

SPORTS—NEAR and FAR

FIST FIGHT FEATURES TORONTO MAROONS ICE BATTLE LAST NIGHT

Maroons on Scoring Bee, Won, 8 to 2—Three Major Penalties in Contest—Detroit and Rangers in 1-1 Tie.

Forum, Montreal, Que., Dec. 3—Lethargic in its opening moments, the National Hockey League game between Montreal Maroons and the Toronto Maple Leafs here tonight developed into a widely exciting struggle with a fist fight in the second period and the excitement kept up as Maroons went on a scoring bee and won the battle 8 to 2.

There were three major penalties handed out for the second period, and two more for a penalty box war in the last period.

Tame Contest

The contest was tame enough at the opening. Jackson and Bailey teamed for a goal and then Siebert took a double pass from Stewart and Hooley Smith and evened the count.

The Leafs and Maroons each had four players on the ice. Following the second period melee the locals, however, were hitting their stride, and with a great offensive that swept the battered Torontonians off their feet, ran in five goals.

Ward got the first one, Hooley Smith notched another, Siebert took a pass from Lionel Conacher for his second goal of the game. Trotter took a pass from Lionel Conacher and counted one, and then Siebert lifted a long drive from the blue line. Grant put up his hand to ward it off and the puck was deflected into the cage.

What A Bone

Chuck Conacher in the final stanza stickhandled through the defence, closed in on the Maroons goalie and jabbed the puck into the net with his stick. The Leafs then threw all their men into the attack and left Grant to his own defence in the Toronto goal. Lionel Conacher got away from a scramble at his own goal mouth and skated down the ice and scored.

1-1 Tie

Detroit, Michigan, Dec. 3—After a brilliant first period, in which each squad scored a goal, the New York Rangers and the Detroit Falcons played defensive hockey for two regular and an overtime period in their National League Hockey match here tonight, the game ending a 1-1 tie.

Lineup Shifts

The Falcons scored first, Lewis deflecting a drive by Benny Cox past goalie John Ross Roach. Bun Cook, flashy Ranger wingman, got the New York goal two minutes later on a pass from Boucher. Each goal came with an enemy player in the penalty box.

NEW PIRATE HEAD

Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 1—The managerial reins of the Pittsburgh Pirates today were turned over to George Gibson, of Mt. Bridges, Ont., former pilot of the Buccaneers.

Gibson who succeeds Jewel Ens released at the close of the 1931 baseball campaign affixed his signature to a one-year contract. Ens had relieved Donie Bush after the close of the 1929 season.

SENATORS TO MAKE BID FOR A PENNANT

(By Sam Murphy)

Clark Griffith is trying to wean away a second-string catcher from some of the other American League teams to help Roy Spencer, who replaced Muddy Ruel last season with such good results. The backstopping department is a source of worry to Griffith. Spencer is O. K. to do the bulk of the work. He is no Mickey Cochrane, but he handles pitchers well and is dangerous at the bat.

The job of working so many games told on Spencer, but the Washington Club had no able second string man, and Griffith is finding it hard to get one. Cliff Bolton is a young catcher who is coming along fast. He has much to learn about pitchers and fielding but he can crash the ball with his bat. One more year of catching may fit him for regular duty in case Spencer feels in need of a rest.

There is young Phelps a whale of a lad as far as size goes, but lacks experience behind the bat. He is a sand lotter of two years pro experience. In two years in the minor leagues he has hit above .400, but he is far from a major league backstop.

Gharitty is an old catcher, but his work this season will be coaching the pitchers and not taking a turn behind the wicket.

Any experienced major league backstop will be snared by the Washington team as soon as his name appears on the waiver list. In the meantime Griffith is going to Chicago to try and talk trade with some of the other magnates, but they all seem to be in as bad shape for second-string catchers as Griffith is.

ALBIE BOOTH EXPECTS TO PLAY AGAIN FOR YALE

New Haven, Dec. 3—In spite of reports to the contrary, it was learned today that Albie Booth fully expects his athletic career to continue when he returns to college.

Under Yale's rules he would be eligible for participation in basketball and baseball should he come back to college next fall. He today expressed to close friends the keen desire to finish his career by taking part in these two sports.

He fully expects to be able to do so. No doctor associated with the case was willing today to say definitely that Booth would be able or unable to carry out his ambitious plans.

It is likely that all depends upon his response to treatment at the Gaylord Farm Sanatorium at Wallingford.

At Sanatorium

Booth entered upon his stay of indefinite length at the sanatorium at Wallingford today, having been removed from the New Haven hospital by ambulance early yesterday afternoon. Booth thus missed the final formal event of the football season, the gathering to elect the 1932 captain, at the Taft Hotel tonight. His departure also meant the impossibility of another yearly event, that of taking the team picture on the day of the Captain's election. It is not known what kind of a picture will be taken for the perpetual records, but it was said tonight that no team would be taken without Booth.

Booth will remain at the sanatorium longer than most official statements concerning his condition would admit, it being understood now that he will be forced to remain there for a rest cure for a period of approximately six months instead of the two months which was set yesterday by members of the family as the minimum length of time to be required for his recovery.

Graduate in '32?

The longer period of rest and absence from college means without doubt that Booth will not be graduated with his class, the Class of 1932 in the Sheffield Scientific School. The hope has been expressed that he will be able to return to Yale next fall to complete his course and receive his degree in February. This is also unlikely in view of the fact that he attended classes less than a full term this year and will therefore probably need a full year's work to receive his degree.

In keeping with traditional policies of Yale football, Albie, as the 1931 captain, will be invited to serve as assistant coach of the 1932 varsity next fall. It is thought now that he may be able to return to Yale for class work and also to participate in this customary function of retiring captains.

Reports that Booth has been subject to his present illness through the football season were flatly denied today. It had been said that Booth as slight as he is, has been losing weight right along and was down from his normal weight of some 148 pounds to about 140 pounds at the end of the Harvard game a week ago last Saturday. According to the Yale coaches, the truth is that Booth has weighed more than in other years during the present season, his weight ranging from 148 to 151 with regularity all season.

HOOF PRINTS

Walter Cox was not as liberal a buyer of yearling last week as usual, because he is determined to keep the roster of the Good Time Stable to fewer numbers, something Mr. Crane has desired for several years.

Thomas Ashworth of Charlton City was the heaviest non-dealer buyer of yearling last week. There will be no end of the good times at his Sturbridge track as the youngsters are schooled the next few weeks.

TURNING THE DIAL

By Harry Garvie

Speaking of long passes or were we? Lloyd Brazil, star backfield player of Detroit, two years ago, threw a forward pass a distance of 66 yards. The more cumbersome English Rugby style of play cannot be thrown that distance, but we have seen some of the collegians here throw passes of almost forty yards. Seldom in the English style of play, is it necessary to throw passes of that latitude owing to the nature of the game, but there are times when some big-handed youth tosses the pigskin for a considerable distance, instead of the prescribed few feet of an ordinary pass.

The latter stages of the 1931 football season across the border has witnessed an unusually large number of casualties in the grid game—more than in other years. Close to 30 deaths have resulted in the many colleges throughout the land. There have been thousands of injuries of varying degrees of seriousness from sprained ankles to broken legs, thighs, and arms.

More than ever, there has been the demand for changes in the game to alleviate these occurrences. Plans have been suggested to eliminate certain phases of the game, which appear more dangerous than others, and those more radically inclined, have urged the abolishment of the present game on the strength of its rough nature.

John W. Heisman, one of the pioneers of the game in the United States, attributes the increase

in number of casualties to the increased demand among the country's sport fans for fiercer action, "the generation's insatiable desire for more and better thrills." Heisman says: "If the American people really are alarmed about football's death toll, they have only themselves to blame. It is their lust for hard, dangerous action, that has created the situation. They in turn, have been abetted by the coaches. Realizing they must produce, the coaches have learned to whip their players into a frenzy before the game and send them into action fired to the limit. The successful coach now-a-days, must first be an orator, then a football strategist." Though the English game as played here, is not played in the Dominion on such a scale as the American style in the U. S., yet we think, that there are still fewer casualties in the English game, by reason of its still more openness of play.

The Arctic Rink saw its first water of the cold season last night when the management had its crew of workers busily engaged in the placing down a layer of water on the rink floor. Weather conditions continuing, there now seems to be a possibility of ice by December 14th, the opening date of the Northern M. A. H. A. loop.

Capitals start their last trip of the Big Six series next week meeting the Bearcats and the Wolverines. They then return to the capital for the opening of the regular season.

SPORT BREVITIES

PICKS WOOD AND HARDY

West Point, N. Y. Dec. 3—Maj. Ralph I. Sasse, Army's head football coach, named six Eastern players today in selecting his All-America eleven for 1931.

His choices follow:

Ends—Orsi of Colgate and Dalrymple of Tulane.

Tackles—Hardy of Harvard and Quates of Pittsburgh.

Guards—Summerfelt of Army and Hickman of Tennessee.

Center—Daugherty of Pittsburgh.

Quarterback—Wood of Harvard.

Backs—Schwartz of Notre Dame, Monnett of Michigan State and Pinkert of Southern California.

INVITE BOSTON BOXERS

New York, Dec. 3—Amateur boxing squads from New Orleans and Boston have been invited to compete against a Metropolitan team in Madison Square Garden Dec. 14 and 15.

Several teams had sought the invitation, the boxing committee of the Metropolitan A. A. U. announced, and Boston and New Orleans finally were selected by the toss of a coin.

Whips Crowley

New York, Dec. 3—Al. Singer, ex-lightweight champion, outpointed Tommy Crowley, of Pittsburgh in the eighth round feature match at the Yonkers S. C. tonight. Singer weighed 133½, Crowley 140½.

In the five-round semi-final, Karl Laufenschlager of Kansas City outpointed Joe Valenti, New York middleweight. Laufenschlager weighed 156½ pounds, Valenti 155.

TO TRY FREDDIE

New York, Dec. 3—John J. McGraw, in a fanning bee with the Sun today, discussed his plans for next year's Giant team and revealed plans to convert Freddie Lindstrom into a second baseman, if Hughie Critz' ailing arm does not respond to treatment.

"I intend to try Lindstrom at second base next year and feel reasonably sure he will succeed in that posi-

McEVERS PASSING
New York, Dec. 3—Word that the undefeated University of Tennessee Volunteers have a halfback named Gene McEver who can throw a football through a hoop at 50 paces and more often plants it in the arms of a team-mate the same distance, has penetrated the camp at the New York University Violets.
As a result, Coach Chick Meehan's huskies are seeing little but flying pigskins these crisp afternoons as they prepare for Saturday's engagement with the Southern eleven at Yankee Stadium. If the Volunteers do ride to victory by the aerial route, it will not be because the Violets were not forewarned and forearmed.

The annual banquet of the Burrillville Driving Club Sunday, Dec. 6, in Big Cedar Inn, Pascoag, R.I., bids well to be one of the largest ever staged by this club. Secretary Milton Mason, Natick, R. I. invites everyone interested in horses to attend this dinner that will begin at 2 p.m.

Spats are all right for bachelors but not for newlyweds.

"said the veteran manager of the Giants. "If not, he can return to the outfield, where he developed into one of the best last season, before he broke his ankle.

As for the remainder of the Giants 1932 lineup, it will be almost identical with that of last season, McGraw said. He plans an infield of Terry, Lindstrom, Jackson and Vergez. Fullis and Ott are fixtures in the outfield, with Koenecke, obtained from Indianapolis, due to receive a thorough trial. Hogan and O'Farrell again will be the regular catchers, with young Frank Healey due to break in as relief man. McGraw said he would stand pat on his pitching staff.

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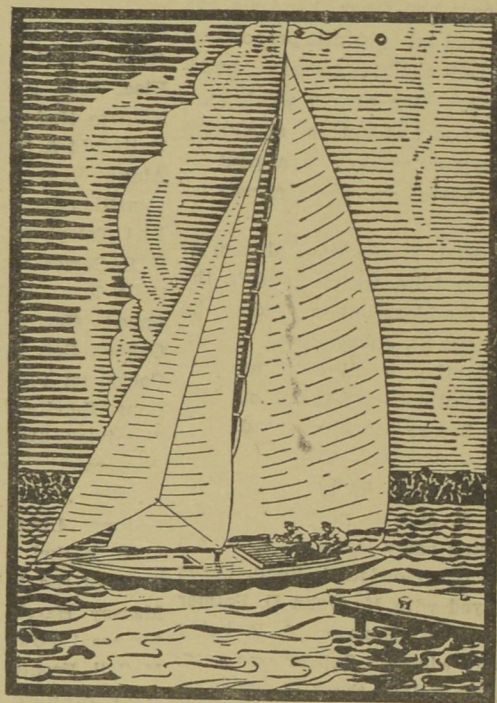
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