



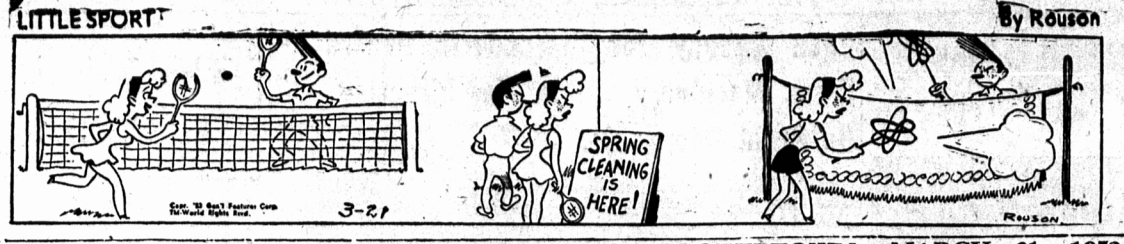
We had a nice letter from Roger Duncan recently. He was enjoying himself at St. Petersburg, Florida where he goes for several weeks every winter. Mr. Duncan was, as so many of our readers will remember, for years secretary-treasurer of the National Trotting Association and later Executive Vice-President of the United States Trotting Association, which was formed in 1938, absorbing two other associations as well as the National. Mr. Duncan paid two visits to the Maritimes, one to Charlottetown and one to Truro and made many friends and was given a great welcome, which he still remembers. He joined the National Trotting Association as a very young man in 1889 or 1890. The secretary-treasurer was then the celebrated W. H. Gocher, who probably knew more about the formulation of rules and regulations for the harness horse sport than any man that ever lived, and from him Mr. Duncan absorbed a great deal of knowledge and also the ability to get along with people and have matters run smoothly. It was a great disappointment when he, through ill health, had to give up his position with the U.S.T.A.

Here is his letter: "Thanks so much for your friendly letter of January 22nd, also a copy of the Guardian giving a very complete review of the past season. I spent a most enjoyable evening reading it. I am saving it and will again read it when I return home. I was glad indeed to see the success of the many drivers such as Earle Semple, Worrell Lewis, Rannie MacDonald, Johnny Conroy, Clayton MacLeod and many others. I can remember so well, Joe O'Brien and Earle Avery, who are doing exceptionally well in the bigger tracks in the U.S. O'Brien, of course has been leading driver and Earle Avery is making a great name for himself. Rannie MacDonald, Earle Semple and Worrell Lewis did well on their trip to the U.S.A. last year.

One of the nicest trotting meetings that I know of is Saratoga Springs. There one can meet a lot of owners and trainers that really love a trotter and it has that familiar home-like air that reminds us somewhat of the old-time fairs. I was very surprised to read that Willard Kelly has retired. That must have been a shock to a great many. Sad as always to read of the passing of so many who have been connected with the sport. I suppose that is the penalty I have to pay for living so long. I just sit around in the sun here and walk around the block two or three times a day. We do have lots of sunshine and that is lovely. Please give my kindest regards to my many friends in the Maritimes and particularly to Mr. F. C. McCurdy of Truro."

Aubrey Keizer in his column in the Sydney Post-Record, predicts

IN THE STUD
The handsome and superbly bred Standard bred and Registered stallion CYCLON-IC 2:08, by Protector 3, 1:59 1/4, dam, Taurida Abbey by Guy Abbey; second dam, Taurida by Peter The Great; third dam, Eva Bellini by Bellini; fourth dam, Expressive by Electioneer.
Cyclonic was bred, foaled and sold from Walnut Hall Farm, Donerail, Kentucky. He is a splendid individual, sound as a dollar, with good manners and disposition and weighs in the vicinity of 1200 lbs. He should be an outstanding cross for the breed mares of this province.
For further particulars see WELLINGTON NICHOLSON Montague, P. E. I.



Defensesman Larry Travis left here yesterday by plane to join the Islanders for tonight's game in Glace Bay. This means that Chamberlain will likely move Lyle Wiseman back up to the forward line unless the Islanders coach decides to sit out one of his regular defensesmen. However, it is quite likely that he will be a forward who will watch the contest. Chuck Holdaway sat out the first two games in Charlottetown but in Thursday night's game at the Bay he appeared to be going well and may have earned himself a regular starting position for the series.

We wouldn't be too surprised if Chamberlain shifted Grosse into a centre ice position. Grosse played centre as well as left wing with Shawinigan Falls. During his few outings here he showed plenty of ability to handle the puck and he looked as though he would make an outstanding centreman. He has loads of speed and with two fast wingersmen would probably give the Islanders a line that would show some of the concentrated punch that is necessary for a club to win games, something which the Islanders haven't had in this series.

Defensesman Eddy Kays and forward Willie Dunn, who played with the Maritime Junior Champion North Sydney Franklins throughout the season, returned home on Thursday afternoon. The North Sydney players were given a few days rest to recuperate from their gruelling series with the Halifax Junior Saints and to prepare for their coming series with the Ottawa District Champions. This series opens next Tuesday night in North Sydney and when the Franklins go on the ice they will likely be re-inforced by three players of the Halifax Saints. The three will probably be goalie Thane Doyle, forward Forbes Kennedy and defenceman Jim Warner.

Young Kays had loads of praise for his coach Mickey Roach. It was only natural that he should for Roach apparently taught Kays a lot of tricks of the trade. Kays was a raw hockey product when he first joined the Franklins and had a battle during the first few weeks to hold a place on the team. However, as the season wore along he won a regular berth and according to all reports turned in some fine hockey during the playoffs. In the series against Halifax he scored three goals which is pretty good going for a defenceman. A rugged kid with loads of determination and fight he thrived on the rough Cape Breton hockey.

The Halifax Atlantics got back in stride in the second period of last night's game against Sydney and from here in should have things pretty much their own way. The Millionaires hit their top form on Wednesday night and were going well in the first period of last night's game but the second period Halifax assault must have knocked the props from under the Mills. The teams return to Halifax tonight where the Atlantics should win without too much trouble. The Millionaires may win one more game at home but the Atlantics should wind up the series in seven at the most.

Atlantics Wallop Millionaires 8-2 To Lead Series 2-1

SYDNEY, (OP)—Halifax Atlantics walloped Sydney Millionaires 8-2 last Friday night, moving one game up in the third of their best-of-nine semi-final series for the Maritime Major Hockey League crown.

Billy Watson and Bob Bowness shot a pair of goals each as Atlantics took over convincingly after the neck-and-neck first period. The Millionaires registered their only tallies in the first period while Atlantics were outnumbered. Frank Bergeron was penalized for high sticking with the game 34 seconds old and George Robertson beat Roy McMeekin a minute later. Bergeron returned to the box after Watson and Bowness scored and Dunc McIntyre tied it up from almost within the crease. Bill Ford put Halifax in front to stay at the 16-minute mark.

Hugh Campbell scored for the Atlantics in the second and Billy Goidt and Kenny Laufman wrapped it up in the final frame.

Penalties plentiful
Penalties were plentiful with 10 of the 18 going to the Atlantics. Bergeron drew his third of the night in a sticking duel with Bill McDonald and emerged with a five-stitch gash on the head. McDonald was waved off for the game's only major.

The Atlantics opened a furious assault in the second period and tabbed Nick Pidsodny for 18 of his 28 stops. The Millionaires reached McMeekin only twice and he turned the shots aside easily. Halifax coach Dugger McNeill was knocked cold by a high shot from Ronnie Rowe in the third period but left the ice under his own power. He was taken to hospital for treatment and full extent of his injuries was not known.

Lineups:
Halifax—Goal, McMeekin; defence, Bergeron, Hayes, McNeill, McLaughlin; forwards, Laufman, King, Bowness, Watson, Campbell, Ford, Goidt, McPhee, Hollett.
Sydney—Goal, Pidsodny; defence, Whalen, Weaver, Marneau, McIntyre; forwards, Robertson, Rowe, Hildebrand, Brukow, Morrow, McDonald, Horeck, Pirie, Hill.
Referees: Jim Kelly and George O'Donoghue.

First Period

1—Sydney, Robertson	1:41
2—Halifax, Watson (McNeill)	3:45
3—Halifax, Bowness (Laufman)	8:17
4—Sydney, McIntyre (Hildebrand)	9:31
5—Halifax, Ford (Campbell)	15:57
Penalties — Bergeron 3:4, 9:12; Marneau 6:07; Weaver 12:02; Ford 13:30; Campbell 13:47.	

Second Period

6—Halifax, Campbell (Watson, Bergeron)	14:33
7—Halifax, Watson (McLaughlin)	15:53
8—Halifax, Bowness (King)	19:41
Penalties — Ford 2:29; McDonald 4:33; major, Bergeron 4:33; Horeck 12:17; Goidt 12:17; Marneau 13:49; Whalen 18:39.	

Third Period

9—Halifax, Goidt (Hollett, McNeill)	4:10
10—Halifax, Laufman (Bowness)	5:16
Penalties — Bergeron 10:22; McLaughlin 12:27; Weaver 13:07.	

Stops:
McMeekin 10 2 12—24
Pidsodny 3 18 7—28

scoring punch up front for the Mills to ever cope with. Watson, Laufman, Ford, Goidt, Bowness, Campbell and King are all prolific scorers. Of these the most dangerous man in a tight game is Billy Goidt. Over the season Goidt has caused the Islanders more trouble with his big goals than any other player in the League. He started a bit late in the season and had 40 goals at the end of the schedule, fourth only to "Buck" Whitlock, Billy Ford and Bob Bowness.

Hockey Scores
Maritime Major—
Halifax 8, Sydney 2
Halifax leads best-of-nine semi-final 2-1
Ontario Junior A
Toronto St. Michael's 1, Galt 5
Best-of-seven semi-final tied 1-1
Northern Ontario Senior A
Rouyn 0, Sudbury 5
Sudbury leads best-of-seven final 3-0.

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This week I received a couple of clippings from the Amherst Daily News from Ed Chandler, an old schoolmate of mine now residing in Amherst. The news clippings have to do with a pair of Great Horned Owls that have nested in a tree on the main street of the town ... Victoria Street East. This is certainly a departure from the horned owl's usual habits and in a sense bids fair to make wildlife history. In any event the incident has caused quite a furore in Amherst news circles.

One of the news items was written by Robie W. Tufts, Wolfville, N. S. The other was a warning from the Amherst Fish and Game Association not to molest the birds and informing the citizens that signs will be placed shortly giving some information in regard to them and also the protection provided by the law. In his writup Mr. Tufts described the "Great Horned" as of the night variety sleeping away the day and not stirring out "until the shadows of twilight fall across the landscape." "Fortunately," writes Mr. Tufts, "by that time poultry will be under cover and pheasants and other game birds will be asleep. Their main fare will be rats, both house and musk, and they will bring in the odd rabbit if they can find one ..."

Mr. Tufts and I are old acquaintances, dating back to 1927 or '28. Incidentally I worked under him from 1929 to 1932 while he was Chief Federal Migratory Bird Officer for the Maritime Provinces. In 1932 the enforcement of the Migratory Birds Act in the Maritimes was taken over by the R. C. M. Police and I was absorbed into this Force. Robie and I never agreed on the status of the horned owl. He stoutly maintained this owl should be rewarded for its services to the farmer in catching rats and mice. He didn't mention in what way but I suppose decking him out in a diamond necklace, bracelets and ear rings. My contention was that the only good horned owl was one that had been liberally seasoned with chilled sixes.

I smiled to myself when I read his comments in the Amherst paper and thought thusly: "R. W. hasn't changed a bit over the years...he still champions old 'hootie' and as usual tells only one side of the story ... the pleasant sounding side".

Mr. Tufts also mentioned that crows would be in danger if there was a root in the area. This is quite true. Old "hootie" can pick a crow out of a tree on a pitch black night, even if "Jim" Crow is as black as he is painted, and can also, in the night hours, pick a pheasant or ruffed grouse off a limb or a Hungarian partridge from the ground with equal ease. All the more so if they are asleep.

A few years ago a farmer of my acquaintance had some pheasants that roosted at night in a small clump of heavy hemlock trees. I dropped in for a chat on an afternoon in late November. The farmer remarked "My pheasants were in trouble a few nights ago," and this is his condensed story: "The other night about eleven o'clock I took the lantern and went to the barn to check the stock before retiring. It was a calm foggy night and pitch dark. I could hear the cock pheasants doing an awful lot of sacking out back as if something was after them. I have wondered what it could be."

I asked him if there were any horned owls around and he replied that he had heard them hooting out back and one night an owl was perched on the barn. I told him the pheasants were suffering from owl trouble.

Out of curiosity I meandered back to the hemlocks. A few gaudy feathers were scattered around amid the trees but a hundred yards out in a cut-over I discovered where a cock pheasant had been

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N.H.L. Playoff Race Winds Up This Week-end

By THE CANADIAN PRESS
The long National Hockey League playoff race winds up this week-end but there are enough ifs, ands and buts attached to the last two playoff spots today to give most fans the statistical willies.

It's been one of the oddest down-to-the-wire dashes to hit the league in years. After 68 games of the 70-game schedule, only the two top places have been settled. Detroit Red Wings won the league title and first place a week ago and Montreal Canadiens took second place easily. The other two playoff berths are a toss-up between Boston Bruins, Chicago Black Hawks and Toronto Maple Leafs.

New York's last-place Rangers are out in the cold, but they can throw a monkey-wrench into the works before calling it quits. This is how Boston, Chicago and Toronto stand with two games left to play:

Team	P	W	L	T	F	A	Pts.
Boston	68	27	28	13	148	168	67
Chicago	68	27	26	15	152	171	65
Toronto	68	25	30	13	148	166	63

Here are the games left:
Saturday: Boston at Montreal, New York at Toronto, Detroit at Chicago.
Sunday: Montreal at Detroit, Toronto at Boston, Chicago at New York.

The race tightened up this week when the Leafs, who were all but written off as serious contenders, edged the tiring Black Hawks 4-3 and then walloped the tough Canadiens 4-1 in successive nights. Those victories brought them to within two points of the Hawks.

Now, this is what could happen: If the Bruins win or tie one of their remaining games, the Bruins are in—no matter what Leafs and Chicago do. If the Leafs win two, the Hawks win one and lose one and the Bruins drop two, there would be a three-way tie for third place. In such a case the team with the most wins takes third place. However, in this case Toronto and Boston would each have 27 victories and Chicago would be eliminated with only 26. Under the elimination rules, third place would then go to the team having scored the most goals over the season and the other team would slip into fourth spot.

If the Leafs win two and Boston and Chicago both lose two, the Leafs will tie Boston for third place, with 67 points and the same number of victories. The team that scored the most goals would finish third and the other team would be fourth. The Hawks would be out.

If the Hawks win one and tie one and Bruins have a win or a tie, it is all over for the Leafs. If the Leafs lose both games, it's a setup for Boston and Chicago.

Prince Street Girls Shut Out Georgetown 2-0

Prince Street School girls from Charlottetown shut out Georgetown School girls 2-0 at Georgetown last night in the first game of a two-game total goal hockey series. The second game is scheduled at the Charlottetown Forum tonight.

The Georgetown girls, present title holders fought hard and the outcome was in doubt until the end. Prince Street: Goal, Harper; defence, Wran, Dennis, MacPherson; forwards, Carver, Sheppard, MacDougall, Whitlock, Sheilfont, MacCannell.
Georgetown: Goal, King; defence, Johnson, Landry, M. Sampson, Walker; forwards, Fitzgerald, Prosper, Martell, MacCull.

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Minor League Hockey Schedule

Following is the Minor League Hockey schedule for tonight at the Forum:
8:00—Paperweights Falcons vs. Cubs.
8:35—Pee Wees Hornets vs. Royals.
7:15—Pee Wee Georgetown at Abegweit.
8:15—Bantams Souris at Abegweit.
9:15—School Girls, Georgetown at Prince Street.
10:00—Bantam, Whirlwinds vs. Ramblers.
11:00—Practice for Midget Abegweit.

Murray Harbour Pee Wees Defeat Georgetown 3-2

The Murray Harbour Pee-Wees, riddled with sickness and only able to ice six men overtook the two goal lead of Georgetown and with barely a minute to play Barry White sensational forward of the Harbour boys streaked through the visitors and drove the winning tally behind MacQuillan in the Georgetown cage to give the home team a 3-2 victory.

Georgetown with three full lines took command of the play from the opening whistle but the Harbour boys were not to be denied and when Harris scored late in the second stanza on a pass from B. White, there was no stopping them from then on. Trailing at the opening of the third 2-1 the Harbour boys fought desperately and Harris again from B. White tied it up at the 4:10 mark.

Sammy Prowse handled the game to the satisfaction of all. Lineups:
Georgetown—Goal, R. MacQuillan; defence, Batchelder, R. Murphy; forwards, White, J. Murphy, Prosper, David, Arsenault, Stewart, Clary, Solomon, W. MacQuillan, Scully, Martell.
Murray Harbour—Goal, Gosbee; defence, E. White, P. White; forwards, W. Harris, B. White, L. Bell.

First Period
1—Georgetown, David (Batchelder) 13:20
Second Period
2—Georgetown, White (Prosper) 3:45
3—Murray Harbour, Harris (B. White) 12:40
Third Period
4—Murray Harbour, Harris (White) 4:10
5—Murray Harbour, B. White 13:55

ough, I. Simpson, J. Sampson
First Period
Scoring: None.
Penalties: None.
Second Period
Scoring: None.
Penalties: Dennis, J. Sampson, Sheppard.
Third Period
1—Ch'town, Sheppard 4:3
2—Ch'town, MacDougall, (Carver) 1:13
Penalties: A. Prosper.
Referees: Jackie Turner, Charlottetown, Donald Macdonald, Georgetown.

Abbies Bantams Defeat Souris Bantams 8-2

The Charlottetown Abegweit Bantams defeated the Souris Bantams 8-2 last night in the first game of a home and home total goal series for the Kings-Queens bantam hockey title.

The Abbies skated into a 1-0 lead in the first period and were leading 5-0 at the end of the middle

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