

Pounding the SPORTS BEAT

EDDIE SHACK AND FRANK MAHOVLICH, two spectacular players with the Toronto Maple Leafs, have a knack of making you either worship the ice they skate on or furnish you ammunition for a long drawn-out razorblade. There's no middle camp. You either like 'em or you hate 'em, depending on how they affect you.

Shack, whose bursting rushes down the ice, lines and elbow, flying, has been tearing the visiting Maple Leaf Gardens crowd to their feet in a long, boring contest which previously could only draw out polite yawns. Punch Imlach usually saves him for the third period when the Leafs start to lag. Then he sends Eddie over the boards.

It's just like setting off a bomb. He's like a high tension wire in a flashlight set. He electrifies the game.

The question is, however, can Shack play hockey? There are those who say he's a wizard and others who say he'd better have his playing for the night. Both sides admit whatever he does he has no peer amongst the other six N.H.L. teams. But what is it? When rival defencemen see him barreling down on them, I think they turn to jelly. Shack usually goes around them like a hoop around a barrel. Then he jettisons to either the right or left, pivots and scours across the edge of the crease. He may let his shot go or he may circle the net two or three times like an Indian war party before he unleashes his quiver of arrows. The goalkeeper is usually frantic.

Meanwhile the rest of the Leafs are skating around aimlessly trying to figure Eddie's next move. Nine times out of 10 they figure wrong and Shack's rebound or goal mouth pass goes for naught. There's nobody in sight. If Ed doesn't end up in the pokes then Punch puts him back on the bench and the episode ends for another week.

Obviously the way to make Shack more effective is to acquire someone who thinks just like him. It'd be worth a couple of Stanley Cups for the Leafs to comb the country until they get the perfect mate. They wouldn't have to worry about crowds for the next 10 years. And all this talk about trading the top Toronto attraction could be slipped in the bud.

FRANK MAHOVLICH is another matter. The big M has got everything a hockey player should have — speed, size, ability, brains and a snicker. Last year the Leafs said they'd need a million dollars if they wanted to break even in a trade for Frank with Chicago.

How come, you ask, are the fans always on the big M's back? Some of them think he's lazy, doesn't give his best in every game, plays only when he's got the inclination. But you'll notice Mahovich is usually up among the top goal scorers of the Leafs, a team noted for its emphasis on defense.

There are at least five other clubs in the N.H.L. who'd like to have the big M on their side. When Mahovich is flying and rattling pucks in the net the jeers usually turn to cheers. If the pucks don't go in, he's harassed at every turn, that some fans' bias.

It's this fuzzy checked one's opinion the big M is pacing himself. He's not so dumb. Pro hockey is a tough, competitive way of making a living. If you want to stick around for a few years and corner a neat egg, look after number one first. Then worry about the Toronto Maple Leafs.

BEAT BITS... A release from Seton Hall University reviewing the winter sports activity there says, "The great two mile relay team, the fastest in the school's history, will be out to take the IC4A title for the third straight year. Coach Johnny Gibson will run either Vadim Schaldenko or Tom Tushingham of Whitby, Canada, Bruce Andrews of Acton, Canada, and the Germann twins, George and Herb... Basketball director Harris Roe, who doubles in brass, a manager of the community center, has few worries about how to rent vacant ice time. He merely has to phone one of the Sheppard boys and they can usually round up enough players to start a hockey game. Sometimes the boys play Eden Mills and other district teams... Milton Mavericks nabbed the Tri-County "B" title by eliminating Hespeler in the finals — the county town Bantams pulled off the same feat against Hespeler by taking the final set 2-0. Then along came Milton Pee Wees, down one game to Hespeler in the finals. They tied the series and clinched the third Tri-County championship for Milton by winning the final contest. Not a bad record for the county town minors — three titles from five clubs. The other two entries made it to the finals... Four Town Tournament Saturday in Milton is expected to involve 200 boys. The three Acton entries have been practicing diligently for the tourney with expert instruction... Escorted from the "scorers" box when referee Ches Pevcha got nicked on the chin for nine stitches by a flying puck, Ed Phillips had to referee the last two periods of Sunday's Industrial League opener. Ed comments: "After a few pucks mark my shins, I have decided to retire." Milton took the first Junior "C" quarter final playoff game from Georgetown Sunday 7th. Series is a best-of-seven.

Curling Cues

Monday, 7 to 9: Moe Blow 10, Elmer Grischow 4, Jack McGeehan 2, George Williams 8, Bert Wood 8, Bert Hinton 4, Ab Irwin 4, Frank Van Noy 4, Bill Coan 3, Allan Kirkness 3.
Monday, 9 to 11: Lou Bonnette 12, Wills Hewitt 10, Bruce Cargill 6, John Goy 6, Ted Tyler Jr. 6, Alan Ellerby 3, Gordon McCutcheon 3, Donna Krapet 4, Wes Beatty 3, Brydon Hunter 3.
Tuesday, 8:30 to 10:15: Andy Nolan 10, Jack Ridley 8, Tom Watson 7, Ken Moore 6, Bern Van Fleet 5, Chester Anderson 4, Dr. Brian Moore 4, Anne Moore 2.
Tuesday, 10 to 12: Andrew McKenzie 11, Gordon Cooper 10, Harvey Laverty 8, Gwen Tyler 8, Ted Tyler Sr. 8, Margaret Toth 5, Vic Patrick 4, Eve Cooper 2, Mel Jordan 2, Bill Toth 2.

Ladies' Curling Monday afternoon: Margaret Toth 13, Wills Hewitt 11, Eve Cooper 2, Anne Moore 2.

Senior Girls Edge Milton

Acton high school's senior girls basketball squad defeated Milton High 19-15 in the first game of a three game final series.

O.H.A. CENTRAL JUNIOR 'C'

GP	W	L	T	P	A	Pts.
Sigonoe	31	26	5	0	223	92
New Hamburg	31	21	7	2	176	127
Hespeler	32	21	10	1	187	141
Georgetown	32	17	14	1	164	138
Frederton	31	16	14	1	203	197
Dundas	31	15	16	0	135	165
Milton	32	15	17	0	155	173
Orangeville	30	14	15	1	140	127
Brantford	32	9	23	0	153	202
Paris	30	7	23	0	95	186
Hanover	30	7	23	0	110	195

Due to inclement weather of last week all teams did not complete their schedule.

LEGION TOWN LEAGUE

Atoms Scoreless

Both Robin Inouce and Mike Luty turned in shut-outs as Brampton and Weston played to a scoreless deadlock in the Acton section of the Legion town league Saturday.

Robin blocked 22 shots and Mike 17 blanking the top sharpshooters from the two teams. The second period was the liveliest of the game with 19 shots aimed at the nets, 10 by the Weston crew and nine by Brampton.

Brampton — Robin Inouce G. Chud Toth, Chris Teanant, Russell Van Fleet, Kent Kentner, Gerald Barden, Jeff Townsley, Brian Reid, Ivan Higgins, Jim Hurley.

Weston — Mike Luty G. Gary Hadden, Brad Wallis, John McCutcheon, Steve Brunelle, Bryan Robinson, John Hanwar, John Ashlev, John Scovne.

Wings Win Easily

Hamilton Red Wings are showing their heels to the rest of the clubs in the novice (Junior A) section of the Legion town league Saturday they swamped last place St. Catharines 9-2 to further their first place margin.

Second place Niagara Falls, meanwhile, shaded Oshawa Generals 2-1 in the tail-end of the doubleheader.

Hat Tricks
Ron Louette and Howard Coit-trip each hung up a hat trick for the first running Red Wings in a one-sided victory. Their three goal performances were tops in the league for the afternoon with Rodney Gibbons drilling two and David Lee potting one and collecting an assist to round out the scoring.

Gary Fisher got both goals for St. Kitts, his first on a play with Paul Daley, the second unassisted. Brian Storey notched Niagara Falls' first marker assisted by David Braida. Then David Braida rifled in the winner from Glen McKenzie as they edged Oshawa 2-1. Randy Coker scored the lone Oshawa counter with help from Carl Reed.

Six penalties were ladled out by the referees, four of them to the winners.

Register Win, Tie In Pee Wees Acton

Rochester ran up a two goal lead on last place Springfield in the West section of the Legion town league but the Springfield crew bounced back to tie the score and the game ended in a 2-2 draw.

League leading Baltimore swamped Cleveland 8-0 in the American league opener.

George McPhail scored on a solo to put Rochester ahead of Springfield. John Snow made it 2-0 assisted by Alex Duffield. Springfield came back as John Last hit the target assisted by David LeBlanc and Tim Coles.

David LeBlanc tied it up with help from Gary Zhecnoff and the score stayed in a knotted Springfield weathered three penalties to Rochester's one.

Flasher Scores Three
Dale Fisher's three markers paced Baltimore to their 8-0 whitewash of Cleveland. Dale also got an assist and a penalty to round out the afternoon. Pete Marro and Larry Hill scored two goals each and Jim Holmes registered the eight and final counter.

Single assists were also collected by Pete Marro, Ed Saitz, David Kennedy and Gary Masters.

Both penalties were served by the winners whose goaltender Don Cunningham blanked the Cleveland club with a neat shut-out performance.

Hornets Sting Bisons

Pittsburg and Buffalo exchanged three goals in Saturday's Legion minor league wind-up. This time it was the Hornets' turn to sting the Bisons, 4-3.

Michael Marcoux, Stewart McCullough, Gary Ferguson and Brian Sampson each scored a goal for the winners with Marro's assist and assistance on one. Hugh O'Rourke and Barry Buchanan were the other assist-mates in the victory.

Buffalo's marksmen were Wayne Deforest assisted by Gord Lasby, George Cook unassisted and Bryan Dunn from Wayne Deforest.

Only five penalties were imposed, three of them to the losers but one of the Hornets sentences was a five minute major and 10 minute misconduct.



UNDEFEATED THIS SEASON, Acton district high school's junior cagers get a bye into the CWOSSA "B" competition. The junior squad easily defeated Milton and Erin in league competition. Front row, left to right, are Terry Churchill, Alan McNabb, Barry Elliott, Phil Dupuis. Back row, standing, manager John Dowling, Doug Allan, Jim McCaughey, Jake Pavia, Kevin Hall and coach, teacher Pat Sullivan.

Playoffs Upset by Snow Storm

Tanners Resume Series Tonight

Weather, a factor which has influenced the course of hum an affairs since the dawn of history, played another of its tricks last week — upsetting the W.O.A.A. playoff schedule. The tons of snow which blanketed this area Thursday and Friday forced the postponement of the second game of the best-of-three group semifinals between the Tanners and Cheltenham Harvesters, which was supposed to have been played Thursday in Erin.

Snow-clogged roads made it impossible for the Thursday game to be played and subsequent attempts by the Cheltenham club to make arrangements for the game Saturday or Sunday ended in failure. There was just no time available to squeeze a game in busy arena schedules. An entire week of the playoffs was irretrievably lost.

Jingle Jangle
Convener Bob Marshall, his telephone jangling continuo-ously had a king-sized headache. On the one hand he was trying to rearrange the schedule so much time wasn't lost. On the other hand he was busy conciliating Elmira Polar Kings, who have been waiting patiently for an opponent for the group finals since they pulled off Oranville in two straight.

After the phone had nearly rung off the wall, including calls from Acton fans anxious to know when the second game would be played, the convener had to admit defeat. There was no alternative, but to set the playoffs back a week. In the meantime Elmira could start their "B" playoff with Orangeville and the Acton-Cheltenham series was settled.

Unless nature decides to throw another tantrum the second game of the semifinals should be played tonight (Thursday) in Erin arena. If a third game is necessary it will be played Friday night in Acton.

No arrangements have been finalized for the best-of-three group finals. Last weekend's experience forced the convener to proceed cautiously. However, it's likely the finals will start early next week in Elmira — possibly Monday.

The convener intends to set a deadline for declaring a group champion so the finalists will be ready to proceed further into the W.O.A.A. play-offs. The Tanners for instance, will likely meet Petro in the first round of the W.O.A.A. playoffs out of the group and then there'll probably be two more clubs for the winner of that series to challenge.

So unless you like your hockey in the belly month of May, there's every reason for officials to accelerate the pace of the playoffs. Some of the teams may even be called on to play three games a week in order to offset the imbalance caused by the weather which must have affected playoffs through the W.O.A.A. organization.



BOB MARSHALL, W.O.A.A. Convener

Knocked out of the league pedestal by a recent string of losses, Flyers look over first place again by beating the short-handled Raiders 8-6 in Sunday's Industrial League opener. Five goals from the stick of Ken Tuck sparked Flyers to the victory with Gord Mason combining with him on most of the counters.

In the second game, tail-end Ridiculous showed they were going to be real contenders when the playoffs roll around. Ridiculous caked walked to an 11-4 victory over the second place Cardinals who shared the top billing with Flyers before the night started.

Teeter-Totter
Flyers came from behind to score the last three goals in a teeter-totter opening contest. Raiders notched the first marker, only to have the fly boys bag two. Raiders got three more. Flyers scored three.

Raiders potted a pair to regain the lead but Flyers banged in three more, to win going away.

Biggest obstacle for the winners to overcome was Andy Williams in the nets. He played a strong game with only one space on the bench to relieve tiring forwards.

Besides Ken Tuck's five goal, one assist performance, Wayne Sheppard potted a pair for Flyers and Gord Mason sniped one and assisted on four. Single assists were recorded by Wayne Wilson, Dave Papillon, Harry Phillips and Mel Sheppard.

Bruce Lambert rattled in three goals and an assist for the losers. Denis Gibbons bagged two and collected six assists, Doug Sheppard drilled one and assisted on two. Others assists: Ron Sheppard (2), Fred Dunn (1).

200 Boys Participate Saturday

Milton Hosts 4-Town Tournament

More than 200 house league hockey playing all-stars will be featured in fast paced action on Saturday when Milton hosts the annual 4-Town Hockey Tournament. Bantam, Pee Wee and Novice house league all star teams from Georgetown, Milton, Acton and Ferris will be battling for crowns in the tournament. Play will start at 7:15 a.m. with the Novice representatives from Acton and Milton setting the pace for the day's action.

- 7:15 a.m. — Novice — Acton vs Milton
- 8:00 a.m. — Pee Wee — Georgetown vs Ferris
- 9:05 a.m. — Bantam — Acton vs Milton
- 10:20 a.m. — Novice — Georgetown vs Ferris
- 11:15 a.m. — Pee Wee — Milton vs Acton
- 12:10 p.m. — Bantam — Ferris vs Georgetown
- 1:25 p.m. — Novice Consolation Series
- 2:20 p.m. — Pee Wee Consolation Series
- 3:15 p.m. — Bantam Consolation Series
- 4:30 p.m. — Novice Championship Series
- 5:30 p.m. — Pee Wee Championship Series
- 6:30 p.m. — Bantam Championship Series

Acton Cagers Oust Erin

Meet Milton in Finals

Erin high school cagers were in a spirit following two-goal lead they were one-sided with Acton Friday and the cove played by the Acton senior team this Monday. Although the junior and senor boys basketball teams played their two final games of the regular schedule in Erin, during which they both saw victory.

The juniors, who have had a perfect record all year, while washed Erin 49-26. Kevin Hill and Phil Dupuis led the homers with 17 points each. This game had little effect on the standings since Acton received a bye to CWOSSA competition after defeating Milton in the previous week.

The seniors, led by Dan Arbu with a spectacular 29 points, and Brian Sheridan with 19, also cleaned up on the Erin club by a 73-30 score.

Send Finals
Acton high school seniors played Erin again this Monday in the semifinals. The score, like the previous game, was high in favor of the home squad — 58-17. Dan Arbu, led with 19 points, Brian Sheridan had 16, Allan Hall 9, Gerald Dick 7, Ralph Matthews 4, Ron Heller 2 and Ron Hagan 2.

Industrial Officers
Deputy Reeve W. E. Hunter of Georgetown has been chosen the 1965 chairman of the Halton County Industrial Committee, with W. Gayley of Milton as Vice chairman.

The Town Workmen
We ate the town workmen. Who never wear a frown. We took eight hours a day. To look after our fair town. Although the weather may be bad. And the roads are below. We sand the roads and plow the snow. To keep our public on the go. When there is a broken man. And the water is flying high. There will be a town worker on the job. On that you can rely.

When we work upon a sewer. And the odor is quite high. Some people say "I wouldn't do that job. For I would surely die." So there, my dear public. I'll lay it out for you. Would you trade your job. To have a go at mine?

SCHEDULE ACTON COMMUNITY CENTRE

FRIDAY, MARCH 5	8:30 — Tanners vs ???
SATURDAY, MARCH 6	8 — Figure Skating 10-12 — Public Skating 12:30 — Legion/Novice 8-10 — Public Skating
SUNDAY, MARCH 7	1:30-3:30 — Family Skating 7-10 — Industrial Hockey
MONDAY, MARCH 8	Curling
TUESDAY, MARCH 9	Curling
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10	6 — Hockey School 7 — Legion House League 8-10 — Tri-County Hockey
THURSDAY, MARCH 11	2-3 — Mothers and Tois Skating — 15c 7-9 — Tri-County Hockey
OTHER EVENTS	BADMINTON CLUB — Thurs — Play as you pay SQUARE DANCE CLUB — 4th Saturday.

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