



SPORT



LEAGUE GOVERNORS MAY OUST M'LAUGHLIN SOON

Lester Patrick Scoffs at the Idea --- Chihawks For an All-American

The National Hockey league may step into Maj. Frederic McLaughlin, owner of the Chicago Black Hawks, swinging rights and lefts and knock him clean out of the business and back into the coffee industry as a full-time job. This has been hinted by Art Ross, a governor of the league representing the Boston Bruins. The major's latest idea, that of junking his present team and placing an American-born club on the ice, may cause the Chicago owner plenty of grief and cost him his franchise.

"The constitution of the National league is quite concise on that matter of an owner forming a club strong enough to compete in the league. When McLaughlin starts talking about an all-American hockey team, the idea is a good one. But it is practically impossible to get 15 or 16 American-born hockey players capable of competing against Canadian-borns in the major circuit. Should the major decide to come out with an all-American club next season or the following winter, the board of governors would probably rule his team to be inferior and demand his franchise.

"After all, it would be silly for Toronto to join the American or National leagues in baseball and attempt to field an all-Canadian team. Baseball players, because of the climate, are just not made in Canada, and for the same reason, hockey players are not manufactured wholesale in the United States.

"Looking back over 30 years of high grade hockey you can count out-standing United States players on your fingers—Hobey Baker, George Owen, Tawny Abel, John Gottselig, Mike Karakas, Myles Lane, for instance.

"So that if the Chicago major thinks he can develop 15 American-born players inside two, or even five years he is apt to run into the iron hand of the league's board of governors who may rule he is sponsoring an inferior team."

Lester Patrick, manager of the Rangers, scoffs at the idea from Chicago. He hints the Windy City major is "begging for trouble." Listeners can tell from Patrick's remarks on the situation that McLaughlin is an unpopular member of the board of governors.

"If the major likes you socially," says Patrick, "there is nothing too good for you. But in business the major thinks first of the major and once he gets an idea he sticks right to it. That is why I wonder just how much trouble he will run into in this new situation. The Chicago newspapers have come out with big, bold headlines quoting him on his American-team idea. He is unlikely to back down on his proposition now.

"For several reasons he is apt to run afoul of trouble from the league. First, because an all-American team could not compete in big league competition. Second, for years the league has sought to have the major give his permission to allow a second National league club in Chicago. This he has refused to allow.

"It also seems to me the major is using very poor psychology. His team had, until this week, a mathematical chance of getting into the playoffs. But whatever chances there were now seem to be definitely gone out of the window. Why? Well, do you think those Canadian players on the Hawk team are going out to do their extra best for the major now? He has sold out on them and they will play now only with an eye of attracting other club owners with their skill. I think the major used very poor psychology.

The complete 'horrible details' of the major's latest idea are just now at hand. He is going out into the big western lands looking for the 'foot-

ball' type of athlete. Then he is going to send his brawny creatures to the Y.M.C.A. for a complete summer of gymnasium work under Emil Iverson, the expert who recently tried to take 15 pounds from the frame of Glenn Brydson only to discover at the end of the week that Glenn had added five pounds. Oh well.

Then, after a summer of gymnasium work, the brawny boys from the football fields will be turned loose on the ice. It may take the complete winter of 1937-38 to teach the 'football type' to skate but the major is undaunted. Incidentally, Lester Patrick says he skated 20 years, five months a year, before he made the major league grade. Oh well.

Also the major is going to junk the present Black Hawk uniforms. Hooray! The team will be called the Yankees next winter even though the major may have to retire seven or eight Canadians.

The current Hawk theme song, played on the giant stadium organ as the Hawks go onto their home rink, was filched from an Indian aria. This will be junked and next season the theme song of the Chicago team will be "Yankee Doodle Dandy."

And the major wants more mayhem with his hockey. He says the trouble with the present Hawk team is that nobody hits opposing forwards. Once he gets the 'football type' he is going to order mayhem and then the good major winds up with these remarks: "Canadian players are not athletes—they're nothing more than specialists in a line. A good, two-fisted, well-conditioned American hockey club ought to be able to take 'em in stride.

Anyhow the major has been good copy this season.

SUMMARIES

At Saint John

Fredericton: Young, goal; Chalmers, Kilburn, Goodine, Thompson, defence; Bun McLenahan, Jack Keenan, centre; Lifford, Mills, left wing; Bus McLenahan, Morehouse, right wing; Haining, sub.

Saint John: Lynch, goal; Pickard, Livingston, defence; Price, Burke, centre; Don Patterson, Dr. Patterson, right wing; Murphy, Sharpe, left wing; McEwen, sub.

Referees: Clark and Duncan. First period: No score. Penalties, Kilburn, Murphy, Don Patterson, Pickard, Mills.

Second period: Fredericton, Mills (Goodine) 18.40. Penalties, Livingston, Bus McLenahan.

Third period: 1. Fredericton, Goodine, 13.51. Penalties, Chalmers, Morehouse.

At St. Stephen

Maroons: Goal, Barton; defence, Bastarache, McNeil; centre, Carroll, Chapman; right wing, Dickey, Bell; left wing, Crowhurst, B. LeBlanc.

St. Croix: Coal, Coffey; defence, Robertson, Armstrong, 'Boof' McIntee; centre, Cameron, Lowe; right wing, Doucett, McIntyre; left wing, Jack McIntee, Russell; sub, Greenough.

Referees: Geo. Walker, John Lowe. First period: 1. Maroons, Carroll (Crowhurst), 2.36. 2. Maroons, Carroll, 15.23. Penalties, none.

Second period: 3. St. Croix, McIntyre (Russell), 3.15. 4. St. Croix, Cameron (Doucett), 7.24. Penalties, none.

Third period: Scoring none. Penalties, Bastarache, Armstrong, Chapman, McIntee, McNeil.

Overtime—Scoring, none. Penalties, Armstrong.

LONG TERM CONTRACTS ARE ELIMINATED

NEW YORK, Jan. 30—Yankee contracts are in the mails today, a fact which in itself is not startling, since this is the time of year when baseball contracts customarily are in the mails. What is surprising is that there isn't a dollar-a-year contract among them. It was suspected in some quarters that at least one, and probably two, of these celebrated documents would be dispatched this spring.

Myrl Hoag, who suffered a brain injury in mid-summer and had to be retired, is getting a regular contract, probably calling for the same salary he drew in 1936. Lefty Vernon Gomez, the refractory southpaw, whose two-year contract calling for \$20,000 a year expired last fall, likewise has been sent a regular contract, calling for a stated sum. It requires no clairvoyant powers, however, to suggest that the Senor's salary is not the same as it was last year.

In fact, a good-sized bite has probably been taken out of Lefty's emolument. The squawk likely to follow receipt of his contract by the lean left-hander should be one of the more entertaining noises of the off-season. Gomez is in Bermuda now with his wife, bicycling, golfing and worrying. Folks will know when he is back in town by the loud screams in the neighborhood of Sixty-sixth street and Broadway, where he lives. These will immediately follow the opening of his mail.

Bellowing From New Rochelle

There might also be some deep bull bellowing in the region of New Rochelle, where Lou Gehrig lives. This will not be because of any slicing of the \$31,000 fee Lulu received last year but because the game's current highest-priced star may have decided that he is worth more than the Yankees have offered him. Lou had a big year last season, which was neatly topped off by his being voted the most valuable player in the American League. He is due for a rise. If there is any debate it will be only over how much more he ought to get.

In announcing that contracts had been mailed out, Cousin Ed Barrow the Yankee business manager, said only that some Yankees had received rises, some had been given the shiv or paring knife, and some had the same salaries they received last season. Don't let any one tell you that your guess as to who got which isn't as good as the next's fellow's.

However, the guessing among the experts was that Johnny Murphy, Pat Malone, Monte Pearson, Charlie Ruffing and Bump Hadley of the pitchers got rises, and that Johnny Broaca, a recent bridegroom, got the same dough. John is a good hollerer and should get a bit of his specialty over this. Crosetti, Rolfe and possibly Lazzeri have come in for pay boosts, as well as Bill Dickey, Joe Di Maggio, Jake Powell and George Selkirk. It is difficult to detect a cut other than that which undoubtedly has been taken in Gomez's remuneration.

Maximum Is One Year

In addition to being minus a dollar-a-year offering, Yankee contracts this season are distinguished by the fact that none encompasses a longer term than one year. Long term contracts have not worked out well for the Yanks, an experience which is somewhat true in big league baseball generally. The athletes are all noble fellows and are always in their bearing down. But when they have long term contracts they don't seem to do as well as when they are struggling along on a year-to-year basis.

The returns now will be watched with interest. Besides Gomez and Gehrig, the sensational Di Maggio is to be appeased. Joe is a genuine likeable kid, modest, hard-working and agreeable. But don't forget that he was a hold-out before he ever joined the Yanks. Now with a good year behind him and brother Tom giving him advice, a trans-continental beef from Rookie Joe may come along to make a cacophonous trio with Gehrig and Gomez that will beat a tantalizing tattoo on Cousin Ed's eardrums. Aren't you glad you don't own a world champion ball club?

The Giants, moving steadily along record two more signers in the 1937 contract sweepstakes. Jim Ripple who did so well in centerfield as a left-handed alternate for Hank Lelber, weighed in yesterday with his signed contract, as did Pancho Snyder, coach.

Ripple, who batted .305 and who came along with several timely home runs, mailed in his contract from his

Pastor Stays Limit With Brown Bomber

"AROUND THE SPORT CLOCK"
—WITH—
Jack Eddy

Joe Louis, the Detroit Brown Bomber, failed to live up to his boast that he would K.O. Pastor in the second round of last night's bout.

However, Joe's experience got a well earned decision over the less experienced Pastor. The N.Y.U. grad however, will be heard from again, as he is an elusive target to shoot at. His crowding style had Louis guessing. Louis tipped the beams at 203 Pastor weighed in at 178 pounds.

The Capitals came through again in grand style at Saint John. Cliff Young kept the scoring clean, while his mates banged in two markers, and now are definitely "in" for a play-off position.

Fredericton High School chalked up its second successive victory in two official starts, at the Arctic rink last evening. Charlie Fleet has the youngsters clicking in fine style, and the local high school are heavy favorites to win the N. B. Interscholastic title.

The Saint John Gulls, away to a good start at the opening of the Southern loop, have faded badly. Last night's loss marked the ninth straight defeat for the Taylor coached clan. Injuries have played a prominent part in wrecking the Sea Gull machine.

This has been the most disastrous season in the N.H.L. in years, as the "injury jinx" has visited practically every club in the League. Howie Morenz and Tommy Young are out with broken legs, Charlie Conacher and 'Buzz' Boll with arm injuries and minor injuries have placed several others on the side lines, including the great Eddie Shore.

Provincial Golf Meet at Moncton

The 1937 New Brunswick golf meet will be held on the links of the Riverdale Golf Club, Moncton, on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, July 12, 13 and 14. This was announced by Frank N. Robertson, secretary-treasurer of the New Brunswick Golf Association, last night who stated that the directors of the association had accepted the invitation of the Riverdale club this year for the provincial meet.

Larry Thornton, pro of the Moncton Club, expects to carry off the honors in the open but Vernon Balch, pro of the Riverside Golf and Country Club, and Earl Jamieson, pro of Portland Place Golf Club, formerly assistant pro at Moncton, hope to cop the laurels. Several top-ranking amateurs will be entered in the open.

Rev. J. Walter Holland of Saint John, present N. B. champion, it is hoped will be able to defend his crown.

George Mantha to Replace Morenz

MONTREAL, Jan. 29—George Mantha will step into Howie Morenz's shoes tomorrow night. Manager Cecil Hart said today Mantha would centre Montreal Canadiens front line when the Habitués meet New York Americans without their fast-string centre, out with a broken leg.

Mantha scored four goals against Chicago Black Hawks last night in the game that sent Howie to hospital. Polly Drouin, recalled from New Haven Eagles, will centre another line with Jack McGill and Rod Lorrain.

Fire Destroys Home Of Former Champion

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Jan. 28—Max Baer, the former heavyweight champion, and his manager, Ancil Hoffman, were without a home today.

Their palatial country place near here was swept by fire last night. Damage was estimated at \$40,000. Baer and Hoffman and their wives were entertaining several guests when the fire broke out. They escaped uninjured. Cause of the fire was undetermined.

home in Export, Pa. Jim is a house painter and is keeping his throwing arm in shape during the off-season wielding the brush.

CANZONERI STARTS HIS COMEBACK

Tony Canzoneri, with a fair break in luck, will beat the field to the match with Lou Ambers when the lightweight champion makes the first defence of his title. Should the hopes of the former champion achieve realization it will be satisfactory to the light fans.

Canzoneri has already started training at his Marlboro, N. Y., farm and plans to engage in his first bout on the comeback route early next month in the St. Nicholas Palace. His first opponent will probably be the winner of next Monday night's ten-round in the same club between Aldo Spoldi and Phil Baker.

Should Tony get by this bout in good style and then show the expected improvement against another strong opponent, probably at the Coliseum, he will be ready to file a challenge to fight Ambers in Madison Square Garden in April or May. The contracts for the match will probably be entered into before the expiration of the champion's six months of grace, which will be in March.

So far as Ambers is concerned, there are several reasons why he should look with favor on such a match. The most important is that the Herkimer boy promised before their recent battle that, in the event of the title changing hands Canzoneri would be given the first chance to regain the laurels if he was still prominently active in the ring.

Breaks Were Against Tony

It is well known that through force of circumstances Tony was forced to go on with Ambers under conditions that were not altogether fair to the then champion. An injury in training for the match cut down his work to only a few days of boxing and his timing, as a result, was away off.

Should Tony show anything like his old form in his two or three tune-up engagements he will have plenty of supporters who will show their confidence in him to regain his crown; particularly since Ambers, in his three contests as a champion, has not been so hot.

Two defeats and a draw are the sum total of Lou's performances as the title holder. While it is true that he was the victim of a particularly bad decision in his bout with Eddie Cool, was greatly handicapped in the matter of weight against Jimmy McLarnin, and deserved something better than a draw in the contest a week ago with Enrico Venturi, the fact remains that in none of these set- backs was the work of Ambers up to his best standard.

Aside from the possibility of the Canzoneri comeback, the chances are slight that any other contender will establish himself as an outstanding challenger between now and the expiration of the champion's six months of grace.

Venturi and Montanez

Venturi and Pedro Montanez seem to be in the foreground, but the former did not make the most of his opportunity last Friday. Enrico was lucky to get a draw, since not one official vote was cast in his favor. Moreover, he was three and a quarter pounds over the lightweight limit at weighing-in time last week.

As for Montanez, he has been inactive for some months and his last showings here were hardly as impressive as expected from the flashy Puerto Rican. He is not due in New York until Monday next, and it will take a couple of months for him to get back in the spotlight again.

A fifteen-round contest at weight between Montanez and Venturi might prove something.

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JOE LOUIS EARNS VERDICT LAST NIGHT

MADISON SQUARE GARDEN, New York, Jan. 29—Before a howling, near capacity crowd of 18,000, Joe Louis, minus his fistie bombs, outpointed Bob Pastor, nimble ex-college boxer, tonight in a 10-round pursuit match that presented one of the strangest heavyweight spectacles witnessed in the Garden's battlepit in many a year.

Entering the ring on the short end of 10-1 odds, Pastor spotted Louis nearly 25 pounds, then put on a reverse brand of footwork with such success that he weathered the limit of 10 full rounds without one being seriously damaged, much less knocked off his feet.

Baffled by his opponent's back-peddling, swift-circling tactics, Louis not only failed to explode any of the punching dynamite for which he is famous but actually was hard-pressed to gain anything like a decisive margin on points over the artfully dodging former New York University full-back.

On The Associated Press score sheet, Louis was credited with only five rounds—the first, fourth, fifth, eighth and ninth. Pastor took the second, third, sixth and 10th, while the seventh was registered even.

Referee Arthur Donovan and the two judges, George Le Cron and Charley Lynch, scored unanimously for Louis.

The crowd, officially put at 18,864 customers, with gross gate receipts of \$111,570.60, booed the verdict lustily and jeered Louis as the obviously crest-fallen "Brown Bomber" left the ring.

Pastor Unscathed

Pastor, who emerged unscathed as the first heavyweight to go the limit with Louis since the latter's knockout last June by Max Baer, didn't even lose the plaster patch that he wore over his left eye when the bout started.

Louis, slow, wild and completely baffled by his rival's tactics, showed the effects of Pastors punches around the ribs and kidneys, besides a sore nose that bled throughout the last five rounds.

Kingside critics, almost as completely wrong in the speculation over the outcome as they were in the Louis-Schmeling bout, quickly circulated reports of a "clean-up" by Broadway betting men. Plenty of money had been wagered, it was said, against the chances of Pastor going the limit.

Louis, although always seemingly dangerous with either fist, failed to land anything resembling a knockout punch.

The "Bomber's" left jarred Pastor at intervals, including the fourth, fifth and eighth rounds, but he missed more blows than he connected. "Shufflin' Joe" looked so slow at times as he tried to match his smaller rival's speedy footwork that he resembled a cigar-store Indian trying to swap punches at long range with a jumping-jack.

Pastor, in retreat nine-tenths of the fight, covered more ground than a cross-country runner, but he did it purposely and accomplished his objective to go the route and keep his chin out of harm's way.

Guy Patrick Wants Inter-Series Playoffs

VANCOUVER, Jan. 30—Canada this year may see a hockey series for the Canadian professional crown between a National Hockey League team from Eastern Canada and the Pacific Coast League's Vancouver Lions. Only two "ifs" stand in the way.

Guy Patrick, owner-manager of the Lions, said yesterday, if a Canadian team wins the N. H. L., and his own team comes through in the coast league, he would "lose no time in challenging" the N. H. L. winners to a series to determine supremacy among Canadian professional teams.

Said Manager Patrick: "This (the Lions) is the best hockey team I have ever handled in Vancouver. If we win the coast pennant I'll lose no time in challenging Maple Leafs, Montreal Maroons or Montreal Canadiens for the Canadian championship."

LOUGHLIN SAYS ACCIDENTS CAUSE LOWLY STANDING

MONTREAL, Jan. 30—Big Chief Clem Loughlin of the Hawks the aboriginal band whom Major McLaughlin wishes to make Yankees is gadding about our town today. His Hawks are in town.

Probably they will be glad to lose their Indian moniker next year, but they are not keen to lose their Canadian identity.

Having rammed nine goals behind Lorne Chabot with none of the American boys contributing anything more disturbing than a knock on the pads to Chabot, they try their teeth tonight on the tougher fibre of Wilf Cude.

Les Canadiens, back from a starry road trip, are ready to meet the scalping party at the blue lines. They fear the enraged Indians will still be smoking-hot over the indictment set forth by Heap Big Chief McLaughlin, who threatens them more medicine ball seasons, chinning exercises and longer hours in the gym.

The Black Hawks will be glad to get a new name. They were named after an Indian tribe that used to roam the spot where Chicago now stands. Major McLaughlin, who was connected with the Black Hawk division during the war, gave them the monicker. He also garbed them in the strange fashion they have appeared in ever since coming into hockey.

Canadiens back after rasing Toronto experts no little are seeking their sixth game without a loss. Their only casualty is George Brown who has an injured shoulder. Babe Siebert is back and he took things easily in Toronto, but is tightened up to make certain that Canadiens will move so far ahead tonight that there will be no danger of their being caught.

Canadiens were amused by the manner in which the Leafs tried to put on their power plays. In their opinion they were terrible. They tossed the puck into the attacking zone some after time and Canucks kept forking the puck back at them, and the game was pretty terrible in that period but Joliat went down to make it secure although Canucks claim there was little pressure to Leafs last period attack.

Clem Loughlin is not in agreement with his boss on the theory that his team is not up to snuff. He says he has a real fighting team. Andy Blair agrees with him.

Says Andy: "There is not a man on this club who does not give everything he has got. And mark you Loughlin does not drive one like we used to be driven when I was with Toronto."

Which looks like a left handed shot in the direction of Toronto which should bring Frank Selke to the rescue on the gallop. Loughlin of course loyal to the major does not discuss the All-American theory but refers to it as "interesting."

Clem Explains

"You must remember that the line which scored so many goals last season, that is Thompson, March and Remnes, have been together for only a few games this season on account of injuries," says Loughlin.

They will be no pushover. Any club that can shoot nine goals in a game against a good defensive team like Amerks has to be respected. A club which has Karakas, Earl Selbert, Marty Burke, Thompson, March, Gottselig, and Trudel, is no setup, no matter what its record is.

Maroons were idle last night. They moved over to Three Rivers Thursday night and put on a game for the edification of burghers of that town. Charlie Cain scored four goals and Russ Blinco finally found his scoring eye playing against team mates to bag three. Playing for "Maroons" Earl Robinson scored the only goal.

They play Leafs tonight. Connell returns next week and will probably alternate with Beveridge till the end of the season.

Canadiens' usual strategy of going after the first goal, the simple system that has carried them to so many victories, will be worked again. Hart has plenty of respect for Hawks, and is certain they will be hard to beat.

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