

BRUINS VANQUISH LEAFS WITH 9-1 SCORE

SUDDEN REVERSAL OF FORM BRINGS BOSTON 3-2 DEFEAT AT HANDS OF HAWKS; CANUCKS TAKE AMERKS 4-0

Rangers Swamp Maroons 8-2 at New York; Eddie Wares Tallies Winning Counter to Give Wings 3-2 Victory Over Americans; Cowley Stars

TORONTO, Jan. 23—It's a long time since Toronto's hockey fans say such a display of power, and the town was still a little bewildered tonight by the drubbing Boston Bruins gave Toronto Maple Leafs in a game Saturday night between the National League's section leaders. The score was 9-1.

Minus the ill Ray Getliffe, one of their highest scoring forwards, Bruins ran up a four-goal lead in the first two periods, then rammed home five more in a wild third when fists flew and the body bumping was terrific. It was one of the fiercest and fastest clashes of the season, watched by 14,500 fans.

Bill Cowley, former Halifax Wolverines, now with Bruins, picked up three points.

Hawks Get Edge

CHICAGO, Jan. 23—The section-leading Boston Bruins, in a sudden reversal of form, lost 3-2 to Chicago Black Hawks tonight just after plastering the most one-sided defeat of the National Hockey League campaign on Toronto Maple Leafs.

A goal by Louis Trudel in the third period enabled the Hawks to stay three points ahead of Detroit Red Wings, fourth place team in the league's American division, who were victorious over New York Americans.

Chicago scored twice in the opening period on shots by Paul Thompson and Alex Levinsky but the Bruins knotted the count in the second period on goals by Bobby Bauer and Gordon Pettinger. Bauer's counter came with Trudel serving a penalty.

Canucks Blank Amerks

MONTREAL, Jan. 23—Montreal Canadiens, working on the theory that everything comes to those who skate fast enough, trounced New York Americans 4 to 0 last night in a National Hockey League game that ended a two-week slump for the Habitués.

NEW YORK, Jan. 23—Unleashing the keenest attack they have shown this season, New York Rangers swamped Montreal Maroons, 8-2 in a wide open National Hockey League joust played here tonight before 13,000 spectators.

DETROIT, Jan. 23—Pushing their undefeated streak to five games, Detroit Red Wings defeated New York Americans 3-2 tonight as the champions continued their drive to break out of the National Hockey League's divisional cellar.

Eddie Wares, rookie forward playing his second game with Red Wings accounted for the winning goal for the second successive time before 9,750 spectators.

Detroit Seeking Heavy Title Bout

Wants Louis-Schmeling Scrap; Distance 20 Rounds

DETROIT, Jan. 24—Mayor Richard W. Reading, in York on city business today issued a personal invitation to Twentieth Century Club Promoter Mike Jacobs to stage the June heavy-weight championship fight between Joe Louis and Max Schmeling in Detroit.

Immediately after extending the invitation the mayor telephoned Common Council, asking passage of a formal resolution in which the city would offer an official invitation. The council complied immediately, adding the official invitation to Reading's personal one.

Business and civic leaders swung behind the state boxing commissions in its campaign to have home-town boy Joe Louis defend his heavy-weight boxing title against Schmeling. The commission carried its campaigning directly to Promoter Mike Jacobson in New York Wednesday with a telegram that read:

"We invite you to start negotiations to stage the proposed Louis-Schmeling heavyweight championship fight in Detroit. Stop. The distance to be 20 rounds."

It was pointed out that Michigan and Nevada are the only states in the union in which a 20-round fight was legal.

NEW YORK, Jan. 23—Promoter Mike Jacobs of the Twentieth Century S.C. who has next June's heavyweight title bout between Champion Joe Louis and Max Schmeling under contract, today declined to confirm or deny he had been conducting negotiations to hold the fight in Detroit.

In tonight's contest will put them right behind Moncton, a point ahead of the Capitals.

Winners by a narrow margin in one of the roughest games witnessed at The Forum this season the Beavers are expected to face a tough assignment when they tackle the second place team on Fredericton ice.

Bill Dickie will be at his regular position between the posts, with Picard, Broad, Livingston and Burbridge alternating on defence. Harry Doran will pivot one line with Jerry Lynch and Bobby Beaton on the wings, and Price will centre another line flanked by Olsen and Burke. Marshall, Patterson and Sherwood, will be in reserve.

Sport Dust



By

"Timmy" Green

The victory over Tommy Farr the other night apparently was as good as a shot out of the fountain of youth to the 'old man of the ring,' Jimmy Braddock. Already to pack up the gloves in moth balls if he took a licking (and we think that he did expect one), he now looks forward to another shot at the title, which he well may get. In our opinion, Jimmy shouldn't get the chance. It seems quite definite that Louis is way above him, and if it should be Schmeling he fits in about the same class. For the yellow-backs that would be in it we would like to see the Irishman meet the champ but otherwise, no. We do not feel that it would be fair to the fans to make them pay to see Braddock in action against Louis again even though he put up a game and heroic fight in the last meeting. The trouble is, however, Braddock's popularity would draw as big a gate as before and Jacobs knows it.

The hardest clash in Southern New Brunswick Hockey League so far this season, should be the battle between the Beavers and Capitals here tonight. Fredericton fans are none too satisfied with the reception that was given the local team in Saint John on Friday when the Beavers trimmed the locals 3-1 and are out for a lot of verbal revenge tonight. A sell-out crowd is expected, advance sale of tickets indicating the largest crowd that has packed the rink this year.

Both teams will be giving everything because a lot depends on the outcome. With a win, the Caps can pad their second place berth into a much more comfortable resting place, while a loss to the Beavers will forfeit the berth to the visitors. Gill and his men—every man on the team—wants to hold the spot. They will be going in with blood in their eyes, and unless a lot of tough breaks come their way the Capitals will still be in the lead after the game.

Feller Explains "I'm No Holdout"

VAN METER, Ia., Jan. 24—Bob Feller, Cleveland's sensational fireball pitcher, drew a delicate distinction today between a holdout and a man who simply sends his 1938 baseball contract back unsigned.

Admitting he had returned his contract, said to guarantee him \$17,500 for the season, Feller denied he was a holdout.

He explains he wants a bonus clause on the basis of games won, indicating the young man, just out of high school, expects to have a good year.

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ROCK LAD, EIGHT YEAR OLD GELDING OWNED BY H. R. BAIN OF TORONTO ONLY CANADIAN HORSE IN GRAND NATIONAL

Stiff Opposition Among 79 Entrants for March 25 Steeplechase; Royal Mail, Last Year's Winner, Is Favorite; Rock Lad Shows Improvement

AINTREE, England, Jan. 23—Canada will likely have a personal interest this year in the greatest race of them all—the Grand National steeplechase. Sleek-limbed Rock Lad, an eight-year-old bay gelding owned by H. R. Bain, Toronto, is one of the 79 entries for the March 25 classic over this tough and terrifying four miles, 856 yards of tall fences, thick hedges and wide brooks. Winners of the National are usually extra-long shots. In fact there never has been an odds-on winner and the most conservative turf calculators give the betting as two to one against any horse completing the course.

Braddock Looking For Another Chance At Heavy Crown

NEW YORK, Jan. 23—Jim Braddock, doubling for old man comeback himself, looked forward tonight to a 338 campaign that may lead to another shot at the heavyweight championship in September, instead of making any further inquiries about the road to the old fighters' home.

It sounds fantastic but the popular New Jersey Irishman has achieved the seeming impossible so often during his ring career that it's no longer safe to underestimate him or his prospects. He's registered so many underdog conquests now, the latest his 10-round victory Friday night over Tommy Farr of Wales, that it seems his only worry is the chance of going into the ring some night a betting favorite.

Promoter Mike Jacobs of the 20th Century Sporting Club offered Braddock his choice of a return bout with Farr or a match with Max Baer, from whom Jersey Jim won the world heavyweight crown in 1935 on April 1.

Originally Jacobs planned to pit the Braddock-Farr winner against Baer March 11 but Braddock wants a longer breathing spell before swinging back into action.

So even though Rock Lad is confronted with some stiff opposition, including last year's winner, Royal Mail, and five other finishers—Cool-eeen, who was second, Pucka Belle, third, Ego, fourth, and Don Bradman, and Penceralk—fate and luck playing their usual freakish game may smile on the Canadian hope.

Trained by Major Frank Furlong, who rode the great Reynoldstown to victory in the 1935 National, Rock Lad failed to impress in his first two appearances. On Nov. 6 he ran in the Spofforth chase at Weatherby and on Dec. 2 in the Andover handicap at Newbury but was unplaced.

By Dec. 18 the gelding had found form. At Sandown Rock Lad was three lengths behind Asterbad and Dinton Lad to place third.

On New Year's Day Rock Lad met his first National competition, finishing a close-up fifth in the Manchester victory chase which was won by Airgead Sios, an Irish hunter.

There is likely to be considerable weeding out before Competitors face the starter March 25, but it is expected a big field will be left out of the original 79. Right now there are 19 more horses than in 1937 and 25 more than in 1936.

Peak years were 1928 with 112 entries, and 1929 with 121, out of which there were 66 runners. Gregalagh coming home first.

While Royal Mail has been installed as favorite there are others likely to command attention from backers when a market is formed.

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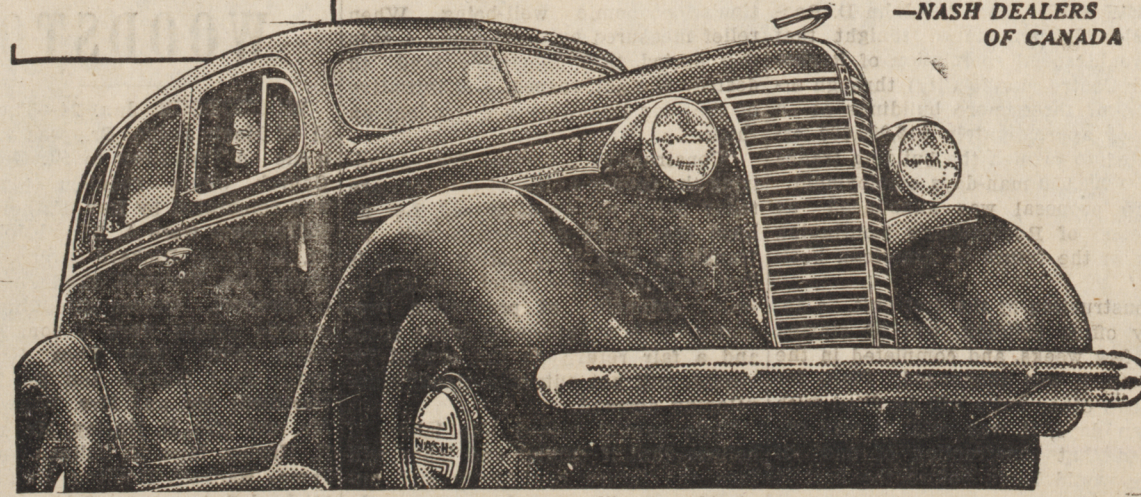


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