

Bover To Sit Out Game As Maple Leafs Host Bruins

By DAVE BETTS

Canadian Press Staff Writer Lesson for future big-league hockey players: If you want to keep your job, don't be kind to the opposition.

Johnny Bower, veteran Toronto Maple Leaf center, could have been trying tonight for his fourth straight Saturday - night shutout at Maple Leaf Gardens.

Instead, he'll be watching alternate goalie Don Simmons work against Boston Bruins, because Bower made the unforgivable mistake of worrying about his job instead of his team.

According to an official announcement from the Leafs, Bower will be resting a bruised hand. But it's no secret to those who watched Thursday's practice - E. E. Fenton, B. MacMillan, M. McGuigan, H. Spillit and J. Currier, all of whom were in a huff after being rebuked by management.

Imlach told Bower his job was strictly stopping shots, not worrying about the condition of opposing National Hockey League forwards who happen to crash into the boards near Bower's legs.

After Montreal Canadiens winger John Ferguson made such a dive Wednesday night, Bower was rebuked for leaving his post to inquire whether Ferguson was injured. Imlach's attitude is: Let them fall where

Rangers will test their four-game winning streak at Detroit. Thursday the Rangers defeated the Bruins 5-3.

Simmons will have to be sharp tonight to keep the Leafs Saturday-night record intact. A week ago Bover shutout the Hawks 5-0 the Saturday before that Boston fell 2-0 and a week before that the Bruins were 2-0 victims.

In his last nine games, Bover allowed only 12 goals, and the Maple Leafs now are only three points behind Chicago with two more games to play.

Imlach has said he rates team discipline over individual records or performances.

Of Bower's approach to the fallen Ferguson, he said: "I don't know what Bover said to him, but I don't like it. We are here for one thing only - to win. We are not running a kindergarten."

Bower doesn't feel he was playing kindergarten Wednesday when the Canadiens got only one puck past him as Toronto won 6-1.

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Former Bantam Champion Says Gloves Not Loaded

NEW ORLEANS (AP)—Peter Herman, one-time world bantamweight champion, claims he has the gloves Jack Dempsey used when he won the heavyweight title from Jess Willard in 1919—and says they definitely were not loaded for the controversial fight.

The 67-year-old Herman spoke out Friday to challenge the memoirs of the late Jack (Doc) Kramak, Dempsey's manager in 1919. Kramak's story of the historic bout in Toledo, in a copyrighted article in Sports Illustrated magazine, says the manager used plaster of paris and water in handguing Dempsey's hands.

But Herman disclaims the story, using as evidence the gloves, which he says he had for 20 years.

"A seaman, I can't even remember his name now, gave them to me 20 or 25 years ago," Herman said. "He was a very close friend of Dempsey and also a friend of mine."

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Staxmen Crush St. Dunstons

KENTVILLE, N.S. (CP)—Sparked by the return of Richie Spears, Acadia Axemen crushed St. Dunstons' University 9-1 in Maritime inter-collegiate basketball action here Friday night.

Spears led all scorers with 27 points.

It was the first start of the season in the intercollegiate circuit for Axemen.

Acadia led at the Halifax 43-20.

For St. Dunstons' Ron Ripley was high man with 11.

Acadia — McMillan 11, Lumsden 8, Kramak 8, Hendry 2, Proulx 7, Konchalski 16, Spears 27, Reid 8, MacKay 2, Connolly 4, Desseraul 3, Eaton 3, Evelyn 2, Francour 7, McLaughlin 10, Ripley 11, Strick 9.

Herman has the gloves on display in his French quarry tavern.

Herman said Dempsey knew he has the gloves. In fact, Herman said Dempsey suggested last fall that he put them in a glass case in his bar.

RCAF Hosts PWC Today

There will be an Island Senior C Basketball game at Summerside RCAF base today with the winners of first place and a team from Prince Wales Island. Game time is 8 p.m.

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Charlottetown

SPORTS ROUNDUP

On The Increase

By PIUS CALLAGHAN

THERE are signs that interest in the increase as far as Maritime hockey fans are concerned.

While we were in Toronto and Montreal enjoying a bit of a vacation, the Halifax entry in the Nova Scotia Hockey League was taken over by Oland Breweries and New Glasgow Rangers found a new group of sponsors in the Nova Scotia Section. Game four drew one of the biggest numbers and just last Wednesday when Moncton Hawks beat Windsor Maple Leafs the Stadium had its biggest crowd of 19,000 spectators.

Here in Charlottetown, Sauris' Royals and Johnny's Flying Hawks got going on a best-of-seven series the day we took off (for Toronto and now they have two games under their belts, each grabbing an encounter). The attendance was nearly 1000 at Thursday's tussle and they are ready to go to look up.

WHAT a lot of folks have been waiting for in the opening of the Charlottetown Junior League.

Well all good things come to those who wait and next Tuesday will come off the junior loop. The league executive is planning a big night and president Al Rogers and vice president Denny MacCormack and their co-workers are looking to ask the fans in for this skirmish between Prince of Wales and St. Dunstons.

The other two teams in the loop are North River Juniors headed by Norm "Hawk" Latour and Charlottetown Legionaires a juvenile outfit under manager Harry Sentner and coach Roy "Black" Whitlock.

It is the intention of the league executive to stage two games each week and all teams will be playing in the Maritime Amateur Hockey Association. Don Whelan has been appointed referee-in-chief and Art Perry and Alan "Junior" MacNeil are his assistants to date. A fourth referee will be appointed shortly.

Big Opening Planned

FOR opening night it is planned to put things over with a real flourish. Mayor A. Watkinson Gaudet will drop the puck. The Prince Edward Regiment will be on hand for the first night festivities and many dignitaries are being issued invitations to witness the league's opening ceremony.

President Rogers and his associates are convinced that the league has a great potential and they are doing everything in their power to see to it that things are run in a business-like manner. They feel the folks will enjoy the brand of hockey served up by these youngsters and it's their belief the crowds will increase with each game.

PERSONALLY we think the junior league is a great idea. It really helps to get the hockey bug in the kids and deserves to be. This season will necessarily be a short one but the success of future years depends to a great extent on what happens this season.

All team sponsors appear ready and willing to do their utmost to put things over with a bang. A great deal of effort is being put into the league and it seems almost certain to pay rich dividends. We are confident the young players will really put their wholehearted effort into the matter.

President Al Rogers has made it plain that the league must increase its week in week in play during the winter months. The Forum for every Tuesday night and one more weekly engagement must be found for them. Brigadier Rogers and his energetic group are working on this right now.

SO here's hoping that the league gets moving in high gear next Tuesday night. A bumper crowd on hand would really make these promoters feel that their work was not in vain. They are sure to have an excellent time and we think they richly deserve the co-operation of a hockey public. A league of this nature could indeed be the answer to a lot of our hockey problems.

Let's see that it gets moving in sensational fashion this Tuesday night. Get in there early and don't miss a single encounter. Then we know you will not want to miss a single encounter.

SPORT OF KINGS

Outstanding Souris Stars Move To Prince County

By ED CLINTON

The spirit, which was becoming dominant at Souris Regional High School during the past year and a half in going to be put in the hands of the Souris Stars. The two star athletes have moved to Tignish. We refer of course to George and Jeff Bowers, Jr. Their father "C" team. Of course Morell was transferred to a Prince County posting, and the Souris team is now in Tignish, but we don't regard this as a good bill. Souris, last winter, had a record of 12-1-1. It was an average of seven or eight. He played and emerged as Island champion in the 1966-67 season. "C" teams. Now, against a "C" team, they lost two of three. What gives?

The other game was between St. Peter's Rovers, and an unnamed team from Souris. Souris won the game 7-4. This is the Souris team that was known as the Royals last year, but, who are unnamed as yet this season, because they are still looking for a sponsor. Souris and St. Peter's may face each other in Island playdowns. The teams are just now in the hands of the Rovers. It's a bit hard at this time to rate their chances in playdowns.

Joe was a member of the same Junior B hockey team, and he was the first in the hockey team to their first Island title. He was one of the big goals in the team's record, past two years. He pitched on the Midget championship baseball team. He has been playing for seventy-five percent of total points on the foot ball 1967-68. He was named MVP of the field, he really shows, especially in the high jump, in which he set local records. Maritime and Canadian records.

To you both we hope that you hockey fans are calling out the name. Best of luck to you both.

Twin Bill Goes At Local Forum

Charlottetown Minor Hockey Association President Ivan Docherty has filed a motion to bring a bill for hockey patrons tonight.

The energetic promoter has Montague as his legislative base, appearing here against the juvenile citizens in what local hockey fans are calling out the name of the season.

The Montague scholars are handled by Stan Pearson. He will be making their first appearance of the season.

Pearson has been drilling them seriously for the past two days and reports he has the strongest team yet come out of the Eastern Center.

Vince Mulligan has selected 16 top players from the Midget-Juniors group and is expected to come up with his third win as many stars.

In the presence of Vern Blanchard's Councilors will cross sticks with Will MacDonnell's Grizz in what may be the main event of the evening. The first game in this great double-header is scheduled to be underway at 7:15 sharp.

Referees Given For Minor Games

Minor hockey referees schedule for today:

7 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. — Brian Leung and Joe O'Neil

10:30 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. — Cliff Ready and James Kennedy

1:45 p.m. to 4 p.m. — Bob Hebert, Alan Acorn, John Davis Sr., John Davis Jr., Alan Flood, George Smith, and Don MacNeil

Game hours will be 7-11 p.m. — Les Barnes, Wayne MacDonnell, Montague vs. Citizens — 8 p.m. — Don MacNeil, Les Barnes, Les Bowers, Ken Leung.

BOB LECLAIR, chairman of decorations, and Earl MacLeod, chairman of parades, look over one of the many signs that will be used in the business area to publicize the coming Brier which is being staged at the Charlottetown Forum, beginning March 2.

When I'll return from all across Canada fight it out here in Charlottetown for the curling champion of Canada, the eyes of the curling world will be focused on the Charlottetown Forum.

However, the actual playing of the Brier is not the only detail that must be looked after during the big week. It is naturally the main show, but the side lights require a great deal of preparation and the local committee is handling it with care.

When the rink arrives Friday night, February 29, the rink will come with a parade of curlers from the CNR station to the Charlottetown Hotel. Proceeding this parade will be the Prince Edward Island Regiment Band, parade marshal Reg Matar and a group of 200 torch bearers lighting the way for the visiting curlers. It is expected that local firemen and many fire engines will also help waltz the ranks of this opening parade. On arrival at the Charlottetown Hotel a reception will be held at 8:30.

Brier Committee is Ready For Big Week Festivities

Saturday February 29 will see Montgomery Hall the site of a reception for Brier trustees, Dominion Curling Association officials, delegates, curlers, local committee members and their ladies. This reception will be held at the Royal Bank of Canada.

That same evening a banquet will be tendered at Montgomery Hall with the Prince Edward Island Government acting as host. Following the banquet a dance will take place in the Common Room of Montgomery Hall. This function will be able to accommodate the purchasers of 100 tickets in addition to invited guests.

On Sunday, March 1, there will be a 12 o'clock banquet at the Charlottetown where a Brier draw will be made. Those attending will be curlers, officials, Dominion Curling Association leaders and a group of invited guests.

At 3 o'clock a reception is planned for Government House. Invitations will be issued for this function to curlers, trustees, DCA delegates, local committee members and their ladies.

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Montague, Souris Split Twin Bill

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The boys contest proved to be a much tighter competition, and ended with the Montague High edged Souris High by a score of 26 to 24.

Kenny Squarburgh pegged the most points for the Montague squad, with 13, other points getters among his teammates were, S. Clarkson, S. N. Montie, and L. Neufville.

E. MacDonnell of the Souris team was the top point getter, with 13, other points getters on his team to connect with the basket were, R. Chevrie, A. Clifton, and B. Fitzpatrick.

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Curling Draw For Alberton

ALBERTON — Mixed curling teams will be competing in a 7 o'clock curling draw at Alberton curling rink tonight.

Hober Campbell, Roy Hutt, Russell Hayes, Geraldine Rooney, and Earl Callaghan, Marlene Wells, and Marie Wells.

Mont Hutt, Perre Rochford, David MacDonnell, Sandra Rogers, Roy Hutt, Les Turner, Perry, Gary Black, Audrey O'Meara.

7 o'clock

Ed Turner, Alice Seaman, Don MacKenzie, Hugh Bugden, Roy Hutt, Les Turner, Don Seaman, Marion MacKenzie.

Ken Matheson, Eva Noonan, Andy Halpin, Eleanor Johnson, and Addison Rayner, Jean Campbell, Bruce Curry, Jean Ross, and Prof.

Sunny Isle Cobb Games

Covehead, Southport and Millville picked up wins in Sunny Isle curling draw at Alberton Wednesday night at St. Dunstons' rink.

Covehead downed Merrind 4-1 with G. Gaudet, J. Gaudet, winners with a brace of tallies. R. Simpson and J. Chappell were the other goalgetters for the victors. Other performers were, George Dalton and Paul MacWilliams getting singletons.

Southport tripped Glasgow 7-2 as B. Phippy performed the hat trick for the winners. E. Morrissey and D. Wood each scored twice.

Millville secured a 5-2 nod over Mount Athol as Duffy scored four of six for the winners. Other Millville scorers were MacMillan, K. Smallwood and Beaton. Amundsen, B. Myers scored for the losers.

Royals To Meet Saints Tonight

Sandy's Parkdale Royals who are currently engaged in a great hockey series with Johnny's Flying Hawks take a late out tonight to play an exhibition game with St. Dunstons University team.

This game should be a close one as the Saints have plenty of quality players. One of the St. Dunstons squads biggest stars is playing Billy MacMillan who will be playing against his former teammates.

MacMillan played with the Royals in the first game of the season and he scored and turned in a credible performance.

The game is scheduled to get underway at seven o'clock so all hockey fans will have a chance to see these two teams in action and still get home in time to watch the NHL game on television.

Jr. Legionaires Defeat Combines

SUMMERSIDE BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN

The Summerside Junior Legionaires kept their unbeaten record intact in a regular Prince County Hockey League fixture at Civic Stadium last night, trouncing the Summerside Teams Combines by the score of 4-0.

Tuesday March 3 finds the Basilea Recreation Centre the site of a reception from 6 to 7:30 p.m. for the curling players, local committee workers and several invited visitors. Following this reception a dinner will be held at the Basilea Recreation Centre, being hosted by the Bank of Montreal. The Brier dinner will take place this dinner by invitation only.

Wednesday night at 8:30 a.m.

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