

Play Opens In 2nd Confederation Bonspiel

Island Rinks Hold Spotlight In Play For Provincial Title



Danny Webb Loses Lightweight Title To Li'l Arthur King

BRITISH CONSOLS

Team Standing

W. L.	
J. C. McLaughlin (C)	2 0
George Hayes (S)	2 0
R. W. Beck (M)	1 1
T. A. Campbell (S)	1 1
J. H. Myrick (A)	1 1
Dr. E. S. Giddings (C)	0 1
J. C. Matthews (A)	0 1
George Gordon (M)	0 2

The McLaughlin rink from Charlottetown and the Hayes rink from Summerside were the only undefeated rinks at the close of the first day's play in the stellar attraction of the Second Confederation Bonspiel—the competition for the Consols Trophy, emblematic of the Provincial Curling Championship. The winning rink will go to Calgary next March to compete in the Dominion Championships. Both rinks each won their two matches yesterday.

36 Other Matches

While play for the Consols trophy was drawing most of the attention 36 other matches with rinks from all over the Maritimes and two from Newfoundland competing were engaging in close, well-played matches in Competition B for the R.T. Holman Ltd. Trophy. Out of the 48 participating none emerged as definite favorites and it is expected that when play narrows down to the semi-finals some great displays of curling will be exhibited.

Nine trophies including the British Consols are being competed for with a total of 64 rinks taking part.

Play will resume at the Charlottetown Club and Forum at 8:30 this morning continuing until 9 p.m. tonight after which the first of several social functions will be held, the staging of the present Moccasin dance at the Forum which is expected to be attended by a record crowd.

Losers in first round play in B Competition drop into C competition for the British American Oil Company Trophy. Last night one match was played in this event with A. L. McPherson's rink taking a close 7-6 victory from another Charlottetown rink skipped by Ivan Horne.

The match was but one of several of the games that were decided on the 12th and last end with Maurice Chapman's local rink scoring in two of them losing one by a 7-6 score to W.R. Cruikshank in the second round after winning one by an identical score from the George Hawkins-skipped foursome.

Key to abbreviations:— M—Montague; A—Alberton; S—Summerside; C—Charlottetown; BOM—Beaver Club, Moncton; S.S.—St. Stephen; SY—Sydney; H—Halifax; W—Woodstock; NG—New Glasgow; AM—Amherst; WF—Wolfdale.

British Consols Competition

R. W. Beck (M) 11; J. C. Matthews (A) 6; George Hayes (S) 11; Dr. Giddings (C) 6; J. C. McLaughlin (C) 19; T. A. Campbell (S) 5; R. W. Beck (M) 9; G. Hayes (S) 11; G. Gordon (M) 9; T. A. Campbell (S) 11; J. H. Myrick (A) 9; J. C. McLaughlin (C) 12; J. H. Myrick (A) 15; George Gordon (M) 6.

Competition B (R.T. Holman Trophy)—First Round

H. E. Clark (S) 11; Ivan Horne (C) 7; Willard McDonald (S) 9; A. L. McPherson (C) 7; R. Lister (BOM) 5; H. R. Caruthers (C) 12.

F. Acorn (C) won by default. T. Hallett (St. John's, Nfld.) 8; D. Saunders (C) 10; F. B. Douglas (S.S.) 19; Wendell Worth (C) 2; C. H. Hall (St. John's, Nfld.) 9; E. J. Clark (C) 7; H. N. Ganong (S.S.) 9; J. F. McLeod (C) 11; O. W. Dunham (S.S.) 11; F. Acorn (C) 8; C. Richardson (SY) 12; Dr. W. McDonald (C) 2; C. Taylor (BOM) 10; Dr. H. McIntyre (C) 6; L. C. Israel (S) 7; J. J. Morris (C) 14; J. A. Snow, (H.) 14; W. R. Jenkins (C) 8; J. H. Devitt (W) 6; R. A. F. Jardine (C) 16; W. R. Cruikshank (C) 13; L. MacFarlane (S) 5; Geo. Hawkins (C) 6; M. Chapman (C) 7; P. W. Turner (C) 10; F. E. Conrad (C) 8; Col. G. E. Full (C) 15; H. R. Bevan (C) 8; R. Morrison (S) 5; H. F. McPhee (C) 18; R. T. McCullough (BOM) 3; Dr. Johnston (M) 13; T. Thompson (NG) 14; Dr. L. E. Prowse (C) 6; M. Bell (S) 10; A. G. Brooks (S) 5; J. C. Chapman (AM) 15; F. W. Nugent (S) 8; A. R. Sterling (WF) 14; J. W. Sears (F) 6.

Second Round

H. E. Clark (S); Dr. W. McDonald (C) 7; F. Acorn (C) 12; H. R. Caruthers (C) 7; D. Saunders (C) 9; F. B. Douglas (S) 7; C. Taylor (BOM) 15; J. J. Morris (C) 2; R.S.P. Jardine (C) 18; J. A. Snow (H) 6; P. W. Turner (C) 8; Col. G. E. Full (C) 11; W. R. Cruikshank (C) 7; M. Chapman (C) 6; O. W. Dunham (S.S.) 15; C. H. Hall (St. John's, Nfld.) 5; C. Richardson (SY) 13; J. F. McLeod (C) 8; Col. G. E. Full (C) 11; P. W. Turner (C) 8; Dr. Johnston (M) 14; H. F. McPhee (C) 7.

Competition C

A. L. McPherson 7; Ivan Horne (C) 6.

Dodgers To Send Farm Club Players To N. S. League

KENTVILLE, N. S., Feb. 9.—(CP)—Brooklyn Dodgers will send farm-club players to the Valley Senior Baseball League for training. It was announced at the annual meeting of the Kentville Club today.

Dodgers will provide half the salaries of their players, who will be on loan for the season.

Harry Swasey, director of athletics at the University of New Hampshire, has offered his coaching services to Kentville Wildcats, and through him the club would be able to obtain last year's imports, Soc Babolas, Bruce Blouin, Jimmy Waterson and Hal Burby. Arrangements for next season's senior leagues in Nova Scotia have not yet been completed.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 9.—(AP)—The International League Orioles today announced the purchase of veteran third baseman Lew Riggs from St. Paul of the American Association in a straight cash deal.



Halifax Crescents Defeat Truro 8-5

(By The Canadian Press)

TRURO, N. S., Feb. 9.—Halifax Crescents strong-armed their way into a berth in Maritime Senior Hockey League playoffs tonight and held the lead of Truro Bearcats to a one-point majority in the Big Four League by upsetting the Cats 8-5 tonight.

Both travelled the route of the first game in the final week of league play with a chip on their shoulders and the game gradually degenerated into a muscle match as tempers wore thin.

Bearcats drew first blood on a shot by Kink MacDonald at the 7:06 mark for a short-lived lead that faded at the end of the first when the score stood 3-2 for Crescents.

Brickbats for rough-housing went to pugnacious Cat defenseman Bert Steele who collected three minor penalties for behavior and a major for attitude.

On straight penalization, towering Crescent Phil Metcalfe matched the record of Steele by getting shoed to the cooler three times for minors and once for five minutes.

Rock Sullivan led Crescent scorers with three goals for the match; with George MacGregor taking second honors on two.

Crescents tied the score at the nine minute mark of the first when MacGregor scored on a pass from O'Neill. Bill Kearns came back to set Bearcats in the lead again at 13:45 and then Crescents took permanent possession of the lead with Sullivan collecting two goals within 20 seconds.

Sullivan came back for the first goal at the start of the second period, Jimmy Gray followed and Windy O'Neill added another at 11:10. Roach came up with a Truro goal at 15:05 and Crescents ended the scoring with a goal by Gray two seconds before the final bell.

While it is rather early to start judging results, competition during the next four days promises to be very keen. Matches yesterday with but few exceptions were hard fought affairs and it is expected that when play starts to narrow down to the semi-finals for the eight trophies that curling fans will witness some of the finest matches ever curled in this vicinity.

Likewise play for the British Consols trophy and the right to represent the Province in the Dominion Tankard at Calgary March 1st to 5th, also promises to be as keen as the ice on which the curlers are sending their stones over. For the past number of years Charlottetown rinks have more or less held a monopoly on the title but this year Summerside, Montague and Alberton are furnishing distinct threats and the two Charlottetown rinks are going to experience plenty of trouble in retaining for the City club the recognized championship of the province.

Appearance of the Moncton Hawks here on next Monday night is causing more than a mild flurry of excitement among local hockey patrons. Due in large measure to the presence on the team of "Buck" Whitlock, Charlottetown boy and leading scorer of the league, progress of the Hawks has been followed avidly all season long and particularly so now as Whitlock's lead is being seriously threatened.

Getting away from their coming appearance here we are of the opinion, now that Whitlock is back in action he will be able to hold his lead to the end of the schedule. He has been averaging two points per game all season long and although a couple of players are at present breathing down his neck he should in the few games left to play have enough points on his stick to continue the mastery he has shown ever since the season got underway.

The game will have special interest here when it is noted that the team that will represent the All Stars on Monday night will be the sole selection of the fans. On this page will be noted a form asking hockey fans to name their selections and forward same to the sports department of this paper. In this way V. Grady, sponsors of the event, hope to assemble a team to the liking of the cash customers and at the same time do away with a lot of the arguments that annually surround the choosing of an All Starsquad.

And in this connection it should be noted that players performing with the Summerside entry in the league are eligible for votes. It is not a City all star team but a City League all star squad and fans are asked to take note of this fact. So send in your selections, fans, and the players receiving the largest number of votes will be seen in action when next Monday night rolls around.

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Second Section Schedule City Hoop League

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Rifle Shooting At Armouries

Following are recent scores at the Armouries by the Civilian Club of the 17th Recce Regt. These scores were posted at the regular Tuesday night meets which will continue all winter.

Bus Jones 96; Eric Coles 95; Art Jardine 84; B. Barwise 93; Ray Andrew 93; P.J. Landrigan 94; H. McDonald 93; Fred Younker 92; G.F. Hutcherson 93; W. Walsh 91; S. Crawford 91; H.D. McKinnon 88; K. Burhoe 86; H.N. Wattle 88; Ed Watts 85; H. Prowse 89; G. Godfrey 84; W. Higgins 83; B. Hendricksen 85; J. Taylor 81; E. McKenzie 81; D. McKenzie 81; L. McPadyen 80; D. Barwise 80; A.M. Horne 81; Ivan Vessey 80; D. Barwise 80; J.C. McKinnon 80.

Whitlock Clings To Scoring Lead

(By The Canadian Press)

With Maritime senior hockey play-offs set for Feb. 25th, Roy (Buck) Whitlock is still clinging to his title of top Big Four scorer. Buck added four points to his tally, giving him a lead of only six over second-place Lou Medynski. Last week the two were separated by nine points.

Summary:—

Period	Team	Score
First Period	1-Truro, MacDonald (Roach, Kearns) 7:50.	
	2-Halifax, MacGregor (O'Neill) 9:50.	
	3-Truro, Kearns (Beaulieu, Barkwell) 13:45.	
	4-Halifax, Sullivan 17:00.	
	5-Halifax, Sullivan (Redmond) 17:20.	
Penalties: Powell.		
Second Period	6-Halifax, Sullivan (Gray, Redmond) 2:25.	
	7-Halifax, Gray (Redmond, Sullivan) 7:55.	
	8-Halifax, O'Neill 11:10.	
	9-Truro, Roach (Steele) 15:03.	
	10-Halifax, Gray (Sullivan) 15:58.	
Penalties: Wilson, Kearns, Sullivan, Steele (minor and misconduct).		
Third Period	11-Halifax, Robertson (MacGregor) 6:30.	
	12-Truro, Roach (Medynski) 7:20.	
	13-Truro, MacDonald (Kearns) 18:00.	
Penalties: Metcalfe (3 minors and one major), Wilson (major), W. Robertson, Steele, Barkwell.		

Player	G	A	P	Mins.
Whitlock, Mctn.	55	33	88	37
Medynski, Truro	40	42	82	35x
Wade, St. John	37	38	75	21
MacDonald, Truro	24	29	63	6
Jackson, St. John	22	30	62	0
Sullivan, Halifax	23	31	61	34
Barkwell, Truro	20	29	59	44
Dornchuk, Moncton	21	38	56	8
Roach, Truro	30	27	57	18
Steele, Truro	19	38	57	49x
Bell, Moncton	19	37	56	24
Nicoll, St. John	28	24	52	19
Gray, Halifax	28	24	52	19
McGregor, Halifax	26	26	52	0
Beaulieu, Truro	20	29	49	45x
Charlton, Halifax	25	19	44	8
Hannon, Halifax	23	19	42	16x
Wilson, Truro	17	18	35	67x
Jodoin, Moncton	16	17	33	56x
Kearns, Truro	13	16	29	28
Federonic, St. John	10	19	29	2

x—Includes misconduct.

Canada's Olympic Team Receives Congratulations

ST. MORITZ, Feb. 9.—(CP)—Members of the R.C.A.F. Flyers Canada's victorious Olympic hockey team, were deluged today with cables of congratulation.

"Victory of our team will be received with rejoicing throughout all parts of Canada", Prime Minister Mackenzie King cabled the Flyers.

R.C.A.F. headquarters sent "congratulations, well done" and Colin Gibson, Canadian Minister of National Defence for Air, in a telegram said he was proud to congratulate the Flyers on living up to their motto, per ardua ad astra (through adversity to the stars). The Hockey Hall of Fame in Kingston, Ont., also messaged congratulations.

Other telegrams received by the hockey players included those from Air Vice-Marshal W. A. Curtis, chief of the Canadian Air Staff; Defence Minister, Brooke Claxton and Al Pickard, president of the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association.

Abbies Practice

The following hockeyists are asked to meet at Ed's Taxi this evening at 7:45 to make the trip out to Saint Dunstan's Rink where Coach Chick Williams will put them through their paces: Ivo Cudmore, John Davies, Paul Pound, Plum MacDonald, Bob Dalziel, Mike Hennessey, Art Perry, Johnny Higon, Joey LeClair, Cameron, Hollis Jay, Ted Strain, Gordy Kelly, Pud Beer.

It is hoped that A. J. McAdam will also be able to turn out with the boys tonight and give a bit of extra strength to, will further bolster the team's defence. After the workout a short meeting of all players registered with the Abegweit Intermediate team will be held.

CHATHAM, N. B., Feb. 9.—(CP)—St. Thomas University edged University of New Brunswick 3-4 here tonight in a scheduled game of a round-robin series to determine the team to advance into the Maritime intercollegiate hockey finals.

U. N. B. downed Mount Allison of Sackville 8-1 Saturday and met the Mount A. squad again in Fredericton next Saturday.

Joe Breen, former Halifax St. Mary's Junior star, scored the winning goal in the third period and also garnered another in the opening frame.

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PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 9.—(AP)—Hank Greenberg has turned down an offer to play for Philadelphia Athletics and decided to retire from baseball as an active player. Earle Mack, assistant manager of the A's disclosed today. Greenberg said last week he was adopting a "waiting attitude" on aligning himself for 1948 play.

BOSTON, Feb. 9.—(AP)—Gil Dodds was stricken with the mumps today. Friends said it is doubtful that the "Flying Parson" will run in the Baxter Mile in the New York Athletic Club games, at New York, Saturday. He is in hospital. Doctors declined comment on his condition, but it is not believed serious.

HOCKEY GAME

SOURIS RINK
WEDNESDAY NIGHT
CH'TOWN HEARTBREAKERS
Vs.
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Skate after game.

Players to be at the Bus Stop at 5:30: Dan Larter, H. Jay, S. Jordan, D. Larter, N. Larter, Mat Duncan, Joe Hennessey, J. Molyneux, E. Drake, G. Kelly, R. Kelly.

LES HOOPER, Manager.

By WILLIAM H. DUMSDAY
TORONTO, Feb. 9.—(CP)—Li'l Arthur King of Toronto, who won't be of age for another two weeks, tonight dethroned Danny Webb of Montreal as Canadian lightweight champion, when he scored a technical knockout in the eighth round of a scheduled 12-round bout.

The eighth round was two minutes and 20 seconds old when referee Billy Burke stopped the contest, after King opened a two-inch gash over Webb's right eyebrow with a series of slashing lefts.

King, who turned professional only two years ago, fought at 134½ pounds, half a pound heavier than the stocky Webb who fought gamely but failed to gain a round from the boy he out-pointed some months ago over eight heats.

A crowd of 7,500 fans saw King display the sharpest fight of his pro career in the first title bout here in 10 years and the first Dominion lightweight contest in history between two Negroes.

Before the sudden end, the tiger-like King had won five and tied two of the earlier rounds, according to the Canadian Press scoring card. He continually beat Webb to the punch and staggered him twice in the sixth with right hooks.

But it was a straight left that gave the new champion most of his points and he kept his left glove in Webb's face most of the night. Shorter and stockier Webb tried desperately to get in close but King kept him at a distance. Simeon Waithe, smoothly built Toronto negro, won a close decision in six rounds over Danny Martin of Detroit in a lightweight semi-final. Waithe, 131½ pounds, carried the fight most of the way and took advantage of his reach, height and 2½ pound weight.

Preliminaries: Frank O'Connor, Dublin, Eire, 147½, outpointed Kippy Dumas, Detroit, 148½, four rounds. Jackie Dugan, Peterborough, 161½, outpointed Billy Fifield, Toronto, 159, four rounds. Harvey Mathe, Sudbury, 134, knocked out Leo Schott, Detroit, 140½, third round. Wilf Sauve, Sudbury, 185½, outpointed Keith Prosser, Toronto, 189½, four rounds.

CHICAGO, Feb. 9.—(AP)—Second baseman Lou Springer, 28, today was sold to New York Giants for the \$10,000 waiver price by Chicago Cubs.

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