



# SPORT



## On the Sidelines

March 21st—the first day of spring yesterday—and big league baseball well underway in the south...the National Hockey League playoffs beginning tomorrow night.

"Baz" O'Meara discusses the relative strength and weakness of the N. H. L. clubs who are on the eve of entering the playoffs:

Tommy Gorman has already coined a new term to define his bench maneuvering for the playoffs, so spring must be here at last. Last year it "Fore Checking," which definition hit the headlines around the ices of April, after the Hawks had won the Stanley Cup.

This year Tommy beats the gun by announcing he will use the "Quick Change" system by which he hopes to land himself some quick change as well as the players under his command. For Tommy as coach of the Maroons will get a piece of the playoff melon as well as his players. The further they go the bigger the slice, so it is little wonder he is to shoot them over the boards early and often, with three hearty cheers for dear old dividend. Not to mention a few tigers from the engrossed shareholders—and why not?

Maroons won a game of no consequence in Boston Tuesday night, but they scored four goals, which is something to help restore their outlook on life, which had been pretty pallid in recent games. Hawks also won a game of even less consequence in Montreal the same night, to give a demonstration of smoothness and play-making ability that stamps them as strong contenders in the playdowns. Canadiens hit into accidents and, fearful of further injuries, took few chances in the third period, in fact, so few that Leo Dandurand recovered his lost voice long enough to inform them that they would not be playing backgammon in the playoffs, and to put a little more zip into their checking.

Maroons depend heavily on Lionel Conacher in this series. Gorman points out that much is expected of the big fellow from whom much has not been asked in the past month while he was given every opportunity to condition himself to the highest point of efficiency for the play-offs.

Tight hockey, the playoff brand, is almost certain with both teams breaking seeking with all their power. With Conacher at tops Connell should have the last word in protection. Black Hawks' line while a smooth functioning forward division of considerable scoring power will find Maroons' heavy defence their main barrier. They can match them up front, but the defence carries a lot more checking power, even allowing that Burke, Coulter and Levinsky are high voltage hitters and Chabot a great money goal-tend.

Canadiens will enter the series with the New York Ranger with every prospect that hard hitting Albert Leduc will play on the defence along with Mels Crutchfield. Tommy Fillmore may be recruited from Quebec for line duty.

In New York Lester Patrick is pointing out that Rangers are due to arise from their slump, which continued for ten games till the final. They have not recaptured their dazzling form of mid-season, and he faces the series with considerable alarm. He has al-

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## REALM OF HOCKEY THREATENED IN ALLEGED PLAY-OFF RACKET

On Eve of \$250,000 National Hockey League Play-offs Major League Hockey Is Faced With Big Scandal as Result of Wind-up Game in International League.

BOSTON, March 22—On the eve of the \$250,000 playoff series to determine the champion hockey team of two countries as well as the winner of the Stanley Cup, the most coveted trophy in existence, professional hockey is threatened today with the biggest scandal which has ever enveloped the game.

The scandal was started in an innocent game between the Syracuse and Cleveland clubs of the International League, following which charges of "fake" were made, not only by the owner of a club which was shut out of the playoffs but by players of the club as well.

And now every professional hockey team of both United States and Canada is affected. The honesty of the game is being attacked, which will seriously affect the standing of the game in the cities where National Hockey League clubs operate.

### Smythe's Appeal

Already, Connie Smythe, manager of the Toronto Maple Leafs, on their way here to open the playoff series with the Bruins for the league championship, has appealed to President Frank Calder for a show-down to save professional hockey from the threatened black-eye that such a scandal would cause.

"Drive this man out of hockey if he can't substantiate his charges," says Smythe.

"This man" happens to be Frank Baird, Jr., young millionaire owner of the Buffalo club, who claims his team was "jobbed" and shut out of the league playoffs by one of the worst fiascos ever committed on the ice.

Baird yesterday says he is definitely through with hockey and points out that officials of the league turn deaf ears to his charges.

It's an interesting story from the start to finish.

It seems that the Cleveland-Syracuse game last Sunday night decided the second and third teams in the playoff. Buffalo seemed to be "in."

At the finish of the high scoring game, however, three teams were tied, all with 40 points, but because of the wild scoring spree Buffalo was counted out because both Cleveland and Syracuse had scored more goals during the season.

And there the rumpus started.

### King's Reply

Charles S. King, president of the league, was besieged by telegrams demanding an investigation of the game.

King's reply to Baird follows:

"Much grieved on receipt of your telegram. Will have both managers in my office but as nothing can be proved, nothing further can be done about the matter."

Babe Dye, referee of the game said

ready declared that Rangers will revert to tight defensive hockey, an admission that their usual wide open game is not result gaining.

As for the Canadiens they seem glad that few are giving them a tumble. They realize that they are a long shot, but as Leo Dandurand points out they have an excellent chance of returning home at least even with the Rangers.

"Long shots often win as many a chronic favorite player has discovered to his cost. Our chances will be considered a lot more seriously after next Tuesday night. Our team loosened up after the other night after we had played that smart Hawk team even to the end of the second period, but the defence will be a lot tighter formation against Rangers, who are stronger than no matter how much one figures them," he declared.

nothing suspicious occurred in the game, while Eddie Powers, former manager of the Bruins-Cubs in Boston and now manager of the Syracuse club, denied all charges made by Baird as did Harry Holmes, Cleveland manager.

Mickey Roache, former Bostonian, who learned his hockey at English High, has been silent throughout. Roache is the manager at Buffalo, but his silence has had no effect on his players, who have signed a petition demanding that the league make a thorough investigation.

"As the result of this fiasco," the petition said, "Frank Baird, owner of the Buffalo club, has threatened to withdraw from hockey, a move which would affect us directly and which would have a distinctly bad effect on professional hockey, not only in this but all other leagues."

The players added:

"The general public is going to lose confidence in the game unless the league governors take cognizance of the situation."

And that's what faces hockey on the eve of the big playoffs.

## INTERSCHOLASTIC TRACK GAMES AT MONTREAL MAY 24

MONTREAL, March 22—The 13th Dominion Interscholastic Track Championships are to be held at the Percival Molson Memorial Stadium, McGill University, Montreal, on Friday, May 24, 1935.

This meet is open to all bona fide schoolboys in the Dominion of Canada who are under 20 years of age.

The McGill track, where the first interscholastic championship meet was held in 1923, has been rebuilt during the past year. The straight-away is now 28 feet wide, while the remainder of the track has a width of 24 feet. Four jumping pits and cinder take-offs for the shot and discus make it possible to handle a large number of entries with the minimum of delay.

The regular McGill Interscholastic Intermediate, Junior High School and Public School events will be held as usual.

In view of the interest created by the recent British Empire Games and the Empire Schoolboys' Meet held in Australia, where the Canadian boys won major honors, and also the Olympic Games, the 1935 Interscholastic Championships are expected to set new standards both in the number of entries and standard of performance.

For any further information or entry forms, address F. M. Van Wagner, track coach, McGill University, Montreal.

## WILL KEEP CLOSER WATCH ON PUPILS

WOODSTOCK, N. B., March 20—The Woodstock Board of School Trustees met in the Library of the Fisher Memorial School last evening. Most of the evening was devoted to business of a routine nature. Complaints were received that some high school pupils were slipping out of school and going down town and hanging about young men's clubs, and it was decided to ask the management of the clubs to see that a stop was put to this practice. Present at the meeting were F. L. Atherton, chairman, Mrs.

## WOLVERINES ARE MARITIME CHAMPS

Easy Win for Halifax Team Last Night—Red Indians Slump—University of N. B. Basket Shooters in Score Spree

HALIFAX, March 21—Opening wide the doors of their powerhouse, Halifax Wolverines broke their way into the Allan Cup playdowns tonight by defeating Edmundston Eskimos 13-3 and winning the Maritime hockey championship by a total score of 17-4 in the two-game series.

After a long lay-off from competitive hockey, the Wolverines came through tonight with a remarkable display of speed and craft as they eliminated their classy intermediate opponents.

It was almost a month since they were in their last championship series against the Charlottetown Abegweits for the Maritime Hockey League title, and another long period of inactivity ahead of the Haligonians before they meet the Quebec-Ontario representatives in the semi-final round of the Allan Cup series.

Scoring three goals in the first and second periods and six more in the final one, the Wolves overwhelmed the senior "B" Maritime champions, who were only able to snipe one in each period past veteran "Daddy" Bubur, the Halifax goalie.

### Even in Scoring Parade

Scoring honors were pretty evenly divided by the Halifax team, with almost every player having a hand in at least one goal. "Chummie" Lawlor with three goals and an assist and Owen Lennon with four assists led the parade of points. Other leaders were Ron Hudson, with three goals and Mickey McGlashen with three assists.

Bill Gulliver and Len LeBlanc scored the Edmundston goals, Gulliver getting two. Although the Eskimos found difficulty in getting through the Halifax line, they fought back bitterly every minute of the game, bumped hard and made the Wolves work hard for each one of their goals.

### Red Indians Slump

OTTAWA, March 21—Moncton's sole hope for a Dominion hockey title received a body blow tonight when Ottawa Rideaus crushed the Junior Indians 11-3 in the first of their two-of-three-game Memorial Cup playdown series, featured by an eight-goal scoring burst by the Ottawa district champions in the third period. The second game will be played Saturday and a third, if necessary, on Tuesday.

Despite Rideau's lopsided victory it was the calm little Roger Lewis in the nets for Moncton who delighted more than 4,000 fans with his coolness under fire when his defence wilted under the speedy powerful attack of Ottawa. The Indians almost held their own for 40 minutes against the larger, heavier Rideau team, but weight and strength told its tale in the third period.

### A Record Score

Scoring 28 baskets in the first 31 minutes of play before their opponents tallied their first, the University of New Brunswick Intercollegiate squad defeated Woodstock Rangers 75 to 10 in the U. N. B. gymnasium last evening. The game was a "sudden death" fixture in the semi-finals of the provincial intermediate series, and the Red and Black squad already in possession of the New Brunswick Intercollegiate championship, are now in line to play for the provincial intermediate title.

G. C. Campbell, J. H. DeWitt, C. G. Newnham, H. G. Noble and C. G. Mac Laughlin, secretary.

## STRATEGY IS BEING PLANNED BY THE BRUINS

Frank Patrick Will Use Beattie Against Conacher, O'Neil Against Busher Jackson.

BOSTON, Mar. 22—The report that Frank Patrick will play Jack Beattie against Charley Conacher and Peggy O'Neil against Busher Jackson is not believed by some of the hockey fans. They think the Bruins manager will send the first line against the first line and the second line against the second line and the third line and two reserve defence men.

But Patrick will shift his men so that he will get the best results. He must win the opener, and then, to justify himself and the Bruins, must win the second game, to be played next Tuesday.

So he may play Beattie against Conacher and he may play O'Neil against Jackson. He will decide when the time comes.

Patrick said several times that the Weiland-Gainor-Clapper trio was successful because it operated against a second line although it rated as a first line.

Nels Stewart, Beattie and Charley Sands may start the game against the Maple Leafs, but it is certain almost the first line, Marty Barry, Max Kaminsky and Dit Clapper, will oppose the former kid line of the Toronto club.

Dick Irvin, coach of the Maple Leafs is no moron. He may have a few plans to unfold for the fans at the games here on Saturday and Tuesday.

There is tremendous interest in the games here. There will be a sellout on Saturday and, if the Bruins win the opening game, the demand for seats for the second game will be greater than it was for the game to open the series.

Oakland Municipal Airport, Calif., March 21—A low-winged monoplane manned by a robot pilot and an undetermined number of U. S. Army fliers drafted by the Department of Commerce, returned here yesterday after a mysterious three-hour test hop over the Pacific.

The object of the flight, guarded closely as the heavily fueled craft took off from a special runway remaining undisclosed.

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## MARANVILLE TO GET CHANCE FOR COMEBACK

43-Year-Old Veteran Is Confident That He Will Be Ready For the Firing Line—Bad Break.

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., Mar. 22—The "Rabbit" may fool everyone yet. Returning from his daily treatment this morning, the 43-year-old Maranville was as frisky as a 22-year-old rookie.

"I've good news for you," he told Manager Bill McKechnie, who sat sunning himself outside the Braves' residence. "She broke this morning."

The "she" is the case is local adhesions on the instep of the Rabbit's injured left foot, which has hindered free and complete action.

Although uncompaining, Maranville had mentioned a sore spot on the face of the ankle. This morning while receiving his daily massage the adhesions snapped and the soreness disappeared, so that the "Rabbit" was able to pose before the assembled squad and point and twist his left leg like a toe-dancer.

And for the first time the real extent of the Rabbit's injury of a year ago was made known today.

Dr. Le Bretton, the famous surgeon, who came to Maranville's rescue a year ago, revealed that not only was there a compound fracture of the tibia and fibula bones as announced, but, unknown to anyone, even the Rabbit, the shin bone had been split just below the knee.

So the Rabbit mutters philosophically, "if I live long enough, some day I'll know all about this leg."

The Rabbit has weakened not at all in his conviction that he will be at second base. And though he is still a badly crippled man, he has fooled fate so many times, who dares say he won't do it again.

There's one thing which Virginia Rea will never bring herself to. And that's to shoot or kill any of the wild game that abounds in the vicinity of her isolated mountain home in Pennsylvania, although the country is a sportsman paradise!

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