

SPORTS FRONT

By PIUS CALLAGHAN

SO ANDY BATHGATE is to pay a \$500 fine for his magazine article on spearing.

President Clarence Campbell made the announcement Monday night after discussions with the New York Rangers' star. The NHL boss maintained the article was "definitely prejudicial to the league and the game."

Mr. Campbell, a Rhodes scholar and a brilliant lawyer, apparently is sure of his ground. He has the authority to make such a call and from that call there will be no appeal.

However, we do think that Bathgate had something. Surely this young man would not deliberately try to implicate players for offences they had never committed. Perhaps there may have been some slight exaggeration but we are inclined to think that most of Andy's story was fairly factual.

We don't intend to start any war with president Campbell. He has NHL by-laws to back him on this one, something he didn't have last season when he pulled the Red Storey boner. But by-laws or not, we think there's too much hush-hush about dirty play in the NHL. There are a few who have become great artists in this type of play and we think they shouldn't be protected by anyone.

However, it will be some time before another player gives a story similar to the one Bathgate let go. This \$500 fine is a warning that you must not talk any more about your fellowman in the National Hockey League. We do think that Bathgate, however, has done the players a real service. Spearmen will be watched a lot more closely from now on—make no mistake about that. League officials won't want to admit it but the article by Andy will make for a real crackdown on dangerous hockey practices.

We are not one of those who think Bathgate lost this battle.

SANTA CLAUS comes to town tomorrow night but before this jolly old fellow gets around Summerside's Charlie Hogan is due at the Sports Arena.

Hogan is the man who pilots the P.E.I. Aces in the Island Senior Hockey League and right now Hogan has the hottest club in the four-team league.

The Aces meet Parkdale Royals tonight and you can rest assured there'll be no exchange of Christmas presents. These clubs don't like each other one little bit and even the Christmas season won't change that attitude.

The Hogans floundered badly in the early part of the season but Charlie always kept telling us they would right themselves. He surely knew what he was talking about because at this stage of the proceedings these Aces are threatening to take over the pacesetters.

There never was any love love lost between Royals and Aces but this Eustace Reeves matter really put the icing on the cake. If there ever was a chance of getting things patched up between these warriors, the Reeves case destroyed it completely.

ACES BLASTED Royals last Friday night and followed that with a real slaughter of Perfection Penguins on Monday. The Summerside boys had a great time fattening their averages as they banged home a total of 24 goals in those two contests. Tonight they come to the capital fully prepared to hand the Parkdale outfit another trouncing.

But a gentleman by the name of Frizel isn't the least bit worried. In fact he's willing to take all bets that his Royals will walk off the western invaders tonight. The genial Sandy Frizel has a full complement of players tonight, something he didn't have last Friday in Summerside.

This one shapes up like a real natural and shoppers and store workers can see every minute of the action. The game will get underway until 9:15 and that means just about everybody can make it by that time.

We can assure you it will be no Christmas concert when Aces and Royals battle it out tonight.

SUNDAY FINDS Baltimore Colts, western division champions, and New York Giants winners in the east, going at each other for the National Football League title.

The game will be played at Baltimore and the Colts are installed as slight favorites to cop the classic. The fact that they are performing before Baltimore fans is undoubtedly one of the reasons why the Colts are the top choice. The weatherman has looked ahead to Sunday and has predicted a dry field. Quarterback Johnny Unitas of the Colts needs a dry field and a dry ball and if he gets both, he's a tough customer to stop. The Giants, however, are considered to have a decided edge on reserve power in the backfield. Offensively Colts have the advantage because the Baltimore line has played together three or four years. New York has several newcomers. They are good men but they do lack the experience.

It should be a terrific battle and football fans in this area will be delighted to know that CFCY-TV will carry the game commencing at 2:45 local time.

THE HARNESS RACING GAME lost one of its outstanding members in the death Monday evening of Harold Cudmore.

Harold provided race fans with many thrilling drives at local tracks. Recently he campaigned with America's Ace, Prince Edward and Jolly Bud and only a short time ago he reined the little Just Flicka. But it was with Prince Budington that Harold gained his greatest fame as a driver. The Prince and Harold kept springing upset after upset for a long number of years.

Harold was a most genial gentleman. He was one of the game's best-liked owners and drivers and his death removes a great supporter of harness racing.

The race game will not be the same without Harold Cudmore. His contribution to its success was a most noticeable one. To his wife and other members of his family, Sports Front extends deepest sympathy.

Parkdale Plays S'side Team Here

Parkdale Royals and Summerside P.E.I. Aces battle tonight at the Sports Arena in an Island Senior Hockey League fixture.

The Royals are still smarting from that 11-4 defeat they were handed by the Aces last Friday night in Summerside and to a man they are determined to repay the compliment tonight.

Aces on the other hand appear to have found their scoring eyes and have gone on a terrific scoring spree these past couple of games. Charlie Hogan's proteges think they can keep up the pressure tonight and present Summerside hockey followers with a real Christmas present—a win over the Royals in Charlottetown.

Both squads are expected to be at full strength for this important clash which is expected to draw a bumper house. Action will get underway at 9:15.

Former Boxer Dies In Dublin

DUBLIN (AP) — Jim Coffey, former Irish heavyweight who fought Battling Levinsky and Gumbo Smith in 1914, is dead in a Dublin hospital. He was 68.

Coffey, born in County Roscommon, Ireland, July 4, 1891, emigrated to the United States at the age of 19. His professional ring career ran from 1912 through 1919 when the "Roscommon Giant" finally retired after several exhibition bouts with Joe Jeannette, a 6-1, 210-pounder when he was fighting. Coffey was managed by the late Billy Gibson. He returned to Dublin about five years ago.

Summerside Minor Hockey

9:00-10:00—No. 1 Paperweight minor vs. No. 2 Paperweight minor.
10:00-11:00—No. 4 Pee Wee vs. No. 5 Pee Wee.
11:00-12:00—No. 1 Pee Wee vs. No. 2 Pee Wee.
12:00-1:00—No. 2 Bantams vs. No. 4 Bantams.

MARGARINE OUTPUT
Canadian production of margarine reached 145,500,000 pounds in 1959, an increase of 15,000,000 pounds over 1958.



ASK SANTA FOR TREATS

Santa Claus visited the Sports Arena last evening prior to a Royal-Penguin hockey match with his bag of goodies. Santa paid special attention to two 'wee' fellows, defencemen Ralph 'Farmer' Josey (left) of the Royals and Joe Coyle (right) of the Penguins, presenting them with miniature hockey sticks.

Royals Shade Penguins 3-2 To Increase League Lead

Sandy's Royals last evening fired three first period goals past Penguin goalie Trane Doyle and coasted home to a 3-2 victory thus widening the gap over the other three teams in the Island Senior Hockey League Race.

How They Stand	P	W	L	T	P
Royals	11	6	3	2	.636
Penguins	12	6	6	0	.500
Aces	13	5	5	3	.500
Saints	4	0	3	1	.125

territory, taking it all the way up and firing a sizzler from about twenty feet which goalie Butch Ward got his mitt on but couldn't hold.

For the most part it was a fast game but on a couple of occasions in the second and third periods the teams just seemed to be going in circles and not getting anywhere.

The third period saw Penguin forward Apps Arsenault dent the twines with less than five minutes to go in the game.

However the Penguins carried the edge through most of the final session but couldn't finish off their plays. Most of the action took part in Royal territory.

Co-leaders in the individual scoring race, Angie Carroll of the Royals and Apps Arsenault each added one point to their total, Carroll with an assist and Arsenault with a goal. They both have 35 points now.

Referees Jack 'Sp' Ready and Walter Lawlor called a total of 14 penalties with the Royals picking eight.

GAME TONIGHT
Action resumes at the Sports Arena with the Royals being host to the high-flying Aces. The Aces, tide for second in the league in

race with Hennessey's Penguins, will be seeking to take over second spot all Aces. On their last outing the Aces crushed the Penguins 13-6 and tonight they will be seeking another win.

SUMMARY
First Period—1. Royals—K. Ready (Shepherd, A. Carroll) 10:30; 2. Royals—Whitlock (Shepherd) 15:51; 3. Royals—J. Burke (Cruwys) 18:11. Penalties—R. Josey (2) 10:54, 19:53.

Second Period—4 Penguins—MacLeod (unassisted) 2:07. Penalties—Josey 9:10; Kane 9:10; V. Mulligan 11:12; A. Carroll 12:35; Kane 19:05.

Third Period—5. Penguins—Arsenault (Gillis, Kane) 15:07. Penalties—Whitlock 1:23; Williams 1:45; Dunn 8:24; Steele 9:20; V. Mulligan 17:33; J. MacLeod 17:33; Josey 19:06.

Rearguard Kip Ready, Whitlock and Jack Burke accounted for the Royals goals.

The only goal in the sandwich session came at the 2:07 mark while both teams were short-handed. Junior MacLeod, defenceman from the Juniors picked up the puck from just inside his home

PERFECTLY HELPLESS
At one time in the final stanza the Royals were two players short with Willie Dunn and Bert Steele doing time in the sin bin but the Perfectonists were unable to mount an attack, every attempt being broken up before it got started.

Rodriguez, Hart Tangle Tonight

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP)—Luis Rodriguez, unbeaten Cuban welterweight, ruled a 2-1 favorite Tuesday to defeat Garnet (Sugar) Hart in their 10-round bout at Miami Beach Auditorium tonight.

The fight will be televised over the ABC network starting at 11 p.m. AST.

The bout is of great importance to both men, in that the winner almost certainly will be rated top challenger to champion Don Jordan, who has been ordered to defend his crown in January.

Promoter Chris Dundee said he twice has offered Jordan's manager, Don Kneseth, \$50,000 to fight the winner of tonight's fight, but had received no reply.

THE RATINGS
"Rodriguez is rated the No. 2 challenger and Hart No. 3," Dundee said. "Charley Scott is rated No. 1, but Scott was defeated by Benny Paret, which makes the Rodriguez-Hart fight all the more important."

"Tony Macaroni, National Boxing Association president, has informed me that Jordan must meet one of the top four challengers, the No. 4 man being Rudel Stitch."

Rodriguez already has beaten Stitch, as well as the rugged Isaac Logart, and with Scott on the recently-defeated list Rodriguez would have a clear claim to at least a shot at the championship should he get by Hart tonight.

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Dates Announced For Major 'Spiels

Dates for major bonspiels to be held in the province this season were announced following a recent meeting of the executive of the Prince Edward Island Curling Association.

The meeting, held in Summerside, was presided over by the president, F.L. Don Hopkins.

The provincial Schoolboy Curling Championships will be held

in Summerside January 27 and 28.

The provincial Consols play will be held in Charlottetown February 8 to 13.

Canadian Legion provincial playdowns will be held at Alberton February 18 to 19.

The Physical Fitness playdowns (8 year curlers and under) will also be held in Alberton. The dates are, March 4 and 5.

The Central-Creameries competition for tyros (4 year curlers and under) will be held in Summerside March 25 and 26.

The Dominion Canadian Legion Bonspiel will be held in Summerside March 14, 15, 16 and 17.

The annual Charlottetown Confederation-Bonspiel will be held March 7 to 12 inclusive. This is the same week as the Dominion Curling Championships at Ft. William, Ont.

The Executive decided to lend

Magazine Offers To Pay Fines

NEW YORK (AP)—True magazine, which printed hockey star Andy Bathgate's controversial article condemning alleged brutality on the ice sport, Tuesday offered to pay the \$500 fines resulting from publication.

Clarence Campbell, president of the National Hockey League, fined Bathgate, scoring ace of New York Rangers, \$500. Campbell said the article was "definitely prejudicial to the league and the game." He fined Muzz Patrick, general manager of the Rangers, \$100 for approving the article.

Bathgate received \$500 for the article which appeared in the January issue of the Magazine's Canadian edition.

Doug Kennedy, editor of True, said he thought both were being treated unfairly and offered to pay the fines. He said Bathgate and Patrick told him that they would like to accept but that it would be up to the Rangers.

Kennedy then said he told Gen. John Reed Kilpatrick, president of the Rangers, of his offer and that Kilpatrick replied he would like 24 hours to make a decision.

REMEMBER WHEN
By THE CANADIAN PRESS
Robert F. Miller was chosen "player of the year" by the New York baseball writers' association 19 years ago today after a tremendous season with Cleveland Indians. He had opened the season with a no-hit, no-run game which Cleveland won 1-0 over Chicago, and compiled a season's won-lost mark of 27-11, with 261 strikeouts.

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