

CAPITALS VS. MAROONS AT HUB TONIGHT

RALLY IN THIRD STANZA GIVES 5-2 VICTORY TO MONTREAL MAROONS OVER LEADING DETROIT WINGS LAST NIGHT

Marty Barry, Usually Clean Player, Draws 20 Minutes In Penalties For Arguing With Referee Clarence Campbell In Third Stanza

MONTREAL, Dec. 9.—Gaining momentum in the final period, Montreal Maroons downed Detroit Red Wings 5 to 2 tonight in a battle of the National Hockey League's last place teams. Ahead twice, the Wings lost a chance to gain a tie with New York Rangers for second place as they faded before a surprising Maroon onslaught. The winners advanced to within two points of the third-place New York Americans in the Canadian Division. Stew Evans, big Maroon defenceman, led the winning drive after Detroit's mighty line of Marty Barry, Larry Aurie and Herb Lewis had brought Wings their first two goals. Evans scored twice on lone rushes that carried him crashing through the Detroit defence early in the last period of the game.

A revised line-up clicked for the Maroons. Coach King Clancy used Maurice Croghan, whom the club brought up from amateur ranks during the day, on the defence. Tommy Cook was put back into the line-up and looked good between Baldy Northcott and Jimmy Ward.

Barry Scores Goal

Barry got the game's first goal on Detroit's opening bid, combining with Lewis, but Marvin Wentworth tied the score before the first period was over. Aurie gave Wings the lead again as the middle frame started, but Russ Blinco got the leveller while Detroit was short a man half-way through the period.

Herr Max Shows Power In Punch

SUMMIT, N. J., Dec. 10 — Max Schmeling, training here for his bout with Harry Thomas in New York next Monday night, has demonstrated that his vaunted right hand still packs a punch.

Sparring with Steve Colucci here, the former champion dropped Colucci to his knees in the first round with a right-hand punch.

Yanks Spent 5 Million For Boxing in 1937

BREAK ANCIENT CUSTOM IN AMERICAN LOOP PLAYER DEAL

Against Unwritten Law of Loop To Trade at Winter Meet

The surprising part of the base ball trade between the Detroit and Chicago firms is not that Mickey Cochrane traded away a spectacular popular figure in Gerry Walker, but that the American League had committed a deal. It is against an old unwritten American League law to make trades at the winter trading bee.

When the American Leaguers do get down to a little bit of their rare bartering in human hide, the medium is usually a ton of coarse banknotes, like the raids of Tom Yawkey, Frank Navin and Lou Comiskey on Connie Mac's bankrupt Athletics.

And Clark Griffiths being prompted to separate himself tearfully from his son-in-law, Joe Cronin, for \$250,000, which by the way was paid in three installments, \$100,000, \$100,000 and \$50,000, the last two being carried over into another year to lessen the burden of Uncle Sam's meaty cut.

Although Griffiths has long since proved that he is the ablest trader left in the game, the balance of power in that line remains over in the National League where for generations managers and owners have had little timidity about shuffling teams, dispatching stars away from their so-called "home" towns, and in many other ways running their business like a giant game of checkers.

Since the coming of Yawkey and Briggs to the American League, the average owner has been completely unable to give up one man for another

Preston Springs Six Looks Good to Keep Women's Puck Title

PRESTON, Ont., Dec. 9 — Present holders and two-time winners of the Lady Bessborough Trophy, emblematic of the Canadian Women's Hockey Championship, and winners of the Ontario ladies' hockey championship for six successive years, the Preston Springs Rivulets are entering the 1937-38 season with a strong probability of retaining their championship status. The team, which is playing under the sponsorship of Dr. L. Gordon Hagmeier, honorary president of the L.O.H.A., promises to become a tradition in hockey equal to that of the Edmonton Grads in basketball.

The phenomenal position taken by a girl team from a small town of 6,000 people is more amazing when it is known that almost every member of the team is employed in offices or factories at Preston and Galt. Only one member of the team is married, Mrs. Arthur Pitcher, who plays centre on the team and keeps house for her car salesman husband. Miss Gladys Hawkins also keeps house for her family. Miss Norma Hipel, star defence player on the team, is the daughter of the Hon. N. O. Hipel, speaker of the Ontario Legislature.

Turn Down Montreal Offers. Nellie Ranscombe is rated by sport writers as the best girl hockey player in Canada. Hilda Ranscombe and Margaret Schermerck are the wings and the other star performers on the team. The two Ranscombe girls and Miss Schermerck have received attractive offers to play in Montreal, but have turned them down to stay with the Preston team.

Financial support of the Preston Springs Rivulets is maintained by their sponsors, the medical brothers Edwin and Gordon Hagmeier. The club is operated democratically, the girls selecting their own officers and management. The team is managed by Marvin J. Dyckman and coached by Herbert Pach, who has been chosen each year by the girls themselves.

During the playing season the girls follow as strict a regime as that followed by any professional hockey team. On trins, all dates and parties are taboo. They get to bed early every night, both at home and on trins, and so through the season with a minimum of time lost from their jobs.

for fear that he may miss a chance to sell him.

Censure Mickey

Some of the more rabid baseball customers at Detroit have plastered their first blast on Cochrane for giving up a slam-bang, colorful, mildly eccentric player like Walker for Vernon Kennedy, a pitcher who never seems to have gotten over the effects of throwing a no-hitter in 1936.

The fanatics are issuing the usual rot about a boycott. Kennedy won 14 and lost 13 last year with a team that was up there in the fight for 2nd place all season. That doesn't come under the heading of masterful pitching.

What the growlers perhaps overlook is that Cochrane must have a pitcher, even a .50 pitcher, it being reasonable to argue that with Rudy York, Charley Gehringer and some of the younger players, Detroit has enough power. Tommy Bridges seems to be over the brink of his greatness. Schoolboy Rowe, Cochrane well knows, is liable to come down with a bad case of pouting in mid-season, and lose all effectiveness. It is difficult to understand how a bootblack, a file clerk, a mechanic or a banker can suppose that he knows more about the intricacies of baseball than men, like Cochrane, who have given perhaps 20 years to it, and clawed their way up to the top the hard way.

If a few more American League managers, and owners had the give-and-take spirit of Cochrane and Jimmy Dykes, perhaps the American League fans might see the odd spectacle of a race for first place instead of the dreary invariable walkaway that has been the rule for a generation.

ALL YEAR

Sandlot baseball runs all year in San Francisco. A winter league sponsored by the San Francisco Seals numbers 900 players.

Mike Jacobs Has Promoted \$1,500,000 Worth of Fights

NEW YORK, Dec. 10—Uncle Sam's fight bill will run close to \$5,000,000 this year, or about as much as half a dozen fights drew ten years ago, according to the most accurate figures obtainable today.

Mike Jacobs, boxing's leading impresario, figures that he has promoted about \$1,500,000 worth of fights this year, and half of this sum was drawn at the Jim Braddock - Joe Louis fight in Chicago.

"The fighting game is slowly coming back," said Jacobs, as he pored over his books today, "but it still has a long way to go to reach the prosperity it had before the crash in Wall Street."

"Why just ten years ago Jack Dempsey and Gene Tunney drew \$2,658,660 in Chicago, and Dempsey and Jack Sharkey drew \$1,083,530 or a total of \$3,742,190. In other words those two fights drew almost four-fifths as much as the combined gates of every fight held in the United States this year!"

"There seems to be a widespread belief that the fight game draws ten times as much as it does. That's because the fans see the total of two or three big fights and figure all the others on the same basis."

"For instance, the Braddock and Louis, the Louis and Farr and my Carnival of Champions shows drew approximately \$1,250,000. But 23 shows in Madison Square Garden, the biggest fight arena in the country, drew only about \$250,000 and one fight—the Louis-Pastor affair—drew \$111,000 of this total."

"Small clubs draw very little anywhere. There is no more prosperous club than the Coliseum here. It runs 52 weeks a year, but I doubt that it will average more than \$2,000 a show or \$100,000 for the whole year. These figures, plus reports I get from other states, lead me to believe that the total fight gate for 1937 for the whole United States will not exceed \$5,000,000."

Head Minor League Baseball Issues Serious Warning

Judge Bramham, head of the minor leagues of baseball, warns the magnates not to grow careless and fall into their old errors.

Minor league baseball, you may have heard, has come out of its depression nicely. Minor league baseball right now is a very successful and prosperous.

But like the fellow who said "what's the use of chasing a street car after you've caught it?" the minor league magnate now shows signs of falling into old errors, thinks Bramham. Bramham urges economy all along the line and a careful heaving to the line of remedies that brought about the convalescence of a sick business. He is against a return to increased player-limits, increased classification, doing away with salary limits, and all that.

The minors got back on their feet after a long struggle. At one time it looked as if there would soon be no minor league baseball!

Much credit is due Judge Bramham and the other executives who have assisted him, particularly Joe Carr, the organizing genius.

Now Possible to Play Long Distance Golf—Bermuda to U. S. A.

It is now possible to run off a United States - Bermuda 18-hole championship golf match in one day—playing nine holes on the island and nine holes on this side. It can be done with the help of the Bermuda Clipper, a huge passenger ship that flies from Bermuda to Baltimore twice a week.

In fact, one newspaper man looking for a new angle to write about, played a few holes of golf on the island and then climbed into a regular plane and arrived in Baltimore in time to play nine more holes before supper.

He wasn't rushed at all. The very novelty of the thing would make it a success.

There has been talk for several years of the inclusion of Havana and Mexico City in baseball leagues in the United States, and the time seems near at hand when one or two of the big cities of the Pacific Coast may make serious bids for big league membership. The aeroplane makes it possible.

"FLEA" CHAPMAN AND PAT RADCLIFFE, BOTH OF SUSSEX, TO BOLSTER LOCAL OFFENSE IN LONE S. N. B. H. L. FIXTURE

Game Between St. Croix and Saint John at Port City Postponed Until Later Date; More Equal Battle Than Last Foreseen; Hub Confident

"Flea" Chapman, formerly of Sussex and for the last couple of seasons will likely turn to the Green and White colors of Fredericton tonight when he joins the Capitals' forward line along with Pat Radcliffe of Sussex, who will also make an appearance with the Fredericton team against the Moncton squad, who take on the Capitals for the second time this season in the Southern N.B. Hockey League.

Last Friday night at Moncton Fredericton suffered a 4 to 1 beating from the Maroons in the opening game of the league in The Hub and on Monday night took another walloping from the Saint John Beavers, 9 to 4 in a league fixture. The Capitals have had practically no practice outside of the last two games due to lack of ice in Fredericton on account of weather conditions.

Coach Bill Gill and his squad left for Moncton today undaunted and with confidence that before much longer their condition will hold out for the 90 minutes of play that will give any team less than an even chance to beat them as the league progresses.

Sturdy Cliff Young, outstanding goaler in the league last season will be back in the Capitals' nets at Moncton and in front of him will be the bulwarks of Gill, Thompson, Waterhouse and Ralph Goodine. The forward lines will include Jack Keenan, Mush Morehouse, Bill Lifford, Bun McLennan and Billy McIntyre. Others may make the trip.

MONCTON, Dec. 10—"Dud" James' Moncton Maroons, Southern New Brunswick League-leaders, will be at home tonight to Bill Gill's Fredericton Capitals in a scheduled hockey game in the Stadium. With curly-headed Cliff Young back between the pipes for the Caps and with several other players on the club roster who did not appear here last week, Maroons may be in for a tough struggle although they seem confident that they will retain their top-rung position.

Either George Harris or young Hank Lavie will be in goal for the Maroons with Charlie Phillips and "Dud" White forming one defence duo with Clarence Bastarache and Lex LeBlanc as the alternate pair. George Appleby or Coach "Dud" James will pivot the "kid line" with Babe LeBlanc and George Bell on the wings while the veteran Ken Carroll will work between Hal Ingram and Ev Doucet with "Flea" Chapman and Reese Dickie as the general utility men.

Tonight's game will be the only one in the Southern New Brunswick League as the scheduled tilt between Saint John Beavers and St. Stephen St. Croix to be played at the Forum in Saint John has been postponed to a later date, Beaver officials have announced.

Max Baer Now Plans Comeback

OAKLAND, Calif., Dec. 10 — Max Baer, the former heavyweight champion, is as proud as any father over his first-born—Max Adelbert Baer, Jr., six days old today.

Mrs. Baer, the former Mary Ellen Sullivan, of Washington, D.C., reported "doing nicely" at East Oakland Hospital, let Max senior do the talking for the family.

"No, sir, no pictures until Dec. 15. But why not take a shot of me?"

Concerning reports he would now make a comeback in the ring, Max said his manager, Ancil Hoffman, left for New York yesterday. Max declared he would like a bout with the winner of the Braddock - Farr fight.

Baer is reported to have bet \$1,000 with Jack Dempsey that his first-born would be a boy.

Ross Hits Story He'll Quit Ring

CHICAGO, Dec. 10—Newlywed welterweight champion Barney Ross today denied rumors that, having earned \$250,000 in the ring, he would now retire.

Ross was married the other day to Pearl Siegel, 25 year old daughter of a New Jersey chain store magnate, and said he planned to remain away from the ring for only one month.



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