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LONDON'S 12-TEAM GIRLS' BASKETBALL LEAGUE OPENS TOMORROW

Big Promenade of All Girls in Uniform Will Start Off Big Era of Girls' Athletics.

The London Ladies' Basketball League opens with three games tomorrow night at the East-End Community Hall, which has been fixed over a good floor being put in and a gallery for spectators. Twelve teams are in this league, which represents the largest scale the game has ever been organized on in London, and tomorrow night's opening marks a big stride in London girls' athletics.

The games of the Ontario Ladies' Basketball Association will also be staged at the East-End Hall when the schedule is finally fixed with the teams of the other cities.

Mayor Little, who has donated a trophy for competition in the league, will throw up the first ball tomorrow night, and General Manager Buchanan of the public utilities will blow the first whistle. A promenade of all the basketball girls in the city will be a feature of the opening proceedings.

The games should provide some splendid basketball, most of tomorrow night's contestants have had city league experience and have had the benefit of much practicing the last few weeks. They open at 7:45, with J. Lightfoot as referee.

The line-ups of the teams will be:

Shamrock Silverettes
G. Sing... R. F... R. Ashplant
K. McElroy... L. F... L. McDonnell
H. Fritz... G. G... G. Thompson
M. Lindsay... R. G... J. Menzies
L. Gardiner... L. G... V. Perry
C. Blackwell... Spares... E. McGregor
E. Holland... Spares... E. Ferguson
King St. Pr... Cracker Jacks
J. Ryan... R. F... A. Percy
E. McLeod... L. F... I. Duncan
M. Ryan... C... M. Drew
C. Wanless... L. G... M. Goodwin
J. Doherty... Spares... E. Partridge
L. Han... Spares... E. Henderson
E. McElroy... C. A. C.
Smallman & Ingram
M. Pitt... R. G... J. Brown
E. Clarke... L. F... L. Graves
R. Catalano... C... T. Bamford
R. Collins... L. F... Q. Harris
H. Lindsay... R. F... R. Shoenberg
M. Flaherty... M. Flaherty

COCHRAN BELIEVES BIG FIGHT MUST GO TO ENGLAND

Interference of Law in U. S. Makes Englishman Start on Preparations.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—I have just received a letter from the sporting editor of one of England's greatest newspapers, containing information which leads me to believe England will be the scene of the Dempsey-Carpenter fight. Until this letter came I thought Canada would get the battle if the New York plans went awry.

The letter quotes Charles B. Cochran, English member of the World's Boxing Trust, as saying:

"According to the contract, the fight must take place either in the United States, Mexico, Cuba, or South America. But America is an uncertain place. There is a new president of the States, and fresh laws may be passed at any time.

"That is why I think the fight may come off in England, and I have every thing fixed up for that emergency.

Arena for 100,000.

"A huge arena, holding just about 100,000 people, all under cover, will be put up on a certain site near London. Plans, materials, builders are all ready. That looks like business, doesn't it?

According to the letter, Cochran insists that the fight will take place either on May 29 or July 4.

Cochran thinks Carpenter has a good chance to whip Dempsey. He said to correspondents:

"Dempsey and Kearns, unlike the American public who think that Carpenter will last about 10 seconds, realize that they are up against a really great fighter. They are leaving nothing to chance.

"Georges has everything to gain and nothing to lose, but looks on Dempsey as a man, not a superman, as everyone else does, and he believes he will beat Dempsey.

"Dempsey, Georges' manager, won't hear of defeat, though he has a whole-some respect for the champion.

Fight Worth \$2,000,000.

"Everyone had told him that the fight was standing together; Dempsey quite overshadowed Carpenter, but that, they both say, is nothing. It is only a bluff.

"Carpenter was very nervous when he fought and beat Levinsky.

"Someone had told him that unless he knocked out Levinsky in one round he might as well go into retirement for good.

"There will be nothing of that in the championship contest. Carpenter is as good as a star, and will be all the time.

"The big showmen in the States say the fight will be worth nearly two million dollars.

"John Ringling, who bought the Barnum and Bailey circus, has offered to give \$2,000,000 if this is going to be a \$2,000,000 fight, the seats will sell for more than originally planned. There probably will be a large block of \$50 seats.

INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE TO DRAW UP THEIR SCHEDULE TONIGHT

Will Have To Leave Open Dates For Three Bonspiels.

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There will be games played on these dates in the local leagues, but as far as possible, players who may be on links going to one of the clubs will be left off the industrial schedule.

Karges or Gildner Will Get Chance To Take Trushinski's Place on Kitchener Line

KITCHENER, Jan. 5.—While the local hockey management are hopeful of the recovery of Trushinski, who is at St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto, there is no expectation that he will be able to play again this season, and steps are being taken to secure a substitute. It is likely that Karges or Gildner of the intermediates will be given a chance to make good in senior company. Over the lack of ice, the local teams are working out in St. Jerome's College gymnasium.

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MUTT AND JEFF—A Lot Can Happen When a Guy's Founding His Ear.



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Jack Wisner Batted .000, And Tells the Reason

Somewhere in the U. S. A. Dear Mister M.-O. Fan.—Guess when you saw them batting average of the National League, you said to yourself, J. Wisner must be lost his batting eye. That bird who makes up the Pittsburgh averages he was so blinded by his own smog letta lone the smog of his naïf city that he missed two clean singles I got and gives me .000 pure cent.

Karges says to me, Jack you gotta stay on the bench this year. I can't do no better than third place any way. I guess you're right. Gibble comin from London, which team certain boasted my pitching as in your bush circuit, and me and him been friends, why I says just as you like Gibble. I'll let you work a couple games, he says, but for goodness sake don't open up on these birds and scare em for next year. I hadda lotta fun watchin sum of them birds miss my easy ones but when it comes to hittin, one day when Rube Marquard was pitchin I couldn't help takin a swat at one of his hard ones. And the same next frame. Well Gibble was pretty mad when I uncovered them two swats, but I kidded him about this Egyptian mummy stuff gettin pretty hot on a warm day, and he let it pass, or sed he would. But between me and you, I think Gibble went and fixed this swat, a swat at one of his hard ones. I hope they give you good ball again in the M.-O. next season. Them guys pitchin there now have a pipe these days.

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STILL CLOUDING UP



Bar B. Johnson and Comiskey are still stepping up the internal strife in the American League. It looks like a war to the knife between the two with no peace anybody. Judges Landis in particular, until the feud is settled.

Tonight's Bill in Sport

BASKETBALL.
Leafs vs. Skeeters.
HOCKEY.
Manufacturer's League (postponed).
Intermediate Series.
Bowmanville at Whitby.
Milton at Oshawa.
Newmarket at Aurora.
St. Francis at St. Catharines.
Brantford at Galt.
Watford at Stratford.
Warton at Woodstock.
Ayr at Drumbo.
Junior Series.
Goderich at Seaford.
Waterloo at Stratford Midgits.
Collingwood at Alliston.
Stayner at Meaford.

WITH THE PROS.

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—Sprague Cleghorn, the star Ottawa defense man, who has been awarded to St. Patrick's of Toronto, announced tonight that he was going to Toronto to confer with President Hamby, and with other members of the St. Patrick's Club. If conditions there are satisfactory he will sign on and finish the season with the Toronto team in the National Hockey League.

President Calder notified the Ottawa Club today that both Cleghorn and Broadbent were on the suspended list, and that they would not be allowed to play under any condition unless they obeyed the league's orders and reported to the club to which they were awarded.

Pats Strengthened

A wire was received today by St. Patrick's from "Bill" Stewart, a defense player of Amherst, Nova Scotia, accepting terms and stating that he will leave tonight for Toronto to join the St. Pats. Stewart comes highly recommended, and claims to have scored 68 goals last season. If this is correct, it is a record for any kind of a hockey player.

STEWART EXPECTED TO ARRIVE IN TORONTO ON FRIDAY

Stewart is expected to arrive in Toronto on Friday morning, and will play against Hamilton at the Arena on Saturday night.

HARPER, LONDON HURLER, SOLD BY AKRON CLUB

Akron, O., Jan. 5.—Announcement of the sale of Pitcher Harry Harper to the Galveston Texas League was made today by the Akron Club of the International League. Harper was farmed to London in the Michigan-Ontario League last season.

Canadians again demonstrated the absence of a pitcher as well as lack of condition. The Frenchmen have been caught flat-footed by the other clubs, and unless there is sudden and miraculous achievement of form, cannot be expected to figure very largely in the first half of the race. Lack of training is the fundamental weakness of the team as at present constituted. The veterans cannot be expected to achieve the early season form of a younger club without a period of careful preparation, and with training facilities lacking, the club is bound to suffer severely in the early portions of the race. In addition to this handicap, the club is in dire need of forwards who can carry the puck. Lalonde is doing the great bulk of this work unaided, and the result reflects in the diminutive scoring average of the Habitués. The forward line also lacks speed, except in flashes, and the responsibilities of the defence are thereby doubled—another which a perusal of the scores registered against Canadians makes painfully obvious.

George Kennedy, a forward from Ottawa, attributed much of the blame for defeat to Venina. If Venina doesn't show better than he has, I'll have to get a new net-minder," said the Canadian owner this morning.

The Canadiens have used judgment in leaving the wing and going to centre ice. His check slipped through and either scored or helped score three goals. I pulled Pitre out and told him plenty."

The Canadian owner said he had practically closed to have Haudant join Canadiens. He is also hot after Edmond Bonnard.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

London, Jan. 5.—Canadian Associated Press.—Results in Scottish League soccer games played today were: Motherwell 1, Adrenonians 0; Dumbarton 1, Clydebank 1.

PAPIN AND CHANEY TO MEET

Boston, Jan. 6.—Georges Papin, the French lightweight champion boxer, and George Chaney of Baltimore, who has a long list of knockouts to his credit, will meet here tonight in a twelve-round decision bout.

ORIENTS DECIDE TO WITHDRAW THE LONDON JUNIORS FROM O. H. A. GROUP

Will Not Make Trip to Tillsonburg Tomorrow Night—No Ice Practice Placed Too Big a Handicap.

The Orient Athletic Association practically decided last night to pull their team out of the Junior O. H. A. series, which means that the London kids will not journey to Tillsonburg tomorrow night. There is a slight possibility, a team might be sent down to fill the date if the Pan Fried fans want to witness an unlawful slaughter but otherwise, another chapter of hockey history for London this season has been written in on paper.

The attitude of the Orient A. A. is perfectly justifiable. The youngsters haven't had a semblance of ice to practice on, and are an unknown quantity to begin with, and it would be little use sending them in against the faster Woodstock and Tillsonburg outfits.

Had there been ice, it would have been a different matter, and the odds would have been so great but with no practice a local crew would have had too much handicap to overcome, and the fans would have seen nothing but a procession of goals instead of a hockey match.

To give the Orient A. A. every bit of credit, they were willing to start out with the material on hand, and depend on the fans' loyalty to back the team up, if they missed two clean singles I got and gives me .000 pure cent.

Karges says to me, Jack you gotta stay on the bench this year. I can't do no better than third place any way. I guess you're right. Gibble comin from London, which team certain boasted my pitching as in your bush circuit, and me and him been friends, why I says just as you like Gibble. I'll let you work a couple games, he says, but for goodness sake don't open up on these birds and scare em for next year. I hadda lotta fun watchin sum of them birds miss my easy ones but when it comes to hittin, one day when Rube Marquard was pitchin I couldn't help takin a swat at one of his hard ones. And the same next frame. Well Gibble was pretty mad when I uncovered them two swats, but I kidded him about this Egyptian mummy stuff gettin pretty hot on a warm day, and he let it pass, or sed he would. But between me and you, I think Gibble went and fixed this swat, a swat at one of his hard ones. I hope they give you good ball again in the M.-O. next season. Them guys pitchin there now have a pipe these days.

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ON THE ALLEYS

CITY LEAGUE. Won. Lost.
Maple Leafs... 27 3
Nationals... 20 10
Postville... 12 9
Tecumsehs... 21 12
Selak... 8 25
Roccos... 12 30

Selaks.
Martin... 173 177 499
J. Arnot... 233 176 192 601
J. Fox... 187 203 214 604
Postville... 171 200 177 548
Sheere... 162 160 203 525

Totals... 902 912 963 2777

Tecumsehs.
Sherritt... 214 202 190 606
McDougall... 144 172 154 470
Orr... 167 170 190 527
Brown... 188 180 147 515
Arnold... 132 175 215 522

Totals... 815 839 893 2757

FOREST CITY LEAGUE

Thistles... 20 10
Manhattans... 20 10
Alerts... 19 11
Postville... 12 9
Dowlers... 17 13
C. P. R... 17 13
London Bolt Works... 16 14
Union Barbers... 15 15
The Young... 17 17
D. S. C... 10 20
London Rolling Mills... 4 26
Canadian Oil Company... 3 27

Totals... 159 150 479

Blake... 154 174 433
Filton... 144 134 421
Postville... 122 170 441
Lattimore... 114 163 445

Totals... 674 768 814 2316

London Rolling Mills.
Dixon... 57 156 409
Filton... 144 134 421
Mathews... 134 172 480
Haines... 182 147 515 480
Phillips... 114 163 445

Totals... 632 748 765 2145

Thistles.
Glover... 215 221 225 661
Barris... 270 161 124 555
Schedling... 142 96 104 404
Heaman... 245 214 105 559
Venina... 172 194 195 565

Totals... 1045 908 826 2777

Rush... 110 128 186 418
Stewart... 161 131 164 456
Filton... 144 134 421
Hurley... 160 174 183 517
Ball... 132 165 177 474

Totals... 688 709 875 2266

ZBYSKO LEAVES FOR FRISCO

New York, Jan. 6.—Zbyzsko, who is matched to wrestle Jim London in San Francisco on January 14, left here for the coast today in tip-top condition.

READY FOR RETURN BOUT

New York, Jan. 6.—Johnny Wilson, who is championed by Mike O'Dowd last May, is now "ready and willing" to give him a return bout or to meet any other 155-pound boxer the public demands his manager, Marty Killian, announced today.

Wilson has been under a physician's care five of the seven months he has held the title, Killian said.

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As You Were

Bugs Baer, the eccentric paragraph, if he were a resident of London and a hockey fan, might, if he had an off-day, comment thusly upon the city's hockey situation.

The new way of hockey fanning in London is to buy a pencil and a paper, and peruse the weather reports.

If of a mathematical turn of mind let X equal the unknown ice quantity.

After three or four hours of figuring each night a game is scheduled, you'll have forgotten all about hockey and found that X doesn't mean anything, and the answer's nothing.

The only way to get a hoarse voice

and a sore throat until the intermediates start will be to neck and use the pencil and paper in a damp cellar. But not too damp.

Paper hockey is a great saving on money, the throat and ice, hoarse voice and \$10 used to get the average fan by all winter. A pencil and 10 cents of unperfumed paper will now do the same work.

It will threaten the popularity of Stove League baseball, but not half as much as it will threaten the populace with emul. Cribbage is in danger.

The Stove Leaguers don't issue rain checks, but the Paper Hockeyists do. They need them.

HOGAN-HARRIS MIX FOR VETS RELIEF FUND WILL SETTLE LONG ARGUMENT TONIGHT

WINDSOR, Jan. 5.—The promise is for at least two thousand boxing fans from Chatham, Tilbury, Amherstburg, Detroit and locally, when Elmer Hogan, welterweight champion of Michigan, and Eddie Harris, C.E.F. middleweight, and later welter champion of this district, meet in the main go of the

ent circles here.

ANOTHER PLANK IN BASEBALL

GETTYSBURG, Pa., Jan. 6.—The break member of the Plank family to break into organized ball is Clyde, nephew of Eddie and Ira.

He received a trial as a pitcher with the Waynesboro Club of the Blue Ridge League. He is a right-hander, and last year rated the best pitcher in independent circles here.

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