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## Beavers And Verdun Play 3-3 Draw At Saint John

### Simmerings Around The Sport Front

**(BY VINCENT HONAN)**  
Canadian Press Staff Writer  
NEW YORK, Dec. 28 (CP)—Joe Gould, who piloted Jim Bradlock from relief work on the docks to the world's heavyweight title, says he knows nothing about the Cinderella man's reported comeback plans. "I didn't ask him to put on his gloves again," said Joe. "If he does, he's on his own hook." Meaning the chatter along Fifth Avenue boulevard is that Bradlock, pretty broke now, has been working out lately, would accept a match with Lou Nova.

Manager Joe McCarthy's Christmas present from his world champion New York Yankees was a silver plaque inscribed by 23 players and officials of the club to Joe's "kindness and loyalty as a manager." "It was a wonderful compliment," said Joe. "They showed me a blueprint early last season with their names inscribed as 1938 winners. Then they just picked up their bats, went out and made good."

A former Montreal Maroon player now with Chicago Black Hawks figures at least part of the trouble with Montreal Canadians, floundering at the bottom of the National Hockey League, comes from the fact Maroons who joined the inhabitants aren't "hitting it off" with their former intracity rivals. "If they don't pull together they can't play together," quoted the Red Bird turned Hawk.

Members of the New York Hockey Writers' Association are sharpening their skates and laying in supplies—fluid and otherwise—for the Association's annual New Year's eve whoopee in Madison Square Garden. . . . highlight of the evening again will be a shingy game between Canadian Press' New York staffers versus rest of the Hockey Writers' Assn. . . . Art Ross of Boston Bruins will be in town and will be invited to show if he still can lug a punk better bring your helmet Arthur, as three men went to hospital for minor repairs in last year's fracas.

P.S. The regular batter-outer of these sport simmers, Alan Randal (known in the trade as "KO") is abed with a slight chill. Mrs. K. O. hopes he'll be back to be should be round-and-about tomorrow.

SAINT JOHN, N. B., Dec. 28—(CP)—Saint John Beavers held the fast, powerful Verdun Maple Leafs to a 3-3 tie in an exhibition hockey match here tonight and proved it was no fluke when they edged the Quebec Senior League team 3-2 Monday.

Last night Verdun licked Halifax Wolves 6-1 at the latter city. The next game between Maple Leafs and Beavers will be played at Moncton Friday and the last at Saint John next Monday.

The fans were pleased tonight by the fastest and best game seen here this season. Verdun outscored Beavers 2-1 in the first period, and after a scoreless middle session Saint John reversed matters by counting two against one for the visitors.

Seemingly not the least tired from traveling and playing three games in as many nights, Maple Leafs kept up a hot pace throughout the game.

In the first period Saint John played mostly on the defence. Burke scoring on a combination play on one of the few occasions the Beavers broke away. Phillips and D'Amore tangled, drawing major penalties, and Laforce received a misconduct for arguing with the referee.

Smart and Meronek, both assisted, tallied Verdun's first-period goals.

Beavers came out of their shell more frequently in the second session, which was barren of penalties and in the third both teams went at it hammer and tongs.

Riley went through all the Maple Leafs to tie the count at 2-2. C. Bourcier, assisted by Laforce, then made it 3-2 for Verdun, and Burke helped Price to create the final deadlock. The last period was fought without penalties. Both goalies were kept busy.

Linesup:—  
Verdun: Goal Eley, defence, Laforce, Gallagher, centre, Meronek, wings, Hardy, Smart; subs: Jotkus, White, J. Bourcier, D'Amore, Martel, C. Bourcier, Pelissier.  
Saint John: Goal Dickie, defence, Riley, Phillips, centre, Baird, wings, Russell, Kelly; subs: Burke, Livingston, Marshall, Monecy, Price, J. L. Bourcier.  
Officials—Johnny Lifford, Saint John; Joe Payne, Saint John.

**SUMMARY**  
First Period  
1. Saint John, Burke (Gulliver, Riley) 6:15.  
2. Verdun, Smart (Hardy, Meronek) 11:31.  
3. Verdun, Meronek (C. Bourcier) 18:30.  
Penalties—Phillips (Major), D'Amore (Major), Laforce (misconduct).  
Second Period  
Scoring—None.  
Penalties—None.  
Third Period  
4. Saint John, Riley 4:10.  
5. Verdun, C. Bourcier (Laforce) 12:50.  
6. Saint John, Price (Burke) 16:45.  
Penalties—None.

## Practice For Midgets

The following are requested to report for practice at the Queen Street rink this morning from 10 to 11. White, Pineau, Duffy, Paquet, McKinnon, LeBlanc, Gallant, Murnaghan, LeClair, Peterson, B. McDougall, Morgan, C. McDougall, Arsenault, and anyone else wishing for a tryout.

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## Smoke Eaters Blank Germans

HAMBURG, Dec. 28 (CP)—Hav-as)—Playing their third game in Germany and their fifth in Europe, Trail Smoke Eaters tonight defeated a picked German hockey team here 6-0.

The British Columbia players have won all their games since they began their European tour at the Hague, Dec. 21.

Eleven thousand spectators saw the Canadians give an exciting exhibition of fast hockey.

In the first period Trail scored five goals in fast succession. The Germans tightened up in the second period, holding the Canadians to a single goal. Two goals were scored in the third period. The German players were constantly on the defensive.

**DIES RURING GAME**  
BURTON, England (CP)—William Harton, 23, football player for Burton Athletic, died in the dressing room after being injured on the field. The game was abandoned.

## Dodgers Will Not Sell Or Trade Mungo

NEW YORK, Dec. 28—Brooklyn Baseball Club has made the approach of the New Year official by issuing its annual announcement that Van Lingle Mungo, the big fireball pitcher with the ailing arm and the sultry disposition, will not be sold or traded "because we expect him to win 30 games for us next season."

This statement, delivered solemnly about this time of year by each succeeding Brooklyn manager, is becoming part of the language. Nobody seems to know why the Dodgers feel this way about Mungo, for in eight successive seasons at Ebbets Field he has been only an expensive "promise." But they do.

Probably it is because Mungo is a fastball pitcher. When his arm feels right and he isn't nursing a grudge against one or more of his teammates, Mungo is tremendously fast—almost as fast as Johnson.

Every other club in the National League has at one time or another tried to buy or trade for Mungo. Just a year ago the Chicago Cubs offered \$75,000 and four players for the mountain boy. Brooklyn held on to their "ace," and he won four games for them and lost 11.

Mungo's salary for the last several years has been popularly reported at \$15,000. Here's Mungo's big league win and lost record: 1931—3-1; 1932—13-11; 1933—16-15; 1934—18-16; 1935—16-10; 1937—18-19; 1937—9-11; 1938—4-11. Total won 97, lost 84.

Since 1936, when his losses began outnumbering his victories, Mungo's temper has been growing progressively shorter. Picking him up on the opening day of the 1936 race, it is noted he observed the occasion by having a first fight with Dick Bartel and being fined \$25. Thereafter the more notable entries in his diary are:  
June 10, 1936—Quits Dodgers without permission and asked to be traded, charging teammates fail to support him.  
June 11, 1936—Fined \$300 and suspended indefinitely; demands new contract calling for more money. (Doesn't get it.)  
June 25, 1936—Equals major league record by fanning seven Cincinnati batters in succession.  
May 22, 1937—Fined \$1,000 and suspended three days for before dawn fight with his teammate, Jim Bucher.

## Sarnia Star Outstanding Athlete For The Year; Drillon Places Second

TORONTO, Dec. 27—When Sarnia Imperials took that 25-8 drubbing from Toronto Argonauts in the Eastern Canada football final, Hugh Stirling, the magnificent Bomber, whispered he was through with the game. Two weeks ago he announced his retirement in an address to a service club at Sarnia.

A lot of people believe the call of spring training will lure Stirling back, but if he sticks to his decision he will have ended his colorful football career as the outstanding Canadian athlete of 1938. Ten years as a star halfback with Imperials was climaxed for Stirling today with announcement of results of the annual Canadian Press poll to select the best athlete of the year.

Only one sports editor across Canada, voting on the basis of three points for their first choice, two for second and one for third, gave Stirling 36 points to 33 for Gordon Drillon, Toronto Maple Leaf right winger who won the National Hockey League scoring championship in the 1937-38 campaign, his first full one in the N. H. L.

Although 32, the Bomber has retained his terrific punting and blinding power. He won the eastern scoring championship for the second successive year as he led Imperials to their eighth straight Ontario Rugby Football Union championship. Only Arjos stopped him.

Bob Pearce, the giant professional sculling champion from Hamilton, Ont., won third place behind Drillon with 24 points. He has ruled the world's scullers as long as Stirling has been playing senior football.

Last year's winner, Syd Apps of Toronto Maple Leafs received seven votes.

Aug. 28, 1937—Suspended indefinitely without pay by manager Burrell Grimes for "insubordination."  
Jan. 31, 1938 General Manager MacPhail announces Brooklyn will not trade or sell Mungo this year.

## Offer Hubbell New Contract

(A. P. by Guardian's Special Wire)  
NEW YORK, Dec. 28—New York Giants today milled out 1939 contracts to 30 players, including 12 pitchers and three catchers. There were no hold-over contracts from last year.

Though it is uncertain Carl Hubbell's left arm will recover completely from the operation that removed a chip from the elbow, the great screwballer was offered a renewal of his 1938 contract, as also was Hal Schumacher, who underwent a similar operation.

## Grove And Ruffing Share Major Pitching Honors In The American League

(By Tom Siler, Associated Press Sports Writer)  
CHICAGO, Dec. 28—Southpaw Bob Grove's pitching arm went dead last season, but not until he completed a record sufficient to share the American League's major mound honors with big Charlie Ruffing of New York Yankees.

The Boston Red Sox veteran, before retiring to the sidelines, won 14 games and lost four for a .778 percentage and recorded a 3.07 earned run average, top marks in both departments, according to official league averages released today.

Ruffing, working in 31 games, led the loop in victories with 21 while losing seven and ranked next to Grove in the earned run column with a 3.32 mark.

Heavy hitting of the world champion Yankees accounted to some extent for the presence of five New Yorkers among the first 14 regular pitchers. Ruffing and the other four—Vernon Gomez, Monte Pearson, Spurgeon Chandler and Irving Hadley—accounted for 78 of the Yankees' 99 victories. Gomez, whose 2.33 earned run mark was low in 1937, ranked class behind Ruffing in 1938. He allowed 3.35 runs per game while winning 18 and losing 12.

Erick Newton, workhorse of St. Louis Browns, was Ruffing's only companion in the 20 games won class. He took an even 20 decisions and lost 16, working in 350 innings. No other pitcher participated in as many as 300 innings.

Bob Feller, Cleveland's young fireball star, put three new records on the books. He whiffed 18 Detroit batters in a regular nine-inning game, one above the previous mark, and struck out 28 men in 18 consecutive innings. He also fanned 38 men in three straight times on the hill for a new mark.

Feller passed 208 batsmen, the most walks for a single season, but he balanced this by leading the circuit in strikeouts with a total of 240.

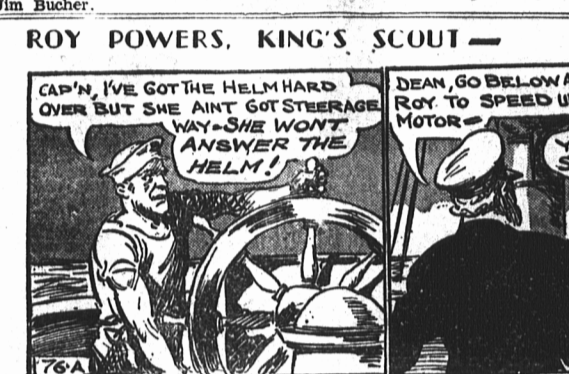
tions to participate in the 1940 Olympic Games. Eight nations now have intimated their intention of competing.

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George W Craig Major

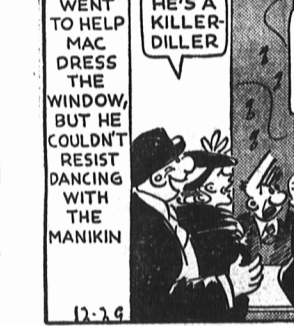
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## TILLIE THE TOILER



## THIMBLE THEATER, STARRING POPEYE



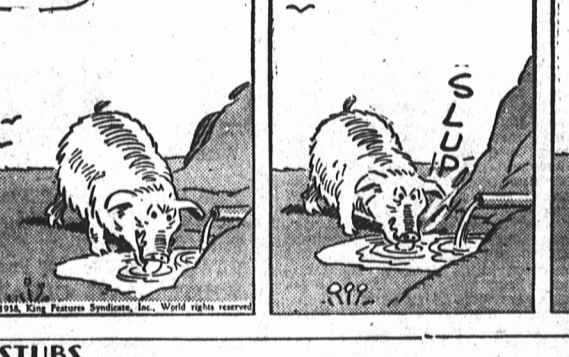
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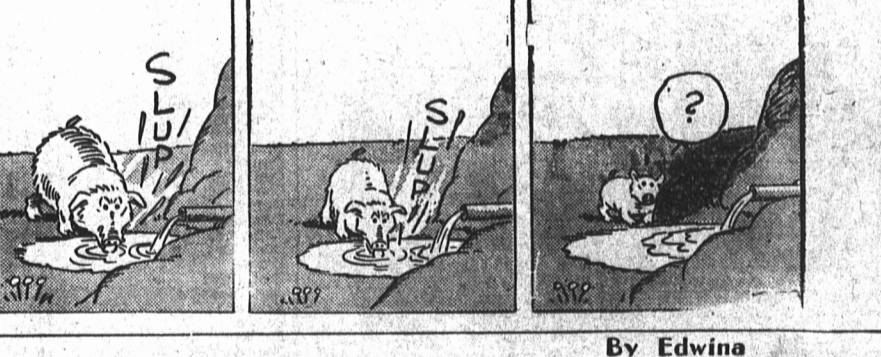
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