

SPORTS FRONT

Bunny Ahearne Is Interested

By JIM CULLEN

John Francis 'Bunny' Ahearne, President of the International Hockey Federation has written to Clarence Campbell, president of the National Hockey League, to confirm his interest in the commercial exploitation of NHL game films on European television.

This gesture on the part of Mr. Ahearne is equivalent of Fidel Castro applying to the United States for citizenship papers. The NHL will likely be polite in refusing to deal with Ahearne, but will probably point out he has shown little co-operation to them over the years and has made many critical remarks on Canadian hockey and the NHL in particular.



J. F. AHEARNE

Among the most recent examples of Ahearne's work has been the international rumpus concerning six NHL stars operating a hockey school in Innsbruck.

Larry Regan received permission from the Austria Ice Hockey Federation to install Terry Sawchuk, Gordie Howe, Tim Horton, Ron Stewart, Marcel Pronovost and Alex Delvecchio in Innsbruck once their Stanley Cup commitments were over.

Later after listening to Ahearne, the Austrian IHF recanted and barred Regan and his select six. Ahearne backed this up by barring NHL players from every amateur controlled rink in Europe. Consolation for Austria came swiftly in the award of the 1967 world hockey tournament.

Now Mr. Ahearne has come back and claimed that he hasn't got any authority to help Larry Regan even if he so desired. He claims: "the law that affects Regan's plan was adopted by a vote of the International Ice Hockey Federation."

John Francis Ahearne, a balding, blustering Irishman, now in his early sixties, first rowed publicly with Canada in Oslo in 1952, when an angry hockey delegate from this country swung a punch at him in a hotel lobby. Ahearne is reported to have kicked him in the stomach. Relations since then have continued to be cold and strained.

In European amateur hockey, he rules like a Czar, exerting remarkable control over the Russians and Czechs. His admirers say he has done a fantastic job of promoting the game of hockey in that continent, where he is regarded as a first class, though dictatorial, administrator.

One curious aspect about Ahearne's negotiations with the NHL is that, although hockey would be boosted before an audience of many millions, the gap between the NHL professionals and Europe's leading amateur players would also be high-lighted.

This was a risk, presumably, Ahearne was willing to take for the long term good of the game.

Tid Bits From Here And There

Warren Spahn, who will celebrate his 44th birthday today, posted his first victory as a New York Met in a 3-2 triumph over Los Angeles Dodgers Tuesday night. Spahn, gaining his 357th career victory, also reached the 2,500-strikeout plateau.

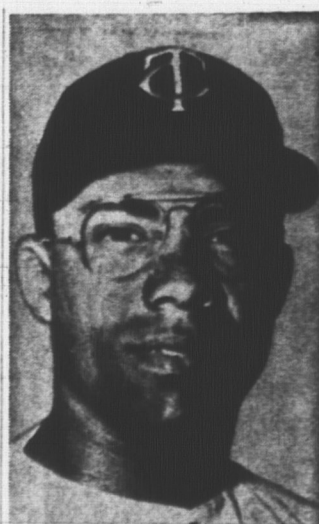
Joseph Durelle, father of Canadian Welterweight boxing champion Joey Durelle of Trois Rivieres, Quebec, died in hospital in Chatham, New Brunswick following a heart seizure. He was 78. Joey Durelle arrived in Chatham Wednesday by plane from Quebec to attend the funeral Friday at Baie Ste. Anne, N.B.

National Hockey League headquarters may be moved from Montreal to New York if a proposal by Stafford Smythe, president of Toronto Maple Leafs, is approved by the NHL board of governors. Smythe said in an interview that "since 20 of 26 professional teams in hockey come from the United States, I think the headquarters of the world's largest hockey organization should be in the world's largest city—New York City."

Golfer Ken Venturi said Wednesday he will be out of action at least five weeks while taking medication for treatment of a circulatory condition. Venturi, who has complained of numbness in his hands, said Mayo Clinic doctors told him it is caused by constriction of the small arteries in his hands. Doctors said no evidence of arterial disease was found elsewhere.

Twins Wallop New York 8-2

Tony Oliva smashed two home runs and Zoilo Versalles drove in three runs with a bases-loaded single and inside-the-park homer in support of Jim Kaat's five-hit pitching, paving the way for an 8-2 rout by Minnesota Twins over New York Yankees Thursday.



ZOILLO VERSALLES

It was the American league-leading Twins' fourth straight and fifth triumph in six games. Three of the victories have been over the Yankees who now have lost three in a row.

In another afternoon game Chicago Cubs edged Cincinnati Reds 3-2. Billy Williams' eighth-inning single drove in Glen Beckert with the run that gave the Cubs the victory over Cincinnati and knocked the Reds out of first place in the National League.

Kaat, a six-foot-four, 205-pound southpaw, struck out five, walked one and hit a batter as he recorded his second triumph without a defeat. His teammates backed him up with a 12-hit attack against four Yankee hurlers.

DOWNING YANKED EARLY Al Downing started for the Yankees but failed to get past the second inning. He was yanked for Roland Sheldon in the second after giving up four singles and a walk, good for three runs. His relief and Pedro Ramos were hammered for

Island Tourney Nearing Finish

The Island Snooker tournament being played jointly at the B and M pool hall in Summerside and Charlottetown's Mr. Cue is coming into the closing stages.

It is a double knock-out tournament and the following are the latest standings: Jack Brown, Ch'town 40; Keith Champion, S'Side 34; Allison Tulle, Ch'town 30; Bill Acorn Sr., Ch'town 4-1; John Kane, Ch'town 3-1; Earl Murphy, Ch'town 3-1; Vern Wedge, S'Side 3-1; Harry Wootton, Ch'town 2-1; Dave Hyndman, Ch'town 2-1; Hal Lader, Ch'town 2-1; Bob Walton, Ch'town 2-1; Jeff Rogers, Ch'town 2-1; Claire Harding, Ch'town 1-1; Buz Badin, S'Side. RCAF 1-1.

PROBABLE PITCHERS

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS Probable pitchers for today's major league baseball games, won-lost records in parenthesis: National League

Milwaukee Clojinger (1-1) at Chicago, Buhl (1-0) at Pittsburgh, Veale (1-0) at Houston, Bruce (1-1) (N), St. Louis, Gibson (1-0) at Cincinnati, Tsiouris (1-0) (N), Philadelphia Belinsky (0-1) at Los Angeles, Podres (0-0) (N), New York, Jackson (0-2) at San Francisco, Perry (1-1) (N). American League



STRETCHING THE POINT

Harmon Killebrew, Minnesota Twins first baseman, stretches for ball to get out on Yankee third baseman Cleve Boyer (6) in second inning yesterday at Yankee Stadium in New York. Boyer grounded to third baseman Rich Rollins to start play. Twins won, 8-2. (AP Wirephoto)

Colorful Hockey Veteran Feels Change Is Required

By WILLIAM NEVILLE

MONTREAL (CP)—Jacques Plante, the colorful veteran who has done much to revolutionize the art of goal-tending, says it's time the National Hockey League enlarged that piece of ice a goalie supposedly can call his own.

His wants a much bigger goal crease to protect netminders from the regular "beatings" he says they take.

"They should make the crease larger and legislate strongly against players who go in there," the New York Ranger goalie said in an interview while in Montreal to watch the Stanley Cup finals.

"The crease is private property, about the only place a goalie has any margin of safety. At least he's supposed to be safe, but we're taking more and more of a beating every season

and no one is getting penalized."

Plante, a perspicacious student of the finer points of hockey, made his comments after another veteran goalie, Toronto Maple Leafs' Johnny Bower, complained he wasn't safe any more in the crease. Bower said opposing forwards were constantly charging into his domain in search of rebounds without drawing penalties. "It's time something was done about this," he added.

Plante's solution: The crease, now measuring eight feet by four, should be 10 by six, adding one foot on each side of the net and two in front.

HUNTERS' CORNER

Best Catches At Morell In First Day's Action

The opening day of the trout fishing is now in the memory column and it has three categories—good, bad and indifferent with the bad carrying the vote over the good and indifferent combined. On the whole trout were in an un-cooperative mood. Some good catches were made at Morell a day or two after the opening morning. The best fishing was well up toward the headwaters of the river between Grant's and Mooney's. Some clouds indicated they were recent arrivals from salt water. The average weight was in the pound and a quarter class although some exceeded the two pound bracket.

I remember the first opening morning for trout after I returned from overseas. The date was 1929. I was working in Charlottetown at the time and came out on the Murray Harbour train on the night of March 31st. The place I had selected for my first morning's outing was a spruce bordered beaver dam about a mile and a half from home. I had to catch the train for the return trip to the city so I decided I had better go back after supper and cut the holes in the ice. I left with the axe over my shoulder and... a strip of beef, a section of trout line and a few hooks in my pocket.

I really did not know whether I would wet a line or not, but decided to have the where-with-all just in case I had a moment of weakness. Father was a strict disciplinarian wj respect to game law observance.

I found at least 14 inches of clear blue ice and by the time I had cut two holes the sun had vanished behind the spruce spires to the east and the winter dusk settled swiftly. My conscience gave me no trouble what-so-ever. I thought of the time from August 1914 and May 1915 while I dreamed of fishing through the ice. The war ended November 11th but I was with the Army of Occupation in Germany until late April. The night shadows were creeping across the dam when I hitched a blob of meat on a hook, took a few turns of the line across a gloved hand and lowered it in the first hole I had cut. For maybe a minute it hung stationary and then, as if caught in an invisible current it swung against the ice edge. For a few minutes I let it saw against the ice edge and then pulled a ten or 11 inch trout out on the ice. Two others, identical as triplets, followed the first.

I cleaned the trout on the QT and let mother in on the secret. Mother said: "Robbie doesn't come in from the barn chores and milking until eight o'clock. I'll put the trout in the pan at 7:30... he'll never know but what they were caught this morning. When I entered the kitchen at a quarter to eight the aroma of frying trout made my mouth water. Father came in from the barn on schedule and promptly took his place at the head of the table as usual and mother gave me a knowing smile that said, plainer than words, that we had put one over. That's what she thought. When she placed the delicious smelling trout in front of him he remarked: "I'll not have any trout this morning Margaret." He always called her Margaret when he was on his "dignity". Turning to me he said: "You can say your own Grace this morning Spudgin". He had a habit of cutting my name off pretty short whenever I crossed him. To date I have had no news with respect to the Cardigan Causeway. In some areas I understand that more salmon were caught than trout. There was a time when the trout season opened on April 1st and fishing through the ice was the usual way of 1st day angling.

CURLING DRAW

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

7 p.m. Ice 1 — D. O'Rourke, C. Bolger, G. Procter, L. Redmond vs. Dr. Giddings, D. Stewart, H. MacDougall, P. Redden.

Ice 2 — D. Cameron, D. LeClair, H. MacLennan, M. Deacon vs. B. Dillon, H. Love, S. Harper, C. Connors.

Ice 3 — Dr. MacDonald, M. Jardine, K. Myer, H. Rossiter vs. B. Ketch, S. Flemming, L. Turner, M. MacLean.

Ice 4 — A. Ballem, M. O'Rourke, J.S. Taylor, B. Brooks vs. H. MacInnes, J. Coady, B. Davis, B. Fraser.

Ice 5 — B. MacGregor, N. MacDonald, D. MacLean, J. Albert vs. P. O'Rourke, Marguerite Stewart, G. Brooks, J. Hall.

Ice 1 — B. LeClair, M. Toole, V. Fraser, E. Myers vs. G. Stewart, C. O'Rourke, A. MacNeill, Jo. Vautour.

Ice 2 — C. Flemming, H. MacKenzie, L. Bagnall, A. MacKinnon vs. K. Jenkins, M. Dockendorf, B. Partridge, P. Dalziel.

Ice 3 — C. Campbell, Liz MacDonald, B. Crockett, E. Bagnall vs. K. Dalziel, M. MacDonald, I. MacKinnon, G. Crockett.

Ice 4 — B. Acorn, I. Murray, G. Gallant, W. Robinson vs. T. Whitlock, K. Duffy, M. Pursey, E. MacInnes.

Ice 5 — A. MacDonald, F. Rossiter, P. Perry, L. Hennessey vs. Dr. Gallant, Helen MacDonald, G. Rodd, M. Dowling.

NOTE: If unable to curl, please get your own substitute.

Hawks Topple Canadiens To Narrow Montreal Lead

CHICAGO (CP)—A pair of third-period goals, one into an empty net, gave Chicago Black Hawks a 3-1 triumph over Montreal Canadiens in the third game of the best-of-seven Stanley Cup final series before a crowd of almost 20,000 here Thursday night.



KEN WHARRAM

The loss left the Canadiens with a 2-1 edge going into Sunday's fourth game here.

Ken Wharram and Chico Maki counted the third-period goals for the Hawks while Phil Esposito scored the other. Maki's goal was into an empty net in the final minute with Montreal goalie Gump Worsley on the bench for an extra attacker.

John Ferguson scored for the Canadiens, his third of the playoffs.

The clubs played to a scoreless deadlock in the first period and each scored a goal in the second. Wharram counted the winner early in the final 20 minutes and the Hawks held the slim margin until Maki tallied. Chicago was a far different team from the one which dropped the opening two games of the series in Montreal. They skated with the Canadiens, handed out solid body checks and were the aggressors for most of the game.

contain his linemates, Maki and Esposito. The Scooter line of Wharram, Stan Mikita and Doug Mohns wasn't too impressive during the contest, but Wharram, who missed the first two games with a twisted knee, made up for it with his goal.

The score might have been higher for both sides but for spectacular netminding by Chicago's Glenn Hall and Montreal's Worsley. The veteran Hall kicked out 22 shots to 25 by Worsley. Hall made big saves on Dick Duff in the opening period, Bobby Rousseau and Gord Berenson in the second and Rous-

seau again in the third. Worsley was brilliant on hard drives by Mohns, Pierre Pilote and Hull. The Hawks were up to full strength with the return of Wharram and Pilote, who also missed the first two games with a shoulder separation. Chicago was sharp from the opening face-off and continued to press the Canadiens, even when they had their 2-1 lead in the final 20 minutes.

First Period — No scoring. Penalties—Rousseau 7:23, Pilote 7:51, Ravlich 8:56, Provost 18:08. Second Period—1. Montreal, Ferguson 3 (J. C. Tremblay, Backstrom) 4:16; 2. Chicago, Esposito 3 (Maki, Pilote) 5:03. Penalties — MacNeil, Beliveau 11:46, Backstrom 17:02, Pilote 17:53. Third period — 3. Chicago, Wharram 2 (Mikita) 2:08; 4. Chicago, Maki (B. Hull, Esposito) 19:24. Penalties — Harris, Mikita 7:59; Larose 9:35; Richard, Harris, Mikita, Mohns 14:45; Harris, Ravlich, Nesterenko (minors) J. C. Tremblay (minor, misconduct) 19:37. Saves Worsley 9 7 9-25 Hall 5 12 5-22

Ch'ship Bout Goes Tonight

ROME (AP)—Two disputes involving a Mexican referee and the official examining doctor developed Thursday on the eve of tonight's world flyweight boxing title bout between champion Pone Kinpetch of Thailand and challenger Salvatore Burrini of Italy.

It was thought that the final big hurdle had been cleared after three postponements and much letter writing when a neutral referee, Ramon Rberuman, was agreed upon by both parties.

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Bunny Ahearne States Opinion

By ROD CURRIE

LONDON (CP)—John F. 'Bunny' Ahearne, president of the International Ice Hockey Federation, says he's willing to bet the International Olympic Committee will grant "full recognition" to East Germany this year.

Such a turn of events could bring havoc to plans for the 1968 Winter Olympics scheduled for Grenoble, France, and could conceivably force the IOC to find a new site for the games.

Ahearne, who attended last week's IOC meeting in Lausanne, Switzerland, said in an interview Thursday that the matter will come up again at the Olympic meeting in Madrid in October and "I have a very strong feeling" East Germany will get the nod.

In recent Olympics, East and West Germany have been represented by a combined team, thus getting around the ban on travel by East German teams to NATO countries.

In the past, France, a NATO member, has admitted only those East Germans given travel permission by the allied travel bureau in West Berlin.

This is of course usually grants visas to individual athletes—such as the two East German skaters who competed in the world championships in the United States this year -- but not to teams.

UPSET BID This practice was one of the factors upsetting Canada's bid for the 1967 world hockey championships, since the IIHF already recognizes both East and West Germany and there was the possibility that as a host, Canada, would have to bar the East Germans.

Canada proposed to solve the problem by splitting the tournament — holding the championships in Canada and the "B" round in Europe—but the IIHF voted to give the games to Austria, where there would be no such problem.

Ahearne said he did not want to speculate on what possible alternative arrangements might be made until after a decision is taken at the Madrid meeting.

But if France refused to guarantee entry to the East German hockey team, or it was decided to hold the games somewhere other than France, then the IIHF would have to reconsider its position at the next congress meeting in September.

Of the four countries bidding against France for the 1968 games — Canada, U.S., Norway and Japan — only Japan is a non-NATO country.

BASEBALL SCORES

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