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CANADIANS EASILY OUTCLASS CZECHO SLOVAKIA 30-0

Opening Olympic Hockey Fixture At Chamonix, France—Americans Also Score Decisive Victory Over Belgium Team, 19 to Nil.

CHAMONIX, Jan. 28.—The United States hockey team scored an easy victory in its first match in winter sports of the Olympic Games here today, defeating the Belgian team 19 to 0.



FRED MOORE
Defence Player of the Abegweits who may not be in competition to start on the Abbie Line owing to injuries received in the last Crystal-Abegweits hockey fixture in Summerside, N.S.

Abegweits And Crystals To-night

The Abegweits had a stiff workout last night in preparation for their coming game tonight with the Crystals at the Arena. It is expected that the Champions will go on the ice tonight minus Fred Moore star defence player who was injured last Friday night at Summerside, when he was hit by a wicked puck-shot from Charlie Cahill's stick. Fred's injury although more or less troublesome, is doing as well as can be expected and he will be back in the game within a few days.

As each team has one game to its credit and only two to go, the fixture tonight has every promise of being a thriller from start to finish.

ANOTHER HISTORIC MANSION DISAPPEARING

(By Dominion News Service.)
LONDON, Jan. 28.—The historic mansion of Cassiobury, near Watford, where venerable monks once worshipped the memory of the martyred Saint Alban, and Elizabethan beauties walked and talked with the Earl of Essex, is in grave peril of the scrap-heap.

"Desirable suburban residences," frequented by income tax collectors, and "bristling with wireless aerials," may soon stand on the site of one of the statelyst homes of England.

Cassiobury, with its hundreds of acres of ground, was sold by private treaty in 1922. Roads are already being constructed through the estate.

The owners of the property have not yet decided whether to pull down the house or not. The roads constructed on the estate have not yet reached the mansion, which stands at the far end of the grounds.

The mansion and estate were the property of the Earl of Essex. His predecessors had held them since early in the seventeenth century. Baron Capell, the father of the first Earl of Essex, was beheaded in 1649 for his loyalty to the Royalist cause. The first earl was accused of plotting, and was committed to the Tower, where he was found with his throat cut.

The estate, under the name, "Cassio," figures in the Domesday Book. The house was then an abbey, constructed in 791 by the monks of Verulam, the Roman name for St. Alban, in honour of Saint Alban.

THE CANADIENS' ANSWER TO THE OTTAWA SENATORS

Canucks Insist That Ottawa's Whines And Wails Be Smothered Once and For All.

OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 28.—President Frank Ahearn of the Ottawa hockey associations stated last night that there would be a meeting early this evening at which members of the Ottawa team would attend when evidence to be produced at the N. H. L. meeting Saturday in Toronto would be arranged.

It is understood that some of the players have made affidavits supporting the charges that a certain player on the Canadien's team openly threatened to put them out of commission on Montreal ice.

The Canadien's returned from Hamilton with two more casualties added to the French team's already long list of injured players. Cleghorn and Howie Morenz are the two. Cleghorn's right knee is in very bad shape and he was taken to Dr. Holliday immediately after the players got off the train and reports this morning were that water was forming on one of his knees while the arteries and muscles of the other leg were badly bruised and battered.

Howie Morenz received a two inch cut just below the left ankle in the second period of the Hamilton-Canadien's game and he was sent by Manager Leo Dandurand immediately after the game to his home in Stratford so that he could be given proper care and avoid a night and day on the train where he could not receive proper medical attention.

Morenz refused to take off his boot during the interval between the second and third period for fear that the foot would swell and that he could not put on his boot again. Jodine was poured through the cut of his boot and a layer of cotton spread over it and then bandaged with adhesive plaster. Morenz played out the third period. Billy Boucher's injury seems to be getting more serious every day and he was on the ice only a short time in Hamilton.

Many injuries.

It is seldom that so many injuries have happened in such a short period to the same club in the same season and the Canadien's management is sure up against it. Canadien's started out the season with one of the best balanced teams that ever wore the red white and blue. The players are not losing heart and are still confident that if they get their share of the breaks the team will be battling in the play-off. Coutu is expected to play in a short time and it will be known tomorrow exactly on what date he will line up with his team.

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Wails and Whines.

For a long time I have considered these wails and whines from Ottawa as farcical and childish but now they have to be checked so they disrupt professional hockey. The Canadien Hockey Club handed Ottawa the championship last season by suspending two of our best players in the play-off. It was a hard thing for us to do to suspend and fine two of our best men and for the management of our club to give up what I and the players had strived for two years to attain. We realized then that we were not bigger than the game itself, something we know still.

"Any time something has to be done for hockey every one connected with the Canadien's will forget all petty differences and be to the fore. Penalties and championships are a second consideration with us, but I am confident that we will never stoop to blacken and demoralize our opponents to attain them.

"As manager of Canadien's I have neither approached President Calder nor any officials of the Toronto and Hamilton clubs to get behind me at tomorrow's meeting in Toronto. I am leaving the whole matter in the hands of the President and the other two clubs. Should these silly and unfounded charges and sustained filthy propaganda triumph the National Hockey League would be in a bad way. I am confident this will not be the case. I entertain no fears and ask no favors."

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RAID ON THE DOMINION'S STAR HOCKEYISTS ALLEGED

Canada Much Upset Over Importation Of Players To The United States

BY HOWARD G. REYNOLDS

Canada appears up in arms over an alleged raid of the Old Dominion by the United States to secure its star hockey players. Boston is claimed to be the worst offender.

It is charged, if this wholesale importation to the States is not stopped, that within a few years the class of hockey in this country will be superior to that in Canada. Furthermore, that the stars of our hockey will be Canadian boys.

Those that have the game most at heart across the border consider the problem a serious one, and that the longer it is permitted to go on without check by the Canadian amateur authorities, just so much bigger will the task become some day.

QUESTION AMATEUR STANDING

What is more, in order to bolster up some of the teams here, Canadian professionals are being offered salaries to play on our amateur clubs.

One specific case is mentioned. Billy Bell, for years a Canadian professional, states that he had been offered \$100 and expenses by a Boston amateur team to play two games here.

"Montreal amateur hockey clubs are today viewing with alarm the inroads which are threatened to be made in their ranks by the clubs of Boston," says one of the Montreal papers this week.

"With one player of note already gone and others in receipt of attractive offers, local teams are considering an appeal to the governing body of amateur hockey in the Dominion in an effort to check the forays," continues the article.

"Billy Bell, for years a professional player, yesterday reported that he had been offered \$100 and expenses by a Boston amateur club to play two games there. Bell has no amateur card, but it is reported that following the ruling whereby Dave Campbell, a former professional, was recently restored to amateur standing, he would press for his amateur card Bell has not played in a couple of seasons.

"George Dufresne, the storm petrel of amateur hockey, and a champion tourist, whose services started a court-battle a few seasons back between Boston amateur heads, and who played in Hamilton, Sudbury and Boston, and is now with Montreal Nationals, is another reported to be sought as well as Brisebois, his team-mate."

TORONTO HAS ITS VIEWS

Here is the way a Toronto paper looks at it:

"Why are so few first class senior hockey players being developed in Toronto? And that statement might well cover other portions of the province and Dominion as well as Toronto. Some might say that the statement of high-class boys not being developed is wrong. But no proof is forthcoming for such a remark. Certainly there is plenty of hockey being played in Toronto's outdoor and indoor rinks. But out of that great

THAT PRESS BOX

Intelligently and impartially the best report of a hockey game possible. Under present conditions it is nearly impossible to make notes and follow a fixture closely from the "boards" as spectators are naturally as anxious to see what's going on as well as reporters. Therefore, figuratively speaking it is mighty hard to "attend to business" with a fan astride your neck rooting along with the intensity of a volcanic eruption.

A box for reporters and timers only, directly above "sinner's avenue" might be a step in the right direction.

multitude how many will prove real stars in years to come?

"Certainly the experiences of the past few years do not point to any great development. There has been some good work done and perhaps 'too much importation' from Toronto has brought about some of the opinion that the development has not brought out enough real high-class performers. Boys developed in Toronto have gone to the United States. That is well known by a glance over the line-ups of some of the U. S. teams. And that same glance will show the majority of the players are boys from various parts of the Dominion.

PLENTY OF MATERIAL

But the point is that last year there were 8000 or more boys playing under the jurisdiction of the Toronto Amateur Hockey Association. Prior to last year that figure was not reached, but still the mark was not far behind. Those boys started perhaps in the midget. They worked up year by year to higher series. Few of them actually gave up hockey. But the question is where have they gone to? True, many are playing with industrial and club teams throughout the city. But in the main those are boys not good enough for senior competition. Then comes back the same question: Where are the few high-class boys who are bound to come out of such development gone to?

"Take 8000 players under the T. A. H. A. Out of that surely 24 smart players could be found to make real seniors. Yet they are not found. Is it that the development is not good enough, or is it because they have migrated to the States or to other parts of the Dominion? Or is it that because of so much industrial and commercial hockey of the past few years the boys feel it is their duty to play with their fellow employees and stay away from the O. H. A.? Summed up, it looks like a case of a little of each.

OTHER FEEL PINCH

"Montreal is in the same position. So is Winnipeg. Montreal is now complaining that Boston teams are making Montreal the Mecca of senior hockey players for the Bean Town. Some star Montreal players have already gone to Boston. Others are said to be on their way or in possession of offers. There is no doubt about it that the increasing popularity of the grand winter pastime in the United States is having a serious effect on the class of hockey being played in Canada.

"There will always be plenty of players as long as there are outdoor leagues, but the calibre of that hockey will fall off. And don't be surprised that in a few years—if this wholesale importation to the States is not stopped—that the class of senior hockey in Uncle Sam's country will be superior to that in Canada. And the stars of U. S. hockey will be Canadian boys. It is a serious problem, and the longer it is permitted to go on without check by the Canadian amateur authorities, just so much bigger will the task become each day."

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"Y" BOWLING

PLAY OFF ON Y ALLEYS Y. M. C. A. WIN SECOND GAME

Following is the result of the second game of the series to decide the winners of the City League bowling tournament which is being conducted on the Y Alleys.

Y. M. C. A.	
J. D. Webster	183 187 182
P. W. Turner	126 188 164
A. E. Harris	137 166 150
J. A. Bentley	146 241 181
Jac. Cameron	175 268 192
Total	—2876.

MADISONS	
A. Huestis	153 128 187
L. Robertson	142 206 178
M. Carter	190 177 155
P. McInnis	133 163 187
F. Nicholson	110 202 223
Total	—2534.

Majority for Y 142 pins.
REBEKAH BOWLING LEAGUE

Saturday night on the Y. M. C. A. Alleys the Eureka's were victorious over the Comets in the Ladies bowling league by the small sum of thirty seven pins. Following are the scores:

COMETS	
Mrs. Adams	134 142 113
Mrs. Beer	80 137 106
Miss B. Stewart	101 71 125
Miss F. Stewart	156 138 161
Miss N. Evans	104 86 88
Total	—1742.

EUREKAS	
H. Stewart	135 147 86
C. Brown	70 103 76
H. McNeill	110 188 166
H. Finlayson	127 92 131
L. Wright	109 124 115
Total	—1779.

Majority for Eureka's, 37.
THE STUDENTS' LEAGUE

A new bowling league has been formed in the "Y" which is known as the Students' League. The games are rolled in the afternoon and great interest is being taken in them by the boys themselves. Following is the result of No. 1 and 2 teams; game yesterday (Monday):

No. 1	
H. Foster	135 108 186
S. Montgomery	97 110 112
G. Judson	148 194 103
R. Hughes	192 148 137
V. Ling	115 166 131
Total	—2082.

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