

SPORT ECHOES

'IF' Factors Enter Scene

By NORMAN MacDONALD

Last week we went out on a limb to predict that the Borden Nationals would take the Pope Motors Aces like Dewey took Manila. Now this was very unprofessional. The best prophets always insert a few 'ifs' to prevent the total collapse of their reputations should worse come to worse. We hasten to insert the 'ifs': (1) Gerald Cutcliffe, who is about to become a benefactor, does not lose all interest in hockey, as has been predicted. (2) If Charlie Sark, who has been plagued with an injury, does decide to call it quits. (3) If Donnie MacWilliams, coming to the crossroads, doesn't lose his bearings because of a ground drift or some other misleading factor, and go to Charlottetown instead of Borden or Summerside, wherever the game is played. He's done that twice already. (4) If Dave MacLeod doesn't keep getting better and better. He must have reached his peak by now, but those shirt awards he's been winning may spur him on to even greater efforts. A contemporary sports scribe has threatened to resort to poetry to bring us to task for this prediction. Now Jim's making into verse would be a big enough catastrophe without compounding the felony by attacking us. So we're hoping these 'ifs' will help a little.

ed before. By the way, the legitimate "hat trick" is three goals scored by a player, with any goals scored by any player in between. This is a very rare occurrence indeed, but Dick Duff managed it on Saturday night. In our last column we advised bettors to bet dollars to dozens on Doug Cameron's rink to win the British Consols competition. We hope no one has gone bankrupt on account of this. You just never can tell, can you? It wasn't exactly an underdog who won however, as Art Burke came out on top in the Summerside Curling Club only a few years ago. He had a brand new team with him this time, however, and he and his cohorts deserve a lot of credit for their surprise win. One of the semifinals and the final didn't exactly keep the spectators on the edge of their seats, lopsided scores and early concessions occurring in each case. Curling is unique, or almost unique, in this business of conceding victory. Sometimes in boxing, a second will throw in the towel if his man is getting the daylight belted out of him, but in baseball, hockey, soccer, and tidily winks they carry on to the bitter end. Even in golf they stop only when it is mathematically impossible for the loser to catch up. In curling this would mean 25 points behind and three ends to go, for one example. Well, concessions have their good points too. It's pretty boring sometimes to watch a third period in hockey with the score 10-1.

Speaking of Donnie MacWilliams, he's had four consecutive "hat tricks" at C.I.E. Stadium. Get the old scraps books open. Mr. Realm of Sport, see if you can find whether that has ever happened before.

Rogers Rangers To Host S' side

Some of the foremost junior hockey players in Charlottetown, under the alias of Rangers will meet an angry young band of Summerside Junior Legionnaires in the first game of the Prince Edward Island Junior playoffs tonight at the Charlottetown Forum.

The Legionnaires were eliminated from the Prince Edward Island playoffs yesterday by the Borden Nationals, whom they had beaten three times during the season. The Legionnaires have suffered somewhat by the loss of several key players during the season but they still have plenty of big guns to aid their cause. Rugged Gerald Smith headlines a hard hitting blue line corps that managed to hold its own in the rugged competition in the PCHL, and a batch of speedy forwards give the Legion plenty of scoring power as well as a name of being one of the hardest hitting teams in the Maritimes. Richard Perry, Richard Gallant, Danny MacNeill, Keir Aresnault, Lynn Foley, Eugene Bernard, Whit Muttart, all have proved themselves capable of playing in intermediate competition and it should be a pleasure to see them in action. Acrobatic Tim McGuigan will be between the pipes and is bound to give the western club a good performance.

However the contest is not going to be one sided by any means for the Ranger coaching duo of Hawk Larzer and Spy Ready have lined up a potent team of their own. Barry Ellis of the Charlottetown and District league leading PWC club will be in the nets and he will get plenty of protection from defensive stalwarts such as Wayne MacDougall, Errol Taylor, Doug Murnaghan and Lincoln MacKenzie.

The locals also pack a potent scoring attack with offensive whizzes such as Tuppy Rogers, Jamie Kennedy, Gus Houston, Cy MacDonald, Cecil MacDonald, John Irwin, Mike MacDonald and Tex MacDonald all occupying prominent positions in



TUPPY ROGERS is the local league's scoring race. He should be a real humdinger so plan to be on hand in the Forum tonight.

RACING

BRISBANE, Australia (AP)—Graham Hill, of England, former world motor racing champion, won the Australian Grand Prix over 99 miles at Lakeside circuit near here Sunday. Hill, who started from the front position in the 15-car field, saw his main opponent, Jackie Stewart of Scotland, forced out of the race with gear box trouble after 50 miles. World champion Jim Clark of Scotland was surprisingly beaten out of second place in the fourth-last lap by Australian Frank Gardner.

BASKETBALL

By THE CANADIAN PRESS SATURDAY National Association Boston 115 Los Angeles 111 Cincinnati 143 New York 124 Philadelphia 123 San Francisco 119



A HAPPY WINNER

Miss Nancy Greene (Canada) received the gold medal for winning the women's giant slalom, Saturday, in the du Maurier International 1966 ski races at Mont Ste. Anne, Que. L.E. Richard, vice-president of Peter Jackson Tobaccos Ltd., makes here the presentation to Miss Greene with second-place finished Christi Haas (Austria) at LEFT and Heidi Zimmerman (Austria) who finished third, at RIGHT. (CP Wirephoto)

Black Hawks Retain 1st; Canadiens, Wings Win

CHICAGO (AP)—Chicago Black Hawks maintained their two-point hold on first place in the National Hockey League and Bobby Hull scored his 47th goal of the year Sunday night in a 5-1 victory over Boston Bruins. By gaining their 29th victory of the year, the Hawks held their edge over Montreal Canadiens, who beat New York Rangers 5-3.

Hull now has 17 games in which to break the 50-goal record he shares with former Montreal star Maurice Richard and Bernie Goeffion. Boston outshot Hawks 36-27 but was unable to dent Chicago goalie Glenn Hall until the final two minutes, when Bob Dillabough took passes from Ed Westfall and Tom Williams and scored at 15:09.

Hull's goal came midway in the final period. He was stationed just outside the Boston crease when Stan Mikita's pass from the corner hit him high on the body and dropped to the ice at his feet. He merely had to jam the disc into the open corner of the cage. Chico Maki scored all the Chicago goals needed in the first period, and Ken Wharram netted the second period's only marker.

Bruins, meanwhile, were frustrated by Hull's brilliant work, particularly in the second period, when he stopped Pit Martin twice with dazzling moves. The Hawks' other goal was scored by Eric Nesterenko early in the last period.

Successful Meet At North River

A large crowd of people braved sub-zero weather for a fine race card Saturday afternoon. The fastest time of the day was Orowann learned by W. MacInnis in the seventh race in 30 seconds.

CLASS C TROT AND PACE

River Girl (R. Craig) 1.1 Bob Budlong (H. Hughes) 3.2 Imperial Hal (F. Melisac) 2.5 Brown Budlong (H. Hughes) 4.3 Mystery Down (W. Drowitt) 7.4 Miss McGee (W. Proffitt) 5 dr Sandy B. (G. Chappell) 6.6 River Girl owned by Robert MacFayden.

CLASS D TROT AND PACE

Aubrey's Chief (A. Smith) 1.2 Fury Lark (D. Morrison) 2.1 Maryland Miss (G. MacLeod) 3.3 Cherry Lane (G. Fitzpatrick) 4.4 Try Sackie (A. Pineau) 5.6 Queens Irving (W. Lamont) 6.5 Aubrey's Chief owned by A. Smith. Fury Lark owned by D. Morrison.

CLASS A PACE

Orowann (W. MacInnis) 1.1 Timmie H. (E. Clow) 2.2 Slag Hanover (E. Bernard) 4.3 Jewell Fingo (E. Chappell) 4.4 Orowann owned by Donald MacNeill.

CLASS B TROT AND PACE

Times: 30., 30. Pays: \$8.10, \$2.80. Class D Trot and Pace: Aubrey's Chief (A. Smith) 1.2 Fury Lark (D. Morrison) 2.1 Maryland Miss (G. MacLeod) 3.3 Cherry Lane (G. Fitzpatrick) 4.4 Try Sackie (A. Pineau) 5.6 Queens Irving (W. Lamont) 6.5 Aubrey's Chief owned by A. Smith. Fury Lark owned by D. Morrison.

CLASS E TROT AND PACE

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Saints Mangle Rangers In Loosely Played Match

By FREDDY MacDONALD Saint Dunstan's High School scored five goals in the first period and coasted to a lopsided 11-2 victory over Rogers Rangers in a regular junior league game played before 300 fans at the Charlottetown Forum yesterday afternoon.



BILLY WEATHERBIE sprawling goalie.

Billy Weatherbie, Alan Flood, and Gary Cudmore each scored three goals for the Saints, while Ron Lidstone and Wayne MacDougall scored singles. Mike MacDonald and Don "Boss" Chandler scored for the Rangers.

The hapless Rangers were without the services of regular goalie Don Frizell, for wards Mike MacKinnon and Jimmy MacDougall, and defenceman Doug Murnaghan.

Eddy Gallant, colorful Ranger goalie, subbing for Frizell, was brilliant throughout the game, and only for his fine work the score could have been much higher.

Alan Flood opened the scoring for the Saints at the 3:34 mark of the first period on a beautiful solo effort.

Alan picked up the puck at his own blue line and neatly stick-handled his way through the entire Ranger team before beating goalie Ed Gallant with a low "15 footer" to the left corner.

Rearguard Ronnie Lidstone gave the Saints a two goal lead by the 4:40 mark of the initial period. Billy Weatherbie started the play when he passed the puck from the left corner in the Ranger end, to Lidstone standing on the right point. Ronnie took two steps before picking the top corner with his hard blue line drive.

Six minutes later Billy Weatherbie broke in all alone on the left wing, pulled Gallant out of position, but hit the post with his goalmouth shot. Gary Cudmore picked up the rebound and slid it into the empty net. Before the period was over Weatherbie and Cudmore had scored on the overworked Gallant on run the score to 5-0 for the Saints.

MONCTON (CP)—Ernest MacDonald's Montague P.E.I. team defeated Moncton No. 1, skipped by Russ Thornton here Saturday to win the fourth annual Maritime Firemen's Association Bonspiel and the Ernest Smith Memorial trophy.

Billy Weatherbie ran the lead to 6-0 at the 2:15 mark of the middle period, when he knifed his way through the Ranger defence, and fired a hard shot that Gallant kicked out, but the rebound came back to Weatherbie who tucked it under the net.

MacDonald's team of Dave Clarkson, Ralph Annear and Arnold MacLure won the bottom bracket final in the double-knockout play with an 8-3 win over Dave Beck's Lunenburg team in the morning.

They then topped Thornton's squad of Bill McBeath, Jim Piers and Merle Purdy 9-4 in a noon-hour game and won the title-clinching game on the 11th end 9-8.

Gordon Stewart of Charlottetown beat Thane Baglole of Summerside 9-7 to win first consolation, while Beck won second consolation with a 7-5 win over Jack Glassey's Truro rink.

Hawks Whip Royals

AMHERST (CP)—Moncton Hawks defeated Charlottetown Royals 11-4 in an exhibition hockey game played before 800 fans here yesterday.

Savage Harbor Beats Tracadie

The Savage Harbour Flyers trounced Tracadie St. Bonnies 6-2 in women's hockey played at the Tracadie rink last evening. Scoring for the winners were A. MacDonald with three, L. MacDonald with two and N. Gillan with one. S. O'Connell had both the loose tallies.

Kingston Crystals Shade Hampshire

The Kingston Crystals shaded the Hampshire Bulldogs 4-3 in the second game of their second semi-final series for the Philip Matheson trophy in the North River Senior league playoffs and tied their series 1-1.

COLLEGIATE HOCKEY

SACKVILLE, N.B. (CP)—Ohi Chi Frenzena boosted his season's goal-scoring to 18 with four goals Saturday at St. Francis Xavier, X-men defeated Mount Allison Mounties 6-3 in a Maritime Intercollegiate Hockey League game.

Capitol Aces Blast Belfast

Capitol Auto Aces, in the first game of intermediate C play-downs, defeated Belfast 9-4 Saturday night.

BASKETBALL

ANTIGONISH, N.S. (CP)—St. Francis Xavier X-men downed St. Mary's Huskies 11-9 Saturday night in a Maritime Intercollegiate Basketball game here.

Hockey Practice

The midget Juvenile practice which was to be held Wednesday evening and the Paperweight team, the Jays will take the allotted time. The Jays are preparing for P.E.I. playoffs.

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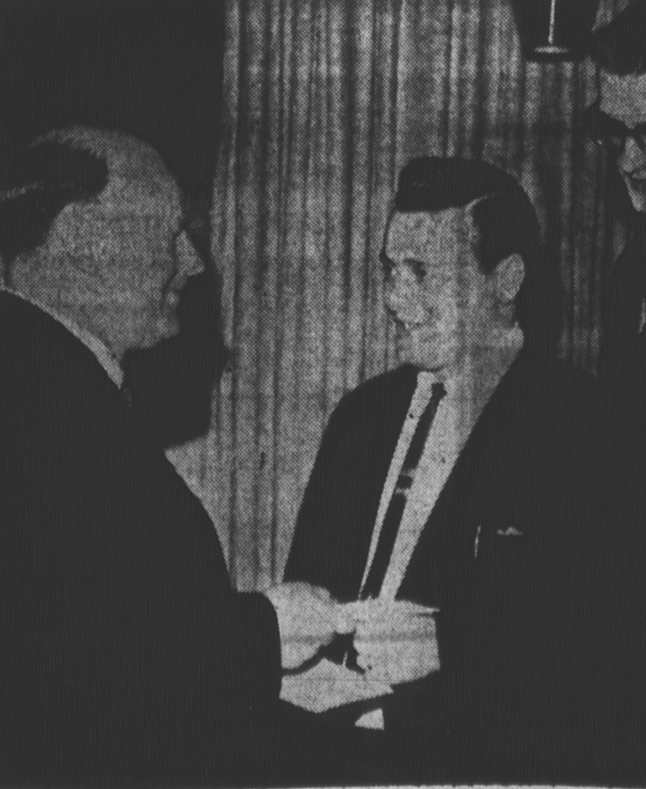
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THE CHAMPS

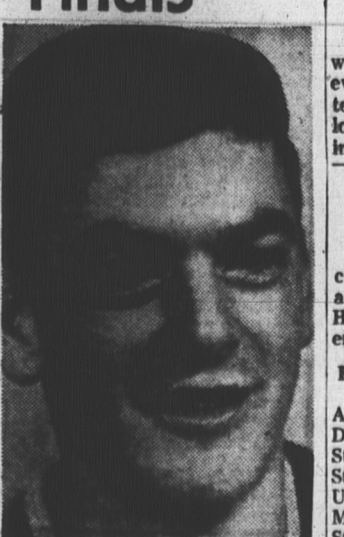
Bill Giggey, is seen presenting members of the 1966 P.E.I. Curling championship team with certificates enabling them to get curling sweaters for the upcoming Macdonald Brier competition in Halifax, from

the LEFT are Mr. Giggey, Art Mait, Ralph Manning who is

Burke, skip of the winning second stone and Dr. Temple quartet, Arnold Llewellyn, Hooper.

Ferryman, Motormen To Meet In Finals

SUMMERSIDE—The Borden Nationals will take on the Pope Motors Aces in the Prince Edward Island Junior League playoffs on Wednesday night, as both teams wound up their respective semi-final series with victories over the week-end. This is providing a protest lodged by the RCAF Eagles is thrown out.



WILLIE GALLANT to take their series four games to one.

The Aces claim that Aces goaler Gerard Smith is not eligible to play with the Aces as he signed with Sandy Frizell in Charlottetown last year and Frizell has not released Smith's contract. Smith has been brilliant in several games of the series, won in four straight by the Aces, won, that is, unless the protest is upheld.

Dave MacLeod scored four goals for the Aces, and Willie Gallant had three. Deighton and Harris scored the other Aces goals. Eagles scorers were Crawford, Boone, MacDonald, Martin and Hutchings.

On Saturday a small crowd endured 14 below temperatures as the Aces trimmed the Juniors

STANDINGS

Standings in Maritime Intercollegiate Basketball Conference and Maritime Intercollegiate Hockey League following weekend games:

Table with columns for Basketball Conference (Acadia, Dalhousie, St. Fx, St. Mary's, UNB, Mount A, St. Dunstan's) and Hockey League (St. F.X., Mount A, St. Dunstan's, St. Thomas, Acadia, UNB, Dalhousie, U of Moncton).

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