

Fanning FOR THE FANS



SPORT ITEMS IN BRIEF
By LLOYD YOUNG

AT THE 1936 MARITIME Speed-skating Championships held at the Saint John Forum this week under the auspices of the Saint John Police Amateur Athletic Association a new champion was crowned, namely Bob Wilson, who is now the Maritime speed-skating champion. Congratulations Bob. Harry Swythe, of Moncton, and Gordon Fullerton of Sackville were tied for second place. Miss Margaret Whipple, of Saint John captured the ladies' crown with Miss Loretta Rowan, of Fredericton, second. It was one of the best meets staged in Saint John to date with the competition very keen and was run off fast and was handled with the greatest skill, with a packed house it was a credit to the Association.

THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW Brunswick defeated Mount Allison in the first game of the New Brunswick Intercollegiate Hockey League by a score of 3-1 at Sackville.

TORONTO AND MAROONS are now tied for the leadership of the National Hockey League, Canadian section, with 33 points apiece, with Americans following with 28 points, and the Canadiens holding a cellar berth with 26 points; while in the American section the race is closer with Detroit holding the league with 39 points and Chicago, Rangers and Bruins following on their heels with 35 points apiece. It sure has developed into a close race and it is anybody's league as yet.

BILL "FLASH" HOLLETT, OF North Sydney, was taken up from the Cubs by Boston to team with Eddie Shore on defence. Alex Motter, a winger was also promoted from the Bruins' Canadian-American Hockey League team to the National League Club. Hollett played a sensational game with Shore on defence on Tuesday night and was one of the scorers in the game.

Tops On Scores



CECIL DILLON, leading scorer on the New York Rangers team this year, is considered one of the greatest money players in the game. He holds the modern play-off scoring record, which he established in 1933 when he scored 8 goals and 2 assists.

A FEW DAYS AGO WE noticed in the daily press that Mr. Gilroy suggested that amateur hockey in England was a racket; possibly, but it is understood that all the players in England have jobs, which is more than we can say for our hockey in Canada. Mr. Gilroy should know, as he is now enjoying the Olympic games in Germany.

JOCK McAVOY, THE BRITISH middle and lightweight king, wants to take on John Henry Lewis, Jack Peterson and Joe Louis in that order, it was made clear by him on his return from England, and in the meantime should Max Schmeling not meet Louis in June he wants to be in the ring at that time. He at least will offer himself as a substitute.

WITHIN A FEW DAYS AN announcement will be made of several trades in the National Hockey League in which Bill Miller is one of the trades. He has gone to the Canadiens, and several others will be shifted. Miller will now have the chance that he has been waiting for and should go far.

SWEENEY SCHRINER STILL keeps on top of the list of the National League scorers as he has 30 points to his credit. Dillon and Chapman are next with 26 points apiece.

THE PLAY-OFFS BETWEEN St. Peter's and Alexandra Schools in the over 14 class was pushed into a three-game series when on Monday last the two teams fought to a 1-1 tie after plenty of brilliant playing on the part of the youngsters. These two teams are playing for a cup donated by the Knights of Pythias, and the third game is being played as we go to press. The younger players are playing for a shield donated by the same fraternal society. In the game Monday it was real big time hockey with the usual boos and cheers, and the boys were putting on the best for their schools, and if you don't believe it just go over and referee a game. J. Neal Dow certainly has his hands full with this bunch of youngsters, and it is some job keeping the goals and assists for the players as after every game the players want the credit for every possible assist that is coming to them.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN hockey? Then go over to the Forum on Friday night and you will see a game that will be packed as full of thrills as any of the Big Four that you have watched in former years. Coach Walker has been putting his team through the paces in preparation to the coming play-off game with the winner of the Rothesay-York All-Stars series.

THE MARITIME BADMINTON Tournament will be held this year at Sydney, Cape Breton on February 14 and 15. Defending title holders who will take part are Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Lindsay, of Woodstock, N.B., mixed doubles champions, and Miss I. Jones, of Saint John, co-holder of the women's doubles crown. Mrs. Lindsay will also defend her women's singles title.

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KIT KLEIN, Buffalo stenographer, and United States national women's skating champion, who annexed several speed skating honors at Stockholm Sweden, recently. She took first place in the 500 and 3,000 metres events, and finished third in the 1,000-metre race. Miss Klein was the winner of the North American women title at the meet held two years ago in Saint John.



Saturday Night Musings OF THE SPORT WORLD

MAYBE this should have been headed "Tuesday Night Musings" because I did not start to write it until after the Maritime skating meet in the Forum. This was a bang-up affair and everyone present got his full money's

worth. The races were all good and the competitors gave their best. There was not a single race where the winner could be named before the event. The finishes were close and the skaters showed ability and sportsmanship.

While the regular events created the greatest interest there were several specialties which deserve mention. One of these was the match race between Ron Peters, Chas. McLaughlin and Sam Allen. We doubt that if anywhere on the American Continent could three such skaters be seen. They amused and interested the crowd and at future meets more should be seen of these gentlemen. Peters won the event, but he was hard-pressed by Allen. McLaughlin got a poor start but he finished strong.

Douglas Duffy, world renowned comedian and fancy skater, gave three exhibitions which were different from the usual events of this kind. He also won the approval of the spectators.

The meet was well organized and the members of the Police Force, who engineered the affair are deserving of the highest commendation. The contests between firemen and policemen were high spots in the program. Everyone who was present Tuesday night will be waiting for the Policemen's Sports next year.

Of course a lot of us old fellows must always harp back to the old Victoria Rink when we think of speak-skating, for it was there that we got our first impressions of the sport. The meet of Tuesday reminds us of those old-time meets and showed that Saint John and the Maritimes still have good skaters, who with some slight encouragement would go far. So let us all give them what encouragement we can.

The old Marble Cove open air rink is gone, too, but the Forum stands just above the Cove and the boys of the North End, who were famous for skating in other

Iron Man



MURRAY MURDOCH, rightly holds the title of the "Iron Man of Hockey." He has not missed a game (league, playoff, or exhibition), since New York Rangers were organized in 1926.

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years, have much to be thankful for and they should take advantage of their opportunities. Skating is a fine sport and those who will train properly and learn the rules of the sport will have full payment for all their trouble and time, in fit bodies and alert minds. For in skating there must be real brain work along with the physical.

Leads League



DAVE SCHRINER, who is the leading scorer in the National Hockey League this year. Last year Schriener was acclaimed the "Best Rookie" in the N. H. L., and this season he is playing even better. Schriener will go on the N. H. L. records as one of the best opportunists ever produced.