

# Today in Sports

## INCH FOR ANADIENS

MONTREAL, Feb. 12.—Montreal Canadiens, with a lead of seven-and-a-half games, are now a touch to win the National Hockey League championship again. They are now seven-and-a-half games ahead of the second place Detroit Red Wings whom they defeated 5 to 2 Saturday night. At Toronto Saturday night there was an upset when the wily Chicago Black Hawks took two-to-one win from the Toronto Maple Leafs. The Black Hawks took the lead with a goal in the first period and made it two in the third. One minute and 30 seconds before the end, Lorne Carr made the single counter for the Maple Leafs, a surprise goal. The game ended with the Leafs making a wild assault on the Chicago goal, Karakas being flat on the ice defending the net with all his teammates around him. Rosso and Field scored for Chicago and Carr for Toronto. Stars of the game were Grosso and Kozienko for Chicago and Stanowski for Toronto.

## Hockey Scores

**SATURDAY National**  
Chicago 2, Toronto 1.  
Montreal 5, Detroit 2.  
**American**  
St. Louis 2, Pittsburgh 4  
Hershey 1, Cleveland 3.  
**National SUNDAY**  
Detroit 3, Boston 2.  
Montreal 4, New York 3.  
Toronto 1, Chicago 2.  
**American**  
Buffalo 3, St. Louis 2.  
Providence 5, Pittsburgh 2.  
Cleveland 4, Indianapolis 2.

## GIRLS' HOOP PLAY-OFF

**Booth School Wins Opener From Allies 23 to 16**

The Prince Rupert Women's Area Basketball League launched its play-offs with Both Memorial High School gaining a victory over the Allies by a score of 23 to 16 Saturday night at Number Four Group's gym. The series calls for home-and-home games so the Allies are still in the running.

In addition to turning in a good performance defensively, Berg and Balagno the winners' guards, were able to contribute six and five points respectively to their team's scoring efforts. Sandhals, with five counters, topped the forwards in basket-getting. Kluting was the leading sniper for the Allies with six points, while her teammate, Conroy, tallied four.

The scoring was so evenly distributed that only two out of the total of 12 participants failed to bag at least two points.

The line-ups follow:  
Bo-Me-Hi—Pavlikis 2, Sandhals 5, Grey 3, Berg 6, Balagno 5, Hamilton 2, Anderson—23.  
Allies—Kluting 6, McDonald 2, Conroy 4, Sadaway, Morgan 2—16.  
Referee, Sgt. Willoughby.

## LOCAL RINKS AT SMITHERS

**Formidable Array of Curlers There for Annual Bospiel**

SMITHERS, Feb. 12.—A formidable array of curlers arrived in Smithers Saturday to take part in the annual bospiel which started that afternoon. Three rinks from Prince Rupert, headed by Mel Strickland and two former noted skips of Smithers, Jack McEwen and Ward Carey, were among them.

The ice was in excellent condition but the temperature had raised to just around the freezing mark which was a little too mild for good curling ice.

In the Hanson Cup tournament three rinks appeared in the semi-finals with two losses each, these being L. Evans, C. Hickenbotham and L. H. Kenney. The Evans rink won out over the other two and captured the trophy.

**DEEP EARTHQUAKES**  
Scientists say some earthquakes occur as far down as 1,000 miles below the earth's surface.

**LONGEST REIGN**  
Queen Victoria ruled in England for 64 years—longer than any other monarch before or since.

**HIGH-SCALE MINESWEEPING**  
LONDON, Feb.—Cmdr. Anthony Kimmins, R.N., said in a broadcast that some Antwerp harbor mines were dealt with by enormous shore sweeps mounted in lorries which had trundled from Normandy and that others, close to the docks, were dealt with by highly skilled divers "who for sheer guts have no equal."

**WEST WORTHING, SUSSEX, Eng.**—The whole town was shaken when an aircraft heading for the continent crashed about 200 yards from a group of houses and its bombs exploded. The pilot is thought to have remained at the controls to clear the town after the remainder of the crew parachuted.

Meanwhile, in another war-time instance of matching top-notchers with unknowns, fly-weight king Paterson signed to fight stoker Jackie Grimes in a non-title London bout within a couple of weeks. It will be Paterson's first fight since he was kayoed by Duffy. Grimes, a stablemate of Duffy, has had only five bouts since he turned professional five months ago. On paper it would appear that Grimes is overmatched—but that's what the gambling fraternity thought about Woods.

Handsomeness Eddie Hapgood, holder of two international football records that may never be beaten, has told of his sports career in a book entitled "Football Ambassador." He set records by being chosen to play on the England team 43 times, and was 34 times named captain of the national side. One of sportdom's greatest men, Hapgood tells in the book of his 17 years in first-class soccer and the story is closely linked to the rise to fame of his club—Arsenal Gunners. Now a flying officer in the physical training branch of the R.A.F., Hapgood has been posted to the continent. On his eventual discharge he will become manager of Blackburn Rovers of the League North.

Tom Whittaker, Arsenal football club trainer in peacetime, was awarded the M.B.E. in the New Year's Honors for his work with aero engines and fuels as a member of the R.A.F. He holds the rank of squadron leader. The Yorkshire County Cricket Club, in its annual report, paid high tribute to Capt. Helder Verity, one of England's greatest left-arm bowlers who was killed in the Sicily fighting, and allocated \$4,500 to his widow and family.



"But I didn't have time to buy any food, dear! . . . I was busy all day trying to buy cigarettes!"

## Army Huts Are Offered For Sale

War Assets Corporation is offering for sale seven army huts formerly occupied by an artillery camp at Tye, City Clerk H. D. Thain has been advised. The offer stipulates that the huts would have to be moved from their location 15 miles east of Prince Rupert at the expense of the purchaser.

## Briefs From Britain

By the Canadian Press

LONDON, Feb. 12.—Payments of the War Damage Commission for the year ended last March totalled \$209,000,000.

CAMBRIDGE, Eng., Feb. 12.—Rev. J. O. F. Murray, D.D., Master of Selwyn College at Cambridge from 1909 to 1928, has died here, aged 86.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—The 12th Lancers, an armored car unit, has been continuously in the Italian fighting since April, it has been announced here.

BIRMINGHAM, Eng., Feb. 12.—During a writing lesson in school a nine-year old boy wrote: "When we play after school we must never hang on the back of lorries." Next day he was killed—while running beside a railway lorry.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—Maj. Charles Ferguson Hoy, M.C., M.C., 29, British Columbia member of the Lincolnshire Regiment who died last February, left an estate in England valued at \$8,750.

FORDINGBRIDGE, Hampshire, Eng., Feb. 12.—The £22,574 will of Dame Evelyn Mary Coote contains a £5 (\$22,500) bequest to her brother-in-law, Sir Walter Carlisle, "to buy detective stories."

LONDON, Feb. 12.—Counties and county boroughs through England are collecting household articles for people in London and the south of England who have been bombed out.

SHEFFIELD, Eng., Feb. 12.—The Earl of Harewood has been elected "chancellor of Sheffield University, succeeding the Marquess of Crewe who resigned.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—The days when boys ran away to sea are over. All boys who want to join the British merchant navy now have to go through a special training course.

MAYFIELD, Eng., Feb. 12.—Mrs. Maud Bradley had two cakes when she celebrated her 100th birthday—one with 100 candles and another with a Union Jack, an airplane and a man-of-war.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—There are now seven father-daughter combinations on bus routes in London. In each case father drives and daughter takes tickets.

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## SCOTTISH POET IS VINDICATED

English Doctor Says Belief Burns Died of Drink is Gossip's Fable

LONDON, Feb. 12.—Teachers of English now may breathe more easily when their inquisitive charges start asking questions about the life and death of Robert Burns—medical science has proved he did not die of drink, as is popularly supposed.

And it believes "the poet's habits, though no better than those of most men of the time in which he lived, were no worse, probably not so bad."

Writing in the British Medical Journal, Dr. Sydney Watson states that popular belief Burns died of drink "does not ring true . . . (it) is a gossip's fable which ought to be confuted and consigned to oblivion."

He said the story probably began through a faulty diagnosis based more on the poet's known behavior and habits than on scientific knowledge. Even this behavior, he said, was not as bad as had been made out.

"Being endowed with the intellect and genius to write such enchanting poetry as he did, all eyes were on him and he was expected to behave faultlessly, to be as a man apart, the paragon of good behavior, while the conduct of those around him did not matter."

**OF CHINESE ORIGIN**  
Spaghetti originated in China and was introduced in Europe through Italy by Marco Polo.



BRITISH INVASION THAT LED TO CAPTURE OF AKYAB—Men and supplies are shown moving ashore during the invasion of the west coast of Burma which led directly to the capture of the important port of Akyab on Jan. 3.

DEVELOP DEEPSEA FISHING  
LONDON, Feb. 12.—A \$3,375,000 start has been given to the post-war deepsea fishing industry by the Admiralty in making available 12 berths for construction of modern trawlers for British companies. They should be ready by next summer.

PUTS PUNCH IN NAVY  
A MIDLANDS NAVAL BASE, Eng., Feb. 12.—Vice-Admiral D. W. Boyd, fifth sea lord and chief of naval air equipment, said "the main striking power of the navy is its aircraft" when he presented end-of-term prizes to naval air apprentices here.

## DOUBLE TRAGEDY IN FRASER STREET HOME

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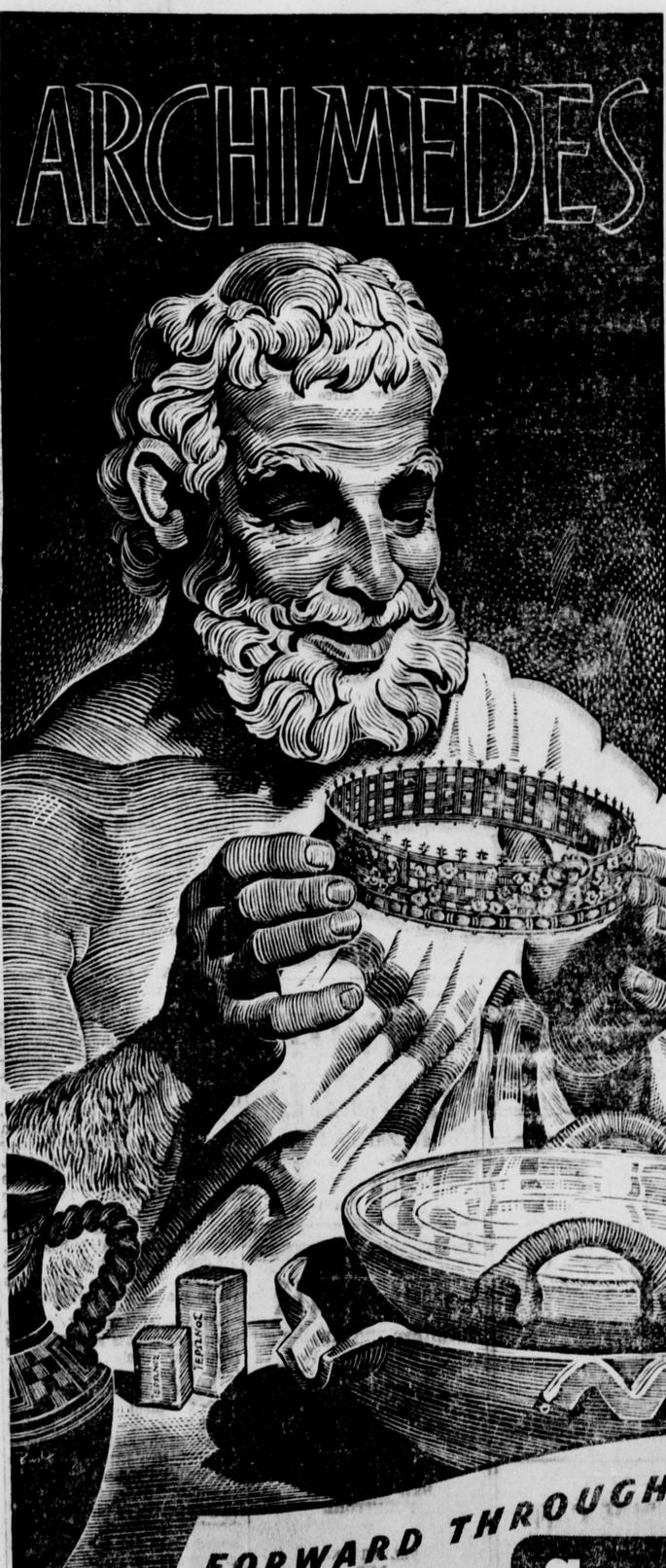
tion of artificial respiration started that the call was made for the doctor and police.

The little boy usually slept in a crib in the one room. Both the bodies were found in the crib. The little boy was seated at the foot of the crib and the little girl was within the covers. The bedding and mattress of the iron cot were partly burned and still smouldering. There was also a scorched patch on the wooden floor below the cot. It was from this fire that the smoke had eliminated as there were no other fires in the house. The house, four-roomed, was heated by an oil burner in the kitchen which had been out earlier in the evening. The fire in the cot had been put out by the time of the arrival of the police. Constables Stevens and Brue answered the call and were later joined by Corp. Lashmar.

The mother was at first too overcome with grief to give a coherent story of the evening to the police.

Authorities were endeavouring to get in touch with the father so he might return home.

John Johnson is an uncle of the children, being the brother of Mrs. Hanburg.



*Eureka!*  
**I have found it!**

King Hiero asked Archimedes to find out if the full amount of gold given to his goldsmith had been used in making his crown, or if some silver had been substituted. Water overflowing as Archimedes stepped into the bath suggested the solution. So he dropped the crown into a full vessel of water and measured the overflow of water. A bar of gold of the exact weight of the crown displaced less water than the crown. A bar of silver of the same weight displaced more water than the crown. Then he knew the crown was part gold and part silver. After further research, he gave to the world the law of specific gravity known as the Principle of Archimedes.

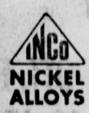
THE discoveries made by Nickel research scientists may not be as far-reaching as that of Archimedes, but they have been very important to the Canadian Nickel industry and to Canada. These discoveries are in a large measure responsible for the fact that Nickel is today an important material in nearly every industry.

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