

Fanning FOR THE FANS



SPORT ITEMS IN BRIEF
By LLOYD YOUNG

JIMMY Mc LARNIN, ONCE the ruler of welterweights, following his defeat by Barney Ross, went into virtual retirement. In the annual rating of the best welters in the game released recently the Vancouver Celt is at the bottom of the list.

JOE LOUIS, UNFLURRIED puncher from Detroit, whose unbroken series of triumphs in 1935 lifted boxing from the depths, was placed at the head of the world's heavyweight list in the annual rankings of boxing. Jimmy Braddock was placed second.

ALEX HURD, WHO SKATING fans here remember, won at three distances in St. Louis at their annual Silver Skates ice carnival, scoring his triumphs in the 440, 880 and mile events. Another well known skater to Saint John fans was Kit Klein of Buffalo, N.Y., who won the

women's title with two victories in three starts.

SPEAKING OF THE SOUTHERN New Brunswick Hockey League, although the scores have been somewhat large the fans that are watching the games are certainly getting their money's worth of sport as the game put up by the boys is by no means of a small calibre but is one that will bear watching, as from time to time many spectacular plays are put on and as they get the feel of the ice under their skates the opposition will be much keener. The Beavers are the top team, but the Fredericton boys are coming along at a great rate, and when these two teams meet it is one of the best games of the league. The Rothesay team has strengthened up somewhat and will be real opposition to any other team in the league, while the St. Andrews and St. Stephen boys have not as yet gained their stride but are on the upgrade. Taking it all in all, it is a fairly good league. The only thing that the league needs now is plenty of fans to watch the games.

DUD JAMES WITH HIS FAST bunch of players opened up his entry into the central league this week with taking on Amherst and ending on the top end of a 8-1 score. His youthful bunch of puck chasers are showing their coaching and will be going places this year.

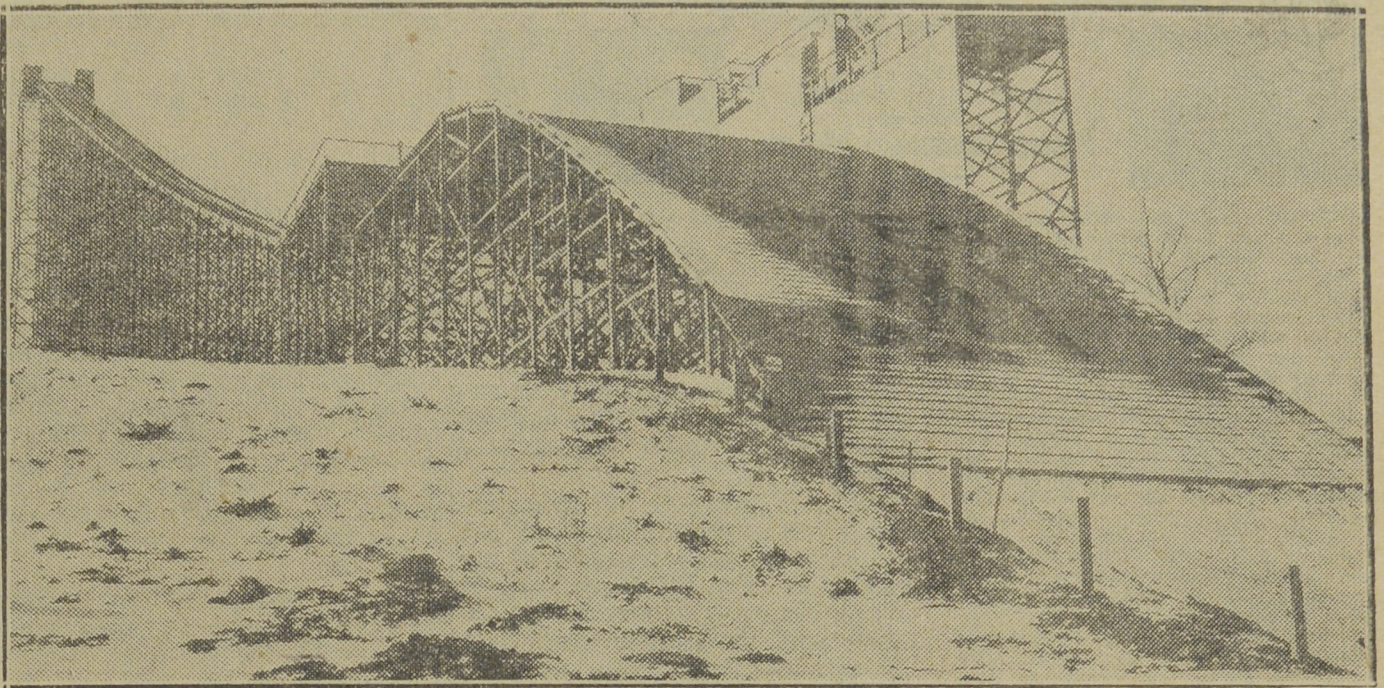
TONY CANZONERI, KING OF the lightweights, though an aging veteran he holds for the second time the title as tops in his division. After losing the crown to Barney Ross he again proved himself a real champion by beating the best in his class following the abandonment of the title by Ross.

RAY GETLIFFE SEEMS TO be the storm centre for the National Hockey League now as he is playing with the London Tecumsehs, and the Boston Bruins want him to bolster their line-up. However, it seems that the Rangers have a hold on him. London are protected by a deal in which Boston must send a replacement for him and that Rangers could not sell him otherwise.

THE DOMINION'S OLYMPIC hockey team have not made so good a start, as in two exhibition games they have been defeated, once in Winnipeg and again in Fort William. However, it is thought that the coach is trying out his squad and as soon as they begin to click they will be on the way to world champion laurels.

TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS are sitting at the top of the National Hockey League with 22 points, whilst their nearest competitor in the Canadian section is Maroons and Americans with 16 points apiece. In the American section Detroit Red Wings, Rangers and Chicago are all tied with 20 points each, while the remaining teams in the N.H.L., Boston has 16 points and Canadiens are in the cellar with 10 points.

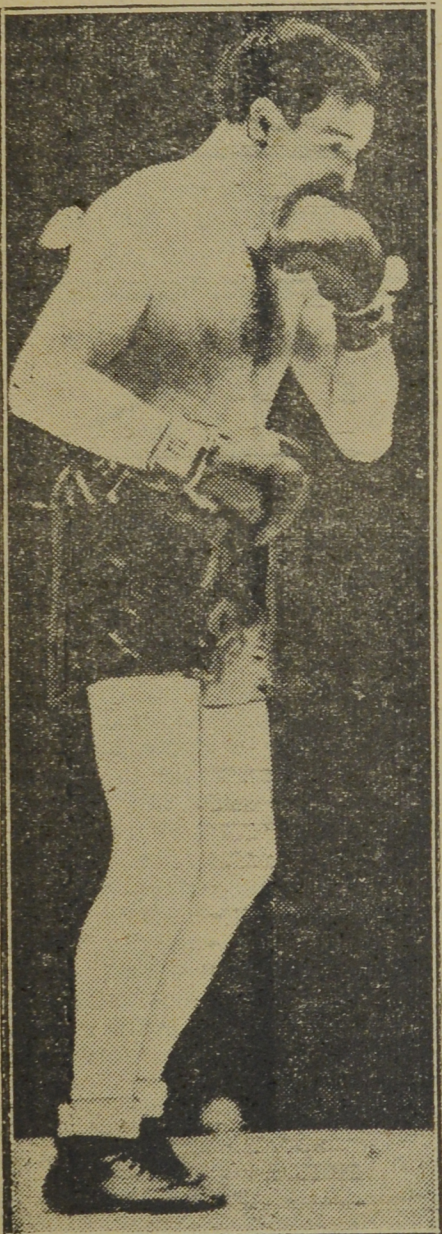
WORLD'S LONGEST SKI JUMP GIVES SPEED OF 75 M.P.H.



A view of the completed trestle ski-jump, the longest in the world, which has just been completed at Littleton, Mass., by the Eastern Professional Ski Association. The jump is over 600 feet from top to bottom, with a 60-foot gap in the centre, to furnish plenty of thrills to spectators and skiers alike. The jump cost \$20,000

to construct, is of wood and can give the skiers a speed of 75 miles an hour down the incline. The skier leaves the platform 684 feet up the hillside. He slides 409 feet to the jumping off place; then across the 60-foot gap to the landing trestle, 275 feet long. It will be one of the most dangerous ski jumps in the world.

He's Really Nervous



The gentleman biting his glove, obviously ill at ease and in fact looking distinctly perturbed is JACK McAVOY, British middleweight and light heavyweight champion. Really he shouldn't feel so upset; the gentleman he is watching has far more cause. This photo was snapped as McAvo watched the referee count out Eddie "Babe" Risko, the world middleweight champion, in the first round after hitting the canvas six times under McAvo's flailing fists. The Britisher, a fighting tornado, is hopelessly nervous in the ring and one of his habits is chewing his glove. But nervousness apparently does not hurt his fighting ability, he is very much all right there.

SATURDAY NIGHT MUSINGS

SOME people give a certain period of each day over to meditation. Usually those meditations are supposed to be concerned with religion but when the writer of these notes sits down Saturday evening his thoughts are of what he will get for this column. Some one says, tell the readers about something in which you are interested. I was never much interested in fighting, but boxing had a certain fascination and when safely distant from home it has been the writer's privilege to box a little and also to referee a few boxing contests.

When Commissioner LeBaron Wilson told me about having an old volume of The Licensed Victuallers' Gazette and Hotel Courier, in which were contained memoirs of the ring of olden days, I was quite interested and was lucky enough to be able to borrow the volume for 1878. Commissioner Wilson had been reading about the old time ring battles and when he mentioned Tom Belcher and Miles Dogherty I was interested for I had heard of them even if they were a few years before my time. These two were prominent in the years immediately before 1813 for it was in that year they fought their last fight which went 26 rounds with the decision going to Belcher. The papers loaned to me were printed in 1878 and they contained memoirs of the prize rings going back to 1810.

In those far away days England was at war with France, in Europe and India, and with the United States in America. So the ring fighters had much competition and their remuneration was not so high as it is at the present time. For the championship bout for the middleweight championship the gate was £400 although 20,000 people were present. In those days the contests were held in the open and only those close to the ring were asked to pay. The bout was scheduled for 12.00

Johnny's Happy



Heh, heh, heh. I'm going places. JOHNNY GOTTSSELIG, stick-handling wizard of the Chicago Blackhawks, takes the little rubber disc and starts homeward. Note that pleased expression. Johnny's going to visit the opposing goalie.

o'clock noon on April 23, 1813 and got started about 12.30.

One feature which will be of interest to the people of Canada is that Lord Duncannon was referee. He afterward became the Earl of Bessborough, which name has been familiar in the Dominion for the last five years.

Dogherty was 18 months younger than Belcher, but the younger man was defeated in 26 rounds which the records say was exactly 35 minutes of fighting.

The start of the fight as described by the old time writer reads in part as follows: "Lord

Duncannon, afterward, by the way, well known on the British turf as Earl Bessborough, now took his place with the umpires, Lord Lismore for Miles and Major Allen, a famous athlete of his time, for Belcher, and urged the men to hurry with their preparations.

"Very rapidly the seconds now got through their work, and it was not yet half-past twelve when holding out his frying-pan looking watch in his hand the referee sung out 'Time', the men walked from their corners, shook hands and placed themselves on guard."

This was the last fight for Dogherty. He was disgusted with being defeated in his own native Ireland, but he went into business and married his boyhood sweetheart. He prospered in business and made money. Belcher continued with his ring career.

SPOTS OF SPORT

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In a few weeks the hockey team selected to represent Canada in the Olympics will sail from Halifax enroute to Garmisch, Germany, where they will endeavor to uphold the reputation of the Dominion as producing the premier hockey players of the world. From all indications their strongest competitors will be the United States team, which will be made up from members of the Boston Olympics and St. Nicholas team of New York. The Port Arthur Bearcats, who were given the call when the Halifax Wolverines folded up, have been augmented by other outstanding players and in their practise games have been making a good showing. While Maritime fans regret that the Halifax team disbanded and that the honor of representing Canada was lost to them they will nevertheless unite in wishing the augmented Bearcats the best of luck. The main thing now is for Canada to win as many points as possible and all true Canadians will be pulling for every athlete who goes forth seeking honors for the land of the Maple leaf.

BRICK BRADFORD—On the Isles Beyond the Ice

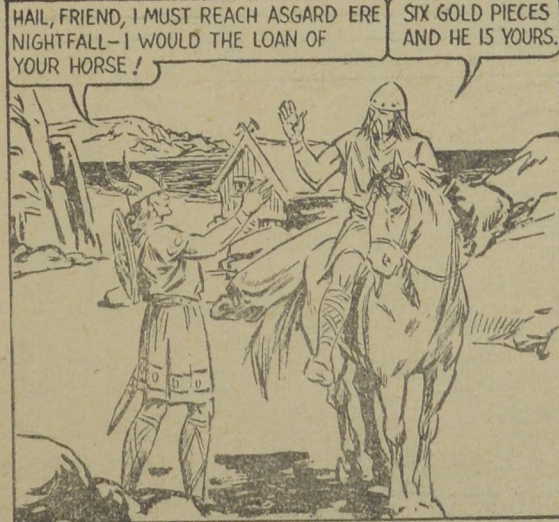


AS HE HASTENS TOWARD ASGARD TO WARN THORKILL OF THE IMPENDING ATTACK, SIEGFRIED ENCOUNTERS MORE SOLDIERS



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HAIL, FRIEND, I MUST REACH ASGARD ERE NIGHTFALL—I WOULD THE LOAN OF YOUR HORSE!

SIX GOLD PIECES AND HE IS YOURS.

WHAT? NO GOLD? THEN YOUR SHIELD IN EXCHANGE—IT IS INLAID WITH SILVER I SEE!

IT WAS MY GRANDFATHER'S—NOW IT IS YOURS—DISMOUNT!

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