

# Paper Town Team Conquers Fredericton City Juniors in Play-off Tilt

## Mickey Ion Serving 25th Year as Referee Staging a Comeback

Handled More Than 2,500 National Hockey League Engagements

MONTREAL, Feb. 24.—When Fred J. "Mickey" Ion packed his suitcase and headed for Vancouver, British Columbia, in the summer of 1911, he had no reason to believe the trip carried with it any more significance than a professional lacrosse assignment. Ion travelled West at the invitation of the late Con Jones, then the guiding genius of professional lacrosse along the Pacific Coast.

Yet "Mickey" Ion's westward jaunt was to lay the foundation for probably the most eventful career ever experienced by an arbiter of professional sport in the Dominion of Canada.

Today "Mickey" Ion is serving his 25th year as a director of professional hockey traffic. It was along about February, 1913, that he blossomed forth as a professional hockey referee. His first assignment was in an important game between Victoria Cougars and New Westminster of the

old Pacific Coast League at New Westminster Arena.

As this piece is being written, "Mickey" is staging an impressive, although not-surprising, comeback in National Hockey League circles as one of its outstanding arbiters. It's not the "comeback" idea so generally associated with athletes who reach dizzy heights, slip into minor roles, and then come charging on again to catch the tempo of palmier days. It's just that "Mickey" is putting on a "comeback" at the invitation of National League governors, after allowing him to drop out of major assignments at the close of the 1933-34 season.

Ion is back in the National League to handle assignments just as he always handled them, a firm ruler of hockey traffic, keen-eyed judgment, amazing ability to sense situations, cope with temper-edged purchasers,

and make himself as inconspicuous as possible.

**He's Self Effacing**

"Hockey fans don't pay out their good money to watch a referee do a lot of fancy skating," Ion has repeated often. "And they don't pay to see some bird with a whistle in his teeth, trying to keep the penalty box filled and also trying to play fancy tunes on the horn."

It's because Mickey Ion has never attempted to enact the role of a showman, and because he has handled more than 2,500 professional hockey games with fearless decision, and time-seasoned judgment, that he stands today in the eyes of most veteran followers of moneyed puckchasing, as the greatest whistle-tooter in the history of the game.

**Not a Hockey Player**

Mickey doesn't know himself just what twist of fate steered him along professional hockey spectacular trails. He was never a puckchaser himself. He was born at Paris, Ont. Has a birthday on Feb. 25, incidentally. He learned to skate and play shinny on the ponds of Paris and Brantford. As near as we recall, he participated in only one game of organized hockey. It was as a goal-tender in a game at Brantford. "Used magazines for shin-guards. It was lousy," Mickey recalls. "How do I know? Well, the team didn't ask me out for the next game. So I decided I wasn't meant to be a hockey player."

## MAROONS BLANK EDMUNDSTON SIX ON HOME ICE

MONCTON, Feb. 25.—Moncton Maroons blanked the Edmundston Eskimos here last night in the N. B. semifinal by the score of 3-0, and controlled the play throughout the 60 minutes of play, as the North Border crew seemed content to hold the youthful Maroons.

Ritchie in goal for the Indians was the star for the invaders, he stopped a "ton of rubber" with ease and grace.

**Goal in Each Period**

Maroons scored a goal in each of the three periods last night, despite the tight defensive work of the Eskimos and were by far the better team on the play, but the Northern team gave little indication of their offensive strength, seemingly content with the locals winning by a small margin and giving the impression they were confident of overcoming the lead on home ice.

However, overcoming a three goal lead on Maroons will be no easy task wherever the game is played for the Jamesmen are a collection of fast skaters and they give the opposing team little or no opportunity to organize a gang raid, while their defence of Bastarache, Innes and Dickie is showing improvement and Barton, between the pipes, is a smart goaler.

Only six penalties were handed out by referees James and Fournier, Eskimos getting five of the six trips to the penalty timers and Maroons scored their first goal of the night with Martin in the penalty box.

Edmundston presented a heavier team than the Maroons. They had in Walker, Adams and Duffy a rugged barrier, while their first line led by "Snap" Dickie in the middle slot with Bill Gulliver and Rousseau on the wings. But the trio on rare occasions attempted any raids.

Sharing honors for the Edmundston team with goalie Ritchie, were Bill Walker, one time defenceman with the Moncton Hawks, who time after time heaved the wafer down the surface as the Maroon clan stormed inside the Eskimos defence zone and "Snap" Dickie, who seemed to try the hardest of the visitors. "Flea" Chapman, George Bell and Clarence Bastarache were the shining lights for the home forces.

**The Summary**

Moncton Maroons—Barton, goal; Bastarache, Dickie, Innes, defence; Carroll, Appleby, centre; B. LeBlanc, T. LeBlanc, left wing; Chapman, Bell, right wing.

Edmundston Eskimos: Ritchie, goal; Adams, Walker, Duffy, defence; Dickie, Bourgeois, centre; Gulliver, Fournier, left wing; Rousseau, Martin, right wing.

Referees, "Wick" James, Moncton; P. Fournier, Edmundston.

First period: 1—Moncton, L. LeBlanc (Bastarache, Carroll) 13:06. Penalty, Martin.

Second period: 2—Moncton, Carroll (Innes) 11:12. Penalty, Duffy.

Third period: 3—Moncton, Chapman, 5:44. Penalties, Duffy, L. LeBlanc, Adams, Martin.

## ST. THOMAS SIX DEFEAT U. N. B. AT CHATHAM

CHATHAM, Feb. 24.—"Pop" Kerr's fighting band of "Tommys" from St. Thomas College turned back U.N.B. here tonight in a thrill-packed contest, 3-1, to grab the second spot in the New Brunswick Intercollegiate Hockey League. Despite the soft condition of the ice, which slowed up play at times, the game was filled with fast rushes and hard driven pucks that had the goalies working overtime.

All four counters came in the third period, the Red and Black being saved from a shutout when Burgess and McInnis combined to beat McManus in the final minute of play.

With the "Tommys" one goal up in the third Wilson, U.N.B. regular goalie, was forced to retire from the game with a deep gash over the right eye. He was replaced by Roberts.

McManus, McKendy and Keoughan were the pick of the Irish six and Burgess, McGibbon and Ritchie starred for U.N.B.

Pat Keoughan scored the first goal of the game. McKendy came through with the second marker and Keoughan got the third for the Tommys. Burgess then tallied the lone U.N.B. tally.

The lineups:

St. Thomas College—Goal, McManus; defence, Washburn, Duffy, Whalen; forwards, McKendy, Keoughan, Rigley, Currie, O'Leary and McLean.

U.N.B.—Goal, Wilson; Roberts; defence, Palmer, Brown, Jackson; forwards, Burgess, Bartlett, McGibbon, McKinnon, Ritchie and McInnis.

## Capital Invaders Lose Opening Battle of Two Game Total Score Series

Visitors Offer Stiff Opposition to Fast Travelling Papermen

BATHURST, Feb. 25.—Faltering under a heavy offensive attack in the last period, a troupe of junior hockey stars, fighting under the banner of Fredericton City, were defeated 5-3 by the Bathurst Juniors here last night in a scheduled battle of the New Brunswick Junior Hockey League playdowns. The visiting team, composed of youngsters from Fredericton, Devon and Barker's Point, fought every inch of the way through sixty minutes of whirlwind hockey and gave the home troupe all they wanted in the way of opposition.

This was the first engagement in a two-game total-goal series. The second skirmish will be fought in the Arctic Rink at the Capital on Friday. Although the Fredericton team will enter the fracas under a two goal handicap there are many sport critics who watched last night's performance who predict that the Bathurst clan will have a man-sized job in retaining the lead.

There was a large crowd present at the game and the fans received their money's worth in spectacular action and thrills. Both teams played wide-open hockey and although the game was fairly clean there was enough "rough stuff" to keep the customers satisfied.

While the ice was soft here both teams gave a fine exhibition of hockey and the play slightly favored the home team. The first period did not produce any scoring and the Bathurst goalie was credited with 6 saves while the Fredericton net tender staved off 10 shots.

In the second the winners netted four scores. Fredericton collected two of its three tallies. Shortly after the opening of this period Howard Harper, unassisted, scored for Bathurst with Mills of Fredericton, assisted by McDonald, evening the count a few minutes later. Edward Martin on an assist by White scored for Bathurst at the seven-minute mark and McIntyre of Fredericton made it 2-all six minutes later. Martin, on an assist from Chamberlain, scored again a minute later and White, assisted by Perley, got the fourth Bathurst tally just as the period finished.

In the third, Martin on a beautiful solo play, drove in Bathurst's fifth score five minutes and forty seconds after the beginning of the period. Fredericton made attack after attack during the rest of this period, but only Cameron on a solo play was able to dent the Bathurst nets. This score was made at the 10-minute mark.

Morehouse of Fredericton was referee-in-chief of the frame and Leo Thibodeau of Bathurst the assistant.

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Ralph "Sprig" Bailey, star backstop of Marysville, Devon and Fredericton teams, over a period of many years, has spiked the rumor that he will "hang up the spikes" and retire. "Sprig" says that he will don the "catching regalia" again next summer. Although a veteran in baseball circles, "Sprig" is still young, and still keep the pitchers "ducking," when he whips the ball to second base.

—OO—  
Washington, D. C., will endeavor to obtain a franchise in the International Hockey League next year. Bill C. Fredericton's crafty-ice general has received an offer from those in charge of the organization to coach the new squad should their entry be accepted.

—OO—  
Both Gilj and "Dud" James will be able to obtain their amateur cards for next winter. Both men would be "pennies from heaven" for whatever club obtained their services.

—OO—  
The local junior squad lost a closely fought game to the Bathurst team on the latter's home ice last night. The North Shore champions will carry a two-goal lead into the final game here Monday night. Local fans are confident, however, that the local team will overcome the two-goal deficit and go on to oust the Bathurst youngsters.



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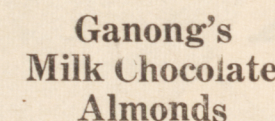
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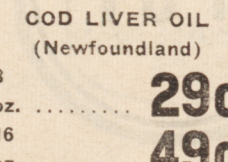
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