

# Saint John Beavers To Meet Islanders Tonight In First Appearance Here

Local hockey fans will get their first glimpse of the Saint John Beavers in action this season when they skate out on the Charlottetown Forum ice tonight at 8:30 to do battle with the Charlottetown Islanders. The Beavers, who were defeated by the Islanders in a scheduled Maritime Senior Hockey League fixture.

Coming here straight from their 7-5 victory over the still winless Moncton Hawks there last night, the Beavers will be meeting the Islanders for the third time this season in an effort to break through their first win against the league leaders.

Islanders won the two previous meetings 8-4 and 6-1, both played over Saint John ice.

Local fans will also be looking forward to seeing how Buck Whitlock and Nick Nicolle, two former Charlottetown hockey products performing with the Saint John

Club, will fare out against the hard-hitting Islanders.

Both Nicolle and Whitlock were a tower of strength for their squad at Moncton last night, the former garnering four goals and an assist and the latter one goal and three assists.

**New Defenceman Arrives**

Defenceman Johnny Duchak, latest addition to the Islanders Club, arrived in the City last night from his home in Edmonton and is expected to be seen in action tonight. Duchak tips the scales at about 190 and is credited with being a smart, hard-hitting performer. He was with the Valleyfield Braves last season.

Team captain Wes "Bucko" Trainor, who sat out last Tuesday's game with a minor shoulder injury, will be back on the ice tonight.



# Branch Rickey Steps Out Of Dodger Organization

**By JACK HAND**

BROOKLYN, Oct. 26 — (AP) — Branch Rickey is leaving Brooklyn after an eight-year reign as general manager of the Dodgers. Going on 69, the bushy-browed executive is looking for a job.

Walter O'Malley, one of two former partners who is buying up Rickey's 25 per cent stock interest, today was elected president to succeed Rickey, whose resignation was accepted with "deepest regret."

Introducing the new president at a press conference, Rickey called O'Malley "a man of youth, courage, enterprise and desire."

Rickey will continue as general manager until Saturday when his contract expires. Best guess is that he'll wind up in Pittsburgh with his old friend, John Galbreath.

As of Sunday morning, Rickey insists he will be free to take any job offered him in baseball. He refused to discuss reports that payments for his stock at \$1,025,000 will be spread over a 10-year period.

O'Malley said an organization meeting will be held Monday to discuss operational plans of the Dodgers.

O'Malley may decide to go along without a general manager, splitting Rickey's old duties among two or more men now in the organization. Fresco Thompson, farm director, and Harold Roettger, publicity director, are the most likely candidates. O'Malley is expected to take an active part.

Nobody would discuss the status of manager Burt Shotton other than to say that he did not necessarily go with Rickey.

In Bartow, Fla., Shotton said: "I'd be glad to be back."

Fee Wee Reese, Dodger shortstop, is a good managerial candidate if Shotton is replaced.

There is a chance Rickey might step out of baseball for a radio or television offer. He was not definite about that matter.

"I'm leaving tonight to attend a meeting of the board of directors at Ohio Wesleyan," said Rickey. "Then I'll attend a baseball meeting in Cincinnati Tuesday representing the National League."

"After that I expect to go to St. Louis. I also will see Mr. Galbreath within a few days. In St. Louis I probably will see both Mr. Saligh (Cardinal owner) and Bill Dewitt (Browns' owner). I won't see Saligh on business. And I just want to assure Bill Dewitt that what he has read in the papers about me and the Browns is not right. I would not accept any proposition from St. Louis that would in any way harm my friends."

Rickey said his wife wanted him to retire but he didn't want to quit. "I don't know of anytime in my life when I had nothing to do," he said. "I don't want to retire."

# Victorias In 5-1 Victory Over Glace Bay

NORTH SYDNEY, N. S., Oct. 26 — (CP) — North Sydney Victorias defeated Glace Bay Miners 5-1 in a Cape Breton Senior Hockey League game here tonight, and only kept the score from mounting higher.

Morissette in Vics net missed a shutout when Frizell scored Miners lone marker at 19:12 in the final period. The Glace Bay net minder handled 28 shots while Morissette was called on to handle only 11.

North Sydney had a wide margin of the play throughout in the rough and sometimes ragged game.

**Line-ups:**  
 Glace Bay: Goal, Woodall; defence, McCabe, Dalgleish; centre, Biggs; wings, Frizell and Watson; subs, Nickle, Clements, Marshall, Bonhomme, Legier, Anderson, Rochon, Bruce, MacDougall.  
 North Sydney: Goal, Morissette; defence, Barliko, Scattolon; centre, Storey; wings, Verrier, Medynski; subs, Olsen, Belinger, Demarco, Glover, Peterson, Desrosiers, Robertson, Gaudreault, Simpson.  
 Officials: Good and Elliott.

**SUMMARY**

**First Period**  
 Scoring: None.  
 Penalties: Barliko, Watson, Rochon and Demarco.

**Second Period**  
 1—North Sydney, Glover (Barliko, Scattolon) 5:06.  
 Penalties: Nickle, McCabe, Barliko, Dalgleish (2), Medynski, Glover, Clements.

**Third Period**  
 2—North Sydney, Medynski (Verrier, Storey) 2:10.  
 3—North Sydney, Desrosiers (Glover, Barliko) 5:00.  
 4—North Sydney, Verrier (Robertson) 15:04.  
 5—North Sydney, Peterson (Belinger, Demarco) 18:08.  
 6—Glace Bay, Frizell (Marshall, Dalgleish) 19:12.  
 Penalties: Robertson and Olsen.

# Racing Stable Sells For \$286,300

NEW YORK, Oct. 26 — (AP) — The entire racing stable of the late Mrs. E. Ambrose Clark was sold today at public auction at Belmont Park. The 27 head brought \$286,300, or an average of \$10,604.

Top price of \$41,000 was brought by Pictus, a promising two-year-old brown colt by Pictor-Mrs. Ames. Pictus was purchased by F. L. Foster as agent for Ralph Lowe, a Texas oilman. The colt has won \$11,275 this year.

The three-year-old bay gelding Steel Blue went for \$36,000. Steel Blue, second in the Discovery and Aqueduct Handicaps, was purchased by Harry La Montagne, New York wine merchant.

Tea Maker, a seven-year-old bay gelding stakes winner, was purchased by H. S. Finney, as agent for an undisclosed buyer, for \$32,500.

Proceeds of the sale, conducted at Belmont Park, will go to various charities as provided in Mrs. Clark's will.

# Flying Curlers Club Plans Chicago Trip

The Maritime Flying Curlers Club will visit Chicago and Milwaukee this season. The announcement was made by J. Finley MacLeod, Secretary-Treasurer, following a recent meeting of the Club.

Last year the Flying Curlers made a trip to St. John's, Newfoundland, and in a history making flight, took in the Dominion Curling Championships at Vancouver.

Club members of this unique organization, with headquarters in Charlottetown, will from Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. It is expected that all three Provinces will be represented on their United States invasion.

Present plans are to leave Charlottetown on the morning of January 14th, pick up passengers at St. John, N. B., stop at Montreal for refuelling and lunch, with the party arriving in Chicago in the early evening of the same day.

The management of the Chicago Curling Club is making arrangements to curl in Chicago on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. On Thursday morning the curlers will go by bus to Milwaukee, a distance of 80 miles, for a full day's curling, returning to Chicago Thursday night.

The party will leave Chicago on their return trip on Saturday morning, January 20th, arriving at Toronto about noon. Remaining in Toronto overnight, the party will arrive back in Charlottetown the following day.

Mr. R. A. Trischmann of the Chicago Curling Club is in charge of arrangements for entertainment in that city. Mr. J. F. MacLeod is doing the organization work at Charlottetown. He expressed the opinion the Chicago trio would prove even more popular than the Trans-Canada trip last March.

President of the Flying Curlers Club is Dr. E. S. Giddings, Charlottetown, N. E. Rockwell, Saint John, N. B. is Vice-President. Hon. President is J. K. Curran, Summerside.

The Executive includes, Chief Justice T. A. Campbell, Summerside, J. E. Burden, Charlottetown, W. R. Jenkins, Charlottetown and Tom Coley, Halifax.

The curlers will make the flight in a specially chartered plane from Maritime Central Airways.

# Ace McCloskey Fights Saturday

Bunny "Ace" McCloskey, former Island boxer, will meet Yvon Durelle of Bale Ste. Anne, N. B. in a 10-round middleweight scrap at Yarmouth, N. S., tomorrow night it was learned here yesterday.

McCloskey, who now hails from Dartmouth, N. S., is an older brother of Coby McCloskey who defeated Durelle by a decision for the Maritime middleweight title at Springhill last Saturday. Coby also holds the P. E. I. heavyweight crown, defeating George "Big Boy" Peterson of this City last summer.

Ace is also a former holder of the Maritime middleweight title.

# C.A.H.A. Confirms Major Hockey Series This Year

**By Jack Sullivan**  
 (Canadian Press Staff Writer)

Remember that super-duper Major Hockey Series for selected senior teams that was adopted, and then promptly ditched, by the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association last summer? Well, it is very much alive and kicking, although a bit dog-eared from its original proposals.

And it took the C. A. H. A. just three months and two days to make their turn-about-face official. It seems they "forgot" to make the official announcement when the decision was taken last July 24 in Toronto.

This Major Series as it is known has been kicked around by the Association officials in the Maritime, Ontario and Western Canada the last couple of months but no indication was given by the top brass that the thing was on. That is, until today.

It remained for secretary-manager George Dudley of Midland, Ont., to clear the air. Just returned from Europe, Dudley said in a telephone interview from his home in the western Canada town of Westminister, B.C., queried on status of the Major Series the last month, declined to say anything until Dudley's return to Canada.

The last official word on the series was issued the night of July 24 after the C. A. H. A. executive met Clarence Campbell, National Hockey League president. A joint statement said the scheme had been "deferred for the present." A couple of hours later, the amateur body's executive met again, decided to go ahead with the series — and kept mum about it.

The big change is that players in the series from the Cape Breton, Maritimes, Quebec, Ontario and Western Canada leagues will not be under contract. Originally, terms called for a minimum salary of \$1,000 a year to all players in the series and various waiver and draft clauses similar to N. H. L. contracts.

The C. A. H. A. executive backed down in a hurry and issued its "deferred" statement when Campbell pointed out in all probability the amateurs would be dealing with players who already had the finger put on them by N. H. L. teams. The contract proposals were dropped in the ensuing executive session.

The Major Series will carry a special trophy — an announcement on this is expected in a few days. This relating to the Allan Cup, traditional symbol of senior hockey supremacy in Canada, to a minor-league status.

From here in, the 42-year-old Allan Cup will be open to weaker clubs and leagues who have been cluttering up the senior playoffs for years with little or no hope of winning the trophy. It still remains open to the prize for the Canadian senior championship.

The tag "senior" will be stripped from the elite teams in the Major Series, which will be operated on the same lines as the Allan and Memorial Cups with east and west champions playing off for the Dominion title.

# Sport Echoes From Prince County

Bowling seems to be the only active sport at present in Summerside. We haven't been in the alley lately, but we understand nothing of a sensational nature has transpired as yet. If some bowler rolls a 400 and becomes the first one to get his name on the shield of the "400 Club" we promise to let you know about it.

A hardwood floor is being laid at the R. C. A. F. basketball court, and when this work is finished the court will be one of the finest in the Maritimes. No doubt the Island League will be getting under way soon after the season, and Fred Somier, sponsor of Ray's Millionaires, and he says nothing definite has been done in Charlottetown as yet. Some of his best boys will not be available for play this year, he says, but he hopes there will be some young fellows coming up to take their places.

The Summerside High School teams, both boys and girls, will regret to hear that their coach, Jack Murphy, has been posted to Aymer, Ontario. Jack was a great help to the students' teams, and was never too busy to help the youngsters along. Jack will be missed in the realm of baseball too. He was the first baseman of the Curran & Briggs Juniors, Maritime champs, and played his very best baseball in the series with the Charlottetown Knights of Columbus, and with the St. John Kinmen. Jack expressed regret at leaving the town. "Everyone treated me swell here," he said, "and the town grows upon a person. The longer you're here, the better you like it."

Hockey excitement in Summerside centres around our amazing Islanders so far. There is absolutely no talk of local endeavour as yet. The "Rinkless Town of the Maritimes" has little background to inspire enthusiasm for beginning plans for the winter's hockey, but no doubt something will be done, at least for minor hockey before Christmas rolls around. The Kinmen have always looked after that department, and done it very efficiently, so we leave the future of the kids' hockey in their capable hands.

In order to make this column a respectable length, we have composed a little song entitled "The Big Four Polka". It is sung to the air of "The Beer Barrel Polka" and we think with a little patience you can make the words fit that popular song. Try it on your mandolin. A little poetic license, please, on the pronunciation of "interested".

# Nicolle Paces Beavers To 7-5 Victory Over Winless Moncton Hawks

SAINT JOHN, N. B., Oct. 26 — (CP) — Paced by speedy winger Nick Nicolle, Saint John Beavers shoved winless Moncton Hawks deeper into the Maritime Senior Hockey League cellar with a 7-5 lacing tonight.

The result advanced Beavers to another second place tie with Halifax St. Mary's. Both teams are six points behind the undefeated Charlottetown Islanders. It was the eighth straight loss for Hawks.

Gordie Drillon's men had hard luck. The type of play was generally even, with Moncton outshining Beavers at times, but the combination of Nicolle and goalie Dennis Brodeur proved too much for the visitors.

Nickle fired the three goals of the second period, after assisting once in the first, and did a solo for the first marker of the last session. Buck Whitlock opened the scoring and helped Nicolle three times.

Moncton's Barkwell-Demchuk-Morrow line was outstanding. Hawks outscored Saint John 4-2 in the third period when Johnny Morrow shot a brace and both Barkwell and Lou Milani counted. Moncton used two new players—Winn Mousseau, left wing brother of Hawk centre Whit Mousseau, and defenceman Charlie Phillips. Fred Somier was substitute goalie for Le Colvin.

Whitlock opened the scoring seconds after the game started when he capitalized on Nicolle's rebound. A passing play in front of Somier ended with Paul Platz scoring. A sliding screened shot by Dait Barkwell gave Moncton a tally while Beaver Ray Labelle sat in the penalty box.

Nicolle's three second period goals increased Saint John's lead to 5-1, apparently unbeatable, but Hawks ran their total to 5 before the game ended. Two Moncton tallies in the last frame came while Jack Heon, Beaver rearguard, was sitting out a penalty.

Moncton — Goal, Somier; defence, Delmonte, Dunville; centre, Mousseau, wings, Denny, Milani; subs, Phillips, Galpeau, Galpeau, Whit Mousseau, Winn Mousseau, Barkwell, Imonti, Morrow, Demchuk.  
 Saint John — Goal, Brodeur; defence, Labelle, Mudie; centre, Whitlock; wings, Nicolle, McIntyre; subs, Bolan, Heon, Brennan, Jodoin, Armstrong, James, Jackson, Platz.  
 Officials: Stan Swain and George Mallinson.

# Black Hawks Defeat Montreal Canadiens 5-1

CHICAGO, Oct. 26 — (CP) — Chicago Black Hawks scored three times late in the first period tonight and coasted home to defeat Montreal Canadiens 5-1 in a National Hockey League game. The crowd of 8,307 was one of the smallest in several years here.

**SUMMARY**

**First Period**  
 1—Chicago, Bentley (Babando, Mosenko) 16:48  
 2—Chicago, Olmstead (Guldolin, Bodnar) 19:10  
 3—Chicago, Dewsbury (Bodnar) 19:56  
 Penalties—Babando, Kalsar, Gadsby, McPherson.

**Second Period**  
 Scoring—none.  
 Penalties—Stewart, Dewsbury, Laycoe, McCaig.

**Third Period**  
 4—Montreal, Curry (McPherson, Mosele) 2:33  
 5—Chicago — Babando (Mosenko, Bentley) 2:58  
 6 — Chicago, Mosenko (Gadsby, Babando) 5:28  
 Penalties—none.

# 977-Pound Tuna Record For Year

NEW YORK, Oct. 26 — (CP) — The International Game Fish Association today classified a bluefin tuna caught off Nova Scotia by a retired Montreal naval officer as the "outstanding world record for the past year."

The Association said the 977-pound tuna, caught by Cmdr. Duncan McI. Hodgson, R.C.N. (retired) in St. Ann's Bay, N. S., last Sept. 4 is an all-tackle record. It replaces the mark set by Dr. John Vernaglis, an American angler, of 927 pounds.

On the Association's newly-issued charts of record marine game fish, the woman's record, set Sept. 6, 1947, by Mrs. E. D. Crowninshield of New York, with an 882-pound bluefin caught off Wedgeport, N. S., still stands.

# World Champion Trotting Mare Dies

LEXINGTON, Ky., Oct. 26 — (AP) — Rosalind, the world's champion trotting mare, died last night at Hanover Shoe Farm, Hanover, Pa., owner Gibson White of Lexington was informed today.

The 17-year-old Rosalind made her record of 1:58 3-4 for the mile at Lexington in 1938. She won the Hambletonian and Kentucky Futurity for three-year-old trotters in 1936 and later won the Transylvania Stake, the only trotter to win these three stakes.

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**Sugar Robinson Wins By Kayo**

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 26 — (AP) Ray (Sugar) Robinson shattered the dream of another ambitious youth tonight as he methodically chopped down Honolulu's Carl Bobo Olson and then knocked him out in 1:19 of the 12th round in defence of his Pennsylvania middleweight championship.

Robinson weighed 186 and Olson 180 for the 16-round at Convention Hall.

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 HOCKEY — 8:30 P.M. — CHTOWN vs. ST. JOHN

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