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Manitoba Rink Wins Third Dominion Title To Make Curling History

By Jack Sullivan
 HAMILTON, March 10 (CP)—Ken Watson, 44-year-old skip from Winnipeg's Strathcona Club, made curling history tonight when he skipped his rink to win the Dominion title, first man to turn the triple trick.

Immediately after Watson's rink defeated a Trail, B. C. rink 14-9, the Winnipeg foursome received the Macdonald Brier Trophy, emblematic of Canadian curling supremacy.

Watson's brother, Grant was his vice-skip. Grant also has been on three championship-winning Winnipeg clubs.

The competition was won last year by Theo (Frenchy) D'Amour of Trail, B. C. but Reg Stone, 35-year-old skip of British Columbia's 1949 rink, just didn't have it in tonight's crucial ninth-round game.

The two clubs went into the ninth round of the four-day round-robin tournament undefeated with eight victories each.

Manitoba's victory marked the Province's 12th time in the 20 years as champion.

Two Winnipeggers—Gordon Hudson and Howard Wood and Edmonton's Cliff Manstian were the other two-time winners before tonight. Hudson, newly-elected president of the Dominion Curling Association, was in the crowd to watch the final game.

In third place behind British Columbia was the all-miner rink from Northern Ontario, skipped by Jimmy Sutherland, who had a seven-victory two-defeat record.

Sutherland clinched it with an overwhelming 16-4 victory over Quebec which ended the competition, open to provincial rinks (two from Ontario) in an eight-place tie with New Brunswick which defeated Prince Edward Island 11-4 in this last draw.

Ontario, skipped by 68-year-old Pete Thomas of Chatham, Ont., finished fourth, ending with a 15-11 decision over Saskatchewan which concluded the Dominion title event in a fifth-place tie with Nova Scotia. The easterners trounced Alberta's rink from the foothills district about 45 miles southeast of Calgary.

The Albertan quartet, which came from a town of only 230 population, finished last with a tabulation of one victory—a 13-8

Millionaires, St. Mary's Resume Series Tonight

HALIFAX, March 10 (CP)—Sydney Millionaires were en route to Halifax by train tonight for the third game of their Maritime senior hockey final with Halifax St. Mary's tomorrow night. The best-of-seven series is tied 1-1.

The Big Four champions won the first game 5-4 and Millionaires, Cape Breton champs, whipped back last night to take a breath-taking 2-1 decision.

The Sydney club came out of the two heavy-bumping games without injuries although Don (Red) McRae played both games with a shoulder injury.

St. Mary's, travelling on an earlier train, arrived here tonight. The Halifax club reported no injuries.

The winner will face the Ottawa Valley champion in a Memorial Cup playoff series starting at Ottawa March 16.

Playoff Dates Are Revised

SYDNEY, N. S., March 10 (CP)—President Charles Campbell of the Maritime Amateur Hockey Association tonight announced revised dates for intermediate semi-final and final playoffs.

The Prince Edward Island champion will play on the home rink of the New Brunswick winner March 16 and on March 18 the N. B. winner will play in P.E.I. Previous dates had been announced as March 14 and 16.

First game of the Maritime intermediate final will be played March 23 instead of March 21 and the second game March 25 instead of March 23. Both series are two-game, total-point affairs.

Verdlet over New Brunswick in the eighth round this afternoon—and eight losses.

FINAL GAME

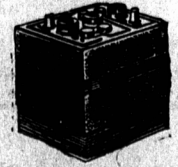
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Keen Interest In Big Meet At Forum Tonight

Curling Results

HAMILTON, March 10—Results in the Canadian curling championships:

Seventh Round	
B. Columbia	111 021 022 121-12
Saskatchewan	000 100 210 000-4
N. Ontario	
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Quebec	
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Nova Scotia	
041 312 101 010-14	P. E. Island 100 000 010 202-6
Manitoba	
111 013 003 022-14	Alberta 000 300 020 200-7
Eighth Round	
N. Ontario	114 040 202 200-14
Saskatchewan	000 202 010 121-9
P. E. Island	
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B. Columbia	
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Ninth Round	
Saskatchewan	020 020 010 303-11
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It was learned from official sources yesterday that the Maritime amateur intermediate basketball playoffs will get underway at Halifax on April 8th and 9th to decide a winner to compete in Dominion playoff championship competition.

The Summerside Flyers, winners of the Island Intermediate basketball title, will compete in the play with three other teams representing the Maritimes, with the semifinal being run off in a doubleheader on April 8th, the two winning teams meeting in the final the following day for the Maritime title.

Although there was some doubt here recently concerning whether or not the Flyers would be eligible to compete in the play, the existing difficulties were overcome recently when Summerside officials received word from the C.A.B.A. at Montreal stating that everything was in order and advising the Flyers to be at Halifax on the 8th to compete in the competition.

The Murray Harbor Bruins put up a stalwart stand here on Wednesday night when they earned a shutout victory over the Intermediate Abbies in the final game of their semi-final series, with the win giving them the right to meet the Summerside pucksters in the final round for the Island intermediate championship, the first game taking place at Murray Harbor last night. The second and final game will get underway at the Crystal Arena at Summerside on Saturday night.

Playing a really close-checking game all the way, the Bruins kept the local squad at a disadvantage most of the time. The visitors gave the appearance that they had about 12 men on the ice instead of six, as there seemed to be two Bruins to tie up an opposing player every time he got the puck, particularly when the Abbies forced their way inside the opposing blue line where they were met with such a network of defence tactics that they were thrown for a loss on almost every occasion.

Standing out on the visiting lineup for his performance was goalie Silas MacKay, who had to make some sensational saves in order to gain his shutout over the Abbies. MacKay was particularly hot in the first and third periods when the Abbies made their hardest scoring drives to direct a barrage of rubber at the Murray Harbor cage, causing him to make some really brilliant stops to keep the attackers at bay.

Due to the fact that it has finally been decided to run off the Maritime Junior hockey finals between P. W. C. and St. Mary's as a sudden death affair at Halifax on Saturday afternoon, it seems a shame that the local boys, who worked so hard to earn their way into the finals, will not have the opportunity of contesting the title on home ice, and local fans will be unable to see their club in action against the Halifax squad.

There seems to be a lack of proper planning somewhere between the M. A. H. A. and Maritime Hockey Clubs as far as maritime playoffs are concerned, as this is the second or third time that playoff schedules have been pushed through to meet some deadline or other that has caused participating teams to work overtime with very little rest between games.

If this column remembers correctly, the Cape Breton Senior League had to cut short their regular schedule in order to meet playoff dates, and in the case of Central League play, Abbies and Archer had to run off their some four games in semi-final and final play in almost as many days to jibe with the opening dates of Maritime senior hockey playoff competition. And now last but not least, Halifax and Charlottetown are forced to make their playoff series a sudden death contest in order to comply with the M. A. H. A. demand that it be completed by the week-end.

Even if P. W. C. did get their home and home series with St. Mary's it would have put plenty of strain on the endurance of the local squad. Playing Saint John here on Monday night in the first

Wildgeese Being Fed At Rollo Bay

64 wildgeese at Rollo Bay are being fed by grain supplied by Pheasants Unlimited. It was reported yesterday, Royal Canadian Mounted Police at Souris have purchased grain on the authorization of this Association and shipped it to a farmer at Rollo Bay who has been making their headquarters. Mr. Doug. George MacDonald, the farmer who is looking after the birds, reports that the geese are coming regularly to the feed, which is placed out in a field within 50 yards of the paved highway.

Mr. MacDonald reports that the wildgeese have become quite tame and allow him to approach within 40 or 50 yards before taking to wing. A number of black ducks are feeding with the geese. Game observers counted 51 geese in Rollo Bay on January 12th. Since this date sharp frost has sealed up their feeding ground and the birds found themselves in difficulties. Even the wary Canada goose will respond to food and kindness. Last Saturday 11 wildgeese alighted in the Mill Creek at Pownal. It is thought that this flock are members of the Rollo Bay concentration and not new arrivals in the Province.

Remember When

By The Canadian Press
 Major Frederic McLaughlin's threat to "ice" an All-American National Hockey League team was carried out at Chicago 12 years ago tonight. The Black Hawks, re-named "Yankees" for a night, didn't do so well, losing to Boston Bruins 6-2. The Chicago boss gave up the All-American hockey idea in short order.

Games of the semi-finals they had to entrain for Saint John the following morning to play their final game there that night. Returning to the Province late Wednesday afternoon after two tough games in a row, they would have had to return to Halifax again on Thursday morning to open their first game in the final round.

Whether the fault lies with the individual clubs in not getting their games off on schedule, or whether it is poorly arranged play-off dates as laid down by the M. A. H. A., that is the cause of this mixup is the question, but it is certainly about time that the governing bodies got their heads together and mapped out a suitable set-up that will not necessitate the teams involved having to wear themselves out trying to meet deadlines.

Contestants and fans alike are in for a big time at the Forum tonight when the Department of Physical Fitness presents its fourth annual Island Interscholastic Skating Meet, which should produce some of the keenest skating competition to be witnessed here for some years.

Heralding the greatest number of entries in its fourth year of activities, some 297 contestants representing approximately 25 schools throughout the Province will converge on the Forum to compete for the coveted team and individual Provincial championship trophies.

The event, always a popular one with sporting fans all over the Province, is expected to prove not only to be the biggest in its history from a contestant's point of view but also one that will see a record attendance of sport lovers from every section of the country.

With a competent group of officials present to control the Meet and assure that all 24 events are run off on time and in an efficient manner, everything points toward it being one that will provide an outstanding evening of sporting entertainment.

The program will be brought to its conclusion with an enjoyable skate to the lighting music of the 17th. Recco Regiment Band, under the direction of Mr. Roy Mugford.

The Summerside All-Stars are two goals down on the semi-final round of the Charlottetown City League as we write this. Considering that Windy Steele and Charlie Deignan were not with the team in the first encounter, the boys made a pretty fair showing and should make an interesting sight of it before bowing out to the Stars for a place in the finals. Even in defeat the boys lived up to their about-face reputation. At the start of the season they were morning glories that wilted before half the game was over, but they roared down the stretch in most of their games now and their third period scoring has usually been terrific. Tuesday night they played true to their form and out-scored the Navy.

We didn't see this game, but from what we have heard about the goal which "Mooney" Gallant scored, and which was disallowed on the claim that it was offside, we think some of the boys must have played "hooky" from "Pete Kelly and King Clancy's school for referees. We are depending entirely on hearsay, of course, and can quite easily be put in our place by anyone who will volunteer to explain why the goal actually was offside. We pause for "official rule book identification."

Freetown Takes Close Victory From Bedeque

The Freetown pucksters took a close 2-1 victory over Bedeque in the first game of the playoff finals in the Bedeque-South Shore Hockey League at Bedeque rink last night.

The game was a closely contested, well-played affair with both teams shooting one goal apiece in the first period to battle it out in a scoreless second canto to keep the score deadlocked going into the final frame.

Both teams battled hard in the last period to break the deadlock with Freetown finally getting the break on the play when McEntee tallied the winning goal on a nice passing attack with Simmons and Campbell.

Freetown lost the services of McMurdo, one of their star players, during the second period when he suffered a dislocated shoulder and had to be taken to the Summerside hospital.

Simmons and McEntee did the scoring for Freetown while Duvar got Bedeque's lone tally.

Moncton Rinks Win Junior Curling Trophy

MONCTON, N. B., March 10 (CP)—Two rinks from the Moncton Beaver Curling Club skipped by R. T. McCully and B. H. Steeves tonight won the Atlantic Trophy, emblematic of supremacy in the Maritime junior curling bonspiel.

The Moncton rinks carried off top honors by defeating rinks from Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. They chalked up five wins and three losses.

Rinks from Bridgewater and Halifax, representing Nova Scotia, took second-place honors with four wins and four losses.

Individual honors went to the Bridgewater rink skipped by B. Haines, which chalked up a record of four wins and no losses.

The Murray Harbour Bruins have celebrated the opening of their new rink with a vengeance. They've defeated the Montague rink to win the championship of King's County and as we write this they have taken over the Queen's County championship also, having a 7 to 2 count on the round over Charlottetown at the end of the game at the Forum. Annexing the Prince County crown will certainly take a bit of doing and may prove too tough for Orville Le's King's county champs. Even if they don't get by our All-Stars, however, the Murray Harbour fans can feel proud of their fine team. We're looking forward to seeing them in action. Their appearance at Crystal Rink on Saturday night should just about pack the old rink to capacity.

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KENSINGTON RINK
 FRIDAY, March 11—Finals Merchants League, French River vs. Long River. Skate after game. Game 8:15 sharp.
 SATURDAY, March 12—Semi-finals North Shore League, Summerside Legion vs. Kelvin. Game 9 o'clock sharp. Skats after. Afternoon skate 2 to 4.

Sport Echoes From Prince County

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 Referees—Chas Hogan and Art Ferry.

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