

# SPORTING NEWS

## Wartime Hockey Interest In 1943 Reaches New Peak As Services Supply Big Moments

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War's impact on hockey with full force in 1943 as the armed services supplied most of the big moments on the ice and in committee rooms.

Spectator interest reached new peaks across the country. Junior and professional hockey established attendance records. The National Hockey League weathered the threat of collapse to become more popular than ever. But, service hockey provided the first works.

For the first time, civilian clubs failed to figure seriously in Allan Cup playoffs. Enlistees and loaded service teams with former professional stars and of the nine clubs entering inter-provincial competition, only Port Arthur Bearcats were the civilians. Bearcats faded in the first round.

Ottawa Commandos, an army team featuring 11 former N.H.L. players, won the championship by beating Victoria army in the final. As they presented with the Allan Cup at Calgary, the boss of fans foreshadowed a wave of opinion which seriously curtailed service hockey before the current season began.

### Defence Dept. Action

Criticism of policies which had permitted service athletes to remain in Canada playing hockey brought defence department action in October. It was announced that participation in sports would not be allowed to interfere with "normal training and duties of soldiers" and that those qualified would be sent overseas immediately on completion of training.

Results were startling. Within a few days, lost of players forced withdrawal from senior leagues of many teams in Halifax, Montreal, Cornwall, Ont., Toronto and Regina. Calgary Mustangs folded and later combined with Calgary to form one team. Air Force teams in Ottawa and Yorkton,

Sask., collapsed.

The most extensive curtailment of service hockey came Dec. 17 when the R.C.A.F. announced that after Jan. 6, no air force members will be permitted to play in organized league the champions of which would be qualified to compete for the Allan or Memorial Cups. This meant breakup of R.C.A.F. teams in Halifax, Cape Breton, Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg and Vancouver and withdrawal of Air Force players from Calgary, Tecumseh-Mustangs.

Where possible, service teams are continuing but in most cases are not so super-charged with stars that civilian clubs are outclassed.

### More Interest in Seniors

Increasing popularity of the seniors reduced attendance at Stanley Cup in a season which had long been favored. But the juniors made a stirring comeback in the Memorial Cup final at Toronto where Winnipeg Rangers beat Oshawa Generals before a six-game paid attendance of 73,899, a record for any hockey series in Canada.

Detroit Red Wings won the N.H.L. championship and the Stanley Cup in a season which saw a new league attendance record of 1,466,827. Then dozens of professional players were called into the army during the summer and collapse of the league was threatened by player shortages.

Finally, the new season opened in November with teen-aged youngsters and military exempt veterans filling the gaps. Continued N.H.L. popularity was proven by Mervyn (Red) Dutton's announcement that attendance is up seven per cent over the same period of last year. Dutton, who scored 37 goals in the N.H.L. throne when Frank Calder died in February, had safely leaped the chasm between hockey player-manager and shrewd business man.

## Bruins Outskate Maple Leafs To Take 8-5 Win

BOSTON, Dec. 21—(AP)—With Bill Cowley, the National Hockey League's top scorer showing the way with three goals, the Boston Bruins protected their home game state by out-skating the Toronto Maple Leafs for a 8-5 victory tonight before a 10,000 crowd at the Boston Garden.

Cowley also collected an assist to run up his 29-game point total to an even 40.

While escaping defeat on home ice for the ninth-straight game, the Bruins were directed from his usual defence post by the veteran Dit Clapper, who took over for Manager Art Ross, who is ill.

The Bruins started the game with their scoring surge early in the second minute of play, when he rifled a Cowley pass into the Toronto net from the penalty line. The Bruins pulled into a 3-0 lead on shots by Don Gallinger and Don Gaudin, who tallied twice, before the Maple Leafs made their first break through goalie Bert Gardiner.

Both sides spread their scoring over the three periods and the other Bruin to beat Benny Grunt was Flash Hollett, with Clapper's assistance. Jackie Hamilton scored for Toronto in the opening session, Lorne Carr during the second and Bob Davidson, Elwyn Morris and George Bothman late in the first.

Babe Pratt, Toronto outstanding defenceman, drew a match misconduct penalty after seven

minutes of the third-period action for arguing with Referee Norman MacKay, who was waved off for interference.

### SUMMARY

- First Period
- 1. Boston, Clapper (Cowley, Bollen) 1-0.
  - 2. Boston, Gallinger (Gallagher, Hollett) 3-0.
  - 3. Toronto, Gaudin (Gallinger, Hollett) 3-6.
  - 4. Toronto, Hamilton (Morris) 3-0.
  - 5. Boston, Hollett (Clapper) 18-9.
  - 6. Boston, Cowley 18-9.
- Penalties: Cowley, R. Hamilton, Gaudin
- Second Period
- 7. Toronto, Carr (Davidson, Bodnar) 10-17.
  - 8. Boston, Cowley (Cain, Bollen) 17-18.
- Penalties: H. Jackson, Bodnar, Gaudin
- Third Period
- 9. Toronto, Davidson Carr, R. Hamilton 0-3.
  - 10. Boston, Gaudin (Crawford) 13-24.
  - 11. Boston, Cowley (Cain, A. Jackson) 15-25.
  - 12. Toronto, Morris 16-47.
  - 13. Toronto, Bothman 18-05.
- Penalties: A. Jackson, Pratt (minor and match misconduct.)

## Founder Of Jockey Club Dies At 85

OTTAWA, Dec. 21—(CP)—James Kenniston Paisley, 85, a former manager of the Central Canada exhibition, one of the founders of the Connaught Jockey Club, and one-time proprietor of the old Grand Union Hotel, died today within a few hours of his sister, Miss Jennie Paisley, 79, in the same hospital.

## Beau Jack, Angott To Fight Jan. 28

NEW YORK, Dec. 21—(AP)—Beau Jack and Sammy Angott, holders of the two shares in the world lightweight title, will meet in a 10-round, over-the-weight match in Madison Square Garden on Jan. 28.

Jack, whose title claims have the blessing of the New York State Athletic Commission, will have a tune-up 10-rounder with Lulu Constantino of New York in the Garden Jan. 7, Angott, N.B.A. star in the division, hails from Washington, Pa.

## Empire Christmas Day Broadcast

TORONTO, Dec. 21—(CP)—Halifax, St. John's and Edmonton will be linked with Port Moresby, Leopoldville in the Belgian Congo and Rio De Janeiro in this year's Empire Christmas Day broadcast. The program, an hour and 15 minutes long, linking the Empire and the United Nations, will conclude with His Majesty's yearly Christmas address.

It will be heard over the C. B. C. national network 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. A.D.T. and repeated starting at noon. The King's speech will be heard in a special repeat at 10 p.m.

Canada's share in the program includes a conversation between Merchant Marine Captain at Halifax with a Royal Navy captain in Londonderry, a talk by a transatlantic transport pilot from St. John's, Newfoundland, and conversation at Edmonton between a Canadian bus driver and two United States soldiers.

## REMEMBER WHEN

William T. Tilden refused an offer of \$90,000 to turn professional and play a series of exhibition matches in United States and Canada 17 years ago today. However, he really entered the money" tennis ranks in 1931 at the age of 38.

## YEO THEATRES

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MONTAGUE, SAT. 8 P. M.

## Sport Shorts From Britain

By Allan Nickless  
Canadian Press Staff Writer

LONDON, Dec. 21—(CP)—Nearly three years ago Boxing Promoter John Muldoon received a letter from a young man requesting a trial. The hopeful was Ben Duffy, from a small Yorkshire village, and he showed promise in a bout in London.

Now a petty officer in the Royal Navy, Duffy is not stuff along bash boulevard. Only last summer he outpointed Old Ned Tarleton, 37 year old Liverpoolian who holds the British and Empire featherweight titles. A few days ago he took a decision from the Empire boxing champion Jim Bracey.

Duffy's latest fight comes up in a couple of weeks when he faces Johnny King, British bantamweight, several months after the outbreak of war, he was a survivor from the battleship Prince of Wales when it was sunk by the Japanese off Malaya.

King has been boxing 17 years and first became champion by outpointing Dick Corbett, who lost his life during an air raid last November. King later won the don King later lost the championship but regained it in 1933.

Speaking of boxing, and that means boxing, the champions—four of Britain's seven titleholders are 30 or more. They are Tarleton, the oldest at 37; Jack McAvoy, 35, middleweight; King, and Ernie Roderick, 30, welterweight. Of these Roderick fights fairly frequently, Tarleton has an odd contest, but McAvoy has not boxed since he lost to Freddie Mills last year.

Mills, incidentally, is 24 and holds the British and Empire light-heavyweight titles. The other champions are Lightweight: Eric Boon, 23, and Jackie Patterson of Glasgow, 23 year old bantamweight; and middleweight: British and Empire flyweight champion, Fred Cox, young winger with Tottenham Hotspur of the Football League South, returned to the Spurs for a fight with wings emblazoned on his Royal Air Force Tunic. He just returned from Canada where he was trained under the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan.

Wilt Wooler, Welsh rugby international and Glamorgan cricketer, wrote home to say he is a prisoner in Tokyo. He was captured by the Japanese in Java.

Great little filly Herringbone, winner of this season's 1,000 Guineas at St. Leger for Lord Derby, has been retired to the stud.

Temperamental Nasruhiya, the Aga Khan's high priced colt which failed to win any of the classics, also will go to stud.

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## HINTS ON ETIQUETTE

While this war is going on, patience and understanding are more needed than ever in our intercourse with one another. We should not look scornfully at a young man who is not in uniform. He may be going in next day or next week, and if he isn't he has a perfectly legitimate reason for not doing so, and probably feels worse about it than you possibly can.

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## Egg Prices Show Signs Of Decline

This egg market shows signs of weakening. Production has definitely increased and the present supply is not expected to be reduced at all. Prices remain at last week's levels but with a weaker undertone.

P. E. I. grading stations are quoting for ungraded eggs delivered: A Large 45-8; A Medium, 43-4; A Pullet, 35-42; B 35-40; C 30. Graded shipments delivered at Charlottetown: A Large, 40-1-2; A Medium, 47-1-2; A Pullet, 40-5; B, 45.

Specialized producers are receiving for cartoned eggs: A Large, 52; A Medium, 50; A Pullet, 41. Poultry marketers have been exceedingly heavy during the past week and the volume at this date is booked. Producers are expected to increase marketings in January over previous years due to considerable increase in July and August hatched chicks being sold. More noticeable this year that poultry being marketed is considerably heavier in weight. Milk fed grades still predominate with prices at ceiling levels.

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## CENTRAL GUARDIAN

This column is reserved for news of local interest, but advertising of local nature may be inserted at five cents a word, strictly payable in advance.

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POLICE COURT—In yesterday's Police Court two offenders appeared before the Magistrate, one charged with driving a motor vehicle while licence was cancelled. He received a fine of \$500 and costs, or 30 days in jail. The other charged with drunk and incapable received \$3.00 and costs or 5 days in jail.

JUST ARRIVED — Unexpected shipment of toys, including drums, trains, sleighs, trucks, kidcy cars, sleds, horses, games, etc. 12-22-21. Bros., Ltd. 12-22-21.

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CHARTER FLIGHTS PLANNED — Maritime Central Airways has a busy day in prospect today. It was learned last night in addition to scheduled flights between this province and the mainland, no fewer than 10 chartered trips are booked. Passengers for the special flights are principally airmen going on Christmas leave. Two charter flights are scheduled from Charlottetown and eight from Summerside, involving in all some 100 persons.

FAREWELL PARTY—On Saturday evening, November 27th, friends and neighbors gathered at the home of E. J. James Craig, Summerside, who was spending a short leave at his home before leaving Halifax for an Ontario career. Craig was led forward by Mr. William Morrison, then Mr. Thomas Wismore as chairman explained the purpose of the gathering and after a few complimentary remarks called upon Mr. Walter MacKenzie to read an address. Mr. John Mayne made a presentation of a book to Craig, the guest of honor thanked them for their kindness and expressed the hope that in the not too distant future he would again be among his friends and neighbors. Appropriate remarks were made by Mr. Alex. MacDonald, Springfield and Mr. Hedy Woodside, Bradalton. All joined in singing a song suitable for the occasion. E. J. Craig is the son of Lt.-Col. Robert Craig and Mrs. Craig Charlottetown, brother Gen. Craig Craig is serving with the Canadian Army and at Murray's Corner, N.B., but connected with an R.C.A.F. hospital in Toronto.

HOUSE WARMING—On Thursday evening, Dec. 2nd, the people of Desable School district assembled at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Borden Wotton, after which they came to their new home. Mr. and Mrs. Wotton formerly resided at Murray's Corner, N.B., but recently sold their farm there and have purchased the McKay property at Desable. The guests being assembled Mr. and Mrs. Wotton took the chair and briefly outlined the object of the meeting. He then called on Mrs. Myron Shaw who presented a beautiful Christmas tree. Mr. and Mrs. Wotton in a few well chosen remarks feelingly thanked their new neighbors not only for their beautiful present but also for the friendly spirit which accompanied it. A fine luncheon was served by the ladies. The rest of the evening was spent in social intercourse and dancing by the younger element. Mrs. Wotton is a daughter of John H. and Mrs. Myers of Hampton.

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## How Christmas Is Observed On Naval Ships

OTTAWA, Dec. 21—(CP)—Every corvette skipper may hope to command a battleship—but not at Christmas.

The Royal Canadian Navy, describing naval Christmas tradition said today that just before noon on Christmas Day the Captain assembles all his officers and they make the rounds of each mess in the ship, wishing the crew a Merry Christmas.

"For the captain, this is an easier task in a corvette or destroyer than in a battleship, for he is offered a drink in each mess and a battleship may have 40 or 60 messes," said the navy.

"The drinks may range from issue rum to a cup of tea and the captain may not slight any mess by refusing hospitality.

"It takes a sturdy captain to retain his appetite for dinner." The necessities of war will cur-

tail Christmas tradition on ships at sea, but in port the observances will be as full as the commanding officer desires. Generally, mess-decks are decorated with whatever greenery and colored paper the men can pick up ashore. Discipline is somewhat relaxed, with the men permitted to have a bottle of beer or wine.

A large loaf of bread, pinned to the table with a bayonet, will be the central decoration of seaman's mess tables in every Canadian battleship observing the full naval Christmas tradition.

Beside the loaf will be a neatly printed inscription: "The staff of life at the point of death"—an ancient custom probably originating with a seaman who felt it should be made clear there were better things to eat on Christmas Day, the navy suggested.

By strict tradition, the youngest rating in each ship should don the captain's uniform and be ruler of the ship for the day. Similarly, ship's boys wear petty officers' badges and carry out petty officers' duties. This is a survival of an old Roman custom whereby masters waited on servants at Christmas.

Naval authorities said any such program is definitely out of ships at sea, but in port it is customary for all officers to go ashore after the noon ceremony, except remains in case of emergencies but usually keeps to his cabin.

In the olden days the departure of officers for shore alone was a necessity for celebrations in the mess-decks were so rowdy there would almost certainly be charges of mutiny if they stayed aboard the navy said.

After being a captain for a year, the youngest boy in the ship has another important duty: New Year's Eve. As the hour of midnight strikes, he rings the ship's bell 16 times, eight for the old year and eight for the new—the only time in the year the bell is rung more than eight times at once.

**BACK TO INDUSTRIAL ALCOHOL**

OTTAWA, Dec. 21—(CP)—Canadian distillers which had made some potable alcohol in "driblets" in recent months now have returned to industrial alcohol production completely to meet war requirements, it was learned today.

Ottawa sources said they had no information as to when it might be possible for distilleries to resume potable operations, even on a small scale.

**BOUNCING UP FATHER**

AREN'T YOU GOING SHOPPING WITH ME TODAY, MOTHER?

NO! I HAVE TO CLEAN UP THE HOUSE AS I'M EXPECTING A GUEST TONIGHT. TELLER TO CALL ON US!

OH, HE'LL NEED A SPONGE TO CLEAN OFF THE WINDOWS!

HELLO, JIGGS—ON YOUR WAY HOME, I WANT YOU TO BRING ME A SPONGE!

WHICH ONE WILL I BRING? YOUR SISTER OR MOTHER?

**TIPPY AND "CAP" STUBBS**

—AND HOW NICE OF YOU TO COME, TOO, ELDORA—

OH, MY DEAR—I'VE BEEN WANTING TO—

HOW ARE YOU, EFFIE? YOU'VE BEEN LOOKIN' PEAKED LATELY—YOU'RE NOT WALKIN' TOO HARD, ARE YOU—?

—AND HOW WONDERFUL YOU LOOK, AUNTIE BANGS—

OH, I'M FINE—UH—WON'T YOU TAKE OFF YOUR THINGS AND— SIT—DOWN—

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