



SPORT



On the Sidelines

In all those monster scores the other night U. N. B. scintillated with its total pointage of 75 points, rolling them up on the basketball floor. Much credit belongs to Doug Gernsey and to Murray G. Ross for their work in building up this year's team. Gernsey has a genius for taking raw material and moulding it into shape and Ross seems to have the knack of polishing them up into winners. As a better known columnist might say: "Orchids to those two."

The point is well taken that boxing should be recognized as a major sport at the University of New Brunswick. The boxing team has worked hard, quite as hard as any of the other athletic teams at the College and surely it deserves enough recognition to distribute the traditional "letters" to its members. Then there is the instance of one of the members of this year's team, capturing the intercollegiate lightweight boxing title for the Maritimes. Is it possible that U. N. B. is going to allow that feat to slip by without bestowing the highest athletic honor on the athlete!

Enthusiastic plans are under way to make China hockey conscious. Construction has started on Shanghai's first artificial rink which will have an ice surface of 200 by 85 feet with accommodation for hockey teams or 700 skaters and 4,000 spectators. Hitherto skating has been confined in a general way to Tientsin and Peking and other centres of North China and Manchuria.

Complaints are frequently made that hockey players are too selfish and won't pass the puck, but Manager Frank Patrick of the Boston Bruins of the National Hockey League has a complaint to the contrary about his defence ace, Eddie Shore. He claims that Shore passes the puck too much on his cyclonic rushes and shoots too little, though, says Patrick, he has earnestly counselled the big blond tornado to do more shooting. At the three-quarter mark in the National Hockey League race, Shore's play-making ability was attested by 20 assists, as against only four goals.

Ed Hurley in the Boston Record

comments entertainingly on the alleged Stanley Cup scandal as follows: "Scandals and battered mugs!

"Professional ice hockey, one of the winter indoor favorites here since 1924-1925, when the Bruins hooked up with the National League, the first U. S. team to join the circuit; isn't quite sure whether to growl or cheer these days.

"The breath of scandal has been introduced into the game by Frank B. Laird, Jr., young millionaire owner of the Buffalo Club of the International League. Laird charges his Buffalo team was 'jobbed' out of a chance to reach the play-offs, when Syracuse and Cleveland staged a questionable game which finished 13-7, total goals for the season rubbing out Buffalo's play-off chances.

"Laird has hiked off for Bermuda and his charges probably will be forgotten, unless National League men carry through their threat to force Laird out of the game, unless he can substantiate his charges. Connie Smythe, manager of the Toronto Maple Leafs, points out that such charges are a reflection on the entire structure of hockey.

"But the charges probably will be forgotten, although scandals are poisonous in any sport and I wonder what might have happened to baseball after that 1919 series without a 'Babe' Ruth to save the situation. But such things are soon forgotten.

"The subject of battered mugs is more interesting to hockey men at this particular time. They don't care to hear rumors of sharp practices in their game, and who can blame them? "The battered mug in this case is the Stanley Cup, which will be at stake in the play-offs, which start at the Garden Saturday night, when Eddie Shore turns on the heat again as the Bruins face the Toronto Maple Leafs in the first play-off game.

"The history of this mug is quite interesting. It has probably been told before, yet it's still quite interesting. "Twas back in the early nineties that Lord Stanley kicked in \$50, which was used to buy the present mug, battered and bent and tarnished a trifle, old and rather out of style, yet the most prized trophy in hockey.

"It was originally intended for an amateur trophy, but the pros horned their way into the picture and have had the Stanley Cup under control ever since 1912.

"So all the present hockey shooting concerns this \$50 mug, which probably isn't worth 10 iron men today, and yet hockey players would risk life and limb for a shot at it!

N. H. L. Playoffs Start Tonight

Soccer News From Massachusetts

BOSTON, March 23—The Boston and district soccer league has scheduled a trio of games for Sunday, the feature of which will be the tilt at Quincy between the Bunker Hill Celtics and Clan McGregor.

The elevens are battling for the runner-up position and the chance to get into the play-offs for the Thomas Grieve Cup, which carries with it the championship.

The other games will have the Bird & Son and Lusitania Recreation elevens at East Walpole, and the Beacon A. C. and Quincy Point at Glendale Park, Everett.

DIZZY DEAN WAS FRESH GUY FROM START

Old-timer Says He Had the Confidence in Himself, Though, To Push His Way to the Top.

ORLANDO, Fla., March 19—"It's a funny thing about pitchers," mused Delmar Baker, a gentleman who has handled pitchers for 24 years as catcher, manager and coach. He elaborated upon his conclusion:

"They may have the best arm in the world and still won't be able to pitch in the big leagues. There's just something about them.

"Something what?" we asked. "Well, a lot of people will tell you that it's a lack of guts but I don't agree. It isn't that. It's lack of confidence. An inferiority complex. They're timid and backward. Maybe they're too nice."

"The greatest example of confidence I ever saw was Dizzy Dean. I remember the first game he pitched, for Houston in the Texas League. Say, when that bushy walked out to the box you'd think he'd been pitching for fifteen years or more. He was the freshest of the fresh. He oozed with confidence. He looked at the batters the way Max Baer would look at a pack of amateur lightweights. He figured he was the best pitcher in the world and he's never changed his opinion on that point."

"Schoolboy Rowe is much like Dean as far as confidence is concerned. Three years ago the Schoolboy came to Beaumont. He had never pitched against a uniformed team before. Beaumont was going to farm him out but gave him a trial first. He mowed 'em down. The next spring he was without Detroit and started his big league career by shutting out the White Sox.

"Schoolboy doesn't strut like Dizzy and doesn't pop off about his greatness. He's a quiet boy but he's brimful of confidence. If he wasn't he would still be in the minors.

"Of course Rowe has a lot of stuff but that wouldn't get him by in the big leagues if he didn't fully believe in himself.

"A few years ago Dazzy Vance led the National League pitchers, but Vance had spent something like ten seasons in organized baseball before he became a first-class pitcher. He was shunted about the country. He had several big league trials but was always shipped back. Vance had no more stuff when he led the National League than when he got his first trial and failed. Chances are that he had less. But he had something that he lacked before and that was confidence. It took him an entire decade to develop it.

"There you have the two extremes: Dizzy Dean and Dazzy Vance. Some

Leafs at Boston Tonight In Opening Clashes—Maroons and Hawks in Montreal

BOSTON, March 22 — Hundreds of fans still clamored for tickets to tonight as the Boston Bruin management closed down the Garden window and announced a complete sellout for the two games here in the National Hockey League titular series with Toronto Maple Leafs.

The League championship tussle, best three-out-of-five starts tomorrow night with the second game here Tuesday. Whatever remaining jousts are necessary to decide the better team will be played at Toronto.

Bruins, winners of the United States Section, start the first clash favorites, but they are underdogs in the betting insofar as the final outcome of the series is concerned.

Bruins Also in Shape

Bruins, too, are in championship form with the exception of Paul Haynes. He has not yet recovered from a gashed left ankle and will be supplanted on the Bruin third attack line by Alex. Motter, young forward of the Bruins' Canadian-American League Cubs.

Forecasts from the rival camps on the outcome of Saturday's game and of the series, of course, are conflicting.

Frank Patrick, coach of the Bruins, and Art Ross, general manager, are certain there are Bruins capable of bottling up Charlie Conacher, league-leading scorer and his fiery wing-mate Harvey Jackson.

SMITH MAY BE OUT

MONTREAL, Quebec, March 22—"Hooley" Smith was the big question mark as Montreal Maroons and Chicago Black Hawks, second place finishers in the National Hockey League, held their final practices today before clashing in their first game of the Stanley Cup playoffs tomorrow night.

The second of the two-game, total-goal series will be staged in Chicago on Tuesday night with the winners meeting the victors of a similar third-place series between Montreal Canadiens and New York Rangers.

Fans Storm Box Office For Tonight's Bruins-Leafs Game

BOSTON, March 23—Thousands of hockey fans stormed the east lobby at the Boston Garden yesterday in a wild rush for seats to the opening game of the championship series between the Boston Bruins and Toronto Maple Leafs to open here tonight.

It was estimated that more than 6,000 fans rushed the ticket windows through the day and fans were protesting because they were forced to wait in line more than hour to reach the windows. Indications are that few seats, excepting rush seats, will be left by the day of the game.

Camps, Hotels, Cabins To Be Inspected in the Province of N. S.

HALIFAX, March 23—Better tourist accommodations for Nova Scotia is an aim of a bill to amend the provincial health act now before the Legislature, Hon. Dr. F. R. Davis, Minister of Health, told the House as the measure received second reading, Tuesday.

It empowers the minister to make regulations for the inspection of tourist camps, hotels and overnight cabins. Such inspection, the minister asserted was calculated to draw more tourists into the province.

have it at the start and others have to 'stay below' a long stretch of seasons until they get it."

Chuck Klein No Longer a Regular

MODESTO, Calif., Mar. 23—Chuck Klein, two years ago the greatest outfielder in the National League, no longer is rated a full-time ball player with the Chicago Cubs, it was disclosed today. From now on until further notice, the man for whom the Cubs paid more than \$100,000 some seventeen months ago will not be in the line-up when left-handed pitchers oppose the Cubs.

ROSS ACCEPTS OFFER TO FIGHT LOU AMBERS

NEW YORK, March 23—Reports that Barney Ross was through as lightweight champion because he no longer could make the division limit were wiped out by announcement of plans for a title match with Lou Ambers, of Herkimer, N. Y., in June.

The champion telegraphed the New York State Athletic Commission agreeing to meet Ambers, the No. 1 challenger. The Twentieth Century Sporting Club immediately applied for dates for the bout.

The bout is one of five to be promoted during the outdoor season by the new club, which operates under the banner of the Free Milk Fund.

Mike Jacobs, head of the club, announced that plans virtually have been completed for staging the Ross-Ambers bout June 5 at the Polo Grounds, and he awaits only notification by the commission that he has the date, along with others he seeks. He will not know until next month when the commission will allot dates for all outdoor shows, but his request is expected to be approved.

Jacobs said all contracts have been signed and there will be no hitches. Ross recently refused \$30,000 to box for Madison Square Garden, but has agreed to fight for Jacobs at a far more reasonable figure.

One of McLarnin's bouts will be with the winner of the Ross-Ambers lightweight duel, with the Irishman's welter crown at stake.

Madison Square Garden has a claim

N. Y. WRITER ON SYMMETRY OF SKATING

(By George Daley)

NEW YORK, March 23—It was a glorious spectacle — a fascinating scene. Its appeal was to the finer instincts—the appeal of grace, beauty, symmetry, harmony and art. Reference, of course, is to the skating carnival in Madison Square Garden on Wednesday evening—a carnival which praises be, will be repeated on March 27th.

Let those who were turned away at the gate profit by that experience and be more forehanded. Let others who did not consider a journey to wonderland take stock of the warning that they will be missing something. Such entertainment is rare and not to be overlooked.

Skating has been described as the sport closest to art in which one can best express individuality. Originality also is expressed and the true poetry of motion, the highest degree of timing.

The Flying Aces of the Skating Club of New York, under the able coaching of Miss Katie Schmidt, gave a remarkable exhibition, as did the Silver Flight in Nocturn, and yet perforce they suffered in comparison with an even higher development of the art as expressed by the various pairs and soloists.

One is bold to pick and choose, and yet my gloves split in applauding Miss Louise Bertram and Stewart Reburn in El Tango, and my soul was satisfied with Miss Vivi-Ann Hulten's interpretation of Nocturn. A metaphorical bow also to Miss Audrey Peppe, Miss Maxi Herber and Miss Maribel Vinson. It all was wonderful.

on Ambers' services, but Jimmy Johnston, Garden promoter, said he would not stand in his way inasmuch as Ross had refused to box for the Gar-

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