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One can see three good T.H.L. games every Monday and Thursday night at the Arena—playoffs are just around the corner.

The Toronto oil company league which operates in the local arena every Saturday morning, is now in the group semi-finals. The Cities Service outfit look like the pick for the playoffs.

At time of writing the latest report from the Clipper injury front looked this way—Minton and Rhodes were expected back for Tuesday night's game. Stark was still counted out, and Gord Lewis was ill with the flu on Monday.

Sidney Day, 78, father of Clarence (Happy) Day, assistant general manager of the Toronto Maple Leafs hockey club, died Friday in Aurora. He had been in poor health for some time. The funeral was held at Owen Sound on Sunday.

It looks from here as if the final Sr. 'B' series in the local hockey group won't get underway until sometime next week. Markham trounced Alliston in handy fashion in their first meeting, then just scraped through with a 7-6 win in Alliston Friday night. The restup for the balance of this week should give the Clippers a chance to get their flu stricken players back on their feet.

This season's version of the Owen Sound Mercurys shows a lot of promise of eventually becoming the owners of the famous Allan Cup. They're the most powerful contenders by all accounts. The fact that the Mann Cup went to that city last season is an incentive to the MerCs to add the Canadian amateur hockey trophy to Owen Sound's collection.

The third Markham-Alliston playoff semi-final game in the O.H.A. Senior 'B' playoff, has had to be set ahead a few days owing to an O.R.H.A. game in the Alliston Arena. Markham took the first game from Alliston by a wide margin, but just squeezed through 7-6 in the second encounter. Despite the delay it's expected that the series will wind up this week with the Senior 'B' group final opening the fore part of next week.

Despite the shortage of players, the display put up by the Clippers in Saturday night's encounter with Owen Sound was their poorest showing of the season. In fact it was so bad that management heads may take steps to enforce a heavier coaching hand. In Saturday's exhibition, the locals' second line, Couch, Hopper and McCrone alternating with Sayliss might as well have been left at home and made the poorest showing of all. It's high time some of these lads got it into their heads that they've got a long way to go yet before they're good enough to ignore coaching advice. Once a player has reached the point where he thinks he's beyond learning, it's time for him to hang up his gear—when he reaches that point he can only go one way, and that's down. No less than eleven of the fifteen goals on Saturday night were scored against this weak second line. The Lewis line was best, scoring three with only two against.

Cambrey Takes Series Opener

Cambrey Intermediates squeezed out a 6-5 win over Brougham here on Saturday night, in the first game of their best two-out-of-three playoff series in the O.R.H.A. The second game is slated for Cambrey this Wednesday night.

Trout Season Set To Open on April 28

Fishing season for speckled trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, and for pickerel in Ontario will open this year on April 28.

The normal opening date is May 1st. But, as that falls on a Tuesday, the Lands Department set back the start of the season to the preceding Saturday.

GUELPH AGGIES TOSSED OUT; BRESLAU ENTERS 2ND ROUND
Disqualification of the Ontario Agricultural College entry in O.R.H.A. senior division play has placed Breslau Redshirts in the second round of the playoffs. It will be recalled that Breslau and Haliburton played in the local arena last season for the senior championship.

Last year's all-Ontario champions were grouped with O.A.C. and recently won the first of what was to have been a five-game series by an 11-3 score. Convener Jack Feasby of Kitchener notified Breslau that Horace Ovenden of Wainfleet, secretary of the O.R.H.A., has expelled the Aggies for lack of co-operation in arranging further games in the series.

Breslau expects to meet the winner of the Woodstock-Norwich league in the second round.

Shorthanded Clippers Outplay Mercurys But Lose 7-3

The Clippers once again displaying their old form put up a stubborn battle against their playoff rivals Owen Sound but Gillson in the Mercury cage proved a stumbling block in the way of the flying Clipper marksmen as he pulled off some thirty stops while Warriner in the locals cage came to the rescue on twenty occasions. The Clippers were playing without the services of three forwards and their regular goaltender. Sayliss, Stark and Minton have been bitten by the flu bug and were unable to dress. Warriner substituted in the nets for Rhodes who is still on the sidelines for the same reason as the other players. With only two lines the situation looked almost desperate and to make matters worse Warriner was hit a bad crack in the face by the puck during warm up before the game got underway and had to receive five stitches to close the wound. Even under these conditions he turned in a good game with almost all the shots that evaded him being screened from his view. The entire sixty minutes of hockey was fast and hard hitting and the visitors didn't seem to be able to get going as they were checked off their feet almost at every turn. Once inside the blue-line the Mercurys made use of their hockey brains with perfect well aimed shots. Burlington, speedy Mercury pivot man, was kept checked up all night and found the going unusually tough.

In the first ten minutes of the game the Clippers showed terrific power and pressed the Sounders into their own end. Using only two forward lines made up of Lewis, Bangay and Gibson; and McCrone, Couch and Hopper the homesters worked many smooth passing plays and only for the the great work of Gillson the Clippers might have run up a good score. At 13:41, however, McReavy broke through and passed the rubber to Gillespie standing in front of the net. He let go with a hard drive that bounced off Warriner's pad into the corner. Although the Clippers continued to press they could not dent Gillson's armour and the score at the end of the first twenty minutes of play showed the northerns holding a one goal lead. The Clippers outshot their rivals 12-4 in the period.

Hardly had the second period gotten under way when Lewis picked up a pass at centre ice and raced in alone only to be out-guessed by Gillson who made a spectacular stop on the play. Burlington received a tripping penalty and while he was off the locals again turned on the pressure and had Gillson dodging from one side of the net to the other. After nine minutes of play Ingoldsby took a pass from Forslund and Burlington to put the Mercurys two up and three minutes later Bukachevski sailed in to beat Warriner on passes from McReavy and Gillespie. The Clippers, although trailing by three goals, never let down for a minute and near the end of the middle session Gibson flew in on the Owen Sound net but Gillson slid out to make the stop. Seconds later Hopper romped in alone and once again Gillson kicked the rubber aside.

In the third and final period the Clippers at last cashed in on their efforts as Gibson, the Clipper two goal man, let go with a corner drive on a pass from Lewis while the Mercurys had two of their players serving time in the penalty box. A minute later Kazarian blinked the light on a three man rush and gave the visitors a 4-1 lead. Nearing the four minute mark Hochberg, Couch and Hopper combined with the latter firing a bullet drive that netted off Gillson's pad into the net. The locals continued to press and at 4:36 Gibson snared his second goal with a long low shot that Gillson never moved on. Clarke picked up an assist on the play. From then on the scoring was all Owen Sound as Burlington, Hayward, and Ingoldsby tallied in that order. The final score read Owen Sound 7, Stouffville 3.

During the contest more injuries plagued the already hard hit team. Warriner had the misfortune of having the puck hit him in the face and was given doctors attention, in the second period Couch received a bad crack above the eye and had to be taped up while Bradbury was hit on the side of the leg with the puck and was withdrawn from the lineup for a while. Later Gibson had to leave the game to join his other buddies Sayliss, Stark, Rhodes, and Minton, but his injury was not considered serious. The locals once they return to full strength should again be the powerful squad that overwhelmed the majority of their rivals with comparative ease during the regular schedule.

Mistook Big Fish For Submarine

Messrs. Mel Venn and Howard St. John of Stouffville must have the record catch in Lake Simcoe. They hauled in a 45-pound pike last week that was nearly six feet long and a young lad who accompanied the pair, jokingly remarked, he thought it must be a submarine. The fish was hooked in comparatively shallow water, in Cook's Bay, Like Simcoe.

Only a few weeks ago, Roy Heaton brought to town a 24 pounder which was thought to outweigh anything at the time.

Wild Brawl Features Third Mercury-Clipper Playoff Encounter

With only minutes remaining in the third semi-final game played in Owen Sound on Saturday night a wild fistie battle broke out among players of both teams with the chief offenders being Kazarian of the Mercurys and Bangay of the Clippers. It all started when Rose was charged into the boards by Kazarian and the Clipper defence-man took exception to the rough treatment and tripped his heavier rival. At once other players joined in the fray and as sticks and gloves were dropped Bangay and Kazarian came together at centre ice. The rugged lacrosse and hockey star hit the Clipper captain with a terrific blow and dropped him to the ice but as Kazarian fell to hold Bangay for the count with a headlock, Nick fought free and rolled his attacker over. The referees stood idly by and let the two boys battle it out. When satisfied that they had each done enough damage the two players got to their feet. Both players were none the worse for their skirmish but were banished for the rest of the contest with minor, major, and match misconducts. As the game was nearly over the penalties didn't have too much significance.

On the night's play it was needless to say that the Mercurys were just too good for the locals as the 15-3 defeat would indicate. Such speedsters as Burlington, Ingoldsby, Forslund and Gillespie form a powerful attacking crew and along with other goal-hungry players the Mercurys are a winning aggregation. Warriner was once again in the nets and did a good job as the Mercurys labelled shots at him from every angle. He handled over thirty shots as well as playing the drives that evaded him. Gillson was given a rather easy night with just half the stops to make.

Ingoldsby started the scoring and was followed by Hayward, Allum, Forslund and White. Gibson notched the lone Clipper tally from Lewis. The second twenty minutes saw the locals match their rivals goal for goal with Gibson and Lewis combining on both goals. Hayward and Ingoldsby netted two for the Mercurys. In the final frame the Clippers turned on quite a determined attack and had the Sounders backed into their own end but at the seven minute mark the play swung toward the other end of the rink. Forslund bagged his second goal of the night and Burlington who had been kept in check throughout the entire game broke loose while the Clippers were a man short. Midway through the final session the Mercurys shifted into overdrive and poured around the Clipper net. Gillespie tipped the puck into the cage as Warriner came out to clear and Burlington added his second a minute later. Before the end of the game Ingoldsby, Grant and McReavy had all blinked the light.

Machin and Clarke played well on the blueline while Gibson and Lewis were the main firing power up front. With Minton and Stark still out of the lineup Coach Bangay stuck to two lines but only one line showed much fighting spirit.

Ball Semi-pros Pick Bunny for Local Post

The National Baseball Association has appointed A. J. (Bunny) Morganson, well-known sports columnist of The Toronto Telegram, district commissioner for the Toronto area in the expansion of the association's Canadian program for 1951. The appointment, announced last week, previously was approved by Lloyd Douglas of Toronto, director of the Canadian program.

District and provincial playoffs for the sandlot baseball championship are planned for various sections of Canada during the coming season.

This year's Toronto and District Congress tournament calls for senior ball clubs in the area to play a series of games for the Toronto, Oshawa and Peterboro minor baseball associations, in the hope that a substantial fund will be established for the promotion of the diamond sport among the younger lads.

Executive committee of the Toronto Baseball Association has already given the plan its official blessing.

Ottawa antics are causing some to refer to it as officialdumb.

Bounties Paid on Fox, Wolf, Down, Department Reports

The practice of paying bounty for foxes may be bearing fruit at last. For the month of January, the bounty paid for foxes was considerably lower than for January of 1950. The bounty paid out for wolves is also lower for January.

The Department of Lands and Forests say that foxes are decreasing in number which also may be responsible for the lower bounty this year. Department biologists are studying a type of pneumonic disease which is believed responsible for the deaths of many foxes. Victoria County Council last year discussed the matter of increasing the bounty paid on foxes and finally passed a motion authorizing the bounty of \$3 to be paid all the year around instead of raising the bounty per fox for the season. Ontario County has been paying \$5 for foxes but recently the council reduced the bounty to \$3 because it was thought that some hunters were presenting foxes for a bounty that were not killed within the borders of the county. Victoria paid out \$300 in fox bounties in January.

According to the Department of Lands and Forests, there was a decline in the whole province in the number of wolves taken in 1949 and 1950. For the year ending March 31st, 1950, statistics show that 251 wolves were killed with bounties amounting to \$56,927. For the whole of Ontario in the year previous, 2727 wolves were killed and \$57,977 was paid out in bounties.

Vandorf Dethrones Defending Champs

Vandorf won the Lake Simcoe Rural Hockey League crown last week defeating Queensville, defending champions, 7-5, in the seventh and deciding game of the final.

Jim Preston with three goals and Bill Kingdon with two were top marksmen for Vandorf. Bun Hood, Ron Kester, Elmer Paisley, Allan Lockie and Ross Draper connected for one each for Queensville.

AUTHOR OF 'EGG' CLEARED OF LIBEL

A Superior Court jury last week cleared Betty MacDonald of libel charges in a \$500,000 suit brought against her, her husband, Don, and her publisher, growing out of the best-selling book, "The Egg and I."

The publisher is J. B. Lippincott. The multiple libel suits were brought by nine members of the Albert Bishop family who contended the book portrayed them as the "Kettles," and Raymond Johnson, who charged he was portrayed as the Indian, "Crowbar."

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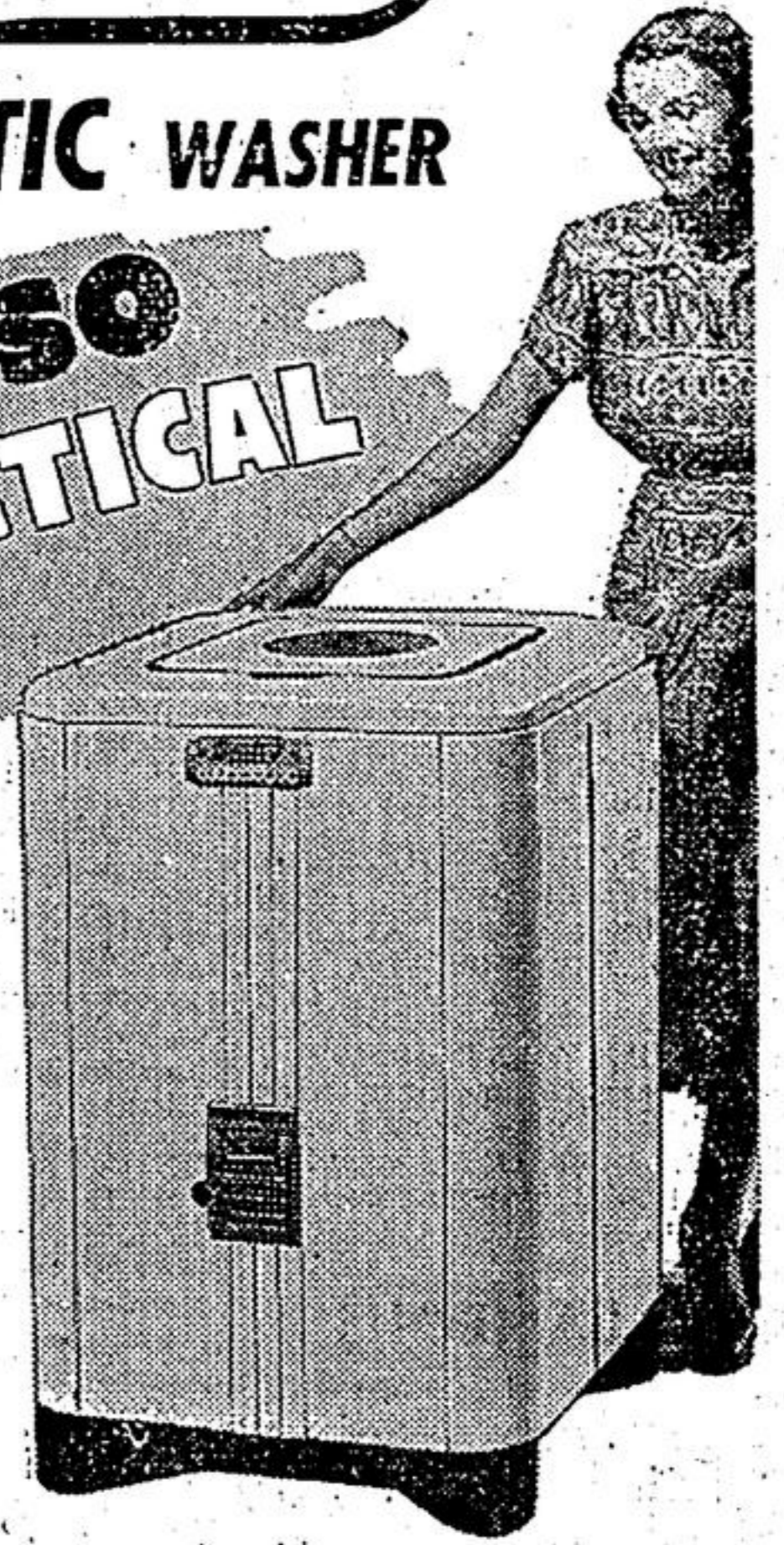
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Stouffville

In the event of war, principal highways should be designated for emergency traffic and civilians should be restricted to secondary roads, Provincial Secretary Welsh told the Ontario Land Surveyors Association last week. Mr. Welsh, chairman of the Ontario committee for civil defence, said main roads must be kept clear to enable firemen, ambulances, doctors and other help to speed to stricken areas.

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