

# SPORT

## WHYS AND OTHERWISE

AS SEEN BY  
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Manager Red Dutton of the New York Americans, who is at the Oshawa training camp with his charges, is uncertain whether he himself will play this year or not. "I don't want to play if I can help it," he says. "I can do a better job handling the team if I don't try to play. Besides I know I'm washed up. For my own good it would be wiser for me to remain off the ice, but if the emergency arises I'll be willing to swing the old battle axe again."

Bill, the Navy football team's goat "went home" at the recent Navy-Yale game. He went home "the local boy who made good."

In 1935 the Navy found him roaming the Baltimore stock yards, a forlorn vagabond who had hitch-hiked his way from the West with a load of cattle. Cockle burrs adorned his whiskers and his only recommendation was his undeniable toughness.

Now his whiskers are combed, his spreading horns painted blue and gold, his hooves oiled and his long white hair well washed and combed. And he wears a blue navy blanket, decorated with "NS" and stars.

Bill got his chance when his predecessor had to be destroyed because of age. The Navy tried old Bill's son as mascot, but found him entirely too friendly.

Training in the major league hockey camps is stricter these days. More so than it was in the older days, as this year's veterans are finding out.

Most of the players, particularly the veterans, didn't like this much for they had been brought up to believe that four or five glasses of beer and a couple of raw eggs were the ideal cordial to top off a practice session. McLaughlin, of the Black Hawks, isn't quite so strict as he was a few years ago, but the Hawks are still handled more like a college football squad than any other hockey organization.

About the only time in this writer's memory that the Hawks' boss ever came out and admitted he was wrong followed an order that the Hawks get up at 6 o'clock every morning and do roadwork. In theory this might sound like a whale of an idea, but in practice it didn't work. In no other sport are legs more important than in hockey, and during the season actual competition furnishes enough exercise.

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## CANADIAN FOOTBALL IS ON THE SPOT—ARGUMENTS LOOM

Tommy Munns, Sports Editor, Toronto Globe, Discusses New Situation That Has Arisen

(By Tommy Munns, Sports Editor of The Globe.)

Now that the Interprovincial Rugby Union, taking four meetings to do so when one would and should have done, has settled its own import problem, the next football headache may be on for the officials of the Canadian Rugby Union.

Right now the Canadian Union guiding heads must be throbbing all too heavily as the hope that Winnipeg will eliminate Regina Roughriders in the Western Canada finals becomes almost frantic.

If Regina, empowered by ten imports from the United States, every one of them ineligible under the new residence rule, should win the Western Canada title, the greatest war in the history of Canadian football will result.

The Riders would be entitled to even a senior rating if deprived of their imports. They would, it is a safe bet, refuse to come East for the Dominion final if those visitors from the United States were barred.

On the other hand, the Canadian Union couldn't find so much as a flimsy excuse for revoking or suspending the rule and allowing Regina to use the imports. So an impasse would be reached, and probably there would be no Dominion final between the West and the East.

There will be far more serenity for the C.R.U. if the Winnipeg retain Western honors, and come East to defend the Grey Cup. As far as it known, and the statement includes the officials themselves, the Winnipeg imports of last year remained eligible. Barring serious injuries, the Tobans would be able to bring almost the same team as won the championship to the East again.

Under the complicated Western Conference system the Winnipeg will go into the finals, first game of which will be played at Regina tomorrow, with a two-point lead from the season's game. Their position isn't any too secure, especially if they are weakened by injuries, and the East will await the results with considerable interest.

### For Maple Leaf Show?

There is a strong possibility that blond Everett Marshall, whose only Toronto appearances to date have been at the Mutual Street Arena Gardens, will be seen at Maple Leaf Gardens against strong opposition within the next few weeks.

Promoter Jack Corcoran of the Queensbury Club stated at his show last night that he had received over-

## NATION GETS PEEP AT WPA'S AMERICAN GUIDE

WASHINGTON, Oct. 27—The government today gave the public a peep at its American Guide—a reference book on everything why Lincoln grew a beard to the best road to "hell-fer-certain creek." Kentucky.

Six thousand Works Progress administration employees spent 8 months gathering material for the gigantic work, which will be published in six volumes, each dealing with a different section of the country.

Opening the guide at Missouri, the reader finds photostatic evidence that Mark Twain opened his wife's mail. The picture shows a ripped envelope addressed to Mrs. Clemens with this note scrawled across it:

"Opened by mistake to see what was inside, S. L. C."

The guide explains that Samuel L. Clemens was Mark Twain's real name. Thumbing over to Virginia, one discovers a reproduction of a dispatch Martha Washington sent to an Alexandria, Va., druggist in 1802:

"Mrs. Washington desires Mr. Stabler to send by the bearer a quart bottle of his best castor oil and a bill for it."

Giving 11-year-old Grace Bedell of Westfield, N. Y., credit for inducing Abraham Lincoln to grow a beard, the guide includes a copy of her letter to the liberator.

"I have got four brothers," she began, "and part of them will vote for you, anyway, and if you let your whiskers grow I will try to get the rest of them to vote for you."

"All the ladies like whiskers," she added, "and they would tease their husbands to vote for you and then you would be president."

tures from Billy Sandow, manager of Marshall, who claims to be world champion and is recognized as such in the State of Colorado.

"I regard Marshall as a really good wrestler and always have been willing to use his services," said Corcoran, "but my answer to Sandow hasn't changed. I'll give Marshall his chance at one of my shows just as soon as he is ready to sign a blanket contract leaving the choice of the opponents to me."

Corcoran, who seems to think that Sandow and Marshall will accept, recalls that he kept Jim Londos out of Toronto for a couple of years because the "Golden Greek" became temperamental and wanted to name his own opponents. When Londos finally returned it was under the conditions offered Marshall.

### Eleven-Man Football

Drop the flying wing and use only eleven men to a team in Canadian football!

That's the revolutionary suggestion being made by some of the Eastern Canada officials these days. Who knows but what they will make an issue of it within a year or two?

They're not taking it too seriously as yet, but some of the gridiron men who are regarded as level-headed and far-thinking admit that they are becoming convinced that the plan has great possibilities.

Those in favor think the change would make the game wide open—more so than ever has been dreamed of by the rule-makers of the past.

Those who vote "nay" admit the above, but are afraid it is all too true. They fear that it would open the game so much as to make the team in possession of the ball far too powerful for the defence.

## "Bring On the Mailman," Says Joe and Tony

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 27—Joe Di Maggio ejaculated: "Hot dog!" and Tony Lazzeri said: "Ho, hum" when told today checks for their shares of the World Series money were in the mail. The Yank stars intend to do the same thing with the \$6,430.55 each will receive—put it in the bank.

"My banker will provide a nice home for that money," laughed Di Maggio. "I may invest in some kind of business later on, but I haven't any idea as to what just now. Bring on the mailman."

To veteran Lazzeri it is an old story. He has participated in five series pools. "I'm socking it in the bank, just like I did before. You never can tell when that rainy day will come along."

### Hub Is Tops

To Carl Hubbell of the Giants both Di Maggio and Lazzeri award the palm as the greatest pitcher of all. "From what I saw of him, he has them all cheated," said Joe.

"He's tops in any league," chorused Tony.

Di Maggio, regarded in these parts as the greatest major league freshman since Ty Cobb, recalled Mel Harder as "the toughest pitcher" he faced during the regular American League season. The Cleveland right-hander, he said, had him jinxed with a fast sinker ball and "a swell curve."

Lazzeri's league nemesis was Schoolboy Rowe of Detroit. "Rowe has a good fast ball, great curve and perfect control. I wish he would stay out of my way."

## SPORT SHORTS

Trying for centre position between "Chuck" Conacher and Harvey Jackson is Eddie Convey, who played with them in their amateur days on the Marlboro line-up. It will be a great re-union if he makes it. And if he does the line can be called "the three musketeers," the famous "kid line" of a few years ago being no more, now that Joe Primeau has retired.

Maple Leafs don't appear to have much of a goaltender problem. The chief worry will be which netminder to use. George Hainsworth is back on the job, and at the training camp are Phil Stein and Walter Broda seeking his position. Now comes the word that Lorne Chabot has been given his release by the Maroons, and that the sad-eyed one may turn to the Leafs.

Fred Merkle pulled his famous

## BRUINS BEAT MAROONS 2-1 AT SAINT JOHN

Sammy McManus and Getliffe Shine in Opening Game of Big League Tour.

SAINT JOHN, Oct. 27—Two former Maritime "Big Four" hockey stars figured in the goal-getting last night as Boston Bruins took the first game of the Maritime professional invitation hockey championship from the Montreal Maroons 2-1.

All three goals came in the overtime period after two slow opening sessions and a fast third that produced plenty of action and roughing which resulted in six being banished for infractions. Mayor MacLaren officiated to open the series.

"The solo goal by Sammy McManus, former left-winger of the famous Moncton Hawks, who won the Allan Cup in two consecutive years, put the Bruins one up at the 4:06 mark in the overtime. Both goalies were kept busy until Ray Getliffe, former Charlottetown Aleggwell and Saint John Beaver, rushed into the Maroon defence zone and behind the net to start the play for Jerwa's goal. His pass was perfect and Jerwa banged the wafer home to put the Bruins two goals up.

Marker scored the Maroons' lone counter when he took a passout from the Boston goalie attempting to clear and backhanded it into the cage before Thompson had a chance to save.

Bill Crowley, the other former Maritimer with the Bruins, was forced out of play in the second when he was struck on the back of the head by a hockey stick as Ward dumped him. His stick was snapped off in the mixup. Up to the time he was taken to the dressing room he had played a nice game at centre with the Bruins third line.

### Ross Ordered from Bench

Art Ross, general-manager of the Bruins, drew the ire of referee-in-chief Bill Stewart when he continued his argument about Wentworth and Conacher, stating that both should have been given at least penalties in the second when Teddy Graham's front teeth were knocked out. Stewart ordered Ross from the bench and threatened him with a \$100 fine if he refused. Ross left, giving over the reins to Lionel Hitchman, coach of the Bruins.

On the other side of the rink Tommy Gorman was all smiles but the smiles soon faded as his team went down to defeat and he was forced to pay Ross a bet after the game.

### The Lineups:

Bruins: Goal, Thompson; defence, Jerwa, Hollett; centre, Getliffe; left wing, Beattie; right wing, Clapper. Subs, Sands, Welland, Goldsorthy, Portland, Cook, O'Neill, McManus, Cowley, Graham, Duguid.

Maroons: Goal, Connell; defence, Wentworth, Conacher; centre, Blinco; left wing, Trotter; right wing, Robinson. Subs, Ward, Northcott, Evans, Marker, Cain, Gracie, Carson, MacKenzie, Radley, Perras, Voss.

"bonehead" play in 1908. Chicago and New York were in a close race for the National League pennant. With two games to go, New York needed only one to win the flag. With two out in the ninth inning, the scored tied, Merkle on first and another runner on third, the next batter singled to centre, scoring the runner on third. Merkle, seeing the runner cross the plate, ran to the clubhouse without touching second base. Second-baseman Johnny Evers of the Cubs, realizing the situation, battled his way through a crowd that flowed on to the field, retrieved the ball, and went back and touched second base. Merkle thereby being forced at second and the run disallowed. The Cubs went on to win that game and also the next for the National League championship.

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## ST. LOUIS SPORTS WISH TO BUY THE BROWNS

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 26—For the second time since Phil Ball's death in October, 1933, persistent reports of negotiations for the purchase of the St. Louis Browns had some foundation in fact today.

"A deal is on," President Will Harbridge of the American League told the Post Dispatch over the telephone from Chicago. He said he did not know who the negotiators were.

The newspaper identified them as a group of St. Louisans, including Donald L. Barnes, President of the American Investment Company, and William O. Dewitt, Treasurer of the National League St. Louis Cardinals.

George Sisler, one-time star first baseman and manager of the Browns, headed a syndicate that made an unsuccessful attempt to deal for the club a year ago. Sisler said he knew nothing about the present negotiations.

The Browns, the league's "problem child" since Ball's death, have been directed the past two seasons by the executors of his estate.

Louis B. von Weise, President of the Browns, and one of the Ball executors had said on numerous occasions that the club was for sale. In New York today he admitted there were "several prospective buyers" but denied anything definite had been done.

The Post-Dispatch, however, asserted the "ironing-out" of details was all that was delaying consummation of the deal, which it said involved the club's franchise and players, but not Sportsman's Park, for a price of "about \$350,000."

The newspaper said there was a basis for another persistent rumor—that of dissension between executors and Rogers Hornsby, manager of the team.

The would-be purchasers of the Browns, however, were said to regard Hornsby as an "asset" and plan to retain him as manager.

## ST. CROIX CLUB IS ADMITTED TO SOUTHERN HOCKEY LOOP

Fredericton Expected to Have a Faster, Better Team With Imports --- Four Team Circuit

SAINT JOHN, Oct. 27—St. Croix Club of St. Stephen was admitted to the Southern New Brunswick Hockey League at a meeting of the organization yesterday afternoon in the Royal Hotel, making the 1936-37 loop a four-team circuit.

There was no dissenting voice from representatives of the other three clubs which formed the league last weekend, Saint John, Fredericton and Moncton, although representatives of the latter brought up the question of finance and travel to the border, stating that it was a long jump. This was finally straightened out and the Moncton club was considerate and agreed to arrangements made.

The border team, through its co-managers, Abe Prilutsky and Wm. T. Whitlock, showed the other club representatives that the St. Croix Club would be considerably strengthened with Bill Gulliver, last season with the Saint John Beavers; Rolly Robinson, former Mount Allison University star, and Ev Doucet, former outstanding player for St. Joseph's University and also a former member of the Saint John hockey squad.

Prilutsky stated that the St. Croix would be strong enough to give any team in the league a run for honors. With such players as the above three around which the team will be formed the other clubs believe that the St. Croix would be sufficiently strong for the coming season.

Ev Keating of Moncton was named president of the league for the 1936-37 season. Other officers elected were E. Royden Colter, Fredericton, vice-president, and Abe Prilutsky, St. Croix.

Stephen, secretary-treasurer.

Members named for the executive were Henry White, Moncton; V. Olive Fredericton; W. T. Whitlock, St. Stephen; J. Vernon Cunningham, Saint John.

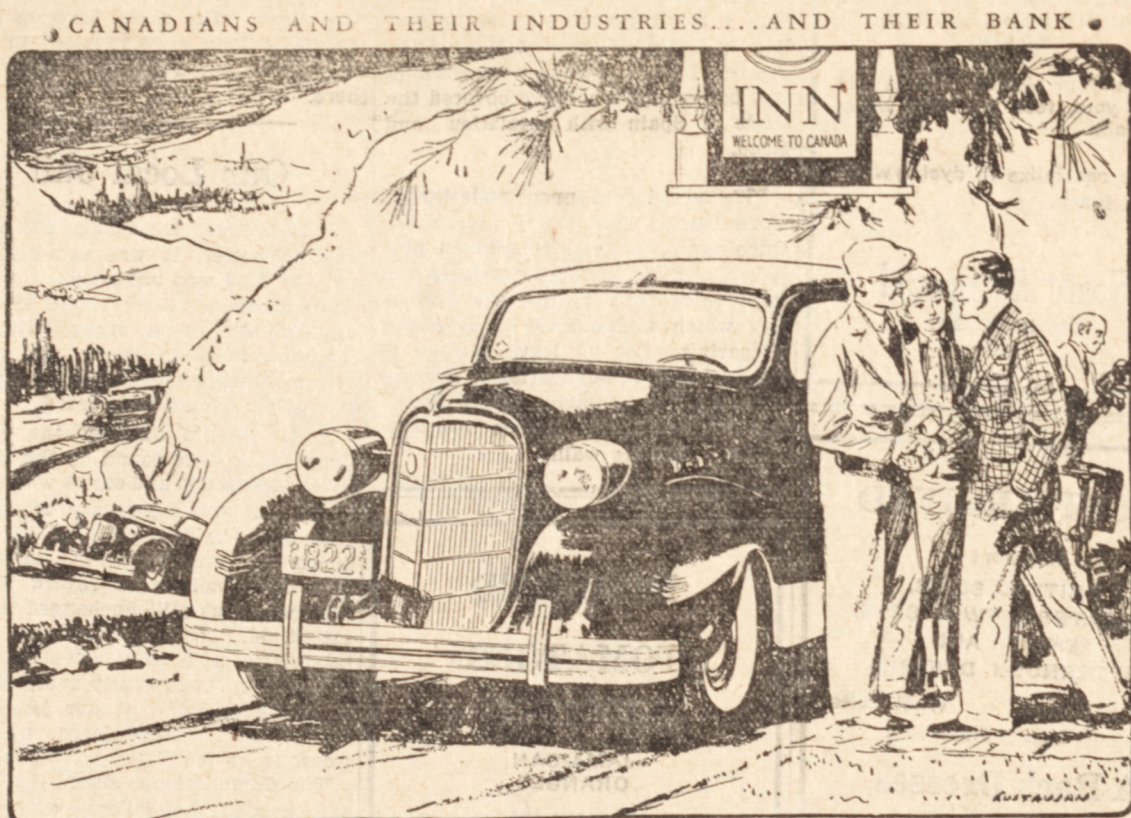
It was decided that the executive will decide on referees for the coming season, the drawing up of a schedule and whether names or numbers would be feasible on the playing sweaters of the players for the benefit of the fans.

The meeting of executives is scheduled for next week-end. Whether the meeting will be held in Saint John is not yet known but it was believed that Saint John was the centre of league operations and the most desirable place for holding it.

Ralph Boyce, manager of the Fredericton team, stated last night, that the Capital Club would have a faster team on the ice than last season, although last season's club was one of the fastest in the Maritimes. A few players have been added to bolster up the outfit, Boyce said.

The Moncton Maroons will again have "Dud" James at the helm and they will be as strong if not stronger than last season.

J. Vernon Cunningham was in the chair and with Elmer R. Ingraham, president of the Saint John Hockey Club, and P. D. Machum, represented the local organization. Mr. Boyce and Bill Lifford as well as V. Olive represented the Fredericton Club; Henry White and "Dud" James the Moncton Club and Abe Prilutsky and William T. Whitlock the St. Stephen Club.



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