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Manitoba Rink Wins Curling Championship Without Single Defeat

(By Syd Thomas)
 SAINT JOHN, N. B., March 6.—(CP)—Slender, soft-spoken Jimmy Welsh, a worthy successor to the great curling masters of Manukoo, today stood on the centre ice sheet of St. Andrew's Curling Club and received the Macdonald's Brier Tankard, emblem of the Dominion curling championship which Welsh and his Winnipeg Deer Lodge rink won without a defeat in the four-day curling event here.

Welsh and his rink—his brother as vice-skip, "Rock" Monk at lead and Harry Monk at second—swept through the Brier meet to overcome all opposition and become the fourth rink to go through a nine-game series without defeat and the fifth which suffered no losses.

The other rinks, all from Manitoba and all from Winnipeg like the present one, were the Brier Tankard in 1929, Ab Gowankock's in 1938 and Howard Wood's in 1940. In addition, Leo Johnson of Winnipeg won the Tankard in 1937 with seven wins in as many games, when only eight rinks were entered as against the present 10.

Though Manitoba captured the Tankard in regular play, the runner-up position was in doubt until tonight when Saskatchewan and British Columbia squared off in a play-off that Frenchy D'Amours' rink took 10-9 with a timely three in the twelfth end.

Those two rinks and Northern Ontario went into the final round for second place, but though Saskatchewan easily disposed of Quebec 13-6 and British Columbia squeezed out a 9-7 win over Nova Scotia, the Northern Ontario rink led a heart breaker to Alberta 4-7, although nearly forcing an extra end in a tense twelfth end.

The final day's curling was just about everything the "roaring



Moncton Trims Truro 4-1 To Even Big Four Playoff Series

TRURO, N. S., March 6.—(CP)—Moncton Hawks tied their best-of-five series for the Maritime Senior Hockey League title here tonight by defeating Truro Bearcats 4-1. The fifth and deciding game will be played in Moncton Saturday night.

Moncton's Bell-Whitlock-Charlton line carried the load for Hawks with Bell and Charlton each scoring twice. Whitlock was injured in the third period when he was checked hard by Ab McKinnon and may be out of the game for some time.

Buddy McEachern and Dalt Barkwell teamed up for Truro's only goal halfway through the third period.

Hawks started their scoring early in the opener when Bell counted on a play set up by Whitlock and Charlton. Near the end of the period Charlton took the puck from Bell and scored.

The only score of the second period was Bell's, from Whitlock. Truro's only goal in the final period came early in the final period when Charlton scored from Bell and Whitlock.

Moncton has a clean one with only three penalties.

Summary
 1—Moncton, Bell (Whitlock) 5:22.
 2—Moncton, Charlton (Bell) 17:30.
 Penalties: None.
 3—Moncton, Bell (Whitlock) 14:47.
 Penalties: Trainer, Steele.
 4—Moncton, Charlton (Bell, Whitlock) 22:22.
 5—Truro, McEachern (Barkwell) 10:33.
 Penalties: Demchuck.

St. Mary's Wins Opening Game Of Junior Series

SYDNEY, N.S., March 6.—(CP)—Halifax St. Mary's, defending Maritime junior hockey champions, defeated Sydney Sunbeams 9-2 here tonight to take the first game of a two-game total goals series for the Nova Scotia junior hockey championship. Second game will be played in Halifax Saturday night.

Marty Barry's St. Mary's, rated as the strongest Maritime Memorial Cup team in years, kicked back in the second and third periods to sink Sydney Sunbeams. Sunbeams showed remarkable fight all the way.

Close Game Witnessed As City Hockey League Playoffs Get Underway

In as closely a contested struggle as has been witnessed all season long Saints and Navy last night battled to a 6-all draw in the opening semi-final game of the City Hockey League playoffs. With the lead see-sawing back and forth five times during the encounter the small crowd of spectators saw the two teams battle each other hammer and tongs all through the piece in a close-checking and at times fast battle, with the two goalsies Davis and McKinnon having a lot to say in the dying moments of the game as first the Saints and then the "Tars" played short-handed through penalties.

The 1st saw two players perform the hat trick, Johnny Higson getting three counters for the Navy team and Joe Mahar, playing one of his better games of the season sniping four for the University outfit.

Other scorers for the Navy were Hennessy, Kelly and Bradley, the latter's goal knotting the count at six-all while for the Saints Thibault and Methot had a counter apiece.

Neither team hit anything near their real form in a listless first period of play as they each shot a goal to leave the ice deadlocked at 1-all.

Saints, with five regulars out of the lineup, did most of the forcing all the way but although they came close several times they had to come from behind finally to earn an even break on the period. Davis and McKinnon both came through with smart saves on a couple of occasions to keep their goals clear of alien rubber.

The period was three-quarters gone and not a sign of a score when Navy clicked for a counter. Finnigan snared the disc at centre ice, swerved around the left side of the defence to cut in towards the net before whipping a pass across the goalmouth that Higson slapped in.

Back came the Saints in three attacks with Davis robbing Mahar at point-blank range but the latter rebounded. For the next six minutes play ranged from one end of the ice to the other but both teams missing chances. Thibault especially firing wide with Davis at his mercy in the penalty box continually hunting for goals realized on Mahar's counter from a scramble.

But in the see-saw battle the lead was short-lived as Higson, after being hauled down when in the clear realized on the resulting penalty shot to make it 4-all. 35 seconds before the end of the period Higson sent the Navy back into the lead when he scored on Kelly's pass on a play deep inside the Saints defence zone.

Saints had the only real scoring chance in the first five minutes of the final session when Methot skated right in on top of Davis only to have the latter kick the drive out but the same Methot was back at 7-40 to knot the count as he fired McQuaid's pass back with high into the cords. Less than a minute later Joe Mahar with his third goal put the Saints out front again, taking Blanchard's pass in the centre zone, swerving in and drawing Davis to slide the disc into the empty cage.

The goal was a signal for a succession of Navy power plays. Three times there were wild scrambles around the Saints cage without the puck crossing the line until finally Ted Bradley, on pass from Higson backhanded

Last Ice Race Of Season At S'ide Saturday

The Summerside Trotting Association will sponsor another ice race on Saturday afternoon, March 8 at 2 o'clock. As this is to be the last race of the season those bringing horses are asked to make a special effort to be present. The horsemen will meet tonight, Friday, in the office of MacFarlane Produce Co. Ltd., and entries will be accepted until 8 o'clock.

Bus To Victoria

A special bus carrying bantam hockey players and spectators will leave the bus stop this evening at 6:35 sharp for the ice sports at Victoria.

Canadiens And Red Wings In One-all Draw

MONTREAL, March 6.—(CP)—Montreal Canadiens and Detroit Red Wings fought to a 1-1 National Hockey League draw tonight that allowed the Wings to pull within a point of New York Rangers in the fight for the fourth and last playoff spot.

With each team having played 53 of its 60 scheduled games, the Rangers have 48 points while the Wings, unbeaten in seven games, have 47 points. Tonight's counter left the Wings with a record of four victories and three ties without any defeats marring that spell game scheduled for Forum ice on Monday night next.

Gordie Drillon's Legionaires tackle Summerside Legion at Summerside in the first game of the Island intermediate hockey finals and word from the local camp is that the entire squad will go out from the opening whistle seeking a substantial lead that they will carry into the second and final game scheduled for Forum ice on Monday night next.

Summerside fans are all agog over the coming of the Jack Schurman-coached entry has been rolling up victory after victory over Prince County teams in their march to the County title and their followers feel that the team will be able to add the Island title to their string of victories. They are here going on into the Maritime playdowns.

Bill Boyle's Juvenile Kimmens certainly stamped themselves as distinct threats to the Summerside Juvenile title at Summerside Wednesday night when they held the defending champions to a 2-1 score in the first game of their two game series for the Island crown.

Now with a game on home ice coming up and with only one goal to overcome the youngsters are confident they will be able to take the measure of their opponents and advance through the playoffs only a slight one it may be a very tough one to overcome.

St. F. X. - S. D. U. Meet Next Week

ANTIGONISH, N. S., March 6.—(CP)—St. Francis Xavier University, Nova Scotia intercollegiate hockey titlists and St. Dunstan's University of Charlottetown, New Brunswick-Prince Edward Island college champions, will meet next week for the Maritime title, it was announced here today. It has not been decided, however, whether the two will meet in a sudden-death match at Truro, N.S., or a home-and-home series.

Believe Record At Big Classic

SAINT JOHN, N. B., March 6.—(CP)—Although Jimmy Welsh and his Manitoba rink set what is believed to be a record for Dominion curling championship play when they set up a seven end in their match with Prince Edward Island this morning, the little Scottish skip wasn't too surprised by it all.

While complete records weren't available, old time followers of the curling game here agreed it was the first time since the Brier competition was started back in 1927 that such a high count had been scored in a single end.

When the Welsh rink marked up that seven end and went on to win the match and clinch the title, Jimmy wisely managed an eight end, a perfect head but he was a bit too long on his last stone.

They opened the game up a little earlier in the middle session with Carmichael drawing a penalty in the first minute but the man-power advantage boomeranged against the Saints as Navy wrenched their lead to 3-1 as Gordie Kelly converted Jay's short passout.

Saints got back into the running when the latter let the puck tipped in Methot's drive on a power play and three minutes later the game was all even once more as Mahar batted in McIsaac's rebound. For the next six minutes play ranged from one end of the ice to the other but both teams missing chances. Thibault especially firing wide with Davis at his mercy in the penalty box continually hunting for goals realized on Mahar's counter from a scramble.

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SPECIAL MATCH

Result of playoff for second place in Canadian curling championship:

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Final Standing At Big Bonspiel

Team	Won	Lost
Manitoba	6	3
Saskatchewan	6	3
British Columbia	6	3
Northern Ontario	5	4
New Brunswick	5	4
Nova Scotia	4	5
Alberta	4	5
Ontario	3	6
Quebec	2	7
Prince Edward Island	1	8

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FRIDAY, MARCH 7th

SPORTS	SKATE	GAME
7:30 P.M.	AFTER	8:30 P.M.

ADULTS: 50 Cents — CHILDREN: 35 Cents

Game Postponed

The Director of Physical Fitness last evening announced that the Juvenile hockey match which was slated for Victoria Rink, Saturday night between P.J.'s Rovers and Victoria Juveniles, has been postponed until a later date due to road and weather conditions.

Victoria Rink Saturday Night Hockey

and Skating After
 NINE MILE CREEK
 BULLDOGS Vs.
 VICTORIA BOMBERS

Eastern Driving Club Races

The Eastern Driving Club held races on Souris River Wednesday, March 5. The course was rather soft but the fans saw very good racing especially in the Class C Trot and Pace. These horses are improving each race and all show good signs of making good race horses.

Challenge Accepted

We, the Lower Bedouque Minks hereby accept the challenge of Milton Hornets to a hockey game in Bedouque Rink Saturday, March 8 to start at 8 p.m. sharp.
 Fred Jeffrey, Capt.

Legion Team Playing In S'ide Tonight

Charlottetown Legionaires travel to Summerside this evening where they will play a hockey game in the first game of a two game total goals series leading to the Island intermediate hockey title.

Through an error on the writer's part the game was stated to be slated for last night in yesterday's issue.

Legion will take a complete lineup along for the game in an effort to capture the all-important first encounter. The team and its followers are expecting the toughest kind of opposition from the western county band who have put up a lengthy list of victories in recent games.

Murray Harbor Team Wins From Geo'town

Outscoring their opponents 2-1 in the middle period and then shooting the only goal of the third session after both teams had battled to a scoreless draw in the first period, Murray Harbor hockey squad Wednesday captured first place in the Southern Kings' County hockey league by downing Georgetown 3-1 in a fast, exciting encounter played at Georgetown rink.

With a fair sized crowd of fans in attendance, the game was played at a fast wide-open clip all the way that kept the fans in a high state of excitement throughout. Goals by G. McKay and R. Chapman gave the winners a 2-0 lead early in the second period with Georgetown cutting the margin in half at the halfway mark on a counter from the stick of S. McNeill but the winners tally by W. McNeill at the seven minute mark of the opening put the clincher on the evenly-fought struggle.

W. McLean of Murray Harbor and R. Chapman of Georgetown both drew majors in the third period as they elbowed it out with each other in an outbreak that saw both teams finally get into it and fans crowd onto the ice before things quieted down.

Murray Harbor: Goal, S. McKay; defence, W. Harris, L. Harris, R. McDonald, E. Harris, F. Harris, W. McNeill, G. McKay. Georgetown: Goal, S. Ross; defence, W. McLean, W. Lavers, forwards, S. McLean, H. Stevens, W. Landry, A. Landry, F. Lavander.

Ice Follies At Souris

This evening, Wallie Scantlebury's Ice Follies of 1947 will be staging its opening appearance of the season at Souris. People of this eastern centre are assured of a fine evening's entertainment featuring ice skating, fancy figure skating, clown and novelty numbers, beautiful girls and special costumes. A special bus carrying the full Follies cast will leave the bus stop for Souris this evening at 5:15 sharp.

St. Andrews Leads Intermediate Series

ST. ANDREWS, N.B., March 6.—(CP)—St. Andrews Senators took a straight-hold on the New Brunswick Intermediate hockey title tonight by trouncing Bathurst Papermakers 7-2 in a fast, clean game.

The Senators, with coach Pickles McNeill and manager William O'Neill, will leave tomorrow for Bathurst, where they will meet the north shore team in the second game of the two-game total-goal series on Saturday night.

N. B. Juvenile Final Tonight

MONTREAL, N. B., March 6.—(CP)—Second end of a total-goal home and home series between Moncton Canadiens and Saint John North End Indians for the provincial Juvenile hockey championship will be played here tomorrow night. The teams played a 2-1 tie in the first game of the series at Saint John.

Racing on New Glasgow Ice

A large crowd of racing fans were on hand to see close finishes on the New Glasgow ice Wednesday afternoon, March 5, with Reuben Lee, Jay Volo and Goldie Worby being the winners. The ice was in good condition and the boys failed to hold another meet on Saturday if the weather permits.

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