

SPORTS—NEAR and FAR

TORONTO LEAFS AND N. Y. AMERICANS IN 70 MINUTE OVERTIME DRAW

Free-for-All Scrap Featured Game Between These
Two Last Night—Penalties Thick—The
Bruins and Rangers Also in Thrilling
Tied Encounter.

Madison Square Garden, New York, Dec. 15—The Toronto Maple Leafs and New York Americans battled through 70 minutes of hard hockey punctuated by a free-for-all fight in the penalty box, to a 2-2 tie tonight. The draw put the Leafs in a tie with the idle Montreal Canadiens for second place in the Canadian Division of the National Hockey League.

The penalty box battle came in the middle of the second period, just after Toronto had scored its first goal. It started when Red Horner of Toronto charged George Patterson, American wing man and got a crack with a stick in return. They began to fight in the "cooler" and when fans tried to separate them, Horner included the peacemakers among the object of his wrath.

Horner drew a ten minute penalty. Patterson was given a major for slashing. The American got off to an early lead when Patterson got a long shot past goalie Lorne Chabot soon after the game started and Normie Himes back-handed in a short one just before the end of the first period. Alex Levinsky scored Toronto's first counter on a solo dash down the left alley and Charley Conacher tied the count in the third period on a long drive that Roy Worters missed when his views was blocked by his defence man, Red Dutton.

Tough Luck

Boston, Dec. 15—The New York Rangers failed to break the Bruin jinx tonight as they battled into an overtime period to gain a 2 to 2 tie. All the scoring came in an exciting opening period and after that both teams appeared to have exhausted their offensive strength.

But much of the excitement came in the second period after Eddie Shore, Bruin defense man, had left the ice on a penalty. The Rangers bombarded the Bruin goal but failed to break the deadlock.

Welland started the scoring when he teamed up with Clapper and Shore. The flashy Barry added another tally soon afterward when he dashed down the rink alone and slashed the disc past Roach.

The Bruins fought to hold the two-point lead, but Boucher and Bill Cook soon flashed down the ice and bill shot one into the Bruin's net. Murdoch and Somers co-operated to bring the tying score.

SPORTING NOTES

Batting Record

Boston, Mass., Dec. 15—Official batting records in the American League for 1931, just released for publication show that new records were established by individual players on the New York, Boston and Cleveland clubs, and club records by the Yankees and the White Sox.

Al Simmons of the Athletics was the leading batsman with .390.

One of the record-breakers was "Babe" Ruth, whose 18th season in the game was his best in many respects.

Ruth finished second in the race for individual honors, with an average of .373. He was tied with Gehrig for the most home runs, 46; was second in run scored with 149 this being the ninth season he has scored 125 runs or more, and the 10th season that he has hit 40 or more home runs.

In major league history, the sluggers, excepting Ruth, have hit 40 or more home runs in a season only nine times.

Ruth's 199 hits last season were good for a total of 374 bases. In each of five games he drove out two home runs. Altogether he has made two home runs in each of 62 games which is a record to shoot at.

Supports Rockne Fun

South Bend, Indiana, Dec. 15—Knute Rockne's influence reached even to the shadows. An inmate of a prison in Iowa has sent a pledge for \$25 to the Rockne Memorial Field House Fund at Notre Dame, it was announced here today.

The donor whose prison number is given as 12910, expects to make his pledge good a year from now.

"My present situation," he wrote "does not allow me to write 'draft enclosed', but I am grateful to have

MEEHAN RESIGNS

New York, N. Y., Dec. 15—John F. (Chick) Meehan, head football coach at New York University for the last seven years, announced his resignation today.

In a formal, if somewhat vague, statement, Meehan said he desired that "no consideration be given to the renewal" of his contract. He added he had made no coaching plans for 1932.

WHAT THE FOG SHOWS TO THOSE HIGHER UP

(New York Sun)

On one of the recent foggy mornings persons who work high up in the skyscrapers of downtown New York were treated to an unusual sight.

The heavy, dark fog hung low over the city and waters, while higher up the sun shone brightly. Not a boat could be seen, but their constant tootings let all know that they were slowly feeling their way from shore to shore.

The Statue of Liberty, with the entire pedestal shrouded in the fog, looked as if she were walking on a cloud. Here and there tops of buildings in Jersey City, and the four minaret-like towers on a building on Ellis Island stood out mirage-like in the bright sunlight. All was peaceful and serene.

Looking out over Governors Island toward Brooklyn the sight was very different. The same dark fog hid the earth from view. A strong east wind blew white clouds of smoke and steam in swirls and gusts and the tips of the buildings rearing themselves above the fog looked as if they were half hidden in a snowy blizzard. Now and then a trail of smoke marked the path of a ferry-boat whistling its way through the fog. It was truly a spectacle not soon to be forgotten.

the chance to participate in the cause for a lasting memorial to the one and only 'Rock', Knute Rockne.

"Attached is my signed pledge in the amount of \$25 marked to be paid in full before or by Dec. 1, 1932. If my bit in this way is at all acceptable, I shall consider it a pledge of honor. Yes, I still retain that."

HODSON HAS FINE YOUNGSTERS AT PINEHURST

(By Frank G. Trott)

From a Boston man who spends every daylight hour possible at a training ground of trotters and pacers comes a letter telling of a very enjoyable day spent in breaking a trip to Florida, at Pinehurst, N. C., where Will Hodson, Herman Tyson and Ned McCarr are so pleasantly located for the winter, with Harry and Lyman Brusie joining them today.

The traveler did not visit around after reaching the quarters of the capable Hartford reinsman. He writes:

"From early winter to mid-summer is a long time, but if Hodson does not have even a better season next year than this, I will be greatly surprised. He has nine extra fine yearlings, a proven great two-year-old and 11 head which will be in the aged division on the first of the year. I consider the 22 animals in about as nearly perfect condition for this time of year as any lot I have ever seen and I have looked over many since the late Charley Clark brought the sulky with the low wheels and rubber tires."

Ideal Training Spot

The rover goes on to tell what he thinks of Pinehurst as a winter training place—about the best in the so-called South and finishes with a roster of the Hodson stable. The yearlings are:

Katherine, full sister to Maid McElwyn, 2:02 1-2.

Frederic W., by Peter Volo—Lady Sybil, by San Francisco.

North Ward, by Peter Volo—Levasia, by Le Tide.

Gallant Knight, by Mr. McElwyn—daughter of Day Star.

Laura Payne, by The Laurel Hall—daughter of Axvolo.

Marietta Volo, by Peter Volo—Tronia Watts, dam of Tronia Briton 2:00 1-2, by General Watts.

Low Bunter by Bunter, daughter of Peter Chenaull.

Calumet Delaware by Truax—Hollywood Maggie, by Joe Dodge.

Miss Directum, by Directum J.—daughter of Peter Volo.

Laura Payne and Miss Directum are pacers. Laura has shown a quarter in 30 1-4 seconds and is counted a future champion.

Maid McElwyn, 2:02 1-2, fastest of racing two year old trotting fillies is the only prospective three year-old trotter of her gait in the stable the other now two year old being pacers, Newbrooke Volo and Preferred Stock, both being Peter Volo's. The Maid is in excellent condition. She is a Hambletonian Stake candidate and has as many followers as her conquerer in the Kentucky Futurity, Calumet Chuck.

The three year olds are Short Hills and Ruth Willoughby, trotters and Langworthy, a pacer.

The aged horses are: Calumet Alden, Zombro Hanover, Crusader, Peter Patch, Bob Galloway, Prince W., and Happy The Great.

Galloway is being tried on the pace and appears to take kindly to the shift.

HOCKEY RESULTS

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Canadian Section

	W	L	D	Pts
Americans	5	3	4	14
Canadiens	5	5	2	12
Toronto	4	4	4	12
Maroons	4	7	1	9
Rangers	7	2	3	17
Boston	5	5	2	12
Chicago	3	4	10	14
Detroit	3	6	2	8

TURNING THE DIAL

By Harry Garvie

FREDERICTON meets the Abbies tonight in their second game of the Northern M. A. H. A. loop. The game will be played on the Island. Other games scheduled in the loop are: Moncton at Dalhousie (we hear Dal objects to Buzz McLeod as referee), and Campbellton at Bathurst. J. H. Drummie will ref at Charlottetown, and Les Lowther at Bathurst.

FREDERICTON CAPS will come home and give fans here the first glimpse of them this season when they meet Bathurst Papermakers here on Friday night. Ice conditions, of course, making it possible.

"HOOLEY" SMITH, pride and thorn by turns to his club, the Montreal Maroons, leads the big circuit in points for the current season to date, according to official figures just released. Four goals and nine assists brings this fiery young man's total up to 13 points. Incidentally, his penalty record is high, too. Eddie Shore and Nels Stewart lead the "bad men" with 32 minutes apiece in the penalty box.

AUB WEBSTER, the Weyburn flash, has something more than speed, glancing over the figures of scoring in this early season hockey warfare. This young hockey player is piling in goals at an astonishing rate, and seems to be one of the best scoring men in the Maritimes to date. The line of Webster-Mosher-McManus certainly have shown plenty of scoring punch. The other line, though they haven't been worked so much, and therefore cannot be judged with the other in the scoring line, still looks to us to be more of the "shock" line. The two front lines will probably turn out to be the nicest alternate combination of speed and scoring power anywhere in the Maritimes.

"TEN PER CENT" is a popular or rather unpopular expression these days. The latest provincial mention of this now odious term is the slash of railway employees' salaries. In big league and minor league baseball a similar ten per cent cut in salaries has been officially sanctioned by the powers that be. Though the matter has been left to the club owners, it is quite definitely assured that ten per cent will be the wage slash of the ball players. It is said that the cutting of the player limit from 25 to 23 alone means a saving of \$10,000 to each club, major and minor.

MAX CAREY, one of the great base stealers of another big league day, and who next season will have the reins of power at Brooklyn, replacing Uncle Wilbert Robinson, plans to insert an elaborate program of baserunning into the camp activities this spring. Probably on the strength of the popularity of "Pepper" Martin's feats in the late world series, comes this decision of interest. It is undoubtedly that Martin's stunts on the basepaths has led many managers to renewal of interest in this department of the game. Martin fairly dazzled the sport world with his speed and daring. The fans came to see him.

"The fans will come again to see more of such stealing," rationally argues Max; and so next spring is liable to see the Robins tearing around the basepaths and "hitting the dirt" in glorious abandon. Basestealing is fated for a marked revival, if all reports are true of club managers and owners' interest in this recently neglected department of baseball.

JIM LONDOS, who defends his title Friday night against the red-headed Irishman, O'Shocker, is not only adept in every hold, but is well up in the history of wrestling.

"Wrestling," declares Jimmy, "is the oldest of all sports and it will always have popular appeal as long as the world lasts. I was first fired with a desire to wrestle when I saw a statue of Milo of Croton, who was champion in 511 B. C."

IN MILO'S TIME

"In Milo's time wrestling was a struggle to death." In order to score victory he had to send his opponent into eternity. There were no rules and everything went. It is said that Milo could hurl a 300-pound stone at a man twenty feet away. He was credited with being able to pull up a tree by the roots and carry a chariot with six men on it.

"His applications of wrestling holds caused his death. He chanced to pass a tree, where some woodsman had left a wedge when he found he could not split the tree. Milo used his bare hands, and he dislodged the wedge, but his hand caught in the crack and he became easy prey to the wolves. But to this day, Milo of Croton is the national athletic hero of Greece and his statue, symbolic of his greatness, stands in the National Museum, to inspire the youth of the land it is sure was my inspiration to become a wrestler.

"On the tombs of the Pharaohs have been found carvings of wrestlers which prove that it was the sport in the dynasties of the Egyptian kings thousands of years ago. I think right now it is more popular throughout the entire world than ever before."

—D. J. R.

HOOF PRINTS

Kalamazoo is out of the Grand Circuit.

Ben White has 16 yearlings at Longwood, Fla.

Bob Galloway, 2:02 1-2 trotting is being tried as a pacer.

G. W. Williams of Hartford owns Calumet Alden, 2:01 3-4.

Mat D., 2:05 1-4, the crack 3 year-old pacer lately secured by P. J. Spafford's stable at the Greendale track.

Peterna Harvester, 2:09 1-2, is the first mare booked to Protector, 1:59 1-4.

There will be not be as many occupied stalls at Longwood this winter as last.

Neil Frisco, 2:03, is now owned by Charles Ballard, North Sydney, N. S.

Will Dickerson will not join the training colony at Pinehurst until mid-winter.

Roy Nickerson is nicely located at William G. Horton's Maplecroft Farm, Ipswich.

The Rochester Fair dates for next year are Sept. 27, 28, 29, and 30.

Harry and Lyman Brusie will start in at Pinehurst early this week with 15 head, which have been shipped from Danbury, Conn.

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