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National Hockey League Playoff Will Commence On Tuesday, March 24

(By George Maguire, Canadian Press Staff Writer)
(C. P. By Guardian's Special Wire)

NEW YORK, March 3—Playoffs for the National Hockey League championship and for the coveted Stanley Cup, emblematic of world's professional hockey supremacy, will commence March 24, governors of the League decided at an all-day session here today.

On that date either Montreal Maroons or Toronto Maple Leafs, probable winners, now fighting it out for leadership of the Canadian group will be at home to either Detroit Redwings or Chicago Blackhawks, the two teams that can hardly be overtaken in the race for United States group honors. This will be the first game for the league title which will be conducted on a best three out of five basis.

Winners of second places in the rival groups will meet the same night in the first of home and home games, total goals to count, and likewise the third place holders in the two divisions will clash in the first of a similar two game series.

Second games in all three series will be played March 26. In the league championship series all games will be played to a finish but in the second and third place series overtime will be played only in the second games with the team scoring the first goal in the extra period being declared the winner.

The best two out of three series between the winners of the second and third place jousts will open either March 28 or 29. The same night the championship-seeking teams meet in their third tussle. The cup and league playoffs will continue on the 31st.

If the cup semi-finals are decided in two games and the league title in four or less, the Stanley Cup championship between the league titleholders and the winners of the second and third place playoffs will commence April 2, and proceed on April 4 or 5, 7 and 9.

Selection of referees and minor officials, to be neutral in all cases, was left to the discretion of President Frank Calder.

The league heads revised dates for two games, deciding to allow Montreal Canadiens and Montreal Maroons to play a match scheduled for March 21 on Sunday, March 15. This will be the first N. H. L. hockey game ever played in Montreal on a Sunday night. The game between Chicago Blackhawks and Maroons postponed from Jan. 28th on account of the funeral of King George V., will be played at Montreal March 21, thus allowing the playoffs to get underway on schedule.

League magnates, after plenty of acrimonious debate, decided to take no action against Toe Blake, Montreal Canadien wingman involved in a rousing joust at Detroit last Thursday and he was permitted to play against New York Americans tonight. The latter club incidentally was the only one not represented at the conclave.

However, the governors decided immediately to insert in the code a clause calling for the automatic fining of a player who, in other than the ordinary course of a game, swings his stick at an opposing player. The tax in the latter case will be $100 and a fine of $50 will be levied against any player who leaves the bench to skate out and participates in a disturbance.

Canadiens protested the game in which Blake was given a match penalty for his part in the Detroit brawl, but later withdrew it when no direct action was taken against the player at this time.

Good Racing On Harbor Ice Yesterday

Yesterday's ice races put on by the Victoria Driving Club drew a good attendance and saw some surprisingly good stepping by juveniles. For instance in the Class A Trot and Pace June Worthy, who took a record of 2.22 as a three-year-old last fall, was a bangup second to the redoubtable Captain Cope 2.14½, forcing him to trot the second heat in 31½ seconds. Bonnie Britton was a much improved trotter and was second the first heat and Helen Kalmuck also showed better form. The winner, Captain Cope, is owned by Hugh Walker, North River.

In the Class B Trot and Pace three three-year-olds took the word and Hurry Kane, although pacing the fastest heat in the race, had to take second place for honors to Reymonette, owned by Raoul Reymond, Southport.

Class C was won by Happy K., owned by Willard Kelly, but Mildred Kalmuck, owned by Claude McMillan, took the first heat.

Saturday afternoon if weather conditions are favorable, the Driving Club will put on one of the most ambitious of the season's Club meetings.

SUMMARY

Class A Trot and Pace

Captain Cope (H. Walker	1	1	1
June Worthy (McNeill)	3	2	2
Bonnie Britton (Arbing)	2	3	dr.
Helen Kalmuck (Shephard)	4	3	3

Time: 33½, 31½, 33½.

Class B Trot and Pace

Reymonette (McNeill)	1	2	1
Hurry Kane (Ross)	2	1	2
Queen Helen (Holmes)	3	3	dr.

Time: 35½, 33¼, 33¾.

Class C Trot and Pace

Happy K. (W. Kelly)	2	1	1
Mildred Kalmuck (McMillan)	1	2	2
Holsie (L. Kelly)	3	3	3

Time: 38¼, 37½, 39.

OFFICIALS

Starter: D. K. MacLeod.
Judges: C. Snow, John McDonald, Prof. S. A. Rockford.
Clerk of the Course: J. A. McDonald.
Timers: J. Murray, R. Reymond, W. Ferguson, Major T. B. Rogers.

Change In Dates For Junior Playdowns

New arrangements in New Brunswick-Prince Edward Island junior hockey series were announced last night by Neil A. Matheson, provincial vice-president of the M.A.H.A.

The first game of the home-and-home series for the championship of both provinces and the right to meet Nova Scotia junior winners for the Maritime title will be played in Chatham Thursday night. The second game will be played in Charlottetown the following Wednesday.

Ice Battle Looms At Marshfield

A winter sport scout has a report from a reliable source that Captain McLennan's Arrows from Alexandra on the breezy shores of Hillsboro Bay are advancing northwards to meet Captain Miller's Red Wings of Dunstaffnage. According to schedule on the route a scrimmage is expected to ensue near Foster's Lake, Marshfield shortly after dark Thursday, March 5th.

Chief Line Judson, it is rumored will, himself lead his band of roving pucksters into this territory. Ice Marshal Lorne Thompson reports that his main gateway is to be strongly guarded. Another probable mark might be the power plant, but Engineer Heath Foster says that he has a perfect maze of bad wire entanglements for its defence and a surprise raid would be liable to find a hot spot.

A recently uncovered espionage system in Ch'town has found out that, in the event of one squad losing out, their sister hockeyists will try to avenge the loss by immediately launching a strong counter attack on the opposing flank of the enemy fair sex. This is not expected to be very prolonged due to a serious scarcity of smokeless powder, but anyone in the range of combat would be well advised to keep under cover while hostilities last. Of course it might be possible for one to make a getaway in the darkness. The First Aid Corps do not anticipate any serious casualties, however.

Racing At New London, Friday March 6th

The Kensington Race Club will hold a race on Long River ice Friday, March 6. Classes A, B and C Trot and Pace.

Money prizes in all races.

With Allie Burnham, Grattan Peters and the fast ones from Summerside a good free-for-all can be arranged. Races start promptly at 2 p.m.

Grindstone Island Team May Play Here

The Acadian amateur hockey team of Grindstone Island, Magdalenes, is considering a visit to Charlottetown for an exhibition match "some Saturday night."

Travel from the Magdalenes by boat is at present impossible due to heavy ice surrounding the group of islands, so the Grindstone hockey squad plan to come to Charlottetown by airplane.

::An Oil that is Prized Everywhere—Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil put upon the market without any flourish over fifty years ago. It was put up to meet the wants of a small section, but as soon as its merits became known it had a whole continent for a field, and it is not known and prized throughout this continent. There is nothing equal to it

ALONG THE SIDELINES

DATES FOR THE New Brunswick-P.E.I. junior playdowns have finally been decided upon and Royals entrain tomorrow morning for Chatham where the opening clash takes place that night. Knowing little of the ability of their opponents but realizing full well they must be good to be able to defeat the conquerors of Moncton Acadiens, Royals however are confident of giving the N.B. champions the battle of their lives.

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THEY WILL hold a light drill at the Forum this afternoon before packing their kits and setting out on the first leg of a playoff trail that they hope will lead to the Maritime title. The squad will likely be at full strength. Blanchard's leg injury is rapidly clearing up which in itself is good news and the rest of the team report in the best of shape.

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TWO CLEVER midget teams, Rangers and Canadiens, hold the spotlight at the Forum tonight as they clash in the second game of the final series to determine the league winners. Canadiens, undefeated and untied, are already one game up as a result of their recent 3-2 victory, but the Ranger threat looms stronger than ever, and they will have to be at their best if they are to repeat their win.

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RANGERS, WHILE not as well balanced as their opponents, nevertheless are plenty capable and should extend the series. There was little to choose, if anything, between the two teams in the first game. Rangers had the better passing attack and should this click tonight it will likely mean a third contest. Fans would be well advised to sit in on the game. The youngesters surprise with the brand of hockey they display and they are well worth watching in action.

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THE LONG-AWAITED basketball clash between Hi-Y Grads and the Navy takes place tonight at the Holy Name Club gym at 8.30. Ever since the last meeting between the two squads followers of the hoop game have been looking forward to this meeting and it seems certain that their expectations of witnessing a thrilling struggle will be fulfilled.

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NAVY WERE declared the winners by a solitary point in the only other game played between tonight's rivals. Ever since they have been winning consistently and have yet to taste defeat in the City Basketball League.

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GRADS LIKEWISE have been winning regularly and tonight will be out in full force to redeem themselves for the previous defeat, the only one they have suffered during the schedule. Should they win they will tie the Navy for first place in the standing but (and Grads say it won't happen) should they lose then Navy will automatically clinch first place with the possibility of them finishing the schedule undefeated.

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PRECEDING THE Navy-Grads encounter Nikes and Abbie Sisters meet in a ladies league game. This game should also be close as in the last meeting between these teams Abbies were declared the victors by the narrowest of margins, defeating their opponents on the strength of a field goal with only seconds left to play.

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PRINCE EDWARD Island's curling representatives to the Dominion bonspiel in Toronto have thus far failed to break into the win column but in every match have given a good account of themselves. It is hoped that their losing streak may be terminated this morning when they tangle with the Saskatchewan rink to be followed in the afternoon against New Brunswick and ending matched against Quebec's representatives in the evening.

N. H. L. STANDING

Canadian Section

	W	L	D	F	A	P
Toronto	19	16	5	101	92	43
Maroons	17	16	8	97	97	42
Americans	13	21	7	94	101	33
Canadiens	11	20	10	75	98	32

American Section

	W	L	D	F	A	P
Detroit	21	11	7	98	79	49
Chicago	20	15	6	80	74	46
Rangers	15	16	11	78	88	41
Boston	18	19	4	78	72	40

Maroons Fail To Break Boston "Jinx" As Bruins Earn 3-3 Overtime Draw

BOSTON, March 3. — (A.P.) — Speedy Bob Gracie outskated Boston Bruins' defencemen twice tonight to pull his Montreal Maroon teammates into a 3-3 overtime tie before a crowd of 10,000 in a National Hockey League game at the Boston Garden.

Bruins, despite temporary loss of three of their best players, more than held their own against the Stanley Cup holders who closed their series of six games against the Bruins with only one triumph, scored in the season's opener on Montreal ice.

Cooney Weiland, smart Boston centre, opened the scoring with a 27 second goal assisted by Dit Clapper, recuperating from an injury, and Red Beattie.

Gracie combined with Herb Cain to tie the score during the seventh minute and Maroons went ahead twice in the second period. Dave Trottier made the count 2-1 on a play with Allan Shields and, after Bill Cowley tied it up for Boston, Gracie scored his second goal of the night after a neat bit of solo puck carrying.

Beattie tok the puck as it came out of the face-off that opened the third period, zig-zagged through the enemy defence and blasted the final deadlocking goal into Lorne Chabot's net.

Maroons, willing to accept a tie, played cautiously during the overtime and just before the final bell sounded Cowley, on a rush with O'Neil lashed out with a blistering drive that bounced off a Montreal goal post.

The lineups:

Boston — Goal, Thompson defence, Jenkins and Shore; centre, Weiland; wings, Beattie and Clapper; subs, O'Neil, Cowley, Duguid, Graham, Portland, Sands, Motter, Shannon, Runge.

Maroons—Goal, Chabot; defence, Evans and Wentworth; centre, Smith; wings, Northcott and Ward; subs, Trottier, Marker, Shields, Gracie, Blinco, Conacher, Cain.

Referees — Bill Stewart and Odie Cleghorn.

SUMMARY
First Period:
1—Boston, Weiland (Clapper, Beattie) :27.
2—Maroons, Gracie, (Cain) 6:20.
Penalties—Weiland, Smith.
Second Period:
3—Montreal, Trottier (Shields) 3:06.
4—Boston, Cowley (Jenkins, O'Neill) 12:34.
5—Montreal, Gracie, 15:35.
Penalties—Cowley, Evans.
Third Period:
6—Boston, Beattie, :30.
Penalties—Smith.
Overtime Period:
Scoring—None.
Penalties—None.

Canadiens Cut Down Amerks' Lead

MONTREAL, March 3.—(C.P.)—Desperate efforts by Montreal Canadiens to overtake New York Americans for third place playoff berth in the National Hockey League's Canadian section brought results tonight when the Flying Frenchmen sped to a 3-1 victory over Red Dutton's men and cut the New Yorkers' margin in the group to one point.

Canadiens took a three goal lead in the second session after a scoreless first period and the best Americans could do after that was a solitary goal scored by Dutton near the end of the middle period.

Little Johnny Gagnon, right winger for the Frenchmen, snapped up a double pass from Sylvio Mantha and Armand Mondou soon after the start of the middle session. Canadiens were pummelling Worters from all sides and it wasn't long before they added to their lead. Leroy Goldsworthy drifted down an open right lane in time to pick up a delayed pass from Paul Haynes. Worters dropped but not in time to smother the puck. Not to be outdone Canadiens' third line also broke into the scoring column.

Joffre Desilets stowed the game away for the tri-color when he picked his spot and pounded a shot past Worters after taking a double pass from Jack McGill and Polly Drouin. The crowd of close to 7,000 pleaded lustily for Canadiens to keep up the pressure after seeing Dutton score on a pretty three way passing bout with Dede Klein and Stewart.

Americans kept up a four man offensive in the third period with Wilf Cude, slim Welshman, equal to the test. He was impregnable after Dutton's goal.

The lineups:

Canadiens—Goal, Cude; defen;ce, S. Mantha and Buswell; centre, Haynes; wings, Goldsworthy and G. Mantha; subs, Joliat, Mondou, McGill, Gagnon, Desilets, Lesieur, Miller, Drouin, Blake.

Americans — Goal, Worters; defence, Jerwa and Murray; centre, Chapman; wings, Carr and Schriner; subs, Dutton, Doran, Stewart, Cotton, Oliver, Voss, Klein, Wiseman, Anderson.

Officials—Mike Rodden and Duke McCurry.

SUMMARY
First Period:
Scoring—None.
Penalties—Jerwa.
Second Period:
1—Canadiens, Gagnon (S. Mantha, Mondou) 3:07.
2—Canadiens, Goldsworthy (Haynes, G. Mantha) 5:45.
3—Canadiens, Desilets (McGill, Drouin) 8:56.
4—Americans, Dutton (Klein, Stewart) 16:05.
Penalties—Buswell.
Third Period:
Scoring—None.
Penalties—None.

Kerr Brilliant in Overtime Draw

NEW YORK, March 3—(A. P.)—Sheer courage carried New York Rangers through 70 minutes of fast, bruising hockey and an overtime scoreless deadlock with Toronto Maple Leafs before 12,000 fans here tonight.

Outplayed completely from start to finish the New York blue shirts, however, refused to accept defeat from a better balanced and more powerful squad and fought back stubbornly throughout.

The tie enabled the Leafs to keep one point ahead of Montreal Maroons in the battle for leadership of the Canadian division of the National League. The split in points proved a life-saver to Rangers also for they remained a point in the van of Boston Bruins, fourth place holders in the United States section.

While the game was exceptionally fast and strenuous only four penalties were meted out, the Leafs drawing three of them.

Leafs outshot Rangers 37 to 30 but many of the saves made by Davie Kerr, starry little Ranger net minder were of the spectacular variety as Leaf sharpshooters were right on his door step on at least half a dozen occasions but Kerr out-guessed them. On the other hand George Hainsworth, Toronto goal guardian, was called upon seldom for any sensational efforts.

LINEUPS

Rangers		Toronto
	Goal	
Kerr		Hainsworth
	Defence	
Johnson		Horner
Coulter		Blair
	Centre	
Boucher		Primeau
	Wings	
Keeling		Davidson
Murdoch		Conacher

Ranger subs: Pratt, Shibicky, Bill Cook, Dillon, Morenz, Heller, Watson, Colville, Patrick.

Toronto subs: Clancy, Boll, H. Jackson, Finnigan, Thoms, Kelly, Art Jackson.

Referee: A. G. Smith and Daigneault.

SUMMARY
First Period
Scoring, none.
Penalty: Day.
Second Period
Scoring, none.
Penalties: Conacher, Day, Johnson.
Third Period
Scoring, none.
Penalties: none.
Overtime Period
Scoring, none.
Penalties: none.

Standing At Bonspeil

(C. P. By Guardian's Special Wire)

TORONTO, March 3—Standings in the Canadian Curling Championship at the end of the third round:

	Won	Lost
British Columbia	3	0
Alberta	2	1
Manitoba	2	1
New Brunswick	2	1
Northern Ontario	2	1
Ontario	2	1
Saskatchewan	2	1
Nova Scotia	0	3
Prince Edward Island	0	3
Quebec	0	3

Mr. And Mrs. Smith Capture Mixed Doubles Title

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Smith captured the mixed doubles, defeating R. Murray and Mrs. B. Rogers, Jr., 15-6, 15-12 in the finals of the Charlottetown Military Badminton tournament at the Armouries last night.

The men's doubles, played last Thursday was won by Mr. Smith and Wilf Duffy while Mrs. Smith and Miss Eleanor Bourke were winners of the ladies doubles.

A city inter-club tournament is being planned for the latter part of the month. It will be followed, if present plans materialize, by a Provincial championship competition with Summerside challenging for the Lewis Trophy.

Charlottetown players are present holders of the Lewis Cup.

The final match last night of the club competition drew wide attention and was enthusiastically followed with the players receiving spontaneous applause for the many finely executed plays during the progress of the match.

Maroons Win N. B. Senior Hockey Title

(C. P. By Guardian's Special Wire)

MONCTON, March 3—A fast travelling troupe of youthful ice stars wearing the colors of the Moncton Maroons battled their way to the New Brunswick senior hockey throne here tonight by defeating the Saint John Beavers 3-2 in the final tussle of the two-game series for the provincial championship. The two teams battled to a one-all tie in Saint John last Friday.

The largest crowd to witness a hockey fixture since the days when the mighty Hawks emblazoned their name across the sport pages of the continent, watched the game.

Borden Nats Defeat Shediac In Opener

SHEDIAC, N. B., March 4—Borden Nationals, Prince Edward Island intermediate hockey champions, last night defeated the Shediac team, New Brunswick champions, 8 to 7 in the first game of a two-game total-goal series for the two-province crown.

Nationals will carry their one goal lead into the second and final game at Borden and by their victory last night are favored to advance further in the Maritime playdowns.

Jr. Royals Practice

Practice for Junior Royals today at 10 o'clock. All players are asked to be on hand.

Amherst Team Garners Three Goal Lead

HALIFAX, March 3.—A fast skating band of Amherst Canucks defeated Halifax Canadiens 7-4 here tonight in the first game of the semi-final series to decide the Nova Scotia Junior championship. The second and final of the total-goal series will be played at Amherst Thursday, the winner of the series to meet the Cape Breton titleholders.

MIDGET FINALS
CANADIENS vs. RANGERS
— AT THE FORUM —
TONIGHT 8.00 P. M.
One hour's skate after game
Admission 15c.

Island Rink Loses To Alberta And Ontario In MacDonald - Brier 'speil

(C. P. By Guardian's Special Wire)

TORONTO, March 3.—A curling foursome from British Columbia, where the winter sport thrives as it does along the naturally frozen front, fired its first challenge in Macdonald's Brier Trophy history here today and took the lead in the Canadian championship bonspiel.

All alone at the head of the 10-rink brigade representing every province, the British Columbians scored two victories on the second day of round-robin title play to lead with three straight wins and no defeats. Six rinks were tied for second place with two wins and one defeat. They were Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, Ontario and New Brunswick.

British Columbia, entered for the first time, upset Quebec 13-11 and New Brunswick 14-8 today while such outstanding favorites as Manitoba and Alberta suffered defeats. Ken Watson's Winnipeg Strathconas, Manitoba challengers, conquered Alberta 14-6 in the morning but were defeated by Northern Ontario in the afternoon, 10-6.

Bill Whalen, Vancouver veteran who learned his curling in the zero zones of Fort William and Winnipeg, piloted the British Columbia entry. His son, Bill Jr., was vice-skip. Between them they outshot Quebec and New Brunswick consistently to pull out in front of the pack.

Down two points at the end of the fourth end in their battle with the previously undefeated New Brunswick four, the Pacific Coast entry rallied and held their opponents to three for the remaining eight ends while they scored 11 themselves. They clinched the verdict on the 10th and 12th ends, piling up six more points.

After losing 11-8 to New Brunswick in second round play, Saskatchewan came back in the third round to whip Nova Scotia 14-6. The Saskatchewan four from Regina, with Les Youngson as skip, have lost one game in the three played.

Alberta, after losing a morning match to Manitoba, defeated Prince Edward Island 16-8 in the third round. The eastern rink won just as many ends as the Alberta four but did not make as high scores.

The Maritime Provinces, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island have yet to win a game but are confident of breaking the losing streak tomorrow. Nova Scotia, represented by Murray Macneill of Halifax, besides losing to Saskatchewan in third round play, was edged out by Northern Ontario 11-10 in the second round.

Prince Edward Island, represented by a Montague four skipped by J. A. McIntyre, lost to Ontario 17-10 in the second round and to Alberta in the third round. New Brunswick, other Maritime Province in the 'spiel, is represented by a Campbellton four with "Red" Shives as skip.

A crowded gallery is assured for the fourth round match early tomorrow between British Columbia and Manitoba. In other fourth round games Nova Scotia meets Ontario, Prince Edward Island clashes with Saskatchewan, Alberta faces New Brunswick and Northern Ontario tries conclusions with Quebec. No play was held tonight because of the annual banquet but there will be three rounds tomorrow and Thursday.

Primroses Defeat Crystals

Going on a four-goal scoring burst in the second period after notching up two counters in the opening session, Montague Primroses last night held a torrid third period attack by the Crystals to three goals to win an exhibition encounter 6-5. Crystals had started the third period trailing their opponents 6-2.

Mild and listless as the Montague team took a 2-0 lead during the opening period the game pepped up considerably in a wide-open middle frame with six goals being shot. Crystals did all the forcing during the final session to hem the visitors inside their own blueline; they did succeed in ringing up three counters and at the bell were trying desperately to knot the count.

LINEUPS

Montague Primroses: goal, B. McGuigan; defence, Watterworth, McCarron, McDonald; forwards, Poole, M. Currie, P. Currie, Grant.

Summerside Crystals: goal, Larkins and Casey; defence, Gallant, Prichard, Cahill, Woodside; forwards, Dickie, Montgomery, O'Brien, Steel, Phillips, C. Cahill.

Referee, Crilly Lea.—S

Ice Racing At Clyde River Today

The Ice Races scheduled for Thursday on the Clyde River, will be held on Wednesday afternoon at 2.30 p. m. There will be at least three classes.

Probable starters:

Class A: Major Cope, Captain Cope, Sampson Hal, Ethel Aubrey, Yorkola.

Class B: Deceiver, LaCopia Lad, Darkey, Colorado Belle, Gamble.

Class C: Major Hoople, Millers Boy, Badgley Boy, Prince, Worthy Lair.

BOXING
L. P. U. HALL
Thursday, March 5th,
8.30 p.m
FLASH McDONALD
vs.
KID NICKERSON
6 Rounds, 3 Minutes, 4 ounce gloves.
SAILOR CROCKETT
vs.
RUSS SMITH
4 Rounds.
SOLDIER ORFORD
vs.
KID KING
J. McCORMAC
vs.
MIKE PASHER
Admission
Ringside 35c. Rush 25c.
L-3362

Birthday Greetings

To Bill Thoms, centre player with Toronto Maple Leafs in the National Hockey League, who will be 26 years old tomorrow. Born at Newmarket, Ont., Thoms turned professional with Syracuse Stars in 1932 and joined the Leafs in the fall of the same year. He first came into hockey prominence when he starred with West Toronto's Redshirts, Eastern Canadian Junior champions in ...

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BRINGING UP FATHER —BY GEORGE MCMANUS