



# SPORTING NEWS

## Canadiens Powerful 2nd Period Attack Paves Way For 8-5 Win Over Bruins

Although every possible effort was made by the Bruins, and officials of the City Hockey League, they were of no avail and it was learned yesterday that the proposed exhibition game between Dartmouth R.C.A.F. and a combined Air Force team from Summerside and Charlottetown would not be played here on Tuesday night.

Rumors about the Dartmouth team, who have been battling the strong Cornwallis squad tooth and nail, and have the record chalked up over them, caused a lot of interest among local hockey followers and the week-end news that they will be unable to make the trip at this time will naturally cause some regret.

Much conjecture has been heard as to just how strong the Island teams would be when amalgamated into one squad, and if the Dartmouth game could have been pulled off it would have given local fans a real idea as to their strength as the Nova Scotia team has been going great guns since the season opened and are classed as being one of the best teams in the neighboring province.

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MONTREAL, Dec. 17 (CP)—Montreal Canadiens went wild for three minutes last night, and the four goals they scored during that time provided the margin for an 8-5 victory over Boston Bruins before 12,000 National Hockey League fans.

Canadians, apparently stung by comments on their showing in their last two home games—a loss to New York Rangers and a tie with Toronto Maple Leafs—were out for goals from the first but they grew careless near the end in the first period and were back to back to back.

The four quick goals came midway through the second. Armand Gaudreault had tied the score at 1-1 after Glen Harmon had tied the Canucks in the lead with the goal of the first period. Gaudreault's goal was the signal for a furious Canadian drive that ended with Maurice Richard bagging two goals in one minute, and Toe Blake and Dutch Hiller grabbing the others.

Shelby Bill Cowley snared Jack Crawford's shot from the net for Boston's second goal before the wild second period had ended, and the team scored six goals in the final period, but the Bruins came back with a goal when Bill Blake and Dutch Hiller grabbed the others.

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The Hawks, who had had two games to go along with their previous two, were in the lead for most of the way and threatened to push it into the cage for a goal time and again, only to be stopped by the expert defence work of goalie Harry Lumley.

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## CONFEDERATION LIFE

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LIQUOR SEIZURE—R. C. M. P. and City Police searched a house on Hillsborough Street about 11 o'clock yesterday morning and obtained three gallons of moonshine.

SECOND SON KILLED IN ACTION—Mr. and Mrs. John Casford of Charlottetown, have received word that their son, Pte. Maurice Casford, was killed in action in Italy on Dec. 10. This is the second son of Mr. and Mrs. Casford to make the supreme sacrifice. Pte. Louis Casford being killed in action in Italy on May 30 of this year.

K. OF C. SING SONG—Many members of the armed forces attending the regular sing song at the Knights of Columbus Hut last evening. Special numbers on the program included vocal solos by Miss Louise Rossiter and Miss Ulgene Arsenault, violin selections by Miss Kathleen Hornby, piano selections by L.A.C. Greenwood and a monologue by L.A.C. Whitley. Music for the general sing song was furnished by Mrs. Joseph Dougan. Miss Marion Dougan and Mr. Alford McKearney. Mr. Connie LeClair was master of ceremonies. The evening was served by the young ladies.

SKATING ON PONDS—The first skating on natural ice here this season was enjoyed by the younger element over the weekend. The skating pond on Upper Queen Street and Government Pond were frozen sufficiently hard for skating Saturday morning. Warmer weather in the afternoon spoiled the ice but Saturday night's freezing weather left the ice in good condition again and yesterday the ponds were favorite spots all day. It was recalled that sub-zero weather was experienced in this Province a year ago yesterday.

DIES UNEXPECTEDLY—Mr. John Edward Monaghan, 74-year-old farmer died unexpectedly at his home, Hazelbrook, yesterday. Although he had been unwell for some time he became critically ill yesterday and died a short time later at the home of Hazelbrook. He had lived there all his life. A brother, James Monaghan, lives on an adjoining farm. He is survived by his wife and one son, Roland Monaghan, at home. A sister, Mrs. William Coakley, lives at Alexandria. A nephew, Sub Inspector William J. Monaghan is at Ottawa. Funeral services will be held from St. Dunstan's Basilica Tuesday morning.

INTERCOLLEGIATE PLAYDOWNS ARE BEING MOOTED

HALIFAX, Dec. 17 (CP)—Maritime intercollegiate playdowns in hockey and basketball will be held this winter. A standing committee, made of the Maritime Intercollegiate Athletic Union decided Saturday. Burnie Reiston, director of physical education at Dalhousie University here, formerly of Saint John, N.B., was elected president of the committee. Howie Ryan, director of physical education at the University of New Brunswick in Fredericton, was chosen vice-president.

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## Basketball Playoff Game This Evening

Opening game of a two-game total-point series to determine the winners of the first section of the City Basketball League is scheduled for tonight at the Y.M.C.A. starting at 8 o'clock sharp. Waile Scantlebury, physical director announced last evening.

The early playoff comes as a result of the possibility of St. Dunstan's and Prince of Wales entering the second section. Winners of the second section will then play off with the winners of the first section.

Second game of the first section series is scheduled for Wednesday night when total points scored in both games deciding the winners.

## TRINITY UNITED CHURCH

The service in Trinity on Sunday morning, December 17th, was inspiring, particularly because of the presence of all the children of the Sabbath School, beginning with the little tots up to the seniors. They filled the front part of the Church and the choir, too, and also on each side of the gallery. Altogether there were present about 400 children who, by their presence, made the coming of the birthday of our Lord. It was White Gift Sunday with Mrs. F. Johnston presiding and two large tables were laid out to capably with the gifts brought by the children. The choir was composed of members of the Sabbath School and they sang together leading in the singing of the Christmas hymns. The members of the choir sat on their either side of the gallery.

The children sang for their anthems, the beautiful Christmas hymns "Rejoice and Be Merry" and "Come See This Little Stranger." Master David McEneaney sang and directed the solo part in the latter anthem.

The subject of the Ministers' sermon was "The Art of Rejoicing with the Lord." He exhorted the people to cultivate within themselves the art of acknowledging in all gifts the creative spirit of God, the lordship of human beings, and the cooperation of all the forces of nature in bringing to us the gifts which we daily receive.

At the evening service the Minister spoke on "Preparing the Way." He exhorted the people to the challenge of John the Baptist to the people of his day to prepare the way of the Lord and make his path straight.

The choir sang two Christmas anthems, "Carol, Sweetly Carol" with Mrs. F. Johnston and the solo verses, and "See Amid the Winter's Snow" (Goss).

## DEMAND FOR U.S. STEEL INCREASES

CLEVELAND, Dec. 17 (AP)—The making of steel today in the United States is being held up by requirements indicated by "the sensitive scrap market barometer" which has been dropping with the average composite price of steel-making scrapes rising the \$19.17.

The scrap composite stood at the calling from April 1941, until last September when it was \$19.17. At the end of the European war caused a break.

Steel makers said they generally dominate the present situation affecting bars and formix billets directly and scrapes, rails and tubing indirectly.

The nation's steel production operations last week held firm at 1/2 per cent of capacity for the third successive week.

## UNCOVER AIR FORCE

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man infantry and from 30 to 50 tanks overran advance positions in the area of Honsfeld on the route to the Ardennes Forest.

From Honsfeld, two miles in Belgium, the Germans pressed on west to within 10 miles of Malmedy before the attack ceased late in the day.

Allied Headquarters said that while the German drive represented a major effort which is not unduly surprising, there was no reason for alarm or anxiety.

It seemed likely the main objective was to disrupt Gen. Eisenhower's winter offensive.

Smaller attacks were mounted all along an 80-mile front from Durey south to the area of the German fortress city of Trier in what looked like a grand attempt to ease the pressure of the United States 1st and 9th Armies on the Roer River line before Cologne and the Rhine.

GOS correspondent Richard C. Hotiell, said in a broadcast from the front that the Germans were attacking with a number of divisions and scores of parachute troops had been dropped behind United States lines on a 50-mile front. They were being mopped up quickly, he said.

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Montreal's attack got the decision in the fighting, as Maurice Richard earned the decision of the Canadiens in an exchange with the Rangers' Dutch Hiller while the Canadiens were leading 2-1 when the brawl broke out behind the New York net.

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