

DID YOU KNOW? By Ed Sweeney

In the 1928-29 NHL Season, the Chicago Blackhawks scored a grand total of three goals in the month of February. The club went the month with a record of one win, seven losses, two ties and were shut out in eight straight games. Rookie Johnny Gottselig who played the previous campaign in the American Hockey Association with the Winnipeg Maroons scored all three of Chicago's goals.

Manitoba Hockey Hall of Famer Phil Hergesheimer scored his 200th American League goal and joined Les Cunningham, Lou Trudel and Fred Thurrier as the only players in circuit history to gain membership with the exclusive "Two Hundred Goals Club". It happened in a game played on February 11, 1948 when the Philadelphia Captain "Phantom Phil" tallied a late 3rd period goal against Pittsburgh Hornets net minder "Baz" Bastien.

The 1956 Winnipeg Warriors won the Western Professional Hockey League Championship and then the Edinburgh Trophy as Canadian Champions. Fred "Skippy" Burchell was a key member of that team. Burchell was the Warriors leading playoff scorer that year with 30 points in 20 games. "Skippy" passed away on June 4, 1998 at the age of 67. Manitoba Hockey Hall of Famers on that Championship Winnipeg club were: Billy Mosienko, Ed "Spider" Mazur, Eric Nesterenko, Gary Aldcorn, Danny Summers, Mickey Keating, team captain Fred Shero, Len Thornson, Bill Juzda, Cece Hockestra and coach Alf Pike. Other Manitobans on the squad were: Bill Burega, Chuck Lumsden, Gary Blaine, Murray Couch, Don Collins and Al Johnson.