SPORTS FRONT

By PIUS CALLAGHAN

Saints Get Ready

ST Dunstan's University hockey squad is practicing faithfully in preparation for their big game here this Sunday against the Maritime Intercollegiate League powerhouse, the University of New Brunswick Red Devils.

A little more than one month ago, just about everybody around these parts would be ready to concede the game to UNB before it was even played. That was the time Saints' hockey prospects for 1962-63 looked black as coal. However, since then the Red and Whiters have been strengthened by the Mulligans, Billy and Vince, and by Jim Cullen. These players are still in the high school bracket but St. Dunstan's received special permission to ice them for these intercollegiate tussles.

Saints went to Halifax late in November for their first game and surprised with an 8-6 triumph over St. Mary's. A week later they were in Antigonish where they gave a great account of themselves before bowing 7-5 to the locals. Saturday they take the ice with a 1-1 record and coach Jack K a n e and his crew aren't willingly to concede anything to Peter Kelly and his New Brunswick invaders.

Works Them Hard

KANE hasn't been sparing his charges one bit. He's making them work extra hard in an effort to have them really up for this all-important struggle Saturday. Kane isn't doing any predicting about the outcome, other than maintaining that his boys should give a right smart account of themselves against the Red Devils.

With the advantage of home rink, the Kanemen could throw quite a scare into the Fredericton scholars. There's more interest in this game than any other intercollegiate hockey game here in years. Folks aren't figuring Saints will be any pushovers for the New Brunswickers. You don't hear anyone talk about beating UNB but neither can you hear anyone conceding t h e Red Devils the contest.

St. Dunstan's rink should definitely house its largest crowd ever when this encounter goes this coming Saturday.

Chicago Fans Upset

CHICAGO fans turned on their Hawks Sunday night at Chicago and booed them in real fashion while the Toronto Maple Leafs crushed them 5-1 on the ice.

The Black Hawks, with a great chance to widen their first place margin to four points, couldn't cope with the Leafs at all and as a result Toronto roared into a first place tie with them and still hold one game in hand.

If Chicago intends finishing on top in the National Hockey League this season, then they must start beating teams like the Maple Leafs who have similar ideas. So for in this 1962-63 season, the Hawks managed only one decision, a 1-0 verdict, over the Imlachmen.

The last twice Toronto has been in Chicago, they ran away with the hockey games. On December 16 they blasted Hawks 6-2 and last Sunday they again connected by a four-goal margin.

The teams clash again tomorrow (Wednesday) night at Maple Leaf Gardens and of course the Hawks will be out for real revenge. You can expect them to be a much better team than the one that was booed in Chicago Sunday night. Rudy Pilous undoubtedly blasted his men after that fiasco and they'll likely be ready to give their best performance of the season Wednesday.

This Is Another Big One

TORONTO has the opportunity to grab first place and still have a game in hand. Chicago can also be in undisputed possession of the top rung if they can topple the Maple Leaf Gardens' favorites.

Leafs, however, have the faculty of losing games that appeared 'in the bag'. Last week those two losses to Boston and New York weren't supposed to happen but they did and Leafs lost a grand opportunity as a result. Had they managed decisions in those ones, they would hold a juicy four-point lead today.

At any rate, Wednesday night's battle of the giants should give Maple Leaf Gardens' fans plenty of thrills. If Toronto can conquer, the folks will go away happy.

If they don't, it will be another sad night.

Newfies Enthusiastic About Alex Faulkner

By ED WALTERS
Canadian Press Staff Writer

Newfoundland hockey fans are an enthusiastic breed at any time, but they outdo themselves where Alex Faulkner is concerned.

The 26-year-old native of Bishops Falls, Nfld., now playing as a forward with Detroit Red Wings of the National Hockey League can do no wrong in the eyes of his fans back home.

As the first Newfoundlander to make the NHL he has become a shining idol to islanders.

Youngsters playing stick hockey in the streets of St. John's used to yell "Who d'you think you are, Gordie Howe?" Now it's "Who d'you think you are, Alex Faulkner?"

As Newfoundland gets television hockey only from Montreal and Toronto, the province's hockey fans have seen Alex play only three times this season.

When Detroit is playing elsewhere, newspapers and radio stations are flooded with calls from anxious fans asking if Alex got a goal, an assist or anything else.

GOOD LUCK TELEGRAMS

The radio stations broadcast bulletins if Alex does anything during a game, newspapers provide special coverage.

When Faulkner played his first game as a regular member of Red Wings in New York last Oct. 11, one radio station sent its sportscaster and made arrangements for a special broadcast to Newfoundland.

The St. John's News sent Alex a good luck telegram signed by 4,000 fans. Fifteen boys in a health camp near St. John's also sent a telegram. Alex responded by sending them each an autographed hockey stick.

One sports editor estimates that 40 per cent of Newfoundland's hockey fans—traditionally supporters of either Montreal Canadiens or Toronto Maple Leafs—have switched allegiance to Detroit.

An oil company with service stations in St. John's is offering hockey sticks autographed by Faulkner with every $3 gasoline purchase. It's always short of sticks.

FREE TRIP

A used car dealer offered customers a chance to win a trip to Montreal to see Alex play if they bought a car within a specified time. And a potato

ALEX FAULKNER

chip company is running a contest offering as first prize a free trip to Montreal to see Faulkner in action.

St. John's hockey teams are careful not to schedule a game on a Saturday night when Red Wings are in Montreal or Toronto because they know most folks will stay home to watch the NHL game on TV. And some taxi drivers have refused to answer calls when a Red Wings game is on television.

Faulkner played three games in the NHL last season, all with Toronto Maple Leafs. He appeared regularly with Rochester Americans of the American Hockey League. Red Wings picked him up in the post-season draft.

Today's Minor Hockey Schedule

Following are the activities scheduled for minor hockeyists and girls at Sports Arena today:

11:00 — 12:00, Skate, Notre Dame and Rochford Square girls.

4:00 — 4:40, Bantams, QCHS Crows vs. BHS Eagles.

4:40 — 5:20, Bantams, Spring Park - Parkdale Bluewings vs. QCHS Owls.

5:20 — 6:00, Bantams, Sherwood Condors vs. QCHS Gulls.

Officials — Les Barnes and Grant Crockett.

Pan-Am Games Definitely To Go As Scheduled

SAO PAULO, Brazil (AP)— The fourth Pan - American Games definitely will go on as scheduled April 22-May 5, in this booming skyscraper city says the official mainly responsible for the hemispheric competition here.

"The city wants the Games, the state wants them, the government wants them," said Major Sylvia de Magalhaes Padilha, who has been working to solve the myriad problems involved in the Olympics of the Americas.

"We are all interested in the Games here because we feel the moment is opportune for an inter - lacing of friendships among the American nations, principally now, when America, more than ever, needs to keep itself united in all sectors in defense of Western interests," said Maj. Padilha in an interview the other day.

The busy executive said he did not believe political circumstances would interfere in any way and that even if there w a s a new political rising, which he said didn't appear likely at this time, "the Games will be held in any event on the scheduled date."

The major difficulty right now, he said, was completion of the Pan - American village, which will house the athletes. Construction of the living quarters is far behind schedule, he said.

2 WBA Officials Halt Objections To Return Bout

NEW ORLEANS, La. (AP)— Two top officials of the World Boxing Association withdrew their objections Monday to a return match between heavyweight champion Sonny Liston and ex-champion Floyd Patterson.

Dr. Charles Larson of Tacoma, Wash., president of the WBA, and Emile Griffith of New Orleans, chairman of its world championship committee, rescinded their earlier stand on condition "there would be positively nothing whatsoever stalled regarding a third match."

In a statement released here, Larson and Bruneau gave these three reasons for their change of heart:

1. No. 1 contender E d d i e Machen is now in a mental hospital, leaving Patterson as the No. 1 contender.

2. Another member state of the WBA committed the original breach of the group's rules and regulations, which forbid return bout clauses in fight contracts.

3. Other breaches of the ban have been committed in other divisions.

Liston won the heavyweight title last S e p t. 25 stopping Patterson in one round at Chicago's Comiskey Park.

Bruneau said several weeks ago that the return bout clauses in the contract, in addition to violating WBA rules, might also violate laws of several states.

CURLING DRAW

The following is the curling draw for Tuesday at the Charlottetown Club. At 6.50 p.m. is the start of the Tuesday competition with ten teams p l a ying knockout. (Spares needed).

6.50 P.M.

Ice 1 — E. MacLeod, H. Douglas, A.E. Piercey, A. Zakem vs. C. Winn, H. Smith, H. Goudie, H. Edwards.

Ice 2 — J. Cooke, Dr. Webster, H. Love, C. MacInnes vs. F. MacMillan, L. Turner, C. Michael, B. Crockett.

Ice 3 — T.W.L. Prowse, D. Douglas, Dr. Jelks, J. Veniot vs. W. Farrell, K. Jenkins, L. Bagnall, B. Moore.

Ice 4 — R. Ewing, M. McGuigan, B. Cook, G. Lidstone vs. F. Curtis, A. Bagnall, C. Costello, B. Ball.

Ice 5 — Dr. Giddings, A. Leaman, J. Zakem, K. Dalziel vs. E. Gillespie, I. Horne, N. Kelly, J. Weldon.

8.30 P.M.

Rendezvous (Sec. B)

Ice 1 — L. Wellner vs. Ed. Tanton.

Ice 2 — H. Peters vs. Lou Johnston.

Ice 3 — G. Stewart vs. Doug Saunders.

Ice 4 — Geo Kays vs. Had MacInnes.

Ice 5 — J.S. MacDonald vs. Bob LeClair.

Curling Draw For Montague

Here is the Montague Curling Schedule for today (Tuesday): 7 P.M.

Ice 1: Doug McGowan, At. MacDonald, Geo. Worth, Duke MacDonald, vs. Geo. Nicholson, A. Robertson, Sandy MacDonald, D. Clarkson.

Ice 2: Not over two years curling — L. Stewart, B. Cornley, F. White, R. Ferguson, vs. M. Wigginton, B. Bryand, F Murphy S. MacKinnon.

PEPLER TROPHY PLAY 8 P.M.

Ice 1: Leona Sinclair, Elsie Watterworth, Connie Ings, Olga Hennigar vs. Evelyn Cudmore, Eileen Johnston, Doris O'Connor, Betty Gallant.

Ice 2: Henrietta Clair, Ada MacGregor, Barbara Mabon, Ruth MacDonald vs. Katherine Stewart, Kay Hughes, Charlotte Gordon, Ethel Murphy.

HEART DEATHS

Heart disease accounts for nearly 40 per cent of all deaths in the United States

COOKIE GILCHRIST

Cookie Is Voted Player Of Year

By AL COLLETTI

NEW YORK (CP) — Cookie Gilchrist, the hard-rock Negro son of a Pennsylvania steel mill worker, looks back at his years in Canadian football with soul-searching frankness.

The 27-year-old fullback of Buffalo Bills of the American Football League, voted player of the year in the up-and-coming circuit, says:

"I feel I have made more progress in six months with Buffalo than in my eight years in Canada.

"At first I was skeptical about coming to Buffalo from Canada where I had freedom as a Negro. But I found no difference—I have been treated tops here.

The idea in the mind of the Canadian public that was "hard to get along with" still rankles Cookie. He tries to explain some of the things that hurt him—his financial difficulties and battles for more money and the reputation he says he got as a "free liver."

'HONEST' MISTAKES

"Whatever mistakes I made in Canada were honest ones, but if some one had guided me properly I would be well on my way towards being a millionaire.

"I believe I was exploited, not because I was a Negro but because I jumped right from high school into Canadian football without any college experience. I was resented.

"I had to fight to get more money. The mould was cast that I was hard to get along with because I wouldn't let the management of the clubs dominate me."

But as a Negro with a white wife and two boys, Gilchrist says he has been accepted in Canada and he plans to take out Canadian citizenship next year. He adds that he may return to Canadian football, but that is a long way in the future.

Right now, his future is in Buffalo where he easily is the most popular player on the club. While playing with Toronto Argos, Cookie purchased a $35,000 home in Toronto. He says he probably will move to Buffalo to help promote the team the year-round.

$20,000 PLUS BONUS

The words flow as Cookie, an intense giant of a man on and off the field, speaks with a directness that has acquired polish through the years.

He looks for financial security through sound business investment — something that always turned sour for him in the past.

"This is my break," Cookie says of his switch to Buffalo from the Argos. "I've kept my nose clean and I'm being honest with myself. It is the beginning of my reward."

The club pays him $20,000 a year plus bonuses he describes as exceptionally good.

Gilchrist wound up the season as the league's leading ground gainer with 1,096 yards—the first player in the three-year history of the AFL to pass the 1,000-yard mark in a season.

He averaged 5.1 yards on 214 attempts after a slow start due to a pulled leg muscle. He also tied for second place in scoring with 15 touchdowns and 128 points.

An Associated Press committee of writers and broadcasters from the eight league cities named him player of the year. He received 13 of the 24 votes cast by the committee.

HAD BETTER YEARS

But Cookie says this was not his best season although he tried to give 100 per cent for the Bills. "I've played better football in Canada. Here in the States they were laying a lot for me, but next year it will be different with Hal Kemp spelling me."

Kemp missed a good part of the season due to injuries and Gilchrist virtually carried the offensive load.

Although he's 238, the six-foot-2½ Gilchrist figures he still can do 10.2 for 100 yards "if I feel like running."

His high school coach, who has watched his professional career almost from the beginning, says Cookie is a better runner now than he ever was.

"Cookie has great balance and it takes more than one man to bring him down," says Coach Kenny Karl, now mentor of a high school team in Patterson, N.J.

It was Karl who encouraged the sometimes moody Gilchrist to finish high school at Brackenridge, Pa., where Cookie was born.

"It was either football as a career or working in the mills like my father," Cookie says. "I went to Canada with no college experience and that I feel left me open for a lot of people to take advantage of me."

BROKE CONTRACT

He started out with Sarnia of the old senior Ontario Rugby Football Union in 1953, played two seasons with Kitchener-Waterloo of the ORFU, then went to Hamilton Tiger-Cats of the Big Four for two seasons. He says he got out of his contract because he had signed it while a minor. He played in 1958 with Saskatchewan Roughriders of the Western Conference before he joined Argos in 1959.

In Hamilton he had signed for $4,800 and got a $500 raise the next season.

Cookie feels the bad impression he made in Canada started from the invalidation of his Hamilton contract.

"In my mind that is what created the image that people so willingly discussed and wrote about. I refused to let the management of the clubs dominate me. I felt that I had produced good football and deserved more money.

"At that early time the mould was made that I was hard to get along with, that I was a free liver although I didn't drink and didn't smoke then."

He signed with Argos in 1959 for $12,000. In 1960, he settled for $1,000 more "because I needed the money although I had given them more than 100 per cent."

"I said then to myself 'someday the shoe will be on the other foot.'"

"In 1961 I was trying to prove to them (Argos) that I was worth more money but I had to eat crow. . . .

"The main reason I left the Argos, I think, goes back to 1961 when I chose to play out my option. As it worked out, the club gave me what I wanted which was a five-year contract and I feel that in giving me this they actually begrudged me the contract of $20,000 a year.

"In 1962 my financial situation was in such a critical shape that I advised the Argos that I didn't think I could give them 100 per cent."

Gilchrist had borrowed heavily, including money from the club, to finance his new home.

When he was suspended for breaking the club curfew after an exhibition game in Edmonton, "the club wanted to make an example of me."

"I think Lou Agase (then coach) had to win the first four games or lose his job.' Agase later was fired.

Gilchrist was waived out of the Canadian leagues last Aug. 2 and quickly was signed by the Bills.

SISTERS DIE

BOSTON (AP)— Two elderly sisters were found dead of exposure in their unheated home Thursday night, and a search by police yielded $2,831 in cash, two bank books showing $9,000 in deposits and $994.94 worth of stock dividend cheques in a mail box. The sisters were identified as Helen H. McCutcheon, 67, and Jeannette McCutcheon, 82.

NFL Hits Thorny Problem During Probe On Gambling

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The National Football League, riding an unprecedented wave of interest and popularity, ran into thorny problems on three fronts Monday over the outside associations of some of its players.

A S e n a t e subcommittee planned an investigation and the league was investigating on its own, amid stories that told of links with sportsmen who admitted he gambled as much as $190,000 a season on pro games in the past is an employer of assistant of the Chicago Bears coach Phil Handler and a friend of Green Bay Golden Boy halfback Paul Hornung.

2. The Detroit News said that the FBI had questioned a man who is a partner in a Detroit bar with defensive tackle Alex Karras of the Lions, about the team and gambling. The Lions want Karras to get rid of his part ownership.

PLAN INTERVIEWS

Washington sources said investigators of the McClellan committee will interview Bears owner-coach George Halas and fullback Rick Casares in connection with a study of gambling in professional and amateur sports. Casares has taken lie detector tests.

The series of disclosures—although they produced no concrete evidence — came after days of rumor and rumor. They hit the 32-year-old NFL as it had completed its greatest year and had become the hottest attraction in sports.

Pro football betting has become huge business in recent years, and probably is at an all-time peak. Sources say that one day betting on NFL games is equal to the biggest day of betting on baseball, which has long been one of the leading wagering sports in America.

NFL Commissioner Pete Rozelle was unavailable immediately for comment on the latest reports.

Rozelle said earlier in Miami that "there is no evidence of any wrong doing by an individual right up to this minute. The investigations a r e continuing and will continue as long as the rumors c o n t i n u e and the rumors will probably continue as long as the sport remains popular."

WORKS FOR SAMUELS

The American's story said that Abe Samuels, owner of a lumber company and chairman of the board of a duplicating m a c h i n e corporation, said a Bears coach Handler "works for me as a lumber salesman and has for about 10 or 12 years."

Samuels also said he has known Hornung for about 10 years and repeatedly offered him a duplicating machine franchise in Louisville.

The paper said Samuels said his big betting was more than three years ago, and he now makes "nominal bets of about $100 or $200 a game."

The American reached Hornung in Los Angeles where he is working out for NFL All-Star game next Sunday, and asked if he had taken a lie detector test or been asked to. Hornung said that he hasn't been asked to and didn't know of any teammate who had.

The American also said Casares, who had taken two lie detector tests given by NFL investigators, knew Samuels.

"I've met Abe Samuels a few times, but I knew him as a business man," Casares was quoted as saying. "When you meet a man in a group and he is identified as a business man, you can't very well ask him if he gambles on football games."

THREATENS TO QUIT

The Detroit story said that Karras threatened to quit the Lions if the NFL tried to force him out of his partnership with brothers Jim and John Butsicaris in the Lindell Bar.

"This is ridiculous," Karras told the News. They are trying to braad us guilty of something. "I've put out 100 per cent for the Lions every time I've gone on the field."

The News said John Butsicaris disclosed that FBI agents visited the bar last week.

"They wanted to talk about the Lions and wanted to know if we know anything about gambling," the News quoted Butsicaris as saying. "They weren't on the muscle. They were just t r y i n g to clarify things, run down rumors they had heard."

The News quoted Edwin J. Anderson, Lions general manager, as saying he would try to get Karras to give up his part ownership in the bar.

In Washington, subcommittee sources said interviews with Casares and Halas were in the works but that no investigators were presently in Chicago. Casares admitted taking lie tests on Oct. 17, 1961, and again late last month.

"I passed them all," Casares said.

CFL Prexy Was In Soup Regardless Of Decision

By JACK SULLIVAN
Canadian Press Sports Editor

TORINTO (CP)—Maybe football Commissioner Sydney Halter didn't realize it at the time, but he was in the soup in some quarters no matter what decision he made regarding the playing of the Dec. 1 Grey Cup final in foggy Toronto.

Should he have allowed the game to start? Should he have called it at halftime? Should he have waited a little out and scheduled another the following day? Should he have made it a two-game total-point series?

Halter, Canadian Football League for not having set up legislation to handle such situations.

The 48 who said Halter did exactly right included men from every province.

"Barring, quickly leaving the stadium and trying to visit a sick relative in Baffin Land, the commissioner did the best thing he could," said sports editor Bill Westwick of the Ottawa Journal.

"Halter was like a condemned man," said Henry Stothard of CKCW-TV, Moncton, N.B. "He was dammed if he did and dammed if he didn't.

"Solomon might have done better but what did he know about football?" asked sports editor Hal Walker of the Toronto Telegram. "I think Halter showed i n t e l l i g e n c e and extreme bravery."

COMPLAINTS TOO LATE

"Those who complain that Canadian football sold out to television should have made that remark when the TV contracts were signed, which was before the f o o t b a l l season opened," said s p o r t s editor Maurice Smith of the Winnipeg Free Press. He backed up the commissioner's decision.

Johnny Esaw, sports director of CFTO-TV Toronto and another of the 48, said that television "had no influence on the playing of the game."

"I offered on behalf of CTV (privately-owned network that owned the TV rights) to make whatever arrangements were necessary) for TV to suit the playing of the game. . . . I think Halter handled the most difficult decision in the annals of Canadian sport, calmly and firmly, in the only way it could be done."

Bruce Larsen, sports editor of the Vancouver Sun, summed up the feelings of the voters who thought the game should have been called at halftime with the observation that the second half must be played the following day "rain, shine or Toronto winter fog."

Eur. Teams On Par With WHL Says Lynn

MONTREAL (CP)—Vic Lynn, coach of Saskatoon Quakers, said Monday the top hockey teams in Sweden and Czechoslovakia play a brand of hockey "about on a par" with the Western Hockey League.

"European hockey has made remarkable progress," he said. "Their national teams are better than most of our top junior and senior teams. They're still below our N a t i o n a l Hockey League standards, but at passing and skating they're as good as any hockey players in the world."

Lynn, former NHL star with Toronto and Boston, was interviewed while his 1961-62 Allan Cup finalists made a brief stop here en route home after a 15-game European exhibition tour.

The Quakers won seven and lost six.

"They ganged up on us everywhere," said Lynn. "Ours was supposed to be a goodwill tour. The pre - arranged schedule called for us to start out against club teams, work up to t o games against national teams, but they started firing their best guns right off and we weren't ready."

TEAMWORK AMAZING

Lynn said European players are getting better all the time. "Nationally - controlled teams are d e d i c a t e d to hockey. They're well-trained and well-coached. Their teamwork is amazing.

"I've never run into better passers or better skaters. Under their rules there is no hand - checking, interference, holding or hooking. You have to play it straight and we didn't realize it. We soon found out.

"If we had to tour again, we'd take two or three weeks drilling under European rules. Otherwise a Canadian team is in real trouble."

Palmer Cops L.A Open

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Incomparable A r n o l d Palmer twice came on with a rousing patented rush Monday to wreck the opposition and capture the $50,000 Los Angeles Open golf tournament.

The 32-year-old master of the g a m e of disappointment in seven previous appearances n this rich - mid-winter classic, fired a final-round five-under-par 66 for a 72-hole total of 274.

Palmer, golf's leading money-winner in 1962, thus started the new year with the winning check of $9,000 as he finished 10 strokes under par for the 72 holes and left his nearest opponents, PGA chamnion Gary Player of South Africa and Al Balding of T o r o n t o, three strokes behind.

Balding had a 67 and Player a 69 for their 277 totals.

As thousands of fans stormed around him at the Rancho Park Golf Club, a 7,100-yard par 36-35—71 course, Palmer broke the back of his nearest opponents with successive birdies on holes 16 and 17.

The killing punch—if an extra one was needed—came on the 17th. Palmer sank a sensational 50-foot shot from behind the green for a birdie two.

Palmer started the round three strokes back of the leader, Art Wall Jr. Wall remained in the battle until he faded with a pair of one-over-par holes on the back nine and took a 74 for 279.

Jockey Given Four Years

BRIGHTON, England (AP) — Jockey Leonard Steward, 29, was sentenced to a four-year prison term Monday for conspiring with others to d o p e horses, as the culmination of a lengthy investigation and trial of widespread horse doping on English tracks.

Judge Charles Doughty told Stewart he believed he was "only a cog in a highly organized business which is quite capable of and has threatened witnesses."

Steward's lawyer argued that the real operators of the ring were not on trial. He said that Steward was in a great state of fear, not only for himself but for members of his family.

TB DEATHS DOWN

Deaths from tuberculosis in the United States were reduced two thirds in the decade up till 1962.

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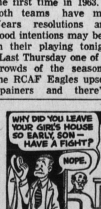
Combines Facing Juniors Tonight

Bucko Trainor's Junior Penguins will try desperately to vaxinate the Island Senior Hockey League cellar tonight when they play host to the Prince County Combines.

The Baby Birds are one point back of the third place RCAF Eagles and a triumph tonight would move the Airman into the unwanted basement spot. The Combines are in second place but they have a long distance to go to catch the front-running Parkdale Royals. Sandy Frizzell has his boys out in front by nine points and are threating to make a runaway of the league. The Combines must start winning hockey games if they intend making a race of the whole affair.

Neither Penguins or Combines have been playing their best hockey of late but that nonsense should stop tonight when they face each other for the first time in 1963. Probably both teams have made New Years resolutions and these good intentions may be reflected in their playing tonight.

Last Thursday one of the better crowds of the season watched the RCAF Eagles upset the Old Spainers and there's a good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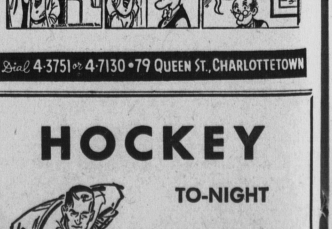
chance tonight that upwards of 1000 folks will view this Combines-Penguins struggle.

Both teams are expected to be at full strength for the battle which commences promptly at 8.15.



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