

# Sports - So What!!

By JACK WILSON

WITH MCINTYRE AND COMBINES OUT OF THE RUNNING FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP there is left only the South Porcupine Red Wings in position to bring honors into the camp. Their sessions with Noranda will begin at the McIntyre arena on Friday night with the second game on Saturday night. The wearer of the gilded bonnet will be determined on a goals-to-count basis.

Outside the realms of hockey we find the Timmins High School basketball sextet has been thrown from the possibility of a niche in the Ontario basketball finals through their defeat at the hands of the Noranda squad, leaving Timmins with the championship honors of the Porcupine section of the N.O.S.S.A. and a short but great season behind them.

Getting back to hockey, we see the Aunor Miners hockey squad will meet Hollinger surface to determine the champs of the Mercantile league, which means that on Friday and Saturday night there will be some great games of hockey at the McIntyre and on Sunday another good one coming up in the mercantile side of things.

Getting out of hockey again, it may be noted that the cribbage tournament at the local fire hall is nearing its close and on the same street a little way off Jimmy Gordon has had a bit of a hectic week getting his dart league standings and scores compiled, due to the boys forsaking the pig bristle and feathered missiles for a looksee on the recently concluded N.O.H.A. finals between Hamilton and McIntyre.

To make mention of the Timmins Dart League we have to go back to the year 1937, climb into the achive closet and look about. The boys are all dressed in the fashion of the day, and in that year it appears there was a carnival playing in town. (all this to keep the setting).

### ON TO THE SUBJECT

Jimmy informed us that in the year mentioned he had been rummaging about in an old closet down in the Legion Hall and had come across three old wooden darts. After blowing the dust off them, (and closing the closet door) he found a suitable piece of board, (no cracks please) and drew himself a dart target.

Shortly after Jim had begun chucking the darts at the makeshift target, interest was aroused in among those present at the time. In days following it was decided to organize into teams and with this soon accomplished the Timmins Dart League boasted a membership of eight. Over the years this has risen to 60 with teams playing for seven trophies — singles, doubles, a knockout trophy for team play and three trophies for leagues. The remaining trophy is the "bottom trophy"???

IN THE EARLY DAYS the boards they played with were a bit of a problem though. The wooden boards in use had to be soaked in a bucket of water every night or otherwise they soon became non-usable. Another bit of trouble encountered was purely a playing malady. The boards were hung on the furnace room door, and as experts were in the majority in that day and age, a hole was soon worn in the centre of the board. This done, everytime someone rapped home a bulls-eye (which was often) his dart suffered a turned up nose when coming into contact with the metal surface of the door.

The matter called for strategy, so without hesitation the furnace room door was opened and the dart board hung in the space. Instead of stopping on the board, the darts, on hitting the bulls-eye, continued through the hole and into the furnace room. Saved all sorts of time for the gent keeping score and evaded arguments. But the practice did raise quite a bit of trouble with the furnace, (we hear). The dart holes increased the draught in the heating agent.

In the present day and age, dart tossers are still having their troubles. Darts are scarce and hard to get, pig bristle boards are practically unobtainable and dart flights sit in the same niche. Numerous enthusiasts are using a composition dart board and from the sidelines we hear they are favourable and suit the needs of a dart board to a "T". In Legion territory, however, a pig bristle target is being used. One battered target has been taking darts for the past seven years and still no hole has been worn in around and about the bulls-eye — the day of the shark is past.

WE SHOULD MENTIONED IT PREVIOUSLY. The curling addicts are still going strong with the McIntyre club with a few weeks to go and with the entries in the mixed bonspiel being carried out at South Porcupine beginning their attacks on the problem last night.

About the only sport that took a bat in the neck from the sudden turn to spring weather was skiing. The Porcupine Ski Club has yet to run off their own private competitions and from the look of things from the office window it doesn't look as though they will get them run off 'til next season.

To add to Wilbur's comments on the subject, we might also mention omnipresence of baseball talk. Our friend Minnie the waitress is lashing out with the same brand of mud and two lumps of sugar and the inside quips on past seasons and future ones.

Both the Hollinger Athletic Park and the McIntyre park are practically clear of snow and the kids are running tria-la and thither on a few of the local play-grounds complete with mitts, bats and baseballs to make sure the back-alley leagues take a lead in commencing activity.

Through the haze of all these goings on, this corner still maintain the spring came in too soon and that we will be subject to a bat in the neck from friend Frost before he bows out for good.

### SPRING SONG

Oh, today is the first day of Spring-tra-la  
And the songs which the birds of old sang,  
Make mention of spooning  
Hay fever and crooning  
Heart fluttering, romantic pang,  
Oh, today is the first day of Spring-woo-woo!  
But wooing and wooing ain't all  
For though love has its fling  
In the cycle of Spring  
The uppermost thought is baseball.  
(Wilbur McWelsler)

## Macmen Shut Out By Hamilton On Friday To End Final Series

Friday night at the McIntyre arena saw Hamilton Tigers clinch the all-Ontario senior hockey title by handing the McIntyre squad a defeat of 5-0 to win the best of five series by three games to one.

Shillington and Mason were spearheads for the Tigers and gathered in two goals apiece while Robertson took honors on the remaining tally.

Art Childs turned in a spectacular game, gaining shut-out honors, as he buffaloeed every Mac attack and turned away 23 shots in the second period as McIntyre made a desperate stab at getting back into the running.

Hamilton rang their sheet up to 4 in the opener as they swamped the locals' every attempt to get started. A no-scoring second period saw the Macmen find their feet, though to a still non-effective degree, against the visitors.

The final frame, with Tigers still holding class on play, brought Hamilton their final tally when Robertson swooped in to net an unassisted effort in the closing moments of the game.

McIntyre dragged down five of the nine penalties meted out during the tangle.

Hamilton—Childs; Dinning and Miodinich; Shillington; Conick and Brady; Rumins, Robertson, Liscombe, Mason, Laurent, Sherry.

McIntyre—Brownlee; Hawkey and McKay; Doran; Boyce and Tomiuk; Haneberry, Ladds, Clouthier, Wilson, Prentice, Orlando.

Referees—Dinty Moore and Ken Holmshaw.

First Period	
1—Hamilton, Mason (Liscombe)	7:24
2—Hamilton, Shillington (Brady, Conick)	9:16
3—Hamilton, Shillington (Conick, Brady)	14:09
4—Hamilton, Mason (Robertson, Liscombe)	14:42
Penalties—Haneberry, Tomiuk, Prentice, Shillington, Liscombe.	
Second Period	
No score.	
Penalties—Doran, Mason, Sherry.	
Third Period	
5—Hamilton, Robertson	18:59
Penalty—McKay.	

## Sudbury Takes Title With 5-1 Win Over Combines Saturday

By hitting their stride, a step every period, the Copper Cliff Redmen pulled out a 5-1 victory over Porcupine Combines and qualified to wear the golden bonnet of the N.O.H.A. Junior "A" championship at Stanley Stadium in Sudbury on Friday night.

Copper Cliff finished the series leading the locals 3-1 for the final round and became N.O.H.A. champions for the first time since 1937. They will now enter the Memorial Cup finals.

The first period concluded, without score, Copper Cliff returned to be sparked along by the Prete, Smrke, Therriault trio with Prete and Smrke doing the scoring on an alternate basis and alternate assisting.

The locals then worked up steam, but without success until the closing moments of the game, when Mat Mesich finally clicked after a night of hard stabs to rob the Redmen's Billy Prince of his shut-out.

Cy Freeman turned in a stellar performance for the locals as they came back from the lax session of the previous Wednesday to turn in a much better-looking contest.

Sashays to the splinter shack occupied much time in the final period as tempers flared. Stu Pirie and Star Smrke started the parade to the bin following a scrap at centre ice. Alf Guarda came out of the box to interfere and had a minor tacked on to his

## Bow Waves

(Sea Cadet News)

Hello Chums:-

Another week has rolled around and before we know it, it will be time for camp. By the way, if you know any boys that want to join the corps bring them along to the next parade. We are still open for a few more recruits and those boys who are taken on strength before May 1 have a chance of going to camp this summer.

Please forgive me if I have stolen a march on you, but there is on hand the new issue of the Sea Cadet Log and the headlines this month are, "Sea Cadet Training is Essentially Good," says Frank S. Rutherford, Deputy Minister of Education for Ontario. "So don't miss getting your copy of the log this week and read all about it!"

And while we are receiving bouquets

misconduct which resulted when he undertook to shake the bossman and talk back to him on a decision.

After Smrke and Pirie were laid away with majors, Sammy Casanato was banished for taking a swipe at Redmen's Stew Johnson near the Copper Cliff goal. Following the battles, Louis Prete lodged a marker and had same disallowed.

Heale followed up shortly afterward to plant a lawful tally to give Copper Cliff their five goal aggregate. Seven seconds later Mesich laid in the locals' single beginning his rush from centre and beating Pirie in lovely fashion.

### Line-ups

Copper Cliff—Prince; Heale and Johnston; Flynn; McClellan and Cooney; Bettio, Smrke, Prete, Therriault, DiFilippo and Telford.

Porcupine—Freeman; Guarda and Pirie; Lamarche; Houston and Casanato; Barikso, Larsen, Small, McDonald, Benso and Mesich.

Referee—Frank Graham and Maurice Kinkley.

### SUMMARY

First Period	
No score.	
Penalties—Cooney, Casanato.	
Second Period	
1—Copper Cliff, Prete (Smrke)	11:58
2—Copper Cliff, Smrke (Prete)	17:16
Penalties—None.	
Third Period	
3—Copper Cliff, Flynn (McClellan, Bettio)	6:27
4—Copper Cliff, Cooney	8:21
5—Copper Cliff, Heale	18:34
6—Porcupine, Mesich	18:51
Penalties—Guarda (minor and misconduct), Smrke (major), Pirie, (major), Casanato.	
Final score—Copper Cliff 5, Porcupine 1.	

## Beauty Shops Lead At Half-Way Mark In Ladies Bowling

The current schedule of the Timmins Ladies Bowling League has now reached the halfway mark of the second section with the Olive Thompson Shop team, Ottawa Beauty Shop and Mae Hodgins team tied for first place with 25 points.

Shepard's hold second place with 22 points, Lynda's third with 21, United Movers, Dubien's and New Method Laundry are tied for fourth place with 16 points. Empire's hold down fifth place with 15, Vogue and Fogg's tied for sixth with 14 points. Export's in seventh position with 12, T and N.O. and Eddie's in eighth position with 10 and Esquire and New Tin Shop in ninth place with 9 points.

Monday night's bowling saw G. Bidto taking high single and high triple honors with a high single of 330 and a high triple aggregate of 739.

Last week Ann Hann took both laurels with a high single of 288 and a high triple of 737.

## Lots Of Hockey Ice In South Porcupine Arena Manager Says

### Could Have Provided Ice For Own Playoffs, Is Content

Stories to the effect of there being no ice in the South Porcupine arena were debunked this week by Russ Vokes, manager of the arena.

The tales were to the effect that due to the lack of ice at South End the juvenile play-off games would have to be played at the McIntyre.

Mr. Vokes stated that management had been awaiting the decision on the play-off games while at the same time the mixed bonspiel being played at the time was without ice and was requesting use of the arena.

"No one knew of the arrangements for more than a week before the decision was handed down," Mr. Vokes said.

"If they had decided to play the games here we could have given them ice at any time—lots of it," he concluded.

The movies always do a good business as parents rush to see the picture which they have been warned is not suitable for children.

## ICE SKATING

- Thursday—8:30 p.m. Public Skating
- Friday—2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Public Skating
- 8:15 p.m. Juvenile Hockey Play-offs, South Porcupine Juveniles vs. Noranda Juveniles
- Saturday—8:00 p.m. Juvenile Hockey Play-offs, South Porcupine Juveniles vs. Noranda Juveniles
- Monday—7:30 p.m. first game of Mercantile League Play-offs, Hollinger Surface vs. Aunor Miners
- 8:30 p.m. Public Skating
- Tuesday—Skating Club All Day
- Wednesday—2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Public Skating
- 7:00 p.m. second game of Mercantile League Play-offs, Hollinger vs. Aunor Miners
- 8:30 p.m. Public Skating



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