

SPORTS FRONT

By PIUS CALLAGHAN

On Intermediate Scene

Intermediate 'B' and 'C' hockey promoters on Prince Edward Island would like a bit colder weather which would enable natural ice rinks to commence operations for the season.

Word is, however, that several rinks have been able to get fairly good surfaces and that things will start humming if a bit of frost remains in the air. These past few days many skaters and hockeyists have taken advantage of outside rinks or ponds and there has been a lot of enjoyment since last Saturday.

But we bet operators of the rinks would like a real cold snap which would give them a real opportunity to make plenty of ice and not leave them wondering if they could save what they already have.

SPEAKING of intermediate hockey reminds us that we were asked to tell teams in intermediate 'B' and 'C' that they had until January 10 to trade among themselves. Clubs wishing to release players to make room for somebody else must do so no later than next Wednesday at midnight. Teams and players are urged to pay strict attention to this deadline and avoid disappointment to all concerned.

Last season the 'B' and 'C' players had themselves a great time and even better things are expected for 1962. Don Bower, president of the Island branch of the Amateur Athletic Union of Canada (promoters of this 'B' and 'C' hockey here), has laid a solid foundation for a successful operation this season.

This 'B' and 'C' hockey is decidedly popular with rural hockeyists and the boys and their fans have a whale of a time throughout the winter months.

MAHA Registration

THOSE intermediate teams that wish to participate in Maritime playdowns are reminded of the MAHA registration date which is January 25.

Last season there were some intermediate clubs that desired to play MAHA hockey but they got confused on the registration date. We wish to inform any interested teams that if they wish playing cards they can obtain them by calling or writing this columnist. We have plenty of cards and will be happy to give them out when requested.

Senior registration has already been taken care of by the Island League but those in other brackets wishing to participate in Maritime playdowns can still obtain cards from us. That includes juniors, juveniles and midgets. Anything lower than midget will be handled on a provincial basis.

We would solicit the co-operation of all interested parties. Each year some are disappointed because they fail to observe the deadline. We certainly would like to see everybody interested make it this season.

To keep the date in mind, any teams, regardless of what bracket they intend to enter, are urged to get their cards at once and have them in the mail no later than Thursday January 25.

We hope to hear from a lot of folks.

New Regulations

WE HAVE several rules which were handed to us in regard to intermediate 'B' and 'C' hockey. These regulations were agreed upon at a recent meeting and will be strictly enforced.

First is the five-mile residence rule. This means that all new players registering must register with a club within a five mile radius unless that club refuses to accept such players. If the nearest club refuses to accept the new player, then that player may play with the club of his choice. However, a player previously registered with a club is still the property of that club notwithstanding the new residence rule.

In order to play with another club a player must obtain his release no later than January 10. Upon receiving that release he will be considered a new registration and thus the residence rule will go into effect immediately. A player refused his release by a club, may apply to the registration committee for a hearing and ruling on such release.

And our final regulation for today runs like this: If a player was classified 'B' for two successive seasons and there is only a 'C' club in his five mile radius, then he may move up to the 'C' club of his choice.

We'll have more to say on these intermediate 'B' and 'C' regulations tomorrow.

Ex-NHL Great Dies Wednesday

CHICAGO (CP-AP)—Coell (Babe) Dye, a 150-pound athlete known as the man with the hardest shot in the National Hockey League when he played for Toronto St. Pats and Chicago Black Hawks in the 1920s, died here Wednesday. He was 63.

He twice won NHL scoring honors and in eight full seasons in the NHL scored 322 goals. Dye had been ill some time following a stroke last year.

An all-round athlete, Dye also played baseball with Buffalo of the International League and football with Toronto Argonauts. Later he was an NHL coach and referee before going into business in Chicago.

Dye was born in Hamilton, Ont., in 1898 but his family moved to Toronto after the death of his father the following year.

GIVES MOTHER CREDIT

He learned how to skate, play hockey and pitch a baseball from his mother, whom he described this way years later: "My mother knew more about hockey than I ever did and she could throw a baseball right out of the park. She could even cook—as a pinch-hitter."

Dye started his hockey career in 1917 with Toronto Aura Lee, champions of the Ontario Hockey Association Junior League, and moved up to Toronto St. Pats, the OHA senior champions, two years later.

In 1920 he joined Toronto St. Patricks of the NHL and played right wing on a line with Reg Noble and Corbett Denneny. In seven seasons with St. Pats he scored 176 goals, winning top scoring honors with 37 points in 1922-23 and with 44 points in 1924-25. In addition, he was among the top five scorers in four other seasons.

He played on a Stanley Cup team only once—in 1922 when the Pats beat Vancouver in a best-of-five series. Dye said later that his biggest thrill in hockey came in the fifth and deciding game of that series when he scored four goals as the Pats won 5-1. He also scored nine of the 16 goals in the five-game series.

SOLD TO CHICAGO—He was sold to Chicago in the 1925-26 season and remained with the Hawks two years, playing on a line with George Hay and the late Dick Irvin in his first season.

In the fall of 1927, however, he broke a leg when the Hawks were in training camp in Winnipeg and was forced to stay out of hockey for a year. He was sold to New York Americans in 1928 but finished the season with New Haven of the Eastern League.

Later he coached Port Colborne of the senior OHA, Chicago Shamrocks of the American League and St. Louis of the NHL. He took up refereeing and was referee in the 1938 Stanley Cup final when Chicago beat Toronto Maple Leafs.

Despite his small size—he is good only five feet eight, Black Hawk officials called him the "fastest and hardest shot in hockey" in his best years.



CONTRAST IN FEELINGS

While victorious Green Bay Packers whoop it up at left, Tom Scott (82) walks dejectedly from field at Green Bay after the Packers whipped the Giants, 37-0, to win the National Football League title.

Geoffrion And Mahovlich Arent Booming This Year

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Canadian Press Sports Editor

It should be fairly obvious by now that neither Bernie Geoffrion nor Frank Mahovlich will come close to the magic 50-goal mark in the National Hockey League this season. They aren't booming in the goals as they did last year.

After the New Year's holiday weekend games, Mahovlich of Toronto Maple Leafs has scored only 15 goals and Boom Boom of Montreal, C. A. D. n. s., has clicked on 13. At this time of the 1961 schedule, Mahovlich was thundering along at a great clip with 34 goals and Geoffrion was next with 26.

Everyone knows that the 30-year-old Geoffrion equalled the record 50 set in 1944-45 by retired team-mate Maurice Richard and that Mahovlich fell two short. The Leaf left-winger went sour in the later stages while Boom Boom was the terror of NHL goalkeepers.

But at this time in 1961 it was figured that if anyone would wreck Richard's record, Mahovlich was the man to do it. He was the brightest star of the league. He had the big eight-goal advantage over Geoffrion who had gone on a great scoring spurge from October to the end of December. On Dec. 22, at the halfway mark of the 70-game schedule, Geoffrion had clicked for 26 goals.

Then things went wrong for the Montreal winger.

He was hit by injuries, scored only one goal in January in a game against Toronto, and the spotlight settled on Mahovlich. The Leaf player went into a slump when his veteran centre and playmaker, Red Kelly, was injured.

That's when people said that Richard's record would not be challenged. But the Boomer was still to be heard from.

He shook off his ailments, scored goals No. 28 and 29 on Feb. 2 against the fading New York Rangers, and was on his way. Before the month was out, he had raised his total to 40, helped along by a two-goal effort against Boston Bruins and a three goal night against the Rangers.

Farmers League Opens Tonight

KENSINGTON—The opening in the Farmers' Hockey League will take place tonight (Thursday) at 8:30 in the Kensington rink, bringing together the New Annan Beavers and Hope River's new entry this year. As an added feature the rink manager Isaac Walker has invited the women's institute members and all other ladies of the Stanley Bridge district as guests in recognition of this district's donation of the handsome Stanley Bridge Rink trophy which is awarded to the league champions annually.

The president of this district's Women's Institute is Mrs. Buddy MacNevin, who has been invited to drop the puck which will officially open league play for the 1961-62 season. All other ladies who are accompanied by a gentleman will be admitted free. This is the first of several "ladies nights" planned for this season.

The new president Delbert Raynor, who was elected at the league's annual meeting recently is looking forward to a banner year in this 4-team top. Games will be played two nights a week in the Kensington rink throughout the winter.

Buddy MacNevin of Stanley Bridge was elected vice-president. Mr. MacEwen has made a big contribution to this league, having served on the executive for many years and his experience will undoubtedly prove most valuable to the success of the league again this year.

Isaac Walker has agreed to look after the league statistics and records and will donate a silver spoon to the 10 top scorers. Other team and individual awards include the James Pen-dergast trophy for the top scorer, the David MacInnis memorial trophy to the leading goal-fender, the Isaac Walker trophy for the team finishing in first place, and the Stanley Bridge trophy for the league champions.

Saints Playing Royals Tonight

Saint Dunstan's University hockey team returns to the Island Senior Hockey League tonight when they visit Sandy's Parkdale Royals at the Sports Arena.

The collegians have made only two starts this season and both have been losing ones. First the Old Spain Penguins tripped them 5-2 and a few days later the Evinrudes from Cape Traverse trounced them by the identical score. The Red and Whites looked much smarter in their tussle with the Birds and that's likely the form they'll exhibit tonight when they go over the boards to tackle "Buck" Whitlock and his associates.

Nobody is calling the Saints to upset the Royals tonight but college teams are the most unpredictable kind. They are possessed with a spirit all their own and that fighting spirit has carried many a university squad to startling upsets.

Whitlock will install this into his players tonight. He will tell them that this will be no easy contest and that those collegians will never give up, regardless of what the score is.

Father Ledwell should come through with his strongest lineup for the season for this one and the boys from "out the road" will undoubtedly play a pleasing brand of hockey for the patrons.

Game time is 8:15 sharp.

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Dave Keon Paces Toronto To 3-1 Victory Over Habs

TORONTO (CP)—Baby-faced Dave Keon, 21-year-old product of Noranda, Que., scored two goals Wednesday night as Toronto Maple Leafs defeated the league-leading Montreal Canadiens 3-1 in a game highlighted by the first penalty shot on Toronto ice in years.

Keon, sophomore centre and one of the bright lights in big time hockey, put the game away for the Leafs with goals in the first and second periods. Another star in the game that saw the second-place Leafs overshadow the league-leading Canadiens was veteran goalkeeper Johnny Bower who kicked out 28 shots.

A crowd of 13,856 turned out to watch the clash between the traditional rivals but they saw a tame affair with only four penalties—two to each club, Canadiens were minus their big guns, Boom Boom Geoffrion and Henri Richard, and Leafs started without the veteran Red Kelly and Eddie Shack.

The victory put Toronto within two points of Canadiens and gave Bower a five-goal margin over Montreal netminder Jacques Plante in the Vezina Trophy race. However, Montreal has played two more games than Toronto.

MISSIS PENALTY SHOT
Keon, who missed on the penalty shot in the second period when he was tripped by Ralph Backstrom midway through the session, scored Toronto's second and third goals. Dick Duff counted the first at 14:16 of the opening period.

Canadiens, with Plante playing a brilliant game, showed little against the fiercely-checking Leafs. They showed little combination play and never were in the game after Duff's opening goal.

The Canadiens managed to hit the score board with just 11 seconds remaining in the game when Marcel Bonin tipped in a rebound. Phil Goyette and Claude Provost received assists on the goal.

Toronto went ahead 1-0 midway through the first period when Duff took a pass from defenceman Tim Horton and scored on a rising shot that had Plante beaten all the way. With 12 seconds remaining in the period Keon made it 2-0 when he took a pass from Duff at the side of the Montreal goal and screamed a rising, seven-footer behind Plante.

The penalty shot came midway through the second period. Keon took the puck at the Montreal blue line, coasted in on Plante but his shot, just inches off the ice, smacked into the Montreal goalkeeper's outstretched legs.

Keon made up for that miscue later in the session when his scorching 35-footer banged in off Plante's stick.

Canadiens couldn't get anywhere against Leafs in the third period until the dying seconds when Bonin flicked the puck into the Toronto nets from about four feet out.

Small Crowd Sees 'Birds' Down Cape Traverse 4-2

SUMMERSIDE—The Charlottetown Old Spain Penguins took top position in the ISHL standing by defeating the Cape Traverse Evinrudes 4-2 at Civic Stadium last night before a crowd of slightly under 200.

The contest was bitterly fought for two and a half periods with each team scoring a goal. Penguins notched a counter after a minute of play in the first period. Evinrudes made it one-all after two and a half minutes of the middle session, and the deadlock continued until the 13 minute mark of the final frame, when Billy Mulligan scored the first of a pair of goals to break the tie. The Penguins shot two more in the next four minutes, and Cape Traverse got their second tally with 13 seconds to go in the game.

The Penguins' goal in the first period came from the stick of defenceman Duffy. He shot from the blue-line and an Evinrude body deflected it behind Mann who could not cope with the sudden change in trajectory. The Penguins got the only three penalties of the first period, but the Evinrude power play never seriously threatened Butch Ward in the Penguin cage.

Gord Cutcliffe took a clearing pass from Glen Rogerson at the red line, coasted in to beat Ward with a waist-high shot while still about fifteen out. Charlie Sark got the only penalty of the period, but the Cape boys weathered the man-shor tage without any narrow escapes. During mid-period in this frame the play speeded up, both teams skating like mad, and Penguins having a few more shots on net.

HEMMED IN
The Old Spain crew hemmed the Evinrudes into their own zone during the first five minutes of the final chukker, and Cape Traverse was finding it difficult to break loose, but it was not until the 13 minute mark that Billy Mulligan put his teeth in front.

Billy skated very fast over the blue-line and went right to goal-mouth before letting his shot go. Tony Tox Gallant got a charge penalty and was in the penalty box only six seconds when the Penguins racked up their third goal, Mulligan turning the trick again.

Gunner McCormack triggered the fourth goal.

Sunny Isle Loop Has Three Tilts

Three games were played in Sunny Isle Farm League action at Saint-Dunstan's rink last night.

In the first game of the evening Brackley downed Glasgow Road 5-3. G. McCallum paced the winners with a three-goal performance with singletons going to A. Gregory and H. Hughes. B. Peppery, E. Peters and J. MacDougal scored for the losers.

West Royalty Bombers romped to a 9-1 win over Covehead in the second game with E. McCabe, W. MacInnis, L. Flood and S. Simms each scoring twice and C. MacIsaac counting the other for the Bombers. G. Vessey scored the lone marker for the losers.

In the final game of the night it was Southport 2, Mermaid 1. J. McCaffrey and Joe Smallwood handled the scoring for the winners with D. MacDonald making the red light blink for Mermaid.

Flyers Trounce Seagulls 8-2

Charlottetown Flyers downed Mt. Stewart Seagulls 8-2 in exhibition hockey at Saint-Dunstan's rink last night.

Scoring for the Flyers were B. Johnson 4, R. Coffin 3, and McTague 1.

M. Ernie and B. Dingwell were the Mt. Stewart snipers.

Handling the whistle for the contest was Alan Dovel.

Chihawks Shade Blueshirts 2-1

CHICAGO (AP)—Bobby Hull, celebrating his 23rd birthday, scored one goal and set up another as Chicago Black Hawks beat New York Rangers 2-1 in a hard fought National League game Wednesday night.

The triumph put the Black Hawks within three points of the third-place Rangers, and pushed the Black Hawks four points ahead of Detroit Red Wings.

Hull's 15th goal of the season, which came on a rebound of a shot by Bill Hay, put the Hawks in front 1-0 at 0:27 of the second period.

In the final period, Hull led early in the Stan Mikita, who blasted his 11th goal of the year behind New York goalie Lorne (Gump) Worsley. Worsley was credited with 34 stops for the night.

SHOTS FROM 15 FEET
Earl Ingarfield ruined Chicago goalie Glenn Hall's bid for his second consecutive shutout by beating the Black Hawks netminder with a 15-footer with less than five minutes left to play.

Worsley was all that prevented Chicago from turning the game into a rout in the first period. The bouncy little goalie kicked out 14 Chicago shots and was spectacular on at least three of them.

New York rookie Vic Hadfield, whom the Rangers drafted from the Chicago organization last summer, seemed bent upon gaining the revenge on his old mates.

In the final period, he jumped on Hay's back and wrestled the Chicago centre to the ice and drew a holding penalty. Then, five minutes later, he was guilty of slashing at Hull with his stick as the Chicago wing skated past.

Wings Recall Len Lunde

DETROIT (AP)—Detroit Red Wings of the National Hockey League Wednesday recalled centre Len Lunde from Edmonton Flyers of the Western League.

Lunde will join Detroit for tonight's NHL game against Chicago Black Hawks here.

Lunde, a native of Campbell River, Alta., has shifted between Edmonton and Detroit since he broke into professional hockey in the 1955-56 season with a four-game stint with the Flyers.

Rangers Take Midget Game

Last evening at Sports Arena, Wilf MacDonald's league-leading Rangers took the measure of Jim Dowling's Bruins by the score of 5-3.

Ranger's goals were scored by Gerry Kane (4), and Jamey Kennedy. Marksmen for Bruins were David Rowe, who potted two goals, and Billy Weatherbie.

Referees were Reg Profit and Les Barnes.

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SUMMARY

First period: 1. Toronto, Duff (Horton) 14:16. 2. Toronto, Keon (Duff, Armstrong) 19:48. Penalties: Johnson 2:00, Duff 2:00.

Second period: 3. Toronto, Keon (Stanley) 16:40. Penalty: Baur 11:52.

Third period: 4. Montreal Bonin (Goyette, Provost) 19:49. Penalty: Fontinato 10:06.

Stops: 11 11 7—38
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Unity, Intelligence Seen Trademark Of Green Bay

NEW YORK (AP)—Green Bay Packers have none of the physical traits which mark a champion football team—their trademark is unity and intelligence, Paul Hornung said Wednesday.

"We're not a great ball club," the hard-running halfback told a press luncheon honoring him as the outstanding player of last Sunday's championship game in the National Football League.

"We don't have a Johnny Unitas (Baltimore) at quarterback. We have no speedy halfbacks and no breakaway fullback like Jimmy Brown (Cleveland). But I've never seen a team with better discipline, more intelligence or greater unity of purpose."

"Every man knows his job and he does it in a cool, businesslike manner. That, I think, is the secret of our success."

Hornung, an army jeep driver at Fort Riley, Kan., flew into New York to accept a sports car awarded annually by a magazine to the top player of the title game.

The 26-year-old former Notre Dame golden boy, won the award by leading the assault in the Packers' surprising 37-0 rout of New York Giants.

He scored one touchdown, kicked three field goals and converted four extra points. He ran for 89 yards in 20 carries and caught three passes for 47 additional yards.

STOPS

Mann	9 8 7—24
Ward	6 7 5—18

THIS WEEK AT THE SPORTS ARENA

THURSDAY—
ISHL HOCKEY—SDU vs. Royals
Game-time 8:15 p.m.

FRIDAY—
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SATURDAY
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