



SPORT



On the Sidelines

It seems that the hockey season so far as Fredericton is concerned has suddenly come to an end. The Junior Eagles faded first and now the Intermediate Cubs have gone the way of all losers. Briefly the 1934-35 season here was a good one, though, and there was more assemblage of young and coming talent than in any recent year. Junior and intermediate ranks were swelled, and even the juveniles are commencing to enthuse with the community "backyard rinks" as the starting point for future capital seniors.

In a resume of the Montreal Maroons' players for the current season, O'Meara, the Montreal Star columnist, rates Bill Miller, the Campbellton, N. B., star, as follows: "Miller, who burst in like a sky-rocket and was expected to become a leading scorer, has gone through a period of transition out of which he is emerging a pretty competent player whose worth will be more steadily revealed as he goes along." Those are just and kind words and sound like the most sensible that have been uttered on any of the Moncton Hawks' players on their respective entries into the big time.

Famous Words:—"I'm sorry to leave New York, but I'm glad to be going to Boston. This is just the kind of a spot I wanted."—Babe Ruth.

Fred Egan, often referred to as the hard luck driver of the Hambletonian, is preparing a pair of fillies for the trotting classic of 1935.

Tom Yawkey, believe it or not, has no less an amount than \$3,000,000 tied up in the Boston Red Sox.

They are betting at 10-1 odds that the Boston Bruins won't win the Stanley Cup this year in the vicinity around Boston. Fredericton has a lot of Maroon supporters—or at least sympathizers.

Dan O'Mahoney, the new Irish wrestling sensation, has now won eleven straight matches and seems invincible on the mat even as some of the youngsters in the past.

There was much straining and craning at the Arctic Rink last night to get a glimpse of the famous Sprague Cleghorn, who accompanied the Edmundston Eskimos here as coach. Sprague earned more attention than the pretty Agnes Ayres, movie queen, who visited here last winter.

Clarence DeMar, dean of the long distance runners, and Benny Leonard, retired lightweight champion of the world, have stepped out of the past to re-assert, if they can, that age will be served as well as youth. DeMar, who has been turning out lap after lap for the last fifteen years, won the one mile handicap walk at the Norfolk Y.M.C.A., indoor track and field meet recently. Age and all he stepped the route in six minutes and 47 seconds. As for Leonard, the erstwhile Jewish ring artist is fighting a four-round feature bout with Chic Brown. It is noteworthy that Leonard and Brown met at New Haven, Conn., in the same ring 18 years before, with Leonard at the peak of his career and Brown then the New England lightweight champion. On that occasion Brown was knocked cuckoo in the fifth round.

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Fredericton Cubs Eliminated By Eskimos

Edmundston Won Third Round Series by Total Goals 6-4—Cubs Put Up Marvellous Exhibition Last Night, Outclassing Rivals 2-0 Until Overtime Period—Monster Crowd of Fans at Rink Witness Best Game Since Millionaire Era—Game Ends in 2-2 Tie.

For sixty minutes, a complete hockey game, the Fredericton Cubs thoroughly outclassed the Edmundston Eskimos at the Arctic Rink last evening, leading them 2 to 0, and forcing the powerful northern aggregation into overtime. In the first ten-minute overtime period, however, the Eskimos shoved in a brace of goals and grabbed the third round New Brunswick playdown series by a total score for the two games of 6 to 4. Edmundston trimmed the Cubs on their home ice on Monday night 4 to 2. Edmundston now enters the N.B. finals, meeting Moncton Intermittentes for the provincial title.

But there is more to the story than the bare facts outlined above. Though eliminated from further play the Cubs put on an exhibition of hockey last night so tireless, relentless and game that the Cleghorn-coached Eskimos were practically smothered within their own blue line, able only to defend their two-goal lead, and that at the cost of hundreds of anxious moments. In brief, the Cubs deserved last night's victory if ever a team did. The Edmundston players must certainly have breathed a spontaneous sigh of relief when the game ended with their lead intact. The "wolf" in the person of the Cubs was certainly "at the door" of the Eskimos in last night's game and it was only in the last five minutes of the overtime that Copie LeBlanc and his mates were able to shoo it away.

Ferocious Attack

The most impressive feature of the first three periods was the consistently ferocious attack of the Cubs' forwards and the perfect defensive play of Percy Minue and Dave Pickard and Goaler "Cliff" Young. The Eskimos merely defended and looked pretty feeble at times, save for the brilliant—and something lucky—work of young Ritchie in the net.

The first period ended scoreless. The Edmundston lineup showed two players, well known on local ice—"Billy" Gulliver of Devon and Don Adams, who played with U.N.B. in recent years. The crowd recognized the two LeBlanc brothers, "Len" and "Copie" also. Play was fast and rough with some stunning puck carrying and right at the start a hard checking game was indicated, both teams taking more than the usual number of dumps by fine defensive play of the school variety.

The second period witnessed the Cubs displaying a rugged and reckless game and they maintained it throughout throwing caution to the four winds and carrying the play insistently to the enemy. The Cubs, led by "Heddy" Mills and "Jackie" Keenan, Billy Lifford and Bud Steen, bombarded from the opening of the period. Only one shot was fired at "Cliff" Young in that period. It was after one of these energetic sallies that Bill Lifford battered one past Ritchie for the Cubs' first marker, the score coming after 18 minutes and 45 seconds of play.

AH Cubs For Time

It seemed to be all Fredericton though Beaulieu, Gagne, Langlois and Len LeBlanc were playing a quiet effective game for the visitors. One minute and thirty seconds after the opening of the third session, "Heddy" Mills rifled a terrific shot from the blue line which zinged right past Ritchie and the series was tied. The crowd wildly acclaimed Mills' goal and thereafter the Cubs were a veritable pack of wolves. Only by super-brilliant goal tending did the Eskimos save themselves from being erased from the playdowns. Had the Cubs tallied here

the series would undoubtedly have ended for "Sprague" Cleghorn and his Eskimos for until the end of the third period the Cubs kept up a continual splatter of rubber at Ritchie. So heated was the offensive that "Jackie" Keenan collided with Len LeBlanc and took a crack at him in the heat of the conflict. Both were banished for two minutes. Unfortunately the lull which occurred from the third period to the overtime, together with the weariness which must surely have come over the locals, combined to give the Eskimos the advantage of the overtime.

A Tough Break

Taking advantage of a momentary weakness in the Cub defense, Len LeBlanc and Beaulieu combined on a pretty passing play to beat Young and spoil his perfect evening.

LeBlanc handed Beaulieu the pass and the shot was just one of those perfect ones that no goaler ever stops. The Cubs noticeably slumped after this and in the abandon of opening up to get the advantage back, "Snap" Dickie was allowed to speed through with only Young to beat and it was an easy goal. In the emotional tension, Dave Pickard threw his stick at Dickie. Dickie's and Beaulieu's goals came in the second five-minute overtime period and snapped the edge which the Cubs had held over their rivals all evening.

Play was rough but not dirty and the double referees, Dr. Hebert of Edmundston and Edgar Wade allowed considerable infraction checking to get by. But though play was rough and ready at times there were no serious outbursts and a sense of humor on the part of the Eskimos several times saved the Cubs from altogether losing their heads. Keenan was noticeably of this latter intention.

Minue-Pickard Strong

Percy Minue, the erstwhile Marysville player, was one of the Cubs' chief standouts last night and his flawless performance in front of Young ranked him as one of stars of the night's play. He was careful and sure of his plays, and checked with abandon and every possible effectiveness. He and Dave Pickard teamed perfectly and their "sandwiches" of Langlois and Gagne were genuine treats to the fans. Young's only slip was the overtime goal.

Out front the tireless skating and back checking, and marking of "Heddy" Mills and "Jackie" Keenan was the marvel of the spectators. Steen was effective and "Bruce" McDonald and "Bus" McLennan were always in the thick of it, though the former gave way to Ralph Goodine whose reaching check was damaging to opposing rushes. Mills and McLennan the lads with dynamite in their sticks, were a constant bother to the eagle-eyed Ritchie in the Eskimos' nets. Peculiarly enough the losers fired twice as many shots at Ritchie as the winners did at Young.

Eskimos' Stars

Edmundston standouts were Len LeBlanc, Beaulieu and Langlois in the early periods, though "Snap" Dickie scin-

George Uhle To Quit Baseball

TOLEDO, Feb. 28—George Uhle, veteran hurler, who joined Toledo during the 1934 season, has recently announced that he will retire from baseball. Uhle recently declared that he is convinced his arm is beyond hope of useful service and he plans to take up the oil business in Cleveland. From the fact that Uhle was used as a pinch-hitter frequently, and because he was seen in the outfield more often than in the pitcher's box last summer, it was evident that his arm had gone back on him.

Hoof Prints

Twelve stakes aggregating \$16,000 have been opened for the August Grand Circuit trotting meetings at Goshen, entries to close March 14. Horses will be classified according to their best records, regardless of the amount of money they have won, in the Progressive Stake of \$3,500 for trotters and the Goshen Stake of \$2,500 for pacers. Those entered will race in three divisions, horses with lower records having the privilege of starting in the faster classes for more money if their owners think they can win. Five colt races are on the program in addition to the \$40,000 Hambletonian Stake race, which is set for decision on Wednesday, August 14.

tilated in the overtime with his frequent rushes when he was left uncovered. Somehow the Edmundston defense consisted mostly of Ritchie, though Adams and Copie LeBlanc braced and were more impressive in the later periods.

Following the the lineups and summary:—

Edmundston—Goal, Ritchie; defence, C. LeBlanc, Adams, David; left wing, Le LeBlanc, Langlois; centre, Gulliver, Dickie, right wing, Beaulieu, Gagnon.

Fredericton—Goal Young; defence, Pickard Minue; left wing, Mills, Lifford; centre, Steen, MacDonald, Goodine; right wing, McLennan, Keenan. Referees—Dr. F. L. Hebert, Edmundston; Edgar Wade, Fredericton.

First Period

No score.

Penalties—Goodine, Steen, Gulliver.

Second Period

1—Fredericton, Lifford (MacDonald), 18.45.

Penalty, Adams.

Third Period

2—Fredericton, Mills, 1.37.

Penalties—Gulliver, L. LeBlanc, Keenan.

Overtime

3—Edmundston, Beaulieu (L. LeBlanc), 6:34.

4—Edmundston, Dickie, 9.00.

Penalties, Beaulieu, Pickard.

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GAR WOOD AND BETTY CARSTAIRS MAY COMPETE

MIAMI, Fla., Feb. 28—An express cruiser race between Gar Wood, U. S. speedboat czar, and Lady Betty Carstairs, of London, appears a possibility.

Following the English sportswoman's indication recently that she would like to meet Wood in speed competition, the Biscayne Bay regatta committee had appointed a sub-committee to arrange, if possible, the match as part of the 22nd annual regatta to be held here March 2.

SPORTSMANSHIP AND ATTITUDE OF OF SPORT FANS

Recent 'Muckerish' Display by Fans Discussed In Article Written In a New York Sport Page.

The topic of sportsmanship should be a live one to the sport fan, and the following discussion which pertains to the attitude of the fans in a recent basketball game in U. S. intercollegiate play should have its lesson for the good spectator. We print the article which appeared in the New York Herald-Tribune under recent date. There is no reason why the remarks made below should not apply to the New Brunswick sport fan as well as those in the republic to the south. It follows:

To Geo. Daley, Sports Editor, New York Herald Tribune:

It is all too true that conduct of spectators at college basketball games is one of the most serious problems in sport. All agree that something must be done about it. Many of us believe that every college contest should develop friendship and good will among the players participating and the undergraduates of the two institutions concerned. The idea is one of good friendship, which Dr. Savage has called the Xenia spirit of the old Greek games. The development of this tradition in American college sport is a long, slow process, and the situation in basketball, as so ably and accurately pointed out by Morris and Dr. Allen of Kansas, is seriously affecting the growth of this very worthy ideal.

"I am glad that you showed the contrast between the conduct of West Point spectators and that of other institutions, where the control of spectator conduct has so far received little or no attention. I like your suggestion

for a special committee to tap offenders, although I realize the difficulty of its application until a real sentiment has been created which would back up such enforcement of rules of right conduct.

Many high school principals and school authorities have worked out plans similar to the one you suggest with good effect. They have personally supervised the game and have printed on their program suggestions to spectators on their duties as sportsmen, and have used lantern slides on the wall, preceding the game, and even have caused officials to stop a game at any time when individuals in the crowd razed or booed visiting players or officials' decisions. Undergraduate leaders have taken the floor to explain to the spectators that the tradition of the school requires that visiting teams and officials be treated as guests and that the privilege of watching this contest does not include a license to insult the guests of the school.

It may be expecting too much for college authorities to pattern after these high school leaders, but the problem is so serious and so vital to the development of good manners and good feeling that the college presidents and boards of faculty control difference in interpretation that their sideration.

In recent years the control of the college faculties over details of athletics has become general. The place of athletics in the college curriculum as an educational subject is recognized. College presidents cannot expect their coaches to be solely responsible for controlling and directing the conduct of all the undergraduates. They can be held responsible for the sportsmanship of the players under their direct charge. They do a pretty good job in spite of the handicap and the constant pressure of alumni and others for victory, because experience proves that all too often without winning teams, coaches lose their jobs.

The pressure is on them to win at any cost, and while very few have stooped to unfair or unsportsmanlike tactics to win, yet the major responsibility for developing character which is talked about so much, still is not the primary consideration that it should be when it comes to the question of their selection or retention.

The college authorities cannot put the sole burden on the officials at games. Basketball officials have a particularly difficult task, and even when they have the whole-hearted backing of the home management in enforcing the rules there is such a diggerence in interpretation that their job is not simple. They can help in keeping the game clean and in controlling spectator reactions, but they cannot be given the main responsibility. I believe that the major task is one for undergraduate and faculty leaders to work on. Student publications should be enlisted in a campaign of education. The college presidents themselves should take a hand.

Sincerely yours,

DAN CHASE,

Executive Secretary the Sportsmanship Brotherhood, Inc., New York.

TORONTO, Feb. 27—Olivia Dionne tonight made a general denial of the statements attributed to him and his wife Elzire in the United States that they were dissatisfied with conditions in the hospital-home of their quints-let daughters and with the conduct of the quints' affairs.

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