

# HOCKEY BOSSES WILLING TO RECONSIDER

## KEATING OF SOUTHERN AND DOWELL OF M. A. H. A. WILL LIFT THE BAN ON LOCALS IF SAINT JOHN WILL AGREE

Statement Made By Phone to E. M. Beatty, Vice-President of Local Club Yesterday Afternoon; Saint John Deciding Today

The Capital club may get another chance in the playoff fixtures, according to the statement of E. M. Beatty, vice-president of the club this morning. Speaking with Hanson T. Dowell, Middletown, N. S., M. A. H. A. boss, and President Ev. Keating of the Southern League, yesterday afternoon, he was told that they would lift suspension of the Fredericton club if Saint John agrees.

The matter early this morning lay in the hands of the management of the Beaver club. Later speaking with the Beaver management, he was told that they would like to do it but that a meeting of the club would have to be held and the matter thus considered.

Notice of the decision of the Beaver club was expected some time this morning, when the fate of local hockey for this year was to be learned.

The appeal was made to Keating it is understood, on the grounds the club should not be suspended totally but should be allowed to play out the series minus the services of the coach, Bill Gill.

## P. I.'s Prominent In Sport World

Leafs, Bruins Take Regular N.H.L. Fixtures

MONTREAL, Feb. 18.—Toronto Maple Leafs extended their lead in the National Hockey League's Canadian Division to eight points last night when Regis (Pep) Kelly shot a goal in the last five minutes to defeat the Montreal Maroons 2-1.

The little Irish wingman dropped Maroons a step nearer elimination from a playoff chance when he came from nowhere to golf the puck home as Nick Metz's shot bounded from goalie Bill Beveridge's chest. It broke up a game that lacked spark until the final period, when all three goals were scored.

The size of the crowd, around 4,000 fans, helped dull the play. Unlike usual Maroon-Leaf battles, there wasn't a penalty until the last period.

When pressed, Leafs played defensive hockey and forced the Maroon attackers to the corner.

Toronto went ahead with seven minutes of the final period gone, when Gordon Drillon stepped in to knock Syl Apps' passout past Beveridge. When Bob Davidson of Leafs got the game's lone penalty a moment later Maroons levelled the score, Jimmy Ward sinking Bob Gracie's pass.

Boston Wins 3-2

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Two overtime goals gave Boston Bruins a 3-2 win over New York Rangers last night and sent them into a five-point lead over the Gothamites at the head of the National Hockey League's American group.

A crowd of 16,091, largest of the current season, witnessed the overtime struggle.

Schmidt sent the Bruins in front early in the second period. His goal was matched by Mac Colville shortly after the third session opened. Gordon Pettinger gave Boston a 2-1 lead in overtime but Clapper's marker with less than two minutes play remaining gave the Bruins their edge.

### Jasper Plans Larger Skiing Accommodations

JASPER, Alta.—Soon Jasper will boast skiing facilities equal to those in any part of the world, say members of the Jasper Ski club, who forecast the Canadian Rockies will become a leading winter sport playground soon.

Work of extending the natural slide on nearby Whistler Mountain until it is 2500 feet long with a 45-degree slope at the top and 150 feet wide, will be completed soon.

There is a wide variety of ski running available in the Jasper area, the most thrilling being the seven-mile run in the Shovel Pass country.

### Short Sport Shots

Norman Brown, Syracuse light heavyweight boxer, is a brother of Tiny Brown, who was a sensation for Syracuse in the heavyweight class.

Navy's three crews will race Columbia in New York, April 23.

Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt has bought from Anthony Pelleteri the English stakes winner, Scabbard. The price was not made public, but Pelleteri paid a large sum for the star.

Whizzer White, Colorado's All-American football star, is also a member of the winning basketball team this year.

Cornell will add 150-pound football to its sports program next fall. The team will play in the Eastern 150-pound league.

The Poughkeepsie regatta will be raced, Monday, June 27.

Boxing is popular at the University

### Smallest Province in the Dominion Sends Many Into Spotlight of the Sporting World

Prince Edward Island, with a population of approximately 85,000—the smallest province in the Dominion of Canada, may be far from the centre of sport activity, but nowhere does the sporting instinct flow stronger.

Every game, from the smallest "bingo"—banned in many places throughout Canada, to the light-harness racing at the provincial exhibition, is thronged. Every sport with the exception of cricket and lacrosse is played in "The Garden of the Gulf" today. Cricket had its day in this province, however, and many recall the club which staged a match for the enjoyment of King George VI and his entourage when they visited here.

Prince Edward Island boasts of past days of sporting triumphs with such track and field stars as Phil MacDonald, who blazoned the name of the province across the Dominion with the outstanding performances at trials leading to the Amsterdam Olympics. Bill Halpenny, a pole vaulter was another well known in Olympic trials years ago. For about 25 years the Charlottetown Abegweit club staged the Maritime track and field championships—but that's history now.

In the shades of dismal despair, not because of the lack of athletic material, but rather because much promising talent is developed only to blossom elsewhere, Islanders still takes pride in citing the progress of sons in other parts of Canada and the United States.

More than 30 hockey players, some natives and others who were developed here, may be found in Canada, the United States and England. Some of those players are still in the minds of hockey fans here, especially those who played during the days of the Maritime Province's Big Four League which had gained recognition as the fastest amateur circuit in the world.

Hockey players abroad who once wore Island uniforms include Pete Kelly, now with Pittsburgh Hornets, but who has played with Detroit Red Wings and also brought honor to the province with his golf clubs. Harry Currie, born here, is a teammate of Kelly. Johnny "Snag" Squarebriggs is captain of the Baltimore Orioles, where he may be found, also, Clarence Steele, born in Summerside, P. E. I. Then there is Irvin MacKie of Charlottetown who is playing with Windsor in the Michigan-Ontario league.

Nearer home are "Tic" Williams, Wilf Whelan and Ken McInnis, with Reserve in Nova Scotia's Cape Breton league. Jackie Kane, Big Four veteran, is playing-coach of the Glace Bay entry in the same league. Rowan "Bunky" Fitzgerald who played with the Charlottetown Junior Abegweits along with Williams. Harry Currie, Steele and MacKie when they captured the Maritime-Quebec title, is playing in Northern Ontario.

Better known players who once played here include Ray Gedliffe, with Boston Bruins; Des Smith, Montreal Maroons; Joffre Desilets, New Haven Eagles; Ron Hudson, Detroit Red Wings; Ivan Nicholson, Kansas City Greyhounds; Leo Sargeant and Kick McCann, in Ontario; Harold Gross, Newfoundland; Jimmy Kelly,

of Wisconsin. Capacity crowds of 9,000 have turned out to the inter-collegiate matches this season.

Major Frank Wandle, famous Yale trainer, is recuperating from a serious illness in Florida.

When Capital Garden, Washington's big sports arena is finished, a bid will be made for an ice hockey franchise in either the National league or the International-American circuit.

Mike Jacobs made a profit of \$14,000 on the Braddock-Farr bout.

The New York commission fines wrestlers \$10 for the first rule infraction, \$25 for the second and suspension for the third.

Joe Tinker, Jr., son of the great Cubs infielder, is an adagio dancer, and Eddie Johnson, son of Walter Johnson, is chairman of the Junior Prom at the University of Maryland.

Bruett and Bruett will boss the Syracuse football club next fall. Jim Bruett, tackle, is captain, and his kid brother, Bill, is a quarterback.

With the exception of one man, all member of the University of Maryland boxing squad are from the state of the District of Columbia.

## MARITIME BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIPS OPEN AT HALIFAX TODAY WITH A LONG LIST OF FORMIDABLE CONTESTANTS

Mrs. D. A. Lindsay of Woodstock, and Bev Piers, of Halifax, Defend Singles Titles

The feathers flew at the Halifax armories tonight as competitors in the Maritime badminton tournament went through light workouts. The tourney will open tomorrow and conclude Saturday night.

Visiting players from New Brunswick and Nova Scotia worked the stiffness out after making the journey, and sought to accustom themselves to the lighting and strange floor.

Nova Scotians dominated the men's division last year in Saint John, but a strong contingent from New Brunswick will attempt to take honors back to that province. Prince Edward Island is not represented.

Mrs. D. A. Lindsay of Woodstock, N. B., women's singles champion, the last two years, will defend her title, and although faced with stiff competition, is favored to make it three in a row. In the men's singles, Bev Piers of Halifax is defending a similar record, and is also expected to win again.

Eric Woodworth and Mrs. D. Harvix, the Halifax team that won the mixed doubles, and the men's doubles champs, Piers and Clyde Sperry, will defend their laurels. Miss Isobel Jones and Mrs. T. Driscoll of Saint John will not defend their women's doubles title, but Miss Jones will compete in the event with Mrs. A. Grayson of Halifax.

Although Piers and Sperry are expected to meet in the finals for the third consecutive time, New Brunswick has several strong players. Murray Carleton, R. C. Gorham and Garnet Raper of Saint John, Ronald Page and Robert Brown, Woodstock, and D. Sparling, Moncton.

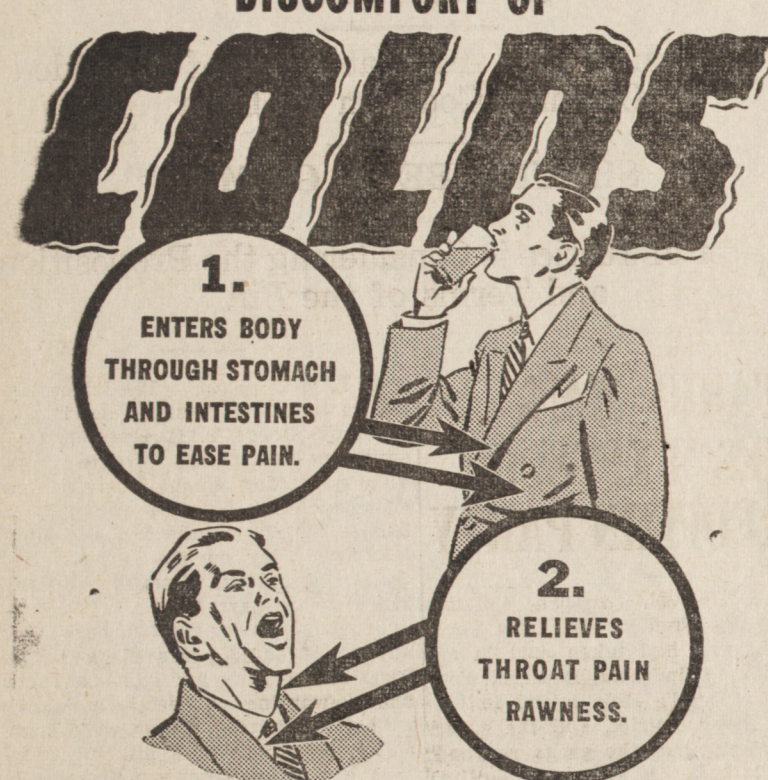
Members of the Saint John Garrison Officers' Badminton Club and the Armory Badminton Club left here yesterday for Halifax where they will compete in the Maritime badminton championships which commence this morning. The tournament will continue through Saturday.

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