

Northside Combines Take 9-6 Win Over Local Royals

NORTH SYDNEY, N. S. — (Special to The Guardian) — Northside Combines, Cape Breton League winners, downed a crippled Charlottetown Royals team here Thursday night 9-6 to take a 3-2 lead in the best-of-seven Maritime semi-final series. Combined dropped the two first encounters played at Charlottetown but bounced back on home ice to grab three consecutive victories. The final games are slated for Charlottetown Sports Arena Monday and Tuesday of next week.

Sydney, MacLellan, 3.46; 3.—North Sydney, Andrea (MacPherson) 6.06; 4.—Charlottetown, Carver (Pineau, Carroll) 14.50; 5.—North Sydney, McCarron (Andrea, Thompson) 17.50. Penalties — Andrea.

Second Period
6.—Charlottetown, Carroll (Carver, Pineau) 0.36; 7.—Charlottetown, Carroll (Shephard) 10.46; Jenalties — MacLellan, Carroll.

Third Period
8.—North Sydney, Cormier

(O'Callaghan) 1.33; 9.—North Sydney, Andrea (McCarron) 3.04; 10.—Charlottetown, MacLeod (Whitlock) 3.41; 11.—Charlottetown, Shephard (Whitlock, Carver) 5.47; 12.—North Sydney, MacFadyen (Cormier, O'Callaghan) 13.46; 13.—North Sydney, MacLeod (Gallagher) 14.53; 14.—North Sydney, Andrea (MacLeod) 15.50; 15.—Charlottetown, Shephard (Whitlock) 19.19. Penalties, Shephard, Josey.

SPORTS FRONT

By PIUS CALLAGHAN

We ventured away from this desk long enough to get a glimpse of Royals losing their third straight game to North Sydney Combines, this time by a 9-6 score.

We were not at all surprised that the Whitlock-coached crew dropped their battle, for they were playing with a mere skeleton of a team — a team that did exceptionally well to stay within striking distance of the fast skating Combines.

After Kip Reedy was injured early in the opening period, Royals played the rest of the way with only five forwards and two of them were in anything but the best of shape. Angie Carroll and Merrill Pineau were performing under wraps due to injuries. They played only because of the scarcity of players. The remaining trio were Lloyd Shephard, Allie Carver and Buck Whitlock. The defence comprised Josey, Allan MacLeod, MacLure and Art Perry. All played their hearts out in a losing cause and were ready to drop at the end of the final period.

In goal Thane Doyle, although beaten nine times, came up with a terrific performance. He had 54 shots directed his way and a great many of them were labelled goal all over. Thane never gave up and was kicking them

out as the final siren screamed. It seems most regrettable that the locals could not see a stronger team in the Combines' rink. If they had them the series would have ended in the North Sydney backyard.

A nicer spot for the crusher could not be found.

This is the night for all good sport fans to wend their way to the Sports Arena for the Jake Kennedy Benefit Night.

This is a great opportunity for all folks who felt so sorry when Jake suffered his most unfortunate accident to show how really bad they feel about his misfortune. Now is the time for that dip in the pocket for at least the price of a tonight's admission ticket.

It will be a good evening's fun with Queen Charlotte and Queen Square (pardon us Jim — it's Birchwood High) doing the honors in an exhibition hockey tussle. These are the same two teams that gave fans such thrills before Queen Square emerged as victors.

Let's all get behind this most worthy venture. Pack the Sports Arena to the rafters and show Jake we don't forget quickly.

When this column was written, we couldn't say just what was in

store for the Royals next week. Combines were threatening to forfeit the series to Royals, but Royals wanted no part of such a present. They want their two home games and a chance to get some of the ready cash back they left in North Sydney for 3½ days this week.

If Combines go through with their threat, we can see no other action possible than have North Sydney suspended. P. E. I's representative on the M. A. H. A. has already notified Combines' manager he will demand their suspension if they fail to appear here.

Should the series fold, New Glasgow is ready for Royals in a best-of-five or best-of-seven affair. More details later.

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Special Ponds And Season For Tourists Lack Support

The suggestion that a number of trout ponds be closed until July 1st and that the fishing therefrom be reserved exclusively for tourists during July and August has been received with mixed reaction. Even the explanation that no present existing ponds will be affected and that such ponds will be built with this purpose in view has not lessened the trend of dissatisfaction among the local angling fraternity. A number of anglers as well as several interested in tourist expansion have approached this columnist for his opinion regarding the subject raised.

It is a nice gesture I will admit but viewed in the light of cold, impartial analysis the question arises: Is it anything more than a gesture? It is generally conceded among the frat-

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DOWN THE BACK STRETCH

Our Halifax correspondent writes us that "Chops" Campbell has left for the United States, and it is expected that he will bring back two or three horses from the Saratoga Sale. He states that the management of the Sackville Downs race track has applications for upwards of 200 horses to race there this season, and that plans are being devised to increase stall accommodation.

TWO COLTS

Hugh Campbell, Red Point, P. E. I., is a very enthusiastic horse man, and he is looking to the future with expectations of seeing two colts that he has bred make the headlines. We believe you will agree with us that they may do so when we describe their breeding.

The three-year-old is named "Hoosier Lick" and is by Joseph Hoosier, 2.0, dam Quick Trick, p. 2.10 3-5, by Simcoe Harvester, 2.04 1-5. The two-year-old is named "Quick Hal," is by True Hal, 2.06, dam Quick Trick.

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p. 2.10 3-5. Further word about the sires will, perhaps be in order. Joseph Hoosier was sired by Grattan McKinney, 2.04, and his dam was by Grattan Royal, 2.06 1-5. He was a sterling race horse and noted for his gameness. True Hal was sired by Hal Dale, 2.01, probably the greatest sire of pacers in recent years; Diamond Hal, Joe O'Brien's great money-winning pacer, was sired by Hal Dale.

And now we come to the breeding of the dam of these two youngsters. Quick Trick was sired by Simcoe Harvester, 2.04 1-5, whose racing career was practically all studded with victories until he met with an accident. His record was taken over the Quebec half-mile track, and he was regarded as a sure two-minute pacer on a mile oval. An accident in shipping injured his back, and he never got over it.

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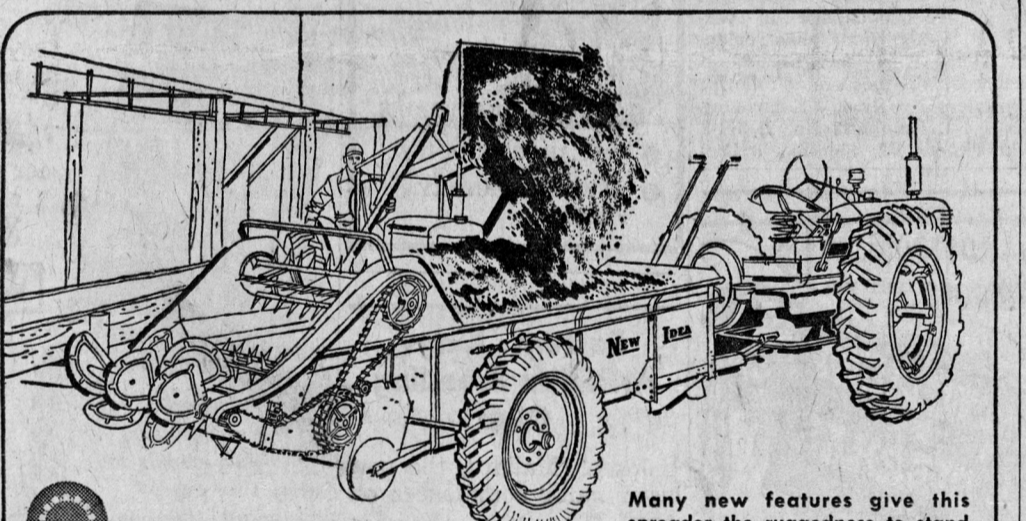
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