

Sport Echoes From Prince County

The Aces took the Welshmen, 7-2, in the Raceway Stadium Tuesday night, but the sticky condition of the ice surface was legal tender for alibis if anyone wanted to take advantage of it.

But this doesn't exactly tell the whole story. There are horses in the race game which are known as "mudders", (specimens of the equine race that make their best showing on a heavy track).

Similarly in the game of hockey some boys get along better than others when the going is heavy. Others, especially the smoothies who figure in the pattern plays, are away off color when Jack Frost is having himself a day off.

We don't know the type of players on the P.W.C. line-up, and wouldn't like to venture a guess how much team effectiveness was lost because of the ice conditions. Certainly some of the boys are husky game-cocks who seem to get a lot of satisfaction out of throwing their weight at the enemy.

Certainly the Ace production line of Schurman, Harris and Schurman was at a definite disadvantage on hard ice they have been bewildering blue-line stalwarts all winter, and might strut a little of the same stuff against the Welshmen. We were impressed, however, with the snappy way the P.W.C. defence cleared loose pucks around their cage.

Carl Woodside performed the "hat trick" again! Carl is substantially built and seemed at home on the soft ice, but the last time we saw him score three goals it was on a hard surface a week ago in Bedeque so we can't relate Woodside to the "mudder" altogether. The boy is certainly laying some of the best hockey of a career.

Garth Gay is more of a body builder than a poke checker on defense, and the job required a little more pique against the P.W.C. invaders. Garth stuck to his guns, however, and gave another solid rearguard performance.

We'll have to see the two teams on hard ice to estimate their relative capacities to do all the things necessary to put the puck in the net, but we think Thane Bajole and Laysh Schurman have a pretty strong aggregation of puck puruers who will always give the opposition, and the cash customers a tin for their money.

In spite of the soft ice, every fan we met was delighted with the hockey display, and glad that Summerside is once more in business as purveyors of good hockey among the home-brews.

Cells Baseball Meeting Saturday

NEW YORK, (AP) — Baseball commissioner Ford Frick Wednesday called a joint meeting here of the major leagues for 10 a.m. EST Saturday at the request of George Trautman, head of the minor leagues.

Richard And Geoffrion Score To Give Canadiens 2-0 Shutout Over Leafs

TORONTO, (CP) — Goals by Maurice Richard and Bernie Geoffrion gave Montreal Canadiens a 2-0 victory over Toronto Maple Leafs in National Hockey League game before 13,537 fans Wednesday night and gave the Montrealers a tighter grip on second place.

It was goalkeeper Gerry McNeil's sixth shutout of the season and Toronto's second loss on home ice.

The win moved Canadiens to within three points of the leading Detroit Red Wings. Toronto is in third place, three points behind Montreal.

Leafs couldn't get organized throughout the game and lost many scoring chances when their plays died at the goalmouth.

Richard scored his first goal on Toronto ice this season and his 29th so far when he went in on the unprotected Harry Lumley.

Richard drew the goalie out of the net and dribbled the puck into the net. Defenceman Tim Horton scooped the puck out of the net just as it crossed the goal line but Referee Red Storey ruled it a goal.

A penalty to leftwinger Eric Nesterenko early in the second period was costly to the Leafs.

Geoffrion, also scoring his first of the season here and his 25th to date, took a pass from Eddie Masur during a goal-mouth scramble and slammed it at Lumley. The puck hit Lumley, bounced over him and into the net. Centre Elmer Lach, who made only one appearance, was also given an assist.

Leafs pressed a heavy attack in the third period in a desperate attempt to score but the Canadiens turned them back on every occasion. Geoffrion was penalized with only two minutes remaining but Montreal was able to ice the puck into the Toronto zone safely.

Despite the bustling play, only four penalties were called by Referee Red Storey.

Summary: — First Period 1—Montreal, Richard 16:51 Penalties: Johnson 2:10, Harvey 3:38. Second Period 2—Montreal, Geoffrion (Masur, Lach) 6:19 Penalty: Nesterenko 5:07. Third Period No scoring. Penalty: Geoffrion 18:02. Stops: — McNeil 7 3 9—19 Lumley 7 9 6—22

FARM WORKERS CHARLOTTETOWN — (CP) — A meeting of federal and provincial officials here agreed to request 50 farm workers from Germany for work on Prince Edward Island farms this summer. Last year 60 Germans were employed.



Chicago Cubs Half-Million In Red Last Year

By Jerry Lika CHICAGO, (AP) — Nobody pays to see a loser, the Chicago Cubs could ruefully admit in announcing nearly a \$500,000 operational loss for 1953.

However, the \$410,690 net loss reported by the seventh-place Cubs Wednesday at the annual meeting of stockholders included \$302,277 charged against two of the club's top farm clubs.

The first financial report ever made public by the Cubs did not go into 1953 attendance at Wrigley Field which was said to be 763,658, lowest in nine years.

But the auditors' figures disclosed the Cubs took in \$987,253 in

Bombers Whip Souris 10-1

The Parkdale Bombers walloped Souris 10-1 Monday night in an exhibition hockey game at Souris before a large crowd of fans. A return game is to be played at a later date at North River Rink.

gate receipts—\$811,323 at home. \$175,185 from road games and \$745 from exhibitions. Another \$502,774 came from concessions, radio-TV fees, park rentals and miscellaneous income.

In all, Cub revenue for last year totalled \$1,490,027 against \$1,978,300 in total expenses, a drag of \$487,273. However, an \$86,583 profit by the Los Angeles farm club reduced the net loss to \$410,690.

Actual operating expenses, including team salaries and travel and maintenance of Wrigley Field, totalled \$1,240,902. To this was added \$737,963 in "team replacement expenses" including losses of \$302,277 by Springfield, Mass., of the International League and Des Moines, Iowa, of the Western League.

The Cubs have abandoned the Springfield franchise in the International League.

Archie Moore Scores Decisive Win Over Maxim

By Murray Rose MIAMI, Fla., (AP) — Light heavyweight champion Archie Moore floored Joey Maxim twice with smashing rights and handed him a savage beating Wednesday night to score his third straight title victory over the former titleholder.

The 37-year-old 175-pound king, who entered the ring as a 6-5 underdog in a surprising late shift of odds, sent the 31-year-old Clevelander crashing to the canvas for a six-count in the eighth round and a seven-count in the 11th.

This was the most impressive of the three wins the ancient St. Louis-born Negro has racked up against the light-hitting but dead-game Maxim.

Moore gave Joey a good shelling when he took the title from Maxim in St. Louis Dec. 17, 1952, but he never was able to floor him.

In their second fight in Ogden, Utah, June 24, 1953, Archie barely squeezed through for a narrow decision win.

Vote Unanimous The vote of the three officials

Headaches Follow Chess Tourney

LONDON, (Reuters) — The world of chess Thursday nursed an international hangover from the international chess congress tournament at Hastings, England, earlier this month.

In Russia, David Bronstein found himself in hot water for gaining no better than a tie for first place with his British opponent Charles Alexander.

Meanwhile, British chess officials feebly countered the protests of outraged Spanish players, who broke off relations with the British Chess Federation because Spain's champion was excluded from the tourney.

The semi-official Moscow literary gazette scolded Bronstein and his team-mate Alexander Tolush.

"Our grand masters... must prepare seriously for these events," Russian officialdom could find some consolation in the fact that the mere presence of Bronstein and Tolush had caused the barring of fascist Spain from the tourney — as the director of the Hastings tournament admitted.

23 Countries In European Zone Davis Cup Play

MELBOURNE, (AP) — Twenty-three countries have entered the 1954 European zone Davis Cup tennis tournament, it was announced Wednesday as the draw for the first two rounds was released.

First-round matches: Brazil vs. Switzerland; Monaco vs. Yugoslavia; Netherlands vs. Spain; Egypt vs. Turkey; Austria vs. Ireland; Finland vs. Norway; New Zealand vs. Hungary; Luxembourg, bye.

Second round: Britain vs. Brazil-Switzerland winner; Belgium vs. Monaco-Yugoslavia winner; Italy vs. Netherlands-Spain winner; Sweden vs. Egypt-Turkey winner; India vs. Austria-Ireland winner; France vs. Finland-Norway winner; Germany vs. New Zealand-Hungary winner; Denmark vs. Luxembourg.

Belgium won the European title last year and was beaten by the United States in the inter-zone final.

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