

SPORTS FRONT

By PIUS CALLAGHAN

EACH NIGHT Charlottetown Sports Arena hockey fans watch Perfection Penguins and Parkdale Royals play each other, they are just a bit happier. Each time out the rivalry between these two Charlottetown area teams gets a shade keener and the outcome is in doubt until the final siren goes.

Such being the case, folks around here are looking forward to a great winter of hockey and they know these two outfits, Penguins and Royals, can provide the kind of entertainment they want to see. This inter-city rivalry is a really great thing, and the fans and the league are indeed fortunate that the two squads from the capital are so evenly balanced.

TALK ABOUT BALANCE. Well right now these teams have met three times and after three meetings the Royals hold a 2-1 edge in games. During those contests the Royals have scored 19 goals and the Penguins 18. Every game has been a real thriller and everybody stayed right in their seat until the end of each battle.

Yes, these two teams have loads of hockey treats in store for you fans the rest of this season. These three games are but a sample of what's to come. Each player on the Penguins and Royals is confident that he is on the better team. Penguin and Royal supporters are certain that their choice of team is the right one.

For our money, we wouldn't attempt to pick a winner. From what we've seen so far each game should be a tossup and the margin of victory in each and every tilt should remain small.

It surely is a great break for fans in this area to have two teams like the Penguins and Royals battling all the way. Their own private feud will be one of the greatest assets that this Island Senior Hockey League could possibly have.

AGAIN THURSDAY NIGHT approximately 600 persons (those are paid customers) watched these two teams perform. Mind you that's not a bad crowd when you consider that Christmas is so near and that stores were open for Christmas shoppers.

Once the holiday season is passed, you can be certain the crowds will increase and our bet is that most games will attract patrons. Of course, when the playoffs roll around, we are looking forward to seeing the rinks filled and that's what these players deserve for their efforts.

THOSE MONTREAL CANADIENS surely bounced out of their winless slump by crushing Punch Imlach's Toronto Maple Leafs 5-2 Thursday night.

For the Stanley Cup champions it was their first victory in seven starts but the way they did it made Montreal fans forget the lean days of the past few weeks. And beating Toronto means just that little extra for those who crowd into Montreal Forum.

For the Maple Leafs it was their fifth straight defeat and it brought moans from Toronto supporters. You can be sure that Punch will do some punching and somebody may find himself on the way to the minors. These Leafs who opened the season in such a blaze of glory have surely gone stale and their failure to skate with the opposition has ruined Johnny Bower's goals-against average.

They were never in that Thursday night encounter but for that matter they were never in too many of the battles they lost. Rangers blanked them 6-0, Bruins topped them 6-3 and Wings downed them 4-2. For two periods last Saturday they staged with the Chicago Black Hawks but in the final session the boys of Rudy Pilous ran away from the Imlach crew.

THE WEEKEND coming up doesn't offer much in the way of consolation to Toronto backers. Tonight the visitors in Maple Leaf Gardens are those Detroit Red Wings, the greatest surprise package the National Hockey League has to offer this season.

These Wings have opened up a five-point margin over Leafs who occupy the third slot. A Toronto victory tonight would cut that margin to three but bringing that about is going to be a major assignment. However, Leafs backers maintain that this is as good a time as any to snap out of that slump. Toronto fans are getting impatient and they'll be looking for only one thing tonight and that's a victory. It may indeed be hard to come by but the Leafs have the license to put a stop to this Red Wing march.

Will they do it?

SUNDAY NIGHT it's another rough engagement and this one is at Chicago against the rapidly improving Black Hawks. Chicago has been playing great hockey these past few games and they gave the Wings a real scare Thursday night in Detroit. They finally lost the affair 3-2 after leading the Detroiters 2-0 with less than two minutes of the second period remaining.

These Hawks are ambitious at this stage of the proceedings and they'll be watching with unusual interest the doings of the Rangers and Bruins over the weekend. Hawks trail the fourth place Boston team by four points and Pilous is hoping to narrow that margin by Sunday night. This game with the Leafs is the only action for the Hawks on the weekend so they will give it everything they've got. Rangers are in Montreal tonight and naturally Chicago will be pulling for a Canadian victory. Sunday Canucks and Rangers continue their battle back in New York. This schedule would make it appear like a strenuous two nights for Alfie Pika and his boys but the Rangers are a team of surprises. Perhaps they'll pull some on Saturday and Sunday nights.

RANGERS TRAIL the Hawks by a single point and are concentrating on getting closer to the Boston Bruins. Milt Schmidt's men have only one engagement and that is at home Sunday night against Detroit. Schmidt can feel these Hawks and Rangers breathing down his neck and it's a most uncomfortable sensation.

It was much nicer when these Rangers and Hawks appeared to have thrown in the sponge. A playoff spot seemed a sure thing until Mike and Pilous whipped their charges into a fighting mood.

Now the Bruins must go out and win a playoff place on their own merits. It seems as though the Rangers and Hawks have had a change of heart and intend fighting for at least fourth place.

Indeed they may have even greater ambitions.

Cuban Scores Major Upset

By MURRAY ROSE

NEW YORK (AP) — Benny (Kid) Paret, an unranked Cuban and a 3-1 underdog, turned in one of the major upsets of the year Friday night by flooring and decisively outpointing top-ranked welterweight contender Charley Scott of Philadelphia in a televised 10-rounder.

Paret, a fast-punching fighter, climaxed his victory by dropping the heavy favorite with a left and right to the jaw midway in the final round. Scott, dumpee on his seat, was up at seven and given the mandatory eight count. Paret stormed after his stricken foe but couldn't floor him again.

The defeat was costly to the 23-year-old Philadelphia. It not only snapped his 13-month unbeaten streak at six but just about ruined any hopes he had of getting a title shot with welterweight champion Don Jordan.

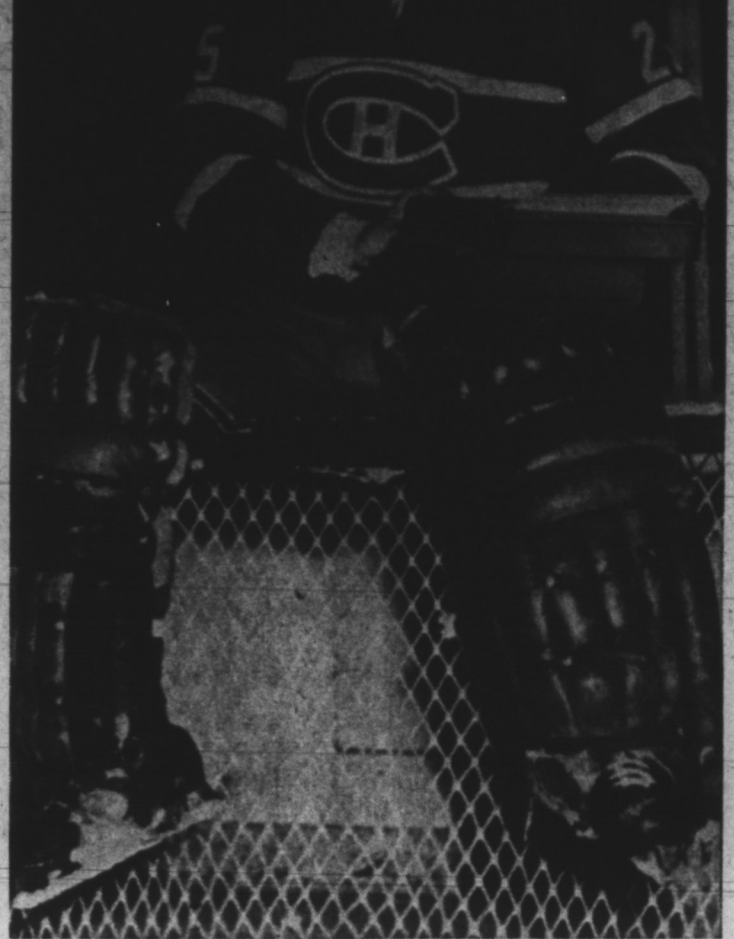
The officials had Paret the winner by the following scores: Referee, Harry Kessler, 63-1; Judge Tony Rossi, 64-4; and judge Mike Parisi, 7-3. The Associated Press card had Paret in front, 7-3.

Paret weighed 149½, Scott 149.

GREAVES WINS Rugged Willie Graves, 160½, of Detroit and Edmonton, pounded Phil Moyer's body steadily to whip the Portland, Ore., youngster in one of the three 10-round boxing events at Madison Square Garden.

The defeat not only spoiled Moyer's New York debut but snapped his winning streak at five. Moyer weighed 156½.

The decision was unanimous. Referee Lina had it 4-3-4. Judges



A BUSY MAN

Jacques Beauchamp, sports editor of the Montreal Matin and Canadiens reserve goalie, combines the tools of his two trades as he perches on the top of the net for the 32-year-old Beau-

champ, who faithfully covers every Canadiens game, keeps his hand in practice sessions and in the Depression League a four-team group of old pros and dedicated amateurs. (CP Wirephoto)

DOWN THE BACK STRETCH

In a recent issue of a Florida newspaper, we notice the following: "Race horses have a certain financial distinction above the human race. It costs them more to travel. A man can fly from Chicago to Miami, Florida, for \$92.50. It costs an average of \$625.00 to fly each horse over the same route.

A human can come by train from Chicago to Miami for \$40.00, but moving a horse to a Florida track from Chicago by rail costs more than \$100.00.

George MacDonald, who has been an occupant of the judges' stand at the Charlottetown track for the past couple of years, and who has had a wide experience with trotters and pacers during the years that he resided in Boston, has had a letter from Danny Steele, who is located with a stable of horses at Spring Garden Ranch track, De Leon Springs, Florida.

Danny's letter states that he is spending four months down there with his four - horse stable, and his son, Ralph, is with him. He writes: "This is a beautiful place for training; the temperature average is 68 degrees, and today, December 14th, it is 74 degrees."

Danny started early as a race driver, probably before he was 20 years old, and now he is past the 80-year mark and, as you will notice, he is still going strong. His father, John Steele, was prominent as a trainer and driver in the early 1890's, and it was he who went to California at about that time to buy two horses for the late W. A. Brennan of Summerside.

Palo Alto Farm was then in its hey day, and its trotters, bred by the Hon. Leland Stanford, were among the best racing. Mr. Steele arrived back with "Parkside" and another stallion named "Ballston," and we remember seeing Parkside race at the exhibition on our Charlottetown track in 1891. The race was split up, but Parkside was the eventual winner.

In those days a horse had to win three heats to win a race, and there was always plenty of jockeying.

Parkside became a great sire, and his get, in a few years, were racing over several Maritime tracks. Of course, there was a lot of jealousy in those days when horses were the only means of transportation, apart from the railway, and Parkside had plenty of knockers, but Mr. Brennan, as we look back, we would say is responsible, in a large measure, for the prestige this province received in the production of good trotters and pacers.

SOME PARTICULARS Particulars are being released with regard to the 1959 harness racing on its member tracks by the United States Trotting Association. Here are some of the particulars: "More people raced more horses on more tracks for more purses, while business boomed and records were tramped."

skip, Laurena Campbell, Ella Wood, Elaine Murphy. Sponsors: W. Farrell and Muriel Farrell.

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Ice 3 — Ralph Jones, skip, Evelyn Goss, Art Garrett, Marion Garrett, vs. Cyril Flinn, skip, Margaret Jones, Blair Kelly, Bernie Flinn.

Ice 4 — Addie MacDonald, skip, Shirley Storey, Lorne MacPhail, Carol MacGregor, vs. Wes Storey, skip, Leigh Donald, Bill Acorn, Joan Dunsford.

Ice 1, 2 and 5 open for scratch games.

Leafs Recall Ed Chadwick

TORONTO (CP) — Toronto Maple Leafs Friday recalled goaltender Ed Chadwick from their Rochester farm club. He will replace Johnny Bower in the nets tonight when the Leafs meet Detroit Red Wings in a National Hockey League game here.

"We had to do something," manager - coach Punch Imlach said. "I'm not suggesting that Bower was responsible for our slump but I think he could use a rest."

The third-place Leafs have lost their last five games, being scored on 28 times in the process.

exactly the same as in 1958. It would appear that at least 22 million people saw harness racing at some time during the year, and probably the figure is higher.

"In spite of the startling business advances, the most striking news came from the actual racing. A world record for all - age pacers was established on a half-mile track; world records for three - year - old pacers were set on both mile and half - mile ovals; and a world mark for two - year - old pacers was put on the books.

"A record number of 15,122 active members, and 462 tracks were affiliated or associated with the U.S. Trotting Association, and eligibility certificates were issued by the USTA to 18,752 horses, broken down into 6,821 trotters, and 11,931 pacers. Of these, 16,666 actually started.

"Purses paid soared to \$29,497,496.54 - a record high. It wasn't a case of a few horses showing speed - a lot of them did, and a record 69 miles in 60 minutes or less were posted, with 50 horses going this 'Magic Mile' at least once during the season."

ACTIVITY REFLECTED The activity in racing, continuing from the above report, was reflected in the sales ring, and record totals were established at both Lexington and Harrisburg Standardbred Auctions.

"At Tattersalls Yearling Sale at Lexington, the 298 offered averaged \$4,314, a record high, while at Harrisburg the total sale

zoomed to \$3,225,100 for the 922 horses, mostly yearlings offered there - the first time any standardbred sale has been over the \$3 million mark.

"Eighteen yearlings were sold at auction for \$25,000 or more. The highest price was paid for Bill Hanover, by Hoot Mon - \$50,000, and the highest price for a yearling pacer was \$41,000 paid for Ted Hanover, by Adios. Both the above go into the John Simpson fund.

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Free-Wheeling P.E.I. Aces Down Sandy's Royals 11-6

The P.E.I. Aces defeated the Parkdale Royals 11-6 in a free-wheeling game in which defence was often forgotten in the mad race for goals. Both Butch Ward and Thane Mann had a very busy night, and stopped a lot of ticketed rubber in spite of the scores against them.

Coke Grady and Ulric Gallant each got a brace of goals for the winners. And the remaining seven counters were divided among seven players. Buck Whitlock fired two for the visitors.

TAKE LEAD The Aces were leading 2-0 at the half way mark in the first period. And the teams split a pair in the latter half of the frame. Each team scored three times in the middle session, and the Aces got two tallies with only two second separating them.

In the final frame the fast pace began to tell on the Royals who had played a game with the Penguins the previous evening, and the Aces outscored them five goals to two.

Eleven penalties were handed out by referees Gerard Bernard and Don Lesage and the boys vigorously disputed most of them. Of the minor penalties the Aces got seven and the Royals two.

DULL SCRAP Vance Harris and Stu McLure drew majors for engaging in one of the duller and shortest displays of pugilism seen at the Stadium for a long while.

The rushing of playing coach Angle-Garroll was a feature of the game, but the red shirts hung to him tenaciously, and he scored only one goal, though getting four assists.

Due to a shortage of rear-guardsmen, Buck Whitlock of the Royals helped with the chores behind the blue-line, and the Aces also played with only three defencesmen.

First period: 1. Aces — C. Grady 7:06; 2. Aces — G. Harris (V. Harris) 9:25; 3. Royals — A. Carroll (Whitlock) 12:15; 4. Aces — V. Harris (P. Schurman) 18:15. Penalties — Dunn, C. Grady.

Second period: 5. Aces — C. Gaudet (G. Deighan) 8:54; 6. Royals — F. Burns (Whitlock, A. Carroll) 9:50; 7. Aces — L. Clow (C. Grady, B. Grady) 10:44; 8. Aces — U. Gallant (V. Harris) 10:46; 9. Royals — Whitlock (A. Carroll, S. McLure) 15:55; 10. Royals — McLure (Whitlock, A. Carroll) 17:54. Penalties: C. Grady, Grant Grady.

Third Period — 11. Aces — U. Gallant (V. Harris) 3:00; 12. Aces — Deighan (Gaudet, Schurman) 7:06; 13. Royals — J. MacLeod (A. Carroll, McLure) 7:55; 14. Aces — B. Grady (C. Grady) 9:39; 15. Aces — P. Schurman (C. Gaudet) 13:23; 16. Aces — C. Grady (B. Grady) 18:50; 17. Royals — Whitlock (F. Burke) 19:18. Penalties — J. MacLeod, U. Gallant, Grant Grady, V. Harris (major) - 1. McLure (major).

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Pale Hose Sign Mike Garcia

CHICAGO (AP)—Mike Garcia, 36, former Big Bear of the Cleveland Indian pitching staff, Thursday was signed as a free agent by the Chicago White Sox.

Garcia, a big winner for the Tribe in the early 1950's, was released by Cleveland after the 1959 season in which he had a 3-6 record in 72 innings. He made eight starts and had one complete game.

He had a 20-12 mark in 1951; 22-11 in 1952; 19-0 in 1953; and 19-8 in 1954 when he led the American League in ERA with 2.64.



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Billy Martin Is First Redleg To Sign Pact

CINCINNATI (AP)—Billy Martin, infielder obtained from Cleveland Indians earlier this week in the deal which sent Johnny Temple to the Indians, Monday became the first Cincinnati Redleg to sign a 1960 contract.

Cal McLish, veteran pitcher who won 19 games while losing eight for Cleveland last season, and Gordon Copeman, a minor league first baseman, were other Indians who came to Cincinnati in the player exchange.

Martin, realizing that second sacker Temple was a favorite of the fans here for years, said: "I hope I can have the kind of season that will make the fans like me."

He is expected to take over the second base job.

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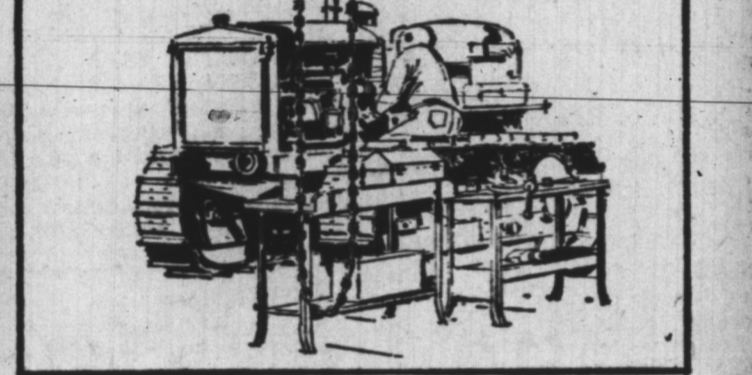
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