

SPORT NEWS OF A DAY; HOME AND ABROAD

BASKETBALL

Game in West St. John.

An interesting game of basketball was played last evening in the drill hall, West St. John, between a team from the Fairville Baptist church and one from the Charlotte street Baptist church. The West Side quintette won out by a score of 11 to 5.

BASEBALL

American League—Tuesday.

Cleveland, 11; Detroit, 10.
Boston, 3; New York, 2.
Washington, 5; Philadelphia, 5.

National League.

New York, 0; Philadelphia, 3.
Brooklyn, 1; Boston, 0—eleven innings.
St. Louis, 10; Chicago, 3.

Local Baseball Situation.

There is no change in the local baseball situation. While there is no doubt a city league will be formed all those interested seem to be waiting for some one else to take the initiative. It is understood that a meeting will be held next week and that something definite will be decided. From the present outlook there will be four teams ready to form a city league—St. Peter's, Y. M. C. A., East End League and Fairville. Games will be played on St. Peter's new ball park and on the East End League grounds. Baseball has joined the H. C. of L. league, and a ball that formerly was purchased for \$1.25 today costs \$2.15. The price of gloves, boots, suits, etc., have taken a corresponding jump.

Finnamore as Manager.

Moncton Transcript: Arthur Finnamore, one of the best known ball players who played in the maritime leagues, will act as playing manager of the Glace Bay team this summer, according to a report from the mining town. Finnamore is known throughout the maritimes as a speed merchant and while he seldom burns up the diamond with his hitting and fielding, his peppery work on the coach lines and when he "gets on" makes the fans sit up and yell.

First Game of Season Here.

The first baseball game of the season was played last evening when the Young Starlights went down to defeat before the Young Clippers, by the score of 6 to 5. The game was very interesting and was played on the Gilbert's Lane diamond. The battery for the winners was the LeBlanc brothers and that for the losers, McGrath and Chandler.

ATHLETIC

Acadia Track Team.

Amherst News: The Acadia track team has already commenced to work out in anticipation of the meet with U. N. B. late in May. Mount Allison has withdrawn from this competition owing to a marked scarcity of material. Acadia expects to have one of the greatest track teams in its history, and at the moment feels confident of defeating the New Brunswick University on points.

THE RING

Calgary Wants Carpenter.

Calgary, April 21—The boxing commission yesterday decided to offer a big guarantee with 40 per cent privilege to Georges Carpentier for an exhibition bout here late next month or early in June.

THE TURF

May See Fox String.

Fredericton, N. B., April 21—Frank P. Fox, veteran driver, who makes his headquarters at Combination Park, Boston, is likely to bring a big stable of harness horses east for the meetings of the maritime and Maine short-hair circuit.

PRISON NO HARDSHIP

Sing Sing Ball Team Opened Season With Victory.

Oswining, N. Y., April 21—With the crash of the prison band and Major Lewis E. Lawson, the warden, pitching a first ball, Sing Sing prison opened its ball season, while 1200 prisoners and visitors roared from the bleachers. The visiting nine was from the Mc-

ropolitan Life Insurance Company, of New York city, and was beaten five to four in the 11th inning, after the prisoners had tied the score in the 9th. The prison ball players led by the band, were allowed to go outside the prison walls to meet the visiting team and its rosters opposite the prison office. They paraded inside the wall and across the field, where Warden Lawson received a great cheer as he picked up the ball to start the game.

ASKS HIS NAME; SHOOT AT HIM

Reginald Cave, Sitting in Auto in Toronto, Is Shot at.

Toronto, April 21—"Is your name Reginald Cave?" a man asked last night when Mr. Cave was sitting in his automobile opposite his home in Grand street east.

"It is," Mr. Cave replied, whereupon the questioner shot at him. The bullet hit Mr. Cave's right forearm. He said that he knew the man slightly, but did not know of any motive for the attempt to murder him. The man with the gun disappeared.

Rev. Walter Langton, rector of St. George's Anglican church, Parrishboro, has resigned to return to England.

Tenants at Somerville Hearing Say That Agents Are Behind Boosts in Rent.

(Boston Globe.)

About 100 men attended the first public hearing of Somerville's rent and housing committee at the Western Junior High School last night. Former Mayor Charles A. Burns, chairman, presided. A resolution was adopted calling upon the local representatives to support Representative Hayes' anti-rent profiteering bill.

Several charged certain West Somerville real estate agents with conducting a systematic campaign of advising owners to increase rents from \$5 to \$15 a month, in order to bring a higher sale price and a larger commission. Instances were cited where this sort of campaigning was alleged to have resulted in a change of ownership two or three times in the past fifteen months.

Police Lieutenant M. T. Kennedy of the committee said his investigation substantiated the charges.

Tenants on Lexington avenue, Claremont street, Pauline street, Simpson avenue, North street and other sections complained of exorbitant rents. It developed that apartments which two years ago rented for \$22 a month are now rented for \$40 and no repairs have been made during the interval.

Tenants with children in school said their rents had recently been increased beyond their financial ability to pay, and they had been ordered to vacate by May 1. They are unable to buy and don't know where they can find a new home. When they asked the owners why they raised the rent some of them explained that they were advised to do so by real estate agents who told them they could provide plenty of tenants who would be glad to pay much more.

A Claremont street tenant told the committee that he was ordered to vacate after he reported the unsanitary condition of plumbing to the Board of Health; he has found a tenement in Charlestown. Henry H. Wolf of 251 Broadway on March 1, hired his tenement for \$28 a month; the property has been purchased by an East Boston man who demands \$30, he said.

Richard Saunders said a year ago he hired his tenement at 88 Lexington avenue for \$27 a month and now it is \$33. He has been told that the rent will be \$40 or \$46 next fall. "The house is nothing more than a shell, and my mother had to move her bed, because the wind came through the west side of the house," he declared.

"Many people are afraid to make complaints; if they do, they know their landlords will turn them into the street," said a Simpson avenue woman, who declined to reveal her name to the committee.

Leon O. Dunklee of North street, said a year ago he paid \$30 a month rent. Last September it was raised to \$38. "I hear it will be \$40 in the fall," he continued. "A few days ago the flat and space for an automobile in a garage was advertised for \$35 a month. The owner is receiving \$1,250 a year (over 15 per cent) on an investment of \$7,500. Landlords of this type are an absolute menace to the community."

William Elliott of 128 North street, told the committee that his neighborhood is infested with rent profiteers. He named a man who, he said, increased

rent \$10 a month, and then canvassed other landlords urging them to follow his example. "My landlord is a gentleman," he added. "He refused to comply with the unreasonable request and has been socially ostracised because he would not join the gang of rent boosters, who now don't speak to him."

ANOTHER COMPETITION. Great preparations are being made by both sides for a mental arithmetic competition in the school room of the Central Baptist church on the evening of May 14 by the Beaconsfield and city contestants, under the direction of Michael Kelly.

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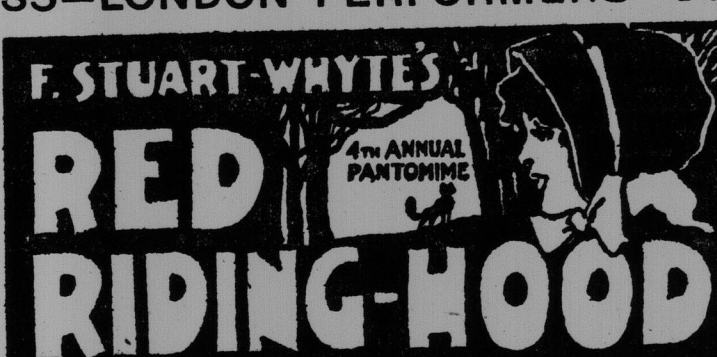
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