



WESTWICK

Weekly roundup, notes and comment

The timing of some CAHA proposed plans wasn't too fortunate from that body's standpoint when aired almost on the day the government came out with one threatening an investigation of hockey affairs . . . On the one hand the government takes issue with \$60 salaries and extended schedules among other items. About the same day the CAHA was mentioning plans for a possible round-robin tournament to revive interest in the Memorial Cup and a championship game. It would amount to the same thing as playoffs for the cup which the OHA ignored last season.

At the same time the CAHA seemed to be considering sending a junior team to play in the world championships, if the Europeans let them in at that level. All of which will pose the question that if the government thinks present stipends aren't enough now for juniors and schedules are too long, what about the added games, work and pressures for players engaged in these proposed extra games in Canada and overseas?

However, any junior players who go for that proposed extra work without adequate financial return in the medal race can't expect too much sympathy. Back in 1936, the Halifax Wolverines wouldn't go to the Olympics when they'd qualified as the best team in Canada because they couldn't get "broken time" finances . . . That was the year that Great Britain beat Canada for the Olympic title, the British side being made up, of course, from talented paid amateurs from Canada . . .

SAME OLD STORY

And who was the secretary of the British Ice Hockey Association but **Bunny Ahearn** . . . But you couldn't fault **Bunny** then for his stand on pseudo amateur competition in Britain . . . Any amateur player in Canada of any ability was rightfully getting what he could in the way of a salary or split at the going rate . . .

In study groups or task forces over the past six years, practically the same criticisms mentioned now were presented to the government. Having taken this long to take an interest, men such as Bill Hunter in the West and likely many in the East are suspecting the motives now . . . Yet when these criticisms were made in government reports in past years, you could still fault the hockey people for not questioning then some of the charges which they likely could have defended . . . and may still be able to in some respects. Many prefer to believe it all will be given another five- or six-year "hoist," though it appears to others as a commitment.

The propriety of making this suggestion has bothered this corner for some time, but since the Canadian Sports Federation gives awards for aiding amateur sports through their work in the news media it's a subject with which some of us in the craft are fairly conversant . . . At any rate, for many years nobody in our craft has rendered greater service to amateur sport and the federation's activities than **Stu Lake** of The Canadian Press . . . The nature of a wire service job might be taken for granted by some people, but Stu's knowledge and devotion to that subject has gone far beyond the call of merely doing an adequate job in that area . . . And the efforts of amateur sports bodies must surely have been enhanced by the personal attention and efforts of this fine Ottawa CP bureau writer . . .

A DESERVED HONOR

Veteran hockey fans were glad to see among the many sportsmen of *Institut Canadien Francais*, the decision to honor **Edgar Robertson** . . . In Edgar's day, many of the amateur stars, no doubt influenced by Frank Nighbor's prowess, took up the poke check and made it an effective defensive weapon . . . In his days as a centre with the old Rialtos and later LaSalle, Edgar was a real artist . . . Also the type that merits not only this award but the many friends he made through the years in Ottawa sports circles . . . In later years, as many of the members at the Institut will attest, Edgar became an accomplished bridge player and was a top bowler, too, on the alleys at St. Anne's Hall . . .

Sam Berger in explaining the move of Alouettes to Molson Stadium next year, pointed out that McGill's stadium had been "built for football" . . . Which is true, but there were many in the early years of that stadium convinced it surely wasn't built for fans with weak kidneys . . . For some years there was a belief that they had forgotten to provide "facilities" . . . At any rate, until later there were many fans from here and Montreal who professed never to be able to locate them . . .

FORMER RIDER STAR

Murray Griffin, who was a top star with former Rough Rider teams, is in Ottawa on business . . . Murray has dozens of humorous recollections of his day as a grid star. And among the latter he earned that rating . . . Murray's sales manager now for the Turner Wine Company and gets a charge out of meeting some of his old pals around here . . . He thinks **John Bovey** is one of the most under-rated imports to ever come to Ottawa.

Found a soul-mate in **Dick Young**, of the New York News, who claimed the other day that if he were a football coach he'd fine every man \$100 that threw those shoulder blocks instead of using both hands to tackle a ball carrier . . . We could never understand how coaches might tee off on players for other deficiencies and still never seem to mention these failures . . . And the incidents are often ever so costly to a team . . .

Howe angry with OHA

DETROIT (UPI) — All-time National Hockey League great **Gordie Howe** is mad at the Ontario Hockey Association because it won't let his two sons play on the same team after saying that it would.

Marty Howe, 17 and a defenceman, plays for the Toronto Marlboros of the OHA and was to have been joined there by his brother, **Mark**, 16, a forward who is playing with the Detroit Junior Wings of the Southern Ontario Hockey Association.

"Mark's career is being jeopardized by a league which is going back on its word," **Howe** said after learning of Monday's OHA decision to draft players from the Junior Wings who are 17 years old or over.

"They (the OHA) are sticking it to Detroit and they're using the **Howe** name to do it," the former 25-year all-time scoring great of the Detroit Red Wings said.

"You see, when Colleen

(Howe's wife) and I started looking for an OHA team for **Marty**, we went to the league council and told them we'd like both boys to play for the same club eventually," **Howe** said.

"They agreed and said the OHA would not draft players from the Junior Wings so that **Marty** and **Mark** could be together."

The Junior Wings just joined the SOHA last season — the first time an American junior team has played in a Canadian league — and won the championship and playoffs with a team composed of Detroit area youngsters. **Mark Howe** easily won the individual scoring title.

The youngsters wanted to play on the same team in the rugged Canadian Junior A League, which sends many of its players to the NHL via the draft.

"They're trying to make Detroit a farm club to feed players to the OHA," **Howe** said. "No way."



HAPPY BRUINS

BOSTON — Bruins' Ken Hodge (8) and Phil Esposito (7) embrace each other after Hodge scored on New York Rangers' goalie Ed Giacomin in the first period of Thursday's NHL game in Boston. The Bruins turned a quick start into a rout of the Rangers with an 8-1 victory.

(AP-Journal Wirephoto)

51 Canadian athletes for Winter Olympics

MONTREAL (CP) — Canada will send 51 athletes to the 1972 Winter Olympics at Sapporo, Japan, next February, while 160 will travel to the Olympics in Munich, West Germany, next August.

The Sapporo Games will be held Feb. 3-13, with the Munich Summer Olympics scheduled from Aug. 26 to Sept. 10.

Frank Shaughnessy of Montreal, chief de mission of the Canadian contingent to Japan, told a news conference Thursday the Canadian Olympic Association's budget for the Winter Games is \$150,000.

Costs for the Munich expedition were not available because **Maurice Allan** of Sept-Isles, Que., was unable to attend the news conference after inclement weather forced cancellation of all flights from the eastern Quebec seaport, located 320 miles northeast of Quebec City.

Normally, the federal government through its Fitness and Amateur Sports Directorate provides a travel and accommodation grant to assist the Canadian Olympic teams but **Shaughnessy** said he does not know what amount will become available for next year's Olympic events.

Meanwhile, the COA's 1971-72 campaign to raise \$2.8 million has gained support from another direction.

Thomas O'Quinn, vice-president of Kraft Foods Ltd., said his company will contribute "an open-ended amount of money" to support Canada's Olympic program.

The food company will donate \$1 to the Olympic Trust — the financial and fund-raising arm of the COA — for every 50 labels from its products collected and deposited in food stores across the country, or mailed direct to company offices or plants. A similar program by the company in 1968 raised \$50,000 for the COA.

The current Kraft plan will run through to Feb. 29, 1972, and begins Jan. 1.

The Olympic Trust's campaign for \$2.8 million is to cover the cost of the COA's operation in 1971 and 1972, and to help finance national team programs for the various sports federations.

It also includes the cost of sending Canadians to the recent Pan-American Games at Cali, Colombia, as well as next year's two Olympic trips.

Shaughnessy said that so far it has been determined that eight bobsledders, eight figure skaters and 10 alpine skiers will travel to Sapporo. Other sports federations are still determining the numerical representation each will have according to COA quotas.

All athletes are chosen according to standards set by their federations, the COA and the international bodies governing their individual sport.

Shaughnessy said he was optimistic that Canadians will show to advantage in Sapporo. He cited the recent successes of four members of Canada's alpine ski team and the figure skating prowess of Vancouver's **Karen Magnusson**.

Betsy Clifford of Old Chelsea, Que., and **Judy Crawford** of Toronto, along with two members of the men's alpine ski team from Calgary — **Jim Hunter** and **Reto Barrington** — had indicated in recent performances they were near the top.

"**Karen Magnusson** is rapidly becoming a free-skating expert," he added. "She was third in the world championships at Lyon, France, last year."

The Olympic Village at Sapporo opens Jan. 12 with the Canadians moving there in groups until near the end of January.

For example, the cross-country skiers are expected to leave Canada Jan. 22, the jumpers three days later. The bobsled, luge and alpine ski teams will leave direct from practices and competitions in Europe for the games on Jan. 26.

Phil Esposito skates away from Rangers

By United Press International Phil Esposito took on the New York Ranger "red light" line and skated away with the National Hockey League scoring lead.

Esposito and **Jean Ratelle** of New York were tied for the lead entering Thursday night's contest with 51 points. Esposito scored a goal and had three assists as the Boston Bruins mauled the Rangers, 8-1, and moved within three points of first place New York in the NHL East.

The touted Ranger line of **Ratelle**, **Vic Hadfield** and **Rod Gilbert** were held scoreless. **Hadfield** left the game on a misconduct penalty during a second period flareup. **Hadfield** and **Gilbert** also are among the top five scorers in the league.

The Philadelphia Flyers shut out the Buffalo Sabres, 5-0, in the only other league action.

"This was our best overall effort," said Boston coach **Tom Johnson**. "It was complete scoring balance, a great game from the goalie and the defence. We had to be going pretty good since this was two of the better lines in hockey playing against each other."

Ranger coach **Emile Francis** moaned that "after that first goal, we couldn't have caught them if we had a lasso. It's that early goal. You see it so often. **Bobby Orr** got the puck at the point and went 60 feet before anybody else hardly moved. 'He's so fast.'"

Eight different players figured in the Boston scoring as the Bruins ran away with the game on a four-goal first period spurt by **Esposito**. **Orr**, **Rick Smith** and **Ken Hodge**. **Esposito** assisted on each of the other goals.

Johnny Bucyk and **Eddie Westfall** tallied Bruin goals in the second period, while **Fred Stanfield** and **Reggie Leach** scored in the third stanza. **Walt Tkaczuk** ruined goalie

Gerry Cheevers' shutout bid with a goal midway in the last period.

Sergie Bernier of Philadelphia broke out of a 15-game scoring slump with two tallies against Buffalo. His first goal of the game with 14:14 gone in the first period

was all goalie **Doug Favell** needed as he handled 35 shots in recording his third shutout of the season. **Bernier** and **Dick Sarrazin** made it 3-0 in the second period and **Gary Dornhoefer** and **Bill Clemente** closed out the scoring with third period tallies.

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	East Division					
	G	W	L	T	P	A
New York	30	20	5	5	138	73
Boston	28	20	6	2	118	65
Montreal	28	18	4	6	107	62
Toronto	30	13	9	8	84	84
Detroit	30	10	15	5	81	90
Vancouver	30	8	18	4	70	104
Buffalo	32	6	20	6	80	122

	West Division					
	G	W	L	T	P	A
Chicago	21	21	7	3	99	54
Winnipeg	30	19	8	3	87	53
Philadelphia	21	10	15	5	68	92
California	31	10	16	5	93	124
Pittsburgh	31	10	17	4	79	93
St. Louis	31	9	17	5	84	107
Los Angeles	20	6	23	1	61	122

NHL leaders

	G	A	P
Esposito, Boston	24	31	55
Ratelle, NY	18	33	51
Hadfield, NY	22	24	46
Gilbert, NY	20	26	46
Orr, Boston	14	31	45
R. Hull, Chicago	19	18	27
Martin, Buffalo	20	15	35
Barreault, Buffalo	13	22	35
Stanfield, Boston	8	27	35
Park, NY	12	24	34

Summaries

BRUINS, 8; RANGERS, 1		FLYERS, 5; SABRES, 0	
First Period			
1—Boston, Orr, 14 (Esposito), 1.47	1—Philadelphia, Bernier, 5	14.14	
2—Boston, Esposito, 24	Penalties: Morrison 10.49, Hamilton 16.03, Gendron 19.26, Morrison 19.43.		
3—Boston, D. Smith, 5	Second Period		
(Esposito), 14.51	2—Philadelphia, Sarrazin, 9	3.54	
4—Boston, Hodge, 8	3—Philadelphia, Bernier, 6	4.27	
(Esposito, Cushman), 19.15	(Nolef, Johnson)		
Penalties: Rousseau 1.10, Irvine, McKenzie (majors) 4.52, Green 5.06.	3.23, Clement 6.08, Clarke 7.03.		
Third Period			
5—Boston, Stanfield, 7	4—Philadelphia, Clement, 2	8.49	
(Stanfield, Orr)	5—Philadelphia, Dornhoefer, 6	15.54	
6—Boston, Westfall, 7	Shots on goal by:		
(Stanfield, Orr)			
Penalties: Sanderson 8.26, Dook 10.54, Esposito 14.26, Gilbert, Park major and misconduct, Hadfield (game misconduct), Hodge (game misconduct) 18.27, Dook 18.54.			
7—Boston, Tkaczuk, 8			
8—New York, Tkaczuk, 8			
(Cor, Fairbairn)			
9—Boston, Leach, 5			
(Stanfield, Wolfson)			
Penalties: Cushman 1.17, Rolfe			

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