

Scottish Curlers Making First North American Invasion In Ten Years

(By The Canadian Press)
TORONTO, Dec. 27—Fifty-one members of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club of Scotland are scheduled to arrive in Halifax tomorrow for the first North American invasion by Scottish curlers in ten years.

Sir James Denby Roberts of Strathallan Meath Moss is captain of the visitors who will break up into two teams—one of 26 men and one of 25—for a tour of some five weeks. Their itinerary takes them into all nine Canadian Provinces and the United States.

Colin A. Campbell of Toronto heads the committee of the Dominion Curling Association in charge of arrangements for the trip. He was due to arrive at Halifax tonight to welcome the visitors scheduled to arrive tomorrow on the Empress of France.

In an interview at Toronto, Mr. Campbell recalled that curlers of the Royal Caledonian Club toured Canada in 1928 and Canadians had planned a return visit. However, the war interfered with these plans.

Mr. Campbell, a brigadier in the Canadian army overseas during the war and former Ontario cabinet minister, said that visiting curlers and their friends paid the expenses of pre-war tours. Because of restrictions on export of currency from the United Kingdom this was not possible for the present trip.

However the Bank of England allowed the Scottish team sufficient money to pay its ocean transportation. Local curling associations will provide noon and evening meals and entertainment. The Dominion Association estimates that its share of the cost will be \$30,000.

Both teams play at Halifax Truro and Moncton in the opening stages of the cross-country trip. The members of team No. 2 make a side trip by air to Charlottetown.

From Moncton team No. 1 heads west, returning to play at Saint John.

Team No. 2 goes to Saint John from Moncton and then to Montreal. From there it goes by plane to Calgary, an itinerary that takes it through various Canadian cities. It reaches Saint John Feb. 2 where both teams sail for home on the Empress of France.

W. C. S. McGlashan of the Scottish ice rink captains team No. 1 and John Monteith of Dalkeith heads team No. 2.

Assisting Mr. Campbell in making arrangements for the tour are: Ross Marston, Hamilton. In charge of the itinerary: George Morvan, Vancouver; Senator John T. Watt and R. J. Courlay of Winnipeg; Sam Rothschild, St. Louis; Professor Murray MacNeill, Halifax.

Wright Trophy Matches Tonight

Matches scheduled in the Wright Trophy play tonight at the Charlottetown Curling Club follow:

7:00 P. M.

Ice No. 1—Dr. W. G. Hoeg, G. J. Rogers, M. MacGuigan, H. I. Spillet, skip; vs. H. D. Hill, A. Aylward, Frank Cox, G. A. Hawkins, skip.

Ice No. 2—Ivan Trainor, E. H. Saunders, F. A. Driscoll, Dr. W. MacDonald, skip; vs. H. E. Hyndman, Doug Saunders, W. R. Burnett, F. R. McLaughlin, skip.

Ice No. 3—H. B. Wallis, D. Mayne, Ivan Horne, J. S. Moore, (skip); vs. A. F. Owen, H. K. Acorn, Frank Henson, J. H. Howatt, skip.

Ice No. 4—W. G. Barbour, Jos. Dougan, Cliff MacDonald, E. Tanton, skip; vs. C. W. Milton, Claude Ives, C. L. Jay, G. G. Hughes, skip.

8:45 P. M.

Ice No. 1—Jas. Campbell, Gordon Foster, H. C. Atkinson, Dr. E. S. Ciddings, skip; vs. J. P. Doyle, R. A. Parker, Gordon Ayard, W. H. Lord, skip.

Ice No. 2—J. E. Burnett, H. C. Trainor, Gordon White, P. W. Turner, skip; vs. Norm Nicholson, A. H. Roper, S. Beaton, Rus Spillet, skip.

Ice No. 3—A. Henry, Fred MacMillan, Percy Kevoos, R. S. P. Jardine, skip; vs. Alf MacNeil, F. W. Curtis, W. R. MacNeil, J. F. MacLeod, skip.

Ice No. 4—W. R. Cadmore, Arnett Howatt, F. Manning, N. J. Anderson, skip; vs. W. McLaine, W. Kelly, W. Pickard, C. M. Frazer, skip.

Howie Meeker Out With Broken Shoulder

(By The Canadian Press)
TORONTO, Dec. 27—Howie Meeker, star forward with the National Hockey League Toronto Maple Leafs, will be out of the game for six weeks with a broken shoulder, doctors said today.

Meeker stepped on Bill Ezink's stick while practicing a power play today and tumbled into the boards, fracturing his shoulder blade.

Report Leafs To Get Two Forwards

TORONTO, Dec. 26—(Tuesday)—(CP)—The Globe and Mail today quoted president Conn Smythe of the Toronto Maple Leafs as saying two forwards would be brought up from Pittsburgh Hornets, the Leafs' American Hockey League farm club.

The two will be chosen from among Tod Sloan, Don Metz and Fleming Mackell. Smythe said in a telephone interview from New York. They would join Leafs in time for a Thursday night game in Montreal.

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The Abegweit Senior B Hockey Club will probably have to do without the services of one of their star front-line men for the rest of the season, even before they launch into regular play in Central League competition. The loss is in the person of Wally Sheppard, who was operated on Saturday night at the City Hospital for an acute attack of appendicitis.

A smart little hockey player who is always right in there pitching for his team at all times, Wally will be sadly missed on the Abbie lineup, and will make a big gap in the smooth working line with Dowling and Carver who did so well together last year with the North Sydney Victorias in the Senior Cape Breton Hockey League. Sheppard played with the New Glasgow Bombers of the A.P.C. League earlier this season before that team withdrew from the League, and returning home recently latched on with the Abegweits and played with them against the Amherst Ramblers last Tuesday at Sackville, and the following night scored the final third-period goal for the local All Stars against the Moncton Hawks.

Based on recent reports, twenty-six of 27 participating sports writers selected Barbara Ann Scott as Canada's outstanding girl athlete of 1948, who as the local All Stars, and the selection would have been unanimous except for one scribe, not too partial to women athletes, who waxed a bit humorous and listed Victoria Gift, Winnipeg-born, and winner of the Canadian Derby and other track features. The Wurtelle twins of Montreal, were listed second, but they received only nine points against 78 for Barbara Ann. Viola Myers of Toronto was eighth, while the local All Stars mentioned were merely mentioned and there was no doubt whatever that the Ottawa Miss, who made her spectacular professional debut last Tuesday at the Royal Theatre in New York, was most certainly the popular choice.

It's always nice to see a regular guy going upward, but Frank Boucher, coach and manager-coach of New York Rangers, of the N.H.L., will be missed about the circuit now that Lynn Patrick has taken his place. Of course, Boucher will not be totally missing, but it is probable he will make the rounds as before and if he turns over the coaching task entirely to his successor, he will not be nearly as close to his team, or the rest of the League.

Boucher now occupies the office of manager, while Patrick, formerly manager of the New Haven Ramblers of the American League, moves to a well deserved promotion. Patrick, of course, is no stranger to the Rangers, having performed for them as a player and has been around long enough to know his way. Whether he will become a successful Major League coach remains to be seen, but he's getting his chance, for which the Rangers rate a bow.

According to Ivan Hamilton (Hamilton Spectator) Miller: "It is a matter of slight amazement that southpaw Harry Breechen, of St. Louis Cardinals, topped the list of National League pitchers for 1948. The diminutive lefty, no bigger than a good-sized bat-boy, fashioned the best earned run average in the league and chalked up the best win and

Urge Repeal Of Racing Tax In New York State

BY JOHN CHANDLER

NEW YORK, Dec. 27—(AP)—The New York Racing Commission renewed its assault today on the five-per-cent city and county tax on horse racing in this state and recommended its immediate repeal to forestall "dire results."

In its bulky annual report covering all phases of New York racing for 1948, the commission hammered away strongly at what it termed "effects of excessive taxation" on the state's five major tracks.

New York wagering was off 49 per cent from 1947, and 1948. The commission, headed by Ashley Trimble Cole, laid the decline squarely on the extra five per cent imposed by the 1946 legislature.

The additional tax against the pair-mutuel pools was devised for the benefit of New York City, Nassau and Saratoga Counties, where New York racing is conducted. This hiked the total levy to 15 per cent. The state gets six and the tracks four per cent of all money shovelled through the windows.

"It is true that the sum of \$333,028,000, wagered in 1948, is not a picaresque amount," the commission said, "but in relation to the potential wagering inherent in the greatest sports venture of the world, it could be greatly improved by the cancellation of the added five per cent tax."

While attendance at New York tracks dropped off only by 183,385 persons as compared with 1947, wagering tumbled a total of \$19,598,156.

In 1947, attendance was 4,584,163 and wagering totalled \$352,624,494, compared with 4,440,778 and \$323,028,308 last season. There were 188 racing days in 1947, and 196 this year—longest season in the state's history.

"Statistics presented show a net loss to the State Treasury of \$1,349,842 over last year and a steady decline since 1946," the report continued.

From the extra five-per-cent levy, New York City got \$12,375,316 this year, Nassau County, \$3,264,872, and Saratoga County, \$891,225—a total of \$16,530,414. This was a reduction from the 1947 total of \$17,631,221, and from \$19,685,697 in 1946.

Former Baseball And Hockey Player Dies

(By The Canadian Press)
HALIFAX, Dec. 27—Gerald J. Perrier of Halifax, died at Camp Hill Hospital here today. A former Maritime baseball and hockey player, he was 43.

Among survivors is a sister, Mrs. C. Blanchard of Charlottetown.

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Hawks Defeat Beavers 11-8 To End Losing Streak

MONCTON, N. B., Dec. 27—(CP)—Moncton Hawks climbed back into sole possession of first place in the Maritime Senior Hockey League here tonight by outscoring the third-place Saint John Beavers 11-8 in a bruising game featured by three penalty minutes and three third-period penalties.

The win snapped a three-game Moncton losing streak and sent Hawks two points ahead of idle Dartmouth Arrows.

Hawks punched in three goals in the first period while Beavers went scoreless. In the middle frame they netted six more to Beavers two and were outscored 6-2 in the final period as Saint John won a terrific rally.

Fireworks flared in the third period when Paul Gagnon of the Hawks boarded Beavers Mike Demchuck. Before the referees could call the penalty, Demchuck went at the little Moncton winger with both fists flying. While they battled it out, Hawks netminder Al Tomari and Beavers defenceman Ralph Croucher tangled in another slugfest.

Both Demchuck and Croucher drew majors for fighting while Gagnon picked up a minor for fighting and a penalty shot was called on Tomari.

Big Charlie Phillips, who had missed a penalty shot in the first frame, made good on the second try. The first shot was called when Bert Steele held Joe Szabo while the Saint John forward was going in on the Moncton goal.

Phillips actually had two chances on the second try. Tomari turned aside his first shot, but referee Cy Taylor ruled interference when John (Kink) McDonald, Moncton forward, left his position along the boards to talk with Taylor just as Phillips skated in on Tomari.

Little Frank Imonti, trailing Halifax Maroons Jimmy Gray in the race for the League's scoring honors, garnered one goal and three assists. McDonald paced the Hawks with three markers.

Phillips, Bruce Cameron and Bobby Newton scored twice for Saint John while Nick Nicolle and Vic Jackson collected singles.

Officials—Pete Mill, Cy Taylor.

First Period

1—Moncton, Fitzpatrick, (Imonti) 3-59

2—Moncton, Barkwell, (Steele, Kelly) 4-07

3—Moncton, Whitlock 10-07

Penalties—Szabo, Grabowski (misconduct), Nicolle, Steele, Bastarache.

Second Period

4—Moncton, Imonti, (Whitlock, Barkwell) 2-23

5—Saint John, Newton 6-42

6—Moncton, Gagnon, (Imonti, Whitlock) 9-00

7—Moncton, Kelly, (Ray Leger) 11-49

8—Moncton, Fitzpatrick, (Porter) 13-00

9—Saint John, Phillips, (Wray) 16-00

10—Moncton, Porter, (Bastarache) 17-30

Penalties—Grabowski, (Imonti) 18-00

11—Moncton, McDonald, (Ray Leger) 19-00

12—Saint John, Cameron, (Szabo) 21-00

13—Saint John, Newton, (Red Leger) 23-00

14—Saint John, Jackson, (Cameron) 25-39

15—Saint John, Nicolle 27-30

16—Saint John, Cameron 29-30

17—Moncton, McDonald, (Fitzpatrick) 31-30

18—Saint John, Cameron 33-49

Penalties—Porter, Kink, Szabo, Demchuck (major), Croucher, Gagnon, Tomari (major and minor).

Local Hoop Team To Play S'side Airmen

A Charlottetown junior hoop squad known as the White-Kids will play an exhibition basketball game with the Summerside R. C. A. F. Hoopsters at the western capital tonight, it was learned yesterday.

The Junior team, which is made up of local players under 19 years of age, are taking on a big order when they meet the strong R. C. A. F. quintette who are at present strong contenders in the Island Physical Fitness Senior basketball league. However, the youngsters are game to take on anything in order to get in some stiff competition before entering in Junior play later on in the season, and who knows just what sort of a battle they are capable of. They just might give the senior squad a battle before the evening's match winds up.

The following is the Junior squad's lineup:—MacLean, Howatt, MacLellan, Prough, Crockett, Ready (coach), Sigsworth, Rossiter (manager).

Junior Canadiens Win Exhibition Game

(By The Canadian Press)
ST. ANDREWS, N. B., Dec. 27—Montreal Junior Canadiens handed their first defeat of the season, winning an exhibition hockey game 6-4. Canadiens will play another game here Wednesday night after meeting Saint John Junior Maroons at Saint John tomorrow night.

Senators gained a 2-0 lead in the first period but were held scoreless during the next session while Canadiens pumped home four straight. Both teams counted two in a row in the last period.

Ron Gray of Montreal and Gerry Dryden of Senators led the scoring with two goals each.

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By The Canadian Press

Dick Irvin, captain of Chicago Black Hawks in the National Hockey League suffered a fractured skull in collision with Red Dutton of Montreal Maroons at Chicago 21 years ago tonight. Irvin was appointed coach of Toronto Maple Leafs during the 1931-32 campaign. He joined Montreal Canadiens in 1940 and coached the team to two Stanley cups in the next six years.

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Gar Wood Out Of Speedboat Racing

DETROIT, Dec. 27—(AP)—Gar Wood today made it official he is out of speedboat racing and will not defend the Harmsworth Trophy.

In a formal statement, the speedboat king said: "I am not going to defend the Harmsworth Trophy that I worked so hard for and prized so much."

"Miss America X (the winner of the last Harmsworth race in 1933) was the last of the Americas. There will never be another built by me."

Wood said that if a race is held here next summer as now appears likely he would "like to be godfather of the American team if the powers in charge see fit to grant me that privilege."

"Of the reasons for retiring, he said: "First, a man of my age, 68, should have better sense than to drive in a major event of this kind; I have had enough thrills to last me a lifetime."

"Secondly, I would as soon retire as champion. Let some one else win for a change. I would rather have it that way."

A challenge for the Harmsworth Trophy, symbolizing the world's unlimited speedboat championship has been expected from Ernie Wilson, of Ingersoll, Ont., with a new Miss Canada. The deadline for filing the challenge is Jan. 1.

It has been understood in speedboat racing circles that if Wilson files a challenge, others possibly from South Africa and Italy may be forthcoming.

Wood first won the trophy in Europe in 1920 and successfully defended it eight times with his series of Miss Americas.

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THE FORUM

By J. R. Williams

Ship With Scottish Curlers Delayed

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Divided into two teams, the visiting curlers will play matches with several Maritime clubs before heading west.

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