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Games Like This Are Worth Money Paid To See Them

Hockey in Big Four Is Full
of Action and Some
Thrills.

Say you fans, who are following hockey, did you get an eye-full of that game at the Saint John Forum last Friday night when the Beavers downed the Wolverines of Halifax 7 to 3? Maybe you thought the game was fixed. Maybe you thought the Beavers were being let down easy before the home crowd. No matter who you think, that game was worth the price of admission and had you seen the same game in Ottawa or Toronto you would have been congratulating yourself on having seen some real hockey.

The first period was full of action. Both teams felt around and tried out the spots which they thought were weak. There were no dull moments and both teams kept going. There were some real exhibitions of stick-handling and the checking was close. Neither side scored in the first stanza.

The second period was more hectic. Both teams opened up a notch or two and the Beavers staged a three-man rush in which Jammet carried the puck and passed to Young over the blue line. He in turn slid the disk to Gammon, who went through to the goal mouth and registered the first tally of the evening, with the fans in an appreciative mood.

Soon after the face-off Dickson, Houston and Donald went into the attack and eluded the Wolverines so that Donald was put in position to score, which he did to the satisfaction of the spectators.

Six penalties were awarded in this period.

Following the face-off in the third period Houston and Donald did a twin act which worked them up to the neighborhood of the goal where they paused long enough for Donald to again flick the rubber into the net. Beavers changed their line and the puck went to the defence, where Capt. Draper gathered it up and started a solo flight toward the net. He was soon caught up by Young, who took the pass and whipped the wafer between the uprights for a counter. Following the whistle McNeil and Gammon coupled up and again the disk passed into the net, having been propelled by Gammon on its registering flight.

The Wolverines brought their heavy artillery into action and their strategic artists took a hand in the affairs as they were then placed. They invaded the Beaver terrain and Wilson was out-manoeuvred, while the puck passed him by. This score was credited to Lawlor. The Halifax representatives went into the fray with renewed zeal and Shields and Lawlor made the grade with a little duet which failed to register on Wilson and Shields was credited with a counter.

The Beavers showed that a couple of goals was nothing in an evening of real hockey so Reist took up the burden and soloed through the Wolves to pass to Donald, who again displayed his marksmanship. After that the Wolves went into their finale with Lawlor breaking the puck into the net behind Wilson. Six penalties were handed out to the gladiators in this period.

These are some of the high spots around the scoring. The whole game was made up of fast skating, good stick-handling and speedy combinations. If you fans want to kid yourselves into believing hockey matches in the Big

SKATING STARS ARE TO COMPETE HERE ON MONDAY AND TUESDAY

The Outstanding Skaters of
America Have Sent in
Their Entries.

The stage has been well set for the big Canadian and Invitational Indoor Speedskating Championships to be held at the Forum next Monday and Tuesday evening, February 12 and 13.

The fastest skaters from the United States and Canada will be competing. Among the visiting stars will be Miss Kit Klein, of Buffalo, N.Y., outstanding lady star of the American tracks this winter, and such men as Eddie Stundl, Eddie Wedge, Allen Potts and Leo Freisinger, as well as several skaters out of Toronto. It was announced at committee headquarters that it would be a day or two before definite word of the Toronto stars would be received.

Freisinger is hailed as one of the most colorful stars to break into the game in many years. Although not yet 18 years of age, he has broken four outdoor world intermediate records and one indoor world record, skating the distances in most cases in faster time than the seniors. American skating officials have already ear-marked this boy for the 1936 Olympic skating team.

Arrayed against this formidable host of visiting stars will be Saint John's own skilful performers, such as Willie Logan and Clement O'Connor. Willie Logan, one of Canada's foremost skaters, is skating at his best this year and has done most of his training on indoor tracks and he will be Canada's greatest hope in retaining the Canadian indoor title. Clement O'Connor, too, will be a real threat in view of his outstanding exhibition in winning the Maritime indoor title. On that evening he indicated that he is at top-notch form and a real champion.

Since the great world meet enthusiasm in speedskating has not been at the fever-high pitch it will be next week. This city has been famous for its successes in the realm of speedskating and who is there to say that next week will not produce another Saint John champion, another Charlie Gorman or Fred Logan, to bring the name of his native city before the admiring eyes of the sporting world.

Four are not the real thing, well it will be all right by the writer. But it is too bad you feel that way, for the fellow that kids himself out of enjoying the games as put on in this Maritime league has only himself to blame.

HEROIC WIFE LOSES LIFE WHILE SAVING HUSBAND

Barnet.—A woman gave her life in a successful attempt to save her husband in a motor accident in Barnet High Road.

The woman, Mrs. Ethel Park, aged 49, of Longmore Avenue, Barnet, was rushed to hospital with her husband, Edward Park, but she died shortly after admission. Her husband was seriously hurt.

"They were both crossing the road," a witness said, "and had just passed behind one car when Mrs. Park saw a second car coming towards them. Without a thought for herself, she pushed her husband backwards, just as the oncoming motor-car struck her.

"Mrs. Park took the full force of the blow; her husband, though badly hurt, was saved."

School Boy Sports Governing Body Is Ready To Function

Organization Will Look After
Athletics in Saint John.

The Saint John School Boy Athletic Contest Commission at a meeting last week adopted a constitution. The plan is to foster and control school boy sports in Saint John outside the jurisdiction of the M.P.B. of A.A.U. of Canada.

The commission is composed of the following with the sports they represent:— President, William Paterson, track and field; secretary, H. P. Whalen, football; W. McVicar, swimming; K. Chown, Grade 9 hockey; H. W. Cunningham, Grade 8 hockey; Dr. L. M. Curren, and E. J. Alexander.

The constitution is as follows: The Commission shall be known as the Saint John School Boy Athletic Control Commission.

Objects

Fostering the promotion of all and any form of competitive sports or athletics for Saint John schoolboys, so that the physical and athletic development of the schoolboys may be cultivated, sustained and protected. It is not the object of this commission to capitalize on the athletic ability of the boys, but to provide skills and healthful activities toward the development of a satisfactory adult life, and to encourage ethical sportsmanship of a high standard. It is not the intention or wish of this commission to interfere with any organization conducting sports or game competition in any way, but to assist and protect them from interference by any outside individuals or organizations. (Interscholastic sports being under the jurisdiction of the M.P.B. of A.A.U. of C. would not come under this organization.)

Duties

(a) To have oversight of all schoolboy athletic activities in the city of Saint John.

(b) All schoolboy championship meets in any form or class of athletics must have the approval and sanction of this commission. Otherwise any claim to city school championship will not obtain or be in any way considered. The applications for sanctions must be made in writing signed by two members of the organization applying for sanction.

(c) 1. To have power to issue sanctions for the promotion and holding of athletic meets or games among schoolboys in the city of Saint John, and to prevent interference by individuals or organizations attempting to promote athletics now being successfully or satisfactorily conducted by another organization sanctioned by this commission.

(c) 2. To satisfy themselves as to the ability of any organization to conduct satisfactorily any event or events for which they apply for a sanction before such sanction be granted. (In applying for sanction full information re events, number of boys, classes, etc., and all details re cups, prizes, etc., must be given.)

(d) Power to veto sanction given or to refuse such sanction when sufficient cause for such veto or refusal be proven to commission.

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SPOTS of Sport

By RAY HANSEN



DUE TO THE ENTERPRISE OF SOME OF our sport lovers Saint John has been granted a sanction to hold the Canadian Indoor Speed Skating Championships, which are to be staged here next Monday and Tuesday. This big classic will undoubtedly prove one of the most popular events of the season and there is no doubt the seating and standing room in The Forum will be taxed to capacity to witness the various events carded. Some of the leading skaters on the continent will be here to participate and coupled with our own galaxy of speedsters every event will be well filled. Speculation is running high as to the probable winner. Many close followers of this sport are picking Willie Logan and Clem O'Connor to carry off premier honors due to the fact that they are used to the rink in addition to being fast skaters. They figure that experience in rounding the corners is going to prove mighty valuable and in addition a lot will depend on judgment in cutting out and taking the lead. No doubt the action of the two local stars will be closely watched by the visitors and they will find good use for all their experience, stamina, grit and speed before the big card is brought to a close. Naturally Saint John sport lovers will be anxious for one of their own to win the title, but the visitors will find a sympathetic audience ever ready to see fair play and generous in their applause. The fact that Willie Logan has been doing so well on the big circuit will make him an added attraction when he returns home to make a bid for the Canadian indoor title.

THE CROWDS THAT THROGGED THE FORUM AT THE RECENT Maritime speed skating championships and the enthusiasm displayed by all was convincing evidence of the popularity this great winter sport enjoys in Saint John. It also gave an idea of the wealth of talent there is in this city ranging from a child of five years to the seniors. What a wonderful sight it was to see two tots, five years of age in racing costume, going around that circle. Although they did not know what it was all about they seemed to realize that once started they had to keep going, and the ability they displayed astounded the vast assemblage. This augurs well for the future of the sport here for if interest is maintained among the youth the rest will, to a great extent, take care of itself. Proud parents saw sons and daughters participating in the various events and while only a few could win all appeared to thoroughly enjoy the excitement and competition. Meets of this kind create an incentive for our youth to participate in clean sport and also encourages parents to take a greater interest in their boys and girls. This first championship event of the season has apparently only wet the appetite of sport lovers for the big Canadian indoor championships, which are to be staged here next Monday and Tuesday. It is a foregone conclusion that The Forum will be packed to capacity for this great Canadian classic.

THE WRITER HAS AGAIN BEEN SUBJECT TO CRITICISM due to the fact that he has not been knocking the local hockey team. Just why some people like to everlastingly knock is hard to explain; it must be just some kink in their make-up. However, they not only kick themselves but do not seem contented until they get somebody else throwing the snowballs they manufacture. The writer does not see any occasion to knock and therefore is not knocking, irrespective of what some few may think. The Beavers are playing good hockey despite the fact that they are not consistently winning. The experience acquired this year should prove invaluable for next season and the chances are that if the Big Four are again operating Saint John will have a strong representative team. In the meanwhile those who make up the local team deserve some encouragement. The writer realizes that the fans are entitled to their own opinion and if they feel that any good can be accomplished by starting an anvil chorus why do they not openly sign their names to a letter and take the onus of the criticism on their own shoulders. Why pass the buck to another? As previously pointed out the writer is not afraid to come out openly and offer constructive criticism or if occasion warrants to knock. Just because a person is in a position to write for a paper does not mean that he should take advantage of that privilege to satisfy a personal grudge or to allow himself to be made an eliminator of bile for every sport follower who happens to have a bilious attack. The real object of this column is to give readers brief reviews of sport happenings in which they might be interested and to encourage clean athletics and good sportsmanship. Fairness is the key-note in all sport and it might be well for those who are prone to so severely criticize the Beavers to sit down and figure out where they could have effected an improvement had they been in charge of the team. What Saint John needs is a Booster Club, with every citizen, young and old, a member.

THE PROPOSED HEAVYWEIGHT BOUT BETWEEN MAX Baer and Max Schmeling is definitely off for some time at least, according to an announcement of Joe Jacobs, the German's manager. He says that Schmeling will leave for Europe shortly after his bout with Steve Hamas, which is to be held in Philadelphia, February 13. He is matched with Paulino Uzcudun for a bout at Barcelona, Spain, on April 8 and has been guaranteed 275,000 pesetas, which is equivalent to \$40,000. Jacobs feel that his charge would be very foolish to pass up a chance to earn that large sum, especially as he considers Max will have no great difficulty winning.

CONTRACTS FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE NEW YORK Yankees are not expected to get into the mails for another week or two, but in the meanwhile they are facing one holdout at least. Jack Broaco, a young righthander who made good last season, is apparently determined to get all that is coming to him and is determined not to sign until the management meets his terms.