the nine of diamonds.

Another suggested reason is that in one old card game the nine of diamonds was a kind of joker which beat any other card. This game ruined many Scottish families when introduced by Mary Queen of Scots. The real reason is curious and interesting, says T. H. Blis, a Scotsman, John Dalrymple, Earl of Stair, was mainly responsible, as secretary of state, for bringing about the massacre of Glencoe, and for this reason he earned the hatred of his countrymen. The arms of the Dalrymple family had nine "lozenges," or diamond shapes, arranged as they are on the playing card. Owing to the resemblance the custom grew up of touching the card whenever it appeared and saying, "The curse of Scotland be on you."

GREENVALE W. I. Greenvale Institute members held their March meeting at the home of Mrs. Robert Silliphant on Tuesday evening, the 8th. Miss Beatrice Matheson presided and meeting opened by repeating Creed. Roll call was answered by eight members, with names of noted Irishmen. After reading and signing of minutes, school committee reported visit to school. A bill of \$192 had been paid for New Testament for school, and secretary had received \$200 as Government Grant. A letter had been received from Sanatorium Commission asking contribution for mattress covers. Motion that \$1.00 be sent for this appeal. A letter of sympathy to be forwarded to our bereaved president. Plans were made for next meeting. The evening's program: Singing, "Tipperary," "The Coming of St. Patrick to Ireland," by Miss Beatrice Matheson; "Where the River Shannon Flows," by Mrs. Alfred Carew; Irish readings, by Mrs. S. Silliphant and Mrs. P. Martin; recitation, "The Bells of Shannon," by Mrs. Earle MacRae; Song, "If They'd Only Move Old Ireland Over Here," by Mr. Alfred Carew; Sketch, "Thomas Moore," by Mrs. Russell White; dialogue, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Carew. Closing National Anthem. At the close of the program a refreshing luncheon was served by the hostess. Next meeting will be held on April 5th at the home of Mrs. John Mobbs. Roll call is to be answered with "Great Men and Women of Canada." The program will include a spelling match. (Patriot please copy)



Women Used to Knit Sweaters

FROM PURE lamb's WOOL Penmans Still Do!

FEELS

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Despite the strength of the appeals, however, we were unable to convince British authorities that the potato bug could be eliminated from the shipments. "I think that when the British have fully thrashed the matter over here, we can show them that the bug can be separated from the potatoes. Canada even offered to pay a man Great Britain would send over to supervise the culling sorting and shipping on this side of the ocean but the proposal was turned down. It was also pointed out to me that if the Canadian embargo was removed, it is likely to ban United States potatoes would also be lifted.

"Just how sharp a fight Great Britain is making to prevent a Colorado beetle from getting a foothold into the country is shown by the embargo recently placed on French potatoes. The British have a deep rooted dread of the bug as will do anything possible to prevent its entry to their country," Mr. Ferguson said.

New Brunswick Affair Causes Heated Debate

OTTAWA, Ont., April 1.—(By The Canadian Press)—The province of New Brunswick held the spotlight in the House of Commons for a short time last night and provided some excitement for the galleries when three members from that section engaged in a sharp interchange. Peter Veroy (Lib. Gloucester), was upbraiding the government for its insistence on the "absolute power" clause in the unemployment act which was being considered in committee of the whole, with R. B. Hanson, (Con. York-Sudbury), another New Brunswicker, in the chair.

"Why do they wish to become absolute as a cabinet in carrying on relief work?" asked Mr. Veniot, "many of our Conservative friends are beginning to be anxious, suspicious," he added. "We are not worried," remarked G. P. Jones, (Cons.) "I suppose my honorable friends need not worry very much. He was one of those who benefited by the reduced stampage given by the government of New Brunswick." Mr. Veniot retorted, Mr. Jones sprang to his feet and replied, angrily—"that statement is absolutely incorrect and my honorable friend knows it."

Mr. Veniot: "D'd the honorable gentleman not cut timber on Crown Lands?" Mr. Jones: "Not one stock." Mr. Veniot: "I will take the honorable gentleman's word for that but let me say this, that the firm of Jones Brothers is apparently doing some business with the Department of Indian Affairs. My honorable friend will not deny that—and he will not deny in 1926 before a court he swore that Jones Brothers was himself and himself alone."

Mr. Jones: "I never made any such statement." Mr. Veniot: "My honorable friend said."

Several members: "Take it back." Mr. Veniot: "I cannot take back what I said because I have the record of the court." Mr. Jones: "The honorable member cannot produce any record that will verify his statement." Mr. Chairman: "The honorable member must accept the word of the honorable member for Royal."

Mr. Veniot: "I obey the practice of the House but I stand by the sworn statement given before the court by the honorable gentleman." The Prime Minister: "Surely the honorable gentleman should not be allowed to do this sort of thing."

Mr. Veniot: "I shall take back the statement I made but I say that I have in my possession such a record and I do not have to take that back." There were shouts and jeers from the government side, and cries of "that's not a withdrawal" but the incident closed.

Dr. O. B. Price, (Cons. Westmorland), then directed a strong attack against the former Postmaster General, Mr. Veniot, for reference made some time ago to alleged statements of the Premier of New Brunswick regarding the candidature of Doctor Coffin, in a recent provincial by-election in Gloucester County. He read a letter from Premier Richards of New Brunswick stating that Mr. Veniot's utterance had been incorrect. The statements I attributed Premier Richards were made by him in my presence and I have in newspapers who took verbatim reports to support me," declared Mr. Veniot.