

Maritime Hockey Official to Render Decision on Pontiacs Protest Today

Dowell in Possession Of Sworn Affidavits by Those Present at Game

If Protest is Allowed Hub Game Will Be Thrown Out

SAINT JOHN, March 4—The decision regarding the Saint John Pontiacs protest will be given today by Hanson T. Dowell, president of the Maritime Amateur Hockey Association. Mr. Dowell is in possession of sworn affidavits from business men, officials and other fans, who witnessed the game here on Monday night between the Pontiacs and Wheelers, and have sworn that Osborne, Pontiacs' captain, scored the disputed goal in the first period of the deciding game of the junior semi-finals.

Mr. Dowell stated that regardless of last night's game at Moncton, the first of the N. B. junior finals between Bathurst and Moncton, if the Pontiacs' protest is allowed the Hub game would be thrown out.

Mr. Dowell said that if he decides in favor of the Pontiacs that he would immediately order the Moncton Wheelers here this evening to replay the game.

If the game is replayed the biggest hockey crowd of the present season is expected at the Forum.

The M.A.H.A. head was favorably impressed by a letter read to him from Rev. Dr. H. E. Thomas of Saint John, an ardent fan. The letter is to Mr. Dowell and will be forwarded with the affidavits this morning by special delivery, leaving on the C. P. S. Princess Helene.

Whether Mr. Dowell will be in possession of the referees' report is not known, although Frank Gallagher, president of the New Brunswick Junior Hockey League, should have had them in his possession on Tuesday—written and signed.

Told Goal Scored

One of the affidavits sworn to points out that referee Cy Taylor, assistant to "Buzz" McLeod on the night of the game skated over to McLeod to get his decision and then went to the official scorer, Vince Livingston, and told him that Osborne had scored the goal. The verdict, he said, had come from McLeod.

Other affidavits include those who were in the office of the Forum here that the referees used as a dressing room and who swore that they had heard McLeod say he wouldn't swear that Osborne hadn't scored the goal. McLeod denies he made any such assertion. He also stated that he was in on the play. He was standing at the blue line of the Wheelers when the puck was shot. McLeod's position when the goal was scored was also sworn to by several who were at that end of the rink and witnessed the play perfectly.

Other affidavits were taken by J. Harold Chown, in charge of the junior playoffs here; E. Kierstead, manager of the Pontiacs; Vince Livingston, official scorer; and others. All 12 affidavits will be in the hands of Mr. Dowell for his perusal this morning.

Shoelless Joe Jackson is operating a liquor store in West Greenville, South Carolina.

Larry Doyle, one of the immortal Giants, runs a baseball school within hunting distance of the Grand Central Station in New York.

Sam Austin, who was sports editor of the Police Gazette in the days of John L. Sullivan, is still active, being a member of the staff of judges on the New York State Athletic Commission.

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AL. MCCOY SAYS HE WILL HAND JOE LOUIS K. O.

No sooner had he walloped Max Baer in Boston than Al McCoy, the French-Canadian boy with the laughing eyes, began to talk about his chances for a bout with Joe Louis.

When asked how he came out of the fuss with Baer, McCoy, who carried no marks from the battle, said with a grin:

"It was a tough fight but I don't carry any souvenirs from it."

McCoy mentioned he had seen the Louis-Pastor bout in New York.

"I hope to get a crack at Louis," he went on. "I'll knock him out sure. Louis isn't a great fighter. He leaves his jaw wide open, and anybody who can punch should stiffen him. Louis is most dangerous in the first two or three rounds of a bout. After that he is just another fighter. I'm not boasting or talking for publicity when I say I can knock Louis out. I'll make a small wager that I shall score a knockout if I ever meet Louis."

McCoy was motoring to Miami, Fla., for a short vacation.

In Top Condition

"I have been boxing and refereeing steadily since the first of December," said Al. "Two and three weeks in the sunshine and I shall be ready to step back into action."

"Bill Brennan, my manager, is in New York working with Armand Vincent of Montreal in the promotion of the ski jumping at the Polo Grounds. Bill is keeping the wires hot trying to get a Louis bout for me. If I get the 'Bomber' within the next two months, he'll never get his title tussle with Jimmy Braddock in Chicago."

McCoy is a great distance fighter. He never tires, and wallops as hard in the closing round as in the first. He has the sparkle of youth and dynamite in his dukes. He is New England's best bet to become a world's champion.

If McCoy should win the title, he will make a million dollars with it. In addition to his fighting ability, he's handsome. He would be a knockout in the movies and the stage. He also has plenty of personality and would make plenty of friends.

He should have a swell time in Miami. He planned to look up Dave Wilson and Bobby Ahearn and maybe they can slip him a few winners at Hialeah Park that will pay the expenses of his trip.

HAINSWORTH IS RATED HIGH AS NET CUSTODIAN

One of the great goaling figures of all time in major league hockey passed on the popular winter pastime, when mite Georgie Hainsworth, was given his outright release by the Toronto Maple Leafs with the start of the 1936-37 puck season, giving way to youthful blood, Turk Broda. The retired Hainsworth, picked now and then, to fill in for a brother of the net-minding fraternity who may be ailing, has been three successive times winner of the George Vezina trophy, denoting net-minding excellence in the National Hockey League, holds the major league record for shutouts; the record for least goals scored upon him in a modern season; and has never been out of the playoffs in his colorful and long career in major league warfare, East and West. Approaching the 40 year mark, in age, the diminutive backstop still rates with the greatest goalies of all time, although the pep and vigor of other years, is missing.

Hainsworth played in 23 competitive seasons and is the proud grandpappa of all net-minders, presently. Just 24 years ago, a little tyke, whose head was well below the top of the net, waddled into the Kitchener goal to hold down that job for the Kitchener Juniors. At the conclusion of the year, his team lost in a post-season playoff series with the Toronto Canoe Club, but from out of the playoffs, the name of a 15-year-old goal-tending luminary was written into the records. The little tyke was George Hainsworth, who grew to be a lanky five-foot-five footer, with over 170 shutouts in his hockey career, that carried him through junior, intermediate and senior O.H.A. hockey to the Western League, and finally to his cherished desire, the "Big Top."

BROOKLYN WILL HAVE MUNGUS IN THE BOX AGAIN

The official 1936 National League pitchers' records fortified the intention of Dodger officials not to barter for their act, speedball right-hander, Van Lingle Mungo, Brooklyn's combined pride and headache, unless there is plenty forthcoming in return for the giant pitcher.

With 13 triumphs as against 19 reverses, Mungo ranked 14th in winning percentage among the 19 National League hurlers, who worked ten or more complete contests. He was no better than sixth among the 19 in the earned-run rating with a record of having yielded 3.35 earned tallies per nine-inning game.

This may not sound so impressive to all concerned, but there was plenty of other evidence to indicate that the sullen, young Carolina right-hander belongs in the most select company of the circuit, right up there with King Carl Hubbell of the Giants and gurgulous Dizzy Dean of the Cardinals. Southpaw Carl hurled the Giants to the 1936 National League pennant and conspicuously was the best pitcher of 1936. Dean tossed them up for a hard-hitting, erratic crew of Gas-House Gang maulers, who loped home to a tie for second place with the Chicago Cubs.

Weak Hitting Crew

Mungo pitched for a weak-hitting and insomnia-riddled set of Brooklyn Dodgers, who ended up a tottering seventh in the club's official standings, yet it is obvious that, everything taken into careful consideration, his ability rates him close to Hubbell and Dean, men who worked with better outfits, all around. And now—a glance at how the top-notchers of the Senior Circuit finished in various important departments of the pitching occupation:

Complete games: Dizzy Dean, 28; Carl Hubbell, 25; Mungo, 22;

Innings Pitched: Dean, 315; Mungo, 312; Hubbell, 303.

Games Won: Hubbell, 26; Dean, 24; Paul Derringer, Reds, 19; Mungo, 18; Bill Lee and Larry French, Chicago, 18.

Strikeouts: Mungo, 238; Dean, 195; Cy Blanton, Pittsburgh, 127; Hubbell, 121; Derringer, 121.

Then, another table, which is not in the official records, but which can be worked out from them, shows Mungo right up on top. The table reveals to prove that big Van Lingle's stuff was the hardest to figure out of any pitcher on hand. The league on the whole had a batting average of only .234 against the Brooklyn ace moundsman.

DISQUALIFIED FOR "NOT TRYING"

NEW YORK, March 4—Leroy Haynes, 200, Philadelphia heavyweight, was disqualified "for not trying" against Eddie Blunt, 216 1-2, of New York last night, and the bout was awarded to Blunt after one minute and 17 seconds of the seventh round of their fight at the Hippodrome.

Referee Billy Cavanagh of New York, waved Haynes to his corner after Blunt, fighting his first main bout of any importance, was leading on The Associated Press score card, our rounds to two.

Haynes landed a hard right midway through the first round and looked as if he could win when he pleased, but in the second Blunt kept ramming his left hand into the Philadelphia's face. Blunt kept up these tactics and staggered Haynes with a good one-two at the close of the 3rd.

Blunt had Haynes groggy in the fourth, when he waged a two-handed attack without a single effective return. Blunt also had the edge in the fifth, though Haynes rallied near the end.

GOMEZ QUILTS HOLDOUT RANKS

NEW YORK, March 3—Pitcher Vernon 'Lefty' Gomez, tired of seeing movies and working out in gymnasiums, and shortstop Frankie Crosetti today quit the holdout ranks of New York Yankees.

Yankees did not announce terms, but Col. Jacob Ruppert described the settlements as "compromises."

Gomez had asked for \$15,000 and was offered \$12,000. Crosetti wanted \$15,000 and was offered \$13,000.

The signing of these two reduced the New York holdout list to five: Lou Gehrig, Bill Dickey, Red Ruffing, Joe Di Maggio and Red Rolfe.

"Gomez told me he's going to win 25 games," Ruppert announced. "And I hope he does. I like Gomez."

Ruppert paid Gomez \$20,000 a year in 1935 and 1936. But in both these years Gomez' performance was disappointing.

"AROUND THE SPORT CLOCK"—WITH—"Dinny" Dinsmore

Fred McDade of McAdam has taken up the mat game at Queens University. Although losing his last bout, he gave a good account of himself and lost on a close decision. McDade is a graduate of St. Joseph University, and was a star baseball player and tennis player while attending that institution. He is a third year medical student at Queens.

Plans are underway to have a series of hockey games played between Fredericton and Devon for the York County championship. The Devon team would have Bill Gulliver and Ron Wade, who have played in Edmundston all winter, for the series. Bill McIntyre and Doug Cameron would also lineup with the Devonies and Everett Staples will journey from Minto for the proposed series. The Devon squad will make the Capitals step to carry off honors.

Local sport moguls are contemplating on forming a club to handle all branches of sport. The formation of such a club would indeed be a worthy move, as it has long been a necessity in this locality. Such a club would lessen the financial burden for the few sports, who have carried on for a number of years.

The Barker's Point squad will meet York Street School in the finals for the City School Hockey Championship. The teams will meet on Friday morning in the first of a three game series. The School League has created much interest this winter, and great credit is due Ralph Albrant for his untiring efforts in organizing and supervising the league.

Tomorrow evening the Bathurst Papermakers and Moncton Maroons will meet again in the final of a two-game, total-goal series for the New Brunswick Senior crown. The Maroons have a three goal margin and are heavy favorites to win the title. The N. B. champs meet the Charlottetown sextette in the first series for the tri-province bunting. The N. B. champs will probably experience their stiffest opposition from the Nova Scotia champions. The winners should go quite a distance on the Allen Cup trail.

DOUGLAS YOUNG ABHOR'S SIGHT OF POLICE DOGS

Dogs are fine pets but not Russian Wolf-hounds. The tall slim animals that are rated tons in bow-wow circles find no favor with Douglas Young, pride of the little town of Gleichen, Alta., who has made good in a big hockey way with Detroit Red Wings in the National League.

But even in the greyhounds are barred as part of Young's Detroit household, there are no pet dogs around the fireside of the husky defenceman. When Doug Young is not stopping attacks for the Red Wings and he does this is a masterful way, he is keeping his eyes open for wolf-hounds.

The Team That Saved

An injury received from the claws and teeth of a wolfhound back in Doug's early days in Gleichen were enough to start a lifetime hatred of the prized animals. It was all over a black cat. Doug was having a little horse play on the way home from school one day when he ran across a black tabby. There's nothing like chasing a cat and especially a black one, thought young Douglas, long before he ever thought of taking up hockey in a big way. Doug started the chase but the Russian wolfhound finished the job. The wolfhound, even though he hated cats, went to the rescue of the pussy and wound up by severely mauling the surprised Douglas Young.

Yacht Club Regatta To Be Held August 14

SAINT JOHN, March 4—The 1937 regatta of the Rothesay Yacht Club will be held Aug. 14, it was decided at the annual meeting of the club held recently. Arrangements for the colorful event will be commenced as soon as possible and one of the greatest meets in the history of the club is expected.

Fred Brock was elected commodore of the club. Other officers were elected as follows: Vice-commodore, G. T. Sayre; secretary-treasurer, F. S. Blanchet; managing committee, F. P. Hamm, H. B. Armstrong and J. M. Beleya; sailing committee, Gordon Coffin, R. M. Steele and John Brock;

BALDWIN, SUPERMAN OR BLUNDERER?

(This article is written by H. M. Paint of The Daily Mail staff.)

Both critics and admirers of Baldwin agree on three things—his absolute personal honesty and the high ideal of duty to his country which led him to forego the war time profits gained by his firm with the result that he is today a relatively poor man. On all other points concerning him there are widely divergent opinions.

The case in his favor is put by his admirers something like this.

- (1) He kept us out of war.
- (2) He restored British world trade.
- (3) He saved England from a Labor Government.
- (4) He fostered goodwill with Left Wing Thought.
- (5) He has been a superb party leader.
- (6) He has shown great capacity to rise to a crisis.
- (7) He has demonstrated once again that even royalty must bow to the will of the Parliament and assured the continuance of our Constitutional Government.

(8) He has rectified a dangerous situation in the West end of London by bringing the fast set of Mayfair into the limelight and protecting an astonished Empire from a danger which before they had only been dimly aware of in rotogravure supplements or the "News of the World."

(9) He has brought in a colossal war appropriation bill which is evidently necessary and which if persisted in consistently should go far to solve unemployment.

This is an impressive record if it can be taken at its face value. The Earlom rumored on Baldwin's retirement is little enough for such services to a grateful country, according to his supporters.

But the case is a case which disagrees with his admirers' claims in whole or part. Their view is:

- (1) That his keeping us out of war at such cost to British prestige has made war inevitable and our chance of losing much greater.
- (2) That British world trade has been restored at the cost of British prestige and political influence.
- (3) That his saving us from a Labor Government has only destroyed moderate labor and paved the way for the more extreme element.
- (4) That his fostering goodwill with Left Wing thought has destroyed the influence of the more moderate leaders and increased the influence of the extremists.
- (5) That he is a clever party leader they agree.
- (6) That he has shown great capacity to rise to an emergency but no ability to forestall a crisis or prevent it from occurring.
- (7) That his handling of the Constitutional crisis in which he acted on his own judgment throughout without consulting his Parliament savored more of the methods of Government by Revelation in the days of the prophets of Israel than the best British Constitutional methods "Broadening slowly down from precedent to precedent."
- (8) That the so-called dangerous situation in the West End of London among the fast society set which he exposed to the startled eyes of the Empire might very well have been left to social editors and Scotland Yard's very efficient vice squad rather than the British Broadcasting Corporation.
- (9) That a fifth of the present war appropriation bill spent seasonably to restrain Italy in her Ethiopian adventure might have avoided the whole outlay. And that the military measures now expected to benefit the depressed area might have been commenced five years ago.

Enemies of Mr. Baldwin, no doubt prejudiced say that he is called by a growing section of British thought "The Old Fumbler," or even "God's Good Man." They point out that he deserted Lloyd George's Coalition because, as he assured the public he must do the "right" thing. He joined Ramsay MacDonald's coalition because it was "right." They point out that the bluff Worcestershire squire's mother was a Celt and hint that the mantle of the Welsh Elijah Lloyd George has fallen on the Worcestershire Elijah—Stanley Baldwin. They recall still more recent and much publicized instances of his wish to do the "right" thing. This school of thought look with relief to his successor Mr. Chamberlain, a lesser man whose courage expresses itself in plain speech followed by firm action. They feel that he is a better pilot to guide the British Empire through the dangerous shoals of 1937 and the future years which we are now entering.

entertainment committee, Geo. Crosby, A. C. L. Fairweather and Hugh Mackay.

PIE TRAYNOR IS GIVEN CALL AS GREATEST THIRD BASEMAN TO TRAVEL MAJOR LEAGUES

Was Sensation as Youngster and Has Been 17 Years in the Game --- First Grabbed by Pittsburgh After Boston Had Passed Him Up --- Wanted by Half a Dozen Clubs When He Was Ready for Majors.

In summing up the history of baseball, sports historians will always be unanimous on one item, if any, and that department is that Harold "Pie" Traynor, present manager and third-baseman of the somewhat in-and-out Pittsburgh Pirates, was the peer of all third-basemen in his day, and one of the most expert guardians of the hot sack of all time. After spending most of the 1935 and

1936 National League campaigns managing his Smoky City hirelings from the bench while the allowed proxies to take care of his field assignment, which he was forced to relinquish because of an injured shoulder, Pie has again intimated that should his present batch of third-basemen fail to produce, he will again return to active duty at the dizzy station.

Harold Joseph Traynor has been sporting the spangles of organized baseball for 17 years, two of them being spent in the minors. After scouts had cast dubious eyes at the gangling youngster of the Boston and Somerville lots, and after he had been chased out of both Boston big league parks as apparently hopeless because of his awkwardness, he finally received a chance in the well-paid pastime with the Portsmouth club of the old Virginia League. Immediately, he sprang into prominence by clinching the shortstopper berth and averaging better than one base hit per tilt in 106 regular contests his first season in the pro ranks. The Big Top scouts who had given up on his home town lots again became vastly interested and commenced to dog the trail of the Portsmouth Club. The Pittsburgh Club, after two of its scouts had put their O. K. sign on the lanky youngster, outbid the other major league clubs for title to Pie's services. He passed on to the Pirates in August, 1920, although he remained with Portsmouth several weeks after his outright purchase.

Pie was not long getting a chance to show his wares, after reporting to Pittsburgh. Bill McKenzie, present major-domo of the Boston Bees, but then third-baseman of the Pirates, went suddenly in mid-September and Pie going to third base in the game, uncorked a ninth inning rally with a solid double that won the old ball-game.

As a sandlot kid and as a minor leaguer, Pie was a shortstop, and, finishing the 1930 National League season, his first real experience with the Buccaneers, he performed in 17 games at that position. But the following spring, George "Mooney" Gibson, then in his first term as Pirate skipper, shifted him to third base. But he had no chance to onst Clyde Barnhart, the regular dizzy corner minder. At the termination of the training season, it was very apparent that the youngster while rich in native ability, needed another year in the minors for experience necessary for major league ball. Gibson gave Pie the choice of several Class A outfits with which he could serve his apprenticeship.

Only a small sized crowd watched the game, but there was sufficient action to keep up the interest.

Bats Around, Four Runs and No Hits

Did you ever hear of a ball club batting around and scoring no less than four runs on no hits? Well, the Detroit Tigers did it against Malton Bullock, Philadelphia Athletics' rookie pitcher, during the 1936 American League season. Pete Fox walked. Marv Owen forced out Fox at second. Billy Rogell stroled, sending, Owen to second. Owen and Rogell worked a perfect double steal, when Bullock took too much of a windup. Ray Hayworth was passed, filling the hassocks. Schoolboy Rowe also walked, forcing in Owen with the first run. LaMar Newsome fumbled a perfect double-play ball hit by Gerald Walker. Rogell and Hayworth scoring and Rowe sprinting to third. George Burns, the veteran first-baseman, also walked, again filling the bases. Bullock, at this juncture, was yanked by Connie Mack and Harry Gumpert, another recruit finger, came in to pitch. Gehrig forced Burns at second on a roller and Rowe scored the fourth run. Goose Goslin fled out to end the rally.

HOCKEY SCORES

N. B. Junior Finals

Bathurst 3, Moncton 1. (First of home-and-home series.)

N. S. Senior Playdowns

Berwick 5, Halifax 2. (First game of semi-final series.)

Antigonish 5, Sydney 1. (First game of semi-final series.)

International-American

Cleveland 3, Springfield 1.

New Haven 3, Providence 2.

Montreal Senior Group

Quebec Aces 4, McGill 2. (Aces take semi-final round 2 games to 1.)

SCHEDULED TONIGHT

National Hockey League

Chicago at Canadiens.

Rangers at Detroit.

N. S. Junior Finals

Amherst at Sydney.

BATHURST TRIMS HUB WHEELERS 3-1

MONCTON, March 3—Barring miracles, the New Brunswick junior hockey championship should rest in Bathurst this year. Tonight the Junior Papermakers, who rule the North Shore, trounced Moncton's Wheelers 3-1 in the first of a series of home and home, total goal games for the provincial title. Bathurst looked as impressive as their margin of score indicates. The fact they outscored the Wheelers on their home ice is sufficient ground to forecast Bathurst championship. But the manner in which they went about it, and the ruggedness of their players, convinced about everybody in the Stadium tonight that the Papermakers have a considerable edge over the Wheelers.

Young Pitre put the Papermakers ahead in the first period when he scored unassisted three minutes before the gong closed the session.

In the second Kelly tied up the count for the Moncton kids, but two minutes later Chamberlain shot the Papermakers into the lead and incidentally scored the winning goal.

The third period was scoreless as the Papermakers closed their ranks to invading Wheelers. While the North Shore lads are not impressive in neat passing plays or smooth team work, they have a far better than fair knowledge on how to protect a lead. It is in their defensive department that they show their might. In Martin, Pitre and Chamberlain they have a burly and capable trio, fast skaters and aggressive. The entire team showed marked ability but they failed to impress in one important point. They lack good team work.

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