

Sports

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Prince Co. Sport Echoes

Looking For Big Crowd At Bruins-Beavers Tilt Tonight

Congratulations are due Herb Schurman and his Summerville Lions for bringing to our town an event the like of which we have never had in Prince County before. We refer to the exhibition game played at Civic Stadium tonight between the Boston Bruins, hottest team in the N.H.L. when the league closed, and Saint John Beavers champions of the Atlantic Coast League this spring. The sponsors of this game have been assured that the Bruins are bringing a full team to the game, although Miss Schmidt will not be able to accompany his boys.

It will be good to see Vip Palladino, Wally Kullman, and the Island boy Nick Nicolle, in action. Playing against a team of the caliber of the Beavers, the smooth attack of the Bruins will actually show up better than if Boston were pitted against another NHL team. Fans had remarked on this when the Rangers played the Islanders in Charlottetown a couple of years ago. We predict that the argument as to how many cash customers Civic Stadium will hold will be settled once and for all tonight as the building will surely be jam-packed for this occasion.

The privilege of seeing Terry Sawchuck kicking out goals at the Stadium is enough to bring many fans to see this contest. As everyone knows, Sawchuck is one of the world's best and it will be a rare treat to see him in action. Also the opportunity of seeing such world-renowned fellows as Leo Labine, Real Chevrefils, Toppazzini and the Summerville ice cream parlorium will make it a night many died-in-the-wool Prince County hockey fans to remain at home on such a memorable evening.

Fernie Flaiman, the old Toronto Maple Leaf defenceman, who is a specialist for shooting N.H.L. forwards of all sizes to the ice, will also be present, as will Pierson McKenney and all other Boston boys who took two straight games from the Canadiens in the last week of play.

FATALLY STABBED

MONTREAL (CP) — A 40-year-old resident of a midtown rooming house was fatally stabbed Friday night and police said they are holding a 70-year-old janitor of the building as a material witness. The victim, Marcel Martel died shortly after he was given last rites by a priest at his home.

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SHULTON Toronto

QUEEN ; HORSE COLLAPSES

E.S.B. Cops Steeplechase

By STERLING SLAPPEY
AINTREE, Eng. (AP) — Queen Mother Elizabeth's Devon Loch, unning three lengths ahead with only 40 yards to go, collapsed in exhaustion and E. S. B. rocketed to win the most sensational Grand National steeplechase in living memory Saturday.

Only a collapse or sudden death could have stopped Devon Loch from becoming the first royal horse in 86 years to finish first in racing's toughest steeplechase. He had taken the final jump boldly and surely, and all that remained was a flat run in to the finish.

But he came apart, sinking to his knees, a spent and floundering horse, even as the mass of 200,000 people began shouting "To the Queen!"

OLDEST HORSE THIRD

E. S. B. came rushing by. Then Gentle Moya flashed past to take second place. Royal Tan, the 1954 winner and at 12 the oldest horse in the race, cut in on the outside of the scrambling Devon

Loch to place third. Eagle Lodge was fourth.

The nearest thing to a finish like this was in 1936 when hockey Lord Mildmay's bride snapped in his hand with victory in sight, and his horse Davy ran off the course, only a few yards from the spot where Saturday's mishap occurred.

Only nine of the 29 starters finished the gruelling 4 1/2-mile race over 30 obstacles. Key Royal was fifth. Martique sixth. Carey's Cottage seventh. Clearing Eighth and Wild Wisdom last.

The Queen, Queen Mother and

Princess Margaret, who watched the race from the royal box, were on the point of congratulating one another when Devon Loch stumbled. Their elation turned to disappointment.

SHRUGS HER SHOULDERS

The Queen Mother slowly lowered her glasses, turned to her daughters with a faint smile and shrugged her shoulders. The Queen shook her head while the Princess Royal kept repeating "Oh no! Oh no!"

Ms. Leonard Carver, the winning owner, said she had been resigned to second place when Devon Loch collapsed.

"I couldn't believe my eyes when Devon Loch suddenly stopped as I was cheering him, well content that my horse was second to the Queen Mother," she said. "It was a great thrill, but I cannot help feeling terribly sorry for the Queen Mother."

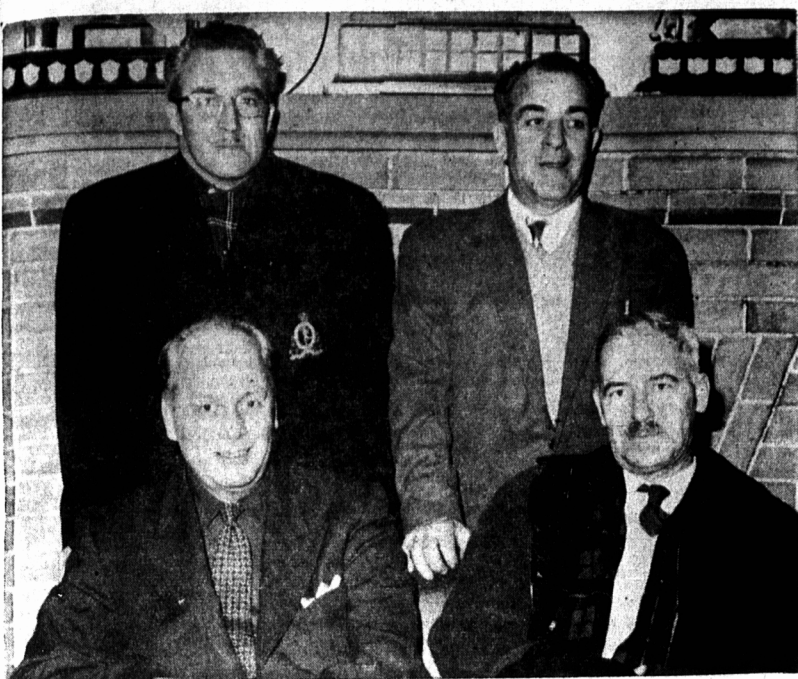
Winning trainer Fred Rimmel said "It was a tragedy for the Queen Mother."

Hampshire And Cavendish Tie

Hampshire Bulldogs and Cavendish played a fast game of hockey at Kensington Rink Saturday night before a large crowd of fans. The game ended in a 6-all tie.

Johnson scored three of Hampshire's goals, while W. Stewart, Watts and Newsome each netted one.

Three Cavendish goals were scored by Vernon Simpson and one each by Moore, Houston and Dougart.



CONFEDERATION RUNNER-UP

Above is the Charlottetown rink foursome. This above quartet lost out in a close 10-9 eleven-end battle. The pair in front are (l-r) Frank Bonspiel and Cliff MacDonald's Curtis (skip) and E.K. McNutt.

LINDSAY SCORES IN OVERTIME

Wings Whip Toronto 5-4 For Third Straight Win

By GERRY LOUGHEED Canadian Press Staff Writer

TORONTO (CP) — Detroit Red Wings, a great squad of comeback artists, scored three goals in the third period Saturday night to send the game into overtime and then added another after only four minutes of extra play to down Toronto Maple Leafs 5-4 in the third game of their Stanley Cup semi-final series.

The victory, Detroit's 10th straight in playoff competition with Toronto stretching over three seasons, gave them a 3-0 lead in the best-of-seven series and established the defending Stanley Cup champions as odds-on favorites to wind up the set here Tuesday night in the fourth game.

Fiery little Ted Lindsay, who almost turned out to be the goat, emerged as the hero for Detroit. Maple Leafs counted two goals while he was serving penalties but Lindsay got revenge by tying the score about six minutes from the end of regulation time and then winning the game soon after the sudden-death overtime session began.

AHEAD AT FIRST
Maple Leafs, who collapsed under third-period outbursts by the Wings in the first two games at Detroit, held a good margin of the play during the first two periods here.

They outlasted and outshot Detroit for a 2-1 edge at the end of the first period and tallied the only goal of the second frame for what seemed a comfortable lead. Leafs treated the 13,366 fans to a versatile display as they scored once while the teams were at full strength, added another while Lindsay was serving time and even counted while Toronto centre Rudy Migay was off for hooking.

But they ran out of steam in the third period as Wings rang up three goals to but one reply by Maple Leafs.

George Armstrong, big right winger shifted to centre by the injury of 37-goal man Tod Sloan, scored two of the Toronto tallies and utility centre Brian Cullen and rookie right winger Gerry James got the others.

NO INCIDENTS

defenceman Red Kelly and right wingers Metro Prystai and Gordie

Howe hauled the Wings to within a 4-3 lead by the Leafs before Lindsay, a buzz saw on skates, took over.

An anonymous caller telephoned a Toronto newspaper Saturday morning that Howe and Lindsay would be shot if they played that night but there were no incidents at the game.

SUMMARY

First period: 1. Toronto, Armstrong (Duff, Hurst) 2:29; 2. Detroit, Kelly (Ullman) 12:27; Toronto, Cullen (Reaume, Armstrong) 16:3; Penalties: James 4:22, Pronovost 5:40, Ferguson 8:54, Migay 1:25, Lindsay 15:08.

Second period: 4. Toronto, James 12:20; Penalties: Pavelich 1:05, Harris 4:30 and 10:26, Migay 12:46, Hannigan 18:59.

Third period: 5. Detroit, Prystai 2:46; 6. Toronto, Armstrong (Duff, Bolton) 7:40; 7. Detroit, Howe (Kelly, Hillman) 9:11; 8. Detroit, Lindsay (Reibel, Goldham) 14:25; Penalty: Lindsay 5:58.

Overtime: 9. Detroit, Lindsay (Goldham, Howe) 4:22. No penalties.

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OLMSTEAD SCORES TWICE

Habs Dump Rangers 3-1

By AL COLLETTI Canadian Press Staff Writer

NEW YORK (CP) — Montreal Canadiens, a honey of a team pounced on two golden opportunities Saturday night to score the two goals that made all the difference as the National Hockey League champions won the third game of the semi-final playoffs from New York Rangers 3-1.

So strong were the Canadiens' defences, that Jacques Plante, the Vesina Trophy winner, had to make only nine saves, most of them the ordinary variety. In the second period, he didn't handle a single Ranger shot.

Untracking themselves from last Thursday night's loss to the Rangers in Montreal, Canadiens were an extremely smooth-functioning club on the smaller Madison Square Garden ice, where they were able to win only one game during the regular season.

Heatherdale Cops 8-3 Win Sat.

The Heatherdale hockey team stayed in the semi-final fight for the Brian trophy when they defeated the Murray Harbour North squad 8-3 in the third game of the series at Montague rink Saturday night. Murray Harbour north won the first two games and one more win will send them into the playoffs with Murray River who presently hold the trophy.

The same two teams will meet again tonight and should Heatherdale win, it will make another game necessary to decide a winner. It is expected that the semi-final series will be completed this week and the finals will get underway the latter part of this week or early next week.

New Annan Wins League Crown

New Annan won the R.S. Humphrey trophy Tuesday evening at Kensington rink, emblematic of the North Shore League championship, after defeating Spring Valley by a score of 7 to 5. The presentation was made following the game by Isaac Walker. New Annan won the league championship by defeating the Spring Valley Club 3 games to 1. For New Annan Walker netted 3 goals, Schurman 2, and E. Wall 2. For Spring Valley B. Spring Valley B. Cole, picked up 2 goals and C. Cole, Harding and Gadsbury 1 each. Chet Champion handled the whistle and dished out only three penalties.

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