

NEWS of SPORT

LEADERS IN BIG TIME SPORT SURE OF ANOTHER YEAR

Present Crop of Champs Look Good For Another Year—Jones, Lacoste, Tunney and Yankees.

New York, Jan. 3—It looks like a happy New Year for most of the big moguls of sport.

A few upsets may be lurking in ambush but for the most part the campaign of 1928 gets under way with the principal champions apparently more strongly entrenched than any group in recent years.

Champs Young.

Take Bobby Jones, Helen Wills and Rene Lacoste, for example. All are young, in their early 20's; but also just about as supreme in their special fields of action as any titleholders have been in a blue moon.

Bobby has acquired the habit of lifting in at least two major golf crowns a year. Since he has decided to participate only in the American open and amateur tournaments in 1928, it will be customary to find him a top-heavy favorite to take either or both.

Kueen Helen will seek foreign conquests again, but unless "Beaming Beauty" Nuthall bounds along to greater heights no one appears likely to impede the triumphant sweep of the Californian, who now holds about all the women's tennis honors in sight.

Lacoste Supreme.

Serene Rene is just about as firmly lodged at the peak of men's tennis as Filden was a few years ago. Since the young French ace was able to turn back "Big Bill" on American soil two years running, he figures to repulse all rivals on home courts and help keep the Davis Cup on France's shelf.

Yankees Firm.

All that seven other American League clubs are thinking about is how to stop the New York Yankees and their brace of battering-rams, Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig. It is difficult to figure how the Yanks can be checked except by a railroad wreck or gas attack.

Gene Tunney, whether he has one or two battles, seems to have a pretty firm hold on the heavyweight sceptre.

Having weathered probably as furious an attack as Jack Dempsey ever will be able to turn loose again, Tunney figures to make it three straight over the Manassa mauler in their scheduled 1928 engagement.

Johnny at Top.

Johnny Weissmuller, the "human fish" of the Illinois Athletic Club, has been leading his particular parade longer than any other ruling king of sport. Johnny has been "crawling" out ahead of all the short distance swimmers for seven years, but he looks good for another winning campaign in which the Olympics are the main goal.

21 NATIONS WILL COMPETE IN '28 OLYMPIC GAMES

Entries Closed on Jan. 1—3 Nations Withdrew—Canada Almost Sure Of Hockey Contests.

St. Moritz, Switz., Jan. 3—Twenty one nations will compete in the second Olympic games winter sports, entries for which closed January 1. The nations to be represented are Canada, England, Estonia, Finland, France, Holland, Italy, Japan, Argentina, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Luxembourg, Austria, Poland, Rumania, Sweden, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Yugoslavia and the United States.

Twenty-four nations entered, but Spain, Mexico and Brazil withdrew. Canada is regarded as an almost certainty in the hockey contests. Canada and the United States will figure strongly in the sprints and Finland in the distance skating. Norway in the skis and France in the military parol skis.

Figure and fancy skating is regarded as a toss-up between the United States and Austria, with Austria a slight favorite. Beatrix Loughran, United States, however, is favored to defeat Mme. Scabo-Plank, of Austria, winner of 1924.

Cheerfully: An adjective meaning reluctantly, unwillingly or grudgingly; as in "Your money cheerfully refunded."

Detroit Cougars Step Into U. S. Section Lead

Two N. H. L. Games Last Night — Cougars by Virtue of 4-2 Win Over Rangers Took First Place in United States Section—Scoreless Tie at Boston.

Boston, Jan. 3—The Boston Bruins and the Pittsburgh Pirates played through two overtime periods to a scoreless tie in a hard-fought National Hockey League game here tonight. Pittsburgh played a strong defensive game throughout, warding off the desperate efforts of the Boston team to score. In the overtime session Connor, of Boston, and McKinnon, of Pittsburgh, came to blows and each was given a major penalty.

Detroit's victory over Rangers in New York tonight left Detroit and Boston tied for first place in the American section of the league.

Cougars First.

New York, Jan. 3—The Detroit Cougars moved into first place in the American group of the National Hockey League, one point ahead of the Boston Bruins, when they defeated the New York Rangers here tonight by 4 goals to 2.

Laurence Aurie, Cougar right-winger, scored three of the Detroit goals and Johnny Sheppard netted the fourth.

The Rangers had the lead twice on goals by Bill Cook and Frank Boucher, but wild New York shooting, particularly when they had a two-man advantage at one stage of the third period, were factors in Detroit's victory.

BOWLING

The Ramblers took three points to win handily from the C. N. R. qu'net last evening in a Palace Bowling league fixture. Richards was high man for the winners with 314. Peterson rolled the evening's highest string 318.

RAMBLERS

	1	2	3	Ttl.
Richards	100	118	96	314
Colwell	93	101	87	281
Pheney	93	81	78	252
Edney	99	80	95	274
Lawlor	108	106	83	297

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C. N. R.

	1	2	3	Ttl.
Arnold	83	103	90	276
Dunbar	95	92	85	272
Burns	90	82	95	267
Hanson	90	86	82	258
Peterson	102	111	105	318

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FIRE LOSSES DURING YEAR WERE LIGHT

Official fire statistics for the past year show that although fire hazards are increasing year by year, with the modern electric necessities and increase in building properties, garages, not to speak of the thousand and one fire breeders which are creeping into the homes of our citizens, yet it is noticeable that the fires are decreasing year by year. There are numerous reasons.

The approximate loss due to fires in the city in the year just closed was estimated at about \$13,000. Building permits issued during the past year by the city council and the Baptist church annex were the major part of this cost. Repair work amounted to approximately \$41,850.

The care which is being taken to prevent fires in the past few years is the chief reason. Even the fire prevention which is being taught in the

CAPITOLS ARE READY FOR SUSSEX GAME THURSDAY NIGHT

The Green and White hockey squad held another workout last night preparatory to their first home engagement at the Arctic Rink tomorrow evening, against the Sussex Colts. The Colts have tasted the bitterness of defeat twice this season at the hands of the Moncton Atlantics, present leaders of the Southern N. B. league, who have three games to their credit and chalked up with no defeats.

The local team will be arrayed in their new uniforms which are of a splendid green and white pattern with "Fredericton Capitols" written across the breast. The lineup for the Capitols will very likely be similar to the lineup against the Fusiliers last Friday night, when they lost their initial game by the close score of 2 to 0.

Coach Larry McLean has been driving the boys pretty hard in the last few practices and special drill has been put on the new line rule, which the boys are quickly getting used to, as shown by their quick getaways last night on lateral passes from behind the net.

HOOF PRINTS

A coming two-year-old pacer by Arion Patch, out of a record daughter of Colonel Cachran, 2:10*, is to be shipped from Winfield, Kan. to Lon McDonald of Memphis, subject to his approval; and if he proves satisfactory, the owner is to receive \$4,000. This juvenile is credited with having been a quarter in 29 1/4 seconds, minus hattles and boots.

Signal Speed, 2:12 1/2, the filly that went through the Old Glory sale as by Signal Peter, 2:05 1/4, and of which a good deal has been published of late, is by Peter Potemkin, 2:15 1/4, out of Margaret H., 2:17 1/4, by Earl Reaper, 2:09 1/4. This good young trotter is in Will Hodson's stable at Charter Park. Smuggler, 2:15 1/4, the champion trotting stallion more than 50 years ago; has been almost forgotten, yet one of the new 2:10 pacers of 1927 is a direct descendant of that mighty trotter of his time whose blood has been such a small factor in speed production. This descendant is the mare Alverda Kittson, 2:10, by Commodore Kittson, he being a son of Revenue, 2:22 1/4, one of Smuggler's record sons.

LIGHT WEIGHT GO.

Sid Terris and Jimmy McLarnin to Meet on Feb. 3.

New York, Jan. 3—Sid Terris of New York and Jimmy McLarnin of Los Angeles, two of the foremost contenders in the lightweight division were matched today for a 10-round bout in Madison Square Garden, Feb. 3.

Sunbury County Council.

The County Council of the Municipality of Sunbury met today in annual session this morning at the Burton Court house. Coun. R. C. Sewell, Manguerville was elected to the office of warden.

schools is having its effect. More use is being made of the telephone than in previous years. Last year there were 125 still alarms to the fire department. Of the 36 bell alarms in the past year 17 were chimney fires and 9 of these were false alarms.

LOUGHRAN TO MEET LOMSKI FRIDAY NIGHT

Will Face "Aberdeen Assassin" at Madison Garden—Tommy Old Fashioned Champ.

Tommy Loughran, of Philadelphia, who won the light-heavyweight championship of the world three weeks ago, will set an example for all other champions on Friday night in Madison Square Garden, by defending his hard-won title against Leo Lomski, the so-called "Aberdeen Assassin."

Loughran was the last champion in 1927 to win a title, for he defeated Jimmy Slattery three weeks ago today, and the boxing master from Philadelphia will be the first champion to defend his crown in 1928.

Meeting Slattery, a brilliant boxer, and Lomski, a hard puncher, within a month, is evidence of the fact that in Loughran, we have an old-fashioned fighting champion.

Lomski is one of the few men to have beaten the late Tiger Flowers. In a bout on the Coast, he dropped the colored deacon and won a decision over him. Yet Loughran is favored to win because of his remarkable cleverness and speed, which is expected to counteract the Lomski punch.

Boston will have no professional bouts this week, but as the New Year comes into being, every indication points to one of the greatest seasons of indoor boxing in the history of the sport, to be followed by outdoor boxing on such a scale as this city has never known. Argonne A. A. will begin promoting popular-priced shows at Braves Field in the middle of May, and the Suffolk A. A. will run the same type of show at Fenway Park starting early in June.

N. H. L. STANDING

Canadian Section.

	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
Canadiens	11	1	4	46	15	26
Ottawa	7	6	4	27	19	18
Toronto	7	6	3	30	24	17
Montreal	7	7	2	28	35	16
Americans	6	10	2	33	49	14

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	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
Detroit	9	6	3	42	37	21
Boston	8	5	5	32	25	21
Rangers	8	7	4	36	35	20
Pittsburgh	2	8	5	18	33	9
Chicago	3	12	2	27	46	8

OLYMPIC HOCKEY.

U. S. May Not Have Hockey Team in Olympics This Year.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Jan. 3—The United States in all probability will not be represented by a hockey team in the Olympic competition this year.

William S. Haddock, of Pittsburgh, chairman of the A. A. U. hockey committee, said tonight that he had about abandoned hope of getting a team together to represent this country in the puck chasing Olympic games.

Leap year doesn't mean anything any more, except at the street intersections.

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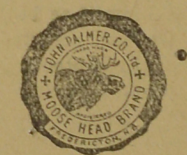
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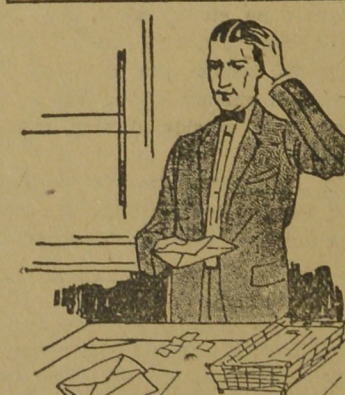
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