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London Lost First Semi-Final Contest to Seaforth, 7-4

Locals Must Battle Down Three-Goal Lead in Home-and-Home Series on Monday at Jubilee Rink — Players Are Confident — Last Night's Game Played on Water-Covered Ice.

(Staff Reporter.)

SEAFORTH, Feb. 21.—Before a crowd of one thousand spectators Seaforth defeated London by a score of 7 to 4 in the first contest of a home-and-home series, goals to count, in the intermediate O. H. A. semi-finals at Palace rink here tonight. The ice was sticky and it was impossible for either team to display combination work. In the third period the ice was practically covered with water and the players lost the puck continually. The Londoners were not outplayed, but up afirst class game, and the local fans were more than pleased with the exhibition of hockey. London will have a three-goal lead to overcome when the locals play back at London Monday night.

Boys Are Optimistic.

Manager Ferguson of the Forest City team stated that he is confident the London boys could work the comeback stunt on Monday and overcome the lead which Seaforth secured tonight. The players are anything but downhearted, and expected to go into the finals for the championship.

It was impossible for the London boys to get away on the Seaforth ice. The locals kept watch on them every minute, and before a player went a few feet he would be checked by the home team. The defence line of the London team was also good. Ferguson and Kelly used their weight and prevented Seaforth from scoring several times. Harry Sutter played a star game on goal for the visitors. The lad was on the game and stopped many hard shots. He came out to meet the Seaforth players when they managed to get by the defence men and saved the situation for London several times. Arthur Davenport covered centre for London. Davenport did not manage to score his usual one or two goals, but kept up to the Seaforth players and put up a plucky game. Fred Elliott and Art Gillies played wing for the Forest City team; both lads showed up well, Gillies scoring one goal. Bud Kelly was on the job per usual, and did not lose a single minute. Bud followed up his shots as he usually does and was one of the fastest men on the ice. Manager Ferguson assisted Kelly on defence, playing a good game.

Reids, Seaforth Stars.

The Reid brothers were the stars for the winners. Dot Reid played defence, and Reg. Reid was on the wing. Reg. scored three goals all by his lonesome. Reg. Waghorne of Toronto handled the game in a most satisfactory manner. It was clean, only five penalties being handed out. The two teams did not decide on a referee and Mr. Waghorne was ordered to take charge of the game by Secretary Hewitt of the O. H. A. The lineup:

Seaforth.	Pos.	London.
McGeoch	Goal	Sutter
Dot Reid	L. Defence	Kelly
Guy Huffman	R. Defence	Lougheed
Sills	Centre	Davenport
Reg. Reid	L. Wing	Elliott
Hoffman	R. Wing	Gillies
Waghorne	Sub.	Walden
Peck	Sub.	Ferguson

First Period.

Kelly scored the first goal of the game three minutes after play, on a pass from Davenport. This gave the visitors a start, and they went out after the game strong. One minute later Sills of Seaforth got the puck and cleared the ice, passing the visitors' defence and scoring. This tied the game up. Reg. Reid was next to score, giving the home team a one-goal lead. The boards around the rink on which the spectators were leaning heaved in and the game was delayed for a few minutes. Play was resumed, and for the next few minutes both teams were checked before they went any distance. Clarence Hoffman put in another goal for Seaforth. One minute later Art Gillies put the puck past McGeoch, making the score 3 to 2 in favor of the home team.

Second Period.

The Seaforth boys came back strong, scoring a total of three goals, and the Londoners were blanked. Five minutes and thirty seconds after the bell sounded Reg. Reid, the former London boy, scored. The Forest City boys took several shots at the Seaforth goal, but McGeoch was on the job, and stopped them all. Sills, centre man for Seaforth, put the puck in the net ten minutes after Reid scored. Reid came back and made his second goal when he received the puck on a pass by Sills. The score at the end of the second period: Seaforth 6, London 2.

Third Period.

London scored two goals in the last period and Seaforth scored one on Sills' nice shot. The game switched a little bit, and it looked as if the London boys were going to stage a comeback in the last few minutes. Kelly took the puck from Seaforth when they were about to score, and outskating the home players made a straight shot at the fence, making the score 6—3. Ferguson did a similar stunt one minute later. In the last minute of the game Sutter fell in the net and was ruled off, Sills was also ruled off by Weghorne.

Final score: Seaforth 7, London 4.

Summary:

First Period—London—Kelly, 3 minutes; Seaforth—Sills, 4 minutes. Reg. Reid, 5 minutes, Hoffman, 15 minutes; London—Gillies, 16 minutes. Second Period—Seaforth—Reg. Reid, 5 minutes, Sills, 12 minutes; Reg. Reid, 17 minutes. Third Period—Seaforth—Sills, 5 minutes; London—Kelly, 17 minutes, Ferguson, 17 minutes.

Penalties—London, 4 minutes—Ferguson, 2 minutes; Sutter, 2 minutes. Seaforth, 6 minutes—Sills, 4 minutes; Hoffman, 2 minutes.

BRANTFOD BALL TEAM (?) TO HAVE CHOICE DATES

BRANTFORD, Feb. 21.—In their request for playing grounds for the Brantford team in the new Canadian-American League, the Brantford officials were entirely successful with the civic parks board here this afternoon. All holidays and Saturdays as per schedule were granted the Brantford team, the promoters of which promised to relinquish any claim to civic holiday in favor of the War Veterans, should the latter make a request. Representatives of the O. B. A. and other organizations practically withdrew their claims in favor of the professional team.

NOTES ON THE JUNIOR GAME

IF THE LOCAL kids had backchecked during the whole game like they did in the last few minutes the chances are Galt would have gone home on the short end of the score. However, what would this world be without "ifs"?

ON THE PLAY the Galt youngsters deserved the game. They know how to use their weight, back checked consistently, and were twice as aggressive as the London youths.

GUESS LONDON missed Art Gillies, who was playing with the Intermediates in Seaforth. Art would probably have turned the loss into a win on a few of his celebrated lone rushes.

SEVERAL OF THE fans were grouching, because Gillies was not there to participate in the semi-final game of the Northern League. However, as a semi-final match in the Northern is on a par with the preliminary round of the O. H. A. there is not much to worry about, Mr. Fan.

TEE HEE. IT IS to laugh. Just imagine playing your first game in the Northern League and being in the semi-finals. Hand me my powder puff, Hector. My nose is red with weeping.

MAYHAP THE SAID Northern is affiliated with the coffinmakers' union. The fact that substitutes are not allowed in the games possibly had a lot to do with the slowness of last night's contest, which was as slow as the Germans' march into gay Paree.

HINES MAY HAVE been the fastest player on the ice, but our own Dutch Logan was the cleanest. Dutch and McKay were the most aggressive of the locals, and we were glad to see Dutchy get a goal.

THERE WAS ONLY one goal judge on the ice. However, any old thing goes in the Northern League. What's the absence of a goal judge in our young life?

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GALT BEATS LONDON IN NORTHERN LEAGUE

Local Juniors Trimmed 4 to 3 Before Small Crowd Last Night.

The London juniors lost the first game in the Northern League junior semi-finals to the Galt kids by the score of 4 to 3 at the London Curling Club Rink last night before a small crowd of fans. For the first two and a half periods the winged "L" sextet played as if they were past grand masters of the undertakers' union. However, some life-giving fluid must have been pumped into them during the last few minutes of the game, for they woke up and scared the Galt youngsters pea-green.

Hines, the centre man of the visitors, showed up like a million dollars, and scored all four goals that were chalked up to the Galt crew. Todd, on left wing, also manifested considerable pep, and gave lessons to the local youngsters in body-checking.

A Sad Period.

It was just two minutes after the face-off that Friend Hines batted in the rubber after it had bounced off Hynds' pad on a shot by Keyes. Five minutes later Hines chased another one past the London net policeman on a lone rush from one end of the rink to the other. It was a pretty piece of stick-handling. Five minutes before the period closed he again beat Hynds on a high shoe from right wing. Most of the play in the first breath was around the London nets, and Mr. Hynds had no time for visiting.

Archie McKay, who had added his shores to the rest of the local's efforts in the first period, opened up with a goal in the second frame after two minutes of play. It was a hot shot from outside the defence. This seemed to peeve Mr. Hines, who stick-handled his way to another counter one minute later, making the score read 4 to 1 in favor of the opposition. It was the last goal for the visitors, although they kept the old rubber sniffing round the nets for the remainder of the period, with the exception of when young McKay planted his second goal past Stuart. It was another high shot from outside the defence, and it gave the fans another chance to cheer six minutes after the period started.

Dutch Did It.

The same sleepy tactics that prevailed in the first two frames bid fair to last until the bitter end. However, with about six minutes to go, Dutch Logan slammed one past Stuart while that young gentleman was enjoying a peaceful sleep. The score acted all the same as a good shot of dope, as far as the locals were concerned, and they played rings around the visitors for the rest of the game. Stuart was kept busy, and showed the crowd that he had a perfect right to be wearing goal pads by turning all shots aside, and the whistle blew with London on the short end of a 4 to 3 score. The return game will be played in Galt on Monday night.

The line-up:

London.		Galt.
Hynds	Goal	Stuart
McIntyre	R. defence	Keyes
Burgess	L. defence	Watts
Cline	Centre	Hines
McKay	R. wing	Todd
Logan	L. wing	George

Referee, Toad Edmunds, Stratford.

WITH THE BOWLERS

A special ten-pin match between D. Catalano, P. Mascari, and T. Crawford and G. Karrys, ended in favor of the latter, at the National alleys last night.

					Total.	Aver.
D. Catalano—	183	176	173	182	152—866	—175
P. Mascari—	139	212	221	211	179—962	—192
Totals	322	388	394	393	331 1828	
T. Crawford—	199	189	190	205	186—960	—192
G. Karrys—	226	184	235	231	224-1100	—220
Totals	425	364	435	436	410 2060	

U. T. S. WIN ROUND.

LINDSAY, Feb. 21. — Lindsay Midgets beat U. T. S. tonight by 7 to 2, but lost the round by eight goals. They started out on the herculean task of paring down a lead of three goals, and but for the wonderful work of Joe Sullivan, in goal for the U. T. S., would likely have tasted defeat. Lindsay bored in like worms all night and had the play in the U. T. S.'s goal at every stage of the game. The visitors played a defence game and were plainly handicapped by the small ice quarters.

DURHAM TAKES LEAD.

DURHAM, Feb. 21.—Durham, by defeating Mount Forest by 6 to 2 tonight, takes a goal lead to Mount Forest in home and home junior northern semi-finals.

LONDON-SEAFORTH GAME TO BE PLAYED AT WOODSTOCK

Local Hockey Officials Decided at Meeting Today To Play Intermediate Semi-Final Game Away From Home Monday Night—Special Train May Be Secured for the Fans.

At a special meeting of the executive committee of the London Hockey Club, held this afternoon, it was definitely decided to play the return game with Seaforth in the intermediate O. H. A. semi-finals at Woodstock arena Monday evening.

The London Hockey Club and the London Curling Club did not come to terms, the hockey officials will take the game out of town.

The rink at Woodstock is large, and this will give the locals an advantage to overcome the three-goal lead obtained by Seaforth Friday night. The ice at Woodstock is also good.

The London Hockey Club is trying to secure a special train to accommodate the London hockey spectators. If the special train is not secured the game will be started sharp at 8 o'clock, and the Forest City rooters will be able to leave Woodstock about 10 o'clock.

A large crowd of rooters is expected to go to Woodstock to back up the London team. The spectators have given the hockey club good support all season, and the officers of the club are sure that they will continue to do so.

WOODSTOCK JUNIORS SCORE LAST-MINUTE WIN ON STRATFORD

Junior Semi-Final Contest Ends by 5 to 4.

VISITORS TO GO HIGHER

Stratford Led in Game For First Two Periods, and Then Faded.

WOODSTOCK, Feb. 21.—Woodstock Juniors move up another round in the fight for the O. H. A. championship as a result of their win over Stratford Juniors in a fast fixture in the Arena tonight, in the third round of the semi-finals, by the score of 5 to 4, winning the round by three goals. The visitors played a strong game, and were right on the job the first two periods. They tied up the score on the round in the second frame, but faded in the last session, while Woodstock slapped in three goals and won out.

It was a grand finish. It was a fast and thrilling game, and one which kept the spectators, which filled the rink to capacity, on edge all the time. In the first frame the score was two to one for Stratford; the second period ended four to two for the Midgets, and the final stanza brought about their downfall, the locals scoring three goals and blanking the visitors.

ICE WAS STICKY.

The ice was sticky and prevented much combination, and individual work by both teams was principally indulged in. Kellerbourne played a wonderful game for Stratford, and although hurt in the eye, continued to stay on. His playing was very effective, and he was one of the best men on the ice. Lavelle was also good, while King and Bill Carson starred for the locals. Both goalers worked in fine form.

Stratford started strong and pressed the play in the first session. They did the same in the second, although they showed signs of flagging. They were unable to do anything in the third session. The team showed much better form than they did in Stratford, and the game was in doubt till nearly the last. The visitors brought down a big aggregation of rooters who seemed confident that they were going to carry home the "bacon." The game was quite clean, and Tackaberry of Toronto refereed capably. The locals showed no inclination to rough it, and the Stratford lads also played clean hockey. Only eight penalties were handed out during the entire game.

Summary: First period—1, Stratford, Kellerbourne, 4½ minutes; 2, Stratford, Seebach, 5 minutes; 3, Woodstock, W. Carson, 10 minutes. Second period—4, Stratford, Seebach, 7 minutes; 5, Stratford, Morenz, 1 minute; 6, Woodstock, W. Carson, 5 minutes. Third period—7, Woodstock, King, 5 minutes; 8, Woodstock, Trump, 6 minutes; 9, Woodstock, F. Carson, 2 minutes. Penalties—Woodstock, 5 minutes; Stratford, 5 minutes.

Line-up:

Woodstock.		Stratford.
Dunlop	Goal	Young
Shea	Defence	Seebach
King	Defence	Lavelle
Trump	Centre	Boyer
W. Carson	L. Wing	Morenz
F. Carson	R. Wing	Kellerbourne
Dubrule	Sub.	Johnston
Cohen	Sub.	Thorne

Referee—Tackaberry.

STRATFORD GIRL IN FRONT FOR BASKET BALL CHAMPIONSHIP

STRATFORD, Feb. 21.—By a score of 14 to 6 the Stratford Collegiate girls this evening defeated Woodstock in the John Whyte intercollegiate series, and thus step into first place in the league race. Their game to be replayed with Guelph gives them a decided advantage in the series.

Tonight's game was full of excitement, but the local girls started right in from the opening to run up a substantial lead.

Woodstock was limited to a lone field basket, their other points coming on foul shots. For Stratford, Audrey Hughson and Martha Wilhelm and Isabel Heath played well, while Lillian McCrimmon and Isabel Fraser were Woodstock's best.

The line-up:

Woodstock—Isabel Fraser, centre; Lillian McCrimmon, defence; Grace Hill, defence; Mary McKay, forward; Isobel Bain, forward.

Stratford—Enid Robertson, centre; Mary Miller, defence; Isabel Heath, defence; Audrey Hughson, forward; Martha Wilhelm, forward.

Woodstock Spares—Jean Douglas, Anna Russell, Winnie Harris, J. Douglass.

Stratford Spares—Valerie Todd, Evelyn Johnson and Josephine Monteith.

VICTORIA TAKES CLOSE GAME FROM VANCOUVER

Victoria, Feb. 22.—It would seem impossible to pick a hockey game more full of excitement than that played here last night between Vancouver and Victoria, which was won by the locals 3—2. Incidentally the record for over time since the league was started went by the board, the teams battling for an extra 37 minutes and 20 seconds after the usual three periods. Then the winning goal finally was netted by Clem Loughlin. There was nothing the matter with the visitors. They were playing first-class hockey all the time, but the locals were playing at top form.

OSHAWA INTERMEDIATES WIN.

Oshawa, Feb. 21.—The Intermediate O. H. A. game tonight between Oshawa and Kingston ended: Oshawa 5, Kingston 4.

NEWMAN HALL MAKE-SHIFT SQUAD LOSES TO KITCHENER CHAMPS

KITCHENER, Feb. 21.—Minus five of their regular players who are out on a barnstorming tour to Winnipeg, Newman Hall with a makeshift line-up, were defeated here tonight by a score of 5 to 2 before the smallest crowd of the season. The period scores were 4 to 2 and 5 to 2, with the cup holders always in the lead. There was no scoring in the last session. As usual the playing surface was juicy, but in spite of this handicap Kitchener completely outclassed the Torontonians who put up a creditable performance in the face of heavy odds.

The line-up:

Newman Hall.		Kitchener.
Robert	Goal	Hainsworth
O'Connor	R. D.	Trushinski
Laflamme	L. D.	Merrick
Dunn	Centre	Hiller
Doyle	R. W.	Parkes
Dopp	L. W.	Hillman
Gilhooly	Sub	Leroux
Kelley	Sub	Karges

Referee—Kinder, Preston.

AURA LEES WIN ROUND.

TORONTO, Feb. 21.—In a game replete with thrills from start to finish, Aura Lee tonight, defeated Belleville 9 to 2, and won the round in the Junior O. H .A. by three goals.

The lineup:

Aura Lee.	Pos.	Belleville.
Devitt	Goal	Hulme
Hogarth	Defence	Weir
Connacher	Defence	Beach
Wright	Wing	Canning
Rutherford	Wing	Coon
Rodden	Centre	Swayne

Referee—R. Hewitson.

RITCHIE GETS DECISION.

San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 22.—Willie Ritchie, former lightweight champion, won a newspaper decision tonight over Benny Leonard, the present champion, in a four-round bout. The fighters fought at catch weights.

LOST ALSO AT WINNIPEG.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 21.—Newman Hall's team of the senior O. H. A. were defeated here tonight, 6 to 3 in the first of a series of exhibition games with the Winnipeg Argonauts.

Consolation Prize at Owen Sound to St. Thomas Rink

Played Against Harriston Rink in the Finals of Big Bonspiel.

OWEN SOUND, Feb. 21.—M. K. Cameron's rink of St. Thomas won the consolation prize in the curling bonspiel late last night. The following are the continued scores:

Fifth Round.

Owen Sound.		St. Thomas.
Wilkinson	6	Cameron 14
Harriston.		Pattsville.
Ireland	10	English 8

Pilgrim of Meaford a bye.

Sixth Round.

St. Thomas.		Meaford.
Cameron	16	Pilgrim 12

Ireland of Harriston, a bye.

Finals.

Harriston.		St. Thomas.
Dr. Ireland	10	Cameron 14

With one end to go.

The winning rink was A. D. MacLachlin, James Bristowe, F. W. Sutherland, M. K. Cameron, skip, of St. Thomas.

DETROIT RINKS LOST TO TWO GALT CLUBS

GALT, Feb. 21.—The two rinks of Detroit curlers who played in St. Marys and Waterloo on Thursday concluded their tour here today with games with both local clubs.

This morning the visitors met the Galt club and lost by fourteen shots. This afternoon they also went down to defeat before the Granites by nine shots.

The Detroiters were banqueted at the Iroquois Hotel.

The scores:

Detroit.		Galt.	
A. R. Thompson	3	W. McDougall	11
G. C. Burden	5	J. R. Blake	17
Total	14	Total	28
Detroit.		Granites.	
F. C. Burden	10	J. S. Webster	11
H. Mallender	5	W.W.Wilkinson.	13
Total	15	Total	24

ARROWS AT LAST WIN BASKETBALL CONTEST

Two girls' basketball games were played at the Western "U" gym last night between two L. C. I. and Y. W. C. A. teams. The feature was the Arrows' reversal of form. They won a game after eight losses and beat the crack Midgets at that by 17 to 6. The Shamrocks beat the Lighthearts 24 to 10. The teams:

Lighthearts.		Shamrocks.
G. Laing	Forward	P. Blackwell
B. Fetterly	Forward	C. Blackwell
J. White	Centre	L. Garrett
A. McLean	Guard	M. McCoubrey
L. Ram	Guard	M. Connor

Arrows.		Midgets.
O. Harris	Forwards	G. Jepson
D. Anderson	Forward	K. Milne
Mr. Rhynd	Centre	L. Milne
M. Chamberlai	Guard	B. Graves
H. Choral	Guards	E. Trudell

CANADIANS TO HOLD CROSS-COUNTRY RUN

LONDON, Feb. 21.—(Canadian-Associated Press Dispatch.)—Arrangements have already been made for the cross-country championship meeting of the Canadian forces at Seaford Camp, on March 19. The course is five miles, and medals will be awarded as prizes to teams of eight from each area.

OTTAWAS MAY STRIKE.

OTTAWA, Feb. 21.—The Ottawa Hockey Club players threaten to strike over the appointment of Jack Marshall as one of the officials for the championship play-off series against Canadiens, which starts at Montreal tomorrow night.

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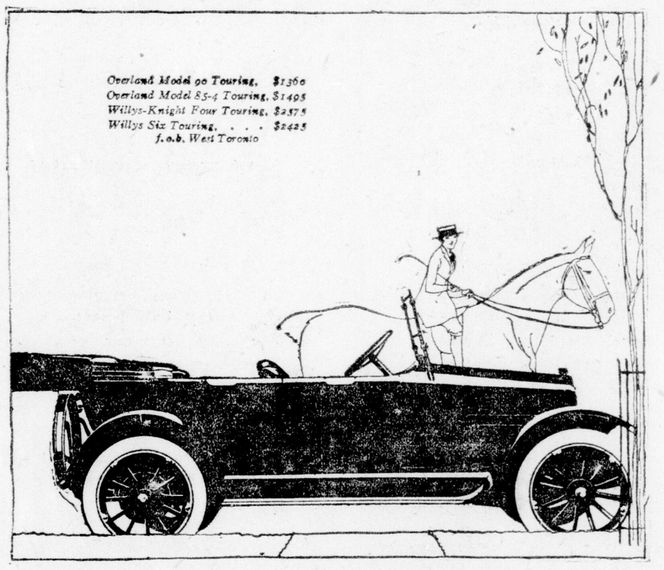

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