



SPORTS CAMERA

We see Frank Selke, who has been sarcastically labelled "Toronto's Bon-Edict Arnold" has outlined a plan which would forbid player transfers between inter provincial borders and promote development of home-grown talent. He proposes that the O.H.A. and its affiliated leagues would in effect, make a veritable college of hockey knowledge for the Dominion without the raiding of "green pastures" of potential material. If the document received authorization it would make only one exception to the enforced regulation: if the player's family moves back, stock and barrel to another province. In all other cases players would be left unmolested with their junior clubs until ready for senior or pro competition.

He cited the fact that junior leagues are ruined by the superiority of teams with professional sponsorship, who acquired the services of players from four or five provinces. Stating the development of players was half-hearted due to superiority over the opposition he surmised that with increased competition the players would make a more rapid development.

With a regular head equipping if Selke has his eye on St. Michael's or Oakawa Generals the Toronto Daily Star plastered Selke's sentiments on their leading sports edition.

Could be that Toronto might be worried concerning whether they would use Maple Leaf Gardens as a play off centre and we can see that the "Forum firebrand" can expect no welcome mat from the likes of Toronto.

Some might imagine that this column is devoted to sports and any and every brand imaginable and it goes to say that they're perfectly right in their reasoning. This week, however we intend to break precedent and familiarize along a subject which knows no bounds and has no compromises with reasoning. We speak of the weather. Weather, was it you said? Yes, the weatherman and the changes he employs on sports across Canada.

Can you imagine yourself embedded

in a hockey play off with a team representing the home town colors, shall we say a home town team, and all players being in a constant state of practice so much that each individual player is razor sharp for competition? If so, then you can picture the effect that adverse weather conditions would have on such a set up. Not only would competitive spirit enjoy a breakdown - but also the physical condition of your athletes. Supposing also, that your adversary had the advantages of an artificial ice arena to weather his wearers of shoulder pad and skate, while your chances of seeing an artificial ice arena were nil.

Chances are that when your favorite clashed again with the rival, no matter how methodical a game they played or how valiantly they checked, the opposing side would probably walk away with the laurels unless, of course, they were of a much inferior material. For conditioning tells and who would you have to blame but "Old Man Winter" for falling to put in an appearance at the proper time to keep your players with "know how" of condition.

That was just an example of how the elements treat our sporting ventures and a mild example at that. Who can tell of the many times promoters of sport have been increased to hair pulling when frustrated by Mother Nature and her bag of tricks.

You can't satisfy everyone but every promoter of sport, especially in small towns, could be satisfied if the weather adopted a reasoning attitude instead of one of uncontrolled realism which so often plays havoc with well laid plans and robs fans of an evening's entertainment.

PERSUADING THE PEOPLE

The people who are engaging in business depend upon the power of persuasion. Advertising is a wonderfully effective method of persuading people to buy goods or visit the advertised store. People read the newspaper advertisements at their leisure when they are ready to consider such suggestions.

They are keenly interested in the announcement of bargains. They get useful suggestions as to the kind of goods that are popular and useful, and what these things cost. They get ideas of style and new facilities and improvements, and the advertising is to a host of people the most interesting thing in the paper. A store that advertises regularly can expect to see its trade steadily increase.

A LEGEND OF SANTA CLAUS

Young children in Britain go to bed early on Christmas Eve. For they expect that kindly old Father Christmas will come riding over the roof tops in his sleigh drawn by his magic reindeer, and that he will slide quietly down the chimney into their bedrooms, carrying on his back his sack of gifts. And he will pop one of these gifts into every stocking that is hung up ready for him at the foot of the bed. Toys in Britain are not so easy to come by these days, as they were before the war, but still, most children get something even to-day.

The legend of Father Christmas goes back to the good bishop and Saint Nicholas, who lived over 1600 years ago. But why does he come in down the chimney? Many people believe that this dates from very ancient days in Britain 2,000 years before the birth of Christ, when people lived in holes in the ground, and the only entrance was through a hole in the roof of boughs and bushes. The holes and pits have been found in various parts of Britain, and discoveries in and around them have enabled experts to build up a picture of the life lived in these far off days. But the children of Britain don't worry about the origin of the legend. To the little ones it is still the literal truth, and they hang up their stockings on Christmas Eve with complete confidence in "Father Christmas".

RIGIDEST CABBAGE

VANCOUVER (CP) - A 12-foot, seven-inch Jersey cabbage, believed to be the tallest of its kind on this continent, is growing here in the garden of P. W. Euer. The record in the island of Jersey is 22 feet, three inches and the average height is nine feet.

EXPORT BEAVER

THE PAS, Man. (CP) - Twenty Northern Manitoba beaver have been sent to Argentina where they will be bred in the Patagonia region on an experimental basis.

1946 EDITION OF YEAR BOOK READY

The 1946 edition of the Canada Year Book, published by authorization of the Hon. James A. McKinnon, M.P., Minister of Trade and Commerce, is announced by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

The present edition continues the policy of giving such space as can be spared to feature articles of special importance. Such articles give additional meaning and substance to the purely statistical and analytical material that constitutes the basic chapter material. In a very real sense, as a perusal of the lists of Special Articles in this and former editions (pp. viii to xiii) will show, they give to the Year Book Series an encyclopaedic value apart from its function as a statistical abstract.

It has been found possible to include more than the usual number of maps and charts in this volume, due to the fact that many of the maps, designed for other reports of the Bureau, were economically printed from existing plates.

By a special concession, a limited number of paper bound copies have been set aside for ministers of religion, bona fide students and school teachers, who may obtain such copies at the nominal price of \$1.00 each. Application with remittance for paper bound copies must be forwarded to the Dominion Statistician, Dominion Bureau of Statistics, Ottawa.

LISPING AND STAMMERING

More than half the children who stammer or stutter in early school years eventually overcome the handicap. Stammering, which is more common among boys than girls, is the result of a spasm of the muscles associated with speech, and indicates some emotional disturbance, often traceable to bad environment or to faulty training.

Lisping is due to tongue-tie, cleft palate, hare lip or maladjustment of the teeth. It can be helped considerably and the cure lies primarily in sympathetic co-operation of parents and teachers with medical advisers.

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