

Sport In Island Province Shows Decline In 1942

Feature Event Is Winning Of Juvenile Title By Royals Club.

Once again we come to the end of another year and as has been our custom we glance over the sports cavalcade, a cavalcade that despite battles raging over Europe has kept on going, perhaps not as strongly as in former years but strong enough to keep up the morale of not only civilian population but of our fighting forces also.

Locally the sports scene has changed greatly. True the different branches are still carrying on gamely but the call to arms has been answered so strongly here in this little Island province that practically all the familiar faces that dotted the playing fields are now far removed from our midst.

Herewith we give a short summary of the different athletic activities in our Island province but before doing so we wish to extend to all, and particularly to those in the fighting forces best wishes for a HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

Hockey

Although hockey was limited in its scope the entire season nevertheless the juvenile Royals were successful in bringing here a Maritime title when Walter Lawlor's team on strange ice, won a sudden-death fixture from Windsor Nova Scotia Juniors 7-6 on Truro ice to mark the fourth straight Maritime title this club has won in the past four years.

Starting out on the victory March Royals took the Holy Redeemer Juniors in three straight games by scores of 3-1, 4-2, and 3-1. Borden were next victims and they fell in straight tilts, 8-1 and 5-2.

Moncton's juvenile Bruins were expected to take the Royals measure but again the local team were just too good. They took the first game for the two-province championship 10 to 5 and then travelled to New Brunswick to chalk up another win by a 7-5 count.

Young Jackson's team with only a minute and a half to play gave the Royals their title when they met Windsor in the sudden death game and with this all-important goal went to three-province title to the Royals.

This season Royals will again ice both junior and juvenile clubs and although it isn't known as yet what material there is to work with nevertheless club supporters feel confident that the squads will be right in the forefront when play-down time rolls around.

Junior Hockey

There was very little action on the junior front. No league was in operation locally and the Royals banded together hurriedly to get to Moncton's Junior Wheelers in straight games 10-5 and 7-5. It was the first time in four seasons that the junior Royals had taken defeat but they went out of the picture like the worthy opponents they were. Wheelers lost out to Halifax Canadians in the series for the Maritime title.

Senior Hockey

This branch was practically a dead issue all during the season. Some exhibition games were played particularly in the latter part of the season as the biggest upset of the season as the Royals came back to capture the final two games after losing the first encounter from the strong University squad.

Saints were expected to receive very little trouble from the P. W. C. boys and it seemed as if this white and red team could get off with a 6-2 victory in the opener. P. W. C. showed unexpected form and aggressiveness in the second match to win 2-2 then in a brilliant and fought and decided encounter P. W. C. jumping into an early two goal lead staved off the desperate attacks of the Saints for the remainder of the game to win out 3-1.

Outing

The Island curlers had another great season. From the time ice was first formed members of the three curling clubs from Montserrat, Summerside and Charlottetown were participating in games almost nightly. The various trophy competitions were hotly contested and before the title-holders were decided and various inter-club matches were also played during the season.

Curling

Of course the competition for the Island title and with it the Dominion championship was the highlight of the season with W. R. Cruikshank's City team coming through to beat out Premier. Thus A. Campbell's Summerside four in the best competition witnessed since the Island entered this Dominion competition. There were twelve rinks entered in the play with the Cruikshank rink winning seven of its eight matches.

The Cruikshank rink then took part in the Dominion championship at Quebec and succeeded in chalk-ing up three victories while being beaten out in their other games. It was the best showing an Island rink had ever made in this title play.

A band of 12 Island curlers also took part in the International "spiel" held at Quebec and although they failed to take home any titles two of the rinks reached the semi-finals in different competitions. Throughout the season also various were made to clubs through-year with an early start being ex-

Juvenile Hockey

A Juvenile Hockey League meeting has been called for Friday night at 7 o'clock. The place of meeting will be Bill Weatherbie's Barber Shop. All players are requested to attend. The announcement of the meeting was made by Earle McCourt, president of the League.

The Brackley Driving Club also had a great season and held a large number of meets all through the season that were witnessed by large numbers of spectators every time the horses took the word. This year this same driving club has already made their mark and it is expected that the first meet of the season will take place there tomorrow.

Figure Skating

The Figure Skating class that was conducted by Walter Scamless,bury had a great season that wound up with the presenting of the Charlottetown Ice Follies late in the winter. This branch of winter pastime has been going on for several seasons but this season was by far the best with the presentation of the "Ice Follies" witnessed by over 1,000 people. The class put on a great show and this year plans are being made to have it again during 1943 but whether it is expected to be at a higher pitch than ever.

Basketball

Little improvement was noted in basketball circles. For some time now the interest has been and it is only through the efforts of a few that love the game that any games at all have taken place. P.W.C. Saints, Air Force and Y team engaged in a few games but the brand of the hoop game being played was good nevertheless. Two girls teams also played a series of games, the Rockettes and a squad from P.W.C. but as was noted in the men's division interest being shown was negligible. Prospects for this season are no better but perhaps at the start of the year will pep up and several leagues will function during the winter and early spring months.

Softball

Softball made somewhat of a comeback with a City league conducted by Y.M.C.A., Army and Navy playing out a schedule of games all through the season with the Y team taking the City title as they beat the Army team four straight games in the finals. Attendance at the games too was real good with the teams putting up a great brand of the pastime. The league started out with four teams originally with the Navy entering two squads but due to drafts leaving the province the league was later cut down to three, these three finishing the schedule.

The Knights of Columbus also had a flourishing league in existence with much interest being taken in these games also and this coming season it is expected that they will be in operation. Outlook for this popular sport is really brighter than it has been in a good number of years and 1943 is expected to furnish a marked improvement.

GOLF

Due to a large number of the members both men and ladies being engaged in war work activities of the Golf Club was somewhat out of during the past year but nevertheless the game enjoyed a good season with the winning competitions held annually producing some close competition and a sparkling brand of golf.

In the ladies' division the Club championship was won by Mrs. W. E. Cotton with Mrs. R. T. Holman being runner-up. Much interest was evidenced in this play with the title being in doubt right down to the last hole. The battle for the Island ladies crown did not take place, it being postponed for the duration of the war due to the large number of players being engaged in different kinds of work.

The annual title play for the men's division again took place in rounds being played at Summerside and Charlottetown. This produced one of the closest fights in years with Pilot Officer George Millard coming through in the second round to take the title with a score of 163. Runner-up was Pete Kelly with 165. William "Pud" Berger who had led the opening round dropped to fifth place in the finals with 175.

Another feature of the golfing season was the winning of the Maritime title by Pete Kelly. Pete reclaimed his former title when he beat out Rev. G. W. Holland of the Riverside Golf and Country Club course.

QUOITS

There was a lively season in quoits circles with various competitions being run off. In the Rochford Square Quoits Club play Archie MacFarlane was returned the winner after a great fight with several other players and became possessor of the J. P. Crockett trophy. A provincial tournament was also held with Howard McInnis and Archie MacFarlane winning the Quoit Trophy after another stern battle.

In the Knights of Columbus tourney A. Leonard McDonald became the possessor of the Campbell Trophy when he went through the tournament undefeated.

This game has shown marked improvement and next year with clubs being organized in different sections it is expected that the game will flourish even better.

TENNIS

The same interest was not shown in tennis as was the case in other years but nevertheless the different tournaments run off provided fans with great games and good tennis. In the Knights of Columbus tournament Walter Cullen won the men's singles. Women singles went to Miss Louise Blanchard; men's doubles was captured by V. J. Leonard and Conroy LeClair. The women's doubles crown was captured by Miss Louise Blanchard and Miss Marjorie Mitchell while the mixed doubles title was won by L. J. Corcoran and Mrs. J. B. Richards.



Tomorrow starts a brand new year along the sports front and just what 1943 holds in store is still a matter of conjecture. Despite the trying times that the country is passing through sport boomed all during 1942 but whether it will continue so remains to be seen.

There were upsets, disappointments, mighty feats dotted all through the year with Toronto Maple Leafs probably staging the finest comeback when they came on to whip the Detroit Red Wings for the Stanley Cup after losing the first three games. Then there was the R.C.A.F. Hurricane's capturing of the Dominion football crown and many other things that made the sports picture anything but a gloomy one.

And of course with a country at war there was a sad tinge to it also. Fine athletes have paid the supreme sacrifice fighting for all they held dear but as the nation pays tribute to them and all the others that have given their lives, they know that when death stared them in the face their courage as it was on the playing fields was undimmed and they went down with their spirits still unconquerable.

The financial-minded gentry along with our own row, who used to watch Joe Louis lay his million-dollar crown on the line almost every month, and then inquire naively, "What's the percentage?" ought to see the heavyweight champ now.

Sergeant Joe dons the padded mittens each night and swings into action not one, but three rings. It's all part of his new assignment as boxing instructor at his cavalry replacement training centre.

The old dead-pan, generally a shade more volatile than the Sphinx actually waxes enthusiastic about his new job.

"This is what I want to do," declares Joe Sergeant Joe Louis Barrow on the Army roster. "Besides, I'm good for their condition, it shows soldiers how to take care of themselves."

"Maybe they might get in a jam without their guns, and knowin' how to use their fists might come in pretty handy in dealin' with one of them Japs or Germans."

More than 500 troopers flocked to the call when headquarters announced the heavyweight titlist would conduct a series of boxing classes. Three rings go, full blast every night until taps stops the raps. Joe and his assistants, former Golden Glovers, give frequent demonstrations.

Louis doesn't think much of the current professional boxing crop. "All the good boys are in the service," he says, "and them guys who are contenders now mostly are just third-raters."

The big fellow shunted questions concerning his own future in the ring with, "I gotta 'nother job to do now." He believes, however, the Army should turn out some big-time scrappers at it did in 18—"like Tunney and some of them others."

"I've got a couple light-heavies and a couple heavyweights who look pretty good," admits Joe. "Give me another month and I believe I can make something out of 'em."

Prof. Louis may have a chance to prove that last statement. Corporal Billy Conn, who rightfully falls under the Brown Bomber's classification of "good boys in the service," was transferred to Camp Lee, Va., yesterday from Fort Wadsworth, N.Y., and named boxing instructor.

The Pittsburgh Irishman wants to match his team against Joe's. "And," said the slugger who last-ed 13 rounds with the champ in June, 1941. "I'd like to meet Louis in the heavyweight bout, on any conditions. I'm more convinced than ever that I can beat him."

Segura Is Winner of Singles Title

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 29 — (AP) —Francisco Segura of Ecuador, today won the annual sugar bowl singles tennis championship here by defeating Earl Bartlett of Tulane, southeastern conference champion, 3-0, 6-2, 6-1, 6-4.

Bartlett took the first set but Segura wore him down with his deadly drop shots. Ted Schroeder of Stanford, sugar bowl champion, was unable to come here this year to defend his title.

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Canada's Mineral (Continued from page 5) outstanding year both from the point of view of new discoveries and the bringing to fruition developments that were under way in 1941.

Coal Production Coal production at 18,707,110 tons indicated an increase of nearly 500,000 tons over 1941. Production from mines in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Saskatchewan was less but output increased in Alberta and British Columbia.

TRURO, N. S., Dec. 29 — (OP) — Only home-town flavor left with hockey's well known Truro Bearcats of the A. P. C. Hockey League this season is the name. And here's why: Low Lecompte, centre and assistant coach, has played with Ottawa in the Quebec Senior Group, with Leo Durancieu, Joe Rocco is from Niagara Falls, Ont., Len Spanchoff from Thorold, Ont., and Tom Cowick from Ottawa.

Marcel LeClerc's halls from Montreal while Bill Allen is formerly of the Port Colborne (Ont.) sailors. Jack Lerue comes from Montreal. Bill Luney used to play in Winnipeg while fellow westerners are Ross King of Portage La Prairie, and Jim McBride of Calgary.

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Cartoon titled 'OUT OUR WAY' by J. R. WILLIAMS, showing a man in a suit talking to a group of people.

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