

Halifax Trundlers Gain Supremacy Annual Bowling Classic at Saint John

Conn and Martel Score Thirteen Victories In Fourteen Games Played

Fredericton Team Are Runners-up to the Victors

SAINT JOHN, May 8.—Wilbert Martel and his mighty men of Conn and Martel Alleys, Halifax, hit the trail for home this morning with the Maritime-Eastern Maine Bowling championship tucked away, carrying with them the Brunswick-Balke-Collander trophy, emblematic of the title.

"Marty" and his boys survived the toughest schedule ever drawn up in the history of the annual, suffering but one loss of the 13 games rolled by them during the four days and five nights of bowling.

Tired, but happy as they left the Imperial Alleys early this morning as the tournament closed, the Halifax team was assured by some of the Saint John teams that they would be in the sister city next May for the 38th annual.

It was the second time Conn and Martel Alleys had won the tourna-

ment. Fredericton Palace Alleys, with 11 victories and two defeats was runner-up to the victorious Conn and Martel team. They put up a game fight for the championship but faltered badly in their third string against the strong Halifax five. Later the Capitals went on to win from Sydney in their final game of the 1937 classic.

Victory came to the smiling, round little "Marty" and his Halifax team when they turned back the threat of Fredericton Palace Alleys yesterday afternoon in the crucial test of the tournament. Up to that time the teams had been tied with 10 wins and one defeat each. Triumph for either meant the title. It was the turning point in the classic.

Capitals Wilt In Third

Fredericton made a great bid in the first string but Martel anchored his team splendidly and the Halifax squad came up with a 16-pin edge in the second and went on in the third to swamp a very tired Capital crew. Mayor Kitchen of the Fredericton five was the only roller to top the century mark in the third while every Halifax bowler made 100 or better for a wide margin.

Duffy's 111 in the first string gave the Fredericton team a tie with 517. He rolled a spare in his last box for a 17 total to tie the count. From then on it was a tough struggle until Cook broke the ice in the second and Martel following him. It was all Halifax thereafter. "Marty" led all pinmen with a 334 for the three strings.

Black's five, defending champions, dropped four of their 13 games but walked off with one honor. That was taken by Fred Cunningham who yesterday topped the high single set by Noel Jenkins early in the week by 10 pins. Jenkins rolled 142 and Cunningham 152.

High Single Threatened

Cunningham's high was threatened last night in the 8 o'clock games when another Jenkins, of the Dartmouth five, picked up 151 in his first string against Woodstock.

In the latter game the high team

HOCKEY MAGNATES PAY PIPERS... TREVOR VIEWS WITH ALARM

MONTREAL, May 8.—Canadians received \$500 for their play-off shares. Add to this the \$297 they received for their Maritime trip and they drew practically eight hundred for post-season work.

Maroons received \$407 each for their play-off melon. Detroit players expect around \$1,500 each, but unofficial reports state the melon will be somewhere around \$1,000 each.

The estate of the late Howie Morenz gets a full share. The cheques were sent out this week, and hockey players who had remained over scattered to their homes. Gus Marker took a trip to Tulsa and came back here to work through the summer.

There will be some trade talk at Detroit, and it would not surprise if Maroons bobbed up with some new players. One of the rumors going around is that Leafs will bid for Dave Kerr.

Broda played well last winter, but he was an up and coming rookie whereas Kerr is a polished performer, and a Toronto boy to boot. It is reported via the grapevine that Lester Patrick would not be averse to a deal. Leafs are also reported to be interested in Lynn Patrick.

Father Lester is said to be considering a proposal from Leafs. Connie Smythe is already reported to have put a fifteen thousand dollar value on Lynn. So trade winds are likely

total set by Black's earlier in the week was topped by one pin. Dartmouth came through with 1,594 and Black's mark, standing at 1,593 was shattered.

Although no averages were released last night it is believed that Martel was winner of the high average prize.

Wentworth Kitchen of the Fredericton team was the individual high three winner with 382.

to blow quite a bit when magnates meet.

Trevor Wignall, of the London Daily Express, predicts that if the fighting which has characterized so many hockey games played in London is not stopped, the game will take a violent toss.

"There are many who allege that the scraps are a frame-up and that they are engineered to add to the excitement," says Trevor. "Even if this is untrue they are unwanted and disagreeable to the sight."

He says these fights have created the impression that ice hockey is the worst tempered game that has been invented, and that it is not worth looking at unless there is fisticuffs. "Those who have sunk money in the sport will have to do some hard thinking if they wish to add to the somewhat restricted number of on-lookers," predicts Wignall.

He has often expressed himself as somewhat of an opponent of the game. He seems to like cycling better. Wignall is supposed to be the last word in experting on all sports.

He picked Baer to beat Parr easily in the recent bout so he belongs to the fallible brotherhood, though he speaks with a pontifical voice in sport matters.

He thinks the great need in England is for bigger rinks. In his opinion hockey is strictly a London game and may not succeed altogether on that account. Possibly he is right but any spot that has a population of seven million to draw from, and has a game like hockey to show, should be able to do pretty well under the proper type of promotion.

GEORGE BIRD WILL DEFEND FISTIC TITLE

MONTREAL, May 7.—Officials of the Y.M.H.A. were in a very happy mood today. They have been given assurance that there will be at least three heavyweights entered in the Dominion boxing championships to be held by their association at the Forum on Wednesday and Thursday May 19 and 20. Tommy Osborne, University Settlement, who outpointed Harry Bray, Champetre, in the Quebec tourney this month, will attempt to gain possession of the crown that he came near winning in last year's Olympic Trials here, and George Bird, St. Catharines, is expected to defend the title he won by beating Osborne via the decision route.

Lennie Stein Toronto Jewish heavy weight, will make it a three-cornered fight for the heavy crown if no other entries are made with Morrie Brucker, who has charge of the entry list for the Y.M.H.A.

Fans here will welcome a return bout between Osborne and Bird. When these two clashed in the heavy weight final at the Olympic Trials last summer at the Forum they produced one of the greatest fights—amateur or professional—witnessed in a local ring.

Osborne nearly had Bird out in the first round, but the St. Catharines lad rallied to earn the honors in the second round and then in the final session connected with hard blows to his opponent's face. Osborne was practically out on his feet in the final round.

It was a big disappointment to Osborne in losing this fight. It cost him a trip to the Olympic games. He would like nothing better than to reverse this ring defeat with a victory over Bird in this month's title tournament. He may get his chance.

That the tourney will attract a record entry there is very little doubt. The Maritimes will be well represented, while every province with the exception of British Columbia has been heard from.

The entire proceeds of the championship when expenses have been deducted will go towards a memorial of some kind to perpetuate the memory of the late Louis Rubenstein, one of the founders of the Y.M.H.A. and an international figure in sport-dom.

Bits about NBC broadcasters: Helen Menken, starring in the dramatic NBC serial, Second Husband, began her stage career at the age of five when she appeared as a fairy in a production of "Midsummer Night's Dream." Many of the men in Peter Van Steedon's Town Hall Tonight orchestra have been with him since he formed his first band while a student at N. Y. U. . . . Eddie "Fat" and Ralph Dumke both have their homes in Westchester County.

Lou Ambers Outpoints Canzoneri to Retain the World Lightweight Title

NEWARK BEARS STRONGEST TEAM SAYS NORMANDIN

MONTREAL, May 7.—Arthur Normandin, the obese die-hard director of the Royals, came home with the club yesterday touting the Newark Bears as the strongest outfit on the Southern swing of the International League.

Lil' Arthur piloted the Royals through the Jersey marshlands, down to Maryland's Baltimore, thence to up-state New York and Syracuse, and then home.

Guy Moreau, business manager left the team in Newark, and Normandin looked after the business end of things from that point onward, into the valley of defeats at Newark and Jersey City, out into the sunshine of conquest at Baltimore and salty Syracuse.

So, if Arthur has the right baseball dope, and he usually has, the Royals will battle the loop's toughest club in the delayed opener tomorrow afternoon at the Delorimer and Ontario ball barracks.

Rain washed out ceremony and action scheduled for this afternoon.

Normandin surveys the Newark Bears and can't find a weak spot. He discounts the early reverses suffered by the Baltimore Orioles and places them on the next Southern rung of the Bears. He gives Syracuse the edge over Travis Jackson's Jersey City Giants.

"Our old favorite Bob Seeds has made the Newark outfield," said Normandin. "He starred for the Royals and he is starting for the Bears."

Most flexible of flyhawks, Seeds is stepping a peppery pace in the centre plot for the Bruins. He is shining in all all-star outfield brigade, which includes Tommy Henrich, the player enriched by Judge Landis' decision that made him a free agent. It is said he received \$20,000 for signing with the Yankees. Splice that down the middle and you'll find ten grand in the Henrich First National bank account.

Henrich should be something of an attraction at the Royals' ball park when, and if, they get the season underway before the departure of the Newark. The Bears have five outfielders all fit to be regulars. Jack Glynn and Charles Keller were recently supplanted by Henrich and Jim Gleason, both long-distance swatters. It was Gleason's home run that beat Kimsey in Newark.

Merrill May, one of the best third basemen in the league, last season, of late has been bench sit-downing with Frank Kelleher playing at the far turn regularly. Richardson is holding on at shortstop. Flash Gordon is a newcomer at second base, billed for the Yankees later on. George McQuinn, a very desirable first baseman rounds out the infield.

The Bears have a young slugger in Buddy Rosar, who divides the catching with Willard Hershberger. Nothing wrong with the pitching. Tamulis Sundra, Yocke, Spittler, Piechota, La Rocca, Donald, etc.

"Watch the Bears!"

RED SOX HURDLE INTO FIRST PLACE

NEW YORK, May 7.—Stranding seven runners in the last five innings, "Lefty" Grove turned in his first 1937 triumph today as Boston Red Sox defeated the White Sox 5-3 in Chicago. Grove allowed eight hits.

The Red Sox mixed two of their five hits with three of the nine passes handed out by Vernon Kennedy for a 3-0 lead in the third.

A pass, singles by Kennedy and Hank Steinbacher and an infield out gave the Chicagoans two of the runs back in their half. They scored again in the ninth after Boston tallied once in the fifth and ninth.

In Detroit the Tigers pulled ahead of New York but dropped to second place in the league with a 4-2 victory over Washington behind the seventh pitching of Roxie Lawson. Boston's triumph over the White Sox moved the Red Sox into first place.

Lawson, scoring his fourth victory of the season, cracked out two of the eight hits the Tigers collected off Pete Appleton.

Billy Rogell's seventh inning home run into the upper deck of the right field pavilion with the bases empty was the final run of the game.

Indians Drop Yanks

The Indians dropped New York Yankees to third place by clubbing out a 7-6 win in Cleveland on the strength of a five-run rally off

Victor Takes All But Two Rounds--11,005 Paid Admission

NEW YORK, May 7.—Lou Ambers, making the first defence of his world's lightweight title, gave the veteran Tony Canzoneri perhaps the worst licking of his career before a crowd of 11,005 fans in Madison Square Garden tonight.

The fight probably marks the passing of Canzoneri, three times a world's champion as a big time fighter although Tony, who last week promised to hang up the gloves if he failed to whip his former sparring partner, said after the battle he intended to keep on in the ring.

A pitiful shadow of the Canzoneri who used to meet 'em all beat 'em all, Tony won only two rounds from the fast stepping Ambers tonight. The Associated Press score sheet gave 12 to the champion, two to Canzoneri and listed one even.

There were bores from the crowd of 11,005 fans who paid \$10,746.55 to see Tony make his third try for the lightweight title. The fallen here was given a tremendous ovation as he left the ring, however.

Just how one-sided the battle was can be established by the official score cards of Referee Arthur Donovan and Judges Charlie Lynch and Eddie Forbes. Donovan gave Ambers 12 rounds, Canzoneri two and called one even. Lynch scored 13 for Ambers and two for Canzoneri. Forbes didn't credit Canzoneri with a single round.

There were no knockdowns. Both weighed 135 pounds, Ambers was unmarked at the finish, but one of Canzoneri's eyes was completely closed, there was a cut on the other and he was bleeding from a cut on the bridge of the nose.

Veteran of 12 years of active and arduous ring campaigning, during which he fought more than 150 fights, held two world's titles and earned nearly \$500,000 in purses, Canzoneri still refused to admit he is washed up as a fighter.

"Ambers was much improved tonight, but I can lick him," he said. "He hit me with a lot of backhand slaps tonight that should not have been counted."

Usually a slow starter, Ambers won four rounds in a row before Canzoneri showed traces of his former greatness to bore in with a volley of rights and lefts to capture the fifth.

Sixth Round Even

The former champion fought on even terms with Lou in the sixth, dropped the seventh by a narrow margin, then came back to win the 8th. From here on it was a breeze for Ambers.

The 13th round was the most savage of the evening. The falling Canzoneri cut loose and threw rights and lefts galore in one last try for a knockout, but he didn't have enough left and Lou, who ducked and weaved his way out of the charges, replied in kind with a vicious head and body attack as the gong sounded.

It is a fact difficult to reconcile, but several of the biggest radio stars in America today, all American-born, made their broadcast debuts abroad. Rudy Vallee and his Connecticut Yankees first went on the air for the British Broadcasting Corporation. Ditto George Burns and Gracie Allen. Hildegarde, the Wisconsin girl who became the darling of the Continental cabarets, is still another. The Three X Sisters, also, first broadcast in Europe.

Conrad Thibault is contemplating another European tour this summer. . . . Parker Penney, actor and author, is married to the former Catherine Deane. They've three children.

"Bump" Hadley in the first inning.

The Yanks banged in four runs in the eighth and two more in the ninth but with the tying run on second relief pitcher Earl Whitehill ended the surge. George Selkirk, the Canadian slugger, hit a homer with two mates on base in the Yanks' eighth inning attack. Earl Averill hit for the circuit for the Indians in the 4th.

Philadelphia Athletics scored in six different innings, but Jim Walkup held them to a run each time as he pitched St. Louis Browns to a 9-6 victory in St. Louis.

Jim Bottomley and Beau Bell smashed home runs for the Browns, but honors went to Joe Vosmik. Two doubles and a single in four times up ran his batting streak to 11 hits in his last 14 appearances at the plate.



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