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Liston's Adviser Figures Johnson As An Opponent

By MURRAY ROSE

NEW YORK (AP) — Every week and sometimes twice a week, Sonny Liston's adviser comes up with a new opponent for the heavyweight king and reiterates the champion's contract with Championship Sports, Inc., is broken.

The latest opponent mentioned by adviser Jack Nilon is Harold Johnson, another Philadelphian who is the light heavyweight champion of the world.

This is a bit of strategy to get Floyd Patterson into the ring with Sonny as quickly as possible. The Liston camp figures Patterson, who went 126 seconds with Sonny at Chicago last Sept. 25, won't be around much longer in a return fight. The difficulty is getting a place to put on the talked about return.

Nilon and Liston don't want any part of Championship Sports, which promoted the first fight. Most of the money for that quickie has been tied up by the government which wants to make sure it collects the taxes due on that multi-million dollar promotion.

But under the original contract, Patterson has the right to pick the site, date and promoter for the second fight.

SAY CONTRACT BROKEN

Under normal conditions, Nilon and Liston would follow the course of boxing history and have the contract broken. Both insist for the record that the contract has been broken.

So why the repeated cries that the contract has been broken and that Liston is a free agent?

It boils down to the Liston image, not a very good one up to date. Patterson was the man who insisted that Liston should get the chance at the title. Therefore, Liston does feel obligated to give Floyd another shot if he wants it. He would look like a fourth-grade heel if he didn't give Patterson a return and he knows it.

Therefore all of the hullabaloo from the Liston camp is to put pressure on Patterson to fight in February or March so that Liston and Co. will be free to do whatever they please thereafter should the champion win again.

Once Patterson is out of the picture, Nilon and Liston will be able to take over and act as their own promoters.

WILLING TO MEET INGO

Sweden's Ingemar Johansson, the ex-champion, is willing to fight Liston either in the United States or Sweden. This shapes up as the best possible fight since it would pit two big boys with big punches against each other in an international scrap in June or September, the best months for an outdoor promotion.

Liston tipped his mitt the other night in Toronto when he suggested that he fight Johansson and that Patterson should take on undefeated Cassius Clay, the champion talker of the heavyweight division. Then, said Liston, the two winners should meet.

Sunny Isle Loop Games

Two Sunny Isle League games were played Wednesday night at St. Dunstan's rink but only one team emerged a winner.

West Royalty Bombers edged Brackley 2-1 in a hard-fought battle. Wendall Doiron and Sterling Simms were the goal-getters for the winners with Gord McCallum sinking the marker for Brackley.

In the other tussle, Covehead and Mermaid battled to a 3-3 tie. D. MacDonald, F. Driscoll and M. Beagan scored for Mermaid and G. Vessey, E. Cooper and R. Burt were the ones to beat the Mermaid goalie.

CURLING DRAW

The following is the curling draw for Friday at the Charlottetown Club.

7 P.M. (Tumbler Play)

Ice 1 — A. Burke, J. Cameron, G. Anderson, D. Ward vs. D. Cameron, B. LeClair, D. Matheson, D. Wood.

Ice 2 — Dr. MacDonald, D. George, Dr. Kelly, J. Weldon vs. Frank Acorn, W. Rodd, T. Whitlock, G. Lidstone.

Ice 3 — J.S. MacDonald, B. Lynch, Dr. Higgins, Dr. Jelks vs. D. O'Rourke, Addie MacDonald, J. Brooks, Ian Webster.

Ice 4 — J. Burden, E. MacLeod, A. Garrett, S. Simpson vs. L. Wellner, E. Taylor, L. Bagnall, E. Thomson.

Ice 5 — H.R. Carruthers, C. Asprey, H. Smith, G. McLaren vs. F. Curtis, A. Leaman, E. MacDonald, H. Love.

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Royals Conquer Junior Penguins

Sandy's Parkdale Royals own a five point lead in the Island Senior Hockey League by virtue of their 10-8 decision over Old Spain Penguins last night at The Sports Arena.

Led by Vince Mulligan and Angie Carroll who scored four and three goals respectively, the Royals withstood a furious third period onslaught by the Juniors and then roared back with four unanswered tallies in the last two minutes and twenty-one seconds of play.

Down 5-2 entering the third, Bucko Trainor's Penguins looked badly beaten. Their most ardent supporters didn't hope for too much in the closing chapter. However before the period was rightly started, the Baby Birds had struck for four fast goals and they were in front 6-5. It remained a 6-5 hockey game until the 13.11 mark when Jim Cullen took Gallant's pass and slipped it by MacInnis in the Royals' cage. Angie Carroll closed the gap to 7-6 but Cullen was back again, making it 8-6, this time at 15.31.

With less than four minutes of play remaining, it looked as though the Birds were coming through with their first decision over the Royals. But it wasn't to be as the Royals' power began to explode in real earnest.

Vince Mulligan potted his fourth goal of the night at 17.23 and 26 seconds later Carroll, on a beautiful solo rush, squared matters at 8-8. The Royals were just starting and Gillis and Carroll were back again to make it a 10-8 battle before that final siren screamed.

Fans saw plenty of hockey as both teams went all out in an effort to serve up a pleasing brand of hockey. The Juniors gallant comeback and the Royals' great rebound were the features of that hectic third stanza that saw eleven goals scored.

Penguins grabbed a 2-0 lead in the first half of the first session but the Mulligan boys took over the rest of the session. Vince beat Don Frizzell three times and brother Billy picked up the other.

Alan "Smelt" Gillis got the only tally of the sandwich frame, just seven seconds before its close. "Smelt sank another in the furious third.

Jim Cullen led the Penguins' attack with three goals. Other scorers were Stan Peardon with two and Dave Lawlor, Jerry Kane and 'Toy Toy' Gallant one each.

Referees Don Whelan and Joe Coyle called 15 minor penalties with the Royals collecting an even dozen.

STANDINGS

	W	L	T	F	A	Pts
Royals	8	2	1	68	48	17
Combines	6	4	0	52	49	12
Penguins	3	6	2	56	73	8
Eagles	2	7	1	35	57	5

SUMMARY

First Period: 1.—Penguins, Lawlor (Peardon, Gallant) 0:43; 2.—Penguins, Kane (Cullen, Martin) 8:28; 3.—Royals, V. Mulligan (Arsenault, B. Mulligan)) 9:05; 4.—Royals, V. Mulligan (Reeves) 9:37; 5.—Royals, V. Mulligan (B. Mulligan) 10:35; 6—Royals, B. Mulligan (Arsenault, V. Mulligan) 15:29. Penalties—Junior MacLeod 0:18, 11:52, 19:48, Reeves 18:12, Josey 19:22.

Second Period: 7.—Royals, Gillis (Carroll, Jim McLeod) 19:53. Penalties—Ready 1:42, Gallant 5:13, MacIntyre 12:10, 17:35.

Third Period: 8.—Penguins, Peardon (Lawlor, Gallant) 1:10; 9.—Penguins, Gallant (Whitlock, Peardon) 1:24; 10.—Penguins, Peardon (Lawlor, Whitlock) 2:50; 11.—Penguins, Cullen (Kane) 3:45; 12.—Penguins, Cullen (Gallant) 13:11; 13.—Royals, Carroll (Whitlock) 14:04; 14.—Penguins, Cullen (Martin, Smith) 15:31; 15.—Royals, V. Mulligan (Arsenault, Carroll) 17:23; 16.—Royals, Carroll 17:49; 17.—Royals, Gillis (Jim McLeod, Reeves) 19:28; 18.—Royals, Carroll 19:54. Penalties—Davis 3:18, 16:20, Josey 3:18, MacIntyre 9:25, Martin 12:52, V. Mulligan 12:52, Reeves 14:27.

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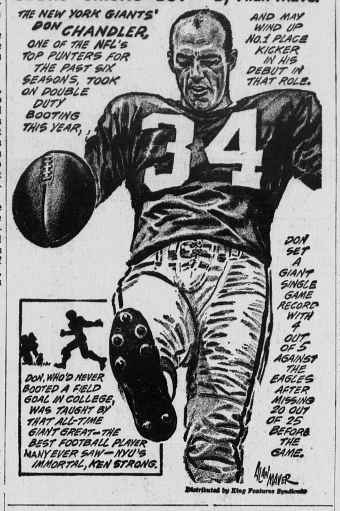

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Saturday's Minor Hockey Program

After a period of organization, registration and practices, Charlottetown's Minor Hockey Leagues swing into their season's schedules this Saturday with the following games to be played:—

7:00 - 7:30 — Peewees St. Jean Jays vs. Birchwood Cranes.

7:30 - 8:00 — Peewees Birchwood Lions vs. Rams.

8:00 - 8:30 — Peewees Sherwood Cubs vs. QCHS Foxes.

8:30 - 9:00 — Peewees Sherwood Orioles vs. Spring Park Swallows.

9:00 - 9:30 — Peewees Southport - Parkdale Parkers vs. WKS Wolves.

9:30 - 10:00 — Peewees Southport - Parkdale Robins vs. WKS Ducks.

10.00 - 10.30 Peewees PSS Blackbirds vs PSS Spitfires.

10:30 - 11:00 — Peewees St. Jean Bears vs. PSS Hornets.

11:00 - 11:30 — Paperweights PSS Tigers vs. WKS Colts.

11:30 - 12:00 — Paperweights PSS Falcons vs. WKS Redwings.

12:00 - 12:30 — Paperweights St. Jean Snipes vs. Ravens.

12:30 - 1:00 — Paperweights St. Jean Larks vs. Budgies.

1:00 - 1:30 — Paperweights St. Jean Setters vs. Otters.

5:00 - 5:30 — Paperweights Parkdale - Southport Terriers vs. Spring Park Elks.

5:30 - 6:00 — Paperweights Parkdale - Southport Sparrows vs. Spring Park Bluebirds.

6:00 - 6:30 — Paperweights Exhibition — Sherwood Bulldogs vs. Canaries.

6:30 - 7:05 — Bantams Sherwood Battlers vs. Parkdale - Southport Bombers.

7:05 - 7:40 — Bantams Sherwood Condors vs. Parkdale - Southport Bluewings.

7:40 - 8:15 — Bantams QCHS Beavers vs. Panthers.

8:15 - 8:50 — Bantams Birchwood Bears vs. Tigers.

9:00 - 9:45 — Midgets Darts vs. Vics.

9:45 - 10:30 — Midgets Rangers vs. Canucks.

10:30 - 11:15 — Midgets Royals vs. Ramblers.

11:15 - — Midgets Bruins vs Leafs.

Note — Teams not listed in above schedule will be playing during the week. Players are asked to watch papers carefully.

The following referees are asked to report for officiating duties at times shown:—

7:00 - 9:00 Grant Crockett and Les Barnes.

9:00 - 11:00 Gary Cudmore and Ron Giggey.

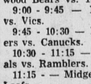
11:00 - 1:30 Bill Boyles and Lennie Arsenault.

5:00 - 7:05 Mike Fitzgerald and Joe Monaghan.

7:05 - 8:50 Knobby Walsh and Reg Profitt.

9:00 - 10:30 Roy White and Amos Gorveatt.

10:30 - Midnite — Dennis Flannagan and Knobby Walsh.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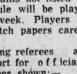


Tartans Top Moncton 5-2

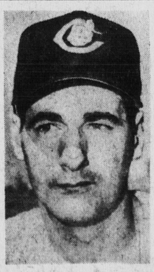
HALIFAX (CP) — Three former Amherst Rambler forwards, playing their first game with Halifax Tartans, took over here Thursday night scoring four out of their team's five goals to give Tartans a 5-2 victory over Moncton Beavers.

The trio, Moe Lamirande, Gilles Picard and Hartley Estabrooks, appeared on the same line when the team hit the ice for a regular Nova Scotia Senior Hockey League fixture.

After Halifax regular Hugh McGonigal scored the opening goal, the three former Ramblers took over. Lamirande scored twice and assisted twice, Picard potted one and got assists on two more and Estsbrooks scored once.

The three were signed by Tartans after Ramblers announced they were packing it up following a game in Moncton Wednesday night. The team had been plagued with financial troubles all season.

Moncton scorers were Alf Flanagan and Phil Doiron.



IS TRADED

Pitcher Ron Taylor, from Toronto suburb of Leaside, has been traded by American League Cleveland Indians to St. Louis Cardinals of the National League. Taylor started last season with the Indians but finished with Jacksonville Suns of International League.

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Dyson Inks Pact For Coaching Job

LONDON (CP)—Geoff Dyson signed a five - year contract Thursday with the Royal Canadian Legion to become its national coaching director.

The 48-year-old profesional coach will leave London Jan. 25 to start his campaign to make Canada the top sporting nation of the world.

"They can do it," he said as he signed a massive document with a borrowed pen in Canada House.

Dyson said he has been hamstrung in Britain because athletic officials are "wary" of professional coaches. His controversial career here culminated with his angry resignation last year from the position of national coach to the English Amateur Athletic Association.

He said he is not bitter, but looks forward to his Canadian position, where he will be "appreciated."

"British people understand sport and want to do well," he said. "But they should give coaches at the national level a square deal.'

Few or none of Britain's top athletic officials will attend Dyson's farewell dinner Jan. 17. He didn't say whether this symbolizes the final rupture, but suggested he would never return to British sport.

"A list of the guests has been submitted for my approval," he said. "I am making no further comment."

Canadian High Commissioner George Drew witnessed the contract signing.

"This will be good for Canada," Drew commented.

The Royal Canadian Legion appointed Dyson to lead their sports training plan.

Leafs And Canadiens Play Tie At Montreal

MONTREAL (CP) — Bernard Geoffrion's 12th goal of the season—a bullet shot after a sprint into the clear in the third period —gave Montreal Canadiens a 4-4 tie Thursday night with Toronto Maple Leafs.

The tie game, that became a rousing affair in the final period, left Leafs in third place, two points ahead of Canadiens in the National Hockey League standing.

Dick Duff scored two of the Leafs' goals and the others went to Frank Mahovlich—his 18th of the season—and Eddie Litzerberger.

Montreal's earlier goals came from Henri Richard, Gilles Tremblay—his 14th—and Bobby Rousseau.

The wide - open game, with some erratic shooting in the early stages, threatened to blow up in the third period when both teams tore in wildly in an effort to break the deadlock.

BIG M STARTS IT

The Leafs opened the scoring with Mahovlich's goal early in the first period but Richard tied the score before the end of the frame. The Leafs then took a 3-2 lead in the second and went ahead 4-3 in the third before Geoffrion's 12th goal of the season, at 14:15, settled the result as a draw.

On Canadiens' third goal, by Rousseau, Montreal goaltender Jacques Plante received an assist. It was the first scoring point picked up by a goaltender this season. Johnny Bower of the Leafs received one last season, the only goalie to do so.

Thursday, Bower was a little busier than Plante, making 29 saves compared to 24 by the Montreal netminder.

Tempers flared and late in the period Bobby Rousseau was cut over the right eye and across the nose by Carl Brewer's stick. Brewer was given a major penalty and in the final minute the Leafs iced the puck in desperation.

SUMMARY

First period: 1. Toronto, Mahovlich 18 (Litzenberger) 3:29; 2. Montreal, Richard 11 (J. C. Tremblay, Provost) 13:51. **Penalties**—Fontinato 2:42, G. Armstrong 10:35, Gauthier 14:30, Mahovlich 20:00.

Second period: 3. Toronto, Litzenberger 2 (Kelly, Stanley) 5:01; 4. Montreal, G. Tremblay 14 (Beliveau, Talbot) 17:08; 5. Toronto, Duff 7 (Keon, G. Armstrong) 18:50. **Penalty** — Montreal (too many men on ice, served by Moore) 10:13.

Third period: 6. Montreal, Rousseau 3 (Richard, Plante) 4:17; 7. Toronto, Duff 8 (Keon, Brewer) 6:35; 8. Montreal, Geoffrion 12 (Marshall, Backstrom) 14:15. **Penalties**—Horton 2:02, Brewer major 19:02.

Saves:

Bower	10	10	9—29
Plante	8	12	4—24

Forbie Sinks One In Boston Victory

DETROIT (CP)—Boston Bruins won their fourth game in 30 National Hockey League starts this season by edging Detroit Red Wings 5-3 Thursday night at Detroit.

The loss prevented the Wings from advancing into a first-place tie with idle Chicago Black Hawks, who have 37 points, two more than second-place Detroit. The victory, on the other hand, gave the Bruins 16 points, eight fewer than fifth-place New York Rangers, also idle tonight.

The Bruins came from behind a 1-0 deficit in the first period to take a 2-1 lead in the first 20 minutes. The Wings, however, tied the score with the only goal of the second. Boston again went ahead in the third only to have Detroit tie the score before the Bruins closed the scoring with two unanswered goals.

HOWE TAKES LEAD

Don McKenney, Tom Williams, Jerry Toppazzini, Charlie Burns and Charlottetown's Forbes Kennedy scored the Boston goals. Gordie Howe scored two of the Wings' goals, his 12th and 13th of the season and the two points moved him into the NHL individual scoring lead. The veteran right winter has 31 points, one more than Stan Mikita of the Chicago Black Hawks. Defenceman Bill Gadsby scored Detroit's third goal, his first of the season.

Ed Johnston, filling in for regular Bruin netminder Bob Perreault who is sidelined with an injury, performed brilliantly in the nets. He kicked out 38 Detroit drives. Terry Sawchuk, the Detroit goaltender, was credited with 20 saves.

First period: 1. Detroit, Howe 12 (MacDonald, Delvecchio) 1:16; 2. Boston, McKenney 10 (Mohns, Kennedy) 8:16; 3. Boston, Williams 9 (Bucyk) 10:00. **Penalties**—M. Pronovost 6:45, Kennnedy 17:47.

Second period: 4. Detroit, Howe 13 (Ullman) 16:59. **Penalties** — Young 8:10, Fonteyne 10:26. Westfall 16:50.

Third period: 5. Boston, Kennedy 3 (McKenney, Boivin) 9:23; 6. Detroit, Gadsby 1 (Ullman, Goegan) 13:57; 7. Boston, Toppazzini 5 (Burns, Hicks) 14:38; 8. Boston, Burns 2 (Mohns) 19:53. **Penalty** — 17:23.

Saves:

Johnston	14	11	13—38
Sawchuk	8	6	6—20

STANDINGS

By THE CANADIAN PRESS
National League

	W	L	T	F	A	Pt
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Chicago	15	9	7	83	71	37
Detroit	15	9	5	75	68	35
Toronto	15	10	4	97	78	34
Montreal	12	9	8	83	73	32
New York	10	16	4	90	96	24
Boston	4	18	8	79	121	16

Billy Home For Holiday

Charlottetown's Billy MacMillan, on Toronto Maple Leafs' protected list and now playing junior hockey in Toronto, is home to spend Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Stewart MacMillan, Alexander Drive.

Billy is nursing a charley horse which requires about ten days rest treatment. Last week he played a game in the EPHL with Sudbury Wolves where Murph Chamberlain is coaching. Early in the New Year, he will perform with Rochester.

Billy will be in Charlottetown until the first week in January.

Moundsman Badly Hurt

CLAYTON, N.J. (AP)—Edward C. Keegan, Philadelphia bonus pitcher, was seriously injured Wednesday night when his car went out of control and rammed a power pole.

The accident occurred on the Clayton-Williamstown road in this Gloucester County community.

Police said the 23-year-old Keegan's automobile ran about 140 feet along the grass bank before striking the pole.

BIG PARKS PLAN

The Ontario lands and forests department has plans to spend $200,000,000 on a 20-year- parks expansion plan.

SPORTS FRONT

By PIUS CALLAGHAN

Times Are Tough

IF A member of the Island Senior Hockey League started moaning to members of the Nova Scotia Senior Hockey League about poor attendances at hockey games, we don't think our Islander would receive too much sympathy. The boys on the mainland have loads of problems and ours in this province seem small in comparison.

Wednesday night at Windsor, 389 persons paid their way into the rink to watch New Glasgow Rangers edge the hometown Leafs. That's about 100 less than witnessed Royals beat Combines at The Sports Arena Tuesday. The Windsor club has payroll problems, something the teams in this league don't have to worry about.

We're wondering now if the boys in Windsor aren't kicking themselves for getting back in the NSSHL fold after last season's executive decided they had enough. The problems confronting the Windsor club were many but the new blood decided to give it a try.

Up to this point, the energetic group hasn't been getting too much co-operation from Windsor folks. The crowds have been small all season and the way the Leafs are going doesn't seem to indicate much of an increase in gate receipts.

So the boys over here need not cry too hard. We know it would be much nicer to have bigger crowds. However, their worries are small in comparison to those NSSHL operators who probably bit off more than they can chew.

Times are tough in the NSSHL.

Island League Vacation

THE ISLAND League takes a Christmas break and action will not resume until next Thursday night when RCAF Eagles come visiting at The Sports Arena, the guests of Sandy Frizzell's Parkdale Royals.

The last time we saw the Eagles in action here was when they were still in search of that first victory. Since then they have played a pair of games and won both of them, beating the Combines at Civic Stadium and drubbing the Penguins at the air base.

The Eagles may be minus a few players for their December 27 appearance because of Christmas levaes. However, with these two wins tucked away, the boys who will appear will have a new outlook on things. They have beaten two teams in the loop to date and they'd love to close out the year 1962 with a verdict over Sandy.

The Eagles should be decidedly popular from here on.

Hawks Aren't Flying

CHICAGO fans were giving a few boos in the general direction of their Black Hawks Wednesday night when they were playing the basement dwelling Bruins.

Milt Schmidt's listless outfit gave the league leaders a real scare before bowing 3-2. It took a goal by the great Stan Mikita in the closing minutes to give the Windy City crew the decision.

Chicago certainly hasn't been flying too high of late. Undoubtedly it's just a phase and things will get squared away shortly. The Hawks are certainly a better club than they've shown these past three games. They managed only one triumph in that time and that over a club that everybody takes delight in walloping. Hawks' decision over the Bruins was definitely no walloping and the Pilous crew just managed to emerge victorious.

The Hawks have Canadiens to deal with on Saturday and New York Rangers on Sunday. Both are away-from-home games and the Hawks will have their work cut out in these contests.

Both the Habs and Rangers will try their mightiest to throw Chicago for a couple more losses.

HUNTERS' CORNER

Christmases Of Yesteryear Are Recalled By Columnist

When this column appears in print Christmas will be four short days away. Christmas is a day set apart from all others. . ."Never a Christmas morning - Never the Old Year ends but Somebody thinks of Somebody - Old days, Old times, Old friends." In this present age of progress and space exploration, plus Atomic bombs, my thoughts on Christmas morning go back to days before the advent of cars, Radio, Television and what have you. I can visualize long tramps in a wonderland of snow clad spruce, along dark brooks meandering through alder swales. . .fox and mink tracks dotting the clean, white snow. . .Nature's Black Board to me. . .the beaten paths of rabbits through the thickets. . .blood stains in the snow where a fox or a Great Horned Owl had made a kill and dined during the previous night. . .

To add to the joy of the tramp I carried my trusty 10 guage double. On occasion the quiet of the winter woods would be shattered by a booming blast and a dense cloud of white smoke would drift away as I tried my skill on a white wraith flashing between the trees. Sometimes when the smoke cleared I would see a rabbit kicking in the snow. However, such a sight didn't happen often enough to become monotonous, and it was a two to one chance the fleeting ghost had outrun the shot charge. Nature's black board was well worth reading in those days. The feathery trails in the snow showed where Ruffed grouse had passed that way and the erratic dots made it plain that an ermine (Weasel) had been on the prowl. Blue Jays would scold at my intrusion of their domain, Chicadees would flit from branch to branch conversing with each other, in tones sweet and low, as they busily searched for their dinner. The hollow drumming of woodpeckers could be heard from all points of the compass as they dug out harmful insect life and tree boring grubs from the under the bark of trees or from rotting tree trunks and ram pikes.

TRAMP IN THE WOODS

A tramp in a winter woods in those days meant something. In this present age the average wood is as silent as a graveyard. Our swamps and woodlots no longer hum with the activity of Mother Nature's children. Gone also is the quiet festivity of Christmas. No jingle of sleigh bells or creek of sled runners on frosty snow in the moonlight as faithful old Dobbin drew a jaunting sleigh, buffalo robe draped over the back and another across the knees of a boy and girl, in all probability holding hands under its cover. Today they are more likely to be found doing 'The Twist' while jazz music shatters the ear drums in some Dance Hall or other place of amusement. The jingle jangle of sleigh bells making sweet music in the moonlight are replaced by the roar of 'souped up' high powered motors as some 'car jockey' tries to take the road from another.

I can recollect as well as if it were yesterday arriving home at high noon from such a woodland Christmas hunt and having my nostrils tickled with the tantalizing aroma of roast goose and plum pudding as I hung a half dozen rabbits in the wood shed. After dinner brother Art and I would repair to the mud pond so full our stomachs were drum tight and we had difficulty bending over as we fastened on our old fashioned spring skates. Christmas was one day when there was no limit put on how much we could stow away. I remember Art and I getting as far as the kitchen door and turning back for an extra mouthful or so of plum pudding. The early nineteen hundreds were good days with respect to the days we were then living in but they have gone never to return.

While we may reminisce upon the 'Good old Days' of the past none of us really want to return to them. However, lets keep our fingers crossed and pray that the so called scientific research of this present age will not react in the wrong direction and blow our Universe up in our faces. Materialism is fast getting the upper hand of a certain segment of people. Our Scientists are playing with fire at the moment, whether they fully realize this or not, and there is the danger of reaching the point of no return. We have one abiding hope in this age of uncertainty. . .there is a higher power than Khrushchev and his like sitting in the driver's seat. So with thisi happy thought in mind. . .Merry Christmas to all.

Curling Draw For Montague

Montague Curling schedule for Friday.

7 P.M.

Glen Murphy, M. Wigginton, D. Clarkson, G. Murphy vs. J. Cudmore, K. MacDonald. E. Poole and R. Mills.

9 P.M.

Leon Johnston, E. Shaw, G. Kennedy, J. McNeil vs. Crilly Lea, A. Robertson, F. MacDonald and Lorne Stewart.

SCOTTISH ISLANDS

The Hebrides are a group of about 500 islands off the northwest coast of Scotland, of which 100 are inhabited.