SPORTS FRONT

By PIUS CALLAGHAN

Big Series Coming Up

A few weeks before Christmas Johnny's Flying Hawks upset Sandy's Parkdale Royals in an exhibition game at Charlottetown Forum. It started quite a verbal war between the club operators but nothing was done about settling these differences on the ice. There was word about a 'winner-take-all' battle but it just didn't come about.

Despite the fact that we are still in the festive season, Royals and the Flying Hawks appear to have forgotten this and neither have had much good to say about the other. There were claims and counterclaims about the abilities of Royals and Hawks. It became so public that Wes 'Bucko' Trainor manager of the Forum finally got the arch rivals together and urged them to settle their differences on the ice.

Sandy and Johnny thought the thing over and they finally agreed to go at each other in a special seven-game series with Stead's Pharmacy trophy going to the winner.

And so this series swings into action on Thursday night January 2 at The Forum and right now we can assure you it will be no tea party. Feeling is running high between these outfits and you can look for a battle royal when they square off.

'Bucko' tells us that it is planned to have at least one game a week in this series and he has the idea that local hockey fans are going to like this setup. Both Royals and Flying Hawks are dead serious about it and each team will ice its strongest lineup each time out.

We urge folks to take in these games because we have the idea that there will be loads of entertainment in all of them.

Plan to start this Thursday night when Royals and Flying Hawks oppose each other at 8.15 sharp. There'll be more on the sport pages before the battle.

Congratulations

OUR congratulations to Charlottetown Centennials who recently won the Annapolis Valley Pee Wee invitational tournament.

These lads won all three games they played and made a great hit with the folks in the valley town. Those responsible for the jaunt to Kentville are to be commended on their enterprise. Charlottetown Minor Hockey Association president, Ivan Doherty, tells us there are big plans ahead for these Pee Wees and Ivan promises an announcement within a few days.

That Junior League

We, along with many others, are wondering what happened to the junior league that was supposed to get started early in the New Year.

We attended a few meetings when this league was being organized and the last we heard was that things would get away with a bang in 1964. We talked to a few vitally interested in this loop and they have no news for us. We understand that some agreement with The Forum was supposed to be made back on December 20 but if such occured it has been kept a strict secret.

We thought this league had definite possibilities and we still cling to that belief. However, if something isn't done soon, it will be just too bad. Perhaps today somebody will have an important announcement about this proposed junior league. Perhaps they are just keeping us in suspense.

All we can say is, if they are, then please relieve the tension at once.

A lot of folks would like to know just what is going on.

Another Blanking

TORONTO Maple Leafs muffed another chance to gain on Chicago Black Hawks. Instead of picking up two points, the Leafs absorbed a 2-0 blanking, the fourth time this season that Hawks have stopped Toronto without a goal.

If it's not embarrassing to the Leafs, then we must admit it's getting a bit that way with some of us who do a bit of talking in favor of the defending champions.

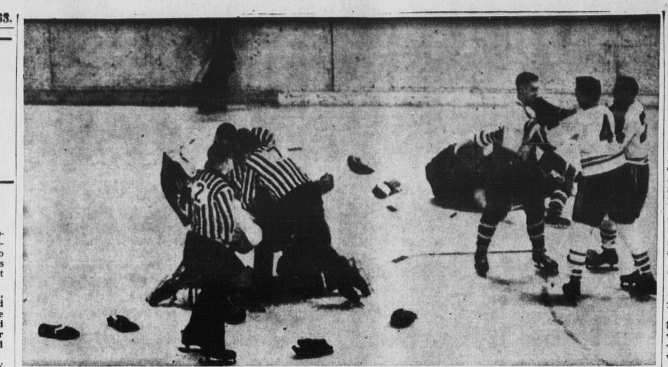
Well, perhaps the New Year will bring greater things.

Happy New Year

AND speaking of 1964, we want to take this opportunity of extending to all our readers the very best for the year ahead.

We thank all who have co-operated so splendidly with us during the past twelve months and solicit that same measure of support in 1964 which promises to be a terrific one here on Prince Edward Island.

HAPPY NEW YEAR, EVERYBODY.



THREE-RING HOCKEY CIRCUS

Members of the New York Rangers and Montreal Canadiens stage three-ring melee in final period of their National Hockey League game at New York's Madison Square Garden. At right, shirtless Vic Hadfield of the Rangers engages Montreal's Jean Beliveau (4) and Dave Balon (20). Referee Vern Buffey (2) and linesman Matt Pavelich (7) attempt to separate pile at left. In background a couple of players are down on the ice. Game was resumed eventually and the Canadiens won, 6 to 2.

(AP Wirephoto)

Veteran Dawn Fraser Now Training For '64 Games

By WILL GRIMSLEY

MELBOURNE, Australia, (AP)—At 26 years and past normal prime, Dawn Fraser, the world's fastest woman swimmer, is training for her third Olympics next year in Tokyo.

"I don't feel old at all," the tall, sturdy Australian mermaid said between workouts at the municipal pool at Oakleigh, a Melbourne suburb. "I feel I am still improving. I see no reason why I cannot win another medal."

If the amazing Miss Fraser Associated Press woman athlete of the year in 1962—melted down all her gold and silver medals, she might start her own bank.

She captured the gold medals in the 100-metre freestyle swim both at Melbourne in 1956 in 62 seconds flat and Rome in 1960 in 61.4 and now is shooting for her third at Tokyo-which would be an unprecedented feat.

Dawn, however, shrugs off the assignment lightly and says she is convinced she can pull it off.

"I expect my toughest competition to come from Robyn Johnson of Arlington, Va., who has done 61.5, and Ann Halberg of Sweden, who has done 61.3," she said. "Both of them may break 61. I am hoping to break 60 again."

HOURS RECORD

Dawn is the only woman swimmer ever to cover 100 metres in less than a minute. She has done it half a dozen times. She holds the world record of 59.5 as well as world marks for 110 yards, 200 metres and 220 yards. She is also training for the 400 metres but is not concentrating on that distance.

Because of her age—it seems most swimmers hit their peak around 15 to 17 years of age and then fade out—she is called "Granny."

Dawn doesn't object to the nickname but rather delights in it and goes on guzzling beer, eating steaks and rich desserts, and cracking records.

Next big test is the Australian National meet Feb. 27 through March 1 in Sydney. There Dawn will get an idea of her Olympic prospects.

She is a pleasant girl with laughing blue eyes, a shock of windswept brown hair, a good sense of humor and few inhibitions. Her training methods have astounded experts.

"I believe the reason I have lasted so long is that I don't let it become drudgery," she said as she relaxed in a white straight back chair in one of the Oakleigh pool's dressing rooms.

"I love beer—drink a can every night before dinner and sometimes five and six at a party. I don't worry about staying up late. I don't watch my diet. I am crazy about sweets and things like that."

Dawn said she has never lost her enthusiasm for swimming and believes she might go on for years, even to the extent perhaps of competing in the fourth Olympics at Mexico City in 1968.

Dawn began swimming at the age of 17, about the time most highstrung swimmers are ending their careers.

She was the youngest in a family of eight children—four boys and four girls—all athletically inclined. Her father, who died two years ago, was an outstanding soccer player who came from Scotland in 1915.

Dawn was discovered by Harry Gallagher, an Australian coach who produced 66 national champions and six Olympic champions. She was an immediate sensation.

She refuses to let training interfere with social life or her job as a public relations director for a recreation centre. She is a good dancer, likes the twist.

SPORT OF KINGS

Eastern King's County Has Great Sports Year

By ED CLINTON
Souris Bureau of the Guardian

The year 1964 lies before us, and once again it is time to review the sports year just ending. Eastern King's County had its most successful season ever, in the realm of sport, with the town of Souris particularly outstanding season. A total of eight Island titles came to this area, with Souris picking up seven of them. These honors do not include individual honors won in track and field, and in skate meets.

Souris Regional High School "Girls" early in the year, became the first team from this town ever to win an Island basketball championship. The team competed in a championship tournament held in O'Leary, and defeated teams from that center, along with entries from Morell and Montague. This was the first time that teams from this district had ever competed in Island playoffs. Another first came in this sport, when boys teams from Morell and Souris entered the boys playoffs.

Three Island titles came during the hockey season, and all three winners came from Souris. The Crossbones won their second Intermediate "B" crown by whipping Tyne Valley in the finals. Two firsts were also recorded. Island titles won by the Souris Regional High Junior "B" team, along with the championship victory by the Souris Bantams marked the first time hockey championships in these divisions were ever won by Souris teams.

MADE DEBUT

Football made its debut in Souris during the past year, and made it a very successful one. The Souris Regional High School team annexed the provincial crown in the "B" division by defeating Montague and O'Leary. In exhibition games, they defeated Kinkora and lost to PWC. Their loss to PWC was by only two points, and the PWC team belongs to the "A" division.

Bowling concluded another good season in Souris, with three leagues operating. The Men's League crown was won for the first time by the Night Hawks, while the perennial winners of the Women's League, the Pixies once again took top honors. In the Mixed League, the Sputniks emerged with winning honors. William Pierce of the Federals in the Men's League set a new alley record for High Three when he rolled a three game total of 1046.

The King's County Baseball League had, as usual, another successful season. Seven teams started with six finishing. A player shortage prevented Peake's from completing the schedule. Morell won its second straight pennant on the last day of the schedule, and went on to win its second straight league championship. They then went on to win the Island Rural Intermediate title, and then forced New Brunswick to the limit before bowing in the Maritime semi-finals.

Two and one-half Island titles came to Souris. The Little Leaguers won their first Island title by whipping Montague, while the Midgets also won their first Island championship by trouncing Tracadie. The half title came about when the Montague-Souris Bantam series was cancelled each team having one game, Souris had been the defending champions.

The Souris Town Baseball League, in its third season also reached a successful climax. The MacLeans Uptowners won their second league pennant in a playoff with Larter's Centertowners, then in the finals against the same team, won their third straight league championship.

Individual honors of the League went to Bobby Pierce and Danny Mahar of the Uptowners, Earl MacLean of the Centertowners, and Augustine Clinton of the Star Grocery Downtowners.

TRACK AND FIELD

Track and Field meets are not new in King's County, but, until the year 1963 no records had been kept. The High School track and field meet for the county was held in Souris this year, and all times and distances were recorded and are now regarded as County Records. Individual at the meet were won by Ronald Cheverie and Roma MacDonald, both of Souris. Souris won top honors for districts. Joe Cheverie of Souris set an Island and possibly Maritime record for fourteen year olds at the Souris Regetta meet when he jumped five feet, seven inches.

We have selected two "Athletes of the Year for Eastern King's". We seek sportsmanship, all around ability, and excellence in all or one sport. Our male athlete of the year goes to young Joe Cheverie of Souris. Joe was a big boost to the SRHS basketball teams, a member of both title winning hockey teams, the Junior "B" and Bantam squads. He was a member of the Midget champions in baseball, and a key player for the title winning SRHS football team. He excelled in Track and Field, setting new records nearly every time out.

Our female of the year goes to young Roma MacDonald, also of Souris. Roma was one of the key players on the SRHS Girls basketball championship team, and also a star in the skate meets. She set three individual records at the King's County Track and Field Meet, and assisted in setting a team record. Roma is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter MacDonld, while Joe is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Urban Cheverie.

I would like to extend to everyone a "Very Happy New Year".

Oil Kings' Coaching Staff Launch Attack On Spearing

By WALTER KREVENCHUK

EDMONTON (CP) — The coaching staff of Edmonton Oil Kings has launched an attack against an outbreak of spearing and butt-ending among the Canadian junior hockey champions.

"Butt-ending and spearing are the sneakiest, most useless things you can do, and they never help win a hockey game," says manager Leo LeClerc.

"The time spent in employing these techniques can be put to better use doing one of the 48 other duties a player has on the ice."

Spearing is defined in the rule book as "stabbing an opponent with the point of the stick blade while the stick is being carried with one hand or both hands."

Butt-ending, as the term suggests, is the act of jabbing an opponent with the butt of the stick.

Both infractions ordinarily carry a minor penalty although spearing may also be treated as a deliberate attempt to injure, resulting in a match penalty during which the offending player's team plays shorthanded for five minutes.

In a move to reduce the incidence of the two infractions, which have shown a pronounced increase this year, LeClerc and coach Buster Brayshaw have mapped out a self-officiating system that includes fines.

KEEP RECORDS

Spotters—each assigned to a specific forward line or defensive unit—record each butt-end or spear used by an Oil Kings player. When a player is caught by an official committing either act, he not only is penalized but is fined by the team in direct proportion to the number of times he has been observed by the spotter.

"The fines can range up to $50," LeClerc says. "From now on butt-ending and spearing are going to be luxuries and if the players can't afford them they had better stop."

The manager says the increase appears to be a byproduct of success. "Some players seem to have the attitude that they shouldn't be checked or harried by opposing players because they are members of the Memorial Cup champions."

Oil Kings have reached the Memorial Cup final in each of the last four years—an unprecedented feat—and last year defeated Niagara Falls Flyers to win the title. This season they had won 20 and tied four in their first 30 games as regular members of the Intermediate Central Alberta League, part-time members of the Saskatchewan junior circuit and in exhibition play.

The surprising thing about the two rude infractions, LeClerc says, is that players generally considered the "most gentlemanly" on the team were becoming the chief offenders.

TO-DAY AT THE FORUM

TUESDAY—
7:00-8:00 a.m.—Queen Charlotte
10:00-1:30 p.m.—Minor Hockey
2:00-4:00 p.m.—Skating
4:30-6:00 p.m.—Minor Hockey
7:00-9:00 p.m.—Teenagers Skate 25c

WEDNESDAY—
2:00-4:00 p.m.—Skating
8:00-10:00 p.m.—Skating

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Kensington Wins Over N. London

KENSINGTON — Kensington Seabrooks downed New London 6-3 last night at Kensington rink.

Scoring for Seabrooks were James MacFarlane, D. MacLean, B. Caseley 2, C. Sudsbury and Ivor Cotton, while S. Woodside, I. MacCoubrey and D. MacKay fired the three for the losers. P. Smallwood had a single goal.

For the losers, L. Balderson, H. Hughes, Kelly Corbitt, W. Tremere and B. Johnston all scored once.

On Thursday evening at 8:30 p.m. Pownal will meet Dunstaffnage, at the North River rink.

Races Off Till Jan. 15

Frank Acorn announced yesterday that it would be impossible to stage winter racing cards until at least the middle of January.

Mr. Acorn pointed out that new regulations require that all drivers have their licenses by January 1 and horses their eligibility papers by January 15.

At present only three or four drivers have obtained their new licenses and eligibility papers are plenty scarce.

When these matters are adjusted, winter racing will resume at Charlottetown Driving Park.

Pownal Whips Hampshire

Pownal Royals walloped Hampshire Bulldogs 14-6 at North River rink last night in a regular league game for the W. R. Shaw Trophy.

Gerald Cruwys led the winners attack with four goals. D. Sheidow, picked up three tallies while R. Warren, G. Herman, F. Dow all collected two mark-

Hockey Practice

There will be a hockey practice for Johnny's Flying Hawks Wednesday evening at the Charlottetown Forum. This important practice will take place from 5.30 until 6.30 p.m. All players are asked to attend.

There will be a hockey practice for North River Juniors tonight between the hours of 7.30 and 8.30. This important practice session will be held at the North River Rink and all players are requested to be on hand.

Meeting Set For Thurs.

A meeting of the provincial interscholastic athletic association executive originally scheduled for Monday December 30 has been postponed until Thursday January 2 at 10 o'clock at St. Dunstan's University.

All Physical educators in the province are invited to attend this all-day session.

Minor Hockey Results Given

Following are yesterday's minor hockey results:

Wolves 5 Caribous 3. Wolves goals — Alex Pickard (1) Colin Younker (3) Barry MacKinnon (1) Caribous — Ken Doiron, Mike Grant, Ken MacDougall.

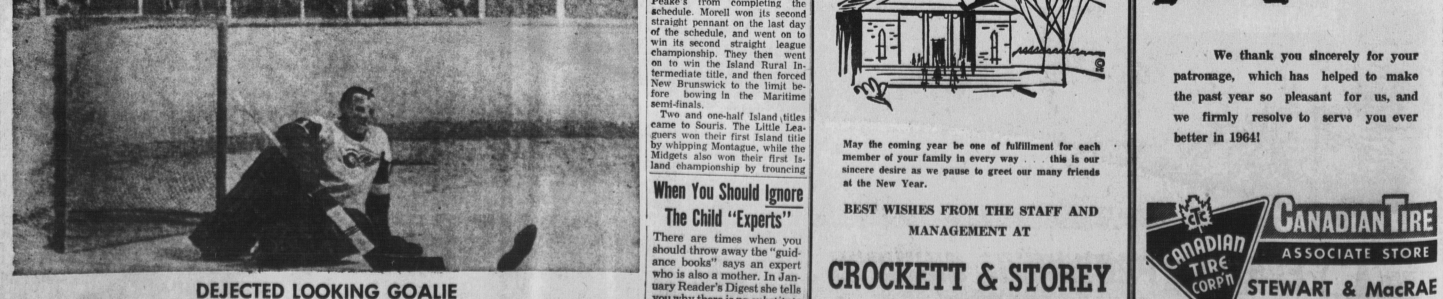
Raccoons 3 Elks 4. Racoons goals by Baird Livingston (2) Barrie Gass (1) Elks goals — Ronnie MacLean (1) Barry Harold (2) John MacMillan (1)

Springers 3 Coyotes 2. Springers goals, Peter Williams; Billy Doherty, D'Arcy Murphy. Coyotes goals — Kenny McKinnon (2).

Seals 3 Rams 0. Seals goals— Derrick Jenkins, Gerald Campbell, Dave MacDonald.

MIDGET

Pontiacs 11 Braves 4. Pontiacs goals — Jimmy McDougall (4) Lloyd Blanchard (5) Herman McQuaid (2). Braves goals — Melvin Murray (2) Brian Foley, Carry Clow.



DEJECTED LOOKING GOALIE

Detroit gialie Terry Sawchuk looks too disappointed to care as fans litter the ice around him during Saturday night's National Hockey League game at Montreal. Sawchuk celebrating his 34th birthday Saturday and fighting for an NHL career record of 95 shutouts, held Canadiens scoreless until Bobby Rousseau clicked from a goalmouth scramble with less than three minutes left to play.

(CP Wirephoto)

When You Should Ignore The Child "Experts"

There are times when you should throw away the "guidance books" says an expert who is also a mother. In January Reader's Digest she tells you why there is no *substitute* for your own basic instincts and when you should disregard the experts. Get your copy of Reader's Digest today

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