

Root and Moran  
Cycle Winners

Statement from St. F. X.

Double Header  
In Commercial

ROOT AND MORAN  
6-DAY WINNERS

New York-Boston Team Beat  
Out German-Australian Combination by Half a Wheel--  
Distance Below Record.

New York, N. Y., Dec. 10.—Eddie Root, of the Root-Moran team, finished first tonight in the final mile dash that decided the winner of the six-day bicycle race at Madison Square Garden. His time for the mile was 8 minutes, 56 1/2 seconds, and his distance for the six days, 2,454 miles, 3 laps.

Jackie Clarke, of the Rutt-Clarke team, finished second by half a wheel, Jie Fogler, of the Hill-Fogler team, third, and Paddy Hehr, of the Goulet-Hehr team, fourth. By their victory Root and Moran divide \$1,000, the prize for the first place. The record is 2,737 miles, 1 lap made by McFarland and Moran in 1908.

Slow as the pace this year shows in the averages and totals, it was punctuated by bursts of furious sprinting. In the early hours while the weaker teams were being shaken out the riders were far ahead of all previous figures, but when the competition narrowed down to the real contenders, there was a slackening of interest until penalties began to come into play.

Two veteran teams, Clarke-MacFarland and Rutt-Stol, disbanded and formed the reconstructed team of Rutt-Clarke, which accepted the penalty of two laps always imposed on new partners. MacFarland became their coaching leader and the new alignment, provoked the bitterest jealousy among the remaining leaders. They succeeded in lapping Rutt and Clarke once and it was apparent from then on that the real battle was to lap the new team out of the final sprint.

Gained the Lap.  
But Rutt and Clarke were not discouraged. By hard sprinting they won back the lost distance early this morning and from that time until the teams withdrew for the final dash at 9:55 tonight, the pace slackened and the riders merely loitered around the wooden bowl, with only an occasional spurt from some tallender.

In the decisive move Rutt led at a slow pace during the first three laps, still led at an increased pace during the next two laps and then burst into racing speed and beat Clarke home by half a wheel.

In spite of the fact that there were so few threatening accidents, there was much foul riding and the judges imposed many penalties for unfair jockeying, pocketing and improper relief.

The Summaries.  
Final score 142nd hour.  
1st—Eddie Root, New York, and James Moran, Chelsea, Mass., 2,454 miles, 3 laps; \$1,000.

2nd—Jackie Clarke, Melbourne, Australia, and Walter Rutt, of Germany, 2,445 miles, 3 laps; \$1,000.

3rd—Joe Fogler, Brooklyn and Fred Hill, of Boston, 2,545 miles, 3 laps; \$500.

4th—Patrick O'Sullivan Hehr, New Zealand and Alfred Goulet, Australia, 2,545 miles, 3 laps; \$600.

5th—W. L. Mitten, Davenport, Ia., and Floyd Thomas, San Francisco, 2,545 miles, 2 laps; \$400.

6th—Fred West, San Francisco and Walter Delano, San Francisco, 2,545 miles, 3 laps; \$350.

7th—George Cameron, New York and Alfred Heald, San Francisco, 2,545 miles; \$200.

YOUNG COTE  
DEFEATED BY  
RUDOLPH

Biddeford, Me., Dec. 10.—Before a good sized crowd at the Crescent A. C. last evening, Al Rudolph, of Portland, knocked out Young Cote, of this city after about a minute of the second round had elapsed. Cote claimed that he was tripped and that it was the hard fall that prevented him from continuing.

Rudolph, however, had all the better of the argument up to the time that Young Cote went down and out. It was the first boxing card that has been pulled off in the club's new quarters and there was a good sized crowd of fight fans present. There were some good preliminary bouts between local boxers.

CHAMPIONS BEATEN.  
Havana, Dec. 11.—The Almadarines nine today defeated the Philadelphia Americans, 2 to 1.

Lou McDonald is sure he has an M. & M. candidate of high worth in Sue D., who trotted a mile in 2:06 1/2 at Lexington, Ky., not so long ago. This racing stable would make any owner independently rich in one year. It would be the greatest collection that could be got together.

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BOY CUE MARVEL  
AGAIN CHAMPION



The ease with which Willie Hoppe defeated the veteran George Slosson in the 18.1 ball line championship match at Philadelphia seems to prove conclusively that the pupil of the late Jacob Schaefer has no rival with the cue. Not only did Hoppe score a decisive victory, but he established a new average of 23 1/3 for the first night's string of 500 points. In a practice match for the game he established the high run of 155 points.

HARRIERS MAY  
PUT 2 HOCKEY  
TEAMS ON ICE

The regular monthly meeting of this club will be held this evening at 9:30 when prizes will be presented to the winners of the last road race. Arrangements will also be made for entering teams in the junior and intermediate hockey leagues if the members favor the idea.

There is abundance of material for two snappy sevens among the members, should they desire to represent the Y. M. C. A. club.

BOWLERS AT  
PORTLAND, ME.,  
ROLLING HIGH

Local bowlers would apparently have some work cut out for them should they run up against some of the Portland, Maine, bowlers.

In a recent match Pride and Delano bowled and won a five string match against Porter and Nugent with a total pinfall of 1086 to 963. Delano had much the better of the argument having an average of 115 for the five strings.

The following is the score:—  
Pride ... 95 102 101 98 115—511  
Delano ... 110 115 131 117 102—575  
Totals ... 205 217 232 215 217 1086  
Porter ... 97 86 94 108 96—481  
Nugent ... 110 100 85 82 104—482  
Totals ... 207 186 179 191 200—963

GOOD SKATING AND CURLING.

The recent cold weather has caused excellent skating on the ponds and lakes and a large number enjoyed the skating Saturday and yesterday. There was fairly good ice on the Carleton, St. Andrews and Thistle rinks Saturday and there were scratch games in all the rinks.

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ST. F. X. IS  
HEARD FROM

Football Captain Makes Statement Regarding Game With Mount Allison Which Never Took Place--Just Why.

To the Editor of The Standard:  
Sir,—Will you kindly give space in your columns to the following explanation of the St. F. X. M. A. difficulty? The affair has already received a great deal of attention, and I think it only fair, that as no one having authority to speak for the St. F. X. A. A. has yet given our version of the story, I should now proceed to do so.

Our team played Mt. A. at Sackville in October of last year. I was not captain of the team then, and so took no part in arranging a return game. It was the general impression here, however, it arose I cannot say, that a return game was arranged. Consequently when Mt. A. advised us about the last of September, that they could not come to Antigonish unless we could guarantee them enough to almost cover expenses, we thought it unfair. I wrote to the manager of the Mt. A. football team, and stated my mind pretty freely. The manager replied that none of the officers of the Mt. A. association had ever guaranteed a return game. I looked up the letters and telegrams received by the secretary of our association last year, and found that he was quite right.

We still thought, however, that it was only fair that Mt. A. should give us a game under the same conditions they offered us last year, namely, thirty-five dollars for the trip. Our association is a small one, and the paying of eighty or one hundred dollars at the beginning of the season would cripple us financially. We delayed further arrangements for some time, thinking that Mt. A. would come to take our view of the case. I went to see the final game of the Intercollegiate League, and endeavored to arrange a game with the winner. As Mt. A. agreed to play, provided they won Mt. A. would give us the assurance of a game. They promised, however, to consider the matter, and after some time, their manager informed us that a game could not be arranged. The matter was taken up by the Sydney Record, and thence sprung the present discussion.

We have always considered that it is tacitly understood that when one college plays another, it is only a matter of courtesy to give the visitors a game in return. We have met this custom in football and hockey, often that we have met another college in the Maritime Provinces, and have always found them disposed to acknowledge this as an unwritten rule of intercollegiate athletics. We do not think either, that it is fair to ask our association, which is a small one, as I have said, to give a guarantee so much greater than that which we have met in other college games.

I have been handed a clipping from the Montreal Transcript, containing an interview between one, W. A. K. MacQueen, and Capt. Cochrane, of the Mt. A. team. It contains nothing new, except Capt. Cochrane's attempt to pass judgment on the St. F. X. football team. He is reported as saying, "I would like to say that the Xaverians had better not come around here for a game this year, because I am confident that we could have defeated them when our boys were in shape, without a doubt, and not have nearly as hard a game as we had with the Acadia boys in Toronto."

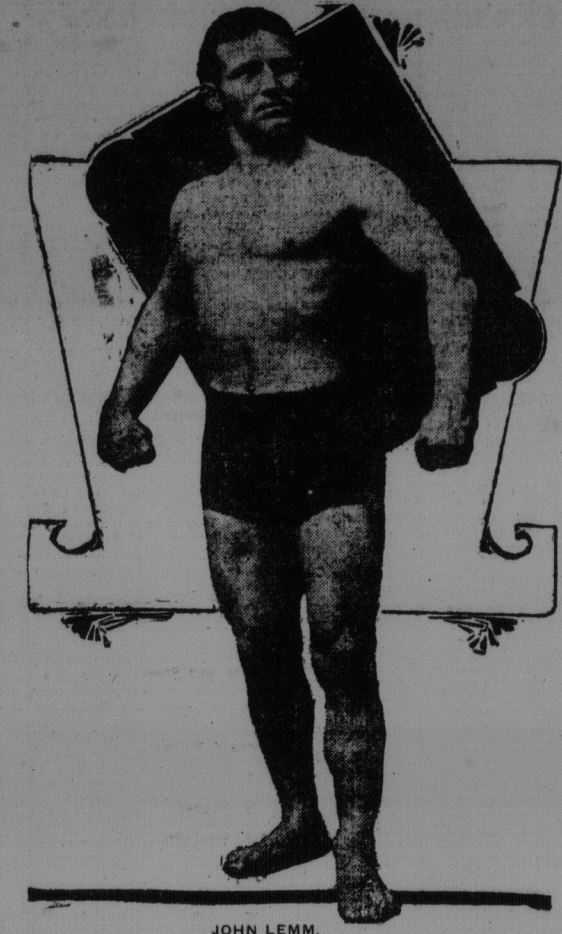
The cocksureness of Mr. Cochrane is certainly refreshing. Where, I should like to know, did he get his knowledge of the ability or lack of ability, of our football team? I think I am in a better position to speak of the relative merits of the teams than he, for I saw Mt. A. play this season. I believe a game between St. F. X. and Mt. A. would be a hard one, with the odds, however, in our favor. The Mt. A. team certainly show up well in tackling, but I think this advantage would be more than counterbalanced by the weight and steadiness of our scrum, our superiority in heeling and our faster half line. This however, is by the way, and if Capt. Cochrane really gave the fireworks exhibition which Mr. MacQueen attributes to him I think I am quite safe in leaving the matter to the fair judgment of your readers.

Now a word as to the offer we made Mt. A. Our secretary offered to have the team go up, paying all expenses, and meeting Mt. A. on Saturday afternoon, during the regular recreation hour. We fail to see how they could have lost any time by this arrangement. On this point, however, I shall not presume to pass judgment, leaving the drawing of conclusions from insufficient premises to those who have already demonstrated their ability in this direction. Moreover, we never even thought that a victory over Mt. A. would give us a title to be called intercollegiate champions. We simply looked for what we thought we had a right to look for, namely, a return game and a chance to retrieve our defeat of last year.

Finally, for the information of Mr. MacQueen, I may say that St. F. X. did not send a representative to the meeting of the intercollegiate hockey league held in St. John last season. I was a member of the hockey committee last year, and can say positively that no one was authorized to represent us at that meeting; neither was an attempt made to get into the intercollegiate football league. I should advise Mr. MacQueen to be more careful in the future, and not to make assertions without being reasonably certain that he can back them up. As to the number of teams we have beaten this year, I may say that we played all the games we could arrange, and did not suffer any defeats, which is more than can be said for one of the strongest aggregations in the Maritime Provinces.

A. D. CAMPBELL,  
Capt. St. F. X. Football Team.

SWISS WRESTLER  
AFTER EASY MONEY



JOHN LEMM.  
John Lemm, the Swiss heavy-weight, who won the international tournament in England a couple of years ago, is in this country looking after some of that easy money the wrestling promoters are getting from the dear old public, for the elimination matches for the "heavyweight" championship.

M'AVITYS AND HAYWARDS  
WINNERS IN COMMERCIAL

In the Commercial league series on Saturday evening a double header was played, when the T. S. Simms team went down to defeat twice, the winning team being T. McAvity & Sons, with three points to 1, and the S. Hayward team with a clean four points to the good. The bowlers for the brush factory did not seem to be rolling in form and were also unfortunate in their breaks. The scores follow:

T. McAvity	74	80	75	229-76 1-3
R. Simms	66	84	70	220-73 1-3
S. Simms	65	86	86	217-72 1-3
Laskey	79	103	84	266-88 2-3
Pugh	370	406	388	1164
S. Hayward	91	100	91	282-94
Bartsh	83	79	92	254-84 2-3
Cromwell	90	85	98	274-91 1-3
Law	89	92	64	246-82
Arrowsmith	74	73	92	239-79 2-3
Sullivan	427	431	437	1295
T. S. Simms	86	89	82	257-85 2-3
Connell	66	68	66	200-66 2-3
R. Simms	72	76	77	225-75
Dummer	80	71	59	210-70
Laskey	78	76	86	240-80
Pugh	382	380	370	1132
T. S. Simms	86	73	73	232-77 1-3
Connell				

NO MEN FOR  
WANDERERS

Canadian Hockey Champions  
Have No Players Signed for  
Season -- Ottawa in Same  
Position.

Montreal, Dec. 10.—No player has yet signed up with Wanderers and the club has closed no deal with any player.

The foregoing statement was made last night by Dicky Boon, who has charge of the getting together of a team to represent the champions with reference to a statement made yesterday afternoon that Riley Hern had signed a Wanderer contract. The denial was repeated by Eddy McCaffery, who has been looking after the business end of the club's affairs, while Mr. Boon has been dealing with the players.

I should like very much to be able to announce that Hern had signed up with Wanderers," said Mr. Boon. "We want him and we hope to get him, but he has entered into no agreement with us as yet. For one thing, he could not have signed a contract as we have not yet received contract forms."

The situation between players and club remained in statu quo yesterday. There were hopes on Thursday that the club would be able to announce the conclusion of a deal with one player, but the announcement was not forthcoming. At the same time the postponement of an announcement does not mean that the position of affairs has changed. A day one way or the other does not matter much at this stage of the negotiations and the club may be able to spring an announcement by Monday morning that will surprise the fans both here and away. There has been no hitch in any recent negotiations because of the deferring of a definite announcement of the signing of a player.

Canadians, in addition to Lalonde, now claim to have Laviolette and also state that they will get Pitre. But there can be no formal contract of the simple reason that there are no contract forms ready.

Emmett Quinn, president of the league, left last night for Ottawa and Renfrew. He stated that he had other business than hockey to transact, but hockey will no doubt take up part of his time.

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