

Moncton Maroons Crowned New Brunswick Southern League Champs

Capitals Buried Under Avalanche of Rubber to Lose Final Skirmish 11-0

Hubmen Ride Roughshod Over Visitors --- Largest Crowd of the Season Present.

MONCTON, Feb. 23.—The Moncton Maroons rode roughshod over the Fredericton Capitals here last evening and won the Southern New Brunswick Hockey League crown by the score of 11-0. The victory was so impressive that even the most ardent supporters of the visitors left the Stadium in a daze. One of the largest crowds since the days of Big Time hockey jammed their way into the spacious ice arena and saw the Maroons in their finest form as they rattled 11 tallies by a bewildered Cliff Young in the Fredericton Citadel.

Babe LeBlanc, star winger of the home troops, led the scoring march by collecting three goals and two assists. George Appleby won second place scoring honors.

Cliff Young was perhaps the star of the Fredericton squad. Only for his great work between the pipes the score would have been much higher. The spacious ice surface allowed the maroon-clad warriors to romp by the Capital rearguard with ease, and the Moncton forwards were left uncovered in front of Young on numerous occasions.

In Top Form

To pickout any individual player other than Babe LeBlanc, would do the Maroons an injustice, for on their play last night they flashed championship form through 60 minutes of torrid hockey. They carried the play to the visitors for the greater part of the game and had it over the invading white and green pack like the proverbial "tent."

Insofar as speed is concerned, the cash customers tonight were treated to plenty. They saw the Jamesmen commence at the initial blast of referee Pete Mills' whistle. When the final blast came they were humming around Cliff Young's citadel like a swarm of bumble bees.

There was no argument about Mills and his assistant, McLeod, tonight. They handled the game well.

Following the game, Ev Keating, president of the Southern New Brunswick League, presented the Marven trophy, emblematic of the title, to Captain Ken Carroll.

In the first period, play had gone on but a few minutes when Jimmy Innes was waived to the penalty box for high-sticking Morehouse. While he was with the timers the Capitals staged their "gang" attack, but Babe LeBlanc caught them flat-footed down the ice when he sneaked the puck away from Bun McLenahan and raced along the surface to pull Young out of position and flip the wafer into the twines at 3:42.

In the middle chucker only on occasions did the invading crew get in close for "pot" shots at Barton. When they did "Buzzer" was always on the job.

Chapman ran the local total to three after 4:52 minutes of the second stanza when he circled the Fredericton net to pick up a loose puck, hesitated and then went in from the opposite direction to fool Young on the hoist. Young went flat on the surface in a frantic effort to block the shot, but he was an instant late.

Final Period

The final period was a procession of Moncton goals. First Babe LeBlanc took a pass from Appleby to count in just 22 seconds of play, then at the 6:08 mark Bastarache skated the length of the ice, drove a hard peg that struck Young's glove and bounded into his cage.

Bun McLenahan and Jimmy Innes were chased for mixing in the corner but they served their time without any damage being done.

Ken Carroll ran the Moncton total to seven on a pass from Chapman at 11:54 and with the Fredericton team groggy from the terrific pace, the Maroons had little difficulty in scoring their last four goals in the last eight minutes.

At 16:22 Len LeBlanc took a pass out from Chapman in the corner and converted it into a marker, while George Appleby scored the last two goals of the night on passes from Jimmy Innes.

The lineup and summary:

Moncton Maroons—Barton, goal; Innes, Bastarache, Dickie, McNeill, defence; Carroll, Appleby, centre; Len LeBlanc, Crowhurst, Babe LeBlanc, left wing; Chapman, Bell, right wing. Fredericton Capitals—Young, goal; Goodine, Chalmers, Steen, defence; Bun McLenahan, Keenan, centre; Liford, Mills, left wing; Bun McLenahan, Morehouse, Haining, right wing.

Referees, Pete Mill, Windsor; Bus McLeod, Moncton.

HUB WHEELERS HAVE MARGIN IN JUNIOR FINALS

SUSSEX, N. B., Feb. 22.—As the result of the 5-1 win over Sussex Juniors here tonight, Moncton Wheelers will on Wednesday or Thursday have a four goal margin in the N. B. Junior playdowns. The Sussex team is not, however, beaten until the final gong in the last frame of the game in Moncton.

Kelly on the forward line and LeBlanc in goal, each turned in a nice game for Moncton, while Cameron in the Sussex net made some clever saves. The first period got away fast but after five minutes Cormier started the scoring parade when he slapped Robichaud's rebound into the local net. The second goal of the frame came at the 19-minute mark when Legere scored unassisted. At one time in the period two Moncton men were off together and Sussex failed to take advantage of the break. Penalties during the frame went to Dunfield and Whalen of Sussex and Kelly and Legere of Moncton.

The lineups: Moncton—LeBlanc, goal; Melanson and Legers, defence; Robichaud, Cormier, Cuscock, McFarlane, Kelly and Thompson, forwards.

Sussex—Cameron, goal; Harper, Dunfield, defence; McGiverty, Currie, Lockhart, Rankine, Kyle and Whalen forwards.

George Carroll of Moncton was referee-in-chief with Frank Hunter of Sussex as assistant.

HOCKEY SCORES

Southern N. B. Finals
Moncton 11, Fredericton 0. (Moncton wins three games to two.)

N. B. Semi-Finals
Sackville 4, Bathurst 2. (First game.)

N. S. Intercollegiate
Acadia 5, Dalhousie 3. (Dal wins round, 10-8.)

Ottawa League Semi-Finals
Hull 5, Lasalle 2. (First of a best of three series.)

N. B. Junior Playoffs
Moncton 5, Sussex 1. (First of home-and-home series.)

SCHEDULED TONIGHT
National Hockey League
Toronto at Rangers.
Americans at Boston.

SPORT BRIEFS

Kayoes Hayes
MIAMI Fla., Feb. 22.—Frankie Martin of Montreal, Canadian bantam-weight champion, knocked out Buddy Hayes, young Miamian, in the third heat of a scheduled 10-rounder to night. Martin weighed 120 pounds, Hayes 116½.

Ambers Wins
NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—Lou Ambers, beginning a tune-up campaign in preparation for an April defence of his lightweight title against Tony Canzoneri, decisively outpointed Al Roth, New York veteran, in 10-round non-title bout tonight. Ambers weighed 136½ and Roth one pound more.

Wins Hoop Title
WINDSOR, Ont., Feb. 22.—With a last-half spurt that netted 16 points, Los Angeles All-Stars captured the world's amateur basketball championship here tonight, defeating Windsor Foras 28-19 in the second game of their best-of-three series. The Californians, 1936 Olympic games champions, won the first game Saturday 40-31.

Olympics Win
BOSTON, Feb. 22.—In a lop-sided hockey contest which brought police on Boston Garden ice to separate pugnacious puckchasers, Boston Olympics tonight scored their second straight victory over Windsor Maple Leafs, 8-1. Twenty-five hundred fans, most of them from down east, urged the Nova Scotia team on.

Giants Workout
HAVANA, Feb. 22.—New York Giants' heavy artillerymen celebrated Washington's Birthday today by aiming a barrage of long flies at Tropical Stadium's right field fence, 393 feet away from home plate. None of the heavy hitters was able to drive the ball over the fence and the most popular alibi was the onetreating with the intricacies of meteorology—heavy air, humidity and other deep matters.

OLD VETS DEPLORE HOCKEY AS PLAYED NATIONAL LEAGUE

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—The brand of hockey as played in the National League today is sometime deplored by the old timers as being nothing more than shooting, passing and skating. They admit the game is faster than ever, but not as artistic, as players possessing the art of stick-handling are fast disappearing. Chicago fans have no complaint as Black Hawk Johnny Gottselig is a top hand among the players who still juggle the boot-heel cleverly, in this category being such elusive personages as Aurel Joliat and Pit Lepine of the Canadiens, Cooney Weiland of Boston, Cecil Dillon of the New York Rangers and Jimmy Ward of the Montreal Maroons.

The foregoing does not mean that Gottselig is not a star in the skate-pass and shot brand. He is, and for eight years has been one of the most consistent performers in the entire league. He has no peer and few equals as a stick-handler and holds his own in all other departments. Johnny's sharp angled drop-shot from the left board is hard to handle as his scoring average attests.

A Storm Trooper

One of the big problems of a hockey manager is to obtain or develop a player who is adept at killing time when the team is short handed due to penalties, also fast and clever enough to capitalize on any break-away chances which may present themselves. In this dual capacity, Gottselig is Johnny-on-the-spot. He knows the game from all angles, and is at home on any ice surface of the circuit. Johnny is one of the Hawks' storm troopers and gets the call when his team has the advantage in man power. Knowing from experience the strain a team is under when short-handed is reason Number 1 why Johnny seldom graces the "hot" seat in the penalty box.

And Don't Try Anything
Despite his gentle nature, it is unwise to become overly rough with the only Russian born player in the National loop. It takes a real "dirty" infringement to get under Gottselig's hide, but once aroused the fur flies. These rare flashes of temper cut his votes in the Lady Byng Cup balloting; however he is always among the leaders.

When the Black Hawks' management is in the trade mart the other moguls always make overtures for Gottselig. They know the worth of such a versatile puck chaser.

Practiced In Summer
Gottselig came by his stick-handling ability the hard way. As a boy he practiced during the summer months, using a block of wood for a puck and the paved sidewalks of Regina as his ice surface.

Lester Patrick, boss of the New York Rangers, terms Cecil Dillon the perfect player as he is always in condition and does everything well. Compare Gottselig's record with Dillon's and you find there are two perfect players.

To date Gottselig has fallen below his point making average of other years, is attributed to the fact that he has been operating without a regular pivot man nearly all season.

FAIRY HILL WINS SANTA ANITA RACE

SANTA ANITA, Calif., Feb. 22.—The Foxcatcher Farm's Fairy Hill captured the \$50,000 added Santa Anita derby today over a hard-riding field of 21 starters.

The chestnut son of Messenger and Star Fairy, with Jockey Maurice Peters applying the whip, thundered down the stretch to win by a length over the Milky Way Farm's Military, with Cornelius V. Whitney's Ptolemy finishing third.

Upwards of 40,000 turf fans jammed the Santa Anita Park for the third running of the rich classic for three-year-olds.

Brown Jade, movie magnate William Le Baron's candidate, set a blistering pace for the one and one-sixteenth mile event, but faded before the charge of the winning trio and finished fourth.

William Dupont, jr., welathy Wilmington, Del., sportsman, collected \$45,425 for first place. Military won 10,000, Ptolemy \$5,000 and Brown Jade \$2,500.

Fairy Hill, paying \$30.80 to win, \$20.60 to place and \$13.80 to show for a \$2 ticket, led the rout of derby favorites. Mrs. W. H. Furst's Gerald, a five-to-one choice in early betting, ran fifth, and the Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt entries of tedious and sharp-shooter, short-priced favorites at four-to-one, ran further back.

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

The Moncton Maroons really "turned on the heat" last night at Moncton, and ran up an impressive score against the Fredericton Capitals. A packed stadium saw the maroon-spangled pucksters literally skate the Capitals into the ice, and only for the great work of Cliff Young in the Capital citadel would have "rolled up" a more lop-sided count. The Capitals bowed out of the Southern League picture gracefully, however, and never gave up pegging away at "Buzz" Barton, Maroon's great goalie.

"Babe" LeBlanc, smooth-skating, midget left-lane man on the Maroon squad, led the scoring parade and pounded in three goals, besides garnering two assists.

The Fredericton defence seemed lost on the spacious ice surface of the Moncton Stadium, and the forwards were called upon to do an extra amount of back-checking; the result was that they tired quickly, while on the opposite end the Moncton rearguard had things in check, and Fredericton forwards had to work fast in order to get a good shot away at Barton.

The Capitals were great in defeat, and have nothing to be ashamed of because they were beaten by a smart band of hockeyists who should go quite a distance along the Allan Cup trail.

Congratulations to "Dud" James and his new Southern League champions! Capital fans will be pulling for Dud and his boys to repeat their feat of last winter and cop the Maritime championship.

On Wednesday evening local hockey fans will focus their attention on Bathurst ice, where the Fredericton-Devon Junior team open the first of a two-game "total goal" series with the North Shore Juniors. The local Junior squad is reputed to be one of the fastest squads ever to represent this district in junior hockey warfare. They are managed by John Neill of Devon, himself a great hockey player in the days when the Devon Tigers installed fear into the hearts of opposing players.

Charlie Fleet is coaching the local squad. Fleet was a star in the days when Eddie Colwell, Patsy Jewett, Frank Burgess, Rod Bidlake and the boys were tops in N. B. hockey wars.

PULPMEN WIN TRI-CITY CROWN

EDMUNDSTON, Feb. 22.—Merchants were eliminated from the final Tri-City League playoffs here by the Pulp team, which scored an 8-4 victory over them in the second and last game of the semi-finals. The first game was played last Wednesday night and ended with a score of 1-1. Total scores for both games were to decide which team would play the Paper team in the finals for the Michaud Cup donated by Hon. J. E. Michaud, minister of fisheries.

Play was rugged and the Pulp team took the lead in the early minutes with Dickie and Gerald Fournier scoring. Merchants pressed hard all through, playing wide-open hockey. The Pulp team scored on breaks and fast rushes which left the Merchants idle inside the Pulp line.

Dickie staged a solo at the opening of the second stanza but the Merchants countered by scoring their first goal of the evening with Hebert on an assist from David. Dickie came back again whilst Merchants were pressing hard and, breaking away with Rousseau, left the Merchants behind and scored the fourth counter for the Pulp team.

Lineups:
Merchants: Goal, Cote; defence, David, Clair; forwards, L. Fournier, Walker, Rino Albert, Milo Gagne, Wade, Gagnon, Hebert.

Pulp: Goal, Ritchie; defence, Gerald Fournier, Adams; forwards, Rousseau, Dickie, Perron, Matheson, Martin, Bourgeois.

Sudden Death

EDMUNDSTON, Feb. 22.—It was officially announced here tonight that the Campbellton High School will play the Edmundston High here on Wednesday night in a sudden death final game for the New Brunswick Interscholastic championship and the Telegraph-Journal cup, which Edmundston High now holds.

The local team and their coach, Billy Walker, are confident of victory. Managers Henry Clavette and Chakraborty stated that the Edmundston boys are in better shape than they ever were.

GOTHAM CAGEMEN TO MAKE FIRST TRIP TO CANADA

Florea New York Nationals, one of Gotham's outstanding basketball teams, heads for a big week-end in Montreal next week.

The invasion of the Metropolis by the Gotham squad marks its first trip into Canada for cage encounters and they are taking a squad that boasts of several former major college players assuring British Consols and Y. M. H. A. teams of the stoutest opposition they have ever encountered on the polished floors chasing a basketball.

The two-game trip for the New Yorkers started with playing Consols at the Community Hall Feb. 20. The "ext" afternoon Nationals tackled Y. M. H. A. five in the latter's home.

The line-up of the U. S. squad shows there is plenty of talent in the make-up of the team which has set up an amazing string of 34 straight triumphs this season in capturing the Metropolitan tournament honors and exhibition wins.

Heading the American team are three players who have had several years of experience with big time college basketball. They also have a French-Canadian squad in "Ozzie" Schaefer a centre and "Dane" Hermanson and Bob Goldberg, guards, give the squad its ex-college flavor.

Schaefer Outstanding

Schaefer is the outstanding performer on the team. Starting his cage career with Long Island "Wonder Five," he ran up a record of scoring 15 points per game when his team won a tournament in 1934. For his great work with the Long Beach team he attracted the eyes of cage scouts from Pennsylvania University and he received a scholarship to the institution on the strength of his athletic ability. During his high school years he was a member of the team which went unbeaten for two straight seasons and for his outstanding work was presented with the mayor's trophy, besides being named on the all-star scholastic team.

Schaefer is no midget on the court, being six feet three inches in height and weighing 195 pounds, the second heaviest player on the squad.

"Dane" Hermanson, regular of defence rank is the heavyweight of the team, weighing 201 1/2 pounds and boasting a height of six feet two and a half inches. Hermanson has none the less a brilliant record in high school and college basketball, starting in Gotham district schools and winding up with scholarships for football and basketball to New York University and Georgetown University.

Plenty of Beef

Hermanson's guard partner is Bob Goldberg, who is six feet tall and weighs 170 pounds which gives the back court division plenty of beef and height. Goldberg is another member of the Long Island "Wonder Five," playing with the outstanding aggregation during their record-breaking win streak a few seasons ago. Goldberg was all-scholastic guard in 1934 and also a scholarship to Columbia University for football and basketball.

The balance of the team boast brilliant records as cagers in school competition. Sam "French" Santay is the French-Canadian forward who is rated one of the best close-in snipers in his league while Charlie Grasser, another offensive performer, played in Long Island high school ranks and there won rating as all-county forward in 1933.

Leo Leibowitz is the front line worker with Santay and Grasser and he too is a big star from high school days. He was on the Clinton High team which set up a unique mark in winning its group title.

Florea Playing Manager

Playing manager of the team is Ralph Florea, a guard and he leads his team to Montreal where he played with the Central Y.M.C.A. team for several seasons. Kenny Stewart rounds out the squad.

The promoters of the game are trying something new in bringing the team to Montreal for the Saturday game. In addition to the basketball tilt a lengthy programme of entertainment is being lined up and the evening will wind up with a dance.

Reach Finals

HAMILTON, Bermuda, Feb. 22.—Babe Ruth, the former baseball player, and T. Sufferin Tailor, twice winner of the metropolitan title, today shot their way into the finals of the Mid-Ocean Invitation Golf Tournament. Ruth was hard pressed to defeat C. Everett Bacon of Montclair, N. J., one up, but Tailor easily eliminated Richard A. Jones of the Westchester Hills Club of New York, 4 and 3.

N. York Rangers Most Youthful Squad Playing National League Loop

LACK OF SNOW BOON TO HOCKEY IN NEWFOUNDLAND

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Feb. 23.—In Newfoundland an absolute absence of heavy snow during January has proved a boon to intertown hockey, and all over the eastern section of the island hockey-towns have been visiting one another by car all over the highroads. This has resulted in many spirited games and a standard of play quite unusual so early in the season. The Conception Bay Championships started in St. John's Feb. 22, and it is already apparent that the games in which five visiting teams take part during a three-day schedule are to rise to new heights.

The halfway mark has been reached in the Senior schedule in the Capital, with last year's city and island champions, the St. Bonaventure's team, well out in the lead without the loss of a game. The nearest approach to this was the brand-new Maroon team of dark horses who held them to a 3-2 score, only to go down in the next game with complete reversal of form 9-2. In the course of a week the league will have gone into its playdowns.

On Feb. 11 the Antigonish "Bulldogs," 1936 Nova Scotia Champions, invaded the island to play a series of three exhibition games with an All-Star team representing St. John's. This is one of the highlights of the Newfoundland winter season. Beside their regulars the Maritime champions brought along four guest stars by special request.

Newfoundland rules provide for the professional quota of players, all teams in local leagues carrying three strings of forwards. The only other departure from Canadian amateur rules is that owing to a 70-foot width of rink with boards body-checking into the boards is barred from a distance less than five feet.

As is the usual custom many of the games are broadcast over the Newfoundland chain of stations and are picked up and followed by many in neighboring Canada. Veteran Jack Tobin, for 28 years secretary of the senior league, is again proving a very popular and able commentator, and the receiver of more fan-mail than a movie star. A local radio station also broadcasts for the local Imperial Oil Company the professional games from the Canadian network every Saturday night. Great interest is evidenced in all hockey.

SKATING MEET SCORES

MEN AND BOYS Seniors

W. Logan, 90; O. Stewart, 60; C. O'Connor, 30; W. Stewart, 30; J. Quigg, 30; R. Wilson, 20; W. Givan, 20; J. Golding, 20.

Under 18
J. Quigg, 120; B. Wilson, 80; Golding, 40.

Under 16
L. McGeouch, 70; W. McGeouch, 70; W. Callan, 20; D. Britton, 20.

Under 14
L. Pratt, 70; F. Knoeland, 50; D. Stapleton, 30; P. Connell, 20; R. Evans, 10.

Under 12
J. McLellan, 60; J. Isaacs, 40; J. Gormely, 30; J. Leonard, 10.

"Young Men of Manhattan" Are Composed Chiefly of Rookies.

MONTREAL, Feb. 23.—No team has been more completely re-made in this season of the Rookies Rush than the New York Rangers, frequently referred to as The Young Men of Manhattan because of the tremendous amount of youth injected into the club.

Two new-comers, or practically so, who have made good decisively are a pair of towering defencemen, Walter (Babe) Pratt and Joe Cooper.

They are two of the graduates of Lester Patrick's first Winnipeg "school," held in October, 1934. From there, they were selected for the amateur Crescents of New York, along with the two Colvilles, Alex Shibicky and Bert Gardiner. At the last moment, Pratt decided he preferred to remain another year in Kenora, Ont., and finish school. Cooper went along to New York.

Cooper Is A Pole
Cooper is Polish, and his name was so unpronounceable that he had it changed legally to Cooper last year. He was regarded as the most colorful defenceman in the Eastern Amateur League the season he was with the Crescents.

Along with the Colvilles, Shibicky and Gardiner, Joe turned professional last winter with the Philadelphia Ramblers. Pratt turned pro at the same time also with the Ramblers.

Pratt is a native of Kenora, Ont., and starred with the "Thistles" in 1933-34 and 1934-35. He is the tallest member of the Rangers squad (and one of the tallest in the N.H.L.) standing 6 feet, 3 inches. He celebrated his 21st birthday Jan. 7. He now weighs about 195, but is still growing.

From Winnipeg

Cooper is out of Winnipeg, and followed the same hockey route as his teammate, Alex Shibicky. Both played with the Columbus Club of Winnipeg, as juvenile and juniors, then shifted to the Selkirk "Flying Fish" in 1933-34. Cooper is a big, husky kid, standing about 6 feet, 1 inch, and weighing close to 200. Joe is also 21 years old.

Several times this winter the Rangers have put on the ice the youngest squad that probably ever has competed in an N.H.L. fixture. With the Colvilles (Neil 22 and Mac 21) and Shibicky, 22, on the front line, and Pratt and Cooper, each 21, on the defence, Davy Kerr in the nets (he's 26) is the "old man" of the gang.

ESTHER STORY TO BE TOLD IN DRAMATIZATION

MONTREAL, Feb. 23.—One of the most beautiful stories in the Bible, the story of Queen Esther and the King who set against the intrigue of Haman, will be dramatized on Feb. 28 at 7:30 p.m., EST, when the CBC presents its national network audience the programme "And It Came To Pass." The dramatization, which will be produced by Rupert Caplan, will originate in the Montreal studios, and will be an entirely new slant on the famous Hebrew story from the Book of Books.

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