



# SPORT



## On the Sidelines

A proposal to hold Davis Cup competition biennially has been defeated, the Lawn Tennis Association reported recently. Vote among Davis Cup nations was 19 to 13 against. The Association reported that a proposal to abolish European Zone qualifying competitions was carried 20-7.

The Cubs' decisive victories over St. Andrew's give fans here the hope that the Cubs will go far in the intermediate playdowns this season. The team is clicking at its best right now.

A bid to beat the 300 miles per hour mark Sir Malcolm Campbell hopes to set has been made by Italian motoring enthusiasts. An Italian syndicate is constructing a racer which will develop 3,100 h.p., as compared to the 2,500 boasted by Sir Malcolm's Bluebird. Construction of the speedster is part of Italy's campaign to dominate land, air and sea speed records.

Hank O'Day, former National League umpire, who has been critically ill at Chicago, rallied yesterday but his condition is still serious. O'Day is 75 years old and he has had a colorful career in all departments of major league baseball.

Herbie Cain, who was one of the rookies brought up to the Maroons to replace Aubrey Webster and Sammy McManus, is showing his wares these days and 'Baz' O'Meara in the Montreal Star is labeling him "a special delivery package marked with handle with care—explosives." The other night Cain scored goals against John Ross Roach and thereby shoved himself into the scoring limelight. The comment on him is that while "at times he lapsed in rookie fashion, at others he blazed a comet. His back-checking was not so hot in the main until recently but he is rounding out his game, and Maroons are very joyful indeed as he emerges from the awkward stage of hockey adolescence into full fledged maturity."

In the mile run in the New York A. C. meet in Madison Square Garden the other evening, Glenn Cunningham, new king of the milers, won in 4:09.8. Cunningham finished 30 yards ahead of Gene Venzke, who in turn was 10 yards ahead of Bonthron. The race was a thriller, with the above three ranking as the three outstanding milers in this decade. Fifteen thousands fans witnessed the spectacle.

The boys are picking Bill Walker's Eagles to wind-up in the provincial junior finals. At Moncton, where the juniors are turned out as stars, they rate the capital youths highly.

The passing of Lefty O'Doul from the major leagues is one of the high marks of the current off-season in baseball. O'Doul, who was a 10-year man, was one of the most potent sluggers in the National League. He will manage the Seals in his home town of San Francisco.

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## DECIDE ON THE PLAYOFF DATES FOR THE N. H. L.

Meeting of National Hockey League Moguls—March 22, 23, 24 Likely Starting Dates.

TORONTO, Feb. 20—While professional hockey teams are battling for play-off positions for the Stanley Cup, and for the championship of the National League, with positions in the American section changing every day or so, and even the Canadian section not by any means settled, Governors of the League have decided that the opening gun in the two series shall start either on March 22, 23 or 24, according to which teams are in and where they have to play.

The last league game will be played on March 19, four weeks from next Tuesday, and as some of the final games may be particularly strenuous, and some of the teams might have to travel long distances between them and their first play-off game, that this should be played on the Friday, in such cities as it would be possible to play on the Sunday for the second game, or on Saturday, if no Sunday game was possible.

The first two games in Series A, which decides the League championship between the two section leaders, will this year be played on United States Ice—it is alternated every year—and as usual the series will be three out of five. The first game in Series B, that is between the second position teams in each section will be played on Canadian ice, starting on one of the dates named, while in Series C, for third place teams the first game will be played on U. S. ice unless prevented by Series B, this proviso being put in because New York Americans may be in a play-off position.

Following opening games the contest for both series will continue each Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday or Sunday until they are completed, with Series D, between the winners of B. and C, playing their first game on ice chosen by the club standing highest in the combined standing, and the final series, between the League champions and the challenger from Series D will be started on the ice chosen by the winner of Series A. As in the Series A. contests the result for the final Series E will be decided by three wins, which may take five games to secure, as every game has to be played to a finish. In the case of the matches between the second and third teams they will be, as usual, home and home games, total goals to count, the first game being for 60 minutes, and the second continuing until any tie in total goals is broken.

Neutral minor officials will be engaged for all games, except where there are automatic clocks, when the local timekeeper will continue to operate.

## FREDERICTON JRS. CAMPELLTON TIE

CAMPBELLTON, Feb. 18—Fredericton Juniors and Campbellton Juniors battled 60 minutes tonight to a 3-3 tie in the opening round of the semi-finals for the junior hockey championship of New Brunswick. They meet again at the Capital on Friday to decide the right to proceed further.

The game was fast and full of thrills for the large crowd of fans and both goalies put up a classy exhibition of net minding. The local squad had the best of territory play. They forced the pace continually and were robbed of many excellent scoring chances by the good work of Staples in the Fredericton net. Thirteen penalties were handed out by Referee Gordon Trites, 11 of which went to the visitors.

## Maine Trapper Hoofed It Plenty To Be With Dempsey

NEW YORK, Feb. 20—The tale of a prodigious effort to get to New York in time to attend the opening of Jack Dempsey's restaurant today was told by Charley Miller, a guide and trapper of Churchill Lake, Me., and a visitor yesterday to New York.

Miller, who had been Dempsey's guide on his hunting and fishing visits to Maine, was invited to attend the formal opening. He walked 42 miles in snowshoes from Churchill Lake to Chesuncook Village, where he was met by a dog team which carried him 20 miles down the lake. Then he travelled by automobile to Greenville, where he took a train.

## CUBS WIN SERIES FROM ST. ANDREWS

ST. ANDREWS, Feb. 20—Fredericton Cubs left for home this morning with the first round of the N. B. Intermediate playdowns tucked away. In their final game here last night they were defeated by the Senators 5-4, but by winning the opening game Monday night 7-0 had a total of 11-5 for the series.

By their win the Cubs will enter the semi-finals of the play-offs with the winner of the Miramichi All-Stars and Edmundston round.

The home team forced the play last night with the Cubs going strictly on defence, rushing only when opportunity afforded.

The Senators outskated the Cubs in the opening session and both goalies stood off repeated assaults.

The second was faster. Mills of the Cubs found the net after O'Neill had stopped Steen's drive. Mills and Steen paired for the second score later and before the period ended Mills rammed home another for a 3-0 decision to take into the third.

Keenan bulged the twines as the third period opened to put Cubs in front with four goals. Stinson took O'Neill's pass to score for the Senators. Stinson scored two more, being assisted on the third score by O'Neill again. O'Neill hammered home the last two. The Senators outplayed the Cubs in this session but they could not overcome the big lead the Cubs had piled up in the opening game.

The line-ups and summary:  
Fredericton—Goal, Staples; defence, Kilburn, Flowers, Tait; centres, Laskey, McLenahan; left wings, Cameron, Mawhinney; right wings, Morehouse, Coveney.

Campbellton—Goal, Pelletier; defence, Scott, Oleskivis, Magee; centres, Valdron, Adams; left wings, Gallop, Berube; right wings, Savoy, McCallum.

First Period, 1, Campbellton, Adams (Savoy), 10:28; 2, Fredericton, Cameron, 12:15; 3, Fredericton, Cameron (Laskey), 18:13. Penalties, Laskey, Cameron, Tait, 5.

Second Period: 4, Campbellton, Savoy (Valdron), 9:11; 5, Fredericton, Laskey (Coveney), 11:20. Penalties, Kilburn, Flowers, Adams, Coveney, Savoy.

Third Period: 6, Campbellton, Adams, 11:27. Penalties, Mawhinney, Kilburn, Flowers, Laskey.

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## SPORT WRITER GETS THRILL ENOUGH WITH SIR MALCOLM AT 80 M. P. H.

Famous English Speed King Explains To Writer How He Hopes To Break Former Speed Record; "Not Very Exciting, Is It?" Says the Titled Englishman.

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla., Feb. 20—There isn't room in old Lady Bluebird, the mechanical mastodon, for passengers, which probably is just as well for all concerned, but you can ride the sands of Daytona with Sir Malcolm Campbell fast enough to get a faint pink picture of the crimson glow of a real record run.

He's driving his own passenger car, a big Lincoln sedan, and he wheels you down onto the 11½-mile beach, a golden track in the sunlight, stretching straight along the sea as far as the eye can reach. The tide is out and the ocean is calm and blue on one side, the sand dunes white, rolling, and treacherous on the other.

"We'll go over the full course," says the titled Englishman. It's still a bit rough. It's not ready yet for record speeds."

He drives to a point where, within the next few days he hopes to launch the huge blue charger against the record of 272.108 miles an hour he set here two years ago. The car faces down the long, gleaming way, patches of clouds shadows accentuating the brilliance with drifting blots, the deadly red coquina sand, the soft, slippery kind, showing dully in patches here and there.

### Aims for Opening

Straight ahead, three-quarters of a mile away, an amusement pier arches the course. He starts the car, aims for an opening just 42 feet wide. It doesn't look big enough from here to slide an arrow through.

"That's the first target," says Sir Malcolm. "By the time I reach it I'm in second gear and hope to be doing about 80. This part of it merely gives me a chance to get the motor revolving up a bit and the car rolling."

You whistle through the opening, wide enough, but no place for a nervous man with a wheel in his hand and a flying car under him.

Sir Malcolm told officials here not to bother widening it.

"One gets used in racing to putting a car where it belongs," he smiles.

As the car shoots out from under the pier, nearing the end of the first mile of the course, the beach curves. Sir Malcolm must make almost a half right turn there to settle straight-away on the long run. It's the first major problem of the test, but he does not consider it of great importance. He's never had trouble there.

"Here we must be careful not to accelerate too fast," he says, "or the tires will spin and tear the rubber off.

We should be up to about 175 by the end of the second mile."

When did his foot go to the floor-board of the 2,500 horsepower monster?

"By the end of the second mile," he says. "One must keep the throttle wide open all the way if one wants to travel fast."

### Take a Few Bumps

The passenger car is beginning to feel as though some of Bluebird's blood ran in its veins. The car flies smoothly over the cement-like floor, but taking a few little bumps, at which Sir Malcolm shakes his head.

"Those are magnified intensely," he says, "in a record car."

You're in the fourth mile. The sedan speedometer says "80."

"About here," says Sir Malcolm, "Bluebird slipped out of gear in a trial in 1931," but she stayed under control nicely."

Coming through the fifth mile, the one before the "measured mile" where the records are made, he nodded his head toward the dunes to the right.

"I got up in the soft sand there in 1928," he said. "It was touch and go for a moment. I was almost thrown out of the car. Bill Sturm was standing there and he said I was almost flung out of the bonnet," he chuckled.

The car sailed through the measured mile. The needle of the sedan speedometer quivered at 88. Then he slowed down, turned, and came back.

"You see," he said, "it's not so very exciting, is it?"

## RUGBY IN THE OLD COUNTRY

BELFAST, Feb. 18—England defeated Ireland 4-2 in an amateur international soccer match played here Saturday.

ROME, Feb. 18—Italy defeated France in an international soccer football match 2-1 here yesterday.

ABERSTWYTH, Wales, Feb. 18—Scotland defeated Wales 5-2 in amateur soccer international match here yesterday.

### MALONE BALKS AT TERMS

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 20—The St. Louis Cardinals are holding as a club over the head of Pat Malone, their holdout pitcher, the fact that he is unwanted at the waiver price by any of the other

## ECCENTRICITIES OF RUBE WADDELL, GREAT PITCHER

Connie Mack's Great Hurler of a Decade Ago Put a Fast One Over on His Boss.

The incident below is told of Rube Waddell by Frankie Graham in the New York Sun:

"Once we were playing in Detroit. Rube had pitched the previous day and he was put on the bleacher gate, as was the custom then. In the evening he came to Connie with a hard-luck story of how his medal (it was the 1902 championship emblem of the A's) had got lost or been yanked off his watch chain when he was tending gate.

Connie Mack was genuinely sorry, for he didn't like a trophy such as that getting lost. 'George,' he said, 'you must advertise for your medal in the paper. Offer a ten dollar reward for its return, and say that the manager of your club will pay it.'

"Rube inserted an ad, or at least he said he did, with 50 cents Connie gave him, and the next day a fellow came to Connie's hotel saying he had found the medal near the bleachers. Connie shelled out a ten spot without asking any questions. A little later this fellow might have been seen with the Rube, splitting up the ten. He was a pawnbroker with whom the Rube had hocked his medal for \$5 to buy drinks when he was supposed to be tending gate. The Rube made all of \$4.50 clear profit on that deal.

"The Rube was quite a card. Think what fun he could have had if he had ever turned to scouting, like you boys! Say, Gene, whatever became of that scout who went out scouting carrying the family cat with him?"

"I know who you mean, but it wasn't a Yankee scout. I won't pick on him, but it actually happened, and all that scout brought back that trip was a litter of kittens."

"That reminds me of old Dick Kinsella telling one on himself," said Krichell. "Sinister Dick was out Omaha way once on the trail of a world beater he had heard of in a one-horse loop called the Mink League. He was directed to approach the boy's father about signing him. Dick did so and asked when he could see the boy play. 'You can see him play the next time it rains,' said the old man.

"What?" shouted Kinsella, astounded.

"Yep," said the old man. That's what I said—when it rains. I've just been appointed superintendent of the streets of our town and every clear day now I'll be needing my boy to drive the sprinkling cart. We got a powerful lot of dust out in these parts, as you can see. But as soon as it rains you can watch my boy play ball if you want to."

major league teams.

Branch Rickey, vice-president of the club, conforming tonight that the Cardinals had sought and obtained waivers, also said Malone had been unsuccessful in attempting to arrange a trade for his own services.

Malone has been invited to St. Louis to discuss terms.

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