

HOCKEY NOTES
FROM THE N.H.L.

The Canadian Hockey Club is the first of the National Hockey League teams to announce pre-season exhibition games this autumn.

The Flying Frenchmen, who led their division up to the end of the regular playing season last spring have arranged to play two games at Providence, R. I., November 8 and 10. The decision to play these two games was reached at a conference between Jean Dubuc, of Providence and Leo Dandurand and Manager Cecil Hart, of Canadiens.

While Dave Trotter, Olympic hockey star who is sought by several clubs in the National Hockey League is here in the city on business and while many believe that eventually he will be a storm centre through the efforts of Montreal Maroons to get him, President James Strachan denied today that he had as yet talked with the player about signing a professional form.

Trotter's firm have sent him here to superintend the construction of a booth for the Kiwanis exhibition at the Forum, but there is little doubt in the minds of hockey people that he will confer with the Maroon management about a contract. If he accepts and signs one there is bound to be a battle within the league as he was officially awarded to Toronto Maple Leafs through the medium of that remarkable "gentlemen's agreement" which some clubs now refuse to recognize.

MAROONS IN
FIRST WORKOUT

Montreal, Oct. 18—Members of the Montreal Maroon hockey team reported today for the first floor workout at the Forum.

Little was done by them on their first appearance for duty. They did a little running and were given some advice by Instructor Lambert who has them in charge.

Two new men reported to Manager Eddie Gerard. They were Elliott, wing man from Stratford and a defence player Cliff McBride, who played last year at Fort William the home of Jimmy Ward. The latter was also on the job.

Continued reports that Nels Stewart was a holdout were positively denied by President Strachan. Stewart reported at the Forum this morning. There are, the Maroon head added, one or two details in Stewart's contract to be straightened out, but the player cannot be considered a holdout.

The Maroons only expect to have about a week's gymnasium work before they take the ice. Sometime next week they will don skates. In the meantime there is a chance that they may get the use of the Y. M. C. A. floor for their conditioning exercises.

ATTEMPT WILL BE MADE TO BRING
ATHLETIC STATUS TO PROPER STAND

Meeting of A. A. U. of C. to be Held on October 25th at Amherst—Promises to be Lively Session—Recent Dispute Over N. B. Baseball Playoffs Will be Brought to Satisfactory Conclusion.

Amherst, N. S., Oct. 18—Local sport officials are making arrangements for the annual meeting of the Maritime Province Branch of the A. A. U. of C. to be held here on Thursday, October 25. No marked excitement is expected at the session but similar statements made in past years have frequently presaged a warm and important debate. The only sport difficulty of importance in the past years have frequently presaged a warm and important debate. The only sport difficulty of importance in the past year concerned the recent New Brunswick baseball playoffs and this matter was adjusted, although hardly to the satisfaction of the Saint John Watermen. It is just possible that Saint John delegates will bring up this matter for discussion and if they do so, there is bound to be a wordy war.

A report will be submitted by a special committee dealing with several unpaid bills that were presented to the association. One or two of

these accounts date back to 1924 while another bill for \$40 concerns the engagement of the Admiral Beatty Hotel at Saint John for the use of the A. A. U. C. officials at their annual meeting held there in 1926. A report will be prepared by Messrs. F. J. Somers, R. M. Ross, of Amherst and Blanchard of Moncton prior to the actual athletic session.

According to advance intimation received from several of the leading sport clubs in the Maritimes, the regime of Dr. Webster Fraser, president of the M. P. B., and C. D. Shipley the secretary, has been satisfactory and it is understood that the two gentlemen will reconsider acceptance of office if nominated. Both officials have taken a keen interest in their work and at all times have shown a willingness to visit sections where there have been grievances. As far as can be learned from unofficial sources there are other candidates in the field for the presidential honor.

RUGBY NOTES

A pouring rain and a muddy gridiron failed to halt the practice of the Montreal Club last night. For nearly an hour they worked in a defensive scrimmage against the Juniors. The heavy fog dimmed the glare of the flood lights but the action was hot and heavy. When the players trooped into the clubhouse at eight o'clock they were almost unrecognizable for the layer of mud covering their faces.

Dr. Cliff Howard will definitely be out of the Hamilton game, but is expected to have his hand in shape for the Ottawa game here one week from Saturday. The player is confined to bed in the Royal Victoria Hospital.

Ritchie McCoy left the squad last night. He will return to the Montreal English Rugby Club.

Stevie Stevenson will likely be taken to Hamilton. He worked with the seniors at middle wing last night. Stevenson is young and inexperienced, but a fine ball carrier and should be useful with Dr. Howard off the lineup.

The gross earnings of the Canadian National Railways for the week ended October 14 were \$6,917,941 as compared with \$5,672,726 for the corresponding period of 1927 an increase \$1,244,315 or 22 per cent.

SPORT BRIEFS

Wellington, N. Z., Oct. 18—Tom Heeney, Gene Tunney's last opponent before his retirement from the ring will sail for America on October 24, to resume his quest for the heavyweight title.

Heeney who has been resting in his native country since his defeat will begin training immediately on his arrival in the United States in order to participate in Tex Rickard's elimination contests.

Pullen Banned

London, Eng., Oct. 17—W. J. Pullen, center forward of the Plymouth Argyle Reserves, who has been suspended by the football association for striking a referee in a match with Bristol Rover Reserves will be out of the game for three months.

Swim Record

Tokyo, Oct. 17—Johnny Weismuller of Chicago what was claimed to be a record for a fifty metre pool today when he swam 150 yards free style in one minute 26 3-5 seconds during the international exhibition in the Tamagawa pool.

FOUND GUILTY OF
MANSLAUGHTER

Halifax, Oct. 18—A verdict of guilty, accompanied by a recommendation for mercy, was returned by a jury today following a two-day trial of Colin MacIntosh, Port Hawkesbury, charged with manslaughter as a result of the death on Aug. 12, of Miss Elizabeth Nicholson, who was struck down by an automobile on the St. Margaret's Bay road on Aug. 6. The jury deliberated an hour and forty minutes.

ROACH TO RANGERS

John Ross Roach, Veteran Goaler of Maple Leafs Traded To New York Rangers—Chabot Goes To Leafs.

Toronto, Oct. 18—John Ross Roach, goal keeper of the Toronto Maple Leafs of the National Hockey League has been traded to the world's champion New York Rangers for Lorne Chabot, the Ranger goalie it was announced this afternoon. Both were outstanding goal-keepers during the 1927-28 season. No cash was involved in the deal.

Bobby Jones said he would do anything for Al, but hasn't offered to improve his golf.

A bunk is a berth; a berth is a substitute for a bed; a berth is the bunk.

RUGBY FEAST

Football fans in this city will have plenty to occupy their minds over the coming week end as four local aggregations of football timber will battle with outside teams. Two games are scheduled in this city on Saturday afternoon at College Field, one game at Woodstock and another at St. John. Fans here will see the local high school team battle with Rothesay in the final interscholastic League game of the season on a local gridiron. The game will commence following the game between the Provincial Normal school and a team from Woodstock.

The University of New Brunswick rugby fifteen will be at St. John on Saturday and will battle with the Trojans in the first senior gridiron clash in that city this fall. The odds are all in favor of the Red and Black coming back with a victory; but the Trojans will probably put up a stiffer fight than on their first appearance here two weeks ago. The Fredericton city team will be at Woodstock engaging in the first game of the New Brunswick Rugby League with the Woodstock aggregation of pigskin chasers. In the meantime the other two teams in the New Brunswick league, Moncton and St. John will be idle because of the Trojans game with the U. N. B.

TO ATTEMPT
NON-STOP FLIGHT
ACROSS ATLANTIC

St. John's, Nfld., Oct. 18—A daring young Briton, Flight Commander H. C. MacDonald, retired, took off from Harbor Grace early this afternoon, ostensibly to attempt a non-stop solo flight across the Atlantic.

When the 28-year-old former naval officer stepped into his tiny Gipsy moth De Havilland, some of his friends said his hop was to be only a five-hour duration, test but in the plane's tanks was a full load of fuel and complete equipment for an ocean hop. It was assumed that England was his goal.

The take-off was at 1.21 p.m. (11.51 a.m. E. S. T.) The plane rose easily from the field, circled a few moments and then turned eastward.

MacDonald has been in Newfoundland since September 26, testing his ship and awaiting favorable conditions for a flight to Britain, but the weather had been bad. Today, however, the meteorological reports showed no serious storm areas over the ocean and indicated that a plane would be favored by following winds that might reach a velocity of 20 miles an hour, a distinct aid to so tiny a traveler as the Gipsy moth.

Apparently the Gipsy moth was not observed crossing the coast, no report having been received. The weather turned cloudy tonight and the forecast predicted a southerly wind and showers. The latest mid-ocean report received by MacDonald indicated favorable conditions.

Reports from Harbor Grace were fragmentary during the afternoon, suggesting that MacDonald's take-off was the result of a sudden decision.

The aviator himself is something of a novice at piloting, although he has had considerable experience at navigating. His solo record is 80 hours, but into that comparatively short time he has crowded at least one long flight—a trip from London to Bagdad, a few months ago. He had flown alone for only 10 hours when he made that journey.

C. P. R. TRAFFIC RECEIPTS

Traffic receipts of the Canadian Pacific Railway for the second week of October were \$6,074,000 an increase of \$1,426,000 as compared with the corresponding period of last year. For the first week there was an increase of \$137,000.

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C.P.R. President Visits Wheat Champion.

Herman Trelle is one of the men of foreign birth who is doing things for Canada. Born in Germany, he is now the owner of a fine farm in the Peace River country near the town of Spirit River. At the Chicago Live Stock Exhibition of 1926 he won the prize for the world's best wheat, and he is working on the development of a new early-ripening wheat which, he says, will revolutionize farming throughout northern Canada. When E. W. Beatty, and his party of Canadian Pacific directors were in the Peace River country recently they visited Mr. Trelle's farm where the important work of threshing was interrupted long enough to have the above photograph taken. Mr. and Mrs. Trelle are in the center, on the right is Mr. Beatty, and on the left is Sir Herbert Holt.