

The DAILY NEWS SPORTS



OLYMPIC SKATER — Craig Mackay, 24-year-old Saskatoon speed skater, is on Canada's Olympic team at the winter events next month at Oslo, Norway. He placed 11th and 13th in two events in the 1948 Olympics. He holds the Canadian record of 2:26.4 for 1,500 metres and placed seventh in 500 metres and ninth in 1,500 metres at the 1950 world championships in Sweden.
(CP PHOTO)

Jordan and Iraq Union

By ZEIN NAGATI

CAIRO (AP)—The tiny, troubled Arab kingdom of Jordan, which rules over the Christian shrines of Jerusalem and Bethlehem, is facing increasing pressure for unity with neighboring Iraq.

The pressure is from within the country. It comes from a large number of businessmen and political leaders. The unity project has been urged openly in the Jordan parliament.

Those who back unity with Iraq argue it is the only solution for Jordan's shaky economy. More than half of Jordan's budget now is a subsidy from the British, who have trained and led Jordan's famous Arab Legion of desert fighters.

Jordan's cabinet and King Talal—who took over the crown only a few months ago after the assassination of his father, King Abdullah—are against the idea. The British are believed to be against it, too.

The voice of those calling for unity became so loud that the government ordered newspapers to stop talking about it. The press, which had been for union, is not permitted to report parliamentary debates on the plan.

Jordan is a small, barren land which never has been able to support itself. It has been important in recent Middle East history, because it has a long common border with Israel.

The country produces little except a few agricultural products but it must import food to feed its people. It has a budget of about \$35,000,000 of which \$20,000,000 comes from the British.

Jordan is a landlocked country, except for a poor port on the Gulf of Aqaba off the Red Sea. A second-rate motor road connects Aqaba with Amman, the capital.

haunted now. Business is stagnant.

Iraq, the ancient land of Mesopotamia, has vast potential land resources in the basins of the Tigris and Euphrates Rivers. It has great oil riches which have not been fully exploited yet because the oil must be piped some 600 miles to the sea.

New pipelines are being completed which will give Iraq great new revenues in oil royalties. Iraq has a population of about 3,500,000. Jordan's population—which more than tripled when Jordan annexed Arab Palestine in 1950—is about 1,800,000.

Nuri Said, Iraq's political strong man for decades has advocated a "fertile crescent" plan which would unite Iraq with Jordan, plus neighboring Syria and Lebanon. Iraq-Jordan unity would be the first step to achievement of this scheme.

The military dictatorship running Syria is against the idea. So is Lebanon—the only Arab country with a sizeable Christian population.

When King Abdullah was slain in a Jerusalem mosque last June, Nuri Said and Prince Rezaat Abdul Illah of Iraq came to Jordan to press unification. Iraq is ruled by the boy King, Feisal, a close blood relative of the late King Abdullah and the present King Talal.

Both Jordan, with its Arab Legion of 35,000, and Iraq, with an army of 70,000, would play an important role in any Middle East command which the Western Powers propose to set up.

PLANNING AHEAD

SYDNEY, Australia (Reuters)—Three cranks of wine laid recently at Seppeltsfield, South Australia's famous wine-making centre, will be opened in the year 2001. The wine in the casks then will be 50 years old, coincident with the centenary of Australian federation.

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Amman was a boom town for a while, during and right after the Arab-Jew fighting in Palestine. Refugees who fled with their money spent much of it in Jordan. The money is mostly ex-

Valley while the great industrial centres would still be hungry. Japan's main physical difficulties in developing power are the short deep valleys in which water cannot be stored to any great extent and sporadic, unreliable rainfall between droughts.

Caught between the choice of power or food, the Japanese people so far have chosen food. Yet, power consumption is increasing. The public are buying more and more electric appliances. Industry is continually asking for more power.

Foreign power experts blame bad government planning for the shortage and declare that immediate action rather than grandiose schemes will help Japan over the power famine period.

These experts say that the soundest course would be for the government to modernize existing facilities and back small hydro-electric development schemes spread throughout Japan as near as possible to the big industrial centres.

Power Lack Hits Japan

Hits Country's Industrial Challenge to World

By ROSS MARK

TOKYO (Reuters)—A power famine has begun to choke off the growing rumble of Japan's industry in its challenge for world trade.

Sudden electricity blackouts are daily striking factories in Tokyo, Osaka, Nagoya, Hiroshima, Nagasaki and other great industrial centres.

The government has made much in the press of a huge electric power development scheme to feed the growing giant of Japanese industry. But Allied headquarters (SCAP) power experts say that this scheme, to cost between \$280,000,000 and \$2,000,000,000, is a romantic politician's dream.

They criticize the government plan on the grounds that:

1. It calls for the formation of one octopus-like corporation to control all Japan's electric power.

2. It includes construction of five large dams which would pile up water across thousands of acres of valley, destroying rich rice lands.

Objection to the first point is based on the fact that only last May the occupation broke up a power monopoly. When the power industry fell into the hands of the militaristic Tojo government in 1939, it became the motor of the Japanese war machine.

Flooding of the valleys could bring hunger to thousands of Japanese. Since Japan lost her "ricebowls" of Formosa and Korea, she has not been able to produce enough to feed herself and can ill afford to lose fruitful acreage.

Yet electricity is an essential prop to the Japanese economy. Coal is so scarce and expensive that Japanese factories cannot afford to use it. They are trying to keep down prices to compete on overseas markets.

Power shortage has become a semi-chronic postwar phenomenon in Japan.

BIG HYDRO PLANS

The government plan envisages development of hydro-electric power, including a monster dam project across the Tadami river, northwest of Tokyo on the main island of Japan. But even Japanese technicians have admitted that the acute shortage of steel, copper and aluminum would severely limit transmission of power to other parts of Japan. They declare that there would be "power running out of everybody's ears" in the Tadami

What's doing at— CIVIC CENTRE

The class for girls doing woodwork at the Civic Centre is interesting more members each week. Diane Foreman finished the doll cradle in two weeks and attended the Saturday painting class to put the finishing touches on her work. There are new patterns, which require heavier wood and less cutting with a stool, hobby horse, knick-knack shelf and a paper towel rack among the patterns which prove more interesting.

The Junior girls have requested a sewing class. This is to be on Monday afternoon which will replace the Teen Crafts period. Those Teeners taking leathercraft will attend Wednesday night classes as usual. Girls may provide their own material or may use materials at the class which will be supplied at cost. The patterns include small articles viewed in a monthly magazine requiring a minimum of work and expense. The first meeting will be held next Monday after school. Members are expected to meet in the Craft Room.

Furniture craft is still being carried on at the Centre. Mrs. B. Boulton has completed the first chair and reports that it is most satisfactory. Instructions and patterns as well as ideas regarding color scheme are available through these classes.

Glendon Smith is now learning the art of making a spring belt in an intricate pattern while Kenny McKinnon cut out a drawing bag last week at the craft class on Wednesday night. Expanding bag frame purses are quite fashionable again now and patterns and materials are on display at the Civic Centre. English suede is especially fine for this project and a delight to work with.

Application forms for Miss Cross' courses are available at the Civic Centre office. People taking the Home Rejuvenating course are being advised to scout around early to find suitable articles to work on and to register for the courses as the classes are filling up rapidly.

Rangers And Bruins Draw

BOSTON — Rookie Herb Dickenson and Wally Hergensheimer scored third-period goals Tuesday night to move the New York Rangers into a three-all tie with Boston Bruins. The deadlock enabled the Rangers to retain fourth place in the National Hockey League.

Paul Rosty, former Bruin, set up both Dickenson and Hergensheimer to ruin Boston's hopes of moving into the circuit's fourth place berth which the Rangers hold by a one-point margin.

Gary Stewart opened the Rangers' scoring in the first period and Rookie Leo Labine put the Bruins into a one-all tie with only seventeen seconds remaining in the session.

Dave Creighton and J. H. Y. Pelton countered during the second period to give the Bruins a 3 to 1 lead. Then Dickenson and Hergensheimer did their work in the third.

Hockey Scores

Pacific Coast
Edmonton 2, Saskatoon 10
Vancouver 3, Victoria 5
Okanagan
Penticton 3, Vernon 8
Pacific Coast (Amateur)
Vancouver 5, Nanaimo 3
Western Int. All Star
All-Stars 5, Spokane 6

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
Detroit	25	9	8	124	77	60
Toronto	21	14	9	107	88	51
Montreal	19	18	6	114	102	44
New York	15	20	9	111	132	39
Boston	14	19	10	96	114	38
Chicago	12	27	4	103	142	28

International Hoop Series Called Off; Weather Too Severe

The Weather Man has interfered with the Ketchikan-Prince Rupert senior international basketball series which was to have been held in the city this Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings. The engagement has been called off for the time being owing to the severity of winter weather conditions.

Goalie Back To Buffalo

VANCOUVER — Goalkeeper Phil McAte will be returned to Buffalo of the American Hockey League by the Vancouver Canucks, it was announced today.

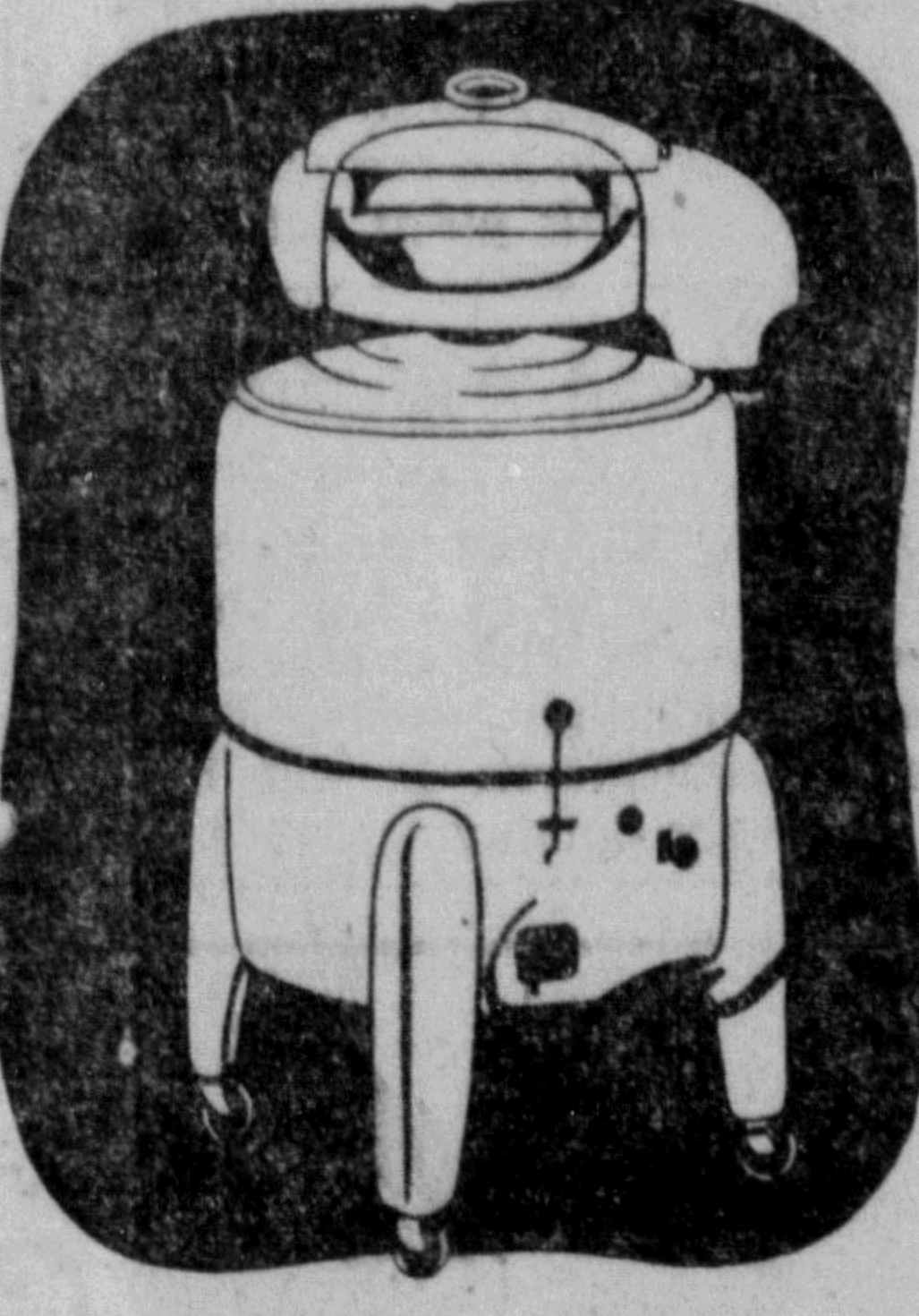
The Pacific Coast League team, apparently, has decided to go along with Nick Pisdodny who joined the Canucks a few weeks ago.

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NEW YORK — Capt. Kurt Carlsen may return to sea with the best wishes of a board of inquiry which investigated the sinking of the freighter Flying Enterprise.

Capt. Lewis Shackelford, presiding officer at the inquiry, told Carlsen yesterday that he realized what he had been through and hoped his ordeal will not be repeated.

Shackelford added: Go back to sea with best wishes. He closed the hearings after Carlsen testified about the Flying Enterprise saga.

The skipper said that the wild storm, not improper loading, sent the freighter to the bottom. Findings of the board of inquiry will be sent to coast guard headquarters for final consideration and determination as to whether there was any negligence among the crew of the freighter.

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Beavers Lead Junior League

As a result of their 34 to 17 defeat by Beavers Tuesday evening, Manson's forfeited their first place in the Junior League to the Bo-Mc-Hi Beavers. Manson's are now in second place in the league. It was the fourth consecutive game that the Beavers have won.

During the first half both teams had difficulty with their ball handling and Manson's troubles included poor shooting all through the game.

At the end of the first quarter Manson's were leading 8 to 5, and at half time they were still leading with a score of 14 to 11. The last half, however, favored the Beavers who made 25 more points while Manson's netted only three.

The game represented respectively Manson's second loss and the Beavers' sixth win. High scorers were Christensen, with 14, for the Beavers, and Barnes and Helin, each with six, for Manson's. Of the thirteen fouls called by referees Morrison and Fenn, four were on the Beavers and nine on the Jewelers.

Scoring:
Manson's—Webber 2, Helin 6, Brennan, Mostad, Barnes 6, Hodgkinson 3, Total 17.
Beavers—Tanaka 4, T. Nakatsu 3, M. Nakatsu, Mah 6, Yamamoto, Matsuo, Tsuchiya, Haudenschild 5, Morven, Christenson 14, Total 34.

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