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OTTAWA WRITER VERY CHEERY FOR QUEEN'S

Praise Lowery's Methods and Expects Tricolor to Hike After the Senior Title.

Writing in the Ottawa Citizen, Austin F. Cross says of Queen's hockey chances: That Ed. Lowery has been re-appointed coach of Queen's senior hockey team will be welcome news to both Ottawa and Queen's folk; Ottawa people are delighted at seeing Lowery make good as a coach, while the students are glad to have back the man that changed the Queen's hockey team from a mere schedule appointment to a championship contender.

This year their chances of garnering in a hockey championship after many lean years, lean years that date away back for more than a decade, are more than bright. In the first place, Lowery will be better acquainted with the team and the academic environment. He will know the ground thoroughly. Then again, championship hockey teams do not materialize in a day, and the rough diamond of one year becomes the polished gem of the next.

Beside the improvement inevitable with age, Queen's also have two freshmen of senior caliber who have shown no mean ability in fast company before ever coming within the precincts of Kingston. Coupled with the good news of these freshmen acquisitions is the word that John (Red) McKeivey, the famous rugby star, will again be out with the Tricolor, after a year's lay off. While not as finished a player on blades as on cleats, John has a very steady, safe effect not only on the defence, where he is always a bulwark, but on the whole team. He has a body check that leaves his victim limp, and while apparently slow, gets down the ice something after the fashion of Horace Merrill, and never stops until he is within at least shooting distance of the goal.

From last year's team are Karl Quinn, net guardian, seen in operation locally as a substitute half back, and also Smith, the Fort William flash, who tears down the ice with the abandon of a Laviolette or a Clancy—one of those chaps that always has the crowd with him. Roy Reynolds, also of football fame, works on the defence, and with McKeivey and Smith, completes a fine trio.

At centre, Boucher, of Sudbury, is a genuine find, and since Lowery taught him the rudiments of poke checking is a Nighbor, he has come along wonderfully well. Bond, flashy and swift, is used for shorter intervals to rest up Boucher, and is a player much after the fashion of Corbett Denny. Glad, a former University of Alberta star, has finally made the grade after a preparatory year with Queen's O.H.A. team. While in Gibson, Lowery has declared that he has developed a new star, and one that will not suffer eclipse

by any other luminary in the intercollegiate.

Much objection was raised among the die hards and irreconcilables last year because of the drastic changes Lowery instituted. Instead of the old fashioned defence he instituted the Ottawa six-man defence idea. Some of the hockey Cassandras whose ideas of good hockey were up-to-date in the days of the Silver Seven, now history, said it was ruining the game and croaked about the spectacular aspect being destroyed.

But when Queen's were runners-up for the championship with Varsity, who had men like Carson in the line-up, the croakers modified their croak. Lowery had justified his means.

So, this year, with Varsity weakened, and McGill and University of Montreal not likely much stronger, Queen's are confident that they will add one more championship to their rapidly accreted collection of triumphs, and Queen's will take the place in the intercollegiate hockey world that she has already taken in football.

Note: Mr. Cross is mistaken concerning Gibson, who graduated last year and is therefore lost to Queen's.

GOLF IS FUNNY WHEN TWO HUMORISTS PLAY

This is a tale of the golf links. Ring Lardner, the humorist, was playing Nick Altrock, the comedian. Nick, who has quite an edge on Lardner as a golfer, was leading by a comfortable margin when the two teed off at the twelfth green.

Altrock drove into a sand trap, much to the delight of Lardner. After Nick had wasted a couple of strokes trying to get out, spraying sand over the green, but no ball. Lardner was hoping he would require at least seven or eight more, when Lardner, who has a thorough knowledge of the part, psychology plays in golf, glanced down the fairway and noticed three or four prominent pro players were following them. Calling them by name, Lardner remarked:

"Your reputation is ruined, Nick, when I tell them how many strokes you required to get out of the trap." Altrock was plainly perturbed. When a golfer is in trouble he is always asking advice. Nick was anxious to get out of the trap. "What shall I do?" asked Altrock. "Better keep on digging and they'll think you're working down there," replied Lardner. Needless to say, the advice didn't help Altrock score. He took an 8.

International Parley.

At Pittsburg, Pa., representatives of the United States Amateur Hockey Association will confer with officials of the Ontario Hockey Association at Niagara Falls on Jan. 3rd. It was announced by W. S. Haddock, president of the association. The Canadian hockey officials invited the association to send representatives to discuss the question of the migration of players from Canada to the United States, and to take part in the ceremonies incident to the opening of a new rink.

QUEEN'S HOCKEYISTS LEAVE MONDAY NIGHT

Basketball Team Also Going on Tour After Exhibition Game in Kingston.

If all goes as planned Queen's senior hockey team will leave on Monday night for its United States tour. There has been some doubt as to whether one of the places on the itinerary would have ice for their game and if last minute advice is received to the effect that the game is off the departure of the squad will be delayed until Tuesday or Wednesday.

It is not possible to get a line on the performers who will wear the Tricolor for this season as no practices have been held as yet and the whole brigade will not be on hand until regular workouts are being held. Several of the regulars will make the exhibition trip and possibly one or two new men but this team will not be final, by any means. Word is anxiously awaited from the United States teams opposing the local boys as to ice conditions.

Basketballers Away.

Six games are on the list of the Queen's senior basketball team during the tour of the United States cities on which it starts January second. On New Year's night the Queen's team will meet a picked team from the city, probably at the Y.M.C.A., and will depart on the following day. Games have been arranged as follows:

- Jan. 2nd—At Utica, N.Y.
- Jan. 4th—At Albany, N.Y.
- Jan. 5th—Union College, Schenectady, N.Y.
- Jan. 7th—At Kingston, Rhode Island.
- Jan. 9th—Crescent A. C., Brooklyn, N.Y.
- Jan. 10th—Newark A.C., Newark, N.J.

The team is captained this year by Haslam, the speedy forward man and Jones is the playing manager. Last year Queen's forced a three-cornered series and this year will go after the honors in earnest. Varsity and McGill are reported to have lost one or two stars and Queen's have strengthened.

The players making the trip are: Hannon, Lewis and Dunlop, guards; Hunter, Haslam, Henderson and Jones, forwards.

GREATEST TURF YEAR IN AMERICAN HISTORY

Excellent Contests, International Events, and Surprises Featured a Fine Season.

Racing enjoyed one of its banner years in 1923. The international and Zev's other match races gave it a distinction claimed by few other periods in American turf history.

Next season promises to be featured by the same brand of competition—only more so. If the announced plans of Pierre Wertheimer, the French sportsman, do not miscarry his great colt, Eplnard, is to be sent here to attempt what Papyrus could not do. He is coming not for match races against America's best, but for a series of them.

Nor is that all. Preliminary to the effort of turning back the lavender of his own territory, Uncle Sam will fare forth on a foray abroad. When the field in the Ascot Gold Cup, one of England's most famous fixtures, goes to the post next June 15th, either Zev or his older stablemate, Grey Lag, may be among the starters. Owner Sincialr has given his word to send one of the colts across to run in the great classic.

The match race here and in England will interest American horsemen and horse lovers to a high degree. They will give a great fillip to the coming season's sport. After January 1st the name of the memorable Man o' War will appear once more in the records. He is coming back to the turf as a sire. When the new calendar goes into effect his sons and daughters will be eligible for competition. By their performances will his ability to influence American racing be tested.

As a three-year-old Man o' War was unbeaten. Starting with the Preakness he accounted in rapid suc-

FROM THE OUTSIDE—LOOKING IN.

Ottawa critics pick Canadians as the team to beat for the N.H.L. title this season, claiming the Frenchmen to be much faster than last year.

Speaking of art galleries—Trainer Billie Hughes has about the best collection of sporting pictures in his training rooms that we have ever seen. Swimmers, boxers, wrestlers, fencers, baseball players, hockey players, runners, football stars and even mountain climbers may be found in his collection of photographs.

Miller Huggins is loading his team up with rookie pitchers and will take a swarm of them to training camp in the spring. The leader of the present world's champions must have a good reason for his action and probably it will come out in due time.

At last night's meeting of the City Hockey League the delegates decided that they only needed ice to be perfectly happy. The teams who figure in the opener on January second are getting a little anxious.

Eddie Elliott's county circuit convenes this afternoon in the Board of Trade rooms to make plans for the season. The country towns and villages will have late ice this season. A short schedule would be one thing to consider.

The amateur bodies of the United States are having a great time with Charlie Paddock—or he is having a great time with them, either one. Just at present, with an injury that necessitates the use of a cane, the famous speedster should not be much worry to anyone.

There's a thirty-mile-an-hour zero blizzard up the lakes somewhere and we usually get those a day or two after—so Michael Flanagan may have ice for New Year's Day after all.

cession for the Withers, Belmont, Stuyvesant, Dwyer, Miller, Travers, Lawrence Realization, Jockey Club date away back for more than a century and Potomac Stakes. Then on October 12th, 1920, he defeated Sir Barton in the famous \$80,000 match race at Kenilworth. The match race marked the end of Man o' War's racing career. He won 20 of his 21 starts, and a gross total of \$249,465.

Says He Will Stay in Soo.

Toronto pros. are after Bill Phillips of the Soo and will go the limit to get his signature on a contract. He is satisfied to play amateur hockey and hopes to be a member of the team that will win the Allan Cup in 1924. "I wouldn't play professionally this winter if they gave me the Arena," he said. Some time ago Phillips was offered a place on the Olympic hockey team, and he turned it down. He said then, "Tell the folks I'm sticking to the Soo." He says the same thing now, and that is virtually his reply to the profession.

Phillips is one of the most sought after player in amateur hockey. There are at least four pro. teams who would be glad to get him.

The mask of deceit is the devil's weapon.



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HE PULLED THE WRONG TOOTH, MR. SHEAN!