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## THE ITALIAN VANGUARD

By Frank A. Scandiffio

To all the disappointed followers of the mutterings of this wandering vanguard, I regret that I was unable to submit my column in time for last week's issue. I am still reviving from the effects of the dance.

First of all, I would like to thank all the people who attended our dance in helping to make it a success, and I think you will agree that it was one of the loveliest affairs in years. I would like to thank the fellow-members of the Italian Vanguard Club and the numerous other gentlemen for their cooperation in the promotion of the affair.

As you have undoubtedly heard, the banquet and dance was an unanimous success. Father Salza, one of our guests, was to have delivered a message to the Italian colony but was handicapped by a sore throat. His short introductory speech was well received and it impressed his sincerity.

Chevalier Belcredi, the upright and gentlemanly vice-consul of Ottawa, spoke in Father Salza's stead and acquitted himself creditably. The "coup d'état" of the banquet was the presentation of the finely engraved scroll to Chevalier G. B. Ambrosi. It was a truly colourful piece of art. Mrs. Ambrosi, the charming wife of our worthy vice-consul, was presented with a large bouquet of roses. The repast was made more enjoyable by the singing of Miss Moretto and Mr. Tomasiocchio, and also the rendition of "Song of the Piave" by a group

of young Italian girls, ably assisted by Miss B. Palange at the piano.

The dancing began at ten o'clock and continued until "I don't know when". This was due to Mr. Franceschini's generosity. He was an able master of ceremonies and kept the dancers in high spirits (?) throughout the evening and the following morning.

Thank you, Messrs. Franceschini!

Now for the dirt amongst our own members. We were all there in our "soup and fish". To work up an appetite, the Barone, Rico, Natale, Adams, Raccioppa, Novaco, Bartello, Scandiffio, etc.—the harmony team—gave a rendition of "I like Mountain Music" with "Mountain Music" Novaco at the piano and Vic. Bagnato at the harp (I never found out why). They refused an offer of 6,000,000 pesetas to sing over the air.

Nothing went wrong that night — Natale met Yvonne; the "Crashers" got in; Franceschini's folk-dances met with success; Amy Ercoli got his "break"; Miss Kay Altilla won the pastry; and several well known Italian girls made their debut at the "mike". It was everybody's night — Johnny Roncetti's night as doorman.

According to Joe Lato, the dance was on the second floor and not in the Banquet Hall. There was no Martha to take Sam home from this dance but... oh, he got there just the same! Rico and Sisto, the banana twins, stuck together through thick and thin, even dancing together. Was everybody happy?... uh, huh.....

**Roughnecks versus Vanguards**  
 Monday, May 7th, marked the official opening of the Vanguard baseball season. They were presented with the key to the city by the mayor of Chinatown; passes were handed out freely, in fact they were given to anyone interested in boccie. Mayor Stewart and Premier Henry were conspicuous by their absence. By the way, our opponents were the roughnecks. The game ended in a nine-all tie. The Vanguard team is still undefeated.

**Highlights of Opening Game**  
 First ball pitched by L. Misori... A. Morello at bat, hit a home run to the catcher... Game started... Maniscola featured at bat and in the field... Home runs were plentiful... The nine umpires were putrid... Ercoli's dazzling speed stood the opposition on their heads... his best delivery was his "consumption" ball... both spectators cheered wildly... the water-boy went on strike... so did the score-keeper... she went to sleep... so did everybody else... Hum... Good-night.

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## No Schools or Italian Language For Italians, Says Thomas Bell

At the Conservative nomination meeting of the Bellwoods Riding for the pending provincial election held in the Orange Hall on College street last Wednesday evening, Mr. Thomas H. Bell, who was acclaimed as the candidate said in his speech that Mr. Arthur W. Roebuck "is reported to have said at an Italian meeting last night that the Conservative government had closed the immigration door to the Italians and that if a Liberal government were returned the door would be opened to them". Mr. Bell stated further "Elect Mr. Roebuck and get another 26,000 of them. Mr. Roebuck is also reported to have said that if they were elected, they would give the Italian people their own schools and their own language." Mr. Bell went on to say, "The time will come when our big open spaces will need more people and Canada will welcome those who will appreciate Canadian citizens, but not now."

If the above was said by Mr. Roebuck, we heartily congratulate him. This is an opportune time for the Italians of Bellwoods riding to get out and support such a splendid and capable representative who has the interest of the Italians at heart, to the Ontario legislature. Where is the Italian in Mr. Bell's riding who does not want

his children taught the Italian language, where is the Jew who forbids his children learn the Jewish language, and the Ukrainians theirs?

It is high time that such narrow-minded and prejudiced individuals whose duty it is to represent all creeds and nationalities, were eliminated entirely from public life. Canada is a cosmopolitan country, composed of many nationalities, who helped to build this wonderful country. We were all welcomed with open arms by the Liberal party, then led by the late Sir Wilfred Laurier, to build Canada's railways and roads, tunnels and canals. Those were the days when Italian people bought their homes and paid their mortgages, when relief amongst us was an unknown thing, when everybody worked and was happy.

What are the conditions existing to-day under the Conservative government? You know them only too well as you have had four long years of their rule. Not satisfied to put us through all this misery, Mr. Bell is against our children speaking our beautiful tongue, against Italian schools, against opening the gate of immigration, against everything that is Italian. We shall leave this question for the time being, but remember, a vote for Thomas Bell is a vote against the Italians.

## GARIBALDI MEETS BROWNING FOR CHAMPIONSHIP

After wrestling sensationally in Toronto for the past few months, Gino Garibaldi, favorite son of Italy and idol of wrestling fans over the whole North America continent, has finally been rewarded by Promoter Jack Corcoran who has arranged to give him a shot at the world's championship in matching him with Jim Browning. Promoters in all the large wrestling centres have been bidding against one another to get this bout and Jack Corcoran, fully realizing the drawing powers of this match, raised the anti a little higher than the others.

Garibaldi has wrestled in Toronto for a number of years and it is noteworthy that he has never failed to give the cash customers plenty of action. He is known from coast to coast as the "strong man" of the ring. His ability to extricate himself from holds through his superhuman strength and extraordinary knowledge of leverage always creates a great amount of interest in his bouts. Garibaldi is equally at home when wrestling against either the scientific wrestlers or the tough ones. His battles with the Greek "bad man", Zaharias, will linger long in the memory of the fans as also the clever displays against Ray Steele and Jim Londos. In matching Garibaldi with the champion, Jim Browning, Promoter Jack Corcoran is fulfilling the wishes of the public who have been clamoring for a bout between these two men. At the present time Garibaldi is at the top of his form and there are many who think that the breaks being equal, he will have a good chance of dethroning Browning from his lofty perch. There is no need of commenting on Browning's ability, he is perhaps one of the best men to have held the championship and has proved his capabilities by meeting and defeating all and sundry.

From all appearances this bout should be the outstanding feature of the local season. In addition the three supporting bouts will feature several newcomers. A large advance sale is

predicted and it would be advisable to make reservations early. There is no increase in prices. Should the weather be warm next Thursday, the Maple Leaf management has arranged for the cooling system to be put in operation.

## DAUGHTERS OF SAVOIA SOCIAL AND DANCE

Preparations for the annual social and dance of the Daughters of Savoia Society to be held at Columbus Hall, Sherbourne and Linden streets on Wednesday, May 23rd, are gradually taking form and the charming young ladies of this club promise that this social will surpass their previous efforts, which were crowned with such great success.

Arrangements are now being made on a much larger scale—a larger dance floor, the Columbus hall, a snappy orchestra—Russ Barrecca and his band, and an elaborate floor show, all for the admission of fifty cents. Activities will commence at 8.30.

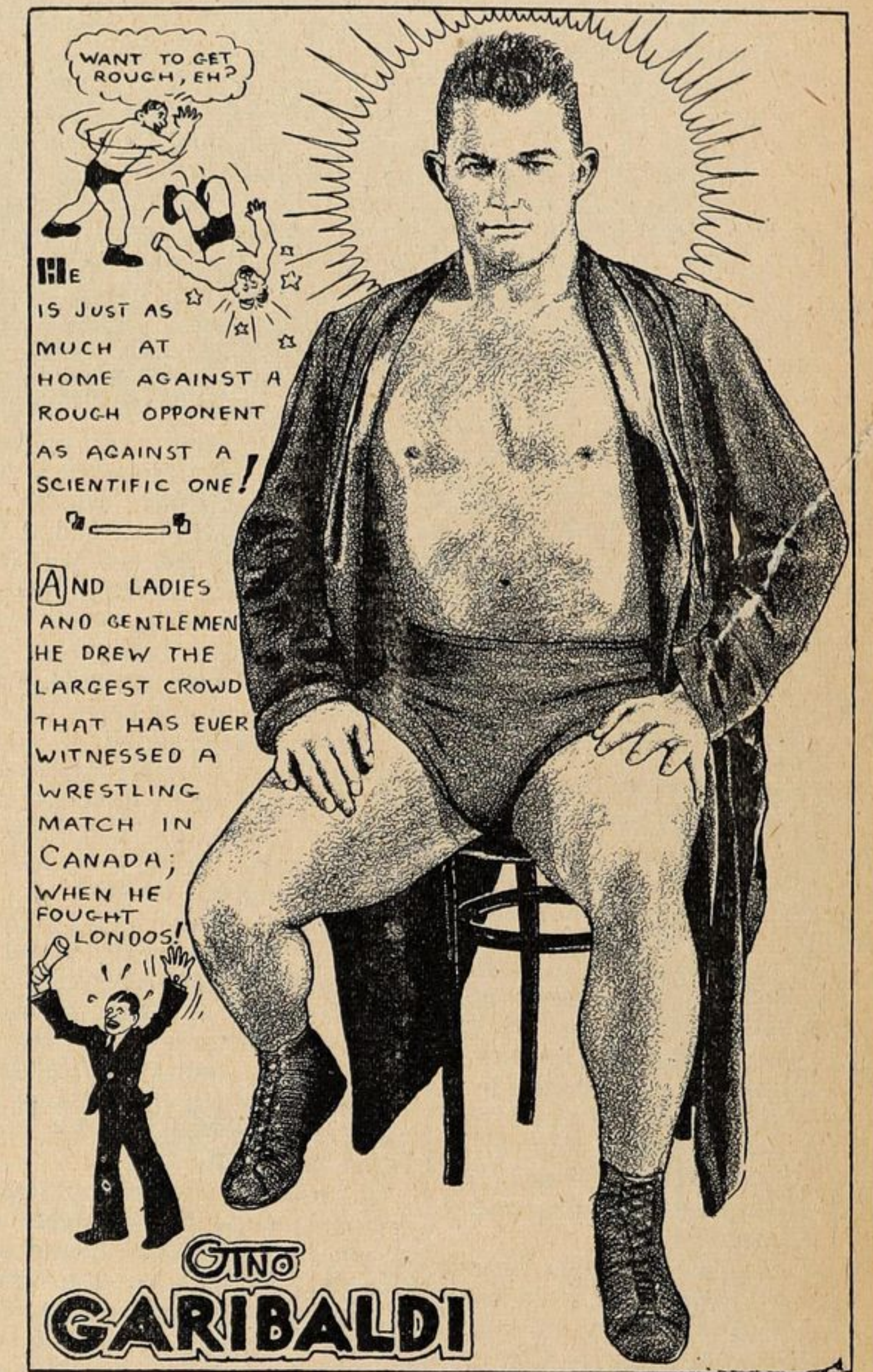
## PADRE SALZA AL CIRCOLO COLOMBO

In occasione della sua visita al Circolo Colombo, domenica scorsa, il Rev. Salza, richiesto dagli ufficiali del Circolo stesso, ha scritto queste brevi parole sul libro ricordo del sodalizio:

"Perché il Circolo continui ad essere degno, come è stato finora, del nome del Grande Italiano a cui si è intitolato, esprimo i miei piu' ardenti voti col mio piu' profondo compiacimento per la Fede e per la Patria, sempre piu' avanti e sempre piu' in alto."

P. Salza  
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