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On the Sidelines

Local hockey is coming to a climax with the Juniors scheduled here in provincial playdowns this week and also the Fredericton Cubs ready to tangle with Edmundston. Respecting this last, it is of interest that Sprague Cleghorn is coaching the Edmundston entry in their drive for the provincial championship. Cleghorn is known by every hockey fan, young or old as the game's most famous "rough man," and he was in the business for 20 years. He was marked by bruises and injuries innumerable, and had his both legs broken. Larry McLean, the University of New Brunswick coach, tells the story of how one time when he (McLean) was having a tryout in the old N. H. A., that Cleghorn checked him "up into an old lady's lap." The truth of the foregoing phrase might be questioned but it is part of the story that has grown around Cleghorn that he was the terror of the National Hockey League and that is no myth. How the former great defence player was coaxed into the Edmundston hockey club is not quite explained, since it seems reasonable that greater hockey interests would be after him. It is suggested in some quarters that Cleghorn is one of hockey's prodigal sons and that he is in no position today to turn down any offer, no matter how light weight it may be. Edmundston, we hear, is paying Cleghorn four hundred dollars for putting the up-river boys through the playdowns.

Not everybody it appears is giving "Dizzy" Dean a golden harp for his feats on the mound with the St. Louis Cardinals. Jimmy Wilson of the Philadelphia has his thumbs down on "Dizzy," at any rate for the latter's feats in the last world's series. Jimmy chooses to debunk the great Dean: "What was so hot about Dean in the world series? He blew up in the only tight game he was in. I mean that one he pitched against Tommy Bridges. He got big leads from the Cardinals in the other two games, and when he thought he had to work in a crucial game he stuck his head out to be struck by a thrown ball to have an alibi in case he was beaten—" and so on.

The four most promising tennis players in Canada, Carole Deacon and Eleanor Young, of Vancouver, and Bob Murray and Laird Watt, of Montreal, won't be back from their trip to Wimbledon and English tournaments in time to take part in the Canadian championships in July. Officials expect Don Budge, sensational California youngster to enter.

The Associated Press talks of the oncoming Joe Louis, sober-faced Detroit negro, who bears the somewhat odd prefix of "Shufflin' Joe." Reporting a recent fight of Louis' that press organization says:

"The towering shadow of 'Shufflin' Joe' Louis, who brought sudden unconsciousness to Lee Ramage of San Diego, blotted other fighters out of the Los Angeles ring picture today.

He flattened the seasoned California boxer in two minutes and 11 seconds of fighting in the second round of a main event on the outdoor show card at Wrigley Field last night.

Art Lasky and Frankie Retzlaff climbed through the ropes just before the main event, and challenged the winner.

They barely had time to get out before Ramage was being counted out. And as Lieut. Commander Jess

MAPLE LEAFS-BLACK HAWKS GAME PRODUCED THREE NEW RECORDS

Fewer Stops by Goalies Than in Any Game This Season—No Penalties; Shortest Game.

TORONTO, Feb. 24—To the average fan it was just another National Hockey League game when the Maple Leafs trimmed Chicago Black Hawks, 4-1 Saturday, but it was a big night for the lads who busy themselves keeping track of oddities. Three new records were established—it was the first scheduled professional game ever played in Toronto without a penalty—it was the shortest fixture in history here and there were fewer stops in play than in any previous game.

Eddie Upthegrove, veteran penalty time-keeper who was in the box at the first professional hockey game in Toronto in 1913 and every game since, said it was the first penalty-free contest on the books. He relates the only other moneyed game to go by without a banishment was the benefit affair for "Ace" Bailey here last winter.

Starting at 8.32 o'clock, the game was over at 10.00, an elapsed time of 1 hour, 3 minutes, setting a new record for Toronto. With 60 minutes for actual play and 20 minutes for rest, it meant only 17 minutes for technical rule infringement stops. The game was stopped only 45 times which shatters the old standing mark of 57. The books show there have been as many as 100 halts during a game.

U. N. B. Team Played Junction on Saturday

(Special to The Daily Mail)
FREDERICTON JUNCTION, N. B., Feb. 24—Another team of students from the U. N. B., but not the varsity team, measured sticks with the local boys yesterday afternoon, and although they made the first score, were defeated 6-1.

The line ups:

Fredericton:—Goal, Harold Duston; defence, Lloyd Bartlett, Cyril Sherwood; forwards, Willard Benson, Walter Donohue, George Holyoke, William Jackson, and John Shearer (Captain).
Fredericton Jct.:—Goal, Gordon Allen; defence, Frank Hartt, Lee Mercereau; forwards, Charlie Alexander, Dow Alexander, Tyler Artes, Percy Nason, Frank Palmer, Allan Stuart, Howard Tracy.

The scoring was:—

1—Fredericton, Jackson (Benson).
2—Fredericton Jct., Palmer (Tracy).
3—Fredericton Jct., Hartt.
4—Fredericton Jct., C. Alexander (Artes).
5—Fredericton Jct., Palmer (Tracy).
6—Fredericton Jct., Palmer.
7—Fredericton Jct., Stuart.

Wesley MacPherson refereed, and Norman Artes, and Donald Burnett judged the goals.

A woman in Buenos Aires jumped from a second story window and landed on a dentist who was walking along the street. "Did you feel that?" she is said to have asked. "Did it hurt a little?"

Kenworthy, U.S.N., was tolling the seconds over Ramage's prostrate form, a towel sailed in from the Californian's corner. That made it a technical knockout, but it was technical only in a technical sense. Ramage was carried to his chair.

It was so smooth and so simple the way Louis did it. His right hand whizzed out of nowhere, caught Lee flush on the chin and dropped him for nine. The San Diegan came up, his glazing eyes riveted on that right. Louis lashed out with his left to end the fight.

It was Louis' second knockout victory over Ramage.

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Following Saturday's and Friday's games here, the Fredericton High School, and the Woodstock High School, tied in first position in the Central Section of the New Brunswick Interscholastic Basketball League. Each had one more game to play with the third entrant in the section, the Provincial Normal School, but none with each other.

Yesterday Woodstock defeated the P.N.S. quintet 27-22 while on Friday Fredericton won over Woodstock 34-29. Previously Woodstock had defeated Fredericton at Woodstock, but F. H.S. had won from Normal School, thus placing the Normalites in the cellar. Normal School has yet to play another match at Woodstock and one with the High School here.

NEW ENGLAND FANS LOOK FOR BRUINS TO WIN

Art Ross Visits Toronto To Get Lowdown on Stanley Cup Series

BOSTON, Feb. 25—New England hockey fans need have no fears for the Bruins, if they should finish first in the American Division of the National Hockey League race and meet Toronto in the three-in-five series for the league championship, and the right to defend the Stanley Cup against the winner of the other three elimination series, they will take care of themselves.

Red Beattie's satisfactory, in fact, praiseworthy performance against Charlie Conacher when the Bruins played the Maple Leafs at the Garden a week or so ago, showed how the Big Bertha of the Toronto artillery can be muzzled.

Peggy O'Neill took care of Busher Jackson in the game at Toronto, so it may be a case of O'Neill at right wing and Beattie at left wing against Jackson and Charlie Conacher respectively, if the teams ever meet in any of the post-season series.

Kaminsky May Play

Kaminsky may play with them to offset Joe Primeau, and that would leave Nels Stewart, the club captain free to operate with Marty Barry and Dit Clapper against the Toronto second line.

It would mean a realignment of the Bruins third line, but Jerry or Jake Shannon probably would be delighted to take O'Neill's place. Shannon, however, is supposed to be a left-handed shot.

Victory over the Black Hawks at Chicago changed the complexion of the New England fans, who were pale with anguish when they learned that the St. Louis team had shut out their favorites. The 3 to 1 victory over Les Canadiens last week restore the Bruins to complete favor.

London, Feb. 23—The China Island Mission at Shanghai, reported to headquarters here yesterday that S. C. Frencham, Australian missionary stationed at Ningkiang in Shensi Province had been captured by bandits.

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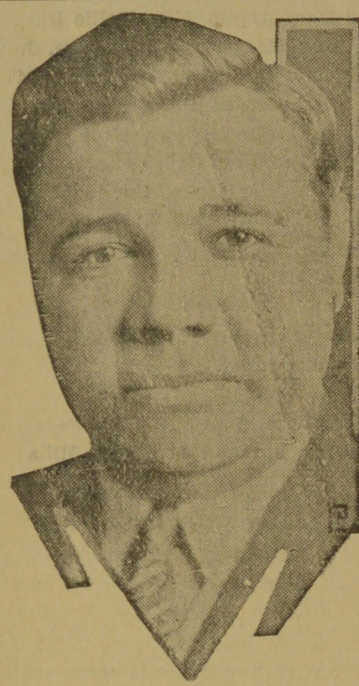
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BABE'S MISSUS SURE HE WILL PLAY IN 1935

NEW YORK, Feb. 25—That noted world-travelling bon vivant, Babe Ruth is still undecided about his immediate future in baseball, but Claire Ruth (that's the missus) is not undecided about the matter at all.

The still beautiful former Follies girl has determined in her own mind that it is to Babe's best interest to



sign a Yankee player contract as usual and don a monkey suit again.

Therefore, you can go out and bet on it that Babe will again patrol right field for the Yanks on such days as his aged dogs are not barking too loudly in protest.

Ensnared in their pretty New York apartment once more, and mighty glad to get back after their 21,000 mile world tour and a seasick homeward voyage, Mrs. Ruth was not uncertain about what the Babe should do.

Babe may own the hand that guides the home run bat but Mrs. Ruth owns the hand that guides Babe and so:

"The Babe can still play plenty of baseball. He showed that in Japan and elsewhere on this last trip. Of course, we'd like to see him managing a big league ball club. Everybody would. I think all the fans will agree that he's entitled to the chance.

"Of course, if there is no place available, it probably would be best to sign up with the Yanks again and await developments. But I do so fear he'll get hurt again."

The Babe was still wary about committing himself. He keeps insisting that he'll have a "big proposition dealing with baseball" to talk about in a day or two but he refuses to give an inkling of what it may be.

It comes out in testimony that Rudy had to lecture his bride on the curse of drink. Maybe she was taking that Stein Song too literally.

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RING BEING CRUEL TO ITS FOLLOWERS ONLY A MYTH, SAYS JACK DEMPSEY

Sport Scribe Quotes Erstwhile Manassa Mauler and Benny Leonard As Denying Popular Opinion—Jack Talks of Ring.

Max Baer, in clouting and comedy, along with another boxing champion of the world as part of the same fistic bill, is no unusual offering. But by no stretch of the imagination could you have imagined Jack Dempsey and Benny Leonard, during the years when they were both occupants of pugilistic thrones, in action on the same card in any bargain bill.

Dempsey has drawn for his individual end of the gate as much money, or close to it, as was drawn for an entire card by any of his successors. Leonard proved himself almost as much of a draw as Gene Tunney, Max Schmeling, Jack Sharkey and company. This Saturday night in the Ridge-wood Grove Club, where Jackie Davis and Izzy Jannazzo will have it out again in the feature bout, Jack Dempsey and Benny Leonard will be very much a part of the evening's doings.

Dempsey will be one of the referees who will officiate during the bouts, and Leonard, at the microphone, will report the action inside the ring. The continued success in life of these two, years after the prize ring finished with them, is a fitting answer to those who like to make out a case against boxing, and who would have the greater percentage of those who follow the game professionally broken financially and in health as well, when they hang up the gloves.

"The chances are," said Leonard, "that most strenuous forms of livelihood, and several not termed as such, produce as many physical wrecks as the boxing game. I know something of what the livelihood of the humble is like, and I can tell you from first-hand knowledge that the sweat shops of the old days made more men old before their time than did the fight game.

Must Keep in Shape

"One thing those who practically had to slave for a living escaped was having more money suddenly than they had been accustomed to. Too much money, I suppose, is bad for any one who does not know how to handle it. Dissipation is so much worse for a pugilist than for those who follow any other profession. That is one hard rule in the fight game; if you want to stay in it you have to keep yourself perfect physically. If your condition is what it should be, you can throw off punishment; if you are not in that condition, you are in danger of being hurt.

"As to the pain of punishment endured in the ring: the hardest punch I ever stopped in the ring, a blow to

the head, was no more painful—that is, during the excitement of the contest—than being rapped on the head with a lead pencil. I've had my attention called frequently to a former opponent of mine who, there is no denying, is mumbling of speech and otherwise a pitiful object. But how many know that mental trouble was really at the bottom of his sad condition. As a boy and a prospective champion he went through marital worry that would have broken many in no way athletic in their pursuits."

"I've taken my share of hard raps," commented Dempsey the other evening, as he made his way up to the 71st Regiment Armory, "and I can't charge the worst of them to the fight game. I've been more than half of my years in the business in one way and another and it doesn't look as though life ends at 40 for yours truly. I hope to maintain a close interest in the manly art for quite a few years more.

Self-Made Troubles

"Some of the newspaper boys, I'm afraid, are inclined to be a little tough on a game that has given them an opportunity for some of their best stories. Some of them, who know a lot better, have been making a sad case out of the bad state a former well known fighter found himself in not long ago. But they should know most of his troubles were made by himself. Many of us helped him out time and again and even staged a benefit that raised several thousand dollars for him.

"The boxing commission took charge of the fund, with the idea of paying him so much a week. But he wouldn't rest until he had all the money in his own hands. It didn't stay with him long. But quite a few knocks were aimed at the fight game on his account, just the same."

Dempsey and Leonard are not cited with the idea of establishing that boxing is a pink-tea affair, but this goes for other less picked-on occupations. Did not Gene Tunney, some will point out, have his mind go temporarily blank as the result of a blow sustained during a sparring bout?

Tommy Loughran always has been skeptical of this Tunney story. He insisted that this was merely an excuse on Gene's part for not leaving the title where he had won it—in the ring. In Loughran's eyes, Tunney had no excuse for thus quitting the ring that had been so good to him.

However, Billy Gibson told a newspaper man a day or so ago, Tunney was really in a mental haze for more than a day after one of his rounds while in training for the match with Tom Heeney.

"But he got over it," said Billy, dryly.

The reason some children are backward in school, says an educator is that their homes are so noisy they can't study. I noticed that in a home the other evening when eight children were dancing and singing to the radio.

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