

# N.O.H.A. Refuses to Make Radical Changes in Hockey

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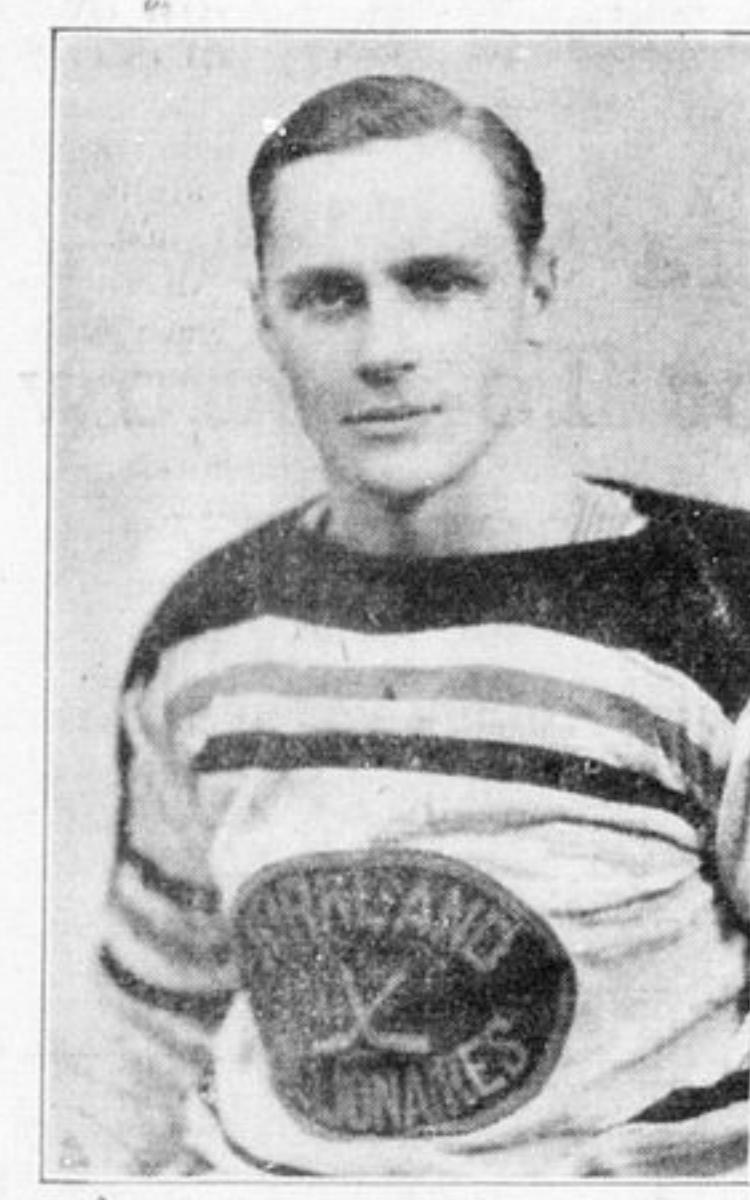
## Len Godin Boosted in Montreal Paper

Needs Transfer from N. O. H. A. to Montreal Canadiens Senior Amateur Team.

(By Jack Maundur)

"Canadiens will be a better hockey team if they secure transfers for Len Godin, Leon Gagnon and Paul Gauthier, three G-men who impressed tremendously in practices."

So reads part of a hockey story in the Montreal Star sport section which follows up other information that the C. A. H. A. is kicking about giving



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Photo courtesy Northern News

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French and he can play hockey. If his transfer goes through he'll have the benefit of expert tuition this winter in fast amateur company.

Baz O'Meara, Montreal Star, wrote Kirkland Lake in response to a query, "Godin went to Quebec where he made a good showing. It was figured he needed further seasoning so he was turned over to the Canadians amateur who are coached by Bill Boucher, old-time Canadian player.

"He was sensational in the practice but has been allowed to play as he has not yet received his transfer from the N.O.H.A. branch but it is expected that he will get this transfer and be a regular member of the team. Boucher considers him one of the best prospects for pro. ranks that he has in his club."

Len's step up in hockey is all the remarkable when it is remembered that he did not take hockey seriously until he was 16 years old. In fact at that age he had done little skating. Hockey coaches agree that if Len had started earlier at his hockey, he would probably be in the top ranks of the game to-day.

## Some Surprises in Commercial League

The Advance Takes Four Points from Gamble's, Power Won from the T. & N. O.

There was quite a surprise sprung by lowly Power and Advance boys in the Commercial bowling league when they gave the league leaders a set back.

The Power grabbed the first two games, rolling their first thousand of the season in the second.

The T. & N. O. won the third due to the superior bowling of J. Toal who rolled 336 to win the game by 44 pins and one point.

The Advance stopped Gamble's winning streak by taking all four points.

The printers started each game for a loss, but put on the power play at the closing stages to win each game by a good margin with Guidice and G. Wallingford coming with the winning points.

The honour roll saw seven names written upon it.

G. Wallingford and A. Guidice, Advance, 700 and 677; H. Webb and B. McQuarrie, Power 656 and 609; D. Stewart and C. Armstrong, T. & N. O. 649 and 601; H. Hoerster, Gamble's, 628.

It is only fair that Joe Toal should be on the roll of honour by rolling 592 for two games.

The league standing is T. & N. O. 16 points; Gamble's 15; Advance 14 and Power 11 points.

Power

H. Webb 184 217 255 656

B. McQuarrie 242 211 156 609

W. McHugh 167 224 204 595

E. Towers 182 196 173 551

E. Salomaa 170 236 174 580

Total 945 1084 962 2991

T. & N. O.

C. Armstrong 206 215 180 601

D. Stewart 230 231 188 649

A. Leach 169 173 148 490

J. Toal — 256 336 592

A. Saint 149 121 — 270

T. Lacasse — 154 154

Joe Doe 167 — 167

Total 921 996 1006 2923

## Tommy Cook Going Well for Chicago Blackhawks



Tommy Cook, major hope center-line star of Chicago Blackhawks hockey team, is shown in a stick-handling act during training practice of the Blackhawk squad. When Guano Chastet was injured recently, Cook filled in between the iron pipes and turned in a creditable performance. But forward ice work is his forte, and Cook is as fine a stickhandler as there is in the league. Note the brilliant uniforms which will adorn the Blackhawk squad this season.

Power wins 3 points; T. & N. O. 1

Advance

F. Hornby	126	212	182	520
O. Alton	215	151	135	501
R. Wallingford	184	151	212	547
A. Guidice	229	239	209	677
G. Wallingford	187	223	290	700
Totals	941	976	1028	2945

Gamble's

J. Gagnon	146	137	157	440
C. Canie	169	163	153	485
G. Eddy	141	200	256	597
H. Hoerster	156	244	228	628
P. Nicolson	168	178	195	541
Total	780	922	989	2691

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## Spider McKinnon Down in Kansas City

Local Lad will be Part of "Pony" Line on Southern City Professional Team.

(By Jack Maundur)

With nine pounds more of close-textured beef on his small wiry frame, "Spider" McKinnon who was the darling of Kirkland Lake shiny crowds last year, if there is such a thing as a darling in the rugged game of hockey, is a darling in Kansas City by car this week.

It was "Porky" Levine's car in which "Spider" fans' favorite ever since he went down there from Timmins in 1933 to bolster the shamrock-green Town team in the Miners League making part of the Timmins "kid line" with

(By H. H. Roxborough)

In the nineteenth century, a young English schoolboy picked up a football, clutched it in his sturdy arms, ran towards the goal and gave the idea of rugby to a waiting sport world. More than one hundred years ago, in 1823 to be exact, Thames watermen revived the galley races of Roman days and launched the universally-acclaimed eight-oared rowing contests. Water polo was the mental product of an English "playright," ping-pong, originally a cosy, family pastime and now "big game" in the United States, was the brain-child of a London sporting goods dealer and was born about 40 years ago; while badminton, the current physical treat of millions, owed its rejuvination to British army officers stationed in India.

However, this British genius for game production has not been concentrated in the Motherland, for Canada too has made many notable contributions to the world's playgrounds.

When the cheering thousands line the river banks and lustily shout encouragement to the sun-bronzed youths as they madly paddle their war-cances through the sweeping waves, they should be indebted to the Indian tribesmen who steered their birch barks through Canadian streams in the years when the Redmen were supreme.

Wherever the thrills of snowshoeing are extant; wherever racing huskies trot through blinding winter storms or gallop along icy derby trails, the influence of sport-loving Indians and pioneer French and English settlers is still being exerted.

And what about lacrosse? Here is a game that figured prominently in the history of Canada nearly a couple of centuries ago; a sport so generally popular that England, Australia and the United States have accepted it with enthusiasm exceeding its reception in its native land, and still so truly Canadian that most of the sticks used throughout the world are made by full-blooded Indians in a Dominion factory.

Even within comparatively recent years, three of the more prominent new games have had Canadian origins. It was Dr. James A. Naismith, a Canadian, who while teaching at Springfield Y.M.C.A., attached a couple of slender peach baskets to the gymnasium walls, secured a soccer football, drafted a set of rules and founded the popular game of basketball.

Roberts Going Too

From Toronto on the hockey trail, Roberts was accompanied by Roberts the rugged big defenceman who made an impression here last year when Dominion Breweries played the Millionaires in an exhibition game. He too was persuaded to try out by "Porky."

The season opens in Kansas City on November 23 and between that date and the arrival of the party the problem of "Porky" is to get in shape.

"This guy is lucky," said the only Jewish goal tender in money hockey as he motioned to "Spider." "But boy I'm going to do some sweating."

Word came to Kirkland Lake this

week-end that bonds for both "Spider" and "Porky" had been arranged successfully.

"Spider" is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack McKinnon, 35 Commerical avenue. He was in town for a few weeks this fall, thinking seriously of turning out with the local senior N. O. H. A. entry.

## SPORT-ORE

From All Levels :::

### Skating Here Already

Timmins doesn't need artificial ice to get early skating. That was proven this week-end when it seemed that about half the teen-age lads in town put on their skates and glided up and down the streets in the residential area. Sunday's morning's rain made everything perfect—provided the skater didn't take a tumble! The hard-packed snow turned to ice and even though a steady drizzle fell most of the day, the boys (and some girls too) had a swell time of it. Mothers had a lot of drying of clothes to do though.

The same rain put the skids under the skiers plans for an early opening. The big jump out near the sand claims is all set now, except that it needs quite a bit of snow.

No application has been heard yet at town council for those rinks in the ball park that are to give the local boys and girls a real chance to play the game. Several of the teams have already chosen coaches and with a good early start, the junior and juvenile town leagues ought to take care of a good proportion of would-be hockey players here this winter. It's the right idea.

The local juniors have not done anything yet about organizing but it's expected the executive will get together soon to make plans for the winter. Although no announcement has been made, it seems probable that the junior game will be conducted much along the same lines as it was last year. No imports, no big money ideas about it—just junior hockey handled the way any real sport fan would want his sport looked after.

### North Bay's All Right

According to the North Bay Nugget, there wasn't much interest in that city in the N.O.H.A. annual, primarily because there still isn't a covered rink there. "And why should it be interested?" queries the Nugget. "North Bay is no longer an important member of the Northern Hockey Association. The Gateway City's sole claim to any kind of glory in the N. O. H. A. lies in the fact that its energetic secretary-treasurer W. A. Thompson, is a resident of this city and because the annual meetings are held here, North Bay occasionally comes in for some prominence in connection with the N. O. H. A. Outside of that . . . what? Well, North Bay usually asks for and receives a bye in the junior playdowns. Isn't that just dandy? A city once known throughout the land because of its famous Trappers who participated in long campaigns and usually went far in the playoffs, has been relegated to the "bye" class, like some out-of-the-way place where it is only possible to make about one trip a season."

That's just another indictment of the way amateur sport in Canada has been handled in the past decade or so. Instead of cleaning things up and at least attempting to get sport on a better basis, more truly community-wide and hence nation-wide, the big shots, who after all do make their living from amateur sport and who are entitled to it, have run things so that hundreds of towns in the same position as North Bay, have simply lost interest. They have their own town leagues and are satisfied with them now. Perhaps it's a biter way after all. North Bay can hardly be called "not sport conscious." They play all the Canadian games there and many of them well. It's altogether probable that a greater proportion of young men and women are in organized sport of some sort in North Bay than they are in any other Northern town. And was not that the original idea behind organized sport, to give more people a chance to play?

### He'll be "Pony"

"Spider" can make a colour contribution to hockey down there is one opinion for crowds over the line are no different than they are here and the Millionaires centre of last year has that something which make the fans like him.

He will work out down there with Maloney and Metcalfe, a pair of players about his own size with the idea being that they'll eventually form a "pony" line. Metcalfe is a Regina boy and Maloney was with the Edmonton junior team which gave St. Mike's a run two years ago.

"Spider," who really has another name (Hector Angus his folks call him) visited in town a spell before leaving Wednesday and everywhere he got wishes for "the best" that really meant something.

### Boys Caught in Act of Breaking Seal on Cars

Friday evening the police caught two boys, one 15 years of age and the other about 12 years old, in the act of breaking the seal on a T. & N. O. freight car, with the evident purpose of stealing from the car. The two boys are also blamed for breaking into a local hardware warehouse, as well as taking goods from freight cars recently, though nothing of much value was stolen.

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