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On the Sidelines

Golden Miller is a favorite at 7 to 2 over the field that will rush out of the chutes for the Grand National today at Aintree.

They are telling that Clarence De Mar, the great old marathoner, is travelling fast over the hills in the vicinity of Keene, N. H. He means to win another B. A. A. marathon.

If there is to be any duel of wits for publicity between Babe Ruth and "Dizzy" Dean the coming season, the Babe is going to be right in there at the finish opines the Toronto Star. Says the Star:—

Leave it to Dizzy Dean, press agent extraordinary, and Babe Ruth may not have to hit many home runs this summer to continue holding the public in a frenzy of adulation.

If the Dizzy one has his way, all the Babe will have to do is play "stooge" or "straight man". In a feud which Dean began to build up upon learning that Ruth was shunted over to the National League.

Dizzy may have been only talking for publication when he said he didn't "cotton up" to the idea of Ruth moving over to the National, but Ruth took him seriously. Said the Babe:

"Maybe I was wrong when I figured Dean to be a good guy."

In that situation, zealous hot stove leaguers visualize a first class feud this summer when baseball's two most popular personalities are offered to a feud-loving public at the same time. The turnstiles should click with happier frequency.

When the Bambino left New York for his new birth, he gave no indication he would be behind a tree with his shotgun when the Braves meet the Cardinal ace hurler. But recalling Dizzy's past performances as a press agent, Ruth may find himself playing a feudist role through no fault of his own.

In that department, the Babe hits well, too. One of his featured quarrels was with the Chicago Cubs in 1933 when he dubbed the pennant winners "chisellers" because they cut Mark Koenig only a small piece of world series pie, although Koenig was an important cog in the Cubs late-season machine.

Ruth in that series reached new feudal heights. The Cubs, smarting under the label, "chisellers," jeered him at the plate, but Ruth grinned, pointed to the right-centre field bleachers, informed the squawkers he was going to hit the ball in that spot—and did it.

Thus the Babe is well qualified to carry on a wrangle with the Dizzy one.

It's quite a let-down from home running to "stooge" for Dizzy Dean, and it goes without saying the Babe will not go out of his way to carry on a grudge. But what their relationship may be in the campaign still remains to be seen.

One thing is certain and that is, anything's liable to happen when Dizzy Dean is against you.

Or for you for that matter.

BARCELONA, Spain, March 29 — Freddie Miller, 128 1-2, Cincinnati, outpointed Cuadrini, 128, Italy, (10).

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The Maroons And Leafs Humble Opponents

Maroons Beat Rangers, 2 to 1 in Thriller in New York—Leafs Overpower Wobbling Bruins 3-0 In Bruising Game—Defence of Bruins Collapses.

MADISON SQUARE GARDEN, New York, March 28—Montreal Maroons flashed championship power where it counted to take a 2-1 lead over New York Rangers in the semi-final round of the Stanley Cup playoffs here tonight.

Working coolly, deadly, the Montrealers fought from behind for a lead in the first tilt of the two-game, total goal series to earn the advantage on heady goals by Herb "Hurricane" Cain and "Baldy" Northcott. Once they had earned the lead to carry into the decisive game on their home ice Saturday, Maroons threw up a defensive bulwark to thwart the efforts 16,000 shouting fans goaded Rangers.

New York hopes rode high, when the old guards of the blue team tricked the Maroon rearguards for a goal after the game had gone three slow minutes. Frankie Boucher suddenly flashed away and on his pass Captain Bill Cook, skating like mad despite the eight-stitch scalp wound he suffered against Montreal Canadiens in the first round for the hockey title, smashed the puck at the Maroon net. Goalie Alex Connell cleared but Bun Cook skated in for the rebound and a goal from close in.

LEAFS WIN AGAIN

MAPLE LEAF GARDENS, Toronto, March 28—Toronto Maple Leafs, driving directly toward their second National Hockey League title in three years crushed Boston Bruins 3-0 here tonight to take a two to one lead in games in the titular series leading to the Stanley Cup finals. They made it 120 minutes since the Bruins scored their one and only one goal of the series.

It was the third straight shut out, Boston winning the first game 1-0 in 33 minutes overtime and Toronto taking the second 2-0. The second Leaf triumph made Conny Smythe's team 5-1 favorites to win the series and face either Montreal Maroons or New York Rangers in the Stanley Cup series.

Strained to the breaking point from overwork, the mighty Eddie Shore-Babe Siebert defence was the first barrier to fall as the Leafs drove in to take a lead in the first minute of play and never cease pelting Tiny Thompson with rubber. The Bruin netman, a hero in all three games, blocked 34 shots, many from close range compared with 22 George Hainsworth handled.

Horses Killed Jockeys Injured in Horse Race Spill

SYDNEY, Aus., March 28—Three race horses were killed today and ten jockeys injured in a pile-up on the track at Ascot in the midst of a hotly contested race.

The horses had covered two furlongs when 10 of the 14 starters were suddenly thrown into a flailing struggling mass of beats and humanity. The cause of the accident was not ascertained, but it was believed the leading horse fell with a broken leg and the others tripped over him.

Eight jockeys received injuries sufficiently serious to require hospital treatment.

The pile-up was the worst on the Australian turf since 1885 when 16 horses fell and one jockey was killed during the running of the Caulfield Cup.

CRONIN STATES GROVE'S WORK LOOKS BETTER

Red Sox Mgr. Thinks Big Southpaw Set For Comeback This Season, Looks Goods in South.

"Big Mose looks better to me every time he works in batting practice," declared Manager Joe Cronin, as he reviewed the improvement of Lefty Grove since the opening of the training season in Florida several weeks ago. "Like most folks who witnessed the collapse of the big southpaw last season, I was more than a bit skeptical. I knew what he went through last season and wasn't any too confident that he could stage a comeback at his age.

"I knew that he had pitched a lot of baseball, even before he joined the Athletics, when he was with the Baltimore Orioles and pitched every other day. But I also knew that he was of tougher fibre than most ball players. He's of mountaineer folk, generations of whom have lived in the hills where he was born and raised. And there isn't any harder stock anywhere, except may be in Ireland. "So, I still had hopes that if the removal of abscessed teeth and infected tonsils could clear up that septic condition which had developed and settled in his arm he might fool the best baseball experts in the country, who predicted that Lefty would never be the Grove of old. And it looks to me as though he has fooled 'em.

"As you know, he does his own training. When he thinks he's right—and not before—he'll inform me that he's ready to pitch. The other day when he was working in batting practice he actually opened my eyes with the stuff he had. He looked like the Lefty of old and there wasn't anybody taking holds at the bat.

"He's about five pounds overweight. But that's nothing to him. He's so long and stringy you wouldn't notice fifteen pounds on him. In fact, I would rather see him a little overweight at this stage of the game so that when we start the regular season he will have some reserve to draw upon and prevent him from going stale.

"While he was morose and moody last year, he's been as blithe as a meadow lark at sun-up since he arrived in camp. He's the life of the party. Al Schacht really has a competitor when it comes to mimicking cows, chickens and other barnyard creatures at feeding time. I really feel confident he's going to be a lot of help.

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HOW A GAMBLER IS MADE IN ONE SHORT LESSON

It's Fatal to Win That First Bet, Says Writer—If You Win First Bet Chances Are You'll Always Bet on the Horses—Horse Racing Fascinating.

NEW YORK, March 29—Somehow the conversation had turned to betting on the races and as to how people get into the habit. The consensus was that if you won an appreciable amount the first time you made a bet the chances were you would go on betting the horses for the rest of your life.

It recalled a conversation which this writer had once with the late Nick Forzly, one of the last of the really intrepid plungers. As a young man Nick had been a mechanic and lived and worked in the Borough Hall section of Brooklyn.

"I used to see the Smith street cars crowded with people going down to the Brighton Beach race track every afternoon," he said. "They were so crowded that many had to stand on the running boards of the open cars and, never having seen a race myself, I used to wonder what made the horses so fascinating. One afternoon I thought I'd find out. I knocked off work and got on the running board of a car and went down to Brighton Beach. I met some fellows that I knew and they advised me to bet a couple of bucks on a horse in the first race. I did and I won \$6.00, so naturally, I went looking for those fellows to find out what to bet on in the next race. Well, I wound up winning \$125 on the day. I said to myself, as I was riding home:

"How long has this been going on?" "I never worked again. In fact I never even went back to the shop for my tools."

Teach the Boy a Lesson

Somebody told a story of a boy in Cincinnati a couple of years ago and somebody else told one about an old

lady on the train going to Belmont Park last summer, which was more interesting, because you could only guess what would happen to the boy while you know what happened to the old lady.

The boy, who was about 16 years old, was on a visit to Cincinnati with an uncle. One afternoon the uncle, who liked to play the horses occasionally, took the boy with him to Latonia. The boy never had been to a race track, but when he saw nearly everybody else betting he wanted to bet, too. His uncle frowned on the suggestion. The boy was so persistent that at length his uncle asked him if he had selected the horse on which he wanted to bet.

"Yes," the boy said, pointing to his program. "This one here."

The uncle, who had consulted the form sheets, knew that the horse had no chance to win.

"How much money have you?" he asked the boy.

"Five dollars."

"All right. You take it over to that window over there and bet it on that horse. I'll wait right here for you." When the boy, his face beaming, had started for the mutual window the uncle turned to another member of the party.

"The horse has no chance to win," he said, "and the kid will feel so badly about losing his \$5 he never will want to bet on a race again. You see, I'm smart. I am teaching him a lesson he never will forget. That is much better than simply telling him he must not bet. The burned child, you know, dreads the flame."

The boy's horse won and paid \$667 for \$2.

Fredericton Curling Club Held Its Closing Banquet of Season

The Fredericton Curling Club last night held its closing banquet for the 1934-1935 season and during the evening prizes for the year were presented. The president, B. H. Kinghorn, was in the chair. The Downtown rinks were the guests of the Uptown rinks, who provided the turkey supper, according to the custom of the losing rinks in recent years.

Individual trophies were presented to members of the rinks that won the management series. The rink was composed of T. A. Belmore, skip; William Walker, Alderman F. S. Mundle and Winslow G. Todd. Ald. Mundle spoke briefly in the absence of Mr. Belmore. Brief remarks were made also by the chaplain, Rev. Dr. G. E. Ross, and R. B. Vandine. Music was furnished by Reid VanDine and Wilfred Smith and Barry Allen gave a pleasing recitation. Boxes of chocolates were presented to the members of the winning rinks of the four bonspiels of the season as follows:

First bonspiel: Ralph V. Limerick, skip; T. Amos Wilson, Dr. W. J. Wright, M. A. Johns.

Second bonspiel: John Neill, skip; Dr. A. S. McFarlane, Arthur McF. Limerick, Douglas Clark.

Third bonspiel, tied: Police Magistrate Walter Limerick, skip; Prof. J. Miles Gibson, H. Lester Smith, Winslow G. Todd, and R. B. VanDine, skip; William Walker, H. S. Murray, William M. Todd.

Fourth bonspiel: Roland J. Murray, skip; F. P. Hatt, Fred W. Barker.

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., March 28—Plowing through the waters of Biscayne Bay at approximately 60 miles an hour here this afternoon, Gar Wood famous Detroit speed merchant, struck a porpoise and sheared the port shaft from his record - holding speedboat, "Miss America X."

Wood, who was driving the boat in an exhibition, a feature of the Miami Beach birthday celebration, was uninjured, but the craft was badly damaged.

The famous Detroiter had previously announced he would try for a new record in the "Miss America X" today, but the accident would probably delay the attempt for several days, he said, pending repairs.

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SUNDAY HOCKEY IN MASS. UNDER NEW RULING

Governor Curley Signs Bill—Another Team to Be Linked With N.H.L. Chain.

BOSTON, March 29—The board of governors of the National Hockey League will hold a pow-wow during the week at Toronto or later during the Stanley Cup series to consider plans to add another Sunday hockey city to the loop for the 1935-1936 season.

The signing of the Sunday hockey bill by Governor Curley which permits hockey on the Sabbath from 1.30 p.m. to midnight, opens the way for the Bruins to join the New York Rangers, Chicago Black Hawks and Detroit Red Wings in Sunday night hockey games.

The legalized Sunday hockey bill was signed by the chief executive without delay, following recent passing of the bill by both the House and Senate.

Charles F. Adams, owner of the Bruins, who assumed little interest in the discussion of the Sunday hockey bill before the Legislature retained his silence concerning the possibilities of professional Sunday hockey here. Previously, however, Adams pointed out that the Bruins will ask for a few Sunday dates next season.

President Calder, however, who was in Boston for the first two games of the Leafs-Bruins play-off series plans to call the meeting of the league governors to discuss the matter.

Adams, however, has often pointed out that Boston has become so accustomed to Tuesday night hockey there might the danger in shifting to any other day of the week.

The bill was ostensibly passed by the Legislature in order to permit amateur hockey teams to play, both afternoons and evenings.

SERIOUSLY ILL

GAGETOWN, Queens County, March 28—Friends will regret to learn that Jacob Sstey is seriously ill at his home in Gagetown of pneumonia, following an attack of influenza.

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