

NEWS of SPORT

NEW ENGLAND SKEPTICAL ABOUT MONEY-EARNING

Horsemen There Content with Old System of Classification—Limit of Eleven Starts was Used.

Boston, Dec. 30—A generation ago a holiday season with the ground covered with snow brought joy to the horsemen of New England, and a day like this out on Beacon st. from the Boston line to Coolidge Corner was something to enthuse over.

Now the snow brings no thrill, very few of the men who drive finding any pleasure in it. Even out at the Charles River Speedway there is little sleighing, all the racing being done "around the stove."

The yuletide is truly the off season for the harness-horse followers, and this year it is unusually quiet.

Even with the annual meeting of the Grand Circuit stewards and the schedule-making session of the Bay State chain track managers only a week away, there seems to be no life. Nor is the effort of the National Trotting Association to find out how owners and trainers of the East feel about the money-earned system of classification creating even a ripple.

As a matter of fact, the men who campaign on New England and York State tracks are pretty well satisfied as things have been going the past few years.

The Bay State Circuit provides the best of early-Summer racing, then the Orange County tracks take the horses along to the fair season.

Elimination heats were not satisfactory last year, and it is likely they will be looked after at the Springfield meeting next week, as far as the Bay State Circuit is concerned.

One suggestion is that when 12 or more horses come to the score, the race shall become one of a mile and one-sixteenth heats.

The rule limiting fields to 11 starters was passed as a safety measure. The extra 110 yards, as it worked out at Avon and Windsor this past Fall, seemed to provide the safety sought even with extra large fields.

C. N. R. SPORTS ORGANIZATION EXTENDED

Montreal, Que., Dec. 30—Application for affiliation with the Amateur Athletic Union of Canada, as a branch of that organization, has been made by the Canadian National Recreation League. If accepted, this will bring a body of some 15,000 men and women, participants in the various sports events, in line with organized amateur sport in Canada and as such is an important step in amateur sport circles. This is one of the steps taken by the Canadian National Railways to organize the sporting activities of its employees on a national basis, through the formation of the Canadian National Recreation League. Recreation clubs, comprising members of the railway employees are organized in every large centre in Canada from the Atlantic to the Pacific and the activities of these cover all branches of amateur sport. Track and field meets are held annually at most of the larger centres where Canadian National athletes compete for honors. If the application for affiliation with the A. A. U. of Canada is accepted members of the Canadian National Recreation Clubs will require to take out amateur cards when they are competing in open or closed meets for such events as come under the jurisdiction of the Amateur Athletic Union.

INTERNATIONAL RUGBY IN B.C.

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 27—University of British Columbia Rugby team today defeated the touring Stanford University of California team, 6 to 3. The Californians led at half-time 3 to 0.

SCHOOL SPORT PLACED ON FIRM BASIS IN N. B.

Age Limit is Placed at 19 — Good Scholastic Standing to be Required After September.

Saint John, Dec. 30—Several leagues throughout various parts of New Brunswick were drawn up at a meeting here yesterday of the N. B. Scholastic Athletic Association C. B. Burden, Fredericton, occupied the chair.

The age limit for basketball and hockey was under discussion and was set down at 19. The individual concerned is ineligible if he has reached that age before the previous January 1. In the matter of field and track sports the age limit was placed at 19 years, the proviso being the same as in basketball and hockey, with the exception that the date reads May 1.

Another rule which will come into effect in September, 1927, states that any one repeating his year in school will not be permitted to take part in athletics conducted by the school.

The following leagues were drawn up—Basketball: Saint John High, St. Vincent's, Rothesay Collegiate School, Fredericton High and Normal School.

Woodstock High, McAdam Junction and Vocational School, Saint John.

Andover High, Plaster Rock, Edmundston and possible Grand Falls.

The last two named will play off in a semi-final and will compete against the winners of the first league named. The latter league will play off with the winners of the Sackville High, Mount Allison Academy and Moncton High League. The winners of the final will be the N. B. champions in basketball.

The leagues will be asked to have their schedules finished before the end of February.

Hockey League.

In regard to hockey activities there will be one big league formed on the North Shore, consisting of Campbellton High, Bathurst, Harkins Academy at Newcastle and St. Thomas' College, Chatham. Another league will be Moncton High, Mount A. Academy, Dorchester High and probably Sackville. Still another league will be Saint John High, Fredericton, Rothesay C. S., and probably Vocational School, Saint John, and St. Stephen. Play-offs will be left to the executive. The league will be asked to be finished by Feb. 19.

Those present at the meeting yesterday were: W. C. Haines, vice-president, Moncton; Dr. W. R. Hibbard, Rothesay C. S.; W. G. Jones, Newcastle; E. H. Wiley, Plaster Rock; R. H. Bennett, Saint John.

ALAN STERLING TRANSFERRED

The Fredericton Hockey Club, two games down because of late start at practice, met with another loss last evening when Alan Sterling, a valuable forward, left for Montreal. He has been transferred in the service of the Bank of Montreal. He played senior hockey while attending both Fredericton High and Provincial Normal. His brother Jimmie left for Pittsburgh a few days ago so two members of this well known athletic family are lost to Fredericton.

The local senior hockey club will dig in preparing for Saint John next Tuesday. As stated before in this paper a local league University of N. B., Fredericton, Marysville and Devon is being promoted to develop new material.

KEELING FOR ST. PATRICKS

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 30—"Butch" Keeling, former Owen Sound junior hockey player, has been recalled from the London team by the Toronto St. Patricks and will appear on the Irish line-up soon. Cox, formerly of Port Arthur, who has been with the Toronto professionals for some time, will be sent to the Forest City in exchange.

MONTREAL VICS AWAY ON TOUR NEXT MONTH

Joe Lamb to Play Right Wing in Europe — Five Countries are to be Visited.

Montreal, Dec. 30—Ten will compose the Victoria Hockey Club party which leaves for Europe on January 22 for Europe on a missionary hockey tour to assist in establishing the game there, at the invitation and expense of the daily newspaper Svenska Dagbladet. Those making the trip will be President S. C. Holland, in charge of affairs; Manager Russell Reid, who will play in some of the games; Beaudry, goal; Frank Carlin and Torry Shibley, defence; Sig Slater, centre; Wes King, left wing; Jos Lamb, right wing; Earl Robinson and Teddy Bowles, substitutes.

The team will be abroad about six weeks. They will play in Sweden, Berlin, Switzerland, France and England.

The team will sail in the Swedish-American lines SS. Stockholm from New York, January 22, and are due to arrive at Gothenburg, Sweden, January 31, where they will play an exhibition game before proceeding to Stockholm, where they are scheduled to give several exhibitions in the famous Stockholm stadium.

Mrs. S. C. Holland, wife of the president, and Mrs. Frank Carlin, Sr., mother of one of the players, will also accompany the team.

GYM RUGBY EXPERIMENT

Toronto, Dec. 30—"The first gymnasium rugby game" is being advertised here by a branch of the Y. M. C. A. The game will be played on New Year's Day. The rules have been changed for the innovation and are as follows: No flying tackles; ball dead when carrier yells "Held"; yardage to be five instead of ten yards; converts to be a free throw from basketball deadline; penalties are free throws; periods shall be two of 15 minutes' duration; ball will be small medicine ball weighing six pounds; ball may be kicked as usual. Many high school players will take part in the game, and Francis Trimble, of the University of Toronto squad, will probably referee.

CAMPBELLTON BEAT BATHURST

Campbellton, Dec. 29 — Showing flashes of mid-season speed and brilliance, Campbellton defeated Bathurst by a score of 3-2 in the opening game of the Northern League of the M. A. H. A. here tonight before a large gathering of spectators.

The line-up was as follows: Bathurst—Finnigan, goal; H. Cripps and B. Carroll, defence; Lawlor and D. Cripps, wings; K. Carroll, centre; James, Luce and Gammon, spares.

Campbellton—MacKenzie, goal; McLean and Miller, defence; Wilkes and Thomas, wings; Howard, centre; Lavolette, Ferguson and Shannon, spares. Referee—Buzz McLeod.

ROW OVER U. S. OLYMPICS

New York, Dec. 29—Protesting alleged domination of United States participation in the 1928 Olympic games by a minority group controlled by the Amateur Athletic Union, the National Amateur Athletic Federation at its annual meeting voted to withdraw from the American Olympic Association.

Presaging conflict with the A. A. U. in its own field, the Federation, which claims within its membership 90 per cent. of the nation's amateur athletic activities, then adopted a program for 1927 which calls for a more extensive development of its work along State lines.

U. S. CONGRESS MAY CONSIDER BALL SCANDAL

Clyde Kelly Intends to Introduce Resolution Before House of Representatives.

Washington, Dec. 30—Official Washington has arisen to the defense of Ty Cobb and Tris Speaker, accused by Judge Landis of conspiracy to "throw" a baseball game in 1919.

With fandom from the Pacific Coast to the Atlantic seaboard aroused over the accusation of the baseball dictator Judge Landis, Senators and Representatives are considering action to wash the diamond linen on the floors of Congress.

Senator Harris, Georgia Democrat, close friend of the "Georgia Peach," has received a strong plea to defend both men on the floor of the Senate.

At the same time, representative Clyde Kelly, Pennsylvania Republican, former ball player, announced his intention of introducing a resolution in the House, authorizing a complete investigation into the conspiracy charges.

Kelly believes that Congress has the power to investigate this angle under the Interstate Commerce law.

"Cobb and Speaker are outstanding stars of the national game and have been for 20 years. They are certainly deserving to have judgment suspended for the present," the congressman declared.

FOURNIER TO DRAW \$12,000

Boston, Dec. 30—Jacques Fournier hard-hitting Brooklyn discard, who has been signed to fill a berth in the Boston Braves 1927 infield, will draw down \$12,000, it was reported here.

Fournier signed only after a lengthy dickering with Judge Emil Fuchs regarding salary. The club is banking on his hitting ability to fill a long-needed breach in the Indian infield for the coming season.

Fournier has batted 342 in the last two seasons. He will be assigned to first base.

WOMAN SWIMS THROUGH ICE

Trenton, N. J., Dec. 29—Mrs. Charlotte Moore Schoemmel, of New York, holder of numerous women's long distance swimming records, today swam the Delaware River at the point where Washington and his troops crossed 150 years ago, eight miles north of Trenton.

Swimming against a ten-mile current with ice floating about her, Mrs. Schoemmel made the distance of about a third of a mile in 10 min. 30 sec.

MAROONS DROP ONE TO HAWKS

Chicago, Dec. 29—The Black Hawks came from behind tonight and defeated the Montreal Maroons by the score of 5 to 4 in an overtime N. H. L. game here before the biggest crowd of the season.

Mickey MacKay proved the man of the hour tonight, shooting the winning goal three minutes after the start of the second half of the overtime period.

U. OF TORONTO BEAT PRINCETON

Madison Square Garden, N. Y., Dec. 30—University of Toronto, Canadian Intercollegiate champions, scored a well-earned victory over Princeton University in the opening international intercollegiate hockey contest here when they defeated the Tigers 5 to 4, after ten minutes' overtime before a crowd of 5,000 persons.

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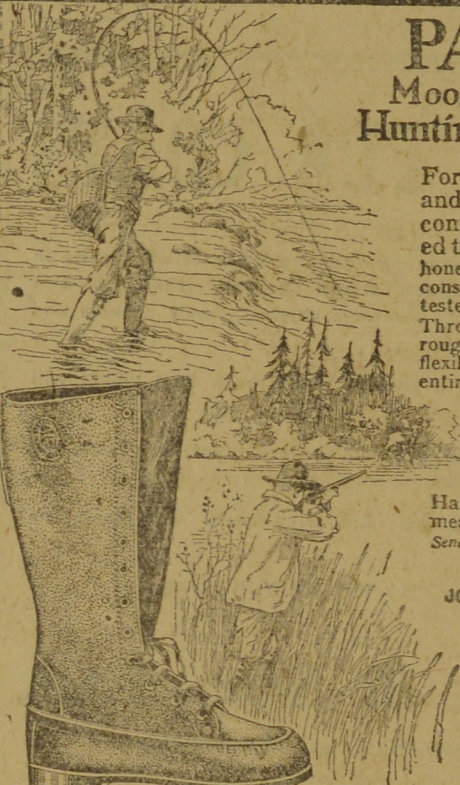
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