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TO BATTLE FOR THE CANADIAN FEATHERWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP

Billy Allen and Tommy Rawson to Meet Tonight— Bout at Glace Bay—Lynch Should Rule Well— Hockey, Bowling and General Sport

Tommy Rawson, a featherweight from Boston will meet Billy Allen of Ottawa tonight at the Victoria Armory, in Montreal for the featherweight championship of Canada.

A boxing bout is to be held at Glace Bay on Christmas Day between Kid O'Neil and Jack Ling of Reserve.

James J. Jeffries will put in the preliminary stages of his training for his bout with Jack Johnson in the heart of the Sierras, at the camp occupied by James J. Corbett, when the latter was preparing for his fight at Carson City with Bob Fitzsimmons.

Sam Langford has been matched to fight the Dixie Kid in Memphis on January 1st, according to an announcement by promoters who have guaranteed three matches with colored opponents to follow for Langford.

A new athletic club, in which boxing will be one of the leading features, was organized in Boston on Sunday. It is known as the American Athletic Club and will be located within a minute's walk of Washington street.

Police Inspector Dennis Sweeney of New York got a tip late Saturday night that prize fights were being engaged in at the clubhouse of the National A. C. Williamsburg. With a force of men Sweeney went there and arrested Kid Hogan and Kid Dillon, who were showing the members of the club what they knew about the many art of self-defence. The policemen took in charge Joseph McKee, Fred Powell, Thomas Purcell, Joseph Howard and Henry Lutz, who acted as referee, timekeeper and seconds.

Frank Klaus of Pittsburgh won the decision over Jim Flynn of Boston in twelve rounds of hard fighting in Boston last night.

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 21—Fugilism revived in Milwaukee tonight after a lapse of more than a year. The star bout of the evening was a ten-round go between Bob Moha of Milwaukee and Harry Mansfield of England, waterweights. No decision was given. Both were strong at the finish, but Moha seemed to have a shade the better on points.

Hockey

Monday's Montreal Herald says: The All-Montreal team were out this morning for a secret practice at the arena between 11 and 12 o'clock. Art Ross was out and along with him were Paddy Moran, Marisa, late of Brandon; Norman, a star forward from the Montreal N. B. club; Cook, of the Cochrane, of Waterloo; Tyro, a Lancaster, Ont., player, and half a dozen others who are being tried out.

Fred Taylor, who has been the storm made his first appearance of the season in an Ottawa uniform Saturday night. Spectators as to whether he would or would not be out for practice, brought out a crowd of six or seven hundred hockey bugs who broke out into a great shower of clapping when the celebrated player stepped on the surface with the rest of the Ottawa team.

Taylor will remain in Ottawa notwithstanding the fact that he has signed a contract to play with Renfrew. His Renfrew contract calls for a certain salary and a guaranteed position of \$1,200 per annum for a stipulated number of years. It was after he had signed this contract that he learned the Ottawa Hockey Club had done for him what it promised to do and that is why Taylor decided to remain in the capital. Renfrew hockey moguls declare they will make Taylor come up to the scratch with the contract they hold. So it looks as if the law may be called in to play a very important part of the hockey year.

St. John hockey players had their first practice of the season in the Queen's rink last night; among those turning out being Phalen of Montreal fame, McAvity and Paterson. Prospects for a New Brunswick league are said to be poor, and this is to be regretted, as the chances are the local team will be fast this year.

(Moncton Transcript.)

That Chester Gregory will make good on the Renfrew, Ont., hockey team is the opinion of Mr. J. C. Lithgow, ex-President of the M.P.A.A.A., who was a passenger through Moncton this morning on the Maritime Express en route to Halifax after a trip to New York, Toronto and Montreal. Mr. Lithgow has been away nearly two months and spent the past few weeks in Montreal. While in Montreal he met Gregory at the time the local man signed the contract, with M. J. O'Brien to play with the Renfrew team. "I think Chester will make good," said Mr. Lithgow to a Transcript reporter at the depot this morning. "He has lots of speed and certainly can handle the stick. Of course if he does not make good it will be his own fault, but I think he will be a star on the hockey down this way."

Asked what chances Cork Norman had

with the All-Montreal team, Mr. Lithgow was rather loth to pass an opinion. "He may do," said Mr. Lithgow, "but you can't tell."

During the conversation between Mr. Lithgow and the reporter, reference was made to Thomas Kennedy of Moncton who is trying to get reinstated in time for the hockey season. Kennedy was suspended because he went to St. John at the latter part of the summer and played under an assumed name against the Marathons for the provincial championship and from what Mr. Lithgow had to say, Kennedy's chances for getting on good standing again are very slim. "Kennedy deliberately went to St. John and played against the Marathons," said the ex-President of the M.P.A.A.A., "and I can see no way in which he can get reinstated. I will oppose it. He may say that he did not know that they were putting him on the lineup as Hall, but I have proof that he did know it."

Those who know Lynch best predict for him a brilliant future as chief of the National League.

Lynch gained his baseball knowledge as an umpire. He never signed a contract as a player, but he has always been considered one of the best arbiters of the game has seen. He was a disciplinarian of the most rigid type. He never addressed a player without the prefix "Mr." and insisted on like courtesy by the players.

Lynch umpired at a time when practically no protection was furnished the officials, and consequently is as well qualified to maintain discipline in the league as any man in baseball today.

A tip is going the rounds that Jimmy Sheekard may be the Phillies' new manager. Sheekard is said to be the price and Heinz Zimmerman is to be included in the deal by Chicago for good measure.

The "substantial increase" granted John Heydler in his new-old job as secretary-treasurer of the National League is reported to bring his salary up to \$7,000 a year.

"White Sox" Frank Labell has purchased the interest of his partner in the Wichita, Western League team, and will quit Chicago for the managerial job. He wants to play on his own club and has asked Hughie Duffey for his unconditional release.

Curling

The Thistle Curlers held a meeting in their rooms, Golding street, last evening. A large number being present. Eight new members were received into the club as follows: R. M. Sippell, E. P. Howard, Donald Cameron, Joseph Maxwell, G. W. Ewart, George T. Polly, Harold Irvine, Bruce McPherson.

On account of the condition of the ice the game which was to have been played yesterday was postponed, and it was decided last evening that the first match would be on Christmas afternoon, when the president's and vice-president's teams would try conclusions. The club expects to have many new members this year, and everything points to this season being a banner one.

It may be that St. John will become the seat of the maritime provinces bonspiel, which for several seasons has been held at Amherst. The Chignecto Curling Club, under whose auspices the bonspiel has been held in the past, has communicated with the local curling clubs with the view to having them assume the responsibility of holding the bonspiel in future.

Bowling

The Printers' Bowling League was finished yesterday afternoon, when the Standard and Sun teams played, each securing two points. This gives the Standard and Sun teams the championship of the league. The Standard team was captained by Robert J. Armstrong, for the Sun the captain was J. C. Lithgow. The Standard team was captained by Robert J. Armstrong, for the Sun the captain was J. C. Lithgow.

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AMUSEMENTS FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS

SANTA CLAUS AND NEW SHOW AT NICKEL

The Nickel's Kris Kringle matinee with the arrival of Santa Claus down the chimney are the talk of the town. Yesterday over a thousand little ones tittered and jumped with delight as the good old saint of the season appeared and delivered an amusing talk to them, afterwards descending to the audience and collecting the Jingle coupons. He will go so again today at 3.15 and 3.45. It must be remembered today and Thursday, also Friday, are the last occasions for handing in the J