

Capitals Blank St. Croix 2 - 0 to Enter Southern League Finals

Capacity Crowd Sees Fredericton Turn Back Bordertown Invaders

Bill Lifford Corralles the Scoring Honors--Fast Brand of Hockey

The Fredericton Capitals fought their way into the Southern New Brunswick Hockey League finals here last night by applying the whitewash brush to Rollie Robertson's yellow and black shirted St. Stephen-St. Croix. To Bill Lifford went the honor of scoring the two goals of the contest, played before a capacity crowd of 2,100, the largest hockey "turn-out" since 1932 when the Millionaires flaunted Fredericton's colors in the Big Six Maritime Loop.

The game was played on fast ice, yet the brand of hockey "dished out" was anything but spectacular. Each player was clinging to his checks, and stick-handling and combination play was difficult to execute.

First Period
Play opened fast and Robertson was given the gate for tripping Lifford. Fredericton applied the pressure, and "Bus" McLennahan and Lifford gave Coffey some anxious moments in the St. Croix citadel. St. Croix's heaved the disc down the ice to ease the pressure. Robertson returned and the alternate lines came on. McCarroll, Russell were through but Young turned the shot aside. Doucette and McCarroll beat the Capitals' defence but Young was not to be outdone and kicked out a hard drive from Doucette's stick. Mills stickhandled through the entire team but his shot went wide. McIntyre and "Bus" McLennahan were back-checking consistently.

Armstrong was waived for tripping Keenan, but the Caps failed to click on their gang plays. Chalmers and Doucette went to the "sinners' row" for "mixing it." Lowe got the nod on the next face off for dumping "Bun" McLennahan, and St. Stephen were two men short. Robertson acted as a second goalkeeper during their absence, blocking and checking to perfection. McCarroll rode in on Young, but the curly top janitor hailed the disc to the side. Lifford, who stood out on the attack for the locals, took a terrific body check from Rollie Robertson. As the period ended, Goodine and Armstrong were chased for over loquaciousness.

Second Period
The second period opened slowly. Play warmed up, and Young stopped two drives from close in. St. Stephen had the play bottled up behind the Capitals' blue line. Goodine was poke-checking to perfection. The teams seemed hopelessly disorganized. Coffey rose to dizzy heights in the middle of the canto as Mills and the McLennahan brothers were in on his "doorstep" on several occasions. McIntyre and Mills were doing some smart stickhandling as they battled it out on left wing.

Haining put in his first appearance at the 15-minute mark. Young and Coffey both made good saves as Cameron and Keenan edged by the defence. Lifford, Mills and "Bus" McLennahan worked in close, and Coffey smothered Mills' drive from the side.

Third Period
The final period produced the best hockey of the night as the Capitals' rang up two goals. St. Stephen put on the pressure at the start and Young stopped four shots as Robertson, McCarroll, Cameron, and Doucette tested him with blistering drives. Lines changed and McIntyre missed out, on a solo effort. Lifford and "Bun" McLennahan paired twice

U.N.B. BASKETEERS MEET WOODSTOCK HOOPSTERS TODAY

The Hilltoppers, representing the University of New Brunswick in basketball circles, leave this afternoon for Woodstock, where they will match tricks with the cagy Senators on the Ammourey courts there, in an exhibition fixture. The Hilltoppers have suffered two defeats in two starts so far this season. They were defeated recently by the Saint John Britons. Phil Trainor is confident that his charges will make a better showing tonight against the strong and experienced up river quintet. At any event Phil says that the game will give his Collegians a much needed slice of experience for the inter-collegiate league, which opens round the 20th of February.

The red and black jerseyed hoopsters will be "shuffled around" a bit in order to find a "clicking" combination. The lineup will be practically the same as used in former contests except that Vince McAvity, husky Centreville guard will be carried as a spare. The Varsity squad will trot out the following players: Forwards Cameron, Smith, Ev. Currie, Gale Currie, Murray and Moore, while Corbett, Harris, Bell, McAuley and McAvity will protect the twined irons.

The Senators are slated to play here on Feb. 19th in a return match, which will "wind up" the pre-season games for the local hoopsters.

but Coffey saved the day. McIntyre was injured momentarily as he fell against the goalpost. At the 4:45 mark "Bun" McLennahan raced away from a St. Stephen gang attack, carried down right wing, drew the defence and slipped a short pass to "Johnny-on-the-spot" Lifford, and the stock winger banged home the first marker of the game. Play livened up and Russell worked by Chalmers to give Young another anxious moment.

Sam Currie's broom parade was called into action as some excited fans heaved bottles and jugs on the ice. Play was suspended for 10 minutes. After things got squared away Keenan and Goodine paired and had Coffey down, but the shot went astray. McCarroll, McIntyre and Cameron were in close, but the latter's shot was deflected by Young. Play reverted to the "river-type" for a length of time. Lifford, who looked good on the Capitals' left wing went down at the 18:42 mark and drove a blistering shot at Coffey, the big net-janitor who failed to clear the rebound and Lifford batted in the final score of the game.

The Lineups
St. Croix--Coffey, goal; Armstrong, B. McIntee, Robertson, defence; McCarroll, Cameron, Doucette, Russell, Lowe, MacIntyre, forwards.

Capitals--Young, goal; Chalmers, Thompson, Goodine, defence; "Bus" McLennahan, "Bun" McLennahan, Lifford, Morehouse, Keenan, Mills, Haining, forwards.

Referees--"Wick" James, "Buzz" McLeod.

First period: No score. Penalties--Robertson, Doucette, Lowe, Goodine, Chalmers (2), Armstrong (2).

Second period: No score. Penalty--Chalmers.

Third period: 1--Capitals, Lifford ("Bun" McLennahan), 4:45; 2--Capitals, Lifford, 18:42. Penalty, Lowe.

HOCKEY ON SOLID BASIS IN TULSA DUE TO EFFORTS OF COURAGEOUS PROMOTER

George A. Lackey Had Faith in the Game and Wouldn't Let It Pass From Oil Capital--Buddy Maracle, Full-Blooded Ontario Indian is Coach ---Has Many Players Well Known in East Including Jack Riley and Andy Bellemer.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11--The courage of a promoter who wouldn't give up was the great factor in putting hockey on its feet in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Now this is one of the strongest centres of the game of puck and stick in the great south-west. The task has been completed and the fastest sport on earth has been solidly installed with a positive guaranty of permanency and Oil Capital fans can thank George A. Lackey, president of the Tulsa Hockey Club, for saving the life of a sport which has gripped the Oil Capital as no other sport ever gripped this thriving centre before.

When George Lackey first arrived in Tulsa ten years ago, the business of puck chasing for him was purely entertainment. His closest connection with hockey was the dim knowledge that a cousin, Duncan Cameron, had played back in the early 1920's with a championship amateur team in Canada. Owning a Hockey Club didn't enter his mind.

A certified public accountant in St. Louis, Lackey came to Tulsa to join the staff of Haskins, Sells & Co., 10 years ago. He worked with that firm in 1925 and 1926, resigning in 1927 to become Comptroller of the Oklahoma Natural Gas Co. For seven years he held that position. When hockey was introduced in Tulsa in 1928 by Walter R. Whiteside, Lackey became a rabid fan. Sitting on the sidelines game after game at the Coliseum he learned the likes and dislikes of his fellow spectators. He formed his own ideas of what a hockey club should be like, how it should be operated, and what the fans really wanted.

Saved Game For Tulsa
In the spring of 1934 when Kay Iversen's club collapsed through mismanagement in spite of financial aid by Lackey and other public-spirited Tulsans, and the American Hockey Association franchise was withdrawn from Tulsa, things looked pretty bad. Had the "fastest sport on earth" left the Oil Capital for good? Was it a failure here? Many fans worried over those two questions. But Lackey answered both in the negative when nobody else would turn a hand for hockey. All summer long he planned. By fall he had the foundation of a new club laid and the American Association awarded Tulsa a franchise--Tulsa was back in the game again!

Has His Theories
Lackey put his own theories into practice, and kept a steady hand on the pulse of the fan. Last winter under his direction the game enjoyed its first financially successful season in Tulsa since 1929, and the fans ran up an all-time record attendance of an average of more than 4,000 persons per game. Not satisfied with last year's accomplishments, Lackey as organized a stronger club this year with better league conditions.

Indifferent Referees
Poor officiating at games was one of the chief drawbacks to hockey last winter. Lackey listened to the fans' pleas for improvement. And his fall when he and the other Association Directors met he successfully sponsored a move to put the hiring and firing of referees solely up to a committee, thus taking the difficult responsibility out of the league president's hands and eliminating any possibility of partiality displays by arbiters. But the improvement didn't stop there. Lackey's theories of successful hockey called for more speed. This couldn't be obtained with 12-played teams so George, now Vice President of the Association, put through a constitutional amendment increasing the rosters of the clubs to 14-men each. This gave each team three forward lines. The skaters can dash up and down the ice 2 minutes and rest 4 minutes. Each club will always have a "fresh" forward combination, and each line can "shoot the works" all the time it is in the game.

His efforts to improve the game is not the only thing that has made Lackey tremendously popular among the fans as a club owner. George has personality plus, and he's always anxious to listen to constructive criticism. No suggestion by a fan is too small to receive his serious consideration, and he'll ston and shop-talk hockey with any of them.

Buddy Maracle In Charge
He put Buddy Maracle, formerly of New York Rangers, in charge as coach and went to work to build up a team which packed color, personality, and the winning complex. "Podk" Levine of the Kansas City Blues in 1935-36 was obtained for goals. The defence was built up by Moose Pringle who was formerly

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

Fans were wondering why Bill Gill did not use 'Snap' Thompson in last night's game. 'Snap' was a standout on the Capitals' defence during the first part of the season; later he suffered a head injury and has been used sparingly since his return to the Capital lineup.

Doug Cameron and Billy MacIntyre are planning on taking a barnstorming tour to Nova Scotia with the St. John Seagulls. Arrangements for the tour are not completed as yet.

The St. Stephen St. Croixes will play the Edmundston Eskimos at the latter's rink on Monday next.

The Fredericton Curling Club defeated the St. Stephen curlers here in a series of six matches played yesterday afternoon and evening. The Fredericton Club will leave this morning for St. Stephen where they will play the home club this evening in a return match.

Sylvio Mantha, veteran defence-man and former playing manager of the Montreal Canadiens, was signed yesterday by the Boston Bruins. Mantha will fill the gap left by the great Eddie Shore, who suffered a broken vertebrae several weeks ago.

Phil Trainor, U.N.B. basketball coach, will lead his team into Woodstock tonight for an exhibition tilt with the Senators. Trainor is considered by cage experts as one of the most promising young coaches in the business.

Billy Lifford looked good on the Fredericton forward line last evening. His two goals were well timed, and Billy takes a great share of the credit for placing the Capitals into the League finals.

The Fredericton Capitals left this morning for Moncton, where they will be hosts to Dud James' Maritime Champion Maroons. A tough battle is anticipated.

The Capital squad will be at a disadvantage for the fray, inasmuch as two games in as many nights are enough to tax the strength of any hockey machine.

Wires are hot to the effect that Boston promoters are busying themselves these balmy days in an attempt to match the Garrulous Gob, Jack Sharkey against the New England heavy champ. Al McCoy for a scrap in the Boston Gardens.

with Rochester in the International Hockey League. Andy Bellemer came along from Rochester too. Major league fans will remember Bellemer when he was briefly with Montreal Maroons. Buddy Maracle doubles in brass as coach and left wing. Jack Riley, the Harp of County Down, who had a couple of years with Canadiens and Boston is one of the centre-ice performers. Boots Lever, from London joined the cause, as one right winger and the other was Sonny Boy Wakefield one of the Tulsa originals. Kansas City also sent along Art Merrill another left winger, and the line-up was filled out with Shrimp McPherson, an alternate centre, who was known in the Association as one of the St. Louis Flyers Flash Martin, from Pittsburgh and Pete Bailey, another of the old Tulsa players well known to fans.

Now hockey in the Oil Capital is really going over. It has arrived as one of the most staple sports of the south-west and most of its success is due to the perseverance, courage and unflinching optimism of George Lackey.

GAME BOOMS ON PRAIRIES AND COAST

TORONTO, Feb. 11--The Southern Saskatchewan league, in a coma for a number of years as far as attendance is concerned, is awakening to new life. Moose Jaw is reporting sell-outs and railway officials are talking of special trains. . . . Sammy Godin and Owen Lennon, transplants from the International League, are turning in fine hockey for Vancouver. . . . Jack Pratt, at one time with the Boston Bruins, and the coach who groomed the Kimberley Dynamiters to the stage where they became a western threat, is coaching the Kimberley juniors this year. . . . Bob Kennedy, Roy Bromley and Benny Novicki are leading the sharpshooters of the Alberta senior hockey loop. All play for the Calgary Bronks. The former has 29 points, and the others are tied for second place with 22 points. G. Brown of the Edmonton Dominions, Les Moss of the Bronks and H. Hill of the Calgary Rangers are tied for third with 22 points, and Gustason and Bannister of the Drumheller Miners are tied for fourth place with 21. Morgan, of the Edmonton Superiors, is in fifth place. . . . Trail Smoke Eaters moved out farther in front in the West Kootenay league by trimming Rossland Miners 11-3. Ab Cronie got seven points in the game and Nick Andreashuk six. . . . So then the Miners took it out on the Canucks, sister team of the Smoke Eaters, by taking a 7-1 victory. In this game Cook, of the Canucks, was gashed in the arm and needed 11 stitches to draw him together.

Nat. Hockey League To Adopt Dual Light System Used by Leafs

New Scheme Will End Disputes Regarding Scoring of Goals

Those occasional disputes which arise over a puck entering the net concurrently with the clang of the bell ending a period, and the arguments as to whether it was scored before or after the period ended, will exist no more in the National Hockey League when all rinks adopt, as recommended, the dual light system over the goals now in vogue at the home of Toronto Maple Leafs.

In addition to the red light used in every National League arena, as an indication of a goal having been scored, the Toronto set-up has a blue light which is connected in parallel with the timer's gong, and the timing-clock.

Both lights operate from an electrical circuit originating at the timers' bench. Power is supplied through a normally closed-and-open relay. Three wires carry this current and at all times except when the timers' gong is sounding the end of a period, the electrical energy is pulsating through the two wires which feed the red light over the goal. A pendant switch is cut into the live side of this circuit and suspended in the goal-umpire's cage. At such times as he sees the puck cross the goal line he closes this switch so that the red light goes on.

Red Light Goes Out
At the instant that the timer's clock shows that a full 20 minutes have been played, the relay opens the circuit controlling the red light, and sends the power along the wire controlling the blue light, and during the time that the gong is ringing and the blue light is indicating the end of a period there is no current available for the red light. Thus, the matter of deciding the time a goal was scored is transferred from the goal judge to the automatic clock. For example if the red light has flickered just before the blue, then a goal has been scored a fraction of a second before full time.

If, however, a puck is shot into the net after the blue light has signalled the end of play no red light can be switched on and referees have no other alternative than to disallow the goal. And managers and coaches have no valid reason for asking them to do otherwise.

A Toronto Garden electrical engineer devised the system, told a newspaper writer about it, and he in turn presented it to Conny Smythe, manager of the Leafs, who saw the possibilities and installed the innovation.

Did you know Jimmy Dykes was a caddy at Merion Cricket Club, Philadelphia when he first applied for a baseball job with Connie Mack in 1919?

CAPS AND MAROONS CLASH AT HUB TONIGHT IN THE PLAY-OFF OPENER

Record Crowd Expected To Witness Battle -- Keen Interest

MONCTON, Feb. 12--A record crowd is expected to be on hand tonight when Dud James' maroon-clad ice warriors step into action against the invaders from the Capital City in the opening round of the Southern New Brunswick Hockey League championships. Not since the days when the mighty Hawks winged their way to Allan Cup supremacy has there been as keen interest in the winter pastime and tonight's fracas should do much to revive the game in the former stronghold of the disbanded Hawks.

For the past several days coach James has been putting his club through strenuous workouts and the all lineup will be available for duty tomorrow with 'Buz' Barton in goal, Jimmy Innes, Clarence Bastarache and 'Red' McNeill doing the barrier

duty. Up front one line will be composed of captain Ken Carroll, in centre, flanked by Reese Dickie on the right and Len LeBlanc on the left. The other starting trio will be George Appleby, George Bell and Tiny LeBlanc, with 'Plea' Chamman, will also be available for relief front line duty.

The Capitals will arrive here this afternoon and will hold a light work out to limber up muscles, cramped after the journey from Fredericton. Coach Bill Gill, the master strategist who raised the value of hockey stock in the "Government Town" by pulling the hockey troops out of the league cellar, has every confidence that his lads will prove formidable opponents for the fast-travelling troupe of youngsters flaunting the Maroons banner.



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