



SPORT



On the Sidelines..

The executive of the York County Intermediate League the other night, revised its schedule slightly and made arrangements for the play-offs, which occur late in February. To date the league has proved most successful. The crowds are getting larger all the time.

Luis Angel Firpo, the "Wild Bull of the Pampas," whose epic battle with Jack Dempsey some years ago, is regarded by many as the classic ring slugfest of all time, is planning to return to America and start a comeback at Chicago. Firpo just missed being the world's champ.

It costs Fred Perry, the English amateur tennis champion just \$110,000 to remain a tennis amateur. The greatest modern tennis player is undecided to remain amateur or not. It occurs to us that not many would remain undecided under similar circumstances. It seems that Perry could easily earn the above figure if he chooses to turn pro.

Tommy Burns, former heavyweight champion of the world has become an insurance agent and is soliciting his Canadian friends by mail.

Montreal Maroons, who seem to be watching almost every amateur in the Dominion in their latest bid to be in at the top of the National League season, have their eyes on Gordon Titcombe, who is starring with the Three Rivers, Que., club. Titcombe is a former Bishop's College player, where he was a hockey and rugby star. Bishop's is the college where Russell Blinco was developed.

Many pure-blood amateur hockey fans were hoping that Bill Miller would stick to his guns and remain strictly an amateur hockey player, immune from the lures of the professionals. But this dream appears to be fading and now Bill is in Montreal discussing terms with the Maroons' chief. It is pretty hard to stick to an ideal these days.

Alice Purcell Kane, captain of the Charlottetown Nikes women's basketball team, is in Montreal this week with her basketball five. The Maritime women played the C.P.R. intermediates the other evening. The Charlottetown girls who made the trip were as follows: Bub Mallett, Blanche Conway, Alice Purcell Kane, Lucy Campbell, Gertrude Doyle, Isobel Paquette, Cash Osborne, Terry McIsaac, Mary Duffy, Dot Robertson and Babs Paquette.

There is a story told of "Gentleman Jim" Corbett, who through the history of boxing has come to be known as the master of the feint. He was the great master of this boxing trick. He could tie almost any boxer into knots. He made a couple of quick feints at Jake Kilrain, hit him in the nose and as they went into a clinch he whispered into Kilrain's ear: "Gee, Jake, but you're a terrible champion. I thought that you could fight." Kilrain became enraged and swung wildly, trying to knock Corbett out. That is precisely what Corbett wanted him to do. Kilrain did not land a solid punch in the six rounds of the fight and Corbett was firmly established. It was a short trip from the Kilrain fight to the one with Sullivan that made him the world's heavyweight champion.

Maroons--Bruins Game A Bruising Affair

Babe Ruth Misses Third Strike To Delight Kiddies

PARIS, Jan. 23—Fifty youngsters from an American school here had the time of their lives yesterday playing baseball with Babe Ruth.

The ponderous slugger now weighing nearly 250 pounds, knocked home runs obligingly and turned the game into an uproar of glee by striking out with a flourish against the smallest pitcher.

One of Wildest Games of N.H.L. Season As Boston Bruins Win 4 to 3; Jimmy Ward Suffers Concussion in Collision With Shore.

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 22—In one of the wildest National Hockey League games the Boston Garden has housed in several seasons, Boston Bruins tonight defeated Montreal Maroons, 4-3. Jimmy Ward, star right winger of the Montrealers, was taken to hospital with a severe concussion suffered in a collision with Eddie Shore, Boston defenceman.

Vicious fist fights broke out several times during the game in which Boston took an early lead of three goals and Maroons' closing rush, netting two goals in the last two minutes barely failed to force a deadlock and overtime.

Before Ward suffered his injury, in the first period, big Lionel Conacher drew a major penalty for knocking down Nels Stewart, Boston centre, with a swing to the jaw. In the second period the Montreal defence ace, after taking a hard riding from spectators, turned on one of them, drawing a match penalty for the incident.

Just after the final bell Dave Trotter, Peggy O'Neill and Bob Grace put on a lively battle as they met while heading for their dressing rooms. The crowd swarmed on the ice, separating them.

Conacher took his major penalty after "Red" Beattie opened the Bruins scoring early in the first period while the "Big Train" was in the box. Beattie scored again. "Baldy" Northcott joined Conacher with the timekeeper, and while Maroons played two men short Babe Siebert counted the third Boston tally.

Maroons put on pressure as the end of the period neared and Herb Cain scored on a pass from Gus Marker. Earl Robinson netted one from the right wing but a pass from Conacher had been offside.

The second period was scoreless, and after half time in the third Max Kaminsky ran up Bruins' lead to 4-1 with Marty Barry and Dit Clapper assisting.

During the last two minutes of play when Bruins were short-handed due to a penalty to O'Neill, Maroons threw on four forwards and a bewildering attack gave them two goals in 29 seconds, the result of solo plays by Trotter and Robinson. But in the last minute Marvin Wentworth was penalized for boarding O'Neill and Maroons' attack for the equalizer was halted.

HARNESS NOTES

LOUISVILLE, Jan. 22 — Stake blanks for the Kentucky Derby and other racing fixtures during the Churchill Downs spring meeting were placed in the mail today. The derby is set for May 4.

The conditions: By subscription of \$25 each; \$400 additional to start; \$40,000 added of which \$6,000 to second, \$3,000 to third, \$1,000 to fourth; starters to be named through the entry box the day before the race at usual time of closing; the owner of the winner to receive a gold trophy; distance a mile and a quarter.

"Now," said the college man to his dad at the foot ball game, "you'll see more excitement for \$2 than you ever saw before."

"I don't know," replied the old gent; "that's what I paid for my marriage license."

Edith—"The man I marry must be a hero".

James—"Oh, you're not such a terror as all that!"

PROPOSE TO ENLARGE LOOP

FORT ERIE, Jan. 23—Plans for expansion on the part of Frank Baird, Jr., head of the Buffalo International League Club, were reported here today following shifting of the Buffalo-Cleveland game from Buffalo to Niagara Falls.

It is said Baird seeks a National Hockey League franchise, planning to use Niagara Falls as an international league farm. Baird also believes Rochester and Pittsburgh could be recruited into an enlarged international league and Buffalo play there later this season if consent to the change in location for the games can be obtained from the league board of governors.

NEW YORK GIANTS ARE A VETERAN NINE

NEW YORK, Jan. 22—Old father time looms as the big question mark in the 1935 flag chances of the New York Giants.

If the man with the scythe deals gently with Bill Terry's aging infield, Polo Ground customers believe their favorites will be in or around the front all the way. Terry means it when he says his current model will be his best since he took over the reins in 1932, but some of the less optimistic shake their heads when they glance at the ages of the infielders.

Bartell Youngest

Dick Bartell, who comes over from the Phillies to play short, is the only member of the inner defense under thirty years old. He is twenty-seven. Terry, the dean of the quartet, is 36. Hughey Critz will be 35 in September and Travis Jackson is nearing his 32nd birthday.

"That's nonsense," scoffs Terry. "None of us is as young or as spry as we once were, but we can get around pretty well and I don't look for any one infielder to slip noticeably next summer. Critz isn't through by a long shot. Jackson was the best shortstop in the league for 150 games and should be even better at third base where the going is easier. As for myself, I don't get the kick out of playing ball I once did and it tires me quickly, but I figure I can play a passable first base for another season or two if some kid doesn't come along and run me off my job."

Terry's legs may not be as nimble as a few years back, but his batting eye is just as sharp, the Associated Press points out. Last season he rolled up an average of .354, second only to Paul Waner of the Pirates.

Although the Giant boss realizes a ball player's legs usually fail him long before his eye dims or his arm loses its snap, he is so confident his veterans will again come through and be back in the thick of a three-club race with the Cards and Cubs that he is making no effort during the off-season to replace either Jackson or Critz—at least next season.

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BIG TENNIS TOURNAMENT IN UPPER CANADA

Absence of American Champs Gives More Chance To Canadian Amateur Players.

MONTREAL, Jan. 23—Notwithstanding the various disappointments caused by the non-entry of ranking United States players and the absence of Marcel Rainville, Canadian champion, the committee in charge of the Canadian Covered Court Tennis Championships are looking towards a rousing tournament this week on the courts of the Montreal Indoor Tennis Club.

The absence of the top-flight lads from across the border has considerably perked up the hopes of the leading local entrants, both in the singles and doubles. It is quite possible, the titles which have eluded the home talent for several years past will now return to the home self.

It marks the first time in several years that the leading players from the U. S. are not on hand. It is true, several visitors from across the line are entered and are expected to provide stern opposition, but the fact is all too apparent that the colorful national heroes from Uncle Sam's net victory are conspicuous by their absence.

Alonzo, whose appearance was expected up until the last moment has failed to send in his entry. The committee's crowning blow came when a wire reached Montreal over the week end stating Rainville would also be an absentee.

In spite of this, local players are planning to make the tournament an entertaining week of play by doing their best to offset the Toronto invaders and those from Boston and points south.

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UNITED STATES DEVELOPING HOCKEY STARS

List of American-born Players is Getting Bigger — Follow Canada's Lead.

BOSTON, Jan. 23—Another American-born hockey player is added to the quite extensive list of those performing in the National Hockey League through the recent acquisition by St. Louis Eagles of stocky little Clifford "Fido" Purpur.

Purpur is the youngster whom the Eagles purchased after Clare Brunton, business manager, had seen him play one game with the Minneapolis Millers. He is a young fellow and had a trial last season with the Boston Bruins, who turned him back for further seasoning.

Born in Grand Forks, N. D., Purpur is one of the few American-born players in organized hockey. He got his start with the Grand Forks High School team before going to Minneapolis the first time.

Purpur teams with Bill Cowley and the veteran Vic Ripley on the Eagles' third line.

Chicago is the team in the league possessing the greatest number of American-born players. Taffy Abel, pachydermic defence man; Elwin Romnes, clever play-making center, and Louis Trudel, smart forward. The latter was born in Salem, Mass.

Leroy Goldsworthy, fleet Canadian winger, was born in Two Harbors, Minn.

Carl Voss of St. Louis Eagles crack forward line was born in Chelsea, Mass.

Aleck "Mine Boy" Levinsky of the New York Rangers first saw the light of day in Syracuse.

Roger Jenkins, dashing defence player of the Canadiens, claims Appleton, Wis., as his home.

Yank Boyd of Detroit Wings was born at Ardmore, Pa.

If there was an American-born goal-er the United States could have representation by a pretty good American-born professional team.

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