

Hoop Clinic Points Way

By CHRIS ANNETT

There seems to be a tendency in any sport that the better officiating the better the calibre of game the fans get to see and Provincial basketball officials are doing their best to see that the standard of refereeing on the Island is the best possible.

Twenty-one interested referees and coaches from the length and breadth of the province journeyed to Charlottetown over the weekend to attend a refereeing clinic conducted by Mr. Austin Matthews and according to the Provincial Intercollegiate Referee-in-Chief, Jim Fox, the two day affair was an unqualified success.

A "comprehensive outline of rule interpretation and new rule changes" was the main concern of the delegates at the clinic and by means of discussion groups, a film, floor tests and written exams Mr. Matthews pointed out essential aspects of the rules to the group.

Consistency is the main problem in the refereeing of any sport and Mr. Fox expressed the hope that after having attended the clinic the provincial referees would work conscientiously to see that the consistency of their work reaches a fairly stable level. Refereeing is the same as any other work in that emotions are involved. Whether a ref realizes it or not, some of the calls he makes, or does not make, are based on some past experience or subconscious mental trait. For example if he had previously played guard for a basketball team it could very well be that he subconsciously gives the guards a little leeway. Mind you a ref does not do this on purpose but he sometimes does.

When one comes right down to it it is not the rules that are at fault in any sport but the interpretation of them by the officials in charge of a game, and if they do not handle them correctly then it is the players and the standard of play which will suffer. Often a basketball ref makes a call and then later seems to let the same infraction or a lesser one go unchallenged. This is inconsistency.

Those who attended the clinic also were given instruction in how to keep the tempo of a game at a standard pace instead of letting it lag as so often happens. Often on an out of bounds ball one sees the referee wait until players are set to go BUT this is not the correct procedure. The nearest official should immediately on seeing the ball go out of bounds get the ball back into play. Another instance where refs sometimes fall down is on foul shots. It is not unusual to see a player waiting for the ref to come and give him the ball after a foul but the ref should be there before the player. Small things like these speed up a ball game and make for much more interesting watching.

Mr. Fox disclosed that a list of all qualified referees in the province will be drawn up early in the new year after they have attended further informal meetings to clarify rules. It is about time that some serious attempt is being made to form a top notch refereeing corps on the Island. There is no problem to get a hockey referee on the Island but in the past, when it came to getting a qualified hoop ref, there were always difficulties. Perhaps the time has come when that situation is to be alleviated.

STUDIES COME FIRST

Intercollegiate sport in Canada is a growing concern as witnessed by the recent meeting of athletic representatives of the universities in the Ottawa-St. Lawrence Intercollegiate loop. However the colleges still feel the studies comes first for they reaffirmed a stand against athletic scholarships of any kind. They feel that no player should be allowed to receive pay or remuneration of any kind in recognition of his athletic prowess. In other happenings St. Pats College of Ottawa announced its intentions to ice a hockey team and College Militaire Royal disclosed plans to enter a basketball team in the league. This will mark the first time that all ten teams in the conference will be involved in a major sport.

The colleges also decided to limit their five year participation rule to five academic years but this will not have as much effect on the teams as it would on clubs such as McGill and Queens whose rosters are loaded with doctors, dentists and engineers who have seven years to play.

Other schools in the conference are Carleton University and University of Ottawa, both of Ottawa; Sir George Williams University, Macdonald College and Loyola, all of Montreal; University of Sherbrooke, and Bishop's, both of Sherbrooke, Que., and Royal Military College, Kingston.

RAMBUNGS

Former University of Southern California football star Mike McKeever remained in a coma today but was reported "very slightly improved" from his auto accident injuries. Spokesman at Long Beach Memorial Hospital said McKeever's condition remains critical. He has not regained consciousness since the accident 10 days ago. Last week he underwent surgery for blood clots of the brain.

Retzlaff, Nobis Honored

Retzlaff as the pro player of the year, and Nobis as the outstanding college star.

A 10-year veteran of the National Football League, Retzlaff is having his greatest season with 65 pass receptions for 1,171 yards and 10 touchdowns. He is second to Dave Parks, San Francisco '49er's receiver, in the latest NFL statistics.

Nobis played guard on offense and linebacker on defense for Texas Longhorns and signed Tuesday with the Atlanta Falcons of the NFL. He was a first draft choice in both the NFL and American Football League.

Rural Hockey

The following are the results of Rural Minor Hockey play. PAPERWEIGHT RESULTS: Blain - Lawrence LeBlanc, Jackie Coyle, David Carraghan (2), Aces 0.

FORUM SKATING TODAY

2:00 - 3:00 Pre-School Children (25c per family) Also Skating 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. Children 15c Adults 25c

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HE WAS THE GREATEST

Heavyweight champion Cassius Clay posts bond in a south side Chicago police station yesterday after he was charged with disorderly conduct following a traffic arrest. The man accompanying Clay is unidentified. Ironically, Clay yesterday was selected Fighter of the Year by the Boxing Writers Association and will receive that group's Edward J. Neil Award Jan. 16 in New York. (AP Wirephoto)

Boston's Ronnie Stewart Uses His Sense Of Humor

By JERRY GLADMAN Canadian Press Staffwriter

Not too long ago right winger Ron Stewart asked a newspaper man to write something about him in his column "so my mother will know I'm still with the team."

But that was during the years when Toronto Maple Leafs were the power of the National Hockey League and could afford to keep a player of Stewart's ability on the bench. Following Toronto's fourth-place finish last year, the club began to make changes and, one of the first to go was the 33-year-old native of Calgary. He was traded to Boston Bruins for penalty-killing specialist Orlando Kurtenbach.

Stewart no longer sits on the bench, but with the Bruins engaged in one of their more dismal seasons and currently riding an eight-game winless streak, he would probably feel better if his mother paid a little less attention to the sports pages.

Stewart and the Bruins visit Chicago Black Hawks tonight in one of two games scheduled. The other has Toronto Maple Leafs playing host to Detroit Red Wings Thursday's action has Toronto visiting Montreal Canadiens and Boston at Detroit.

WASNT SPECTACULAR Stewart, a six-foot, 182-pounder, was never a super star during his 13-year career with the Leafs. His goal production each season usually hovered around the 15-mark and only once did he score more than 20—in the 1958-59 season he had 21. But Stewart is a solid, all-round hockey player who always gives it his best. Coach Punch Imlach must have had his reasons for keeping him on the bench and he knew that when he did remove Stewart's shackles, the latter would go out on the ice and do the "job. Imlach especially liked to employ Stewart as a defensive specialist guarding against such stars as Bobby Hull of the Hawks or Ted Lindsay of the Wings. In these situations, Stewart sometimes used his wit as a weapon. Against Hull, he skated over to the faceoff circle, leaned over to the Chicago left winger and said: "I see they've got you checking me."

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Russian National Pucksters Shade Ont. Dream Team

By JIM CRERAR TORONTO (CP) — Russia's touring national hockey team spotted a team of Ontario Hockey Association junior A all-stars a 3-1 lead in the first period and then bounced back for a 4-3 victory before 14,886 fans Tuesday night.

The victory was Russia's third in a row in their eight-game Canadian tour. They defeated Canada's National team 4-0 and 6-6 in their first two contests. Conditioning paid off for the Russians after the OHA team went ahead in the first period on goals by Ted Shell of Niagara Falls Flyers and Danny Grant and Andre Lacroix of Peterborough Petes.

Boris Malrov, Anatole Firsov, Vyacheslav Starshinov and Konstantin Loktev scored for the Russians. Loktev got the winning goal at 7:59 of the third period from a goalmouth scramble after Starshinov tied the game by scoring on a rebound three minutes and 59 seconds earlier.

MEET MONTREAL The Russians play their fourth game tonight in Montreal against the Montreal Junior Canadiens, who will be bolstered by graduate players, among them goaltender Jacques Plante. Plante retired after last season, ending a National Hockey League career with Montreal Canadiens and New York Rangers.

Malrov put the Russians ahead 1-0 at 1:44 of the first period. But the OHA team used a popular European tactic of carrying the puck into the opposing zone and working in

close to score three successive goals. Snell got the first when he broke in on Russian goalie Victor Konovalenko, who played the entire game. Coming in on the net with Snell was defence star Bobby Orr of Oshawa Generals who laid a perfect pass across to the Niagara Falls player for the goal at 3:10.

Grant made it 2-1 at 6:37 when he banged in Lacroix's rebound and Lacroix, the top scorer in the OHA Junior A series with 16 goals and 37 assists, tipped in Grant's drive at 16:01 to put the Canadian team ahead 3-1.

LINEUPS Russia: Goal — Konovalenko, Zinger, Defence — Davydov, Zaitsev, Romishevsky, Ragulin, Brezhnev, Kuzin, Forwards — Loktev, Alexandrov, Almetov, Malrov, Firsov, Yakushev, Yuzhinov, Starshinov, Striganov. Junior All-Stars: Goal — Bamford, Defence — Orr, Glennie, Savard, McKenny, Dunville, Forwards — Meehan, O'Shea, Osborne, Keon, Watson, Corrigan, Snell, Byers, Sanderson, Clarke, Lacroix, Grant.

Referees — Bob Naden, Blair Graham. SUMMARY First period—1. Russia, Malrov (Firsov, Starshinov) 1-44; 2. OHA All-Stars, Snell (Orr, Clarke) 3-10; 3. OHA All-Stars, Grant (Lacroix, Savard) 6-37; 4. OHA All-Stars, Lacroix (Grant) 16-01. Penalties—Sanderson 4:25, Starshinov 10:04, Brezhnev 13:51, Osborne 16:05. Second period — 5. Firsov (Malrov, Starshinov) 5-35; Penalties — Yakushev 1:59, Firsov, O'Shea 12:29, Starshinov 12:56, Brezhnev 16:02. Third period—6. Russia, Starshinov (Firsov, Malrov) 4-00; 7. Russia, Loktev (Alexandrov, Almetov) 7-59. Penalties—Watson 12:36, Kuzin 15:05, Clarke 18:26.

Shots on goal by: Russia 8 10 8-30

Jack Nicklaus Faces Situation NEW YORK (AP) — Jack Nicklaus, has to go back to school if he hopes to make the 1967 Ryder Cup team, and even that may not be enough. This has been dictated by the Professional Golfers Association which runs the multi-million-dollar professional tournament circuit.

Under the PGA's complicated membership requirements, a player can't become a bona fide member until he has served five years apprenticeship. But the rules provide that a player will be considered to have served one full year of tournament service for each week of attendance at one of the PGA's professional business schools.

Only official PGA members may play on the Ryder Cup team which meets Britain's best golfers every two years. Nicklaus hasn't qualified yet, although he's won virtually every major tournament and been leading money winner for the past two years.

Nicklaus was given official tournament status Dec. 28, 1961, six weeks after he turned professional. On Dec. 28, Nicklaus still will have completed four years of tournament service — one less than the five years required for official PGA membership.

REMEMBER WHEN Professional hockey made its debut in New York 40 years ago tonight—in 1925—and 19,000 fans watched Montreal Canadiens of the National Hockey League defeat New York Americans 3-1. The other New York club, the Rangers, was founded the following year.

Bill Casper Is Honored PALM BEACH GARDENS, Fla. (AP)—Billy Casper was named 1965 Vardon Trophy winner Tuesday by the U.S. Professional Golfers Association. Casper averaged 70.58 strokes per 18-hole round in 111 outings on the PGA tour to win the contract with the Browns as vice president. He still draws a salary and the contract has a one over three years to run.

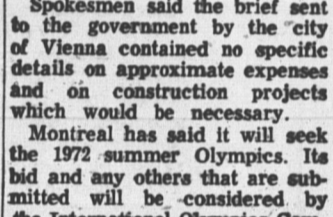
Paul Brown Seeks Club For Cincy CINCINNATI, Ohio (AP)—Football coach Paul Brown said Tuesday he is working to bring a National Football League team to Cincinnati, and if successful, he would be its coach. Brown made his announcement at a luncheon of 125 civic and business leaders called by Governor James A. Rhodes to boost plans for a new stadium.

Brown has not had an active football job since Jan. 9, 1963, when he was fired as general manager and coach of Cleveland Browns by Art Modell, who took over the NFL club. Brown, however, remained under contract with the Browns as vice president. He still draws a salary and the contract has a one over three years to run.

Vienna Must Drop Bid From agency France-press- VIENNA (CP)—Vienna will have to drop out of the running for the right to stage the 1972 summer Olympic Games. This decision resulted from a meeting Monday of the Austrian cabinet which examined the financial problems. Spokesmen said the brief sent to the government by the city of Vienna contained no specific details on approximate expenses and on construction projects which would be necessary.

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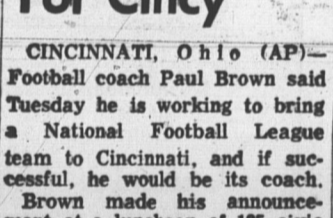
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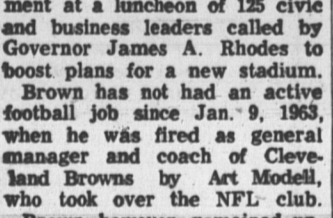
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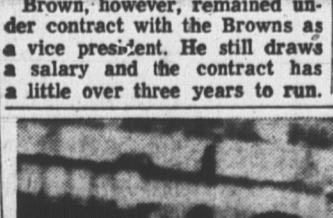
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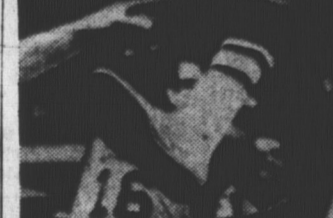
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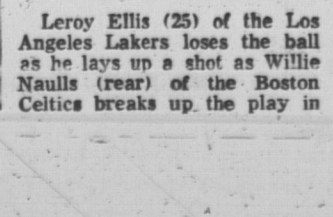
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TAKE THAT Leroy Ellis (25) of the Los Angeles Lakers loses the ball as he lays up a shot as Willie Naulls (rear) of the Boston Celtics breaks up the play in the second period of their National Basketball Assn. game at Boston Garden. In on the play are Tom Sanders (left) and Don Nelson (right) both of the Celtics and Rudy LaRusso (second from right) of the Los Angeles Lakers. Boston won 108 to 106. (AP Wirephoto)