

MAROONS, BEAVERS WIN INITIAL CONTESTS

FISTIC SCRAP AND PENALTIES FEATURE 4-1 VICTORY OF MONCTON SIX OVER FREDERICTON CAPITALS LAST NIGHT

Gill and Reese Dickie Tangle in Third Session Scrap; McLenahan Uses Abusive Language To Referee and Gets Misconduct Penalty

MONCTON, Dec. 3.—After 60 minutes of rough, tough hockey, featured by a fist fight and a misconduct penalty, Moncton Maroons, for the past two seasons Maritime senior hockey champions, knocked off the Fredericton Capitals 4 to 1 here tonight and thereby share the top spot in the Southern New Brunswick Hockey League with the Saint John Beavers.

The fight, brewing from the first session came in the final period when Bill Gill, coach of the Capitals and Reese Dickie tangled along the boards. The pair were separated before any serious damage resulted. "Bun" McLenahan, fiery Capital centre, drew down the misconduct penalty for abusive language to referee "Wick" James in the middle session.

Maroons, in much better shape than the visitors, played the superior hockey but they were handled rough at the Capital blue line by the Gill-Thompson barrier and the tactics of the big pair were not always to the liking of the crowd.

Gill, a former Hawk, was lustily booed by the fans in the last period when he chopped the feet from under George Bell, and the fleet Maroon right-winger struck his head on the ice. Bell was carried from the surface unconscious and did not return to play, but late tonight it was felt he would not suffer any serious results.

How They Scored

The home team went one up in the first period, added another to their total in the middle 20 minutes and scored twice in the last session. The solitary Capital goal came in the final canto.

Not yet in condition the Fredericton team served notice they will be very much in the loop this year. In Bill Sharpe they have a smart goal-er and his work tonight was good while the rearguard of Gill and Thompson were tough and with the addition of one or two players yet to turn out they should give the Campbellton boy plenty of protection.

TRADERS GATHER FOR BIG LEAGUE MEET AT CHICAGO

Minor Annual Concludes; But Three Big Deals Are Made

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 3.—Major league baseball traders marched on Chicago tonight, ready to touch off a blast of selling and buying "fire-works" which failed to explode with more than a mild "pop" at the minor league's 36th annual meeting.

There was plenty of activity at the convention wound up its business, but it wasn't of the "ivory" market variety. Big league managers owners and scouts poured out of hotels in a mass movement toward Chicago and the American and National League sessions which open Monday.

Expectancy prevailed that the Van Lingle Mungo deal would break before the leagues held their joint session next Wednesday. Throughout the minor sessions reports were rampant the Brooklyn Dodger pitching ace would change uniforms—going either to New York Giants or Chicago Cubs. Another rumor heard today was that Manager Jimmy Dykes of Chicago White Sox wanted Rudy York, young Detroit catcher, but it was deemed unlikely Mickey Cochran would dispose of his hard-hitting backstop.

SPORT DUST

—BY—

"Timmy" Green

The Capitals took a licking last night, but in the opinion of this post it was a very satisfactory trouncing. No one could expect them to hand the Maroons a trimming when their comparative conditions are taken into consideration so local fans shouldn't be disappointed, but instead should be as pleased as we are. The game showed that the team is FIGHT all the way through.

Although the game would first make the readers think of the fight of a fistic type, we do not refer to this sense of the word especially. The team was in there all the time and played such a game that it is quite obvious that with a few more tussles under their belts they are going to be right up around the top in every game. The word of a Moncton sports writer, viz., "Not yet in condition the Fredericton team gave notice that they will be very much in the loop this year," further bears up our statement.

Furthermore this post is of the opinion that it won't take many more games to put the Caps in the condition that will see them start evening up the score. We wouldn't care to speculate too heavily on the game against the Beavers Monday night, but at the end of next week readers (both of them) will find this pillar stating that the Caps will take the occasional scalp.

The St. Croix took a real white-washing at the hands of the Beavers. Some reservation must be made here also for the fact that the Border team had not been on ice this year. Despite this, a ratio of the scores in the two games (allowing something for it being St. Croix's first start) seems to indicate that the local team is a few notches up on the border puck chasers.

The trading bee at Milwaukee came to an end without amounting to much after all—even Diz Dean wasn't sold down the river. The St. F. X. Hockey team, 1937 intercollegiate champs will tour Newfoundland in a series of exhibition games. . . . Plenty of thrills is promised hockey fans tonight when the Imperial Oil broadcast from Toronto carries the clash between the Leafs and Canadiens. . . . Maybe it's a good thing that the Caps held onto Bun McLenahan—he made the lone tally against Moncton last night. . . . Something tells us that the fans are going to go for the "bad boy" type of hockey the Caps are offering this year.

Leafs' Horner Seeks Goals, Not Penalties

Toronto Hockey Star Discards "Bad Man" Stuff

TORONTO, Ont., Dec. 4.—More scoring points and fewer penalties is the new motto of Reginald "Red" Horner, colorful defenseman of the Toronto Maple Leafs, and perennial "bad man" of the National Hockey League.

In keeping with the general scoring spree of the team as a whole, Horner after eight games had accumulated eight scoring points and was tied with teammate Charlie Conacher, and "Doc" Rommes, of the Chicago Hawks, for third place in the League records. With the season only just under way he has nearly reached his mark for the entire scheduled year ago.

Power on the attack is a new departure for the sorrel-top whose reputation as one of the most able exponents of the body check has made him a marked man with league referees. He has held the "bad man" title these several years by virtue of his frequent visits to the penalty box. Yet "Red" threatens to relinquish his title this year for the more honored position among the leading scorers.

Horner has lost none of his affectiveness on the defense, and he is still hitting 'em as hard as he ever did, but with a more polished technique acquired for the benefit of the whistle-blowers. At that he is topped only by Northcott, of the Maroons and Watson of Rangers, for minutes spent in the penalty box, but anything other than the top position in this regard is something new for him.

It was probably Horner's willingness to bounce the attacking forwards to all corners of the rink that prompted Conny Smythe to snatch him out of the amateur ranks and dress him in the Leafs' uniform, the only one he has ever worn in professional hockey.

Made Good at Start

Smythe spotted him playing in the now defunct Brokers Hockey League on a Saturday afternoon, signed him to a contract and had him on the ice for the Leafs the same night. He was a sensation from the start, rough, actionful and colorful to a degree.

Horner's rather crude, unpolished methods of stopping rival forwards soon commanded attention from the officials, and it was not long before he had earned his sobriquet of "bad man". He has retained it ever since, and it is no sure thing that he'll lose it this year. But the fact remains that he is playing the best hockey of his career. He is proving an able successor to his former partner on the Leafs' defense "King" Clancy, who was one of the best attacking defense men of hockey.

Going at their present clip, the Leafs may shatter all previous scoring marks. In professional hockey. They are credited with 32 goals in eight games, an exceptionally high average. In contrast they are also the most scored-upon team. Twenty-two pucks have lodged in the net behind Goaler "Turk" Broda.

It is worthy of note that the Leafs defense shows remarkable power in the pinches. Of those 22 goals only one has been scored while a member of the team was serving in the penalty box. And the team's total penalties amount to 60 minutes.

Gould, Braddock Refuse To Pay \$1,000 Fine

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Joe Gould, manager of Jimmy Braddock, today said that neither he nor the former heavyweight boxing champion would pay the penalty of \$1,000 imposed on each of them by the New York State Athletic Commission for failure to appear five days before the date Braddock was supposed to have met Max Schmeling last summer.

"We are going to make a test case of it," said Gould.

The commission had given Gould and Braddock until today to pay up or have the matter turned over to the district attorney for collection.

MARTIN WOULD FIGHT HENRY; SCOFFS AT CURRENT FIGHTERS

"Us Old Guys Is Too Smart For These Young Kids Who Are Coming Along," Says 32 Year Old Andy After Eighteen Years In Fight Game

Italian Track Ace May Invade U. S.

MILAN, Dec. 3.—Italy claims an option on the 1940 Olympic 400-metre championship in the person of Ottavio Missioni, 16 year old schoolboy sensation, who recently ran his race in 48.8 seconds.

The youthful conqueror of Elroy Robinson, official world's record holder at 880 yards in the summer's Italian-American meet held here, is declared to be the youngest runner ever to crack 49 seconds.

A move is under way here to send him to New York this winter to compete in the big indoor track meets. Missioni has set a mark few American college athletes have equalled.

BOSTON, Dec. 4.—When many of the boys fighting now were still taking their meals out of a milk bottle, Andy Martin, 32, of the South End, was starting his fistic career, a career that carried him around the world.

Since that time Martin, who has now been fighting for 18 years and who weighs about 135 pounds, compared to the 115 he used to carry, has continued boxing and only recently returned from a profitable boxing tour of South Africa.

His chief ambition at the moment is a fight with Henry Armstrong, West Coast Negro who won the featherweight title from Petey Sar-ron at New York recently.

Martin, who claims the reason the old-timers lasted so long was their boxing ability, as of the opinion he

BEAVERS VANQUISHED UNTRAINED ST. CROIX AGGREGATION 9-0 IN CONTEST AT SAINT JOHN FORUM LAST NIGHT

Olsen Scores Three Goals and Price and Pickard Collect Four Points Each; McFarlane of Border Team Suffers Fractured Shoulder

SAINT JOHN, Dec. 3.—Saint John Beavers had a field night at the expense of St. Stephen St. Croix last night as they ushered in the Southern New Brunswick Hockey League's campaign for 1937-38 by firing in nine goals while holding the borderites scoreless.

It was the first time St. Croix had been on the ice and the result was no surprise to the 700 fans who attended.

The Beavers rifled in four goals in the first period, tallied once in the second and finished up by getting four more in the final session.

The inaugural was marred by an accident. Stewart McFarlane of Chatham, a member of this year's St. Stephen squad, suffered a fractured shoulder when given a lousy check in his own defence zone in the first period. He was taken to the General Hospital but was able to leave for the border with the team last night.

The opening ceremonies included the presentation of the Marcus trophy to Coach Herb Gibbs of the Beavers for their pre-season series victory over Moncton Maroons and the facing off the puck by Mayor McLaren. The teams lined up on

could outbox Armstrong. "Us old guys had to learn to box and to know all the inside stuff and we're too smart for these young kids who are coming along," he said.

Once rated as the second best featherweight in the world by the late Tex Rickard, Martin doesn't think much of our modern fighters.

their own blue lines for the presentation.

"Swede" Olsen with three goals, all coming in the final chapter, led the scoring parade. Beaton's two smart goals in the first period were the highlights of the play. Bobby skated through the whole St. Croix team to bang home both with back-hand shots.

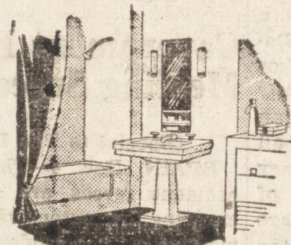
Pair Get Four Points

Eddie Price, who is playing a better game this season than last, and Dave Pickard collected four points each to top all the point-getters at the night.

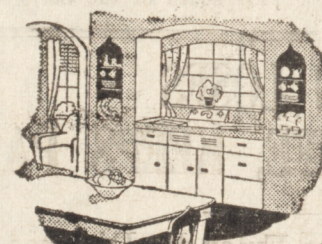
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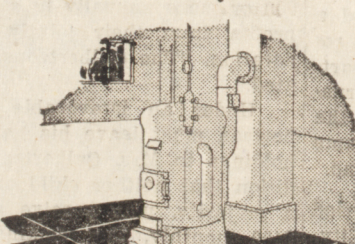
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