

McCloskey Whips Mooney, 3rd Round K. O.

Recovers From 1st Round Knockdown To Retain Crown

Shaking off the effects of a terrific first round attack by his opponent, Bunny "Ace" McCloskey Saturday night retained his Maritime middleweight boxing title by knocking out Irish Jimmy Mooney of Moncton after a minute and 41 seconds of fighting in the third round of a scheduled ten-round scrap. Ringside weights were announced as McCloskey, 158 1-2, Mooney 149. But McCloskey had to do it the hard way to retain his crown as he came off the deck in the first heat to punch out his victory.

Mooney, fast as lightning came out for the first round to take the play away from the champion. After trading lefts the Moncton boy rights to the body and head. McCloskey weathered the storm to get in a couple of belting left hands to the body but with but five seconds to go Mooney again came over with a left followed by a smashing right cross to the chin. McCloskey wavered and then toppled over on his side. He was on one knee when the bell ended the round after the count had reached five.

McCloskey was still wobbly as he came out for the second heat and in the first minute Mooney staggered him with a couple of hard punches. Again the champion weathered the storm of leather being tossed at him and the two willing battlers started to mix matters freely. Then in the last thirty seconds of the heat the tide began to change. McCloskey hooked a whistling left to the stomach followed by a clubbing right to the head. Mooney was stopped short but came roaring back in with a right to the body but just at the bell the winner's deadly left hand caught Mooney flush on the chin to topple the Monctonian to the canvas. He was up immediately to walk unaided to his corner.

Showing plenty of respect for each other they boxed at long range for the first part of the third until McCloskey started to find the range. In a clinch by the ropes McCloskey sent another left hook to the stomach, Mooney clutching at his midsection slumped down on his side and was in the same position as the count reached the fatal ten.

It was a sudden ending to what up to that time had been a savage, slashing battle between two hard hitting battlers with McCloskey displaying all the attributes of a worthy champion by coming back from the verge of a knockout defeat to set his title more firmly on his head.

LeBlanc A Quick Winner

124 lbs. of fighting fury in the person of Young LeBlanc of Moncton, N.B., scored a first round knockout over Bud Lund of Charlottetown in a scheduled 8-round semi-final, knocking the local boy to the canvas with a succession of blows to the mid-section.

Starting out like a Tiger the short stocky LeBlanc bore straight in with a body attack. Lund, again showing poise and ring craft withstood the assault to hammer his opponent with blows around the head but the winner came roaring back again and the end came as they battled along the ropes after a minute and 29 seconds of fighting. Lund, in evident distress had to be helped to his corner and afterwards to his dressing room but the claim of foul by his seconds fell on deaf ears as referee Danny McCormac stated the blow had been perfectly legal landing right at the mid-section.

Benny Matheson of Clyde River once again displaying plenty of punching power snapped off the lights for Dusky McNevin of New Haven by a second round knox, driving in a series of rights and lefts to his opponents face and then letting go with a crashing, looping right to the jaw that ended the rugged encounter after a minute and four seconds of the round.

Slated to go four rounds the fans saw the knockout coming as the pair of willing battlers mixed it up throughout the first two minutes of fighting with both being jarred heavily by soaking tight hand wallops but it was Matheson who carried the necessary ammunition at the end.

Kid Cormier went down to a four round technical knockout defeat at the hands of Tiger Steele in the second bout on the card. Steele had a big margin all the way outboxing his opponent and scoring heavily with right crosses in every heat.

Two youngsters, Curly Adams and Chuck Heustis, put on a whole of a show in the curtain raiser with Adams, giving away weight and reach, and continually on the offensive punching his way to a decision victory after four blistering rounds that saw the big crowd applaud the kids' efforts heartily.

Officials were: Albert Nickerson, Danny McCormac; Judges—John Cameron, John Donnelly; Timers—Dr. F. C. Dougan, E. R. A. Scam; knock-down timer—Dr. F. Scam; announcer—W. H. Boston.

REMEMBER WHEN

Navy Cooper, former Hamilton, Ont., coed, met with Tommy Armour in the United States open golf championship 20 years ago today. Armour won the title by three strokes in the 18-hole playoff. Both finalists have won many important events since then, including...

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Junior Ball League Opener This Evening

Junior Kinsmen and Junior K. of C. baseball squads open the Junior Baseball League at the Park diamond this evening at 5:45 sharp and baseball followers who have been following the workouts of late are predicting one of the closest league races in Junior ball circles in years.

There seems to be very little to choose between all three squads entered. The Recce regiment team, third member of the league, have been displaying many fine efforts also and are even money bets with the other pair.

Tonight's game marks the revival of the Junior League that proved so successful in pre-war years. Officials in charge have put a lot of time and energy into organization work; there has been a record response in the number of players trying for berths on all three clubs and if the fans furnish the co-operation expected the success of the league rests assured while the ultimate winners should be well qualified to furnish hot competition in Island and Maritime playdowns.

After a lapse of several years the Junior baseball league comes back to the City tonight when Knights of Columbus and Kinsmen, two organizations who have shown decided interest in the developing of young athletes send out capable squads for the opening game of the schedule.

Working out for the past month or so at every opportunity tonight's opposing squads should give the fans plenty to talk over. Both teams are well stocked with capable ball tossers while the newcomers to organized ball will rapidly gain experience needed to fit into the picture smoothly at a later date.

Interest displayed by the players and officials connected with the league augurs well for its success but the fans can also take a prominent part in the coming scheme of things by their attendance at the encounters.

Their presence at the games may not mean very much to the fans at the moment but it means a lot to the youngsters themselves. Some how or other they will give extra efforts once they note a large crowd of people are interested in them. As a result their game will improve and that is just the reason why the league has been formed in an effort to mould players for future senior teams that it is hoped will enable them to battle right down to the wire in the senior playdowns.

And then again there is nothing more discouraging for a bunch of youngsters to perform before a mere handful of fans who by their indifference show plainly they care little about the league. Very quickly the players themselves will show the same indifferent attitude in their play and if that happens, foldup of the league can be visualized easily.

But judging by comments heard since the league was first considered it is likely that attendances will reach a new high during the schedule that makes its debut tonight. Tonight is the time to show your interest and give the league a rousing send-off.

"Ace" McCloskey proved to all and sundry Saturday night that he can not only hand out punishment but when the occasion arises can also take plenty of it and come back and win a fight that Saturday night was only a mere four seconds away from turning into a defeat.

Opinions to the contrary McCloskey was in bad shape when the bell sounded a reprieve for him in the first round. Mooney was not pulling any punches when he fired his heavy artillery in that slashing, punishing first three minutes. McCloskey was on "queer street" when he went to his corner but his splendid condition plus the fighting heart that beats inside of him brought him back to hurl back the stiffest challenge he ever met in a local ring.

Despite the shortness of the main event, in fact knockouts were coming thick and fast all evening, there was enough action crammed into the little over seven minutes of fighting to satisfy the majority of those present.

From here on promoters Archer and McLellan plan to send the Ace out after bigger game. Possibility of his meeting Roger Whynter here in the near future was seen last night and if it occurs Bunny will get a chance to add the Canadian middleweight title to his trophy room. Definite information is expected on the subject within the next couple of days and if negotiations are successful the Forum should be the scene of the biggest fight mob in the Island's history.

Postponing of the City Baseball League encounter yesterday afternoon between Rovers and Anchors proved disappointing to a large number of spectators. However it was felt that the diamond was in no condition to play over after the heavy rain of Saturday night and Sunday morning and the officials' move in cancelling it was evidently the only one to make.

But in future should the same state of affairs exist it might be a good move if some public announcement were made a couple of hours previous to game time and by so doing eliminate much of the disappointment expressed yesterday.

Charlottetown Dog Completes Ch'ship

Dusky's Queen, dam Dusky D. of Blue Wing, sire, Island Prince, owned and bred by E. Frank Acorn of Charlottetown, completed her championship at the Saint John dog show by winning best of breed at both shows. This female has never been beaten in her class since shown and at Saint John in her group she was second to Linden's Major who was best dog in the show.

Queenie will be turned over to Mr. Bill Kull the noted American dog trainer to finish her training for the field trials to try for her dual championship which is the ambition of every breeder in the sporting dog class, the field dog and the bench dog.

Baseball Standings

| American | W | L | Pct. |
|--------------|----|----|------|
| New York | 30 | 23 | .566 |
| Detroit | 27 | 22 | .551 |
| Boston | 27 | 22 | .551 |
| Philadelphia | 26 | 26 | .500 |
| Cleveland | 21 | 22 | .489 |
| Washington | 22 | 25 | .468 |
| Chicago | 25 | 30 | .454 |
| St. Louis | 21 | 29 | .420 |

| National | W | L | Pct. |
|--------------|----|----|------|
| Boston | 30 | 22 | .577 |
| New York | 28 | 21 | .571 |
| Chicago | 29 | 22 | .569 |
| Brooklyn | 27 | 25 | .519 |
| Cincinnati | 26 | 29 | .473 |
| St. Louis | 24 | 28 | .461 |
| Philadelphia | 24 | 30 | .444 |
| Pittsburgh | 20 | 31 | .392 |

| International | W | L | Pct. |
|---------------|----|----|------|
| Montreal | 34 | 17 | .667 |
| Jersey City | 32 | 22 | .593 |
| Syracuse | 27 | 20 | .575 |
| Baltimore | 24 | 27 | .471 |
| Buffalo | 23 | 27 | .460 |
| Newark | 22 | 27 | .449 |
| Rochester | 21 | 31 | .404 |
| Toronto | 20 | 32 | .385 |

Bowling

CHTOWN ALLEYS

Candlepin Finals

| | | | | |
|--------------|-------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Champs:— | J. McDonald | 110 | 121 | 81 |
| | J. Power | 92 | 82 | 96 |
| | J. Poulton | 100 | 109 | 95 |
| | E. Larter | 96 | 93 | 95 |
| | E. Rice | 82 | 81 | 85 |
| Total—1420. | | | | |
| Old Timers:— | E. Doucette | 87 | 81 | 69 |
| | V. Coyne | 82 | 87 | 99 |
| | J. Cameron | 92 | 99 | 101 |
| | R. Duncan | 82 | 113 | 86 |
| | F. Doucette | 91 | 90 | 85 |
| Total—1374. | | | | |

High single J. McDonald 121.
High three J. McDonald 312.
Tonight at 8:30 Old Timers vs Champs.

Legion Practice

Legion Practice at 5:45 Monday evening on K. of C. diamond. It is important that all players attend.

ley Crockett Trophy and city school baseball title at the Park diamond this afternoon and large crowds of pupils from both schools are expected to take in the tilt. Although easy winners last year Queen Square will face a doubly dangerous squad of West Kent ball tossers this season and previous predictions have the series going the limit before a winner.

Opening Of Tennis Club On Saturday

The official opening of the Charlottetown Tennis Club on Saturday was the scene of much activity when about 50 playing members were on hand to keep the six courts in constant use from about two in the afternoon until about eight that evening.

Besides the local members, there was an officer from the French Frigate L'Aventure, a guest of the P. E. I. Travel Bureau, who was much impressed with the beautiful site where the club is situated and the splendid condition of the courts, for which much credit is due to the president and the fine co-operation of the club members.

A most delicious afternoon tea

Baseball Results

SATURDAY'S GAMES

AMERICAN LEAGUE

St. Louis 000 000 310—4 7 3
New York 400 201 23x—12 18 1
Potter, Iott and Early, Moss; Reynolds and Houk.
All other games postponed, rain.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

First Game:

Brooklyn 010 000 020—3 9 3
St. Louis 001 220 00x—5 12 1
Branca, Chandler, King and Bragan; Brazle and Garagiola.

Second Game:

Brooklyn 000 000 002—2 7 1
St. Louis 014 023 11x—12 14 0
Barney, Chandler, Behrman and Hodges; Brecheen and Garagiola.

New York 000 100 200—3 8 0
Cincinnati 110 002 00x—4 8 2
Kosio, Trinkle and Cooper; Blackwell and Lamanno.

Philadelphia 010 000 002—3 9 0
Chicago 020 002 20x—6 8 0
Leonard and Seminick; Wyse, Kush and McCullough.
Boston at Pittsburgh postponed, rain.

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

Montreal 003 010 002—6 9 1
Newark 010 010 010—3 10 1
Heusser, Smolko and Campanella; Russo, Ames and Lollar.
All other games postponed, rain.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Philadelphia 000 010 401—6 14 2
Chicago 100 000 000—1 5 1
Rowe and Seminick; Schmitz, Lee, Meyer, Meers and McCullough.

Brooklyn 000 000 030—3 7 1
St. Louis 031 022 21x—11 17 1
Hatten, Gregg and Pagan; Pollet and Rice.

First

Boston 003 161 020—18 15 4
Pittsburgh 000 002 011—4 9 1
Spahn and Masi; Strincevich, Singleton, Bagby and Jarvis.

Second

Boston 000 014 001—12 14 1
Pittsburgh 020 001 000—3 5 2
Sain and Camelli; Roe, Higbe, Herring, Singleton, Bahr and Sullivan, Jarvis.

First

New York 000 000 102—3 9 1
Cincinnati 000 001 21x—4 7 1
Hartung and W. Cooper; Vandermeer and Mueller.

New York 000 500 310—9 18 0
Cincinnati 000 000 001—1 7 0
Kennedy and Lombardi; Walters, Heiki, Erault, Riddle, Lively and Lamanno.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

First

Chicago 000 300 000—3 7 3
Boston 200 004 10x—7 7 0
Gillespie, Lee, Caldwell and Tresh; Hughson, Dorish and Tebbets.

Second

Chicago 002 002 000—4 8 0
Boston 004 000 004—8 11 0
Grove and Dickey; Dobson and Partee.

First

Detroit 000 000 000—0 8 3
Washington 000 001 00x—1 6 0
Newhouse and Wagner; Masterson and Ferrell.

Second

Detroit 001 000 000—1 7 0
Washington 202 001 00x—5 8 1
Overmire, Truck, Gorsica and Swift; Haefner and Evans.

First

St. Louis 000 101 200—4 7 0
New York 300 214 00x—10 16 0
Kramer, Galehouse, Zolack and Early; Chandler and Robinson.

Second

St. Louis 000 010 000—1 6 0
New York 100 000 10x—2 7 0
Munierief and Moss; Gumbert and Berra.

First

Cleveland 020 110 010—5 10 0
Philadelphia 100 001 000—2 7 0
Harder, Kileman and Heganz; Fowler, Savage, Coleman and Rosar.

Second

Cleveland 020 000 200—4 9 0
Philadelphia 001 000 23x—6 8 1
Gettel, Embree, Stephens, Gromek, Kileman, Mellis and Heganz; Flores, McCahan, Christopher and Guerra, Rosar.

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

First

Montreal 020 030 000—5 8 0
Newark 000 000 000—0 0 0
Vanuyk and Campanella; Karpel, Gaudet, Lollar, and Lollar.

Second

Montreal 101 000 04—6 8 2
Newark 000 000 21x—8 8 1
(8 innings)

Kehn, Bawa and Campanella; Pilette, Mallette, Mustelkie and Drecher, Lollar.

First

Toronto 000 000 000—0 2 2
Syracuse 090 011 00x—2 7 0
Deal and Desautels; Wehmeyer and Just.

Second

Toronto 200 000 1—3 8 0
Syracuse 010 000 0—1 4 0
Konstanty and Batts; Schultz and West.

First

Buffalo 000 100 000—1 4 0
Baltimore 000 001 10x—2 4 0
Hausmann and Mordarski; Kuzava and Weigel.

Second

Buffalo 100 001 1—3 8 0
Baltimore 000 000 1—1 2 0
Muller, Gaudet, Lollar, and Lollar.

Braves In Top Place In National League Race; Yanks Top American

(By The Canadian Press)

Boston Braves vaulted into first place in the National League standings Sunday as they hammered the hapless Pittsburgh Pirates twice, 13-4 and 12-3, in a twin bill at Forbes Field.

That double victory, as the New York Giants split with Cincinnati, gave Braves a one-half game lead over Giants who had set the pace the past week. After Cincinnati took the opener 4-3 as Johnny Vandermeer bested rookie Clint Har'ung, Johnny Mize blasted his 17th homer in the nightcap to lead Mel Ott's men to a 9-1 triumph.

St. Louis Cardinals, clicking in high gear at long last, walloped their old foes from Brooklyn 11-3 behind the seven-hit twirling of Howie Pollet to take a firm grip on sixth place, half a game behind Cincinnati.

Philadelphia Phillies won their first game of the season from Chicago Cubs, 6-1 as Schoolboy Rowe snapped a five-game Cub winning streak for his eighth victory. The Phillies, behind the veteran's five-hit pitching, won their first game in 10 starts against the Bruins.

Cubs, who took over the lead with a Saturday win, dropped back to third.

Southpaw Warren Spahn became the first game winner in the majors this season as he notched a nine-hit victory in the opener against the color-dwelling Pirates. Johnny Sain held the Bucs to five safeties in the nightcap.

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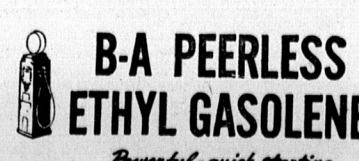
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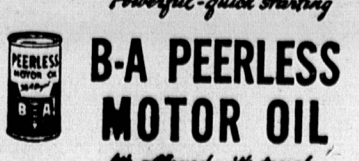
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