

Volleyball Tournament To Get Underway Tomorrow

The Maritime volleyball tournament will start tomorrow at 8:30 a.m. with sixteen teams bidding for the maritime title.

The defending champions, University of St. Joseph from Moncton will be on hand, as will the runners up St. Johns United Church from Halifax. These teams appear to be the teams to beat although the 1954 champions, Fairview Aces, are reportedly a very strong aggregation once again.

There are five local teams entered in the tournament including the City League Champions, B.Y.C. Whites. All teams have been playing regularly throughout the winter months and with the caliber of play having been greatly improved, it is anticipated that these teams will put up a good show in the event.

Those from the city who were fortunate enough to see the finals in Moncton last year were highly enthused by the final match especially and this year is likely to be equally and more so.

Play will continue through the morning at P.W.C., Q.C.H.S., Y.M.C.A. and the Community Center, while in the afternoon the quarter finals will be played at the High School and the Y.M.C.A. The finals will be played in Q.C.H.S. gym at 7:00 o'clock.

The following is the playing schedule in the various gyms for the morning round-robin:

COMM. CENTRE
 1 — B.Y.C. vs. H.I.G.
 2 — B.Y.C.W. vs. C.N.R.
 3 — B.Y.C.W. vs. B.Y.C.
 4 — H.I.G. vs. C.N.R.
 5 — B.Y.C.W. vs. H.I.G.
 6 — B.Y.C. vs. C.N.R.

Q.C.H.S.
 1 — U.S.J. vs. L'Assump.
 2 — Agros vs. Army
 3 — U.S.J. vs. Army
 4 — L'Assump. vs. Army
 5 — Agros vs. U.S.J.

Y.M.C.A.
 1 — Aces vs. Navy
 2 — Y. vs. H.C.
 3 — Aces vs. H.C.
 4 — Y. vs. Navy
 5 — Navy vs. H.C.
 6 — Y. vs. Aces

P.W.C.
 1 — S.J.U. vs. Lan
 2 — P.W.C. vs. R
 3 — S.J.U. vs. R
 4 — P.W.C. vs. Lan
 5 — P.W.C. vs. S.H.U.
 6 — Lan vs. R

LEGEND:
 H.C. — Health Club, U.S.J. — St. Joseph's U.S.J., L'Assump. — St. John's United C. Lan — Lancers; R — R.C.A.F. The others need no explaining.

NAMED YESTERDAY

Howie Meeker Toronto Coach

TORONTO (CP)—Toronto Maple Leafs of the National Hockey League put the accent on youth Thursday by signing 32-year-old Howie Meeker to coach the club next season.

The youthful pilot of Pittsburgh Hornets for the last two seasons was appointed after a 40-minute conference with Conn Smythe, president of Maple Leaf Gardens. He will be the youngest coach in Maple Leafs history.

Meeker, a native of Kitchener, Ont., takes over from Francis (King) Clancy, 53, Maple Leafs coach for the last three seasons. Clancy was appointed assistant general manager last year after being knocked out of the Stanley Cup semi-finals in five games by Detroit Red Wings.

"I have a one-year contract and that's the way I want it," said Meeker. "If I can't make good in a season then I don't belong in the NHL."

BRILLIANT CAREER

Despite his apparent modesty, the stocky 165-pounder already has a brilliant NHL playing career behind him. In his first season with the Maple Leafs in 1946 he scored 27 goals and won the Calder trophy as the league's outstanding rookie.

He also served a term as a Progressive Conservative member of Parliament when elected in a by-election in Waterloo-South. He did not run in the 1953 general election.

The new coach said he'll welcome advice from more experienced officials but "I intend to make my own decisions during a hockey game."

Smythe, commenting on the appointment, said: "I'm happy with the way things turned out. I think we now have a powerful setup."

SCORED 81 GOALS

Meeker graduated to Maple Leafs from Stratford Indians of the Ontario Senior A Hockey League during the 1945-46 season. Throughout his playing career he was hampered by injuries but in six complete seasons scored 81 goals and 95 assists.

He retired from the Leafs in 1953 after playing on four Stanley Cup-winning teams.

In his first season with Pittsburgh the team won the league title and the Calder Cup. This year the team was second but lost to Cleveland in the semi-finals.

He served with the Canadian Army during the Second World War and was injured when a hand grenade went off between his legs.

FRANK ROPER OUTSTANDING

S.D.U. Clips Flyers 5-1 To Get Back Into Contention

St. Dunstan's University fought back into contention for the Island Senior League crown at the Sports Arena last night when they unleashed a furious third period attack that netted them three goals and a 5-1 victory over Parkdale Flyers.

A jam-packed crowd of nearly 2,700 people watched the Flyers, backed by a magnificent puck stopper, play by goalie Frank Roper, slowly crumble in the third after they had skated stride for stride with the fast-moving Saints in the first two periods.

The Saints spotted Parkdale a goal by Willie Dunn in the first but came back to shoot five without a reply from the Flyers. The Saints scored one of them in the first to go into the second tied 1-1. The winners got the only goal of the second and their three in the finale put the lid on the victory and forced a sixth game.

Defenceman Miner MacDonald was a big man for the Saints both on the blueline and in a scoring way. MacDonald led all goal getters with singles in the second and third periods and stymied many Parkdale thrusts during the game.

Ed MacDonald picked up a single goal and set up three others for the Saints and Jean Veilleux and Jack MacLeod hit for the others.

ars and found themselves willing in the torrid third.

It was an exceptionally clean game of hockey, as the boys bypassed the rough stuff and stuck exclusively to the game at hand. Referees John MacDonald and Art Perry found only six sins needing their attention and handed out six minor penalties. The Flyers got the first two and Saints got the other four. None of the penalties figured in the scoring.

DUNN OPENS SCORING

Wee Willie Dunn opened the scoring for the Flyers at 3:48 of the first period. Junior MacLeod started the play when he slid a pass to Jim MacLeod near center. MacLeod dropped it over to Dunn at the

Saints line and Willie went right in on Gillis to beat him with a low shot.

It took the Saints almost 15 minutes to tie it up. Jean Veilleux did the trick after Roper fell to the ice stopping a drive and a rebound off it. Veilleux snared the puck in close and lobbed it over the prostrate Roper.

At 16:41 of the second period Miner MacDonald scored the goal that proved to be the winner. MacDonald intercepted Dunn's pass to Jim MacLeod at center and relayed it off to Ed MacDonald at the Parkdale line. Centerman Ed gave it back to Miner and the Saints defenceman coasted in on Roper to draw him out and score.

Allie Carver got a great chance

to tie it up for Parkdale when he worked his way around the Saints defense in the last minute of the second only to fire his low shot wide.

Condition told the story in the third period as the Saints turned on the heat early and skated and skated until the Flyers couldn't keep up the pace. Jack MacDonald scored the third Saints goal at 1:23 when he reached around back-skating defenceman Kip Ready to tip in Ed MacDonald's dinky pass at the goalmouth.

At 8:35 Miner MacDonald rapped in the fourth on a wicked slap shot that caught the far corner. Roper appeared to be screened on it.

Ed MacDonald, busy picking up assists for most of the evening, got in the goal column himself at 18:20 when he lobbed a high shot from the corner. He was actually behind the net at the time and the shot took a crazy bounce into the net off Roper's stick.

Chatham Maroons Taking Big Lead Into Tonight's Contest

CHATHAM, Ont. (CP)—Chatham Maroons, with a comfortable 3-1 lead under their belts, and Saint John Beavers, with a 2-0 lead, are in preparation for tonight's fifth and possibly final game in the Allan Cup Eastern Canada Senior A hockey championship series.

Beavers, Atlantic coast Senior A champions, won the first game 2-0 and the next three games in a row.

Beaver playing - coach Steve Brklacich blamed penalties for Saint John's poor showing.

"We are having a hard time keeping out of the penalty box," he said, "and when you have a player in the box, you cannot be on the offensive and that is the only way to score goals."

"I don't understand why we are going so badly myself," Brklacich continued. "I have talked it over with the boys, and none of us can figure it out."

Nix On Irvin Offer For Boomer & Johnson

MONTREAL (CP)—It was strictly thumbs-down, it developed Thursday, on a feeler by Coach Dick Irvin of Chicago Black Hawks as to whether Bernie "Boomer" Geoffron and Tom Johnson could be bought from Montreal Canadiens.

Reports were printed that President Jim Norris had come up with an offer for the burly goal-getter and the highly-ranked defenceman of the new Stanley Cup hockey champions.

What happened was this, said managing director Frank Selke of Canadiens. Dick Irvin said he didn't think the fans appreciated Geoffron and Johnson and asked if I would sell them.

"I told him I wouldn't," said Irvin. "You know I wouldn't get rid of one of our French-Canadians. As for Johnson, I consider him one of the key players on our team and as long as I have anything to do with the club and Johnson continues playing as he has, I am not going to dispose of him."

Later Norris approached me but he did not make any specific request. He merely asked if any deals could be made. I told him no, that I wasn't in the mood for deals.

Marlies Blank Jr. Habs 5-0

MONTREAL (CP)—Toronto Marlies, showing superiority in every department, whipped Montreal Canadiens 5-0 Thursday night to take a 2-0 lead in the best-of-seven Memorial Cup eastern Canada final.

Bobby Pulford and Bob Nevins each scored twice for the winners while Ken Girard added the fifth goal.

The 4,601 fans saw a rough fast game in which 16 minor penalties were evenly divided. Toronto was in control all the way, scoring one in the opening period and adding two more in each of the two next stanzas. The Marlies outshot Canadiens 35-20.

"The Marlies' powerful defensive unit baffled Canadiens throughout the game and their home fans several times when they were unable to get the puck out of their own end, even with a man advantage."

Cornwall Dumps Hampshire 3-1

Cornwall defeated Hampshire 3-1 at North River rink last night to take a 2-goal lead into the final game tonight of the total-goal series.

MacPhee, MacPhail and MacDon-ald each scored for Cornwall. MacLean was Hampshire's lone marksman.

Playoff Dates Announced

KELOWNA, B. C. (CP)—Dates of the best-of-seven Allan Cup hockey final playoff were announced Thursday by Dr. Mel Butler, B. C. representative of the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association.

The opening game between Vernon Canadians, western representative, and the winner of the Chatham Maroons - Saint John Beavers series will be April 12. Remaining contests are April 21, 23, 25, 27, 28 and 30.

Dr. Butler said it was assumed the first contest would be played in Vernon.

Season's Final Race Meet Held

A large crowd of fans turned out on April 4th to attend the last race held on the ice at Morris Bridge.

SUMMARY

Class A
 Robert Baldwin (Keating) 121.
 Sunny B. (Bernard) 212.
 Winning horse owned by Harry Keating.

Class B
 Jean Kalmuck (Parsons) 11.
 Granville York (Gamester) 22.
 Winning horse owned by E. J. Parsons.

Class C
 Nora Kalmuck (Matheson) 311.
 Summerside Girl (Chappell) 13dr.
 Winning horse owned by Louis Gamester.

Officials: Starter, Reuben Chappell; Judges, G. Smith, A. Parsons, M. Ferguson; Announcer, G. A. W. Burgoyne.

CARS

by Earle MacLeod

If some imaginative automobile inventors had had their way, today's cars might have six, or even eight wheels, we might have the driver in the back seat, or the four wheels might be placed all around the car, one on each side.

The six-wheeled car made before the First World War was called the Sexauto - no remarks, please, and had four wheels at the rear, like many trucks do today. Later, the maker went whole and produced a car with four wheels fore and four wheels aft, the Octauto.

In 1913 another American produced the Duck. A car driven from the back seat. Unfortunately, the customers failed to see the advantages of either the Duck or the Octauto and neither remained around long.

The car with the wheels placed in a diamond pattern around the four sides was made in England and called the Mabley (which I suppose meant Mabley it will run and Mabley it won't). It was really a strange one. The two side wheels weren't opposite each other and the front and back wheels weren't in line either.

We have always felt proud of the variety of cars displayed at our used car lot, but now I'm beginning to wonder. The wheels, with their good rubber tires on them, are placed at each corner and they all have front seat drive. If that's what you want, however, everyone knows that the best buys anywhere are on our lot.

The days of the steam car are gone, but you may remember some of the tales I've got for next week.

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Head Disposes Of Tennis Foe

NAPLES, Italy (AP)—Top seeded Lewis Hoad of Australia Thursday quickly disposed of Lawrence Barclay of Vancouver 6-1, 6-0 to enter the men's quarter-finals of the Naples international tennis tournament.

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Way Cleared For Top Miler To Race In United States

NEW YORK (AP)—Australia's John Landy, the centre of a rhubarb over international protocol, definitely will run on the Pacific next month, the president of the U.S. Amateur Athletic Union said Thursday.

There was never any question of our desire to have this fine amateur athlete appear in this country. We have ignored it the difficulty by cable.

Hansen is here for meetings with Dan Ferris, secretary-treasurer of the AAU, and with the U.S. Olympic committee, which convenes Saturday and Sunday.

Ferris threw up a danger signal Wednesday after a private promoter in San Francisco had announced that the Australian miler would compete in the Southern California relays at Los Angeles May 5 and the west coast relays at Fresno, Calif., May 12.

Bowling Tourney On Saturday

On Saturday at the Rollaway Alleys bowling teams from two local leagues will go at each other to decide the winner of the Johnny Reid Challenge Trophy.

Ten teams will be entered in the tournament which begins at 8:30 in the morning with five from the Canadian National Railways League and five from the Canada Packers league.

Besides the Challenge Trophy there are individual trophies at stake. They will be awarded to the bowlers who attain high average high three and high single.

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