



Stratford Indians Loom As Menace To London

Another Packed Arena Will Prevail For To-Morrow's Big Six O.H.A. Fixture Here

Stratford's reversal of form in the game with the Galt Terriers, when they forced Clarence Boucher's classy sextet to go 29 minutes' overtime in order to win, is a sure indication that the Stratford Indians are beginning to come to life and will likely give the London Ravens real opposition in the game at the London Arena to-morrow evening.

have been purchased and the London Arena will be packed to capacity for the holiday attraction. The London Ravens will be in the best of trim for the first of the Stratford Indians will likely use the same line-up as the Londoners as appeared against the Terriers.

London needs a victory to-morrow evening in order to remain near the top of the Big Six ladder and the back Dr. Bill Carson's aggression, although they expect that it will be no more.

The locals have been practicing for a long time and the strongest possible line-up will be used against the Indians. The players have been shown to be very good and the team was never better than it is at the present time.

The walls will play in Galt to-morrow evening in the same series. It will be the first time these two clubs have clashed since the season's start. The result will be watched with interest by the local enthusiasts.

\$500,000 FOR FIVE MINUTES

Price on Sprague Cleghorn Went Up \$10,000 In Five Minutes.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 31.—The price of a Boston hockey player went up \$10,000 in five minutes the other day and as a result the Pittsburgh Pirates, of the National Hockey League, failed to get Sprague Cleghorn, star Boston defenseman, according to a story which is going the rounds here.

The Pirates had made overtures to Manager Art Ross, of the Bruins.

"Sure, I'll sell Cleghorn," Ross is reported to have replied.

"How much do you want for him?" queried Pittsburgh.

"Forty thousand dollars, and if you wait five minutes I'll make it \$50,000."

The surprise which this occasioned consumed the five minutes and Mr. Ross announced the price had jumped to \$50,000. Thereupon negotiations were broken off and Cleghorn will stay with Boston. He came here from Les Canadiennes, of Montreal, at the beginning of the season.

CHANCE PLAYS MAJOR

PLATE VALUE OF \$115,000 ON PITCHE

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Jimmy Ringo, pitcher, is valued by the Giants at \$115,000, the \$65,000 paid for Jack Bentley and the \$50,000 furnished for Walter Ringer. The latter quantity are valued about the same age, but Bentley will play first base for the Phillies, while Ringer will play for the Athletics. The match made yesterday, features the baseball winter.

CHARITY BENEFITS.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 31.—The action of the Pittsburgh Pirates Baseball Club during the baseball season of 1925, in returning 329 baseballs batted into the field, was the subject of a benefit at the Home and the "Parling of the Ways" at Home" each receiving a New Year's Eve gift \$100 from the Pittsburgh Baseball Club. The club had offered \$1 for charity for each baseball returned.

TO MEET FRENCH CHAMPION.

FARGO, N. D., Dec. 31.—Billy Petrol of the Fargo team, who has been assigned to meet Edouard Mascart, featherweight champion of France, at the Holyoke, Mass., on New Year's Eve.


DEFEAT LEAGUE LEADERS.

PORTLAND, Dec. 31.—The Edmonton Eskimos defeated the league leading Portland Rosebuds 3 to 2 here last night. The score stood 3-0 at the half and 2-0 at the end of the third quarter. The Eskimos won the game by unleashing an attack in the third stanza.

Stark, Edmonton goalie, staved off the attack.

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