

# FLASHBACKS ON SPORT

(While Sports Editor Plus Callaghan is attending the annual meeting of the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association, sports columns will be contributed by guest columnists.)

By RALPH CAMERON

ANENT MR. FLYNN'S introduction, beautifully timed to get in the first blow and pave the way for the rest, I have only to remind him of the Biblical remark that "the guilty flee when no man pursueth."

The expectation to readers of this column was that they not believe anything I might say about him. My only comment is that I should have to have a conscience like that.

I had no intention of naming him to a verbal cross as that would place him in better company than deskmen are entitled to join. In fact by tacit consent of the newsroom staff they are confined to their own rank—and brother low rank.

LEARNING OF THIS upcoming sports stint a racing fan suggested the boys in the barn might enjoy a mention of bygone days of ice racing at its flourishing best.

Since the time of the year 1946-47 and immediately became so interested myself I nearly forgot to tell others what I found.

Understand the outstanding event of that era in racing circles was that famous trip by train to Halifax. Many of those who went are not among the fraternity today, but they are not forgotten.

In front of me is a picture taken in Halifax in February 1947 showing the out-of-town horsemen attending the racing meet in Dartmouth as guests of the Eastern Driving Association of which Fred Lahey was president at the time.

Among the group are: Rollie Wood, Dr. George Bishop, Wendell Beaton, Willard Kelly, who was then president of the Victoria Driving Club, Allice Cutcliffe, Col. Parker Hooper, Oliver Gallant, Kenneth Gallant, Bill Smallwood, Earl Mill, Fred Prout, Wilfred Praught, Harold Cudmore, Lorne Kelly, George MacDonald, Percy Arling, Les O'Messa, Jiggy Arling and Walter Craig.

A short time later the interprovincial ice racing championships were staged on the harbor ice here and a report just a few days before that event told of a tune-up held by local horsemen. That afternoon there were 40 mixed-owned racers out on the ice to take part.

The same news report stated that the Victoria Driving Club expected to have at least 25 entries from Halifax, Dartmouth and elsewhere.

Expected entries in the championship racing event were fully, from Halifax, Walter Brown, from Dartmouth, and Lorraine Abbe, the local representative.

However, there was a fourth entry on race day with Jane Harvester coming down from Summerside.

OUR REPORT of the race read like this:

"The inter-provincial racing championship returned to this province today when Lorraine Abbe came driving home in the fourth heat to capture the title. After taking the opening go the Abbe mare saw the Halifax-owned Betty win the second and the Summerside entry, Jane Harvester, got the third to force an extra heat. Walter Brown, last year's title-holder, was on Lorraine's neck the first quarter but was never in it from then on finishing fourth each time."

In the trotting championship that year were Lucinda, owned by Charlie Chandler, Charlottetown; Jenny Kalmuck, owned by Bob Phillips, Summerside; Judge, owned by Fred Lahey, Dartmouth; and Hal Britton, owned by Roy Kidney, Halifax. Judge won the silver tray for Mr. Lahey.

Other island winners of cups and silverware in that meet were Rollie Wood; George Hughes, Brackley; Percy Arling, Harold Stead, Allice Cutcliffe, Harold Cudmore, George Gregory; L. Howard, of Cornwall.

Just prior to the meet, and following a realignment of entries, was the announced sale of Peter McKinley, trotting champion of 1945, to Newfoundland owners. He had been owned by Grant Willis and racing fans were disappointed when his sale kept him out of the races as he was shipped immediately to St. John's.

ABOUT A YEAR later, Feb. 8, 1948, we reported 12 horses ready for shipment to Halifax for racing over the weekend on the Commons and the Dartmouth lakes.

In the group were Walt 'N' Se, Romeo, C. Albert Budlong, Reuben Lee, Lady Worthy and Volo Abbe, Just Flicks and Nellie Watson as pacing representatives. Among the trotters were May Todd, Archie Lee, Nell Kalmuck and Fred Trotter. The latter, owned by Allice Cutcliffe, was listed as a doubtful starter.

BUT NOW let us touch briefly on a more modern event. For some years Lew Hayman, of Toronto Argonauts, has been beating the drums in favor of a two-game series for the Grey Cup final with total points to count.

He maintains that too many fans are disappointed in not being able to get tickets. This may or may not be true, but there is no doubt there are many fans who would like to see it can never afford to travel to either Toronto or Vancouver. For them television offers a reasonably satisfactory substitute.

However, without intending to get mixed in any arguments and simply for the sake of an idea I would like to toss in a suggestion.

When the Grey Cup final is being played in one of the two cities why not have another game in the other city with the teams which made the final round in their own league but lost out in the league championships.

At least this would give fans an excellent idea of the all round strength of the two leagues. Fans would see the two league champions against each other in the Grey Cup while the second best teams in each league would see action against each other for a bunch of boodle to add to their year's salary.

## HUNTERS' CORNER

### Disregard Of Regulations Endangers Island Sport

As we enter upon the New Year of 1962 a 905 question is uppermost in the minds of far-seeing sportsmen. How long will we be able to have, and enjoy, public shooting? The handwriting is on the wall as I type this column. It seems a majority of present day hunters, show no regard for hunting restrictions, bag limits, seasons, protected species, shooting hours, or private property. Sunday is regarded by many, not as a day of rest on which to attend church, but as a day for going hunting.

I have heard hunters brag about how many ducks they shot on opening day this year. A number admitted shooting close to 30 teal and at times had to stop because the gun barrels got too hot to hold. Our black ducks have about had the course. They had a splendid breeding season this past year, and large broods were the rule but a duck that dies of lead poisoning in the winter months will not produce a brood fit the spring.

During the worst winter season in years when the department of industry and natural resources was passing out hundreds of bushels of grain to feed starving black ducks, a man I know quite well walked into a house in the North River area and the first sight that greeted his eyes was a black duck and a 22 cal. rifle lying on the kitchen table. As a sequel to this happening the rifle was taken from the juvenile and returned to its rightful owner.

FARMER'S VIEW  
This columnist is not the only one who has misgivings regarding the future status of public hunting. Our farmers are, as a rule, a quiet class of citizens who talk little but think a lot. I was greatly surprised to read of a letter in the Public Post

um a few days ago written by a South Freetown farmer headed: "A Farmer's View". The first paragraph covered the present local hunting situation like a tent.

"The sport of hunting on P.E.I. will have to undergo drastic changes shortly, if there is to be anything left to hunt," he wrote. He commented upon a pack of dogs and a bunch of men roaming over their private property at will. "Many have very little respect for game laws or property. We will have to adopt the European system wherein the game belongs to the owner of the land."

The foregoing gives reason for some deep thought. The Game Act at long last has sharp teeth designed for the protection of private property. The present day trend is toward a group, or maybe two or three individuals, getting together and buying a property, or several properties adjoining each other, that have a good fish and game potential and developing it such as deepening holes in a stream bed or building dams. In some instances a caretaker is engaged and paid a good salary to protect it both prior to the opening day and after. In the sister provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick this practice is gaining momentum.

HUNTERS TO BLAME  
Hunters have only themselves to blame for the development of this situation. Some groups of roving hunters are addicted to habits which amount to nothing more, or nothing less, than plain vandalism. They have to leave some mark of their passing. One farmer I know of who posted his property years ago and has been posted ever since except to a few close friends. He told me the reason he clamped down so hard. He had a pump at the rear of his farm where he



CITY BASKETBALL League executive members and referees-in-chief of the PEI Approved Referees Basketball Ass'n Ed Hilton discuss Saturday night's doubleheader opener which will be played at the 'Y' getting underway at 7 o'clock. The executive met to draw up a schedule at the 'Y' last night. Executive members are (l to r) John Evans, secretary; Cleaver MacLean, president; Wally Scantlebury, honorary president; Jack Proutie and Ed Hilton who is also a member of the executive along with being referees-in-chief.

# Saints Down Evinrudes 5-2 For First Win Of Season

SUMMERSIDE — The Saint Dunstan's University hockey team defeated the Cape Traverse Evinrudes 5-2 at Civic Stadium last night before the smallest crowd of the season.

The first period was scoreless and play was even, but the Saints had a wide margin in play in the second frame, scoring two unanswered tallies in the early minutes of the period. The Saints outscored the Evinrudes three to two in the final period with play fairly even again.

It was the first victory for the University boys, at the bottom of the five-team league. Royals lead the pack, with Penguins, Crystals and Evinrudes second, third and fourth.

Tingley, lanky Saints forward, scored two goals for his team and assisted on another. Referee Joe Bernard and Ron Babineau assessed only one penalty during the game, a minor penalty to George Trainor for tripping in the third period.

The play in the first period was fast with both Mann and Callaghan making some fine saves. Callaghan had 11 stops and Mann 10.

Saints broke into the scoring just before the five-minute mark of the second period. Marshall and Sherry combining beautifully with the former ending up in front of Mann with plenty of time to pick his spot. A little over a minute later Mann gave Tingley a forward pass which reached the big fellow through a maze of legs, and Tingley snapped a quick one past Mann. The Saints had a big edge in play for the rest of the period but failed to add to their total.

Gord Cutcliffe opened the scoring for the Evinrudes, banging in past Callaghan from close in after 54 seconds of play in the third period. Garry Gillis made it 3-1 for Saints on a screened shot from about fifteen feet out at the three-minute mark. Saints went ahead 4-1 when Sherry's pass in front of the net seemed to carom into the cage off an Evinrude's body. Hook

Wash set up Frank Driscoll with a well-timed pass for Capes second goal and Tingley's backhand at the half-way mark ended the scoring.

SUMMARY  
First Period:—No Scoring. No Penalties.  
Second Period:—L. S.D.U.—B. Marshall (B. Sherry, V. Mulligan) 4:44; 2. S.D.U.—Tingley (D. Mann) 5:55. Penalties—None.

Third Period:—3. Evinrudes—G. Cutcliffe (A. Cutcliffe, D. Clow) 0:54; 4. S.D.U.—G. Gillis (Tingley) 3:00; 5. S.D.U.—Sherry (V. Mulligan) 5:06; 6. Evinrudes—F. Driscoll (A. Walsh) 7:25; 7. S.D.U.—Tingley (Mann) 10:56. Penalties—Trainer 8:24.  
STOPS  
Callaghan 11 4 9-24  
Mann 10 12 10-32

## SPORT ECHOES

By Norman Macdonald  
Summerside Bureau of The Guardian

### Congrats To 'Spy' And Paul

Congratulations to Jack "Spy" Ready on his appointment to the National Advisory Council of Physical Fitness. Jack was one of the island's best athletes a few years ago, and a bit of a ham actor while he was going through the athletic motions. As referee-in-chief of the ISHL he is rendering glib-edged service. Referees naturally come in for a lot of criticism from partisan fans.

Jack, a native of Charlottetown, refereeing in Summerside would be expected to generate some ire among the more rabid local fans, but while other refs get roasted as "regularly as weiners in August," we've never heard an uncomplimentary remark about Ready, which is really remarkable. It speaks well for the big fellow who is a "take charge" guy and a diplomat rolled into one.

Congratulations also to Paul Schurman, the newly appointed coach of the Crystal hockey team. Paul, never a hurricane on the blades, was the type of hockey player whose head was always a couple of jumps ahead of his legs, and this type should make a successful coach. Of course, being able to control, yet get along with the players is another important characteristic of a successful coach, but we believe Paul will pass his exams in this department also. We wish him success.

### Vance Had Good Record

It must be admitted that the record of the retiring coach, Vance Harris, was a long way from being a poor one. Last year, he led the Aces to a down-to-the-wire fight with the champion Charlottetown Penguins, and if the red-shirts had come up with one of their best games instead of one of their worst in that last deciding tussle, they might have copped the title.

The schoolboy curlers will battle it out in a finish at Summerside Curling Club starting tomorrow. The usual double-knockout system will prevail. A winner will be declared on Saturday with a trip to Halifax to play other provincial champions hanging on the verge. Teams are expected to compete from Charlottetown, Summerside, Alberton, Montague, and RCAF. The Montague foursome are the defending champions.

### Enjoyed Reminiscences

We enjoyed "the Realm's" reminiscences of the Crystals of yesteryear, but after reading his memoirs we breathed a sigh of relief that we were not a hockey fan in the Crystal rink in the "good" old days. Once the game was held up for two and a half hours for a player to get down from O'Leary. On another occasion the game was held up "four hours" (jeepers creepers) for another Crystal to return from Amherst.

And to think we start cussing under our breath when something holds up the game for a half-hour! And we suspect we have a lot of friends cussing in chorus with us. Shame on us! All of us.

By the way we may be wrong, but we have a feeling that the game between Toronto "Granites" and Abbies was not quite as close as 2-1. We're not at all sure, but have a hazy idea it was 5-2. We remember a player named Watson was on that team. He was a super-star in amateur ranks, and was coveted by more than one NHL team but refused to turn pro. Later he practised dentistry in Toronto.

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# Hoop Schedule Released; League Opens Sat. Night

The City Basketball League executive headed by league president, Cleaver MacLean, met at the YMCA last night to draw up a schedule for this season which gets underway with a doubleheader at the 'Y' this Saturday evening at 7 o'clock.

Chasing in the first game of the season will be the 'Y' team and Phalanx. Trotters and Pirates meet in the second tilt. The second game will get underway immediately following the completion of the first contest.

Honorary president W. Z. Scantlebury will toss up the first ball to officially get the season rolling.

Six teams make up this year's league—P.W.C., Phalanx, Pirates, YMCA, Trotters and SDU Jayvees.

The schedule is as follows:—  
JANUARY  
13.—'Y' vs. Phalanx; Trotters vs. Pirates (at 'Y')  
15.—SDU vs. Trotters; Pir-

ates vs. 'Y' (at SDU)  
17.—PWC vs. SDU; Phalanx vs. Trotters (at PWC)  
20.—'Y' vs. PWC; Phalanx vs. SDU (afternoon games at SDU)  
22.—SDU vs. 'Y'; Pirates vs. Phalanx (at SDU)  
24.—PWC vs. Pirates; Trotters vs. 'Y' (at PWC)  
26-27—Open basketball tournament Friday night and all day Saturday at PWC  
28.—SDU vs. Pirates; Trotters vs. PWC (at SDU)  
31.—PWC vs. Phalanx; Pirates vs. Trotters (at PWC).

## Curling Schedule For Schoolboys Released Wed.

SUMMERSIDE — Here is the schoolboy provincial curling playdowns schedule sponsored by Pepsi-Cola. Play begins Friday morning at the Summerside curling rink. Referee-in-chief will be J.G. Hayes. Only three centres are participating, Charlottetown, Summerside and Montague.

FRIDAY  
10 a.m.—Summerside vs. Charlottetown  
2.30—Montague vs. Charlottetown  
7.00—Summerside vs. Montague

SATURDAY  
9.00 a.m.—Montague vs. Charlottetown  
12.30—Summerside vs. Montague  
4.00—Summerside vs. Charlottetown.  
A banquet will be held at 7.00 p.m.

## Juniors Hold Practice Today

Junior Hockey coach Jack Proutie has called a practice for this evening (Thursday) between 3 and 6 at the Sports Arena. Anyone interested in playing junior hockey is welcome.

## Lady Curlers Play Tonight

ALBERTON—Here is the Alberton ladies curling club schedule for this evening:  
7 p.m. J. Campbell, M. Weeks, E. Carpenter, Y. Box vs. L. Turner, A. Seaman, M. Gaudette, M. Bugden.  
8 p.m. I. MacKinnon, E. Noonan, A. Borys, V. Gaudette vs. L. Turner, A. Seaman, M. Gaudette, M. Bugden.

## STANDINGS

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## Curling Draw For Montague

7 P.M.  
Ice No. 1—Ladies  
Ice No. 2 Legion team R.R. Beck vs. Legion team P. Sinclair.  
9 P.M.  
Ice No. 1— Legion team At MacDonald vs. Legion team A.C. Robertson.  
Ice No. 2—Ladies.

## THIS WEEK AT THE SPORTS ARENA

THURSDAY— ISHL HOCKEY— 8 side Crystals vs. Royals Game time 8:15 p.m.  
FRIDAY— Birchwood High School Ice Sports  
SATURDAY— Skating 2.30 to 4.00  
SUNDAY— Sunday Evening Skating Club

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