

MAROONS WHIP BEAVERS 3-1 AT MONCTON

LEAFS TIE WINGS 1-1 AT TORONTO, WIN 3-1 AT DETROIT; BRUINS, AMERKS DRAW IN DOUBLEHEAD; HAWKS OVER RANGERS

Queen City Six Now Leading in Canadian Section of N. H. L.; Bruins Increase Lead in American Section; Rangers Winning Streak Ended by Chicago Sextet.

TORONTO, Dec. 26.—Detroit Red Wings and Toronto Maple Leafs moved the setting of their week-end National Hockey League double-headed into Detroit tonight with the count even after a 1-1 tie here Saturday night.

Before a holiday crowd of 13,200 Leafs went into undisputed possession of the Canadian Section's first place by the division of points. The tie gave them a point edge over Montreal Canadiens, idle over the week-end.

Two swift goals in the second period was all the scoring accomplished during 70 minutes of alternately fast and ragged play.

It wasn't until 11:58 of the second period, that Harvey (Busher) Jackson fired the Leaf goal, from a faceoff by a side of the Wing cage.

Veteran Hec Kilrea got the equalizer seven minutes later after Syd Howe had worked the puck to Red Beattie in a corner. Beattie's pass came out right on Hec's stick, waiting in front of the goaler Walter Broda.

Jack Adams presented a revised edition of the championship Detroit club. Showing for the first time to Toronto fans were Red Beattie and Alex Motter, newly-acquired from Boston, and Carl Liscombe and Ron Hudson, formerly of Halifax and Charlottetown, from Detroit's farm club at Pittsburgh.

Leafs Win 3-1

DETROIT, Dec. 26.—Maple Leafs of Toronto guarded their Canadian Division lead in the National Hockey League with a 3-1 conquest of Detroit's Red Wings in a lightning fast game before about 10,000 spectators here tonight.

The only Detroit goal was a golf drive from the stick of Carl Liscombe while Busher Jackson of the Leafs rested in the penalty box at 5:18 of the first period.

Jackson tied the score ten minutes later on a shot from left wing, with Drillon and Apps getting assists.

The Detroit team, a smooth-working outfit that skated on even terms with the Leafs most of the game, became disorganized after Thoms' goal, and although they rushed the puck into the Toronto zone, several shots at the nets were bobbed.

Amerks Get Even

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Boston Bruins handed Boss Art Ross a welcome Christmas present here Saturday night when they downed New York Americans 1-0 in a National Hockey League game. The win sent the Bruins further in front in the league's American Division, with a four-point advantage over New York Rangers.

It was Ross' great 'Baby' line that gave Boston their slim advantage, Bobby Bauer flipping a neat backhand past goalie Earl Robertson after a neat passing play with Milt Schmidt and Woody Dumart late in the last period.

The loss failed to alter Amerks' standing in the International Division, as they remained in third place in front of Montreal Maroons. A holiday crowd of 12,500 witnessed the game.

Amerks Get Even

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—New York Americans split the points in the week-end campaigning against Boston Bruins by scoring a 3-1 win tonight to move into a second place tie in the Canadian section of the N.H.L. Bruins beat the Amerks 1-0 last night.

The visitors scored in each period to snap the Bruins' victory string at five games before 13,000 at the Boston Garden.

The Amerks' first tally came as Lorne Carr beat goalie Tiny Thompson to a feeble forward pass, made by Sweeney Schriner, and slapped the puck into the empty Boston cage.

The second New York score was provided by Johnny Gallagher and the final by Schriner.

The home forces had five men battling in the New York zone most of the game but those furious efforts resulted in only one goal which was made by Charlie Sands, with Ray Gelfin assisting at 6:20 in third period.

Chi Defeats Rangers

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The Chicago Black Hawks put the brakes on New York Rangers' winning streak to-night by trimming the Manhattan team 3-1. It was Rangers' first loss in eight N.H.L. starts.

A major penalty given to Lynn Patrick in the second period proved the turning point in the game, the Black Hawks scoring their first two goals while the big winger was in the cooler.

About a minute after Patrick was chased Johnny Gottselig fired a shot past Davey Kerr. Before Patrick returned Cully Dalstrom added another goal with Gottselig and Glen Brydson gaining assists.

The Rangers scored early in third period via Dutch Koelling. But before the lone Ranger broke from a power play, Seibert scoring.

New York's ski trains to the mountains of New England and Canada will run every week-end during the winter.

New Ball Guarantees A. L. Supremacy in '38

RICH PRIZES ON PACIFIC COAST LURE GOLF ACES

Los Angeles Open with \$8,000 Purse First of Eight Tournaments

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—As soon as the golfing gypsies have split the swag of the Hollywood \$5,000 open tournament they will pull stakes and his West into the rich fields of California, where \$27,000 awaits their division.

Six tournaments have been scheduled on the West gold coast and of these the ripest plum is the Los Angeles open, which is to have a valuation of \$8,000. This razzle-dazzle is to begin January 7.

The other events which Fred Corcoran, tournament bureau manager, has booked are: Bing Crosby open, January 15; Pasadena open, January 21; Oakland open, January 28; Sacramento open, February 4; San Francisco open, February 11.

Bob Odum, the racing trainer, just before the Miami-Biltmore \$10,000 open, offered Mike Brady a bet of \$500 to \$1 that the Winged Footer wouldn't win the biggest slice of the cake and Mike didn't have the heart to say no. He said afterward that miracles do happen in golf every now and then.

Charles H. Mayo Jr., former Long Island champion, who became a business man golfer, is selling his sporting equipment in the Miami district and spending his honeymoon at the same time.

Word comes from Gene Sarazen that he and Walter Hagen, his old-time rival, will play an exhibition match at Sydney, Australia, Feb. 10, and will return home in time to play in the Miami four-ball matches on March 1. And speaking of the best-ball fracas, Ralph Guldahl wants to have Sam Snead as his partner.

Within 80 yards of the green, Tommy Armour says, Harry Cooper is the greatest golfer that ever lived.

"Harry isn't the greatest iron player in the world," the silver Scot said as he watched Lighthorse make a short pitch to within a foot of his target, "but around those greens he is unmatchable. He is deadly."

SPORT SHORTS

Ford Frick of the National League, Frank Shaughnessy of the International, and George Trautman of the American Association have each been signed to a new three-year contract.

Catcher Gilly Campbell of the Cincinnati Reds has been sold to Montreal Royals.

The Boston Bees have another vet pitcher, having bought John Nigro from New York.

Ed Rommel, newly appointed American League umpire, has been in that end of the game only two years, one season in the NYP League and last year in the International.

Earl Bolyard, outfielder, has been bought from Oakland by the Baltimore Orioles.

The average salary in the new Class E leagues will be \$58 a month. Jim Bottomley, who will manage the Syracuse club the coming season, plans to play first base regularly.

Gabby Street, new manager of the Browns, is 55 years old.

Wade Kilmer, manager and general manager of the Hollywood club of the Pacific Coast League, is not new to double duties. He filled the same jobs with Indianapolis 5 years.

Three hundred business and professional men of Hot Springs, Ark., bought stock in the company that will operate a baseball club there in 1938.

Bert Niehoff, Louisville manager, is back in good health again after an operation to remove gall stones.

The San Antonio Club of the Texas League will do its spring training at Laredo, Tex., next spring.

Twenty-eight head of trotters raised in Fayette county, Kentucky, were sold abroad this fall. Harness racing abroad is increasing its popularity rapidly.

Abolition of the centre jump caught Oregon State with one lad who stood 6 feet 6, another 6 feet 5, and one each at 6 feet 4 1-2 and 6 feet 3 1-2. But they haven't lost their jobs.

Pete Sarron, former featherweight champion, is now a lightweight, and had some trouble getting down to 135 pounds for his first fight with Red Guggino.

Joe Medwick won a lot of fame,

'Deader' Pill Assures National League of Another Tight Race

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—The split of the two major leagues over the type and resiliency of the baseball that is to be used next summer is more than a technical behind-closed-doors argument. It will exert a marked influence upon the action on the field.

First and foremost it guarantees the continuance of the American league's superiority in world series combat.

The junior leaguers own title to all but a few of the game's power hitters, and allowed to swing at the "rabbit" ball, they must again overpower the National Leaguers, as the Yankees did the Giants last fall.

The big difference, however, is psychological, the influence upon the style and system of play the two leagues will adopt. The American will naturally be offense - minded, dedicated to the production of runs. The National will stress defense, emphasize pitching and fielding skill. And it, as demonstrated last October if not before, that no defense team can hold the Yankees under "rabbit" ball conditions.

YANKS SUPREME

As a matter of fact, the Yankees are so far the best team in baseball they could win is asked to play with an old-fashioned "nickel" rocket. But a deader baseball would cut heavily into their home run production, and by compelling them to play more conservatively, might bring them closer to the field.

Big scores and many on - sided runout races, is the certain result of the American League's decision to retain the "lively" baseball. The hitters will dominate again and teams will have to play for "big" innings.

The American League's answer to that criticism is that its style of baseball is what the fans desire, and point to the fact that all attendance records were broken during the past summer even though the Yanks had the pennant race to themselves from the start.

By taking some of the bounce from their baseball the National Leaguers have assured themselves of another tingling pennant battle. All big leaguers can field, and given a chance to get the ball they'll stop mass run production.

DECIDED DIFFERENCE

The difference between the "dead" and the "lively" baseball is decided, whatever the manufacturer's technical explanation.

It's the difference between home runs or fly ball outs, and between savagely driven ground ball singles and of infield outs. The hit totals in the two leagues average about the same. They differ in the production of hits.

The American Leaguers have the power, and therefore they had the most to lose by the adoption of a less resilient spheroid. Seemingly that's why they decided not to make the change at the Chicago meeting.

Decorated by Fr. Gov't.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Low Burston, manager of lightweight Pedro Montanez and other boxers, has been awarded two decorations by the French government and one by the Bey of Tunis for his contributions to the physical welfare of youth in those countries.

Burston is an American citizen who managed and promoted for six years in France before returning to the United States two years ago. While overseas he wrote many articles for foreign newspapers and magazines and lectured before schools and athletic organizations, in addition to developing boxers and stimulating interest in the sport.

The French decorations are 'Officier D'Academie' and 'Medaille Argent D'Educaction Physique'. The Tunis honor is 'Officier D'Nicham Ktikar'.

Burston's partner, Jimmy Bronson, made the announcement and added, "I've seen a lot of fighters get decorated in the ring with black eyes and things, but this is the first time it ever happened to a manager, I guess."

awards and money by registering more socks than any other National Leaguer last season. But one sock he landed may cost him \$10,000. It was a sock on the chin landed on a Carteret, N. J., citizen Thanksgiving Day.

Raised seams and thicker covers may help some National League pitchers. Others would pitch better ball if they'd stay on the mound and out of the managerial dog houses.

CAPITALS PLAY HUB MAROONS HERE TONIGHT

Local Team Confident of Taking the League Leaders

The Southern N. B. Hockey League schedule resumes here tonight after a week's lay-off in which the Capitals seized the opportunity to take on more condition to meet with the power of the league leading Moncton Maroons.

The Caps feel confident of taking the Maroons, now out in front with 14 points, three ahead of Saint John Beavers. Fredericton is in third position with six points and victory to-night will put the Capitals within shooting distance of Saint John's total.

Cliff Young will be back in the Caps' nets, with the powerful defence of Gill, Thompson, Kilburn and Goodline all anxious to add another game to the past two victories over St. Stephen. On the forward lines will be "Bun" McLenahan and Jackie Keenan, at centre; Lifford, Mills, Doucett, Morehouse and MacIntyre.

This will be their first game in a week and will inaugurate a three-game week that brings the Beavers here on Wednesday and a visit to Saint John for a holiday attraction on New Year's Day.

All that prevented the Cards from selling Dean and the Dodgers from selling Mungo was that other club owners couldn't read the price tags without suffering blindness.

HUB AGGREGATION COMES THROUGH IN THE THIRD TO OVERCOME SAINT JOHN; LEAD AND RETAIN TOP SPOT IN LOOP

Sixteen Penalties, Including Misconduct and Major, Feature Rugged Game; All Tallies Scored in Last Period; Bastarache and Phillips Barrier Nearly Impregnable.

MONCTON, Dec. 26.—After sixty minutes of rugged, rip-tearing hockey here last evening Moncton Maroons knocked off Saint John Beavers 3 to 1 to assume undisputed command of first place in the Southern New Brunswick Hockey League and now hold the top rung in the loop standing by a margin of three points.

Despite the fact that the spirit of peace is supposed to prevail on Christmas Day, last evening's encounter was anything but peaceful and upwards of 2,000 hockey-mad followers yelled themselves hoarse as the teams both showed a willingness to hand it out. Referees Mersereau and Taylor had anything but an easy task and a total of 16 penalties were dished out, including a misconduct to burly Charlie Phillips, Maroon rearguard, and a five minute major to Gerry Lynch, hard - hitting Beaver defenceman.

Play throughout was fast and the two clubs checked closely, with the result that no goals were chalked up in the first 40 minutes of play.

In the third canto, Beavers went into a lead early, but the home team poked home three goals, with George Appleby, centre ice player and top-scorer in the circuit, figuring in the trio, scoring two and giving Babe LeBlanc a pass for the other.

Hand Out Checks

Clarence Bastarache and Charlie Phillips threw up a tough barrier back of the Maroon blue-line, handed out the body checks hard and at times George Bell, right-winger, stepped back to a defence post when Phillips was serving his misconduct penalty, and also showed a willingness to hand it out. Vince Livingston was given one of the hardest and cleanest checks of the night by the right-laneman.

While the Maroons' defencemen were bumping them so were the Beavers back of the blue-line and for two periods it was a hard, close-checking game. In the final 20 minutes, after the Beavers scored their solitary marker, Maroons took possession of the play and their fast-skating forwards managed to evade many a well-intended check.

Bobby Beaton, hard-working Beaver right-winger, and Bill Dickie, Beaver goalie, were the spotlight pair for the Saint John team.

FORMER STAR SENDS BEES ROOKIE PITCHER

BOSTON, Dec. 27.—If Mitchell Francis Balas begins mowing them down for the Bees this Spring, Bee Hive fans can hark back to the golden days of the 1914 world champions. The hero hitters of Stallings' great team were Rudolph, Tyler and James. It was Lefty Tyler who started this North Billerica, Mass., young man on his pro baseball career.

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