



IN THIS CORNER

National League hockey lost an outstanding personality with the passing of Major Fred McLaughlin recently, the guiding power behind the Chicago Black Hawks.

So, while the Major had some rather fixed ideas about hockey, they didn't always jibe with some of the generally accepted theories of experienced hockey managers.

Even a Stanley Cup triumph didn't mean you were a success at Chicago and there were instances when coaches severed connections with the club at the least expected times.

For a long time McLaughlin's greatest ambition was to operate a team of strictly United-States hockey players.

To date, Chicago is the only team to have ever won the Stanley Cup with a U.S.-born manager.

Back about seven years ago McLaughlin realized one ambition. He sent out an all-American team, or a reasonable facsimile, and the Hawks knocked off New York Rangers.

The rush of money on the last two seasons would knock Phil completely off his feet if he ever offered to make book on them.

He gathered that Phil didn't like Canadians, didn't like Montreal, which is strange considering he started from there, conceivably will finish up there, and actually from all sources inclusive of play-off money last year and his job netted \$11,000.

Coleman says Phil reported he didn't get along with the Montreal management last year, or the Montreal crowd, and Coleman doubts Phil, questions his judgment.

From what we heard of Watson last winter he was always at his happy best, had a great time ribbing Irvin, enjoyed himself to the full.

We used to hear his rather funny and often acid remarks about Rangers last year with some amusement. He is implicit and unpredictable in his assertions.

One thing about Phil, there is never a dull moment when he is around, and when he is most serious he is most amusing.

Remember When

By The Canadian Press
William T. Thaiden refused an offer of \$50,000 to turn professional and play a series of tennis exhibitions in the United States and Canada, 18 years ago today.

PLANNED OWN FUNERAL
MIDDLESBORO, Ky., Dec. 19 (AP)—E. H. Hoskins, 78, was buried today according to his own specifications.

SPORTING NEWS

Fielding Marks Erased By St. Louis Cardinals In Push To World Series

By JACK HAND
Associated Press Sports Writer
NEW YORK, Dec. 21—Defensive skills of the St. Louis Cardinals, painfully obvious to the Browns in the world series were officially recognized today in the National League fielding records showing the world series champions set two major league team records and swept four of seven individual titles.

Red Wings Smother N. Y. Rangers With 11-3 Score

DETROIT, Dec. 21 (AP)—Detroit Red Wings tonight equaled the season's high score by national hockey league club by whipping New York 11-3 before a throng of 7,233. Bill Hallett scored three Detroit goals.

Traffic Court Gets Place With 47 Turf Greats

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 21 (AP)—Traffic Court, a failure as a brood mare but a whiz as a runner, won a place today along with the Twilights and the Pars in a roundup of 1944 turf superlatives compiled by two of the sport's leading secretaries.

Trans-Canada Phone System Is Expanded

MONTREAL, Dec. 21 (CP)—The Trans-Canada Telephone System today announced the completion of nine new talking channels linking principal cities in Canada from coast to coast.

Men's Formal Clothes Appear in N. Y. Stores

NEW YORK, Dec. 21 (CP)—Coincident with the worst European war news the United States has received since it entered the war three years ago, is the reappearance in store windows here of men's formal clothes, replete with top hats and "pure silk" white gloves.

EXERCISE THROUGH SKATING TWICE TO-DAY AFTERNOON and NIGHT HEALTH FOR YOU THE FORUM

Veteran Jockey Injured In Spill

(By The Associated Press)
MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 21—Two jockeys suffered severe injuries and a third escaped unscathed in a spectacular three-horse spill during the first race at Gulfstream Park this afternoon.

Jap Aircraft In Manchuria Bombed

(By The Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 21—Superfortresses hit a Japanese aircraft plant in Mukden, Manchuria, today with "good results" although two of the big B-29's were lost.

German Groups In Allied Uniform, French Warned

LONDON, Dec. 21 (CP-Reuters)—The French radio tonight broadcast a warning to the people of France to be on the lookout for groups of Germans wearing British and United States uniforms who had infiltrated the Allied lines.

France Intends To Help Mount Guard On Rhine

(By The Canadian Press)
PARIS, Dec. 21 (AP)—France intends to help mount guard on the Rhine after the war to keep the Rhineland and French industries out of German hands and to help Poland expand eastward into Silesia and East Prussia, Foreign Minister Georges Bidault told the Consultative Assembly as debate opened on the new French-Soviet alliance.

Post-War Plans For Baseball

(By The Associated Press)
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 21—Post-war plans: A new Baseball Museum and Hall of Fame, in Ft. Limerick, Pa.; a new stadium for the "Mr. Baseball"—Connie Mack. It's one of the musts in the season's plan, announced by Roy Mack, Connie's son and protégé.

Eisenhower Extends Christmas Greetings

(By The Canadian Press)
AN ADVANCED ALLIED COMMAND POST, Dec. 21—Gen. Eisenhower extended personal Christmas greetings today to men representing the British, American, Canadian and French armies, the British and U.S. Navies, and R.A.F. and the United States Air Force.

British Foodstuff Production Increased

LONDON, Dec. 21—By plowing up grassland, reclaiming waste areas and specializing in crops for human food, Britain during the war has increased her production of foodstuffs by at least 70 per cent in both calory and protein value.

Military Medal Winner Decorated by Montgomery



Pte. H. L. Fraser, Vernon, P. E. I., is shown here receiving the Military Medal for bravery in the field from Field Marshal Sir Bernard Montgomery during an open-air investiture in Belgium.

Bomb Nazi Rail Centre Through Fog

(By The Canadian Press)
LONDON, Dec. 21—R.A.F. Lancasters, equipped with night-bombing instruments, probed through heavy fog over the Western Front today and poured an estimated 1,800 tons of bombs on the German railway centre of Trier, a main supply point supporting the German winter offensive.

Preference For Armed Forces On Railways

(By The Canadian Press)
TORONTO, Dec. 21 (CP)—The Canadian National Railway and the Canadian Pacific Railway announced last night in a joint statement that uniformed men and women of the armed forces will have priority over civilians in boarding Canadian trains and will have first choice of seats during the Christmas holiday travel season.

OH MY!

(By The Canadian Press)
OTTAWA, Dec. 21—Some Ottawa men's faces have been plenty red when he arrived home and found that a bottle he had snatched from a girl leaving a liquor store with a friend contained vinegar instead of Scotch.

White House Gifts

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (AP)—The President and Mrs. Roosevelt today presented to 258 White House office staff members their annual Christmas present.

FOX FURS WANTED

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Field Marshal Sir Bernard Montgomery is shown here wearing the Military Medal on the blouse of Sgt. A. D. Mitchell, Plisquid East, P. E. I., during an investiture for Canadians in Belgium.

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