



Once again we turn the page of Time and look forward with confidence to a new year bright with hope.
HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

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City Hockey League To Open On Jan. 6

The schedule of the City Hockey League was drawn-up at a meeting held at H.M.C.S. Queen Charlotte last night. Mr. S. F. Doyle, league President, presided. The league opens Tuesday the 6th and the regular schedule closes about a month later. It will be a round-robin series.

Teams participating are—Navy, Legion, Prince of Wales College, St. Dunstan's University and Summerside.

In the playoffs the teams finishing first and third will meet for a two game total goal series and the teams finishing second and fourth will do likewise. The winners will then meet in the best three out of five series for the championship.

Following is the schedule:

JANUARY

6—Navy vs. P. W. C.
8—Legion vs. S.Side.
13—St. Dunstan's vs. Navy.
15—Legion vs. P. W. C.
20—St. Dunstan's vs. Legion.
22—S.Side vs. St. Dunstan's.
27—P. W. C. vs. St. Dunstan's.
29—Navy vs. S.Side.

FEBRUARY

3—Legion vs. Navy.
5—P. W. C. vs. St. Dunstan's.

Coach Hap Day Lashes Back At Frank Boucher

TORONTO, Dec. 30 (CP)—Coach Hap Day of the Toronto Maple Leafs has lashed back at Frank Boucher and the New York Rangers for accusing the Leafs of "illegal hockey."

Day calls the Rangers "cry-babies" for saying that the Leafs are "the worst team in the League for holding, tripping and interfering." He adds: "We don't squawk. The rules are the same for everybody."

The Boucher charges were made to newspaper men in New York after the Leafs and Rangers tied 1-1 in Sunday night's game at Madison Square Gardens. Boucher said he thought Leafs were coached to do what they did.

It was a rugged struggle, with referee George Hayes awarding 15 minor penalties—eight of them to the Rangers. Flaccid threats on several occasions. Most dramatic of the encounters was when Howie Meeker of Leafs and Tony Leswick of Rangers started a personal feud. In the first round Leswick's stick crashed Meeker's forehead. In the second, Meeker picked up Leswick and threw him to the ice, with Leswick's head hitting the crystal and leaving him a very dazed hockey player.

Leswick returned to action after treatment, with a great bandage over his head, and Meeker was quoted as saying, "He managed to raise another bump on the back of my head with his stick."

U. S. State Dept. To Keep Out Of Hockey Quarrel

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (AP)—The State Department said in reply to a query today that it isn't going to get caught on thin ice in any dispute between two United States amateur hockey groups.

The question came up when it was learned that Jack Riley, who is sponsored by the American Hockey Association, was turned down on his request for a passport to represent the United States in the Olympic games in Switzerland.

Did this mean that the State Department was going to favor the other team, the one sponsored by the Amateur Athletic Union? No, said press official Reginald Mitchell. As a matter of fact, he said, the Department has so many other worries these days it didn't even know the two groups were feuding.

He said Riley's application merely was turned down until he could get the American Hockey Association to verify that he is to be sent to Switzerland as a hockey player.

Down The Alleys

HOLY NAME ALLEYS

Monday Afternoon Ladies League

Team No. 1—
Mrs. Hooper 181 168 126
Mrs. Bell 110 128 137
Mrs. Laird 64 120 191
Spare 125 125 125
Spare 125 125 125
21—points.

Team No. 2—
Mrs. Smith 135 101 129
Mrs. Andrew 137 150 150
Mrs. Dalling 127 126 100
Spare 125 125 125
23—points.

Team No. 3—
Mrs. Stewart 155 143 165
Mrs. Howatt 122 160 154
Mrs. Allan 103 152 181
Miss Longworth 280 122 108
Mrs. Clawson 175 128 170
30—points.

Team No. 4—
Mrs. F. Clarke 225 158 110
Mrs. Craig 120 112 97
Spare 125 125 125
Spare 125 125 125
30—points.

High Three Mrs. F. Clarke 225.
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N.H.L. Standings

	F	W	L	T	P	A	Pts
Toronto	29	15	7	9	0	67	37
Detroit	22	14	8	5	8	71	33
New York	27	12	11	4	8	61	28
Montreal	27	11	12	4	8	68	26
Boston	28	10	12	6	9	26	26
Chicago	26	7	19	2	9	124	15

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TOMORROW—NEW YEAR'S DAY
AFTERNOON SKATING—3 to 5
EVENING SKATING—8 to 10
HAPPY HOURS FOR ALL—**FORUM**

SPORTING NEWS

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Skips And Mates Elected For Local Curling Season

Apps Has Three Point Lead In Scoring Race

MONTRÉAL, Dec. 30 (CP)—Syl Apps has scored a goal in a month, but the steady rate at which the veteran Toronto player has been piling up assists links him on top of the National Hockey League scoring list for the fourth straight week.

Official statistics released today show the 32-year-old centre has 31 points, three more than runner-up Buddy O'Connor of New York who has 12 markers and 16 assists for 28.

Ted for third spot are Detroit's prize sniper, Ted Lindsay, and Jim McFadden, and Elmer Lach of Montreal, each with 27 points. Next in line with 26 points are the Bentley brothers, Max of Toronto and Doug of Chicago.

Doug Bentley was the big gainer in an otherwise lean week for N. H. L. marksmen, picking up five points in three games.

Grant (Knobby) Warwick of New York picked up two counters to tie Lindsay for leadership in the goals column with 16. Apps is off by himself in the assists department with 18 helpings.

George Bill Durnan of Canadiens, four-time winner of the Vezina Trophy, has been displaced as leading reminder by veteran Turk Broda of Toronto. Broda has allowed 6 goals in 29 games for a 2.07 goals per game average. Durnan is close behind with a 2.34 average, and also tops the circuit in shutouts with four.

Aggressive Bill Bariko of the Leafs continues to lead the penalty parade by a comfortable margin with 95 minutes spent in the cooler.

The leaders:

Pens in

Apps, Toronto	G	A	Pts	Mins.
O'Connor, N.Y.	12	18	26	6
Lindsay, Det.	16	11	27	46
McFadden, Det.	13	14	27	40
Lach, Mont.	13	14	27	30
M. Gendy, Tor.	13	14	26	30
D. Bentley, Chi.	12	14	26	4
Warwick, N.Y.	16	8	24	28
Richard, Mont.	12	11	23	24
Gez, Chicago	11	12	23	6
Foote, Chicago	9	14	23	13
M. Gendy, Chi.	12	10	22	27
Blake, Mont.	8	14	22	4
Abel, Detroit	7	15	22	38
H. Watson, Tor.	11	10	21	8
Kaletka, Chi.	9	12	20	30
Kennedy, Tor.	7	13	20	10
Lynn, Tor.	12	8	20	27
Howe, Det.	3	16	19	19
F. Conacher, Det.	8	10	18	0
Carveth, Mont.	8	10	18	4
Dumart, Bos.	5	13	18	6
Laprade, N. Y.	5	13	18	0
Babando, Boston	12	5	17	26
Brown, Chi.	7	10	17	38
Gallinger, Bos.	4	13	17	22
R. Conacher, Chi.	7	9	16	2
F. Watson, N. Y.	7	9	16	23

sharp-shooters finished close-up.

Track and field was marked by the opening of athletic fields in Charlottetown and Summerside. During the summer the Absegweit Club sent a strong team, comprised of athletes from many parts of the Province to the Maritime Track and Field Championships at Halifax where they made an outstanding showing.

Other sports such as bowling and badminton drew large followings. During the year Island bowling teams entered mainland competitions and altogether made a creditable showing. Badminton competitions were held with Summerside players and a strong revival of interest in the game appears in the offing.

All in all it was a most successful year for promoters, players and spectators and one which augurs well for sport in the future. In closing the column for 1947 we take this opportunity of wishing one an all A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Charlottetown Driving Park and Provincial Exhibition Association will be held in the Secretary's Office, 84 Kent St., Thursday, January 8, 1948, at the hour of 2 o'clock.

Dated this 30th day of December, 1947.

G. H. BUNTAIN, Sec'y.-Treas.

It is the intention to postpone the above Meeting to a later date, due notice of which will be given in the newspapers.

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Sport Echoes from Prince County

At this time of the year it is customary for sports columnists to do a little reminiscing about the year that is now fast fading into history. Taking everything into consideration the year 1947 was a banner year for sports in Prince County. As we sit in front of our typewriter a panorama of dramatic sports pictures flash across the television screen of our mind's eye. Among them we see:

A spirited band of midget hockey players with the Kinsmen crest on their sweaters battling in a sudden-death encounter for the Maritime championship, a team of Maritimers from Whitney Pier, suburb of Sydney, N.S. The match is played on a rectangle of ice that the Kinsmen have been playing on all winter. The Summerside kids are playing before a hostile crowd. The Summerside goal judge, a youngster of fifteen years, gets annoyed by a full-grown Whitney Pier fan, Bennie Grady, one of the super-duper defence pair of Summerside gets clipped with a thrown bottle near the end of the game. The referee, who had the good sense to get the kids manage to skate off the ice with the game and the championship.

The other Kinsmen team, entered in the juvenile division, battle it out for the Maritime championship with another Kinsmen aggregation from Charlottetown in one of the hardest, most cleanly-fought minor games seen in Charlottetown. The Summerside gladiators go into the fray one-goal up on their rivals as a result of the first game in Summerside but they lose this slim advantage before minutes of battling and the regular periods end with the two teams on even terms. In a breathless overtime session with the fans suffering, yet enjoying that delightful suspense which makes hockey the game that it is, the Charlottetown boys shoot the sudden-death winning goal that means the Island juvenile championship.

Summerside intermediates took a rather convincing drubbing from their Capital City rivals in a home-and-home series. Gordie Drillon, one-time N.H.L. all-star right-winger, whose increase in avoirdupois since his heyday has not taken away any of his cunning and guile, was the dominant force in the Charlottetown win, though Shepherd, Dowling and Carver, now playing with North Sydney, gave the big fellow a hand.

Charlottetown took a 2 to 1 verdict from Summerside among the smaller puck pushers, their peewees and paperweights winning over one of the Island's best teams. The Summerside side bantams prevailed against their Charlottetown rivals. Much credit is due the Kinsmen in both centres together with B.H. Reid and the surprising program for bringing these young players into the hockey picture.

In the realm of baseball we see the Summerside Kinsmen Juniors, with two promising young players, Gerth Guy and Alan Stewart, and a fighting band of ball-losers who kept improving as the season advanced, win an Island-championship series against Charlottetown in straight games. They were defeated by St. John in the Maritime semi-final series. The St. John team was very strong both at bat and in the field but the fact that Juniors can be one-year older in New Brunswick than in Prince Edward Island would certainly account for at least some of this superiority.

We can still see Russ Phaneuf, Summerside All-Star outfielder, pursuing what looked like a forerunner to the home run, a home fly to left field in a tense, gripping baseball game at the High School grounds in Summerside between the Absegweit and All-Stars. It was the final game for the Island championship and if that fly had managed to get away from Phaneuf as practically everybody thought it would, the Absegweit would have probably taken home the honors. Evidently Russ felt that everything depended on him for he put on a preview of Gonfrido's circus catch in the World Series and the Summerside boys held their aim lead to clinch the championship. Joe Bernard, ace pitcher for Summerside all summer, was the other hero of the win. His pitching was not as brilliant as a former effort of his in an earlier game in Charlottetown, but it was good enough to hold in check a surging band of hickory-wielders who were giving all they had to shell Bernard from the mound.

Summerside was beaten by Meteghan for the Maritime crown in a sudden-death game at Windsor that ended 9 to 6. This game was played early in October and the weather was as good as anyone could hope for in this latitude at such a late date. Our All-Stars led 6 to 2 at one juncture, but the tide of battle turned against them in the seventh inning and our bid for a Maritime championship went glimmering.

George Melkie's Royals, a girls' team, were also victorious in a sudden-death game at Windsor that ended 9 to 6. This game was played early in October and the weather was as good as anyone could hope for in this latitude at such a late date. Our All-Stars led 6 to 2 at one juncture, but the tide of battle turned against them in the seventh inning and our bid for a Maritime championship went glimmering.

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Millionaires Lose Game To Miners

SYDNEY, N.S. Dec. 30 (CP)—Second-place Glace Bay Miners overcame a two-goal lead to defeat top-spot Sydney Millionaires 6-4 in a Cape Breton Senior Hockey League game here tonight. Miners didn't take the lead until the 15-minute mark in the third period when winger Press Anderson scored.

The win leaves Miners nine games behind Millionaires in League standings.

Highs, Lows In 1947 Sport

By WHITNEY MARTIN
NEW YORK, Dec. 30 (AP)—Getting the most and the best, out of the fading year: Most bewildered—Leo Duracher, when he heard he had been suspended for the season by Commissioner Happy Chandler. Biggest disappointment—Joe Louis, during and after his battle with Jersey Joe Walcott. Most pathetic figure—Vic Lombardi, Dodger pitcher, as he trudged to the dugout after the Yankees' 15th-inning comeback opera. Dodger fielding, had necessitated his removal from the box. Most unpopular—the decision in the Louis-Walcott bout giving the Yankees the championship after he had been knocked down twice by Jersey Joe. Luckiest ball-player—Bobo Newsum, who wound up with the Yankees in time to get a partial World Series out. Best comeback—George McQuinn, the supposedly washed-up first baseman who, with nowhere to go, asked for a trial with the Yankees and wound up playing a fine season for the champions. Most thrilling instant—Cookie Lavagetto hitting the double in the ninth inning to ruin Floyd Bevens' no-hit, no-run game. Softball team from Summerside, tied a St. John aggregation for the Junior Girls' Maritime crown. The game, played in Summerside, went nine innings and ended 8 to 8.

Other athletic feats of note: The broad and high-jumping of Bralley, one of Summerside's adopted sons, in the Athletic meet in Halifax—the 100 and 200 yard dash victories of Bobby Jay of Kensington in Summerside and Charlottetown. The surprisingly good showing of Jimmie Hogan's High School rugby team in play against Queen Square and West Kent of Charlottetown. The Tignish victory over Grand River for the championship of the Prince County Baseball League.

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Middleweight Boxer Now Garbage Collector

By Duke Moran
PITTSBURGH, Dec. 30 (AP)—Veteran middleweight Charley Burley, hearing today that the National Boxing Association still rates him an "outstanding boxer," noted wistfully that he works as a garbage collector.

"It's nice," he really nice that they still think so much of me," remarked the dusky ring warrior, "but, gee, I wish somebody would give me a chance to prove it in the ring."

"The only bouts I can get are against the wolf at the door. That guy is always willing to fight me and I've had a tough time out-punching him in the last year. I don't know how I'd have managed if I hadn't hooked on as helper on a city garbage truck last June—and that's only on a part-time basis."

His surprising hard luck sharp-ly contrasts with the rise to fame of such Pittsburgh area contemporaries as Fritzzy Zivic, Sammy Angott and Billy Conn.

Burley is married and has two children. He admits to 11 years of fighting and 30 years of life. Ringworms here insist he's been at both longer.

As a professional he's been rated at or near the top of the welterweight and middleweight divisions every year and with the same consistency has been snubbed by the top-drawer cauliflower set.

Burley can't remember the exact date of his last bout but when he was hoping to get into the championship fight he tried everything from waltzers to heaves for size. He still weighs only 158. He's never been knocked out and defeats are few and far between on his long record.

A parade of managers—Law Burnon of New York now holds his contract—couldn't beat Burley's cold shoulder any better than Burley.

"The biggest purse I ever shared was \$2,900 and I fought for as little as \$20," Charley recalled. "It was my manager's fault. Those other fighters just didn't want me or I had to fight at my terms."

Recently a stubborn illness of pleurisy complicated his battles against want.

"But I'm in good shape now. The doctor reports my heart, my lungs and everything else are O.K. I'd sure like a few fights to help my wife and kids. I'm getting old. Maybe those guys who have been giving me the go-by would like to try me. I think I could lick any middleweight today if I had a chance to train and line up a couple of tune-ups."

"Just a chance would give me the happiest New Year I've ever had."

Big Four Standings

Team	G	W	L	D	P	A	Pts
Toronto	25	14	7	4	115	91	32
Moncton	26	13	9	4	116	100	26
Halifax	26	12	12	2	113	130	26
St. John	29	7	18	4	103	128	18

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Plan Ice Regatta

HAMILTON, Dec. 30 (CP)—The International Skating Association regatta will be held here Jan. 18-19, the Ice Yacht Division of the Royal Hamilton Yacht Club announced today.

Officials said an estimated 30 boats will be entered about 10 from Detroit, Chicago and New York and 30 from Hamilton and Toronto.

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