

BEAVERS AWARDED TILT LAST NIGHT

CAPS FOLLOW GILL OFF THE ICE AND FORFEIT GAME 3-0 AS RESULT PAIR OF FLAREUPS RESULTING MAJOR PENALTY

Beavers Leading 2-0 at Time; Gill Protested Joe Payne's Refereeing; Clark Awards Game to St. John When Caps Fail to Return to the Ice

The semi-final playdowns of the Southern New Brunswick Hockey League are in a muddle due to the withdrawal of the Fredericton Capitals from the ice last night in the opener after Bill Gill, Capital Coach had protested against the referee for the Saint John Beavers—Joe Payne. The Beavers were awarded the game 3-0 by "Shorty" Clark of Fredericton referee-in-chief of last night's fixture.

Whether the playdowns continue tonight in Fredericton, where the second game is scheduled, depends on the decision of E. V. Keating, Moncton, president of the Southern New Brunswick Hockey League, who expected to receive Clark's report of the game in this morning's mail. A third game, if necessary, is scheduled for Saint John on Friday night.

Last night's fracas and the awarding of the game before the season's biggest crowd centred on big Bill Gill, coach of the Fredericton Caps, who in a pair of flareups, ordered his team from the ice and refused to continue after a little less than 15 minutes of the first period had been played.

Saint John was leading 2-0 when Gill staged his first "popoff". He took exception to the ruling of Joe Payne who had waved him off for a minor infringement which ended in him getting a two-minute and 10-minute misconduct penalty for hitting Payne in the face with his fist and using abusive language.

Then he ordered his team from the ice. Referee-in-chief Clark then whistled for a faceoff and Harry Doran tossed the third goal into the hemp for St. John.

Livingston and Patterson paired for the first goal of the game a little after the three-minute mark had passed. Patterson laid down the pass for Vince for the shot. Burke and Burbridge combined for the second goal in 12:34. Burke hammering in a rebound.

It was after this that things began to happen. Gill kept the fans waiting for fully an hour before the team came on the ice again. He had just taken his place in the penalty box when another argument ensued

and he again left the ice with his team.

When interviewed afterwards Gill said that he had been promised by the Saint John Club that the whole game would be wiped out and the series be started tonight. He said that when he arrived in the box he asked that this be put in writing and that he was turned down. He then withdrew his team from play.

The game was held up 2 minutes in starting as Fredericton protested against Payne as referee. Gill claimed that when the referees were decided for the series Payne's name was not recommended. The St. John club used Payne as a substitute for Johnny Lifford.

The game started out fast and Marshall got the first real shot on goal when he took a rink-wide pass from Beaton and was hooked by Gill when he went to get the shot away. Gill was waved to the timers. With Gill off the Beavers pressed and Price missed a fine chance when Young stopped his shot from right in front. The Capital goal was bombarded by many shots until Bradd was penalized after he mixed it with "Bun" McLennahan of the Caps.

Play was held up while Beavers protested the action of the referees in penalizing Bradd and not McLennahan also. This was the signal for a Fredericton power play but fine defence work by Dickie, Livingston and Pickard turned the Caps' thrust aside. With Gill still off the Beavers scored their opening marker. Patterson passed the puck to Livingston near the Fredericton blueline and Vince drove it into the mesh back of Young.

When "Bun" McLennahan was penalized Burbridge and Burke broke away and the former took a shot at Bradd and Burke was right at hand to hammer in the rebound.

Price picked up the puck and raced in but he was hooked by Gill. Referee Payne stopped the play and waved Gill off. Gill attempted to get at Payne then but was held back by the players. When he did get away he jostled the referee against the boards, protesting and threatening all the way. When they got to the

Regarded Big Help To Cricket Game

COCHRANE ALL THROUGH WITH MASK AND MITT

Says His Beating Did Not Knock all the Ball Out of Him Though

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Feb. 16.—Manager Mickey Cochrane of the Detroit Baseball Club announced today he was hanging up his big mitt for good after 13 years as a Major League catcher. At the same time he predicted the Tigers would knock off the Yankees "if we get the pitching."

Cochrane's playing career actually ended last May 18 when he was beamed by a fast ball pitched by Bump Hadley of New York Yankees. For weeks he was in a critical condition and when he recovered he went on the voluntary retired list.

"I'm all through," Mickey said. "I won't even get in there as a pinch hitter any more. I feel fine now and I probably have some catching left in me, but I feel I could not do justice to two jobs—managing and playing."

"I've had a lot of fun as a ball-player and I'm sorry it's all over." As for the Yankees:

"Somebody's going to knock them down eventually," Cochrane said, "and it may as well be us. We're in swell shape to do the job, if we get the pitching."

And what about the Tiger pitching?

"Say!" Cochrane grinned. "I've got 17 pitchers coming to camp and Lakeland and we ought to develop something out of the newcomers."

box Payne added a 10-minute misconduct penalty on him for abusive language and striking him. Gill exploded and struck Payne then led his team from the ice. After the team left the ice "Shorty" Clark faced the puck off and Harry Doran hammered it into the open net and Clark awarded Saint John the game, 3-0.

Canadian Team Is Invited to Attend the Matches In England In 1939-40

Marlebone Cricket club's invitation to Canada to send a representative team to England in 1939 or 1941 is regarded here as one of the most constructive developments in the history of the sport in the Dominion.

Prospects of international tests in a few years, should Canadian cricketers measure up to English first-class county strength, will give a decided boost to the game in this country. For many years there has been little inter-sectional competition and its expansion would be welcomed. The invitation will mean a lot to the growth of junior cricket. It is today's youngsters who will figure largely in international play results.

"If everything associated with the ideals of British fair play and sportsmanship are worth maintaining, Canada should take advantage of the forthcoming opportunity to become a participant along with Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, West Indies and India in intra-imperial sport," declared R. W. Sharp, Dominion Cricket advisory board secretary, commenting on the M.C.C.'s invitation.

"Our Dominion has the talent and ability to compete with and definitely surpass any opposition if provision is made for equality of training and opportunity. Let Canadian boys have the same chance as those in other parts of the empire and the destiny of 'the Ashes' will cease to be an antipodean sports affair," Mr. Sharp added.

"Recognition by the M.C.C. of the improved standard of Canadian cricket is very gratifying," said W. E. N. (Billy) Bell, one of the Dominion's leading players. "Certainly our younger players should be greatly enthused as a number will undoubtedly be asked to represent Canada if the invitation is accepted."

"In order that a truly representative team may be picked it is highly desirable that matches between Canada's various cricketing centres should be arranged. Such a plan involves large problems but if these can be overcome the job of selection would be expedited."

Up-and-coming juniors in British Columbia and Alberta give reason for speculation regarding the west's representation on a Canadian team. Among the outstanding seniors on the coast last year were Reg. Wenman, Bill Hendry and Norman Pearson. Clever cricketers in Alberta include J. L. Weaver, Edmonton, and George Pain, Calgary bowler. Ron Turnbull, St. George's club captain, caught the eye of the English players on their visit to Winnipeg.

Remember When . . . ?

Remember way back when skating was generally pretty good at this time of the year and we played "Shinny-on-the-ice" with a block of wood as a puck, and it stung when it hit you?

Remember way back when Jess Willard toured the country with a circus, although the circus already had an elephant, and a Booth Tarkington story was thrilling enough for us?

Remember way back when the boxers weighed in at some popular saloon and the fans downed many mugs of the foaming brew in the chifftest preliminaries, and sassafras tea for tonic?

Remember way back when we had to wait until spring for strawberry shortcake, and no pennant prediction was genuine unless it included the Boston Red Sox or the Philadelphia Athletics?

Remember way back when "Waltz Me Around Again, Willie" was the swing music of the day and a lot more comfortable, and most of the wrestlers were Greeks, and the sport was Greek to the fans?

Remember way back when small boys saved their string and wound it around a small rubber ball to make their own lively baseball, and a mud-scraper was a very necessary accessory to the porch?

COUNT KILLS 3; COMMITS SUICIDE

SANTA FE, Argentina, Feb. 16.—Count Pozzo di Borgo, an Italian, committed suicide last night after killing his wife, his daughter and a female servant, and wounding his niece, police announced. He had met financial reverses.

MARITIME BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIPS UNDERWAY FRIDAY & SATURDAY WITH CHAMPS FACING STIFF OPPOSITION

Bev Piers, Halifax, and Mrs. D. A. Lindsay, Of Woodstock, Will Defend Titles In Meet To Be Played In Halifax, N. S.

HALIFAX, Feb. 17.—Bev Piers of Halifax and Mrs. D. A. Lindsay of Woodstock, N. B., were faced with stiff opposition today as draws were announced for the Maritime championships to be played here Friday and Saturday, but both players were favored to retain their titles.

Piers, champion the last two years and his opponent in the finals at Sydney and Saint John, Clyde Sperry of Halifax, were placed at opposite ends of the sheet, and are expected to reach the last two positions again this year.

But the tourney will be completed in two days, and with an entry of 30 in the singles, Piers' power and stamina are expected to carry him through. A similar situation exists in the women's singles. Mrs. Lindsay being faced with stiff competition, but expects to survive.

New Brunswick has sent an exceptionally strong entry this year. From Saint John came Murray Carleton, Garnet Raper, N. Stanhope, T. Elliott, R. C. Gorham, W. Allen, R. Wilson, B. Kessler and J. Taylor.

Robert Brown and Ronald Page, former junior champion, will represent Woodstock, and C. C. MacDougall will come from Sussex. Moncton entered D. Sparling.

Almost half the 16 entries in the women's singles came from New Brunswick, Miss C. Jones entering from Woodstock with Mrs. Lindsay, and Saint John having Miss G. Drake, Miss H. Hutt, Miss I. Jones and Miss E. Longtin. Miss E. Landers is from Moncton.

Ten of the 15 entries in the boys' singles came from New Brunswick also. Brian Filliter, of Halifax, tops the list that includes seven Moncton juniors and three from Woodstock.

A strong New Brunswick threat comes from the Saint John pair of



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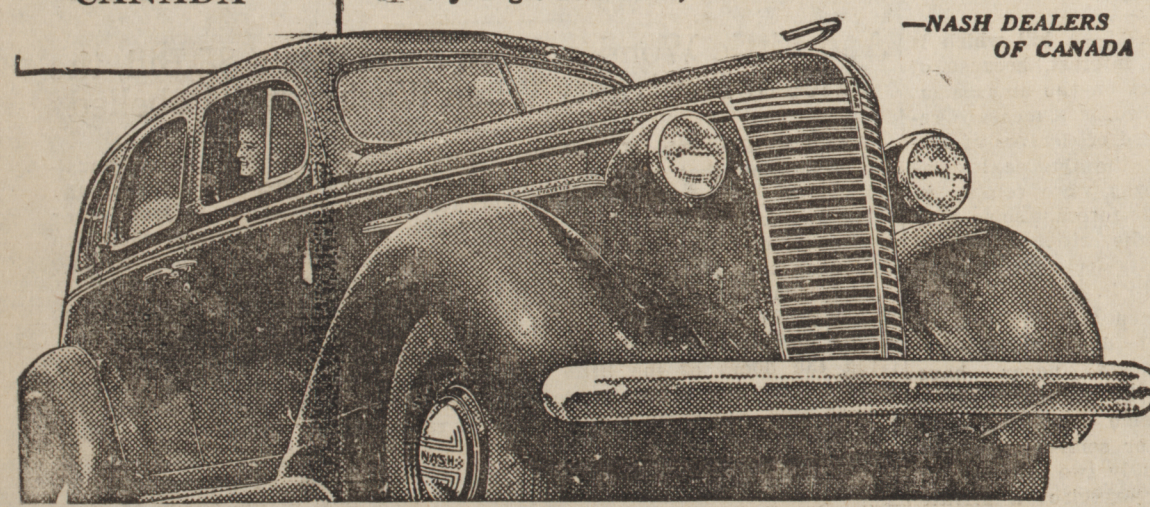
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