

Sports Corner

By Doug McLellan

Things were mighty slow on the local sporting scene for many weeks now, but this week-end the picture changes. On Saturday night the lovers of the 'grunt and groan' will have their grand opening at the McLaughlin, with two big bouts on the agenda. In the curtain-raiser, Jack MacNeil of Quebec City will tangle with Dutch Schultz of Houston, Texas while in the final, Herb Parks of Kirkland Lake will match tumble with Bob Lortie of Montreal. Then on Sunday the local baseball league will be launched into full swing. Combines and Hollinger meeting at the Hollinger park while the Macmen will travel to Kirkland to open the season at Wright Hargraves field.

As soon as the word wrestling is whispered, most people frown on the sport as a fifth-rate vaudeville act with every move reflected and the winner known long before the opening bell is sounded. That may be so and then again it may not. Public opinion has often been wrong though, and this might be one that is. The public were certainly wrong a few years ago in Washington D. C. Mike Romano was fighting Jack Donovan and along about the 15 minute mark Donovan pinned Romano to the canvas, and the usual cry of the customers went up, roof nearly went off the place. Everyone thought it was the most put-up exhibition they had ever seen. Romano knew it was no fake. He carried him from the ring, dead. That one wasn't rehearsed, it was the real McCoy, but you couldn't make the clients think so till they were offered positive proof. If wrestling were a little on the shady side, do you think that the sport would draw more customers than any sport except football and basketball in the States when it was enjoying its heyday in the middle thirties. It may be crooked but the folks really love it. The greatest champion the art has, is Edgar Hoover, the head G-Man. Another gent who, until his death, never missed a bout was Will Rogers. You could hardly class this pair as two who couldn't see a fake if they saw one. Another popular idea among the sporting fraternity is that wrestlers haven't got too much on their shoulders or couldn't make a living in any other way than by banging his brains out for the paying customers. This isn't so. Whipper Watson, of Toronto fame, has his finger in more than one pie in his native Toronto, and according to reports he is just as clever a business man as he is with the 'head-lock' or 'drop-lock'. Harry Fields, a grappler of a couple of years ago, paid his way through college with some of the funds made by wrestling, and is now a very prominent baby doctor in Philadelphia. Ralph Wilson, another top notcher, is the leading doctor in Evansville, Indiana. Bronk Nagurski, who was also a well-known football star, is now one of the directors of a bank in International Falls, Minnesota. Pinky Gordon, the light-heavy champ a few years back, is the Sheriff in Schenectady. These examples should leave no doubt that wrestling has some very prominent citizens among its ranks.

Some sports fans claim that all the fighters practice their holds before the bout and each fighter knows just what the other is going to do. Sure they work out their holds to stay in shape but so do ball teams and hockey clubs work out their players, and you don't hear that these sports are phony. Other claim that one fighter meets another too often and gets a knee just what his opponent is going to do next. Well, the Yankees meet the other teams in the American league on 22 different occasions during the year but the claim is never made in this instance. Maybe it is crooked and maybe it isn't but in any case no one can deny that the grapplers are perfect specimens of fitness. They take an awful beating when they are in the ring and have to be in top-notch shape or they would fall apart like a broken balloon. But in any case, shady or not they really put on a good show for the fans so you would be wise to be at the Mac come Saturday night. The other big local highlight of the week-end is the ball opener, featuring

Hollinger and the Combines. The backroaders will be out to average an opening defeat they took at the hands of the same Bombers last season, so that alone should make it worth your while. The Combine line-up will be changed very little from the titewinners of last year. One of the biggest changes will be the whole left by the departure of Carlo Cattarello. Carlo has decided to hang up for good, so he won't be around with his sparkling catches this year. Another change will be that Les Costello will be behind the plate instead of Pete Babando. Babando has a very sore left hand as a result of a hockey injury so the catching burden will fall on the shoulders of Les Costello. The pitching will be the same as last with Rolly Bussiere and Alex Kosick sharing the role. The infield too will remain unchanged with Elvon Kananagh at first, Johnny McLellan at second, Louis Romauldi at short, and Butts Johnson at third. The outfield isn't definite yet but will probably be made up of Pete Babando, Gunnar Telkinen and Alex Barilko when he returns from the South.

On the Hollinger side of the ledger, things don't look too bright, although they have picked up a couple of players from Kirkland. The big setback here is the departure of Frank Chase. It is one blow that the Bombers won't get over in a hurry as the smooth infielder will be very hard to replace. Among the new comers to the Bombers' cause will be Gus Gustavson who played the innegarden for the Combines and Macmen a few years ago. Ted Wilks who saw action in the infield with Kirkland Lake last year, and Lefty Barrett, another Kirkland Laker. Back in the Bombers' uniform again this year will be a couple of prize rookies of last year, Ray Hannigan and Mort Donlevy. Hannigan will take his place in centre field while Donlevy will see action at second base. The rest of the starting line-up will be unknown for a day or two yet but you can count on one thing and that is that Baron will have a few kids out there if he can at all fit them, as the ones he broke in last season responded graciously.

In the opener at Kirkland, the hometown will have a chance to see what Johnny Stoyand has molded into shape and what he thinks good enough for Kirkland to remain in the league. The three biggest blows in Stoyand's case will be the loss of Art Hillmann, Arnold Cooper and Jack Donlevy. Although he has hopes of getting Cooper back, the other two will definitely not be around this year. For the Macmen, the biggest hole to fill will be around second base as their second-sacker of the last two seasons, Bob O'Shaunessy, is playing pro ball in the Canadian-American League, so won't be around. Apart from this, the Macmen will look the same as last year. All in all, it is going to be a good fight so be on hand on Sunday when the cry, "Play ball" is first hollered.

Pye Gets Three Yrs. For Jewel Theft

Edison Pye was sentenced to three years in the Kingston Penitentiary by Magistrate Atkinson last Tuesday. Pye had pleaded guilty to a charge of breaking and entering the Remus Jewellery Store on May 13th, where he stole about \$2000 in jewellery.

Pye was remanded one week for sentence until the court had received his record sheets.

The Magistrate warned the prisoner that he would end up with life as a habitual criminal if he did not watch himself. This remark came after the judge had heard the Crown Attorney S. A. Callbeck K.C. read the prisoners record to the court.



Pictured above is Captain D. T. Clark, Chief Instructor of the School Cadets, Mr. A. A. Rose, Principal; Inspecting Officer, Major Corbett, G.S.O. No. 2 Central Command; and Cadet Major Edward Day, commanding officer for the Cadet Corps immediately after the inspecting ceremony held at the Hollinger Ball Park. Major Corbett complimented the cadets on their excellent display.

HIGH LOWDOWN

By D. Hindson

Howdy doody folks I hope you can spare a few minutes from your studying or your recovery from the Duke Ellington dance to read this little gab column for a few minutes. Well the exams are just about upon us and most of us have resolved at long last that we must finally study or else - or else what? Oh I give up - but you probably know.

'Tis easier said than done just about expresses the situation as teacher after teacher piles on the review or crams to get the last of the years work in and then of course there are the various dances and Midways that are coming to town, the wrestling matches and above all the good weather (I hope).

However as I said before most have set their minds to it and what if the studying is done between sets of tennis or between radio programmes or dance or fishing trips or innumerable other spring time activities - ahem I wonder what we mean by that last remark. At least the thought is there and one always settles down to it the final night anyway - well good luck most of my fellow companions will need it don't you Tom, Dick and Mr. Boneaveil? (don't ask me how Mr. Bonevel got in there - he must be some joker I am studying in French).

Speaking of French the school is still quieting down (and the town also for that matter) after the visit of the French Ambassador's visit. The news was broken in assembly Tuesday morning that he was to come and speak to us the following day (for those who are all mixed up with their studying etc that Wednesday) in assembly. Immediately the Musical director for the school started us on the Marche. Little did he know what he started. Students are still going around singing lustily "Marchons Marchons", I am becoming slowly convinced for some unknown reason that those are the only words that they know. After the announcement students started pestering the French teachers for the words and tune - the tune is important although you would never know it from some of the versions and lo and behold over a few minutes we had a school of frenchmen. I hope the french Ambassador his Excellency Franseique Gay appreciated our version OR RATHER RINDITION OF THE FRENCH NATIONAL ANTHEM. The Ambassador gave a talk to the students of T.H. & V.S. Wednesday morning which was well received by the students.

CADET INSPECTION A SUCCESS. Cadet Major Edward Day and Capt. Clark both reported that the inspection was a definite success and that it lived up to all expectations.

The ceremonial will dispense with by saying that it looked very good. The present arms on the general salute was done the best it ever has been. The Bugle band display was certainly a surprise to every one. It certainly put on a show far beyond expectations. This band under Mr. Huntly has come a long way in the past month and should be given a great deal of credit for all the hard work that has been put into the display. This band will continue as a school band and play at rugby games and other school functions.

The Bren gun display was next and put on a good show but really showed their metal in the mock battle. The seniors have the regular dashes

Bren gun crew was composed of Cadet Cpl. Arthur Hudson, Cadet Cpl. M. Defos, Cadet Cpl. I Sinclair.

The Mortar crew made up of Cadet Cpl. R. Freeman, Cadet Sgt. R. Nankervis and Cadet Cpl. M. Weinberger then went through their display of the "2" Mortar which certainly interested everyone. The signalling Corps and the First Aid Squad under Mr. Hartman and Mr. Jackson respectively went through their paces together. The Signals spotted casualties out in the field and reported them to head quarters who sent out the necessary aid. Cadets McCurdy and Pizer were on the fifty eight sets.

The victims for the afternoon were Robert Snider and some joker who wouldn't disclose his name for publication. A note to those who are interested - all patients have recovered sufficiently to return to school much to their disgust.

A section in attack is what they called the next part of the inspection. In reality it was a mock battle and really made the inspection interesting. In depicted a section of riflemen advancing upon a post and running into trouble and requiring aid. A flare is sent up and a Bren is brought into use on the right flank to provide the necessary fire power. Still having trouble the mortar crew are sent for to provide a smoke screen which they did very affectively. The post was then captured. The boys that took part did a good job. The display was complete with blank cartridges and real weapons.

The inspection party almost outnumbered the men with all their numbers. Here we go: Inspecting officer Major Corbett G.S.O. Central Command, Mr. Harkness, Chairman of the school board, Mr. A.A. Rose, principal, Capt. Clark, Mayor Karl Eyre, Major Stock, Major C. Brown, Capt. R. Bruell, Lt. W. M. Hitch, Ft. Lt. Wm. Shields, Mr. M. Lake, an and Cadet Instructors Lt. Carriere, Lt. Hartman, Mr. C. Jury, Mr. J. Jackson, Mr. J. B. Topper, Mr. E. Bartlette, and Mr. B. Sturgeon. Quite a list eh? I heard one person remark "Holl Dina - they cut number: the men two to one!"

That about winds up the cadet inspection. We might mention here that the Cadets and the Bugle Band provided a very imposing guard of honour for the French Ambassador Tuesday. It was a Captains Guard in command of Capt. Clark.

TRACK AND FIELD SATURDAY. The annual track and field meet sponsored by the N.O.S.S.A. will be held in the Hollinger park this Saturday afternoon and several of the district schools are planning to take part. Events for the various classes will run as follows: Junior: One hundred yard dash, Two twenty yard dash, and the four-forty relay. The one hundred and twenty yard low hurdles up the track event for the juniors. In the field events they the eighty pound shot put, running broad jump, the running high jump, the running hop step and jump and the pole vault.

Intermediates have the one hundred yard, the two twenty yard, and four-forty yard dash along with the eight eighty relay and the one twenty low hurdle. In the field events they have the same as the juniors with the exception of the eight pound shot put which is replaced by the twenty pound shot.

French Ambassador

(Continued From Page One) Providence had spoiled us with unlimited natural resources. We must be grateful to Him for all these gifts and make good use of them in the cause of freedom and human suffering. He rendered a tribute of honour to French Canada. To him the growth of the French Canadians in the past 25 years is a miracle, in the field of education, literature, music and science where they have obtained world recognition.

France Canada is the pride of France and he hoped that the bond of friendship which link them with France will increase and deepen through the years. Mme. Gay, who symbolizes the mothers of France, said in a very few words her thanks to the Canadian mothers who gave their sons in the last war and also thanked them for all their help since the war which had made the recovery of France possible. Edmond Aube thanked the Ambassador and his wife for their visit to this part of Canada.

Mr. Coldwell

(Continued From Page One) the maintaining of price ceilings. As a result our cost of living has gone up with the rise in prices. They have not lived up to their promises on low priced and low rental homes. Everywhere have they slipped behind in their project in housing.

Concluding the meeting Mr. Coldwell answered questions from the floor on National Health Scheme, Communism and the C.P.R. Health Scheme in the eldest election and to date have done nothing about it.

"The Liberals have not lived up along with the mile and the eight-eighth and a mill relay. The other events are the same as the intermediate with the exception of the hurdles which are the one hundred and twenty high hurdles instead of low hurdles. Quite a difference when you start to run them. Best of luck goes to all the students from T.H. & V.S. who are competing in the meet.

THIS AND THAT. The Duke Ellington dance is the social topic this week and most of the students that attended are still recovering. All in all it must have been quite an affair. The next one will be Charlie Spook on the twenty-fourth of June. Start saving your money boys.

The proverbial hen party became a reality last Friday as Betty Rose and Marg Platts were the hosts of these famous doos. The girls all report that they had a lot of fun, the food was wonderful and that they never sang so much in all their life, but other than that they are as tight lipped as can be. That is funny for girls but never the less it's true.

Well I have just seen the French Ambassador and am quite impressed, so with a note of welcome to his excellency and to all the University students that are back and who I have lost track of I bid you adieu. I am studying French.

NOSSA Track and Field Meet Saturday At Hollinger Park

Mr. Don Clark physical educational director of the Timmins High and Vocational School announced, that the Northern Section of the Northern Ontario Secondary Schools Association will hold their annual Track and Field Meet on Saturday, June 4th at 1:30 p.m. at the Hollinger Ball Park.

Mock Battle Steals Show in Army Cadet

Last Friday saw the best cadet inspection in some years as the Army Cadets of Timmins High and Vocational School R. C. A. C. No. 1884 held their annual cadet inspection at the Hollinger Ball Park. The Cadet corps was inspected by Major Corbett G.S.O. No. 2 Central Command, Mr. A. R. Harkness, chairman of the High School Board, Mr. A. A. Rose, principal, Capt. D. T. Clark, Chief Instructor, Mayor Karl E. Eyre, officers of the Algonquin regiment, officers of the Sea Cadets, Air Cadets and Cadet Instructors from the school.

After the ceremonial which was done in true military fashion the band presented a display that has never been seen before in the annals of T. H. & V. The band under the command of Mr. A. Huntly and cadet Sgt. K. MacLeod presented a very notable display of both playing and form marching. Following the band display the Bren Gun Crew and 2" Mortar crew put on a display. A signalling and first aid display followed these.

The highlight of the inspection was a section in attack under the command of Capt. R. Buell, C. S. M. King, C. S. M. Young and Cadet Lt. S. McDivitt. This mock battle presented a convincing finish to a great inspection. It started with several riflemen advancing on a post across the ball park. The Bren crew brought up the right flank and added the necessary concentrated fire power. After running into trouble the riflemen sent up a flare and the mortar crew laid down a smoke screen under which the infantrymen and riflemen were able to advance without mishap. This display was very well carried out and as said before added that final touch

that made the inspection such a success. Credit should be given to Cadet Major Edward Day and chief instructor Capt. D. Clark who have put so much work into making the inspection a success. Basic training instructors Lt. Carriere and Lt. A. E. Hartman also deserve credit for the splendid work they did.

Mrs. E. Smith of Wavelle was taken to Toronto General Hospital for further medical treatment. Her neighbors and friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Masters Bobby and Byron Adams of South Porcupine visited with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Brightwell at Shillington over the week-end.

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